

OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

Principal Events of the Week Briefly Sketched for Infor- mation of Our Readers.

The first annual rose show was held in Springfield last week.

Conrad P. Olson of Portland, was named code commissioner by Chief Justice McBride.

The most successful wool sale in years was held at Condon last week. About 750,000 pounds of wool was sold.

Grace E. Garret has been appointed postmistress at Holix and Mrs. Betty Miller at Holdman, both in Umatilla county.

The 14th annual meeting of the Oregon Bankers' association will be held in Portland on Friday and Saturday of this week.

Brigadier General Brice P. Disque, former commander of the spruce division, has been decorated with the distinguished service medal.

Governor Olcott appointed Dr. John Benson of Portland and Dr. R. C. McDaniel of Portland, as members of the state board of medical examiners.

More than 50 osteopaths from all parts of the state gathered at Portland last week for the annual session of the Oregon Osteopathic association.

At a meeting of several hundred former service men of Lane county in Eugene, Lane county post of the American Legion was formally organized.

An increase from \$1 to \$2 an acre foot is sought by the Central Oregon Irrigation company in an application filed with the public service commission.

Nearly \$500,000 worth of liquor has been confiscated and destroyed by the war emergency squad of the Portland police department since February 1, 1918.

Harry Moore, 16 years old, of Eugene, won first prize on his bread at a cooking contest held in connection with an achievement meeting of the Dunn school club of Eugene.

Petitions presented by the Oregon Single Tax league for a constitutional amendment to be voted on at the 1920 election were approved by Sam A. Koser, deputy secretary of state.

C. M. Knight, representing the federal bureau of cereal diseases, has arrived at the Oregon Agricultural college from Nevada to investigate the cereal diseases in Oregon, Idaho and Washington.

Portland was chosen for the 1920 meeting of the Washington, Oregon and British Columbia Council of the United Travelers' association, which completed its 1919 session at Vancouver, B. C.

Steps have been taken by the Bend city council to incorporate in its budget for the coming year an appropriation for the establishment of a Carnegie library in Bend with city and county aid.

Announcement by the Sunrise Milk Products company of North Bend of an increase in the price of butterfat to 35 cents a pound, marks the highest price ever paid for butterfat in the Coos Bay country.

With 2422 accidents reported to the state industrial accident commission for May, this month takes rank as the second highest in the history of the department, August, 1918, being first with a total of 2494 accidents reported.

An equitable rate adjustment, based on transportation costs, is demanded on behalf of Portland and Columbia river basin shippers, in a complaint forwarded by the Oregon public service commission to the interstate commerce commission.

C. R. Wade, justice of the peace, a democrat, becomes county judge and

Henry G. Kern, banker, foundryman and mayor of North Bend, county commissioner, as a result of an overwhelming landslide in the recall election in Coos county.

A series of dairy meetings will be held in Coos county June 12, 13 and 14. Dairymen from all parts of the state will gather to discuss dairy products and cooperative methods of marketing with a view to benefiting the producer and consumer.

Members of the Loyal Legion of Loggers and Lumbermen of the north-west district, which includes Oregon, Washington and Idaho, have designated Eugene as the place for the organization's official Fourth of July celebration this year.

The first forest fire of the season in the north end of Jackson county occurred on the railway leading out from the Rogue River Lumber & Box company's mills, six miles north of Gold Hill. Mill and timber crews and ranchers prevented a heavy loss.

The railroad between Medford and Jacksonville, which has been operated for several years by the Southern Oregon Traction company, and which was sold at public sale ordered by the circuit court, May 30, has been leased for a year by J. T. Gagnon, the Medford lumber mill operator and box manufacturer, pending confirmation of the sale by the court.

A request has been sent to the state game commission by farmers living along the banks of the Luckiamute river in the southwestern part of Polk county, asking permission to kill a number of beavers which are seriously damaging lands along that stream.

A public building adequate to house the postoffice, customs service and other branches of the government located at Astoria, would require 8400 feet of floor space and would cost \$200,000, according to an estimate received by Representative Hawley from the treasury department.

Mrs. C. E. Andrews, of La Grande, mother of Bert Andrews, who was the first Oregon member of the Rainbow division to meet his death in France, has been named honorary president of the Oregon chapter of the Rainbow division veterans, an organization which embraces 27 states.

The Klamath Indians of Oregon will be permitted to sue in the court of claims to recover approximately 100,000 acres of land which, they say, was omitted in fixing the boundaries of the Klamath reservation, by the terms of a bill introduced in the house by Representative Sinnott.

