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OREGON STATE NEWS OF GENERAL INTEREST

Brief Resume of Happenings of the Week Collected for Our Readers.

J. C. Lonquist, 27, was killed at the Jones Logging company camp eight miles west of Vernonia when a tree fell on him.

Total shipments of horticultural and agricultural products from Hood River county for the past season have reached 4535 cars.

Postmaster Hagaman at Milwaukie reports last year's business as the biggest in the history of the institution. The office was established in 1848.

Charles Hasness of Lyons, near Selo, has lost 30 hogs during the last few days from what is thought to be ptomaine poisoning caused from feeding valley green corn.

A night school for farmers, sponsored by the agricultural department of the Newberg high school, will begin a 10 weeks' session at Newberg the latter part of this month.

The survey for the extension of the standard construction on the Nehalem highway has been pushed as far as the Fishhawk Falls by A. F. Danielson, Clatsop county engineer.

The Tigard school bus ran into a tree near Progress last week. Children on the front seat with the driver were thrown through the windshield, but no serious injuries resulted.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Pike, Willowa county pioneers, celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary at Willowa last week. Both are in excellent health. Mr. Pike is 85 and Mrs. Pike 81.

The Klamath Falls city library board accepted the new \$40,000 city library, just completed, it was announced. The building will be opened to the public within a few weeks.

A report made public by Will Moore, state insurance commissioner, shows that the receipts of his department for 1926 totaled \$695,126.98, or \$59,187.68 more than for the previous year.

Clifton Campeau, 5 1/2 years old, was shot and killed by his playmate, Robert Epley, aged 7, in the basement of the Epley home in Portland last week. The boys did not know the gun was loaded.

COMMITTEE-PASSES McNARY-HAUGEN BILL

Chairman Instructed to Ask for an Early Vote on the Measure.

Washington, D. C.—The house agriculture committee approved the McNary-Haugen farm relief bill by a vote of 13 to 8.

The vote was taken after a motion to substitute the Curtis-Crisp bill failed, 16 to 5. The Curtis-Crisp bill received 10 votes against 11 for the McNary-Haugen bill.

The committee's action ended a hard three day fight over the proposal for an equalization fee levied on basic crops to control crop surpluses. This principle is included in the McNary-Haugen bill.

Throughout the long struggle over farm relief the equalization fee has been the principal point of divergence. Among those who favor the fee are southern democrats who do not, however, want it imposed upon cotton immediately because, they contended, the industry cannot stand it for two years.

Chairman Haugen was instructed to ask the rules committee to provide for an early house vote, on the proposal, which is certain to face a bitter fight if it is called upon before March 4 adjournment.

A measure to encourage agricultural extension work by states was offered by Senator Capper, republican, Kansas, providing for a federal appropriation of \$480,000 for the first year to be divided equally between the states.

Each year the appropriation would be increased by \$500,000 until the end of the 11th year, when an annual appropriation of \$6,000,000 would be authorized.

TRUCE IN MEXICAN OIL CONTROVERSY

Mexico City—A temporary truce in the oil laws controversy seemed assured after a conference between Secretary of Industry Morones and attorneys for the petroleum companies.

While official comment was withheld, authoritative sources close to the oil group said the controversy has been temporarily sidetracked and danger of further dispute removed pending settlement by the supreme court.

It was understood that under the accord reached at the conference the oil companies involved in the dispute have been assured that their demands will be temporarily granted "for all practical purposes" of operation.

It was said injunctions would be granted the oil companies by the government which will permit the companies to operate without interference under the disputed laws.

Whether such action would settle the issues advanced by the United States—namely, that the land and petroleum laws of January 1 are both confiscatory and retroactive—cannot be determined at present, it was said.

