

OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

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

The Clackamas county fair will be held at Canby September 23, 25, 26 and 27.

A Baptist regional conference for laymen of the church is to be held in Portland February 23 and 24.

Veterans of Battery A, old Third Oregon, celebrated the 53rd anniversary of the organization at a banquet in Portland.

After weeks of a snowless winter eastern Oregon points were again snow-covered, much to the delight of wheatgrowers.

Enrollment in the school of law of the University of Oregon has grown to 45, the highest mark in the history of the university.

Senator McNary has appointed William S. Biddle, Milwaukie, and William H. Kendall, Portland, as first and second alternates respectively to West Point.

The decision of the Polk County Fair association not to hold a county fair in Dallas in 1919 has been reconsidered and plans will be made soon to hold the annual show.

Congressman Sinnott has introduced a bill in the house to extend the limits of the Ochoco national forest. This bill will add 6000 acres to the present area and will protect valuable water sources.

John Dierdorff, of Hillsboro, and Merrill Barber, of Twining, were appointed midshipmen to Annapolis by Representative Hawley on report of competitive examinations held at the University of Oregon.

Taxes for 1918 are now due and payable. The first half of the taxes may be paid to and including April 5 without interest. The second half of the taxes may be paid any time before October 5, without interest.

The government will hold an auction sale of wool in Portland on March 1 to take care of the requirements of local mills. The mills will then have at their disposal enough wool to last them until the new northwestern clip is ready.

The first unit of returning Oregon soldiers, the Sixty-fifth Coast artillery, will arrive in Portland on the night of Sunday, February 16, or the morning of February 17, and will be allowed stopover time for a parade on the way to Camp Lewis.

A \$50,000 milk producing plant is to be erected in Portland immediately as a result of a meeting at which 250 dairymen and milk producers were present. The plant will be erected on the co-operative plan, the entire stock being subscribed at the meeting.

Three principals and nine alternates will be recommended by Representative W. C. Hawley for admission to the United States Naval academy at Annapolis by March 4. Candidates should send applications at once to the president's office, University of Oregon, Eugene.

The 69th regiment, Coast Artillery corps, composed of 37 officers and 1798 men from Oregon, sailed from Bordeaux on February 4 on the transport Mercury, the war department has announced. The transport is expected to arrive at Newport News, Virginia, February 16.

In the person of Joseph Nemchick, aged 90, of Harrisburg, Linn county boasts the oldest angler in the state. He secured a fishing license for 1919 at the county clerk's office in Albany last week. He also secured a similar permit to fish last year, so evidently is a consistent fisherman.

A tentative road paving program for Marion county, contemplating the expenditure of \$1,000,000, was announced by the county court after a conference with business men of the Mount Angel district. A chain of paved highways connecting all incorporated cities and towns of the county is the plan.

Baker enjoyed the heaviest snowfall of the year, varying in depth from six inches in the city to more than four feet in the mountains. The miners in that section had been apprehensive that there would be insufficient snow in the hills to furnish the desired amount of water in the spring, but that fear is now removed.

Miss Anna M. Turley, state leader of home demonstration agents at the Oregon Agricultural college, has resigned and will go to Columbia university, where she will take special courses in home demonstration work.

She will be succeeded by Mrs. Assie D. McComb, assistant state leader, a graduate of the University of Nebraska.

The Ochoco Irrigation district has closed a contract employing the Puget Sound Bridge & Dredging company, at Seattle, to build a large hydraulic earth-fill dam. The work was under contract to Twoby Brothers company, of Portland, and was abandoned by them on February 3, 1919. The pump work has been started and the sluicing operation has commenced.

Lumbermen of the Pacific northwest have been called to meet in conference with the Portland district freight committee Tuesday, January 28, regarding the proposed new rates for lumber and forest products. This will be the hearing before the committee upon protest of the industry, from which numerous objections have been made to the proposed revision.