First Lieutenant Louis H. Compton of Salem, recently returned from overseas, bringing with him the croix de guerre awarded by Marshal Petain of France for bravery in action, will be state parole officer to succeed Joseph F. Keller, according to announcement made by Governor Olcott.

A new irrigation project by which 1500 acres of land will be brought under water on the south side of the Klamath river, between Klamath Falls and Keno is going rapidly forward. The water has been diked from the lands in that section and will be pumped on again by two large centrifugal pumps.

Warning is given by J. O. Hoyt, manager of the Eugene Fruit Growers' association, that owing to the tremendous peach crop in the Willamette valley this year the fruit will be market- less unless thinned to a great extent. He declared that otherwise all the peaches will be small and it will be difficult to sell them.

A mandamus suit was filed in Marion county circuit court by R. A. Malkey and others interested in the organization of a bank for St. Johns, in which the court is asked to issue an order directing the state banking board to issue a charter to the new bank or show cause for refusal. Petition for a charter for the bank at St. Johns was filed April 16 and was disapproved by the state superintendent of banks on

the ground that no need for a bank existed.

A fine of \$50 was imposed by the circuit court at Astoria on Charles Marco on a charge of operating a purse seine in the waters of the Columbia river. The case was on appeal from the justice court, where a similar fine had been imposed, and notice of appeal was immediately taken to the state supreme court. The action, while of a criminal nature, is a friendly one to obtain the court's interpretation of the state law prohibiting purse seining in the Columbia river.

Captain Conrad Staffin of Dallas, who was recently returned from service in France with the 162nd infantry, was appointed adjutant general of the Oregon national guard, Governor Ben W. Olcott announced. The appointment will be temporary, the appointee to serve only until the return to duty of Lieutenant Colonel George A. White, now on his way home from France, now resigned the office two years ago on the understanding that he would be reappointed upon his return home.

Four hundred and thirty thousand rainbow trout eggs brought from Odell, Crescent and Davis lake and placed in the Tumalo hatchery, the first to be handled at the new plant, are due to hatch Sunday, according to the superintendent. Three hundred thousand more eggs, gathered at the lakes, are ready for transportation, and are expected to arrive Saturday. In addition to the hatching, 400,000 brook trout fry, from eggs gathered at Elk lake last winter, will be sent in the near future from Bonneville and will be cared for at the Tumalo hatchery until they are ready to be planted.

To speed up road development half of the counties in Oregon voted road bonds at the special election last week. The aggregate of the bonds is in excess of \$5,000,000, or more than half the size of the bond issue for roads enacted by the session of the legislature in February. In addition to these bond issues, several other counties plan road bond elections during the summer, under the newly enacted 6 per cent county indebtedness law for roads. More than \$1,000,000 in bonds is contemplated at the special elections to be held later. Road bonds voted by various counties at the special election were as follows:

Baker, \$500,000; Benton, \$220,000; Deschutes, \$125,000; Gilliam, \$250,000; Jefferson, \$100,000; Klamath, \$347,704; Lake, \$200,000; Linn, \$600,000; Lincoln, \$180,000; Marion, \$800,000; Malheur, \$230,000; Polk, \$265,000; Tillamook, \$470,000; Wheeler, \$44,000; Wallowa, \$300,000; Morrow, \$290,000; Yamhill, \$360,000.

The labor situation in Bend is better than in any other city in the state, according to Frank E. Manning, assistant director of civilian relief for the American Red Cross, after an investigation of conditions there.

The first meeting of the state emergency board for the present biennium may be called in about two months to provide money for indemnity claims against the state for the slaughter of cattle that have responded to the tuberculin test.

If the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company wins in its attempt to increase its telephone rates, the Salem city council will put the municipal telephone question up to the people of Salem through the medium of a special bond election.

Petitions bearing the signatures of many taxpayers have been presented to the county court asking for submission at a special election of the question of issuing \$360,000 bonds for the construction of permanent roads in Yamhill county.

Better prices for ties and a system of purchasing that will be fairer to the manufacturers are promised by former Governor West in a telegram received from him by O. H. Ball, secretary of the Western Oregon Tie and Lumber association.

For the first time in many months there were no fatal accidents reported to the Industrial Accident commission during the past week, according to the weekly accident report. There were 516 accidents reported from throughout the state.

H. E. Momyer, assistant superintendent of Crater Lake park, reports nine feet of snow at the lake. There was twice this amount at this time last year, he says, and from present indications the park will be open to auto travel about July 1.

Despite the fact that the United States railroad administration recently ordered a decrease of 10 cents a ton for freightage of roadbuilding materials, the Oregon public service commission will make every effort to procure a still lower reduction.

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