SECOND SHERMAN COUNTY OLDER GIRLS CONFERENCE

Under Auspices of Council of Religious Education

January 29 - 30, 1927
Methodist and Christian Churches
Wasco, Oregon

SATURDAY EVENING — Methodist Church

4:00 Registration — Fee 50 cents.
6:00 Banquet — Given by Wasco.
Toastmistress Ruth Bryant
(a) Roll call
"What I Want My Husband To Be."
(b) A Story by Una Davies

7:30 Singing.
7:40 Story of Conference Song Dorothy Foss
7:45 Talk I Mrs. Ferguson
8:05 Welcome Georgia Striker
8:10 Response Velma Fraley
8:15 Announcements.
8:20 Theme Una Davies
8:25 Pageant "The Quest for Light."
8:55 "Let Your Light So Shine" Mentally Mrs. Bryant
9:15 Special Music.
9:20 "Let Your Light So Shine" Socially Mrs. McKee
9:40 Bible Baseball.
10:00 Benediction.

SUNDAY MORNING — Methodist Church

10:00 Sunday School.
11:00 Church.
Reading: "Bridge of the Gods" Mrs. Ferguson

SUNDAY AFTERNOON — Christian Church

2:00 Singing.
2:15 Talk II Mrs. Ferguson
2:35 Appointment of Committees.
2:40 "Let Your Light So Shine" Physically Mrs. Cofer
3:00 Conference Groups.
Sunday School Officers Catherine Blood
Sunday School Teachers Bessie Andersen
Class Members Jessie Belshee
3:35 "Let Your Light So Shine" Spiritually Mrs. Feenstra
3:55 Special Music.
4:00 Open Forum Mrs. Johnson

SUNDAY EVENING — Christian Church

7:30 Singing.
7:45 Talk III Mrs. Ferguson
8:05 Announcements.
8:10 Election of Conference Officers.
8:20 Report of Resolutions Committee.
8:25 A souvenir from Geneva? Una Davies
8:35 Election of State Conference Delegates.
8:45 Collection.
8:50 Speech Miss Maude Aldrich
9:35 Report of Future Plans committee.
9:40 Pageant "Quest for Light."
10:00 Benediction.

CONFERENCE SONG: "Let The Lower Lights be Burning."

COUNTY GIRLS' CONFERENCE OFFICERS

President Georgia Striker
Vice President Velma Fraley
Secretary Evelyn Christianson

SPEAKERS

Mrs. Jean M. Johnson
General Secretary of Oregon Council of Religious Education

Mrs. J. E. Ferguson
Officer of Oregon Council of Religious Education
President of Hood River Council of Religious Education

Miss Maude Aldrich
Member of National W. C. T. U.
Member of National Motion Picture Committee.
National Secretary of Department of Family Life and Moral Welfare under the Presbyterian Board of Christian Education

"QUEST FOR LIGHT"

Girl Evelyn Christianson
Education Catherine Blood
Religious Education Una Davies

COMPANIONS ALONG THE WAY

Duty becomes Joy — Bernice Howell
Love Velma Fraley
Sacrifice becomes Peace — Emily Belshee
Intelligence Georgia Striker
Gold Elsie Rogers
Struggle becomes Victory — Mary Fortner
Health Virginia Smith
Humility becomes Honor — Rose Mary Walker
Time Velma Powell

COOLIDGE OUTLINES MEXICAN POLICY

Basis of Attitude Protection of Lives and Property of Americans.

Washington, D. C. — While senate and house were debating on the Mexican-Nicaraguan imbroglio, the White House took occasion to again outline the attitude of the administration toward Mexico's land and oil regulations.

It was explained that President Coolidge regards the controversy between the United States and Mexico over oil and land laws as boiled down to the single question: "Shall the property of American citizens in Mexico be confiscated, or taken without being paid for?"

Coolidge feels that every step taken by his direction in regard to the new Mexican laws has been taken with that in mind, and for the purpose of preventing confiscation.

So far as Nicaragua is concerned the president feels that the Monroe Doctrine has a specific place in connection with the administration's policy. In view of the fact that other powers do not send forces into Central or South America countries to protect their own nationals and their interests, it is their custom to notify the United States when they regard their nationals as in jeopardy, in order that the Washington government may first determine, in the light of the Monroe Doctrine, what action is called for.

