

## OREGON NEWS ITEMS OF SPECIAL INTEREST

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

Lack of rainfall is holding up placer mining operations in Josephine county this fall.

Peppermint is being planted this week on several tracts of land at Hermiston.

The 12th annual convention of the Christian Endeavor union of Clackamas county was held in Oregon City.

County assessors from all sections of Oregon met at Salem Friday and Saturday to discuss county tax ratios.

Harold Hall, son-in-law of Governor Pierce, was appointed district attorney of Crook county, to succeed Willard Wirtz, who has resigned.

Resolutions were adopted by the Arlington city council and sent to Salem, urging that the new state normal school be located in Arlington.

A move was launched at Salem to combine the county agent's office and that of the horticultural inspector. The salary would be fixed at \$3000 annually.

A new record was established election day, November 2, when 848 unregistered voters were sworn in at the 17 precincts of Klamath Falls by freeholders.

Wheat shipments from the Columbia river in all trades for October reached 5,094,949 bushels, bringing the total for the cereal season to date to 16,211,865 bushels.

Leroy Ledgerwood, superintendent of the Mehama fish hatchery, states that he now has 5,400,000 chinook eggs at the hatchery, which is all that will be hatched there this year.

The state law authorizing the collection of inheritance tax in Oregon is constitutional, according to an opinion written by Justice Belt and handed down by the state supreme court.

Salem outdistanced all other cities in the Pacific northwest in residence and business construction during October, according to the monthly building survey of S. W. Strauss & Co.

Governor Pierce appointed John C. Veatch of Portland a member of the Multnomah county tax supervising and conservation commission to succeed L. J. Goldsmith, who has resigned.

County assessors from all sections of the state met in Salem to confer with members of the state tax commission with relation to the tax ratio of the various counties for the year 1927.

Multnomah county will receive a total of \$45,598 as its share of the tax refunds from the reverted Oregon & California railroad grant lands, as provided by an act recently passed by congress.

Oregon City school district No. 62 purchased a 5 1/4-acre tract of land in what is known as the Ryan Mount Pleasant tracts, adjoining the Mount Pleasant school grounds, for an athletic field.

Exports from the Oregon customs district for nine months represent a valuation of \$52,525,448, far over-shadowing the showing for the same period in 1925, when the figures were \$26,090,620.

Members of the state textbook commission met in Salem Monday to adopt one-third of the textbooks used in the public schools of the state. The books adopted by the commission will be used for six years.

The Benedictine Fathers have decided to rebuild St. Benedict's Abbey and the associated educational institutions, which were destroyed in a million-dollar fire September 21, on the butte at Mount Angel.

The mill dam of the Moehnke Bros. sawmill at Cedar Canyon, near Banks, broke loose, the water taking everything in its path, including bridges and a mile of plank road, causing a heavy loss to the company.

W. C. Hawley, representative of the first congressional district, left Salem for Washington, D. C., where he will attend a series of meetings of the ways and means committee of the house and senate prior to the short session of congress.

Because of a hopeful showing being made at the Leeper Dome oil well prospect, between Sutherlin and Oakland, the Oakland Oil & Gas company announced the discontinuance of all stock sales and the withdrawal of all stock from the market.

The new highway bridge over the Willamette river at Albany, which has been unlighted since its completion a year ago, will be illuminated at night hereafter as the result of a contract signed between the city and the Mountain States-Power company.

The Pacific Telephone & Telegraph company by December 13 of this year will have expended more than \$120,000 in Salem in improvements and extensions in 1926, according to an announcement by W. H. Daney, manager of the Salem exchange.

Preliminary work on the Owyhee irrigation project, located in eastern Oregon and western Idaho, will start at once, according to F. A. Banks, engineer in charge of the construction of the American falls dam. He has been placed in charge of the construction of the Owyhee dam.

Three Oregon counties—Clatsop, Tillamook and Polk—are designated as part of the "modified accredited area" which has been found by federal inspectors to be free of tubercular dairy cattle, according to the latest chart on bovine tuberculosis issued by the department of agriculture.

