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LANTZ WINNER OF SWEEPSTAKE

AWARDS MADE AT THE COVE CHERRY SHOW BY EXPERT

"SIDE LIGHTS" ON FAIR DISCLOSE INTERESTING ITEMS

Cherry Expert Praises Quality of the Cherry Fair by Saying It Ranks Above Salem Productions—Uniformity in Exhibits Shows Good Taste—Cherries Beautiful.

The half will never be told in the press dispatches about the exhibitions and the displays of fruit and the eloquent addresses shown and made at the fair yesterday. Hordes and throngs were there from Baker and Haines as well as from western Idaho. Prof. W. K. Newell of O. A. C. told the people he had been in all portions of the United States where cherries are grown and that not even Salem or Hood River could surpass the products of Cove. It was a part of his business to see and to judge this special sort of fruit. He wisely told the people they could get into all the markets of the world if they would co-operate, because Louisiana, Tennessee and Florida send their stuffs to Portland and elsewhere. He told also that Puyallup sends the red raspberry as far as Chicago, perishable as it is.

Awards Are Announced.
The sweepstakes for general combined exhibition of all kinds of cherries went:

First prize, J. K. Lantz; second prize, J. B. Love; third prize, A. A. Antles.
Grand prize for special box went to Stackland Brothers.

Bings.
Fifteen boxes—First prize, J. K. Lantz; second, J. W. Ingram; third, A. A. Antles.

Ten boxes—First prize, J. K. Lantz; second, Carl Stackland; third, W. Murphy.

Five boxes—First prize, J. K. Lantz; second, A. Comstock; third, B. E. Anderson.

Four boxes—First prize, R. W. Severs; second, J. B. Love; third, Oscar Lund.

Three boxes—First prize, O. T. Severs; second, J. W. Ingram; third, C. Stackland.

Two boxes—First prize, H. D. Antles; second, O. T. Severs; third, J. K. Lantz.

One box—First prize, H. D. Antles; second, J. B. Love; third, W. Murphy.

Royal Annes.
Ten boxes—First prize, J. K. Lantz; five boxes—First prize, J. K. Lantz; second, A. A. Antles; third, J. W. Ingram.

Four boxes—First prize, J. B. Love; second, R. I. Barker; third, A. Anderson.

Three boxes—First prize, J. W. Dean; second, J. K. Lantz; third, J. B. Love.

Two boxes—First prize, J. B. Love; second, L. W. Ragsdale; third, B. F. Bell & Sons.

One box—First prize, H. D. Antles; second, J. W. Dean; third, C. A. Centennial.

First prize, R. I. Barker; second, A. Anderson.

Black Republican.
One box, J. F. Dean.
Four boxes—R. I. Barker.
Five boxes—J. W. Ingram.

Loganberries.
First prize, Mr. Goley.

Raspberries.
Black Caps—One box—First prize, Mr. Wardell; second, Theo. May.

Two boxes—First prize, Mrs. Suedeker; second, F. F. Williams.

Red Caps—Two boxes, R. I. Barker.
One crate—First prize, J. Orton; second, F. F. Williams.

Strawberries.
Three crates, J. B. Love.
One crate—First prize, W. F. Stack-

second, H. D. Antles; third prize, Mrs. R. Wade.
Box mixed fruits, Mr. Baxter.

Box red raspberries, Mrs. Ecker.
One box strawberries, J. B. Love.
One box red raspberries, J. L. Gibson.

Sidelights of the Fair.
Stackland Bros. had a large American flag made of light and dark cherries, alternative, all the stripes and two too many stars, but it was as a piece of art, the real piece de resistance in the whole exhibit.

Worked out in one tasteful display were the words: "Cove's got 'em" written in Royal Annes among Bings.

All the display boxes were 9x9 inches. Many of the Bings held nine rows each way, tightly packed, showing them an inch in average diameter; yet Harvey Lantz had two boxes that faced eight; these were one and one-eighth inches in diameter, or three and one-half inches in circumference, making two luscious bites.

One hundred and forty automobiles were counted at one time.

The chicken dinner in the Methodist tent was superb. To Cove always for something good to eat.

Cove once lacked but six votes of becoming the county seat. In fact, she had the six, but the voters had written "Forest Cove," the early name of the place and that simple technicality defeated the cherry town.