In the case of Nicaragua, two European countries informed the Washington government of fears entertained for their nationals in Nicaragua and the president took the view that this aspect of the question could not be disregarded.

MERGER OF NORTHERN RAILROADS PROPOSED

St. Paul, Minn.—Definite plans for the merger of the Great Northern and the Northern Pacific railways may be ready for presentation to the interstate commerce commission within 90 days.

This information was given by Ralph Budd, president of the Great Northern, who said details of the plan are being worked out now in frequent conferences of the rail officials.

Through ownership of 97 per cent of the stock of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroad, these roads also would control operation of that line, effecting a system totaling 28,000 miles.

If the merger is approved by the interstate commerce commission the consolidated system will have a capitalization of more than \$550,000,000 and a combined valuation of around \$1,500,000,000.

Work on the proposed merger plan is progressing, Mr. Budd said, but any announcement that it is complete "is premature and inaccurate."

When the plan is perfected, it is the intention of the roads to make its details known to officials in states through which the three lines operate, before seeking approval of the federal commission.

CANADA EXPORTS RUM

\$20,000,000 Worth of Liqueur Sent to United States Ports.

Vancouver, B. C.—That Canada exported liquor to the value of \$20,000,000 to the United States since the anti-smuggling treaty was signed, was the announcement made by Canadian government officials.

It is illegal to ship liquor to the United States, but the laws of Canada states that Canadian customs officials cannot refuse clearance to a ship loaded with liquor provided that ship shows every evidence of being able to make the trip.

While this announcement was made from Ottawa, local customs officials stated that if the Canadian customs on the Atlantic side has been clearing liquor-laden ships for United States ports, it is more than the officials on the Pacific have been doing. Not since the treaty has been signed nor for some time before has the local customs department cleared a ship with liquor for the United States.

Co-Operative Berry Men Organize.
Sumner, Wash.—Co-operative berry growers and packers of Washington and Oregon organized here under the name of the Berry Growers' Foundation, and made plans to spend \$50,000 a year for the next five years in a national advertising campaign.

Marx Again is German Chancellor.
Berlin.—Wilhelm Marx was designated by President Von Hindenburg to succeed himself as German chancellor. Marx was defeated in the reichstag before the holidays and resigned.

Hotel Moro

G. A. WILLIAMS, Manager

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Moro Hotel Barber Shop
Moro, Oregon

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and Shingle Bobbing

BATHS

PUBLISHERS MANDAMUSED

Court Orders State Board of Education to Appear January 26.

Salem, Or.—An alternate writ of mandamus was issued in the Marion county circuit court here in proceedings brought by Row, Peterson & Co. to compel the state board of education to enter into contracts with the plaintiff publishing corporation for furnishing textbooks for the public schools of Oregon adopted at a meeting of the state textbook commission held in Salem last November.

It was set out in the complaint that the textbook commission awarded to Row, Peterson & Co. the contract for the Brown-Eldredge arithmetic, but that the state board of education has refused to execute or carry out the terms of the authorization.

Judge McMahon has fixed Wednesday, January 26, as the date upon which the state board of education shall appear in court.

Government Offers Pulp Timber.

Washington, D. C.—To assist in the establishment of a paper manufacturing industry in Alaska, producing at least a million tons of paper a year, and to relieve to some extent the necessity for American users buying from Canadian and Newfoundland mills, the government offered through the forest service for competitive bidding, two of the largest timber tracts it ever has offered. Each embraces 5,000,000 000 board feet of pulp wood timber.

Gold Storage of Foods on Increase.

Washington, D. C.—Larger stocks of poultry, meats, lard and apples were on hand in gold storage January 1 than on that date a year ago, the department of agriculture announced. Supplies of butter, cheese and eggs in gold storage were smaller than a year ago.