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OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

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

The Roseburg-Coos Bay highway has been closed.

Portland soon will have another automobile stage terminal.

Bend grocers have signed an agreement to retail no bread not made in Bend.

Ninety-six violators of the prohibition law were arrested by the morals squad of the Portland police force during November.

Headquarters of Willamette university has announced that \$503,960 of the endowment fund of \$1,250,000 has been subscribed.

More than 100 people attended an annual Oregon products dinner given at Bend under the direction of the woman's civic league.

At a special election recently the people of Falls City voted a bond issue of \$15,000 to purchase the electric light and power plant there.

The state land department, through George G. Brown, clerk, turned over to the state treasurer during the month of November a total of \$155,987.48.

Only one dog may be kept inside the city limits of Eugene by one person, firm or corporation if an ordinance introduced in the city council is passed.

A total of 133,653 motor vehicle licenses for the year 1922 had been issued by the state motor vehicle department at the close of business November 26.

Roy Ritner of Pendleton, acting governor during the absence from the state of Governor Olcott, arrived in Salem Sunday night and will remain until Christmas.

The foundation has been completed for the new Brooks-Scanlon Lumber company mill at Bend and construction of the frame work of the building will be started immediately.

Following the examples set by the Riverside and Crabtree communities of Linn county, Knox Butte citizens have inaugurated a movement in their district for a community hall.

Vessels of all trades entered at Portland for 11 months ending Thursday numbered 1662, with a total tonnage of 2,884,862. In the same period 1070 carriers of 2,884,397 tons were cleared.

Schools throughout Union county are making vigorous protests following the action of the county court in cutting off the appropriations for the county nurse and the county library service.

The Tillamook County Mutual Telephone company, with headquarters at Tillamook, has filed an application with the Oregon public service commission requesting a slight increase in rates.

Twenty carloads of dried prunes have been shipped this fall from the plant of the Eugene Fruit Growers' association, according to J. O. Holt, manager, and ten carloads are left in the warehouses.

The state highway department, at a meeting to be held in Portland December 13, will open bids for the construction of roads and bridges aggregating a cost estimated at approximately \$500,000.

In order to preserve the surface of a number of roads in the county during the coming winter, the Lane county court has issued an order regulating the weight of loads to be hauled over particular roads.

November, 1922, was the coldest November in the last seven years, according to the figures of Lee Goetschius, weather observer at Eugene. The rainfall during the month was the lightest since 1914.

The balance in the various funds of the city of Portland on November 30, which marked the end of the fiscal year, was \$1,919,945.47, according to the financial statement compiled by William Adams, city treasurer.

Clyde Lafolett, member of the lower house of the legislature from Marion county, narrowly escaped being drowned when an automobile in which he was riding plunged off the Wheatland ferry and into the Willamette river.

Three men lost their lives and \$30,000 worth of property was destroyed when fire of an unknown origin swept the Ben Hur hotel at 247 Oak street, Portland. The dead are: Christosomo Madarant, 24; Thomas Carino, 26, and J. J. McDonald.

Some relief was noted in the car situation by the mills of the northwest last week, according to the figures of a report for the week ending November 25, issued by the West Coast Lumbermen's association. Shipments were within 8 per cent of new business placed on the books of the 152 mills reporting to the organization. New business was 12 per cent below production and production was 4 per cent above normal.

The district attorneys of Oregon will hold their annual convention in Eugene December 15 and 16, according to announcement by Clyde N. Johnston, Lane county prosecutor, who is secretary and treasurer of the state association.

Speeders and other violators of traffic laws totalling 6791 fell into the hands of the motorcycle speed squad of the Portland police force during the past 12-month period, according to the annual report filed with Chief of Police Jenkins. Fines aggregating \$23,355.35 were collected from drivers.

As a result of the tremendous numbers of motor tourists visiting the Oregon caves of the Siskiyou national forest, which followed the opening last season of automobile roads there, Fred Cleator of the Oregon office of lands will see about utilization of state land in that region for recreational purposes.

