

OREGON STATE NEWS OF GENERAL INTEREST

Principal Events of the Week Assembled for Information of Our Readers.

A bill to add a grant of land to the Fremont national forest in Oregon has been introduced in congress by Representative Butler.

The department of agriculture estimates the production of winter wheat in Oregon during the 1929 season at 20,088,000 bushels.

The Parent-Teacher association at Oak Grove, with an attendance of 150, adopted a resolution opposing repeal of the two-mill elementary school tax.

The steelhead season in the Rogue river closed last week and there will be no more fishing in the Rogue until the Chinook salmon begin to run in March.

A number of country schools throughout Wasco county have been closed for more than a week and will not reopen until weather conditions change.

Free passage by ferry over the Willamette river at Peoria will be afforded travelers from now on as the result of action taken by the Linn county court.

Klamath county property owners are asked to approve a bond issue of \$150,000 to construct two new school buildings and add additional rooms to other structures.

The Unatilla county library made a gain of 17.7 per cent in circulation during the year 1928, as compared with an 8 per cent increase made in the year 1927.

Lake county chapter of the American Red Cross received the honor flag last week for being the first chapter in Oregon to fill its quota in the 1928 12th annual roll call.

Starting from a stovepipe that was too near a wall, fire damaged the Orpheus theatre in Klamath Falls to the extent of \$1500. No one was in the building at the time.

The oldest sawmill in Klamath county, erected by McCormicks 45 years ago, is being moved from near Bray to the Lorenz company's timber, about 10 miles east of Bonanza.

Harness and running races and a wedding every night in the grandstand will feature the Jackson county fair which will be held at Medford from September 11 to 14 inclusive.

Ira Clark, one of Harney county's best known pioneers, was found dead on the road about two miles east of Crane, having been stricken with heart trouble while riding a horse.

During its last fiscal year the state game commission paid bounties of \$25 each on 254 cougars that were killed in Oregon. This exceeded by 95 the number killed in the previous year.

The lambing season opened a little too soon this spring at Sweet Home, many lambs were born during the coldest weather, feed was scarce in many places and several lambs and many old sheep are dying.

While crossing a bridge at Klamath Falls a few nights ago, Thomas Carlson was attacked by three men, robbed of \$50 and thrown into Link river. His cries attracted three other men, who effected his rescue.

Frank Craig, 65, who died in La Grande last week, was born in The Dalles and was the son of the second white family to locate in that city. His parents were both attached to the military post at The Dalles.

The Southern Pacific company has notified the public service commission that on and after March 14 direct terminal rates will be in effect on farm products between Deschutes county and California points.

Forty Columbia county sheep growers met at Rainier a few days ago and organized the Columbia County Sheep and Wool Growers' association, with J. W. Todd of Goble as president and G. E. McDonough secretary.

Plans are being made for the construction of a dam on the stream which connects Siltcoos lake with the Pacific ocean in order that the outlet may be kept open enabling salmon to enter the lake at all times.

Clinton Kelley, 32, a moonshiner, was shot to death by a state prohibition officer at Toledo last week after a gun battle in which L. O. McBride, deputy sheriff, narrowly escaped death. The bullet that killed Kelley was fired by J. J. Zimmerman, state dry agent.

While Val Kavic, mill worker at Empire, was felling a tree in his yard near North Bend, his son, Edward, 2, ran directly under it as it was falling. It fell on the child, fracturing his skull, from which he died shortly afterwards.

At a meeting of the Wheeler city council recently an order was given for 300 additional feet of fire hose, nozzles and water pipe. This equipment will be added to the fire fighting material and will materially lessen the fire hazard in Wheeler.

The Anderson & Middleton Lumber company at Letham, one of the largest sawmills in Lane county, is preparing to resume operations March 1 after a shutdown of 13 months. Several hundred men will be put to work.

The village named Service Creek, in Wheeler county, should be spelled that way and not "Sarvicecreek" nor "Sarvice Creek," according to a decision of the United States geographic board. The town is named for the service berry.

Crandall Brothers of Lebanon last week shipped a carload of saved black walnut lumber to Los Angeles. This is the first carload of this kind of lumber to leave this part of the state. Several loads of black walnut logs recently have been shipped east, but this is the first to be cut into lumber and then shipped.

Joseph Baumgartner, of Long Prairie, Swiss leader and Tillamook dairyman for the past 22 years, was injured fatally when the team of young horses he was driving ran away, crashed through a fence, and upset the wagon. He died shortly after the accident. Three children in the wagon with him were uninjured.

A half carload of turkeys, the final shipment of the season, was dispatched from Medford recently by freight by the Farmers Exchange co-operative, to an Idaho point. The shipment consisted of approximately 1000 birds, chiefly No. 1 grade. The valley was scoured for the shipment and there are few turkeys left.

