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**Oregon News Items of Special Interest**

Brief Resume of Happenings of the Week Collected for Our Readers

Mothers' week end at the University of Oregon will be held May 15-16 this year.

Marshfield's \$500,000 hotel will be completed and ready for business early in August.

An unidentified man was killed at Oakland, when he was struck by a Southern Pacific freight train.

The Mountain States Power company is making plans to double the capacity of its distribution system at Cottage Grove.

The dates for the Lebanon strawberry festival and rose show have been set for Friday and Saturday, May 28 and 29.

There is less snow in the Willowa mountains, the highest range in eastern Oregon, at present than in any April for 30 years.

Oiling The Dalles-California highway from Crooked river to Bend and from Lava butte, south of Bend, to La Pine, is under way.

A movement to have a milk inspector for Ashland, Medford and Grants Pass was initiated at a public meeting in Ashland.

Volunteer flax which measured full three feet in height was exhibited at McMinnville by Frank Sawyer, farmer of the Dayton district.

The presbytery for the southern Oregon district, in session at Central Point, closed with the election of Rev. J. R. Lamb of Sutherlin.

A business district lighting system for Pendleton is being urged by the merchants' committee of the Pendleton Commercial association.

Cyrus Haines, a sheep grower in the foothills east of Harrisburg, reports loss of a number of lambs through forays of a giant eagle.

Seventy thousand dollars worth of street-improvement contracts were let by the city of Marshfield last week for paving and sewers in the downtown district.

Clyde M. McKay of Bend was elected grand commander of the Oregon grand commandery, Knights Templar, at the annual convocation of the order at Astoria.

The recent diphtheria scare at Sheridan has passed into history. Both grade and high schools have reopened, after an enforced vacation of nearly two weeks.

Portland's new \$3,000,000 Burnside-street bridge, the finest, most beautiful bridge west of Chicago, will be officially opened to the public Friday morning, May 28.

George W. Eyre, retired farmer and vice-president of the United States National bank, died at his home in Salem. Mr. Eyre was 69 years of age and had lived in Oregon since 1856.

Bids for the construction of approximately 27 miles of highway and a number of bridges will be considered at a meeting of the state highway commission, to be held in Portland, April 29.

John V. Webb, 45, night watchman at the Thomas mill, south of Tillamook, died in a hospital after being injured when the bicycle on which he was riding was struck by an automobile.

Binger Hermann, ex-congressman from Oregon and former commissioner of the United States general land office died at Roseburg. Hermann's death followed illness of several months.

A cash distribution aggregating \$144,000 was made to members of the Hood River Apple Growers' association, bringing the total receipts on apples at 1 year of the 1925 crop to \$1,596,000.

Archie Cady, slayer of Sheriff Austin Goodman of Harney county, paid the penalty for his crime on the gallows in the execution chamber of the Oregon state penitentiary at Salem, Friday morning.

Approximately 465,000 trout have been planted in the closed streams in Marion and Polk counties during the past few weeks, according to announcement made by members of the state game commission.

The public service commission issued an order authorizing the establishment of an undergrade crossing involving the tracks of the Oregon Trunk railroad in the vicinity of Crooked river gorge in Jefferson and Deschutes counties.

The public service commission has issued orders for hearings to investigate rates, rules and practices of the Bend Water, Light & Power company, the Grand Ronde and the Cloverdale Telephone companies and the Enterprise Electric company. The commission has decided, after a preliminary investigation, that conditions warrant hearings.

Aid to settlers on the proposed Vale, Owyhee and Baker irrigation projects will be eliminated and their construction by the interior department will be made mandatory by the interior appropriation bill as reported to both houses of congress for final passage.

Annual observance of Founders' day at Champoog park in honor of the birth of the Oregon territory in 1843 has been set for Saturday, May 1. The observance will be under the direction of the Oregon Pioneer association and the Oregon historical society.

