TANFORAN TO BE BETLESS RACE TRACK

(By The Associated Press.)

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 13.—Tanforan, the race track under construction near here, will be a "betless" track, according to Rudolph Spreckles, vice president of the Pacific Coast Jockey club, under whose auspices the racing will be held at Tanforan.

"We are sincere in our statement that there will be no illegal betting at Tanforan," said Mr. Spreckels to The Associated Press. "We have incorporated that feature in the articles of incorporation of the club, and for any infractions of our by-laws we will bar forever any owner, jockey or other person involved.

"Life-long banishment from a club is a new departure. A crooked owner or jockey might take a chance on cleaning up on a fixed race with only a short suspension facing him, if caught, but he will think twice before he meddles with permanent suspension."

Mr. Spreckels stated he was not ready to announce what measures will be taken to enforce the betting prohibition rule at Tanforan, but said the machinery to enforce this rule had been perfected.

"Not only will we bar betting at the track, but we hope to perfect our plans to absolutely stop all illegal betting at pool rooms on races at Tanforan," declared Mr. Spreckels.

The directors of the club, comprising A. K. Macomber, Frank J. Kelly, C. K. G. Billings and Thomas Fortune Ryan, of New York, and A. B. Spreckels, Rudolph Spreckels and Herbert Fleishhacker, of San Francisco, have been assured of entries of some of the best known eastern horses, including their own, Mr. Spreckels said.

"One of the biggest features of Tanforan," he said, "will be the establishment in California of breeding stables by some of the leading horsemen of the country. This state offers perfect conditions for wintering race horses, and Tanforan will enable horsemen to run their horses under perfect conditions before the eastern season opens."

Tanforan, which is "dedicated to the breeding of fine stock and the encouragement of ethical racing," will not be operated as a money-making club," Mr. Spreckels stated.

EMIR HAS AN ORDERLY PLACE

(By The Associated Press.)

JERUSALEM, Dec. 8.—(By Mail)—Emir Abdullah, ruler of Transjordania, has returned to Egypt from England, where he went to consult with the British government as to the future of his country. He will return to Transjordania by way of Mecca, where he will confer with his father, King Hussein of the Hedjaz. The Emir has said that the British foreign office has recognized the military and political independence of Transjordania.

Peace in the Emir's country is regarded as essential for the development of Palestine; and it is a fact that Abdullah has succeeded in maintaining peace and order since he took command in 1920. He has been aided by Mr. Philby, the British advisor, and a small detachment of British troops.

Emir Abdullah has a staff of Syrians and Palestinians under the head of Riza Pasha Rikabi, his chief councillor. He has opened elementary schools in most all the large towns. Taxes are collected in the same manner as in Palestine and the roads are practically safe. The Transjordania government now collects customs dues from both the Palestinian and Syrian governments and the British government provides the sum of £150,000 yearly to cover the deficiency.

The neighboring Bedouins are not so friendly to the Emir, and in February it was found necessary to stop the march of Ibn Sa'ud, Emir of Nejd, who had captured at Jauf the most important oasis town in the Syrian Desert.

Neither Abdullah nor his father Hussein is popular with the Arab nationalists on account of the suspicion that they are permitting themselves to be used by the British diplomacy for the furtherance of British interests at the expense of the native inhabitants.

United States Army Still Finds Use for Old Dobbin

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Jan. 12.—Horses may be considered quite obsolete for business and private use, but the United States army needs Old Dobbin, according to Colonel W. H. Neill, in charge of a government project at Boise, Idaho, to breed better stock. Colonel Neill's district includes Utah, Wyoming, Idaho, Montana, Washington and Oregon.

Experience in the World war showed that success in war depends to a great extent on the quality of the equine forces, Colonel Neill declared. The United States, he said, has not encouraged the breeding of horses on a scale comparable with that of England, Ireland, Argentine and other countries.

INVESTIGATION AT KELSO.

KELSO, Wash., Jan. 12.—A state investigation of the Kelso bridge disaster, in addition to the coroner's inquest, has been demanded here. The agitation has gained considerable headway and may result in a plea that Governor Hart take a hand in the probe.

The Cowlitz river has been falling slowly, despite the continued rainfall. The river today was three feet below the peak mark.

The county commissioners expect to appoint a man to supervise the reach for the bodies, which will be resumed as soon as the river has fallen sufficiently.

Churches

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All church notices must be in the hands of the editor by 4 p. m. Friday afternoon.