Cargo lumber shipments from the Columbia river for the month of November were much less than during the previous month, according to statistics compiled by Deputy Collector of Customs Lamb at Astoria. Sixty-nine vessels loaded at the mills on the river in November and their combined cargoes totaled 48,354,418 foot of lumber.

With but three or four days' work remaining on the Crescent lake dam for the Deschutes county municipal improvement district, all possibility that snow will prevent its completion is removed. With favorable weather, all of the work contracted by the United Contracting company for the Tumalo project will be completed by February 1.

Notice of appeal to the supreme court has been filed in the circuit court at Salem by the city of Portland, in its suit brought against Sam A. Kozor, secretary of state, and the Associated Oil company to restrain the state from collecting gasoline tax on cars operated by the municipality. In the circuit court an order was issued adverse to the city of Portland.

There were three fatalities in Oregon due to industrial accidents during the week ending November 30, according to a report prepared by the state industrial accident commission. The victims were: Earl Perkins, state traffic officer, Oak Grove; Erick Erickson, logger, St. Helens, and Jack Melver, carpenter and millwright, Winchester. A total of 453 accidents were reported.

The salmon pack of the Columbia river district, which is considered one of Oregon's greatest industries, did not equal in value this year the pack of the five fruit canneries located in Salem. The canned fruit pack in the five Salem canneries aggregated 677,000 cases, which were sold at an average of \$4 each. This would fix the value of the fruit pack of these concerns at \$2,708,000.

J. E. Wheeler of Portland, member of the Seper-Wheeler Timber company and part owner of the Portland Telegram, has purchased the defunct Klamath Pine Manufacturing company's plant at Pelican City, according to announcement made at Klamath Falls. The plant adjoins that of the Pelican Bay Lumber company, and comprises a 63-acre site, and a small sawmill. The mill will be enlarged and a box factory added.

With the coming of winter Union county market and county road work is being wound up for the season. Several projects are now completed, among them being the market road work on the Union-Medical Springs road, and graveling on the market road between Cove and Union. Construction work on the Cove-Island City road is being completed. Grading on the Island City-Elgin road and the graveling on the La Grande-Kameka project are both completed and open to travel.

Oregon's outstanding debt on September 29, the close of the fiscal year, was \$50,128,722.58, according to the biennial report completed by O. P. Hoff, state treasurer. The indebtedness includes state highway bonds in the amount of \$34,500,000, district interest bonds aggregating \$734,000, farm credit bonds totalling \$450,000 and world war veterans' state aid bonds of \$15,000,000, less \$25,000 redeemed highway bonds and less a sinking fund of the world war veterans' state aid commission of \$520,297.42.

Award of a sale of 7,157,000 feet of timber on the Breitenbush river to the Hammond Lumber company by the Santiam national forest was announced by C. C. Hall, supervisor of the reserve. The area involved in the sale is adjacent to a rich timber belt sold to the Hammond company about a year ago. A logging road has been constructed through this tract to tap the larger holdings. Under the sale contract the lumber firm pays \$2 a thousand feet for the Douglas fir and red cedar, \$3 for the white and sugar pine and 50 cents for the hemlock.

The historic mill race extending past the campus of the University of Oregon at Eugene will be straightened at a point opposite Villard hall to make more room for a sidewalk on Franklin boulevard. The city council has authorized the expenditure of \$2000 in the work.



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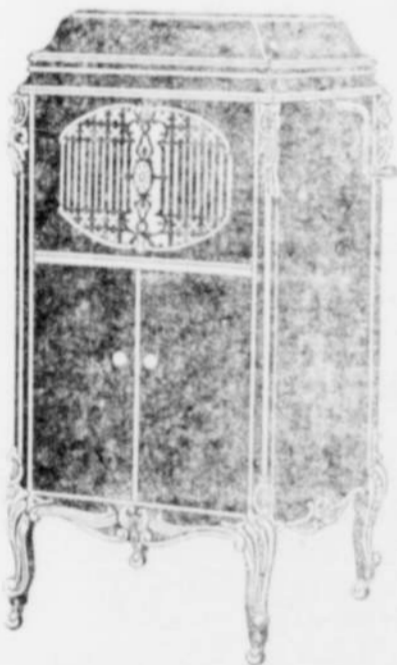
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