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OREGON NEWS ITEMS OF SPECIAL INTEREST

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

Jasper N. Miller, 84, pioneer educator of Oregon, died at the Eugene hospital after a brief illness.

Steps have been taken to form a Lane county chapter of the Reserve Officers' association in Eugene.

Forest roads through the Deschutes national forest are being dragged and smoothed down since the recent rains have softened the earth.

The production of wheat in Umatilla county this year was approximately 4,500,000 bushels, according to warehouse receipt figures.

John M. Zuebanich, 48, a native of Austria, committed suicide at the eastern Oregon state hospital at Pendleton by hanging himself.

Isaac H. Ruppelin of Astoria, 43 years old, was almost instantly killed at Westport while loading lumber on the schooner Charles H. Cramp.

Cutting of lumber at the new Bohemia Lumber company's plant three miles below Cottage Grove started last week. About 60 men are employed.

More than 300,000 pounds of pyrotol and sodatol for blasting purposes have been ordered during the past year by the farmers of Washington county.

Mrs. Henrietta Melhase, 70, of Klamath Falls, was burned, perhaps fatally when gasoline in which she was washing a woolen dress exploded.

Preliminary steps toward the grading and surfacing of a road from Chilquinn to Beatty, a distance of 30 miles, have been initiated by the Klamath county court.

Douglas Yocom, 16, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Yocom of Portland, died at Wasco from wounds resulting from the accidental discharge of a gun while hunting.

The official count of the Medford city election confirmed the unofficial count in the close city treasurer contest, which was won by Miss Linnie Hanscom by 31 votes.

Alexander Baillie, 82, a well-known resident of Clackamas station, died at the Oregon City hospital from internal injuries caused from being struck by an automobile.

A total of \$39,053.28 was expended by C. C. Chapman in behalf of the repeal of the state income tax law, according to the report filed by him with Secretary of State Koser.

Two carloads of horses were shipped recently from North Powder to Robinson, Nev., two carloads to Monterey, Cal., and one carload to Corvallis for use in the United States cavalry.

Consolidation of the world war veterans' state aid commission and the state land department will be undertaken at the next session of the legislature, it was announced at Salem.

W. R. Neel, state highway engineer of Georgia, accompanied by a number of other state highway officials from the east, spent two days last week inspecting the highways of this state.

State Highway Commissioner Babcock and Chief Engineer Mullen of the state of Minnesota spent some time at Salem last week conferring with officials of the state highway department.

Johnny Gruelle, famous author of children's books and originator of "Ragged Ann" dolls and books, is dangerously ill in an Ashland sanitarium, following a recent appendicitis operation.

For the second time within a week the power line from Pendleton which serves Pilot Rock was put out of commission Thursday when wild geese flew against the line and caused a short circuit.

It was announced at Salem that a bill would be introduced in the legislature at its next session providing that all peace officers, on salary, shall come under the workmen's compensation law.

Funds with which to establish permanent airplane fire patrol in Oregon forests will be sought at the December session of congress, it was announced by Colonel Greeley, chief of the forest service.

On account of the inclement weather the last two or three weeks the work on the new highway between Niagara and Halls being done by the United States Fidelity & Guarantee company has been discontinued.

Thomas Cornelius, for the last two years in charge of the Oregon state penitentiary farm at Salem, has resigned his position, to become effective December 1. His successor has not yet been appointed.

At the next general or special election in Douglas county the county court will submit a proposal to vote a 3-mill levy to construct a new courthouse. The levy will raise \$120,000, which, with \$70,000 now in the fund, will be sufficient for the building.

Nick Deckley of Dogden, N. D., is in a Eugene hospital suffering from a broken collar bone, broken ribs and severe gashes about the body, the result of an automobile smashup six miles north of Junction City.

A number of officials and employees of the Oregon state highway department left Salem by automobile last week for San Francisco to attend the annual convention of the American Association of Highway Engineers.

What is believed to have been the smallest real estate transaction of record in Wasco county was consummated when Sheriff Chrisman sold at public auction a lot at Shaniko to John McHargue for 75 cents, cash.

The Pendleton round-up in 1925 will be conducted for four days instead of three days as formerly, according to action taken by the stockholders at annual meeting. The dates of the show will be September 16, 17, 18 and 19.

Salem, on the percentage basis, ranks first of the cities on the Pacific coast in building construction increase for the month of October. This is shown in the national monthly building survey of S. W. Strauss & Co.

