

## OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

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

It will cost \$3,273,000 to operate the Portland public schools during the coming year.

Bernard A. Nathman, a resident of Gervais for more than 40 years, died there at the age of 74.

Construction of a \$15,000 plant by the Concrete Pipe company of Portland has started at Bend.

The \$220,000 road bond issue election held in Crook county met with almost unanimous favor.

The Western Walnut association will hold its annual meeting at Portland November 12 and 13.

Action has been taken by the Dapists of McMinnville to erect a new church building the coming year.

Mrs. Nancy Emily Sharp, one of the oldest and best-known residents of Polk county, died at Corvallis, aged 88 years.

Snellie Purvine, pioneer dentist of Oregon, died suddenly in Salem at the home of his son, Ellis Purvine, at the age of 80 years.

At a coming special election in Roseburg a bond issue of probably \$500,000 will be voted on for a municipal light and water plant.

The Springer ranch, three miles above Larson Inlet, in Coos county, was destroyed by a great landslide during the recent rains.

While wading in Thomas creek, near Thomas, Arthur, 8-year-old son of Quintis Underwood, got beyond his depth and was drowned.

Douglas Larsen of Cove has been convicted and fined \$100 for refusing to help fight a forest fire in the Grand Ronde district last summer.

For bravery in action, R. H. Swigert of Bend has received from the Canadian minister of militia and defense a British military medal of silver.

Sheep shipments from Bend are the heaviest on record. Two hundred and sixty-four carloads already have been sent out and 25 more cars are contracted.

Two winter short courses, dairy manufacture and tractor operation, will be offered this year by the Oregon Agricultural college school of agriculture.

Governor Olcott is urged to call a state meeting to suggest remedies for the high cost of living, in resolutions adopted by the Yamhill county Pomona grange.

Apple packing records were broken at Hood River by Miss Pearl Saltzman, who packed 140 boxes of fruit on the E. E. Lage place in four hours and 40 minutes.

Farmers west of Eugene are signing oil and gas leases of their lands for a term of three years, for which they are to receive \$100. About 6000 acres have been leased.

A total of 13,114,279 acres is embraced in federal forest reserves in Oregon, on which the state draws for apportionment to the counties in the reserves \$115,465.74.

George M. Benson, game warden, has been informed that no permits will be given this season for trapping on the Lake Malheur bird reserve, owing to low water and scarcity of feed.

The Crown Willamette Paper company has announced that a new mill will be erected immediately at West Linn, which will provide employment for about 200 more men continuously.

Heppner is feeling the effect of the coal strike, the shortage of fuel having forced the Heppner Light & Water company to cut its light and power service from 24 hours a day to eight.

One of the biggest horse shows ever held on the Pacific coast will be staged during the annual exhibition of the Pacific International Livestock association at North Portland, November 17 to 22.

Hermiston farmers have petitioned the county court for authority to form the Hermiston irrigation district for improvement to their lands. An election to vote on the proposal will be held December 13.

Only one of the 458 accidents reported to the state industrial accident commission during the week ending November 6 was fatal. The fatality was in the case of A. Sackett, a laborer of Grants Pass.

Settlers of the Fort Rock valley, 60 miles south of Bend, have completed the preliminary steps toward the or-

ganization of an irrigation district, which, as now proposed, will include approximately 46,000 acres.

The construction of a railroad 185 miles long from Medford to a point in the vicinity of Eureka, Cal., is the avowed purpose of the Medford Coast Railroad company, which recently filed articles of incorporation.

A. C. Allen of Medford, former state horticultural commissioner, announces his intention of testing the constitutionality of the Oregon vehicle law providing for the taxing of automobiles for road maintenance.

The \$47,000 concrete bridge across Rogue river at Rock Point, three miles below Gold Hill, under construction jointly by the highway commission and Jackson county, is nearly 50 per cent completed.

Thomas Cummings, engineer; N. Helmer, fireman, and Fred Sherman, timber faller, were seriously injured when a donkey engine in logging operations of the Willamette Valley Lumber company, above Black Rock, exploded.

A summary of the activities of the soldiers' and sailors' commission of the state of Oregon since that body was created by the last legislature shows that a total of \$19,521.94 has been expended in the interest of former service men.

There will be no more travelling carnival companies in Medford if the city council can help it. At the last meeting the council passed an ordinance fixing a license of \$500 a week on such carnivals, which is regarded as prohibitive.

Sam A. Koser, deputy secretary of state under Ben W. Olcott, who has been secretary of state for the past eight years, has announced himself as a candidate for the republican nomination for secretary of state at the next primary election in May, 1920.

