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### OREGON NEWS ITEMS OF SPECIAL INTEREST

#### Brief Resume of Happenings of the Week Collected for Our Readers.

The new Baptist church at North Bend has just been dedicated.

Members of the Oregon State Bar association gathered in annual session in The Dalles Friday.

Bears are becoming numerous in the vicinity of Cannon Beach, 15 having been seen and killed this fall.

Strawberries as large as crabapples are being taken from vines at the J. E. Banton place near Cottage Grove.

The Newberg box factory, owned by F. D. Sharp and located just outside the city limits, was destroyed by fire.

More than 300 birds were on exhibition at the annual display of the Lane County Poultry association at Eugene.

Building construction in North Bend now under way and completed since January 1 totals \$1,502,475, including \$174,475 street improvements.

The old horse barn, one of the most historic structures on the Oregon Agricultural college campus, was destroyed by fire caused by lightning.

St. Francis academy at Baker opened for the fall term with the largest enrollment in all grades of any year in the history of the institution.

A seven-foot cougar was killed at Swisshome by Virgil Brooks, a 16-year-old boy. The animal was caught while the youth was trapping for bear.

Banks of Curry county have declined to purchase county warrants, alleging that the county has exceeded the 6 per cent statutory limitation.

The next annual Oregon conference of the Methodist Episcopal church will be held in Eugene, it was decided at the 72d conference in Medford.

Work on the forest road between Five Rivers and Deadwood has ended for this season, according to Ralph S. Shelley, supervisor of the Siuslaw forest.

Apple week in Oregon will be October 26 to November 1, according to announcement of the agricultural committee of the Portland Chamber of Commerce.

It will require \$469,240 to conduct the state industrial accident commission during the next biennium, according to estimates filed with the state budget commission.

Voters of Multnomah county will pass upon a proposal to issue \$500,000 in bonds for completion of the Ross Island and Sellwood bridges at the November election.

The Multnomah county fair at Gresham, held July 29 to August 3 this year, made money for the first time in a number of years, according to the financial report.

The Stout company shingle mill at North Bend, burned some time ago, has been rebuilt and started sawing shingles Monday. The mill will run continuously through the fall and winter.

General rains over the Umatilla national forest so relieved the fire danger that three areas closed to hunting July 28 were ordered reopened Friday morning by District Forester George H. Ceell.

The public service commission has issued an order authorizing the Mount Angel Telephone company to put into effect a new tariff providing slight increases in the telephone rates demanded by the corporation.

R. B. Maxwell, 30, powderman for the Walter A. Woodard Lumber company, operating seven miles south of Cottage Grove, was killed when his own rifle was accidentally discharged, the bullet piercing his heart.

State Resident Highway Engineer Collier reports that the pavement between Albany and Corvallis will be ready for travel in five weeks. The pavement, which is of concrete, is now open as far as Granger station.

Following the completion of the hop and prune picking season, fully 75 per cent of pickers who were at work in the Willamette valley during the last few weeks have left for the Hood River district, to assist in the apple harvest.

The California-Oregon Power company has filed application with the state engineer for 14,000 horsepower on Clearwater creek, near the headwaters of the Umpqua river. The development contemplates 500 foot head with 250 second-feet.

Federal Judge Wolverton issued a temporary restraining order against Frank C. Bramwell, superintendent of banks, directing him to set aside \$500 of the funds of the Bank of Sherwood, now defunct, to meet the government's claims against the bank.

The A. L. Woodard interests at Divide, including 26,000,000 feet of timber, a sawmill under construction and logging equipment, have been purchased by the Bohemia Lumber company. The consideration was in the neighborhood of \$60,000.

Low water mark for the last 30 years was established by the Willamette river at Albany last week, according to F. M. French, local weather recorder. The river now lacks but 4 of a foot of reaching the low water mark established in 1861.

Oregon celery grown by the Troutdale Celery Growers' association won first, second and third prizes in the national exhibit at Louisville, Ky., according to a telegram received by H. E. Lounsbury, general freight agent of the O.-W. R. & N. lines.

Forela & Larsen, owners of a sawmill near Noti, 20 miles west of Eugene, have recently built and furnished a new schoolhouse near their mill and the district will provide a teacher, according to E. J. Moore, Lane county school superintendent.

The state tax commission has sent out approximately 6000 notices relating to the payment of the second and third installments of the state income tax. The two installments have been combined in the notices, with date of payment fixed at not later than October 6.

A plea that the region within ten square miles of the Josephine county caves be set aside as a federal game reserve will be forwarded to President Coolidge at once, according to decision reached by the board of directors of the Isaac Walton league, meeting in Portland.

The River Lumber & Logging company of Seattle has started the preliminary work on the erection of a sawmill at Kaskela, north of Bend, on the Deschutes river. The mill will be equipped with a band saw and a resaw to cut between 125,000 and 150,000 feet of lumber a day.

