

OREGON NEWS ITEMS OF SPECIAL INTEREST

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

The Tillamook county fair will be held September 22, 23, 24 and 25. Citizens of Oswego voted a bond issue of \$100,000 to provide an adequate water system. The Masonic order of North Bend will begin construction soon of a three-story concrete temple. Baker voters approved bonds of \$45,000 for the erection of a new school on the west side of the city. The Salem Ad club was organized at a meeting in Salem attended by a dozen advertising specialists. Expenditures in connection with the Salem public schools for the year 1924 and 1925 aggregated \$646,910. Lewis Victor Deserano, 13, was drowned when he fell from a swing into the Willamette river at Salem. In one day last week four men at Port Orford shot 590 sealions, for which they will receive a bounty of \$5 each. The Mount Hood Loop road is now open for travel. The last snow barrier near Bennett pass was removed Wednesday. The 1925 Presbyterian Synod will be held on the University of Oregon campus at Eugene the week of July 15 to 22. A jubilee commemorating the 50th anniversary of the founding of the Episcopal church in The Dalles was held last week. C. E. Lee of Eugene was re-elected president of the state convention of the fraternal order of Eagles at the session in Eugene. Owners of 600 cows have signed up to furnish milk to a new modern cheese factory to be built this summer at Tangent in Linn county. Fire swept through 7,000,000 feet of lumber at the Eastern & Western Lumber company's yards in Portland with an estimated loss of \$100,000. The state of Oregon has 900 miles of paved roads and 2000 miles of macadam roads, according to Roy Klein secretary of the state highway commission. Mrs. Elizabeth Kay Coshow, 59, wife of Oliver P. Coshow, associate justice of the state supreme court, died at her home in Salem following a stroke of paralysis. The earwig invasion into Tillamook county is now under control, according to W. D. Pine, county agent, who has been active recently in stamping out the pest. Members of the Pacific division of the American Phytopathological society held their annual meeting at the Oregon agricultural college at Corvallis this week. Contracts were awarded to A. L. Ritchie, contractor, for the construction of the new Smith Packing company plant at Baker, which will be erected at a cost of \$25,000. More than 2000 acres of land in the Liberty, Franklin and Creswell districts have been worked over with poisoned barley in the campaign against gray diggers in Lane county. The American Mathematical society held a two-day annual convention at the University of Oregon at Eugene. Seattle was chosen as the meeting place for the convention next summer. Out of eight graduates from the Oregon state school for the deaf at Salem this year four were successful in obtaining averages which entitled them to enter Gallaudet college at Washington. The state board of control has awarded the general construction contract for a new pavilion at the state tuberculosis hospital to the Cherry City Construction company. The bid was \$18,015. The start of the forest fire season in the timber of central Oregon was marked by a blaze which swept over approximately 50 acres of timber land on the Brooks-Scanlon holdings south east of Bend. Dr. Hans Leonhartberger, federal officer in the public health service at Vienna, Austria, is in Salem to conduct a series of investigations in connection with the Marion county health demonstration. M. S. (Captain Kidd) Taylor of the Coos Bay Pirates was elected president of the Oregon Hospitality clubs at the annual convention at Salem. A. R. Allen of Grants Pass was elected vice-president. One hundred and fourteen mills reporting to the West Coast Lumber men's association for the week ending June 13, manufactured 109,469,249 feet of lumber; sold 109,780,579 feet, and shipped 114,700,690 feet. The state highway commission has announced that a temporary bridge has been constructed over the Chute river at Brookings, Curry county, and is now open for traffic. The old bridge collapsed a few weeks ago.

