

OREGON STATE NEWS OF GENERAL INTEREST

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

A new American Legion post has been organized at Huntington. The name of the post was not decided upon.

The Eugene Shrine club, which has been inactive for two years, has been reorganized, and George W. Monroe is president.

Bids for the construction of a men's dormitory were opened by the building committee of the regents of Oregon State college last week.

The state highway load limit between La Grande and Pendleton, on the Old Oregon Trail, has been raised from 6500 to 8500 pounds.

Delight Phipps, well-known Medford man, has been appointed district state fire warden to succeed P. B. Lowd, who recently resigned to enter business.

Washington's birthday will no longer be a holiday at the University of Oregon. It was voted by members of the faculty at the faculty meeting last week.

Washington county had a one-day poultry school at Forest Grove last Saturday. The session was held in the Forest Grove chamber of commerce.

Jail records show that during the year 1927 there were 101 prisoners locked up in the Yamhill county jail, the largest number ever in the jail in one year.

City mail delivery was started Monday morning at Coquille. Eighty-five per cent of the patrons of the office receive their mail twice a day from two carriers.

A proposal to issue \$50,000 bonds for the establishment of an airport in Salem probably will be submitted to the voters of that city at the primary election May 18.

Tentative dates for the third annual daffodil show at Forest Grove have been fixed by the executive board of the Washington County Daffodil association for March 29 to 31.

Reorganization of the Condon band took place last week. Frank Hollen is manager, but who is to be bandmaster has not been settled. Forty sets of books have been sent for.

The new Hood River airport, dedicated last Monday, had its first accident when Gordon Mounce, a Portland pilot, lost a wheel in landing. His plane tilted and a wing was ripped.

Five boxes of Oregon strawberries, first of the season, arrived in Portland last week. Initial supply came from A. P. Anderson at Waterloo and consisted of the Oregon Plum variety.

An application of the Malheur Railroad company to suspend until June 30 its operation as a common carrier between Seneca and Burns was approved by the public service commission recently.

Herbert D. Newell, superintendent, reports that gross returns from the lands on the Klamath reclamation project for 1927 totaled \$1,181,670, an increase of nearly \$275,000 over the preceding year.

At a meeting of potato growers of Clackamas county at the Oregon City chamber of commerce rooms last week temporary officers were chosen to serve in an organization to be named at a later meeting.

Construction of a \$30,000 addition to the Willard hotel at Klamath Falls, which will make the hotel one of the most modern and commodious in the state, is announced by W. D. Miller, owner of the property.

The price of dairy cows still remains high in the Sandy section, as evidenced at the sale of 82 head on the Vetsch farm near Boring, the largest sale ever put on in this section of Clackamas county. The cows averaged \$115 each, the two highest reaching \$200.

The total timber cut on the 22 national forests of Oregon and Washington for the calendar year 1927 was 373,694,000 board feet, with a value of \$878,739, as shown by report issued by the United States forest service. This is a decrease of nearly 45 million board feet as compared with 1926, due largely to depression in the lumber market, according to the service.

The 14 national forests of Oregon show a cut of 171,884,000 board feet, valued at \$462,283.

Exactly 548 pounds of milk, with a butterfat content of 25.48 pounds, was the average production of 639 cows of the Marion County Dairy Improvement association tested during the month of February. A total of 43 herds were tested.

Carnival amusements and concessions for the American Legion state convention to be held in Medford next August will be permitted by the city council only with the approval of the local legion post, it has been decided at the request of the post.

Clipping several minutes from the record, Chester Lament of Astoria won the semi-annual Seaside to Astoria marathon hike Thursday night, covering the 20 miles in 3 hours 38 minutes 55 seconds. He was closely pressed by L. Purnstine of Svensen, who was but 12 seconds behind the winner, while Wayne Suokko of Astoria took third place. Mildred Lelans of Seaside won the women's hiking race from Warrenton to Astoria, hammering out the eight miles in 1 hour 25 minutes 30 seconds.