Grande Ronde Valley people never heard finer music than that given them yesterday by Prof. Herbst and wife of Germany. Mrs. Herbst is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Wright of Union and she and her husband are visiting their American relatives.

The "old fiddler's contest" drew a crowd of interested folks while such ancient as the Mr. J. L. Gibson, A. C. Huntington, bow Saxton, Mayor Tripper, M. L. Carter and others sawed the screaming catgut. Mr. Huntington explained after his appearance that the number he produced had been learned by him when a child of 15 and that he had never touched a fiddle since that date, 65 years ago. Beat that for a record if you will. Mr. Huntington is now over 80 years old.

King Bing and Queen Royal Anne were the names given the king and queen who were crowned joint monarchs of the day and the occasion.

Who said Otho Eckersley is a pessimist or that Dunham Wright could not make a speech?

What miscreant declared Cove cherries were tasteless? We know who it is—but he was "full as a goose" (on cherries) when he said it.

MANAGERS TO GATHER AT BAKER MONDAY.

Three Thousand of Last Five Thousand Are Now Subscribed.

With 49 fast horses entered for the race meet to be conducted during the county fair here, managers of the different weeks of the Oregon-Idaho racing circuit are to meet in Baker next Monday to perfect the arrangements. N. K. West will attend from La Grande and final plans for the big circuit will be laid.

This trip is taken on the assumption that the required \$5,000 needed to completed the \$15,000 outlay on track and buildings will be attained. Yesterday something like \$1,000 was subscribed in La Grande and enough to bring the total of the last campaign up to about \$3,000. That the rest will be forthcoming continues to be hoped by the promoters.

STOCKHOLM PAPER HERE.

Dagens Nyheter, Printed in English, Received in La Grande.

Sent by McClure, the husky middle distance runner of the U. of O., the Dagens Nyheter, published at Stockholm as "the Stadion," a Olympiad edition of the Stockholm newspaper, has been received by Eugene Good. Several excellent half-tones of the American athletes are shown although the paper lacks the general attractiveness of American newspaper make-up.

MIKADO DYING TOKIO MOURNS

OFFICIALS AND MEMBERS OF FAMILY AT BEDSIDE

DEATH EXPECTED MOMENTARILY, SAY HIS PHYSICIANS

Mutshuhito Sinking Rapidly From Brain and Stomach Troubles—Katsuras Summoned to the Palace and He May Become Premier Should the Emperor Die as Indicated.

Tokio, July 20.—Emperor Mutshuhito is dying of brain and stomach trouble. He is sinking steadily. The members of the royal family are arriving hourly, hastening to the mikado's bedside. The public has been warned that death may come at any time. The streets are filled with anxious throngs.

All members of the cabinet and other important government officials are assembled at the palace and the whole city is quiet and sad.

According to a bulletin issued tonight, the mikado's temperature is 105, pulse 104 and respiration 38.

Prince Katsura has been advised of the mikado's condition. It is expected he will reach Tokio quickly, and it is believed that if the emperor dies, Katsura will become the premier again.

Today religious services were held throughout the country for the emperor's recovery and services in the Buddhist temples here and at Kioto were especially impressive. The wife of the heir to the throne, Prince Yoshihito is representing him at the palace in his absence. She keeps him constantly acquainted with his father's condition by telephone.

SUFFRAGETTE HURLS FLOUR

Premier Asquith Is Target for Peculiar Weapon.

Dublin, July 20.—A suffragette today threw a bag of flour at Premier Asquith in the town hall square, but missed. She was arrested and placed in jail.

FIREMAN MEETS DEATH.

Vancouver, B. C., Has Half Million Dollar Blaze.

Vancouver, B. C., July 20.—Six business blocks were destroyed by fire here early today. The loss is a half million dollars.

A fireman was killed and several injured by a fall.

GOWNS ARE CONDEMNED.

Present Day Style Causes Murder of Innocent Girl.

Greeley, Colo., July 20.—That the style of women's clothing of the present day was responsible for the murder of 13-year-old Julia Connors of New York as well as the recent shooting of Miss Georgia Lichtenwaller of Denver was the statement today of G. Stanley Hall, president of the Clark university of Worcester, Mass. He says that the present styles raise in men a feeling of sex consciousness.

BOY NEARLY ELECTROCUTED.

Fighting Fire, Student Touches Exposed Wire and Is Burned.

Stanford University, July 20.—Helpless in the clutches of a highly charged wire for five minutes, Frank Walters, a university student, was almost shocked to death in a fire which partially destroyed the Seta Psi fraternity house here today.