A total registration of 3371 regularly enrolled students with a grand total of \$451, including summer session and short courses, is reported by the registrar of the Oregon agricultural college for the school year just closed. A contract under which the state fish commission was to employ Hugh Mitchell, director of hatcheries, for four years at a monthly salary of \$350, is invalid, according to a legal opinion handed down by the attorney-general. The Cascades were pierced by a 3650-foot tunnel Friday when two crews of workers met under the summit of the mountains near the north west end of Odell lake, completing the longest tunnel of the Eugene-Klamath Falls line. Mayor Keizer of North Bend refuses to accept the resignation of Chief of Police Jackson, who, he says, is too valuable a man for the city to lose. Chief Jackson resigned when the city council ordered a reduction in his allowance for automobile upkeep. The first lookouts in the Siuslaw national forest for the season were instructed to take their posts by Ralph S. Shelley, supervisor of the forest. A new lookout tower is being built on Belle mountain in Tillamook county and a new telephone line is being built to the station. Start of construction work on the extension of the Oregon Trunk line from Bend south to Klamath Falls only awaits permission from the interstate commerce commission. W. P. Turner, president of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle railway, told members of the city council of Bend. A reduction of 2 per cent in insurance rates in The Dalles has been ordered by the Oregon rating bureau as a result of the installation of a new pumping plant at the city well. The new plant troubles the present city water supply, being capable of furnishing 7,000,000 gallons of water a day. A total of 525 sea lion scalps, the largest number ever turned over by an independent hunter, were deposited with Fish Commissioner Eakin at Astoria by F. J. Blackerby of Portland, who has spent the spring months hunting sea lions along the Oregon coast from Heceta Head to Tillamook. At \$5 a scalp Blackerby has realized some \$2625 by his spring hunting. Receipts of the public service commission from the gross earnings tax on public utilities are reduced nearly 50 per cent under the interpretation of the law made by Attorney-General Van Winkle. The opinion holds that the tax applies only to purely intrastate business and that any income of the utilities from interstate business having an origin in Oregon cannot be taxed. Governor Pierce will be asked to call a special session of the Oregon legislature to further the Roosevelt highway. The movement was started at a meeting of the North Bend chamber of commerce, when a resolution was adopted to that effect. Other bodies along the route of the Roosevelt highway will be asked to join in the resolution asking the governor for the session. The public service commission has requested the interstate commerce commission to suspend tariffs already filed proposing to increase interstate freight rates on fresh fruit and vegetable shipments approximately 25 per cent. The proposed new rates would apply particularly to the states of Oregon, Washington and California. Unless suspended the rates would become effective on July 9. Frank W. Brown, editor of the Idaho State Journal at Pocatello, has been chosen principal speaker for the Fourth of July celebration at Baker. The celebration will be centered about the dedication and unveiling of an imposing Old Oregon Trail monument valued at \$1000. The monument will be erected in postoffice square and has been presented to the city by the American Legion post of Baker. Representatives of the Tumalo irrigation district appeared before the state securities commission at Salem and urged extension for two years of state guarantee of interest on \$650,000 bonds, release of liens on unfulfilled contracts and other less important concessions. Liens on delinquent contracts aggregate approximately \$45,000. In return for these concessions the settlers, who bought water under the Carey act, agree to pay 40 per cent instead of 25 per cent for the additional water necessary in developing the new project. No certificate of registration of any motor vehicle, or number plates therefor, whether original issues or duplicates, will be issued by the secretary of state after July 1, unless the applicant shall at the same time he applies for a motor vehicle license make application for and be granted an official certificate of title to such machine, or shall furnish satisfactory evidence that such a certificate has been previously issued. This was announced by Sam A. Keizer, secretary of state, in connection with the administration of the so-called motor vehicle title of registration law enacted at the last session of the legislature. The law becomes effective on July 1.

