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## PAPERS FROM DISTANT LANDS

The Chamberlain Medicine Company, Des Moines, Iowa, advertise not only in this country but in foreign lands. A copy of each issue of every newspaper containing their advertisements is sent to the office of the company as a proof of the insertion of the advertisement. Some of the papers bear names of places, which require one to recall forgotten geography or refer to the atlas to locate. Some of them are particularly curious as they are published in the vernacular or native languages which might be likened to the carefully written notes of a shorthand writer. Here are the well known Chinese characters arranged in vertical lines reading from top to bottom, the lines arranged from right to left.

The Burmese language, as printed is composed principally of a combination of circles. Some one wittily suggested that for this reason circulars would be properly printed in this language.

Cingalese, the language of Ceylon, is also curvilinear. Javane and Siamese are composed largely of vertical lines connected by loops at either top or bottom but rarely at both.

The four hundred million people of India have nearly fifty different dialects or vernaculars. The Chamberlain Medicine Company advertises in ten of the principal ones. The Urdu is a sort of script and is so chaotic in shape that it is impossible to reduce it to the movable type form. Papers printed in the Urdu language are therefore first written out by hand and a plate made by the lithograph process. The "Oudh Akhbar," a sixteen page daily published at Lucknow in this language, claims a circulation of about 5,000. It is said that in order to handle this circulation it requires an office force of about 200. Fortunately for the managers, the wages paid to natives are only a few cents a day.

The company advertises in newspapers printed in thirty two languages. Besides the vernaculars and the well known European languages, French, Spanish, Portuguese, Dutch, German, etc, the list embraces a number of languages which until comparatively recent times possessed no alphabet but for which the Roman alphabet has been adopted.

To an American newspaper man it is interesting to note the manner in which the colonial English newspapers are made up. They still cling to the methods which were practiced in this country fifty years ago, the advertisements being upon the first few pages, followed generally by the heavy editorials, then a few meager cable and telegraphic items, afterwards the local news. The local news consists principally of the proceedings of the legislative bodies, town council, school board, etc. Contributions

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## OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

Principal Events of the Week Briefly Sketched for Information of Our Readers.

Pendleton is to have a community style show Thursday and Friday.

A series of teachers' institutes is to be held in the different cities and towns of Lane county.

An enormous influx of eastern people onto Oregon farms with the coming of spring is predicted.

The Silver Falls Lumber company will start its newly constructed big mill at Silverton on March 12.

Arrangements are being completed for the establishment of a tannery and glove factory at Klamath Falls.

Out of 220 accidents reported to the state industrial accident commission during the week, not one was fatal.

The district convention of the Knights of Pythias of Union and Wallowa counties was held in Wallowa.

An epidemic of measles has swept Gateway and almost every family either has had or is having this disease.

The Coos and Curry Fair association has designated September 12 to 15 inclusive for the dates of the annual fair.

The new coast guard station at the mouth of the Siuslaw river, about three miles from Florence, will be completed May 1.

Attendance at the meeting of the Western Oregon Christian Endeavor union at Salem last week totaled between 900 and 1000.

The Lane county Pomona grange, at a meeting at Janta Clara, passed resolutions opposing the proposed \$6,000,000 road bond issue.

Katherine M. Doan, supervisor and parole officer at the state industrial school for girls, has submitted her resignation to the state board of control.

To decide upon the purchase of a new \$45,000 site for the central school of Klamath Falls, the school board has called for a special election March 7.

Money from the rural credits fund will be available for lending purposes to the farmers of the state by the middle of March or the first part of April.

Portland has another shipbuilding plant, the Coast Shipbuilding company, a \$400,000 concern, which will engage in the building of wooden ships.

Circulation of petitions asking for a recall election against County Judge J. B. Meesick and County Commissioner J. P. Ritter, has been started in Baker county.

With 430 bills enacted into law the session laws of 1917 will be the largest volume of session laws ever published by the state. The volume will be ready for sale early in May.