The student volunteer fire department answered the alarm and in fighting the flames young Walters touched the exposed wires, but will recover. The students extinguished the fire with \$6,000 loss.

G. O. P. HEADS DEVISE PLANS

SUB-COMMITTEE LAYING CAMPAIGN FOR VOTES

BOURNE PREDICTS NEW LEAGUE WITH 5 PRECEPTS

Democratic Treasurer of the National Committee in 1908 Tells of Receipts and Disbursements Made — Tammany Hall Contributed Ten Thousand for the Campaign Fund.

New York, July 20.—A sub-committee of the republican national committee resumed conferences today preparatory to naming the advisory and executive committees. Chairman C. D. Hills was in telephone communication with President Taft today.

Fine Precepts Fostered.
Washington, July 20.—That a national progressive republican league will be formed by the progressive element of that party, to urge the precepts of popular government in the coming campaign, was the statement issued today by United States Senator Bourne of Oregon.

Speaking on the proposed league, Bourne said: "Five principals of our league are as follows: Popular election of United States senators, direct primaries, presidential primaries, the initiative, referendum and recall, and a thorough-going corrupt practices act."

1908 Expenditures Made Public.
Washington, July 20.—Herman Biddler of New York, ex-treasurer of the democratic national committee, testified today before the senate committee investigating the election of 1908. Riddner said that the receipts of that campaign were \$666,644, and the expenditures were \$1,000 less. He declared that Bryan instructed him that no contribution of over \$1,000 was to be accepted, and nothing was to come from corporations.

Riddner declared that he himself was the largest contributor to the democratic fund. He gave \$10,000 in his own name and gave \$9,000 in the name of his son, while Tammany hall gave \$10,000, and William F. Sheehan, E. F. Poltra gave \$3,000 each, and Samuel Untermyer \$2,500. The others were minor amounts.

CITY DEEMED LIABLE.

Neglect of Obnoxious Weeds Jeopardizes Entire City.

Not only are individuals who permit noxious weeds of the Jim Hill mustard type, and a half dozen other similarly noxious weeds subject to a fine of \$100 but the city is liable for \$500 as a city for the flagrant neglect of the care of weeds about the city. Property owners on many of the best and paved streets of the city are allowing Jim Hill mustard weeds to grow in abundance and neither individuals nor the city has been punished. Civic organizations have taken hold of the situation and some action may soon follow.

The statutes are plain and specific in the matter. On some streets the weeds, not all in the noxious class, perhaps, overhang the walks so that ladies soil their gowns in walking along the walks and not only that but the entire lawn and parking spaces are subject to infection. Within the very heart of the city these weeds are allowed to grow unhampered or touched and while a portion of the resident and property owners are trying to park and beautify their property adjoining lots are buried in weeds. The seriousness of the situation is beginning to dawn and it is more than probable that civic organizations headed by women of the city will bring some action in the courts of the county to not only hinder the maturity of the weeds now nearly ripe and ready to spread their millions and millions of seeds but will teach a lesson to the city and to individuals that will be remembered for some time to come.

Millionaire Faces Murder Charge.

New York, July 20.—George B. Harkness, a millionaire real estate dealer, is in jail today charged with having shot and killed Mrs. Florence Hopp, of Lewisburg, Pa., at the Hotel York here. Harkness declares the shooting was accidental and occurred while Mrs. Hopp was examining his automatic revolver.

Firemen Cooked to Death.

New York, July 20.—The Italian liner Principe De Piemonte arrived in port today, bearing a tale of five firemen being cooked to death beneath her decks, when a steam pipe leading from the liner's port engine to the main boilers, burst, trapping the firemen in the compartment filled with steam.

News Forecast for the Coming Week.

Washington, D. C., July 20.—National politics, both republican and democratic, give indication of easing off during the week, pending the notification meetings soon to be held and at which the presidential candidates will deliver their first important talks of the campaign. During the week the Roosevelt followers are expected to hold conventions in Iowa, Alabama and a number of other states for the election of delegates to the national progressive convention at Chicago.

A general democratic primary will be held in Texas Saturday for the selection of candidates for governor and other state officers, members of the legislature, judiciary, United States senator and congressmen-at-large. The contest for the seat of Joseph W. Bailey in the United States senate has been a long and bitter one. The leading candidates are Congressman Morris Sheppard, Congressman C. B. Randall and J. P. Wolters. Governor Colquitt is a candidate for renomination and is opposed by W. P. Ramsey, associate justice of the supreme court.