Community News

By Special Correspondents

THURSTON NOTES

Belmont Russell who is working at Shilverton spent a few days last week with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Fred Russell. Miss Ethel Harris from Brooks spent the week-end visiting friends and relatives in Thurston. Miss Maude Eomiston left Friday for Pendleton to attend summer school. Mr. and Mrs. George received a few days visit last week from their daughter and her husband who was on their honeymoon moon trip, they left Saturday for Spokane. Several from here motored to Springfield Thursday evening to see Uncle Tom's Cabin. Mrs. Beulah Hanson came out from Eugene Monday evening to nurse her sister, Mrs. Frank Campbell. Misses Veda Gray and Marjorie Grant left Sunday for Monmouth where they are going to summer school. Miss Gefelevie Beaman went to Eugene Monday and registered at the U. of O. for summer school. Jack Harbit who is working near Blue River spent Sunday in Thurston. The Christian Endeavor gave a weenie roast Saturday evening which was greatly enjoyed by all. Several families from here motored to Yarnell and attended the Sunday School convention last Sunday. Mr. Frayiel from Leaburg was elected president for another year. Mr. Dan Spores vice-president, and Miss Lela Seavey, secretary. Next year they will meet at Waltherville. Bun Rennie spent the week end with home folks. Nathalie Edmiston spent the past week in Springfield visiting relatives. Mrs. Margaret Campbell from Eugene visited her son and family Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Conklin from Eugene motored out to Thurston Sunday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Louis Rizzie from Portland have sold their property there and arrived Sunday evening for a visit with relatives here. Mrs. Walter Edmiston who attended the Rose Carnival in Portland returned home Sunday evening. Lawrence and Clifford Gessler went to South Fork Saturday on a fishing trip, returning Sunday evening. Cecil Harbert went to Coburg Monday to work for his brother Harry, who is ill. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Campbell, Wednesday, June 17, a 9 lb. daughter. William Laird and wife of Pullman Washington spent picnic day with the P. N. Laird family.

UPPER WILLAMETTE

The annual Pleasant Hill picnic which was held under the auspices of the Pleasant Hill Sunday school at the Woodman Grove Saturday, June 20, was a decided success. The day was unusually warm and the ice cream, soda-pop and lemonade booths did a big business. The ladies Sunday school class netted over \$29 at the cafeteria booth where many purchased their dinner. The program was held in the morning at 10:30. The principle address was given by Atorney Howard Brownell of Eugene. A playlet, "Uncle Dick's Mistake" with Roy John as Uncle Dick, Gladys Wheeler, Cora John, Orlo Gillet, and Douglas Kabler, composing the cast made a decided hit. The musical numbers and readings were also greatly enjoyed. In the afternoon, races amused the young folks until the ball game in which Pleasant Hill high school defeated the Junction City high school by a score of 20 to 5. Mr. Bagley of Monmouth was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Bristow Saturday, June 20. He motored from Monmouth to attend the Pleasant Hill picnic. Orlo Gillet who has been instructor and coach in the Pleasant Hill high school the past year left Sunday, June 21 for his home near Albany. He has accepted a position in Montana for next year. Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Bristow, Orlo Gillet, Mrs. Dora Harden and Miss Mary Harden motored to Nimrod Thursday, June 18. Wayne Overholser of Jefferson, an alumnus of the Pleasant Hill high school spent the week-end at the M. E. Hays home, and attended the annual picnic. Paul and Mary Harden have gone to Portland for the summer. Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Hyde returned to Pleasant Hill Monday night after a ten days trip to Portland and up the McKenzie. Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Laird motored to Eugene Sunday to visit with Mr. Laird's sister, Mrs. John Lewis and family enroute from Los Angeles to their home in Idaho. The young folks of Pleasant Hill and Trent had a week filled with gay festivities. On the heels of the commencement exercises which were Monday night, came the preparation for the annual picnic. Tuesday night the Trent band serenaded the bridal couple, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Wheeler, Wednesday-night the young folks met at the Woodman Grove to clean up for the picnic and enjoyed a big bonfire and weenie roast. Thursday night a surprise party consisting of the Pleasant Hill friends took possession of the Wheeler home and Friday night the Trent young folks treated the bridal couple to a chivario Saturday night after the picnic a cleanup party enjoyed another good time at the Woodman grove. The Pleasant Hill choir practiced Sunday at the church. They are planning to hold several evening practices accompanied with an ice cream feed during the summer at the different homes. The Pleasant Hill school board met at the home of E. B. Tinker, Monday night, June 22, with C. E. Jordan chairman. As Mrs. Jordan declined to qualify as clerk for the coming year the board requested Mrs. Tinker to again take up that office. Wood-bills were opened and the contract given to Robert Mauney who is cutting wood on the Manning place. Paul Harden was chosen as janitor for the coming year.

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