R. R. Raymond, administrator of the Raymond estate, sold a half section of wheat land near Weylund station, northwest of Helix, to S. S. Parris, well-known Weston farmer, for \$35,000.

Making preparation for the coming flax season, the state board of control has arranged for letting contracts to include a minimum of five acres and a maximum of 750 acres to any one man.

When a new law goes into effect in May, it will be a misdemeanor in Oregon for a person with insufficient funds in the bank to cash a check, providing he does it with intent to defraud.

A marker for the old Oregon trail, south of Eugene, has been prepared and will be set up at Coryell Pass, on the Pacific highway, between Eugene and Goshen, when the weather gets better.

It is reported that some of the officers of Crook county may resign their places as a result of the reduction of their salaries by the legislature, and the elimination of two deputy officials.

The Roseburg public schools were closed and the children were ordered off the streets and away from public gatherings last week because of an epidemic of measles in Roseburg and the surrounding country.

Encouraged by the greater returns to be made through the growing of beets for the sugar factory, a number of the hopgrowers in the Grants Pass district are digging out their hopyards and will plant beets this season.

Date for taking effect of the new rules promulgated by the Interstate commerce commission in an effort to relieve the unprecedented car shortage which has gripped this country, has been postponed from February 21 to March 15.

Adjutant General George A. White has resumed his place at the head of the Oregon national guard, following his muster out at Vancouver barracks, Wash., as captain of troop A, Oregon cavalry, which was disbanded after nine months' service on the California border. Major W. W. Wilson, who acted as adjutant general in the absence of General White, resumed his former position as inspector general.

Because of the prevalence of rabies, the entire east end of Umatilla county has been placed under quarantine by the state livestock sanitary board. The quarantined district includes the towns of Helix, Adams, Athena, Free-water and Milton.

Nearly 500 Oregon members of the Elks' order feasted on elk meat at the Washington birthday banquet given by the Eugene lodge of the order. Delegations were present from Marshfield, Salem, Albany, Roseburg, Medford and other cities.

Under the provisions of the new inheritance tax law which will become effective May 21, according to the terms of the act the fees to be derived from that source will increase materially, probably in an aggregate of \$50,000 for the biennial period.

The Eighth company, coast artillery, Oregon national guard, established the highest merit mark record for the 1916 target practice of national guard big gun companies, according to figures made public by the war department militia bureau.

The army engineers have made an adverse report on the proposed further improvement of Nehalem bay on the ground that the commerce to be benefited would not justify the expenditure that would be required to provide a 12-foot channel from Nehalem to the bar.

County Superintendent J. Alton Thompson and County Agriculturist R. A. Blanchard have been busy organizing industrial clubs in Deschutes county. Four clubs were formed with a total membership of 34 boys and girls who will raise potatoes this year for competition in the state prize.

Contracts to purchase broccoli to be grown on 300 acres of Lane county farm lands have been signed by H. A. Raser and W. T. Langlois, of the Western Broccoli association, recently formed in Eugene. Fifty farmers have accepted the terms offered by the company. The crop is expected to total 60,000 crates.

In response to a letter from District Attorney Evans, of Multnomah county, and also to numerous requests from southern counties of the state, Governor Withycombe is trying to send some special agents to the California line to endeavor to curb illicit liquor shipments from being made across the border.

Under provisions of a law passed by the legislature it will be compulsory on all who desire to engage in the manufacture of butter and cheese to secure a license from the dairy and food commissioner. This license must be secured on or before July 1, 1917, and on the first of July of each year thereafter. A fee of \$1 is prescribed.

The old military highway, the pioneer road running through the Cascades, which has virtually been abandoned for many years, will be opened to motor traffic for the first time this fall, offering a scenic highway unexcelled for grandeur in the northwest, according to an announcement made

## INDUSTRIAL NEWS NOTES

Coos Bay coal being sold in Medford.

Portland broker was robbed of a roll of bank notes while sleeping in a chair trying to save a \$2 Pullman fare.