Mrs. H. Rexroad, in a letter to the secretary of state, has appealed to the state authorities to assist in the protection of rhododendrons which grow abundantly in the vicinity of Devils lake on the Roosevelt coast highway a few miles south of Neskowin.

The formation of a new road district and the levying of a two-mill tax for improvement of the road between Halfway and Homestead has been proposed by William Doby, chairman of the state highway commission and endorsed by the Baker chamber of commerce.

Arnold Bennett Hall, professor of political science at the University of Wisconsin, unanimously was elected president of the University of Oregon by the board of regents. He succeeds the late president, Prince L. Campbell. Dr. Hall has accepted the position.

R. L. Hutton, pioneer stockman and owner of a large cattle ranch in the Wagon tire district, was acquitted in circuit court at Burns of a charge of first degree murder in connection with the fatal shooting last December of Harold Bradley, youthful neighboring rancher.

Governor Pierce revoked conditional pardons issued to Bud Stubler and James Charles Connors. Stubler is in the federal penitentiary at McNeil Island, while Connors is under arrest in Seattle. Both men will be returned to the Oregon state penitentiary to serve out their unexpired terms.

Sheepmen of central Oregon report the largest crop of lambs in the history of the sheep industry in the mid-state country. The unusual increase in flocks is attributed to the mild winter and the abundance of feed in the range country. Sheep men predict that the clip of wool will also be above the average.

A delegation representing Oregon counties that would benefit under the terms of Senator Stanfield's pending bill to reimburse them for tax receipts lost since the Oregon & California railroad land grants were turned back to federal ownership are in Washington, D. C., to press their claim before federal officials.

Marion county, assisted by the Daughters of the American Revolution, has announced plans to erect a suitable monument in commemoration of the Battle of the Abiqua. The

site for the monument is near the Morley bridge, a mile north of Silverton, where the battle is thought to have been fought.

What is believed to be the largest parcel post shipment ever sent from an eastern Oregon point was recently dispatched from the Island City postoffice for Modoc county, California, farmers. Sixty-five 70-pound packages of hard federation seed wheat grown near Island City made up the consignment.

Superintendent McClain of the Puget Sound Bridge & Dredging company, who is in charge of the construction of the bridge of the gods over the Columbia river between Cascade Locks and Stevenson, states that the work is progressing in a most satisfactory manner. The two concrete piers are completed on the Oregon side and are ready for the steel structure.

C. C. Hall of the Santiam forest service took a ten-ton tractor and grader to the Bryant hill section of the Santiam highway for improvement of the road above the ranger station on the Cascadia-Fish lake section of that highway. Bryant Hill is one of the steepest grades on the road to the lake. A new nearly water-grade road will be constructed on the north side of the hill.

Reduction in freight rates on livestock from eastern Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana to middle western markets which will benefit growers in those sections considerably was ordered by the interstate commerce commission in the case of the American National Livestock association and related organizations against the O-W. R. & N. company and other railroads of the Pacific northwest.

George Neuner, United States district attorney for Oregon, telegraphed Bert C. Thomas, United States commissioner at Klamath Falls, to file complaints against Indians of the Klamath reservation, who are reported to have embarked upon an orgy of drunkenness and lawlessness following the decision of Circuit Judge Leavitt, who held that Indian wards of the government could not come under municipal, county or state laws.

**CONSTRUCTIVE CRITICISM OF FARM ORGANIZATIONS**

Prosperity for the farmer is dependent upon creating a demand for products, eliminating overproduction, and successful marketing.

Cooperative marketing seems to be the answer but, so far, this has not always been successful. Professor H. C. Dale, Economist of the Idaho State University, gives two reasons why this system often fails.

First, members of cooperative associations are motivated by the desire for profits, drop out on the slightest provocation, and do not look far enough ahead. Second, cooperatives have not pursued sound business policies which characterize most manufacturing enterprises. While business concerns build up a reserve for lean years, cooperatives disburse profits immediately.

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