State prohibition department operatives participated in 77 arrests in February. Fines aggregated \$9035.50, with jail sentences totaling 610 days. The officers destroyed 5199 gallons of mash, 2375 gallons of liquor and 14 stills.

The huge front street intercepting sewer has been completed in Portland and next week construction of the concrete harbor wall will be started on the waterfront, O. Laugaard, city engineer and father of the \$2,000,000 project, announced.

The Coos county court will begin at once the laying out of a road destined to shorten materially the distance from Marshfield to Empire and the beaches, according to the assurance given a large Coos bay delegation which appeared before the county court last week.

Another ten-mile stretch of the Vale project canal will be let for construction. Bids will be opened in the office of H. W. Bashore, Vale project engineer, on April 6. Construction work on the Vale project is now under way on the 7 1/2 miles of the canal in the vicinity of Harper.

Creation of a scenic drive up Roxy Ann, the mountain four miles east of Medford overlooking the city and the Rogue river valley, and establishment of a scenic park at a cost of \$25,000, backed by the city and county, was the aim of a resolution adopted by the Medford city council last week.

The average production of the 479 cows enrolled in the Columbia County Cow Testing association for February was 553 pounds of milk and 23.81 pounds of fat. For herds of more than 20 cows, the Guernsey herd of Fred Uhlman of Scappoose took first place with an average of 736 pounds of milk and 31.63 pounds of fat.

Portland's building campaign is booming ahead in a way that promises to set a new record. The report shows that last month permits showing a total construction cost of \$1,530,340 were issued by the city. This is a gain of 55 per cent over the January permits and a gain of 35 per cent over February, according to the report.

Ellsworth Kelley, for the fourth time in less than three years, was sentenced to be hanged for the slaying of John Sweeney, guard, during a break at the Oregon state penitentiary in August, 1925. The sentence was pronounced by Judge Kelly of the Marion county circuit court, who fixed Friday, April 13, as the date for the execution.

A check for \$9.86 was received last week from the war department by Captain C. Y. Tengwald of the Medford national guard company. The sum represented the amount in the mess fund of Company G when it was ordered to Fort Stevens and federalized, at the outbreak of the world war. The transaction which required ten years, is now closed.

There were two fatalities in Oregon due to industrial accidents during the week ending March 8, according to a report prepared by the state industrial accident commission last week. The victims were Victor Klotchkoff, Westport, rigger, and Walter H. Laws, Rogue River, truck driver. There were a total of 497 accidents reported to the commission during the week.

If present weather conditions prevail for the next two months, Crater Lake national park roads will be open to automobile travel by May 15, predicted John Maben, caretaker and weather observer at Crater Lake lodge. The park opened July 2 in 1927, and the latter part of May in 1926. Snowfall and total precipitation has been 100 per cent less this season than last.

Resources of Portland's 24 commercial and savings banks rose \$5,249,942 in January and February of this year. Statements prepared by the banks, in response to call of the controller of currency and state superintendent of banks to report on condition as of February 28, showed total resources of the banks for that date of \$180,249,880. This compared with \$173,999,938 as reported for December 31, 1927.

A "gold strike" out of the ordinary was reported in Salem recently. Following the slaughter of eight head of cattle at a local packing plant butchers noticed that the animals' teeth were coated with a glittering substance resembling gold. A number of the teeth were pulled and later submitted to a Salem dentist and jeweler for examination. Both pronounced the substance pure gold. Local veterinarians expressed the opinion that the teeth came in contact with the gold as the cattle grazed in some mining district.

THE MARKETS

Portland

Wheat—Big Bend bluestem, \$1.42 1/4; hard white, \$1.33; federation, soft white and western white, \$1.31 1/4; hard winter, \$1.25; northern spring, \$1.25; western red, \$1.25.

Hay—Alfalfa, \$17.50@18; valley timothy, \$18@18.50; eastern Oregon timothy, \$20.50@21.

Butterfat—5c.

Eggs—Ranch, 19@24c.