St Helens—Clatsop county lets contract for 4-miles grading and paving at cost of \$62,000.

Grants Pass—Indications are that this city will lose sugar factory built here last year owing to fact that sufficient quantity of beets cannot be secured. Many other communities are after plant.

Eugene—Pacific Tel & Tel Co will soon have Marshfield connected with this city by fine line giving first class service.

Brownsville—Cannery here has many more orders than it can fill for 1917.

Cottage Grove cannery will operate this season.

Lebonon—S P Co has large force rebuilding 2900 ft trestle.

Prineville—Oregon Spokesman new paper to be published here.

Elk City—Alder timber being

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by Clyde R. Seltz, supervisor of the Cascade national forest.

What is considered by the state tax commission to be a measure of prime importance coming before the people at the special election to be held in June, is the proposed constitutional amendment doing away with the present provisions that all taxation shall be "equal," leaving the "uniform" provision in and allowing taxation upon various classes of property.

The president has nominated the following Oregon postmasters, being the first presidential postmasters appointed in Oregon since last September: Volney E. Lee, North Powder; J. W. Vandervelden, Banks; Shelby F. Deaderick, Halfway; Clark B. Foster, Dayton; Roy E. Pritchett, Gaston; Edgar L. Davidson, Oswego; Roy J. Rhoades, Power; Daisy Buckner, Scio; W. W. Wilson, Yoncalla.

Approximately 25 bills relating to school elections and the administration of school affairs were passed during the 1917 session of the legislature. Perhaps the most important measure was the bill which removed the property qualification of school electors, making it possible for any citizen who has resided in a school district for 30 days immediately prior to the election to vote for directors.

With the exception of those laws declaring an emergency, those which have been referred to the people, or those which are to become effective at some specific time provided within themselves, all laws of the legislative assembly which just closed will go into effect May 21, under the provisions of the constitution that all laws, not declaring an emergency, are to go into effect 90 days after the adjournment of the legislature.

Considerable legislation increasing the power of the public service commission was enacted by the recent legislature, and the commission is preparing to administer the new act. Probably the most important law passed was what was known as the certificate of public necessity bill. Under the terms of this measure a utility, before entering a field already served, must first secure from the commission a certificate of public necessity. It also gives the commission power to extend the service of utilities now in the field, and which may hereafter embark in business, in the state.

## Obituary

Susannah Wiltfong youngest daughter of Elijah and Elizabeth Wiltfong was born Feb 10, 1850 in Laporte County, Indiana. At the age of ten years she was left an orphan by her mother. With her family in 1863 she crossed the plains to Oregon, first settling in the eastern part of the state and afterwards coming to the Willamette Valley.

On July 4, 1866 she was married at Scio to Alexander McDonald. To this union were born twelve children, nine of whom are living, as follows: Mrs G A Mason, Salt Lake City, Utah, Mrs Will Hutchens, McMinnville, Mrs J N Long, Scio, Mrs E B Fletcher, McMinnville, Mrs E E Munsey, Lebanon, Frank of Mehama, Mrs W E Evans, Lebanon and Roy and Ralph of Scio.

After her marriage they moved three miles east of Scio where the children were all born.

In this vicinity the remainder of her life was spent with the exception of seven years spent at Philomath, Benton county.

She also leaves two sisters and two brothers, 33 grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

Early in life, Mrs McDonald united with the Baptist Church, ever living a faithful Christian life. Besides many relatives and friends she leaves an aged husband, they having celebrated their Golden Wedding one year ago last July, all the children being present at that time.

The News has on hand a limited supply of the Atlases mentioned in clubbing offer on page 2. Come in and get your copy, as it is here waiting for you.

Four hundred pounds of choice vetch seed for sale. J D Densmore 28

Green beef hides are worth 17c per pound, veal hides 23c at the Sanitary Market.

Saturday, March 3rd

Wesely Hall - - - Scio

DANCE

Music by K. of P. Band

Tickets, 50 Cents