Superintendent Peters, of the Klatskanie fish hatchery, reports that there are 3,000,000 salmon fry in the retaining ponds which are healthy and growing rapidly. During the recent freshet about 1,000,000 of the little salmon were released by the overflowing of the dykes, but this is not considered a loss to the industry. The fish were well advanced and had been fed for two months.

Charles Allen and James Tomb, trappers, brought into Bend by District Game Warden George Tonkin, pleaded guilty in justice court and were fined \$125 each for killing deer out of season. Mr. Tonkin found 19 fresh deer skins, a quantity of venison and a beaver tail in their cabin. The venison was presented to the Bend chapter of the Red Cross, to be distributed among the poor of the city.

Milton A. Miller, collector of internal revenue for Oregon, estimates citizens of this state will pay into the United States treasury not less than \$18,000,000 tax on incomes for the year 1918. The new revenue law has undergone some modifications, but aside from the change in rates for the normal taxes, there are no radical changes. Income taxes collected in Oregon last year totaled more than \$12,000,000.

With the object of inducing the government to appropriate a sum of money sufficient to eliminate debris left in Oregon forests by spruce camps, a committee, appointed by the spruce production division and the state department of forestry, is now making an estimate of needs in the several counties where camps were located. It will be necessary to remove the debris as a precaution against forest fires.

Representatives from eight of the 10 Portland draft boards, the district board for Multnomah county and the district board for Columbia county, at a meeting in Portland adopted resolutions calling upon congress to forever bar from citizenship and deport all registrants under the selective service act, who, after having declared their intention to become American citizens, had knowingly claimed exemption from military service on the ground of being aliens.

Perfecting an organization to provide employment for returning soldiers throughout the state, selection of August 14, 15 and 16 as the date for its annual state convention at Klamath Falls, and selection of a committee to memorialize the Oregon congressional delegation to do its utmost in securing the passage of legislation for the benefit of the discharged soldiers, were among the important results of a special meeting of the Oregon State Elks' association held in Portland.

A special session of the Oregon legislature probably will be called by the governor in May, when there will be referred to the people at a special election to be held in June such reconstruction measures as a commission of 15 members may prepare. The plan is contingent on the evolving of a practical program to give employment through big development or building work, irrespective of the amount of bonding necessary for financing and if conditions in the country are not improved.

A two-day convention of the Western Walnut Growers' association was closed at Portland after electing J. C. Cooper, of McMinnville, president, and A. M. Meade, of Orenco, secretary. J. A. Quamberg was elected first vice president and Professor Lewis, of Oregon Agricultural college, second vice president. The annual convention will be held in Portland again next year. Fifty-two varieties of walnuts were exhibited at the convention. Prominent growers say the climatic conditions are ideal for groves in the Willamette valley.

STRIKE AT SEATTLE APPARENTLY FAILS

Desertions in Union Ranks Seem to Have Broken Backbone of Walkout.

Seattle.—Faced by desertions in union ranks, coupled with the results brought about by Mayor Ole Hanson's ultimatum that troops would be used if necessary to restore Seattle's business operations to normal channels, the sympathetic strike affecting 30,000 workers is apparently a failure.

The strike shows signs of disintegration and even some radical union men were said to have admitted that the developments over Sunday would end the strike regardless of any action the committee might take.

Conservatives and radicals alike seemed to agree that the street car men and teamsters' unions held the key to the situation. With the street car service back to normal and more restaurants opening for business, the man on the street was inclined to speak lightly of the general strike. The executive committee of the teamsters' union ordered the men to report for work Monday morning, after the employers had agreed that all the men would be given their former places under the conditions and wages prevailing before the strike.

All public schools, most of which had been closed, opened Monday with conditions as usual. The janitors did not take formal action to return, but voluntarily went back to work when informed that their positions awaited them. Sixteen schools were open throughout the strike.