The sheep market in central Oregon has strengthened materially with ewes selling from \$12 to \$14 a head, stockmen of the Deschutes country report. It is predicted by central Oregon sheepmen that wool will sell at 60c a pound in the spring.

Arthur A. Page, 37, of San Francisco, was killed instantly when the auto in which he was riding, driven by J. F. Leer, also of San Francisco, went off the grade about half a mile north of Siskiyou mountain summit and crashed on the rocks beneath.

Representatives of power companies in Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Utah and Montana, constituting the executive committee of the Northwest Electric Light and Power association, met in Albany and discussed technical problems. They were guests of the Mountain States Power company.

The Oregon apple crop has been moving out well, particularly from the Hood River district, though shipments have slowed down somewhat in the past few days. Total shipments from the state up to the first of this month were 2809 cars, or only 177 cars less than in the same period last year.

Complete unofficial returns from every precinct in every county in the state disclose that the only neck-and-neck race among the major candidates in Oregon during the recent election has ended with Senator La Follette 549 votes in the lead over J. W. Davis for second choice for the presidency.

There was one fatality due to industrial accidents in Oregon during the week ending November 13, according to a report prepared by the state industrial accident commission. The victim was Matt McKie, assistant powder man, of St. Helens. A total of 523 accidents was reported during the week.

Addition of six cement ponds at the hatchery of the state fish commission at Bonneville will bring the capacity up to 10,500,000 fish, and make it one of the two largest hatcheries in the world, according to Hugh C. Mitchell, state superintendent of hatcheries. Work on the new ponds has been started.

The committee appointed by the last legislature to investigate and report on the status of irrigation in this state has completed its duties and a statement is now being drafted for the consideration of the lawmakers when they convene in Salem next January. The report covers 43 active irrigation districts in the state.

Dr. R. E. Lee Steiner, superintendent of the Oregon state hospital, has left for Manila, P. I., accompanied by three Filipino patients who had been ordered deported to their former homes. Mrs. Steiner accompanied her husband to the Philippine islands, where she will visit her daughter. Dr. and Mrs. Steiner will return to Salem shortly after the first of the year.

Portland will figure in the trial of Charles R. Forbes, former director of the national veterans' bureau, in the federal court in Chicago. United States Marshal Clarence R. Hotchkiss received an order from Federal Judge George A. Carpenter of the northern Illinois district court to have P. J. Dwyer, auditor of the Hotel Portland, produce all day books, cash books, journals and like papers showing sums paid by Forbes and members of his party when they stayed there from July 1 to July 31, 1922.

The proposed mass meeting of the Harding Memorial association which was formed to be a non-profitable body, functioning to build and maintain a Harding memorial park at the top of Blue mountains near Meacham, to have been held at Milton, December 20, has been indefinitely postponed, according to Bruce Dennis, temporary secretary. The meeting, which would have resulted in permanent organization of the association, was postponed because it was discovered that special state and federal legislation were necessary first.

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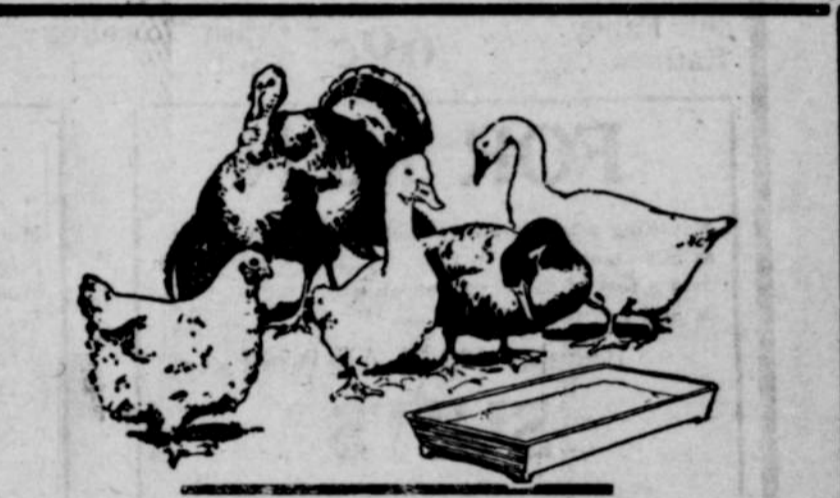
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