Plans originated by farmers of Deschutes county for the erection of a public market in Bend have virtually materialized. Representatives of county gauges, labor unions and the city council of Bend are working together on the project, which has been under consideration for several years.

The work of relocating the Columbia highway about one mile east of Astoria to avoid danger from sliding ground is expected to be completed in about six weeks. Two steam shovels are working on the heavy cut and a third will be put to work soon on a new entrance way into Astoria along the Date street route.

Heavy showers in both the Cascade and Coast mountains are believed to have extinguished all forest fires in that section, say national forest officials. A large number of small fires had been burning on the Cascade national forest for several weeks and the continued dry weather made it very difficult to prevent their spread.

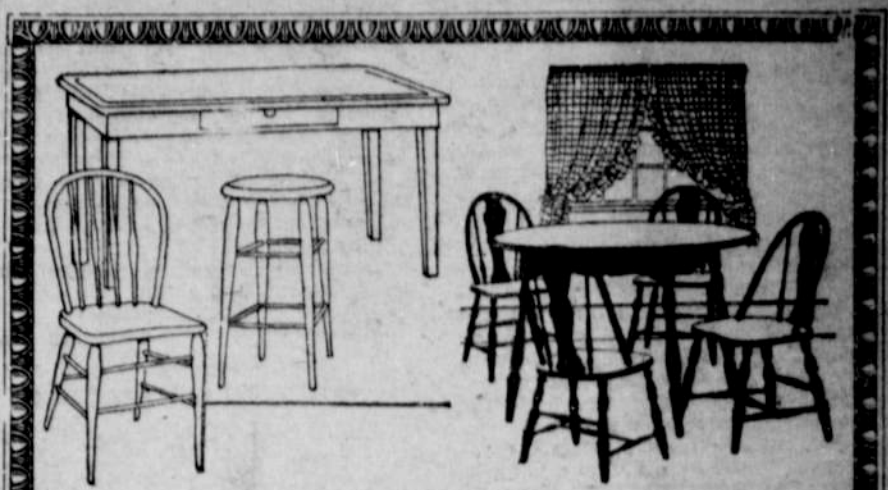
A lightning belt in which forest fires are constantly springing up from electric storms extends along the ridge of the Cascades between Mount Hood and Mount Jefferson, says H. D. Foster, assistant forester of Mount Hood national forest. Mr. Foster has just returned from a six-weeks stay at Clackamas lake ranger station, midway between the peaks.

Workmen of the Flora Logging company are busy repairing damage done to the company's holdings west of Carlton by fire. Equipment damaged included 12 donkey engines, of which all can be repaired except one, on which a tree fell. About a mile of roadway, including three trestles, was burned over. The fire burned over about two square miles of logged-off land, doing no damage to standing timber.

Buried on the banks of the Deschutes river, a cache of large spearheads made of obsidian was discovered when a large boulder was moved from its resting place within the city limits of Bend. The spearheads apparently had been placed by their maker in a small fissure in the rim of basalt which faces the Deschutes river from the east. The articles, approximately 200 in number, were found when a blast was discharged in the basalt rim in preparing ground for pavement.

Recommendation for the repeal of the existing state income tax law, which it characterizes as a "deterrent to the investment of capital in the state," and the enactment of a new law which would limit tax to net incomes of individual residents of Oregon only, exempting entirely from the tax the income of both non-residents and corporations, was made to the board of directors of the Portland Chamber of Commerce by the chamber's special income tax fact finding committee.

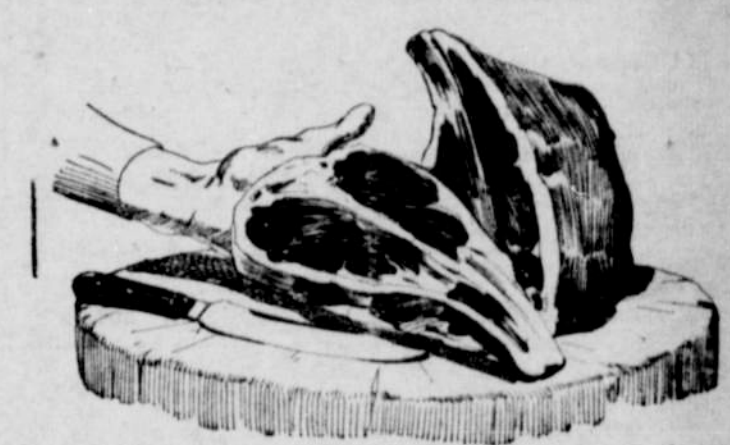
Nearly 50,000 pounds of blasting gelatine have been used in the effort to clean out the subaqueous rock in the channel at Yaquina bay and remove the pinnacles that are an obstruction to navigation. It was announced at the office of Captain George Mayo, United States army engineers, in charge of the first Oregon district. The work of clearing the channel of these dangerous pinnacles will be halted when weather conditions at the entrance become bad, which will be about October 1. The projected depth is 20 feet and in places the government engineers have nearly reached that point.



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