A band of 20 cattle was driven across the ice on the Columbia river at The Dalles last week, the first time in 23 years that livestock has made the crossing in this manner, according to old timers. The cattle were driven from the Oregon to the Washington side. Sand had been placed upon the more slippery places.

Twenty-eight additional farm units of the Tule Lake division of the Klamath reclamation project are ready for opening, the department of the interior announces, with the usual preference right to former service men. This preference will run until June 15, after which any units remaining will be subject to general public entry.

One of the largest sturgeon taken from the Columbia river at The Dalles for many years, measuring approximately 10 feet from nose to tail, was landed near Seuferts' cannery recently by Joe Estabrook, Indian. The sturgeon was caught by a set line sunk to the bottom of the river, and was landed by hitching a team of horses to a block and tackle.

Only temporary suspension of the activities of a bowl of gold fish at McKinley school, near Marshfield, resulted when the temperature dropped to 14 degrees above zero and the fish were encased in a solid cake of ice. They resumed their activity when the ice cake was thawed. The temperature was the lowest in Marshfield at any time during the past 25 years.

The 9:15 a. m. Pacific stage for Portland was badly damaged near Forest Grove recently in a collision with an Oregon Electric train at the Pacific avenue railroad crossing. The driver stopped the stage before reaching the crossing, but his view was obstructed by a small waiting station on the Pacific university campus and he failed to see the oncoming train.

The extreme cold weather of the past few weeks has spread havoc in local orchards at The Dalles, reducing the potential 1929 peach crop to about half of normal, affecting the cherries and touching pears and apricots, according to a report from County Fruit Inspector Ralph Hazen. The loss is virtually confined to the bottom lands, where the most extreme cold settled.

The Bank of Haines at Haines, was held up by two unidentified men recently. Hugh McCall, cashier, and Melvin Heard, assistant, had just pulled down the curtains preparatory to closing the day's business when the case was in the bank when the robbers entered and immediately proceeded to hold up the employees. The robbers got about \$3000, according to estimates made by the bank officials, and escaped after tying the employees securely.

Assistant Postmaster General Glover has given Franklin F. Koresl, representative in congress, every assurance that the Salt Lake-Pasco air mail line will be extended to Portland early next summer, according to W. D. B. Dobson, general manager of the Portland chamber of commerce. The chamber's plan is to develop air mail business via the Columbia gorge, which will be lighted and protected by beacons if the air mail service is extended as contemplated.

Clifford Williams walked out of jail at Marshfield recently a free man. But his grandmother, Mrs. Rosa Russell of Bandon, was minus \$1182 with which she paid his fine, levied for violation of liquor laws. "I need him on the farm," Mrs. Russell said.

Harvey E. Inlow of Pendleton, newly elected president of the Eastern Oregon Normal school at La Grande, was in La Grande recently making a preliminary inspection of the school, which will be completed in May, and conferring with local educators.

THURSTON

The recital given by the Thurston orchestra on Tuesday evening directed by Professor Landles of Eugene was greatly enjoyed by the audience. Mr. Lenhart of Springfield assisted on the drums and gave several solos on the xylophone and Miss Landles of Eugene gave two violin solos. There were 18 different instruments.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Gray left for Klamath Falls last Wednesday after spending a few days visiting relatives. There was no school in the high last Thursday afternoon and Friday as the basketball team went to Eugene where they played in the basketball tournament.

The Ladies' Aid meets with Mrs. Fred Gray on Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Arch Shough and Mrs. John Price motored to Corvallis last Sunday to see Perry Price who was ill with influenza.

Dr. Wheeler lectured at the Thurston high school last Tuesday afternoon on the sixth senses.

Mrs. Margaret Campbell who has been seriously ill with pneumonia was able to return to her home Wednesday she has been staying with her sister Mrs. A. B. Mathews, since she returned from the hospital.

Leota Cole of Jasper took dinner at John Edmiston's Tuesday evening.



Lucius N. Littauer, millionaire retired glove manufacturer, 70, has made a gift of one million dollars to "aid humanity," credited to one of many charitable organizations founded by this millionaire.

WEEDS PROBLEM BEFORE STATE LEGISLATURE

Salem, Feb. 21. — Among other "weedy" problems tackled by the legislature is one of how tall weeds may grow and when they shall be cut. A bill, which provides that weeds shall not grow to a height in excess of 12 inches and shall be destroyed and prevented from seeding during the remainder of the calendar year, has been introduced by Senator Edward P. Bailey of Junction City.

The bill, Senate bill 170, amends several sections of the present law, relating to weed control districts and the extermination of noxious weeds. "It merely stiffens the present law on weed extermination and puts some teeth in it," was Senator Bailey's explanation of the bill.