Cattle—Steers, good, \$11.50@12.25.

Hogs—Medium to choice, \$7.75@8.85.

Lams—Medium to choice, \$12@14.00.

Seattle.

Wheat—Soft white, western white, \$1.23 1/4; hard winter, western red, \$1.28 1/4; northern spring, \$1.29; bluestem, \$1.46; dark northern spring, \$1.48 1/4; dark hard winter, \$1.45 1/4.

Hay—Alfalfa, \$24; timothy, \$28; P. S. \$24.

Butterfat—5c.

Eggs—Ranch, 22@24c.

Cattle—Steers, choice, \$11.50@12.50.

CLAUDE R. PORTER



Claude R. Porter of Iowa, who was recently appointed a member of the interstate commerce commission.

ALIEN PROPERTY BILL BECOMES LAW

Washington, D. C.—President Coolidge signed the alien property bill. The president made no comment on signing the bill, although he was represented as being dissatisfied with certain riders attached to it which raised the salaries of legislative drafting clerks and certain treasury officials.

The bill, now law, provides for settlement of claims resulting from American seizure of alien property during the war. It provides full payment of claims of less than \$100,000, and in claims above that amount, for 80 per cent payment now and the remainder later. It authorizes payment of \$100,000,000 for seized German vessels, but only \$50,000,000 of this can be paid this year.

The bill provides for the immediate return of 80 per cent of the German property, the remaining 20 per cent to be retained until settlement of claims by American citizens resulting from the world war. Austrian and Hungarian properties under the bill would be returned when those countries make arrangements for American claims payment.

Nineteen twenty six was the sixth year since 1919 in which railroad taxes exceeded railroad dividends.

HORSES FOR SALE or exchange

16 head good blocky build, heavy boned, mostly all young stuff. Some extra good 3-4 years old. At Herb Roots place 3 miles west of Wasco.

H. Baumer, Owner.

OBSERVER WANT ADS

WE WILL establish man over 25 with car in business. \$10-\$25 day profit selling 200 household necessities. All repeat business. We give you credit and show you how. Outdoor work. Experience not necessary. Sure results. Write Furst & Thomas, Desk 8, 426 Third St., Oakland, Calif.

FOR SALE—4 tons Barley, price \$35.00 per ton at Moro. Eastern Oregon Land Co.

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WE CAN fit all kinds of people. Any size or weight. Crippled or deformed feet. Wernmark's Shoe Store, The Dalles.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

The undersigned has filed copyright No. 2523 with the state of Oregon pertaining to Schade's Hand Whittener, a lotion possessing healing and bleaching properties.

3t-m16 K. Schade, Moro, Oregon.

STATE SENATOR

I hereby announce myself a candidate to succeed myself for State Senator for Gilliam, Sherman and Wheeler counties, the 18th Senatorial District of Oregon, subject to the decision of the Republican voters at the primary election to be held May 18th, 1928.

R. J. CARNSER.

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Synopsis of the Annual Statement of the RETAIL HARDWARE MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY

of Minneapolis, in the State of Minnesota, on the thirty-first day of December, 1927, made to the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Oregon, pursuant to law:

Amount of capital stock paid up	500,000.00
Net premiums received during the year	481,945.81
Interest, dividends and rents received during the year	52,709.72
Income from other sources received during the year	none
Total income	484,655.58
Net losses paid during the year including adjustment expenses	82,971.94
Dividends paid on capital stock during the year	none
Commissions and salaries paid during the year	9,238.99
Taxes, licenses and fees paid during the year	5,148.41
Amount of all other expenditures	136,874.54
Total expenditures	233,235.88
Assets	
Value of real estate owned (market value)	none
Value of stocks and bonds owned (market value)	1,277,960.00
Loans on mortgages and collateral, etc.	none
Cash in banks and on hand	145,246.99
Premiums in course of collection written since September 30, 1927	107,449.29
Interest and rents due and accrued	10,716.63
Total admitted assets	1,541,972.91
Liabilities	
Gross claims for losses unpaid	24,308.70
Amount of unearned premiums on all outstanding risks	328,102.23
Due for commission and brokerage	none
All other liabilities	11,500.00
Total liabilities, exclusive of capital stock of \$500,000.00	354,910.92
Business in Oregon for the year	
Net premiums received during the year	3,104.08
Losses paid during the year	none
Losses incurred during the year	none
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Net premiums received during the year	none
Losses paid during the year	none
Losses incurred during the year	none
Losses paid during the year	none
Losses incurred during the year	none

