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Oregon News Items of Special Interest

Brief Resume of Happenings of the Week Collected for Our Readers

The annual sweet pea show will be held in Rainier June 30 this year.

Mrs. Virginia S. Stone has been appointed postmistress at Yocum, in Lake county.

The Oregon state fair board at a special meeting at Salem increased its race purses from \$17,500 to \$22,500.

Wednesday, May 5, is the date set for the annual Jersey jubilee to be held by the Clackamas Jersey Cattle club.

The Salem district of the Oregon conference, of the Methodist Episcopal church, held a three-day conference at Newberg.

Albert D. Jones, 45, salesman, was killed instantly when his automobile went over a steep grade on the Coos Bay highway.

Portland was the leading city of the Pacific northwest in value of building permits issued in February. Permits were valued at \$2,502,090.

Medford is the only city in the state outside of Portland with two rifle units, a new company of 50 men having been organized recently.

The public service commission fixed March 23 as the date of hearing the application of citizens of Eugene for extension of the present street-car system.

Fire losses in Oregon, exclusive of Portland, during February aggregated \$435,965.55, according to a report prepared by Will Moore, state fire marshal.

The first sessions of the state Older Girls' conference were held at Eugene. Approximately 260 delegates from all parts of Oregon attended the conference.

Herbert W. Campbell was electrocuted recently at the substation near John Day when he came in contact with a high power wire carrying 23,000 volts.

During 1925 the city of Cottage Grove spent more than \$140,000 in public improvements, among which was a million gallon reservoir that cost \$25,000.

A second pine beetle control camp of 18 men has been established in an effort to check ravages of pine beetles in the Spencer creek area, west of Klamath Falls.

Arnett King, rancher in the Waldo Hills district, committed suicide by hanging himself. Members of the family attributed his act to despondency resulting from ill-health.

The Edliefsen Coal company of Portland, now operating the Southport mine, south of Marshfield, expects to develop the property this summer until 80 tons daily can be mined.

What is declared to be the world's tallest barber pole has been erected in Ashland by the owner of the barber shop in the Ashland hotel. It stands 82 feet and 7 inches in height.

No outside baseball teams will be allowed to play against the Oregon state penitentiary nine during the 1926 season, according to announcement made by J. W. Lillie, warden.

Road and trail improvements worth approximately \$15,000 will be made in the Deschutes national forest during the coming year, according to H. L. Plumb, supervisor of the forest.

Contract for recruise of 31,500 acres of Klamath timber land was let by the county court to Edgar & Cullison of Portland. Contract price is 16 cents an acre for a double-run cruise.

Governor Pierce signed papers authorizing the extradition of William Stone and Clifford Baker, wanted at Alameda, Cal., on charges of larceny. The men were arrested at Corvallis.

The state highway commission, at a meeting to be held in Portland March 25, will open bids for the grading of the Gellatly Point-Corvallis section of the Corvallis-Newport highway.

The proposed measure for repeal of the Oregon certificate of title law is

in the hands of the secretary of state and attorney-general, and approval of the title and petition forms is expected soon.

The public service commission has issued an order requiring the Waldport water works to install additional pumps or tap other sources of supply to afford adequate service to the patrons of the corporation.

Petitions containing the names of more than 700 citizens were presented to T. A. Livesley, prominent hop dealer of Salem, in an effort to induce him to enter the contest for mayor of Salem at the municipal election.

The Mount Hood Railroad company has reduced its rates on pears, packed in other than standard shipping crates from 26 to 20 cents on 100 pounds, according to announcement made at the office of the public service commission.

The Portland Better Business bureau, with capital stock of \$600 and headquarters in Portland, has been incorporated by Paul T. Shaw, C. C. Colt, Frank Freeman, et al. Articles were filed in the state corporation department.

Stock-watering places will be established in the Modoc national forest under a bill introduced by Senator McNary. The cost of digging wells or providing watering places by other means would not exceed \$30,000, it was stated.

Reward of \$750 for the arrest and conviction of any person who may have been implicated in the dynamite explosion at Bend in which the lives of a number of persons were endangered, was offered by the Deschutes county court.