Barber shops opened Monday. Milk wagon drivers were on the job bright and early Monday morning, and "milk for breakfast" was the slogan in Seattle homes. Both newspapers and newsboys were back at work and reported business as usual.

TACOMA STRIKE IS CALLED OFF

Tacoma, Wash.—The general strike in Tacoma ended at 8 o'clock Monday morning. It was officially called off by the general strike committee.

The threatened disruption of the central labor council of Tacoma was believed to have been one of the things influencing the general strike committee in declaring the supposed general strike off.

The metal trades strike remains in the status previous to the general strike call of the central labor council. According to metal trades officers, joint action with the Seattle metal trades council will be awaited. The cancellation of the general strike releases those members of metal trades unions in Tacoma who are not shipyard workers or in shops tied up with the shipyards.

The general strike in Tacoma proved a failure from the start, although the walkout of the streetcar men Thursday afternoon gave it some appearance of gaining strength. When the car men found that they had been tricked, as they claimed, into the walkout against the express orders of their international officers, they promptly repudiated the strike.

SOLDIERS HALT STRIKERS

Ex-Soldier Agitators Ordered to Take Off Army Uniforms.

Butte, Mont.—Strikers in the mines of Butte who object to the recent reduction of \$1 a day in wages and who are insisting on the abolishment of the "rustling" card system, were halted at the foot of the hill leading to the mines by guards of United States soldiers. Those men who wished to go to work were permitted to pass the cordon of soldiers which guarded every approach.

Discharged soldiers who still wore the army uniform were among those doing picket duty for the strikers and they were singled out by the regular army men and ordered immediately to discard their uniforms or cease participating in the attempted picketing.

Washington.—Conditions under which soldiers or sailors now holding government life insurance may convert these policies within five years into other forms were announced by Colonel Henry D. Lindsley, of the war risk insurance bureau. Rates will be made public soon.

WIN \$3 A WORD BY WRITING A VICTORY SLOGAN

Good Victory Liberty Loan slogans are wanted by the general publicity committee of the Twelfth Federal Reserve District with headquarters in San Francisco.

The committee will pay as high as \$3 a word.

First prize will be \$30, second prize \$20, and third prize, \$10.

Slogans should be limited to 10 or 12 words.

Send all slogans to SLOGAN EDITOR, Room 301, 430 California Street, San Francisco, California.

The contest closes Saturday, March 23.

There are no Liberty Loans ahead of you after the Victory Loan, so mortgage your future for Victory Bonds. Thousands of our soldiers and sailors mortgaged their futures.

Your boy will be a better man than you are if you give him a weekly allowance for Thrift Stamps. Let him buy them himself.

When the Fat Years Return

By F. C.

Ambulance 1-85, Western Front.

When the fat years return, and, rich and free,
You half forget, as men have ever done,

The price once paid for your security,
Thinking too much of fortune lost or won.

Too much of pride and laughter, food and ease,
Or of some public favor cheaply earned,

Oh, then turn back the page and think of these

Who gave their bodies for freedom to be burned—

For these lived, too; they, too, loved ease and laughter,

Sunlight, the green earth. All that you still keep

They had, and more—vision. If you come after

And dare forget them, buried so young, so deep,

And dare forget this faith for which they stood—

Ah, but you will not, being of their blood!

—The Outlook.

Start figuring now on your personal quota of Victory Liberty Bonds. If you don't, start figuring on increased taxes.

MONTHLY WAR STAMP QUOTAS FIXED FOR TWELFTH DISTRICT

The Treasury Department has assigned to the Twelfth Federal Reserve District the following monthly quotas to be raised in War Savings Stamps during 1919:

January	\$ 4,200,000
February	4,800,000
March	5,400,000
April	6,000,000
May	6,600,000
June	7,200,000
July	7,800,000
August	8,400,000
September	9,000,000
October	10,800,000
November	12,000,000
December	13,200,000
Total	\$96,000,000

The total to be raised throughout the country is \$1,600,000,000.

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