Statutory resident attorney for service: A. F. Holden, Jr., Portland, Ore.

Synopsis of the Annual Statement of the NORTHWESTERN MUTUAL FIRE ASSOCIATION

of Seattle, in the State of Washington, on the thirty-first day of December, 1927, made to the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Oregon, pursuant to law:

Amount of capital stock paid up	None
Net premiums received during the year	4,509,226.4
Interest, dividends and rents received during the year	142,476.36
Income from other sources received during the year	30,323.56
Total income	4,682,026.34
Net losses paid during the year including adjustment expenses	1,939,149.45
Dividends paid on capital stock during the year	942,070.28
Commissions and salaries paid during the year	1,201,071.41
Taxes, licenses and fees paid during the year	91,654.22
Amount of all other expenditures	224,909.16
Total expenditures	4,418,852.65
Assets	
Value of real estate owned (market value)	105,190.24
Value of stocks and bonds owned (market value)	2,301,537.28
Loans on mortgages and collateral, etc.	359,307.50
Cash in banks and on hand	390,449.24
Premiums in course of collection written since September 30, 1927	537,220.68
Interest and rents due and accrued	51,927.76
Reinsurance due from reinsuring companies	80,622.00
Total admitted assets	4,026,244.79
Liabilities	
Gross claims for losses unpaid	209,264.70
Amount of unearned premiums on all outstanding risks	2,710,816.02
Due for commission and brokerage	34,021.97
All other liabilities	219,742.36
Total liabilities, exclusive of capital stock of \$ None	3,173,844.05
Business in Oregon for the year	
Net premiums received during the year	178,540.02
Losses paid during the year	70,791.88
Losses incurred during the year	66,684.30
Net premiums received during the year	none
Losses paid during the year	none
Losses incurred during the year	none
Net premiums received during the year	none
Losses paid during the year	none
Losses incurred during the year	none
Net premiums received during the year	none
Losses paid during the year	none
Losses incurred during the year	none

Statutory resident attorney for service: H. H. Martin.

Synopsis of the Annual Statement of the MILL OWNERS MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF IOWA

of Des Moines, in the State of Iowa, on the thirty-first day of December, 1927, made to the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Oregon, pursuant to law:

Amount of capital stock paid up	None
Net premiums received during the year	1,998,099.00
Interest, dividends and rents received during the year	94,861.54
Income from other sources received during the year	2,174.71
Total income	2,095,135.25
Net losses paid during the year including adjustment expenses	789,139.30
Dividends paid on capital stock during the year	none
Commissions and salaries paid during the year	426,698.82
Taxes, licenses and fees paid during the year	48,241.08
Amount of all other expenditures	577,623.39
Total expenditures	1,832,902.59
Assets	
Value of real estate owned (market value)	258,077.74
Value of stocks and bonds owned (market value)	1,065,150.00
Loans on mortgages and collateral, etc.	764,562.51
Cash in banks and on hand	151,196.48
Premiums in course of collection written since September 30, 1927	249,878.99
Interest and rents due and accrued	100,215.94
Total admitted assets	2,581,411.70
Liabilities	
Gross claims for losses unpaid	108,997.03
Amount of unearned premiums on all outstanding risks	1,164,598.93
Due for commission and brokerage	18,579.85
All other liabilities	80,948.50
Total liabilities, exclusive of capital stock of \$ None	1,363,119.31
Business in Oregon for the year	
Net premiums received during the year	11,228.88
Losses paid during the year	1,987.45
Losses incurred during the year	761.98
Net premiums received during the year	none
Losses paid during the year	none
Losses incurred during the year	none
Net premiums received during the year	none
Losses paid during the year	none
Losses incurred during the year	none
Net premiums received during the year	none
Losses paid during the year	none
Losses incurred during the year	none

Statutory resident attorney for service: H. H. Martin, Board of Trade Bldg., Portland, Ore.