Fire losses in the state of Oregon, exclusive of Portland, during the month of October aggregated \$907,678, according to a report by the state fire marshal. The most disastrous fire was at Klamath Falls, where the White Pelican hotel was destroyed with a loss of \$500,000. There were 58 fires reported.

The various electric and power corporations of the state of Oregon expended a total of \$41,013.61 in opposing the so-called hydro-electric development measure which was defeated by the voters at the general election held November 2, according to the expense account filed in the office of the secretary of state.

Almost half of the money to be apportioned to the general road fund in Lane county's 1927 budget will go to the different cities, according to County Judge Barnard. The law requires that the cities, which are separate road districts, shall receive their proportionate share of the road tax money according to valuation.

The state attorney-general has requested dismissal of appeals in the United States supreme court involving suits originally filed in the United States district court in Portland to test the validity of the license tax on motor vehicles and the motor vehicle fuels tax. The state of Oregon prevailed in both suits in the district court.

The interior department will not grant the petition of the Enterprise Land & Investment company at Klamath Falls for exclusion of its lands from the Klamath irrigation district until all construction and water right charges on the company's land are paid in full, its officials announced in upholding a decision of Commissioner of Reclamation Mead.

With 25 hunters in the field, employed by the United States biological survey and the state livestock sanitary board, 498 coyotes and 49 bobcats were disposed of during October in Oregon, according to the report of Stanley G. Jewett, director of the predatory animal control work of the government. In addition the hunters turned in six stock-killing bears, three badgers, one fox and six skunks.

Fador Kables, a director of the Seaside high school district, and A Hubner are in the county jail at Astoria, charged with possession of a still, as result of a raid on the Kables ranch, ten miles south of Seaside, by a sheriff's force, when a 50-gallon still was found within a half mile of the Kables home and 495 gallons of moonshine whisky discovered buried in scattered spots on nearby hillsides.

W. A. Delzell, private secretary to Governor Pierce for the last two years, was appointed a member of the public service commission to succeed Thomas K. Campbell, who died recently in Portland. Mr. Delzell will serve as public service commissioner until January 1, when he will be succeeded by L. E. Bean of Eugene, who was the successful candidate for the office at the recent general election.

Fourth-class postmasters in Oregon have been appointed by Postmaster-General New as follows: Mrs. Ollie Walker, Beagle, Jackson county, vice Fred G. Thompson, removed; Iva Wintermute, Brightwood, Clackamas county, vice Mrs. Melvina M. Garside, resigned; Earl D. Vosburgh, Hoaglin, Douglas county, vice Joe De Bernardi, resigned; Mrs. Amelia Campbell, Sodaville, Linn county, vice Frank Davis, resigned; Gordon A. Bowen, Yankton, Columbia county, vice Thomas V. Holstine.

The outstanding feature of the apple harvest season at Hood River this year has been the large shipments made. The valley has shipped 3030 cars, more than 700 cars in excess of the entire tonnage of last year.

William McGregor, prominent Astoria sawmill operator, timberman and banker, died at Astoria as the result of an accident when the automobile in which he was riding was hit by a Spokane, Portland & Seattle train.

The distribution system and all property of the Sutherlin Light & Power company was taken over by the California-Oregon Power company. The purchasing company will spend several thousand dollars improving the system.

Fall wheat at Cove, of which a large acreage was sown this autumn, is looking fine. Warm rains and indications of a normal winter season for the first time in the past two years are promising for all products of the Cove and Grand Ronde valley generally.

**Inspection Held**  
Inspection of Iuka Circle, Ladies of the G. A. R., was held at the Woodmen hall Friday night, with Mrs. Lucy Tichenor, Portland, department inspector, in charge. Accompanying Mrs. Tichenor to Springfield was Mrs. Tillie Rogers of Albany, department president.

**To Take Collection**  
Special collection for the Near East Relief will be taken at the Baptist church next Sunday.

Last Sunday the Men's Bible class voted to assist in financing the purchase of Bibles for use in the city's public schools.

**Marriage Licenses Issued**  
The county clerk has issued marriage licenses during the past week to the following couples: Leonard H. Hill, Marcola, and Viola Pearl Crawford, Eugene; Cornelius Price Long and Irene Farmer, both of Eugene; James Manst and Bertha Nelson, both of Eugene.

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