BAPTIST CHURCH WILL HAVE SUNDAY SERVICE

A laymen's meeting will feature the Sunday morning service at the local Baptist church. After Bible school which convenes at 9 o'clock in the morning, the services start at 11 o'clock, being conducted by C. M. Wood and H. E. Wilson of the Eugene Baptist church. Their theme will be "Sharing Christ with the World." Special music at the evening service by the choir under the leadership of Wilford Cook will give the gospel message in song. There will also be solos, duets, a male quartet, choir selections, a young ladies' quartet, and other musical features.

Junior and Senior young people's societies will meet at 6:30 p. m. Prayer and Bible study meetings are every Thursday at 7:30 p. m.

LOCAL MEN ATTEND LEGION MEETING

Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Huntly and J. M. Larson last night attended the district Legion meeting held in Monroe. Among the matters brought up was the discussion of the junior baseball leagues and the matter of community welfare. The local men learned at the meeting that the Pacific coast leagues have offered \$25,000 to be used in covering the expenses for the junior leagues which will be sponsored by the legions. A banquet was had at the meeting.

It was voted to have the next district meeting at Lebanon on February 27. Lebanon delegates requested this. A good representation from the legions all over the county were present.

LIONS' LADIES TO HAVE BANQUET FRIDAY NIGHT

Lion's Ladies night will be held at the Woodman hall here tomorrow night at a banquet and entertainment. Club features which will include stunts by members of the club will be given.



W. T. Kemper, Jr., is only 25, but is president of three banks, the First National of Independence, Mo., the Citizen's National of Frankfort, Kan., and the Kemper State Bank in Boonville, Mo.

BILL WOULD PLACE TAX MATTERS IN STATE COMMISSION CONTROL

House bill 198, giving the state tax commission entire control of the administration of tax levies and assessments needs only the governor's signature to become a law. The senate passed the bill Saturday.

The law gives almost supreme power to the state tax commission. It reads in part thus: "The state tax commission of the state of Oregon is hereby authorized to exercise general supervision and control over the administration of assessments and tax laws of the state over county assessors, and county equalization boards, in performance of their duties relating to taxation and to do and perform any act to give any order or direction to any county board of equalization of any property, or class or classes of property, in any county."

Some opposition to the bill has been voiced by Lane county officials on the ground that it will place too much power in the hands of the state tax commission.

The excise tax bill designed by the solons to help solve the problem of "old man deficit" passed the house Tuesday with an almost unanimous vote. The bill provides for an excise tax on banks and on other financial institutions and business, manufacturing and mercantile corporations. The bill further provides for the administration of the act under the jurisdiction of the state tax commission.

The bill introduced in the house by Robinsin reducing the resident requirements of a voter from 90 to thirty days prior to any election has passed both houses and needs only the governor's signature to become a law.

Hereafter it will be unlawful to use the words, "stop," "caution," "danger" in roadside advertising, for house bill 227 relative to this passed recently by both houses was signed on February 14 by the governor. The governor also signed on the same day the measure amending the inheritance tax laws making a step-child a lineal descendant.

Eight measures by Robison amend-

ing existing laws regarding nomination and election procedure have been signed by the governor. The amendments cover such considerations as the filing of candidates declarations and nomination petitions, and the filing of the certificates of nominations of candidates for county offices, also relating to the manner of arrangement of ballot matter and the manner of preparation of the ballot.

Up to Saturday, February 16, 522 house bills, 10 house resolutions, 18 house joint resolutions and 6 concurrent resolutions had been presented before the house, and 205 senate bills, 22 senate resolutions, 19 joint senate resolutions and 13 concurrent senate resolutions have come before the senate. The governor had signed 93 measures most of them repealing or amending existing laws.

LOCAL GUARD TO HAVE ANNUAL INSPECTION

Major A. M. Jones, of the 7th Infantry of the Vancouver barracks will inspect the local Headquarters company 1st battalion 162 Infantry of the National Guard in the armory here next Thursday night at 8 o'clock.

"We want the public to attend, Mr. C. E. Swarts urges. "The larger the turnout the better the impression that is made upon the inspector."

LOCAL WOMEN ATTEND COUNTY P. T. A. MEET

Five local women attended the Lane county council of the parent-teachers association held in Junction City last Saturday. The purpose of the council units over the county to get together and compare notes of their activities and to discuss matters pertaining to the growth and efficiency of the parent-teachers associations.

Mrs. W. W. Gabriel, of Portland, was the principal speaker at the Junction City meeting. The members to go from here were Mrs. Pratt Holverson, president of the local group; Mrs. Prochnow secretary protem; Mrs. L. K. Page, Mrs. W. A. Hemenway, and Mrs. D. O. Fisher.

Among other things taken up at Junction City was the matter of future meetings and it was decided to hold three meetings during the school year, one being during the early party of November, the second in February and the third in May. Dues were set at \$1.00 per year for associations having 50 members or more and fifty cents for associations having less than 50 members.

Spent Sunday Here—Mr. and Mrs. Carl Weber, of Eugene, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Freese.

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