Synopsis of the Annual Statement of the MINNEAPOLIS FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY

of Minneapolis, in the State of Minnesota, on the thirty-first day of December, 1927, made to the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Oregon, pursuant to law:

Amount of capital stock paid up	480,000.00
Net premiums received during the year	none
Interest, dividends and rents received during the year	41,527.10
Income from other sources received during the year	111,772.44
Total income	153,399.54
Net losses paid during the year including adjustment expenses	none
Dividends paid on capital stock during the year	30,000.00
Commissions and salaries paid during the year	285.46
Taxes, licenses and fees paid during the year	1,671.89
Amount of all other expenditures	none
Total expenditures	31,957.35
Assets	
Value of real estate owned (market value)	none
Value of stocks and bonds owned (market value)	802,974.00
Loans on mortgages and collateral, etc.	none
Cash in banks and on hand	150,798.83
Premiums in course of collection written since September 30, 1927	245,575.80
Interest and rents due and accrued	12,588.88
Total admitted assets	1,311,884.01
Liabilities	
Gross claims for losses unpaid	none
Amount of unearned premiums on all outstanding risks	none
Due for commission and brokerage	none
All other liabilities	866,076.43
Total liabilities, exclusive of capital stock of \$480,000.00	866,076.43
Business in Oregon for the year	
Net premiums received during the year	none
Losses paid during the year	none
Losses incurred during the year	none
Net premiums received during the year	none
Losses paid during the year	none
Losses incurred during the year	none
Net premiums received during the year	none
Losses paid during the year	none
Losses incurred during the year	none

Statutory resident attorney for service: Insurance Commissioner.

Synopsis of the Annual Statement of the THE CONNECTICUT FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY

of Hartford, in the State of Connecticut, on the thirty-first day of December, 1927, made to the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Oregon, pursuant to law:

paid up.....	\$	2,000,000.00
Net premiums received during the year.....	\$	7,277,253.30
Interest, dividends and rents received during the year.....		670,167.00
Income from other sources received during the year.....		206,839.41
Total income.....	\$	8,154,259.71
Net losses paid during the year including adjustment expenses.....	\$	3,663,699.00
Dividends paid on capital stock during the year.....		1,250,000.00
Commissions and salaries paid during the year.....		2,412,248.23
Taxes, licenses and fees paid during the year.....		313,798.56
Amount of all other expenditures.....		504,586.31
Total expenditures.....	\$	8,146,332.10
Assets		
Value of real estate owned (market value).....		None
Value of stocks and bonds owned (market value).....		14,227,116.00
Loans on mortgages and collateral, etc.....		451,400.00
Cash in banks and on hand.....		1,927,687.76
Premiums in course of collection written since September 30, 1927.....		1,061,597.60
Interest and rents due and accrued.....		155,679.29
Other non-derivative assets.....		499.13
Total admitted assets.....	\$	17,823,979.79
Liabilities		
Gross claims for losses unpaid.....		1,002,630.82
Amount of unearned premiums on all outstanding risks.....		7,665,905.70
Due for commission and brokerage.....		21,000.00
All other liabilities.....		972,628.87
Total liabilities, exclusive of capital stock of \$2,000,000.00.....	\$	9,662,165.41
Business in Oregon for the year.....		
Net premiums received during the year.....		58,837.37
Losses paid during the year.....		32,993.97
Losses incurred during the year.....		28,570.00

THE CONNECTICUT FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY	
Edward W. Chapin, Secretary	President
Statutory auditor attorney for service in Portland, General Agent, Portland, Oregon.	