Democrats of Iowa will meet in state convention in Cedar Rapids on Thursday to adopt a platform and to name two candidates for judge of the state supreme court.

Hearings in the government's suit in equity to dissolve the American Sugar Refining company are to be resumed in San Francisco Tuesday. From San Francisco the hearings will shift to Salt Lake City, then to Denver and back to New York.

The city of Detroit is to celebrate its 211 anniversary with a monster land and water carnival, beginning on Monday and continuing throughout the greater part of the week. Ten thousand persons are to take part in the carnival, which is to be called Cadillac, in honor of Cadillac, the French explorer who founded the city in 1701.

Among the conventions of the week will be the annual convention of the National Association of Insurance Commissioners, which will be held in Spokane; the national convention of Gideons, or Christian traveling men, in Atlanta, and the national guard lodge meeting of the International Order of Good Templars, which will assemble in St. Paul.

Many Contests for Senate.

Washington, D. C., July 20.—Terms of one third of the members of the United States senate will expire next March. The present senate is composed of 52 republicans and 43 democrats, with one vacancy. Can the democrats pick up the five men they need to insure them control? Will the next election cost them some of the seats that are now theirs?

Of the 32 senators whose terms will expire in March 19 are republicans and 13 are democrats. Contests are already on for nearly all of the seats to be made vacant. In some of the states the contests already have been decided, while primary elections or elections of legislatures within the next few months will settle the others. Some of the contests promise to be exciting and spectacular. A review of the situation as existing in the different states at the present time presents many features of interest.

DEEPER STILL PROBERS' AIM

HANFORD'S IN JUNCTION IN RENTON CASE GONE INTO

ALL PERS IN CONNECTION WITH CASE SUBPOENAED

On a day when adjournment was expected Hanford investigators call for more evidence—Relations with Great Northern Company shown in today's hearing.

Seattle, July 20.—George H. Plummer, western land agent for the Northern Pacific railroad, testified in the Hanford hearing, reading correspondence between the railroad company and Hanford and the Hanford Irrigation company. He testified that the Northern Pacific entered into eight transactions with the Hanford people.

Referring to the second transaction of this series, Plummer read a letter to Thomas Cooper of St. Paul, land commissioner of the railroad company in which the witness offered certain price for Hanford some 8,000 acres was "fair" and "all it could afford to pay."

The congressional committee issued a subpoena for all records in the offices of Attorney Kerr and McCord in the Renton injunction case. This indicates that the committee intends to go deeper into the case in which Hanford granted a blanket injunction in favor of the street railroad company. This injunction led to a protest mass meeting and the starting of the impeachment campaign against Hanford.

BIG ORCHARD SOLD.

Grande Ronde Orchard Holdings Bought in by Former Owners.

Still subject to redemption, the Grande Ronde Orchard company holdings of 200 acres of two-year-old orchards near Cove, were sold this morning in a foreclosure proceeding to M. W. and Mathilda J. Mitchell, property is worth in the neighborhood of \$60,000 and the sale price today was to satisfy judgment of the former owners and the company said to be getting in shape to return the holdings in the year allotted for it. The orchard is one of the largest in the county and gives promise of being a prolific producer. W. E. Sargent and Attorneys Green and Smith are the counsel in the case.

LABOR LEADERS TRIED.

Secret Session of Western Miners Held at Cripple Creek Today.

Cripple Creek, Colo., July 20.—Delegates sitting behind closed doors as a committee of the whole the national officers of the Western Federation of Miners began the convention here today.

The main charges to be tried are those against President Charles M. Moyer and others by Thomas Campbell of Butte, who represents Vincent St. John, Moyer's opponent for president during the recent campaign.

Campbell charges mis-use of funds and general corruption on the part of Moyer and other officers.

Campbell is not a delegate to the convention as he is himself on trial by the special request of President Moyer. Owing to the executive character of the sessions no direct information regarding the progress of the trial was obtainable today but it is believed that Moyer and his associates will win out.

Use Bullets to Stop Parades.

New Bedford, Mass., July 20.—Bullets, if necessary, Chief of Police Mason announced today he would use tomorrow's parade of the Industrial Workers of the World, whose members here are striking from the textile mills.