

## OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

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

Plans for Eugene's annual rose show have been abandoned for this year.

Albany college will establish a preparatory course for the benefit of former service men.

Baker county wool sellers are worrying over the price of wool and hoping for a sudden rise.

Ten Linn county school teachers have been married since the schools closed early this month.

Freda Campbell, one of this year's graduates of Willamette university, has been awarded a scholarship by the French government.

School superintendents and leading educators of the state will meet at Eugene June 25 to discuss some new departures in education.

The Albany chamber of commerce has decided to open a publicity campaign not only for the city but for the county and state as well.

The Yerrek Logging company has purchased a claim of 160 acres of timber land in the southeastern part of Clatsop county for \$40,000.

Coos Bay has hopes of being liberally supplied with gasoline by the latter part of the month. A number of private shipments are en route.

Several hundred beautiful roses grown on the state house grounds were sent to Portland Tuesday for exhibition during the annual rose show.

Japanese, who grow a major portion of the strawberries of the Hood River valley, are reaping a rich harvest this year, with fruit selling at a record price.

The cereal crops of Oregon have been immensely benefited by the frequent rains of the past two weeks. The rains have also helped the fruit growers.

Corvallis is to have a new hotel costing in the neighborhood of \$300,000, according to articles of incorporation filed in the state corporation department.

The 12th annual state educational conference given under the auspices of the University of Oregon will be held Friday, June 25, on the campus in Eugene.

After reaching a height of 20 feet, the highest for the season, the Columbia river at Hood River is again at a standstill, and it is believed the crest has been passed.

At a picnic of the Rock Creek Methodist church in Clackamas county, on July 4, a feature will be the celebration

of the fiftieth anniversary of the ministry of Rev. A. J. Josslyn.

A trail seven miles long is being constructed by the Western Lane Forest Patrol association between Esmond creek, on the Siuslaw river, across the divide to the mouth of Twin Sisters.

The fossil of a prehistoric whale, relic of the miocene period, has been found on the Oregon coast near Newport by Dr. Earl L. Packard, professor of geology in the University of Oregon.

W. J. Chamberlain, state entomologist from Oregon Agricultural college at Corvallis, is in Klamath Falls to direct a campaign for the eradication of the pine beetle. He will be there all summer.

Not in several years has the prospect been so favorable for crops in the dry-land districts of Baker county as it is this year. Unless the unforeseen happens the county will turn in a big grain production.

A total of 263 permits to appropriate water and ten permits to construct reservoirs were issued by Percy Cupper, state engineer, during the period from January 1 to June 1, 1920, according to a report made public.

A deal involving the Albany Mill & Elevator company and the elevators at Tallman and Tangent was recently closed with Max Houser of Portland, whereby the Portland Flouring Mills company becomes the owner.

Eighteen head of pure-bred Short-horn and Hereford heifers have been purchased by L. E. McDaniels, newly appointed county agent of Harney county, to be distributed among calf club members of the county.

The North Bend baseball team will open the finest ball ground Coos county has ever presented to the fans for Sunday amusement when the new ground south of the Kruse & Banks shipyard is dedicated June 27.

As the result of the refusal of Flynn & Co., the largest cigar manufacturers in the northwest, with headquarters in Baker, to meet the wage demands made by cigar makers, the men walked out, and the industry is practically at a standstill.

Leroy Childs, superintendent of the Hood River experiment station, has warned growers to watch their orchards carefully to prevent the inroads of fire blight. The disease, it was stated, has been found in orchard tracts on the Hood River-Wasco county line just east of the range of hills between Hood River and the Mosier district.

Automobile tourists passing through Baker have made statements to the effect that at Salt Lake City thousands of travelers had been turned from the old Oregon trail because of erroneous reports that it was impossible to obtain gasoline in Oregon. In Idaho the tourists were told that gasoline in Oregon cost 55 cents a gallon.

Under the direction of a citizens' committee headed by Mayor Eastes,

W. R. Speck, Standard Oil manager at Bend, suspended deliveries of gasoline to all garages and service stations. With only 3000 gallons of motor fuel on hand, and no shipments promised, sale of gasoline was confined to the pine milling companies, mail stages, physicians and proprietors of milk routes.

F. A. Elliott, state forester, has returned from Bend, where he obtained an emergency landing field to be used by aviators engaged in patrolling the forests of central Oregon during the approaching fire season. The field contains several hundred acres and is located near Crane prairie. Another emergency field will be located a short distance south of Mount Jefferson, according to Mr. Elliott.

The pure-bred sire campaign that has become nationwide will be fostered by the Lane County Pure-Bred Livestock association. The plan of this campaign is to encourage nothing but pure-bred sires among the herds of the farmers and stock raisers.

With only three votes cast against it, the proposition of bonding the Grants Pass irrigation district in the sum of \$400,000 was carried at the special election Saturday, the proceeds of the bond issue to be used in the construction of a gravity irrigation project.

A carload of 27 heavy draft horses was shipped out of Albany by express billed to Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. The expressage amounted to almost \$500,

but the shippers estimated that, considering the feed bill and time lost, it would cost almost as much to send the horses by freight.

More than 1000 people viewed the impressive ceremonies incident to the laying of the cornerstone of the Masonic and Eastern Star home near Forest Grove. Judge Earl C. Bronaugh, grand master, and Mrs. Alberta S. McMurphy, worthy grand matron, were in charge of the ceremonies.

Bids opened for furnishing supplies for the state institutions during the six months starting July 1 and ending December 31 indicate a substantial in-

crease in prices when compared with the proposals received for similar supplies last December, according to R. B. Goodin, state purchasing agent.

Oregon, with purchases of war savings securities aggregating 8 cents per capita for the month of April and with a total of 51 cents per capita for the year up to May 1, ranks third among the states of the union, according to a report issued by J. A. Churchill, state superintendent of public instruction.

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