All records for cattle shipments from the Rogue river valley have been broken this year. From the Applegate district alone 1000 cattle have been shipped to Portland this fall, which brings a cash return to the cattlemen of approximately \$100,000.

Oregon's airplane forest fire patrol covered 23,715 miles and located 128 fires in 411 hours flying time during the forest fire season this summer, according to a report filed with Colonel H. H. Arnold, head of the air service in the western department of the army. Two airplanes were used.

At a special election in Warrenton, \$500,000 of municipal bonds, in two separate blocks, were authorized for the extensive improvement of the harbor and the purchase of 100 acres of land bordering on the Skipanon and Columbia rivers within the city limits for the erection of docks and piers.

The Silver Lake irrigation district

has filed an application with the irrigation securities commission, requesting the state to guarantee interest on \$300,000 in bonds of the district for a term of five years. This irrigation district is located at Silver Lake and covers approximately 8000 acres.

Coyotes are doing more damage in Oregon at the present time than for many years, according to Dr. W. H. Lytle, state veterinarian. Because of the serious losses resulting from the activities of these animals the state now has seven experienced hunters in the timbered districts, each of whom draws from \$90 to \$135 a month.

Indicative of the early reopening of the railroad tie market in the northwest is an order just received by the Valley Tie and Lumber company, wholesalers and manufacturers of lumber, with headquarters in Eugene, for 250 carloads of Douglas fir ties to be shipped to Oklahoma, where a new railroad is being built in one of the oil districts.

The newly-constructed concrete dam across the Stuslaw river at Swisshome, near the mouth of Lake creek, which Gustav Warthun had about finished and which was to have been used in connection with a large sawmill there, was washed out by the high water. The dam was over 100 feet long and Mr. Warthun had expended over \$7000 upon it.

In an attempt to combat the high cost of living Mayor Hamilton, acting for the city of Roseburg, has ordered a considerable quantity of government foodstuffs shipped there, to be placed on sale at prices far below those asked by mercantile houses. The city took this step experimentally, and if the innovation works satisfactorily larger quantities will be shipped in.

All counties in Oregon which failed to send to the state treasurer their last half taxes by November 1, as provided by law, will be compelled to pay interest on the delinquent remittances at the rate of 6 per cent, according to a statement given out by State Treasurer Hoff. The counties which have not yet remitted include Benton, Gilliam, Harney, Jackson, Malheur, Marion and Polk.

Instruction in agriculture in eight high schools of Oregon was authorized at a meeting of the state vocational education board. Schools in which this work will be carried on include those at Hood River, Gresham, Milton-Freewater, McMinnville, Newberg, Enterprise, Estacada and Woodburn. Introduction of the work in other schools is contemplated and it is expected that 12 to 15 institutions will be in a position to give agricultural instruction this year. Last year there were only four schools in Oregon handling this work.

## Notice of School Meeting.

NOTICE is hereby given to the legal voters of School District No. 95 of Linn County, State of Oregon, that a SCHOOL MEETING of said district will be held at Scio Public School on the 22d day of November, 1919, at two o'clock in the afternoon, to vote on the proposition of levying a special district tax, and the election of one Director vice J. L. Calavan, resigned.

The total amount of money needed by the district during the fiscal year beginning on June 16, 1919, and ending on June 30, 1920, is estimated in the following budget and includes the amounts to be received from the county school fund, state school fund, special district tax, and all other moneys of the district:

BUDGET—ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES.	
Teachers' salaries	\$5805.00
Furniture	100.00
Apparatus and supplies, such as maps, chalk, erasers, stoves, curtains, etc.	100.00
Repairs of school house, outbuildings, or fences	500.00
Improving grounds	100.00
Janitor's wages	450.00
Janitor's supplies	40.00
Fuel	225.00
Light	10.00
Water	10.00
Clerk's salary	40.00
Postage and stationery	50.00
Total estimated amount of money to be expended for all purposes during the year	\$7430.00

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS.	
From county school fund during coming school year	\$1540.00
From state school fund during coming school year	280.00
Cash now in the hands of the district clerk	133.08
Cash now in hands of the county treasurer, belonging to the district	673.00
Estimated amount to be received from all other sources during the coming school year	1500.00
Total estimated receipts, not including the money to be received from the tax which it is proposed to vote	\$4126.08

RECAPITULATION	
Total estimated expenses for the year	\$7430.00
Total estimated receipts not including tax to be voted	4126.08
Balance, amount to be raised by district tax	\$3304.92

Dated this 8th day of November, 1919.  
Attest:  
JENNIE SHELTON,  
District Clerk.

J. L. CALAVAN,  
Chairman Board of Directors.

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