One hundred and two mills reporting to the West Coast Lumbermen's association for the week ending March 6 manufactured 99,191,704 feet of lumber, sold 109,251,501 feet, and shipped 105,517,386 feet.

John Moore, Emil Knorr and Norman Moore, who on December 24 of last year robbed the Scotts Mills bank, were sentenced by Judge Percy Kelly of the Marion county circuit court to serve terms of 10 years each in the state penitentiary.

Thirty-nine deer were seen along the Eugene-Klamath Falls line of the Southern Pacific on one trip made by R. M. Ferry and W. R. Ingram, Eugene traveling salesmen, between tunnel No. 5 and Railhead, above Oakridge, according to Mr. Ingram.

A bill was introduced in the senate to reconvey to the state of Oregon title of the United States to Sand Island near the mouth of the Columbia river, with a provision that the United States reserves the right to perpetual use of the land for military purposes.

Taxpayers of the Salem school district, at a special election to be held on April 12, will be requested to authorize the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$120,000 for the purchase of Tuxedo park and the erection of the first unit of a new high school building.

The Bend city council awarded the contract for the installing of the municipal water system pipeline to A. D. Kern of Portland. The Kern bid was \$150,991.25 for the 14-mile pipeline from the south fork of Tumalo creek which will supply the city by gravity flow.

Nearly 200 coyotes and bobcats were killed in Oregon during February by 37 government hunters, according to the monthly report of Stanley Jewett of the United States biological survey. Twelve bobcats, three cougars and 174 coyotes were included in the animals slain.

Sketches are en route to Portland showing architects' conception of the new \$1,350,000 veterans' hospital to be erected in that city. Passage of the first deficiency bill carrying an

appropriation of \$4,000,000 for hospital construction has made funds available for the Portland project.

The public service commission issued an order dismissing the investigation of intrastate freight rates on fresh, dried and canned fruits and vegetables. Members of the commission said the rate structure on these commodities had been adjusted satisfactorily to all concerned.

Following receipt of press reports that the senate judiciary committee had returned an adverse report on Wallace McCamant of Portland, as a President Coolidge's nomination of judge of the ninth circuit court, a movement was launched at Salem to have President Coolidge withdraw the nomination of Mr. McCamant and recommend to the senate the selection of John L. Rand, justice of the Oregon state supreme court, for the position.

Approval of the feasibility of the Idaho-Oregon-Nevada cut-off was given at a meeting at Ontario of representatives of Idaho, Oregon and Nevada, but no formal action toward designation of the route to California as a definite highway project was taken. Governors Moore of Idaho, Scrugham of Nevada and Pierce of Oregon attended the meeting, which was called by the latter. Nevada and Idaho have designated their parts of the road as state highway, it was explained, but Governor Pierce has not yet done so, making it impossible to obtain federal aid for the project.

A delegation composed of W. H. Gore of Medford, chairman; Guy Gordon, district attorney of Douglas county; Victor P. Moses, county judge of Benton county; James H. Owen, Medford lumberman and timber owner, and A. C. Dixon of Eugene, Lane county mill man and timber owner, were elected at Roseburg to represent 18 Oregon counties before congress in pressing the claims advanced in a bill submitted by Senator Stanfield which provides for an appropriation to reimburse counties for lost taxes on re-vested Oregon and California lands, and which if passed will advance nearly \$5,000,000 to the state of Oregon, to be distributed among the 18 counties in which these lands are situated.

Roy Jones gave a five-hundred stag party at his home, Friday night. Among the guests were: M. M. Kindie, Merritt Hoagland, Mr. Ockerman, Kenneth Beebe, C. A. Boles, L. C. Grimes, L. F. Pickett, and H. C. Terrill.

H. C. Terrill, Carl Boswell, Donald Faber, and Forest Pickett were guests of Rev. and Mrs. Johnson at dinner Sunday afternoon.

The Charleston contest that was scheduled for last Friday at the dance

here has been postponed until next Friday night. A large number of local entrants is expected.

Miss Gladys Dole, whose home is near here, is assisting Miss Pankey at the telephone switch board. Miss Dole expects to remain until she becomes proficient at the work.

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