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First Church of Christ, Scientist.—Corner of First and Washington, Sunday morning service at 11 o'clock. Subject: "Sacrament."

Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Wednesday evening meeting at 8 o'clock. Reading room open to the public every Monday, Wednesday and Saturday from two to four. All are welcome to attend our services.

M. E. Church South—Sunday school begins promptly at 10:00 o'clock. Everyone not attending other schools will be cordially welcomed. Rev. J. M. Johnson, presiding elder of the La Grande District, will preach at the 11:00 o'clock service. His subject being, "John's Message to the Churches." Epworth League, with Miss Gladys Gauthier leading, at 6:45. The evening service at 7:30 will describe the various line of endeavor carried on by this organization in the Near East; its present needs and what the outlook is for future relief work and especially those who have given to this just cause, arrange to hear this lecture. The District Conference of the La Grande District will be held in this city commencing February 7th and running for two days. Immediately following this conference the pastor with the aid of the presiding elder will hold a revival meeting which will last for three and possibly four weeks.—A. J. Starmer, pastor.

Island City Community Church—Sunday morning the sermon will be especially for the Sunday school and the entire school is asked to remain for the preaching services. The Bible study class is fortunate in securing Miss Blanche Clark as teacher for the remainder of the year. There are some in the class who expect to take the examination next spring, looking toward high school credits. This is a fine time now for others to come into the class. Plenty of time yet to prepare for that examination. But you can help the class and the class can help you, whether you take the examination or not. "The Parable of the Vacuum" will be the sermon topic for next Sunday night. The sermon will be short. We will permit you to be the judge of its sweetness. The Epworth League now begins a study of the missionary book, "India on the March." Leader Renwick Clark. See 1 Kings 10: 1-15, also Matt. 2: 1. We receive much from the community. We owe much to the community and how can we better serve the community than by making the church and the Christian life all they should be in the community.—Hall K. Wallis, pastor.

First Methodist Episcopal Church—"Drawing a Bow at a Venture or the Law of Indirectness" will be the theme of the sermon in the forenoon service. The choir will sing an anthem, the solo parts in it to be given by Mrs. Aldrich and Mr. Towler. A representative of the Near East Relief will make the address in the evening service, presenting this worthy and needy cause. Special music by the evening choir. Bible school at 10:00. Epworth League 6:30, to be led by Mrs. Quigley. All young people are cordially invited.—G. H. Quigley, minister.

The Chapel Car "Messenger of Peace," in charge of Rev. and Mrs. Robert Gray, is in town for three weeks meetings. At present the car is in the shops for some repairs, but we hope to have it parked near the depot for Sunday. This week the meetings are being held in the Baptist church and Evangelist Gray has been giving a series of practical gospel sermons. Sunday morning he will preach on "God, Giants and Grasshoppers" and Sunday evening the subject will be "How Far is it from Heaven to Hell." A cordial invitation is given for all to attend these meetings.

The Salvation Army—Special services every night during the month of January. Attendance is good, ... music and singing. Com. Subject is "The Fire of the Holy Spirit." Sunday school 2 p. m. We had a fine attendance last Sunday. Classes for all ages. You are invited. 6:15 Young People's Meeting. Sunday evening 8 p. m. Subject "To Do Thy Will." Special singing at each service. A cordial invitation to come. Anyone having any cast off clothing phone 581-J.—Adj. and Mrs. Peterson, commanding officers.

Presbyterian Church—The search for happiness has been universal. Only when people discovered happiness was inside them did they get on the right track. To be happy, we must forget what we seek and make somebody else happy. You can make others happy by bringing them to Sunday school tomorrow morning at 9:45 to study God's Word and by remaining for the morning worship at 11. Mrs. W. H. Bohnenkamp, Jr., sings "The Man of Sorrows," by Adams, during the morning service. At our popular Vespers "The Tribe of God in Africa" will be shown in seventy beautifully colored pictures thrown on the screen and the Young People's Choir will lead the singing at 5. Immediately following a Union C. E. meeting will be held with delegates from the Eastern Oregon district in attendance. We would enjoy your spending the day with us in the fellowship of the Christ, our Saviour.—W. C. Ross, minister.

First Baptist Church — Sunday school at 10 a. m., Willard Butler, superintendent. Sermon at 11 a. m. by Rev. Robt. Gray of the Chapel Car. His subject will be "God, Giants and Grasshoppers." The crowds have been fair all the week. We will give an opportunity for those who want to unite with the church by letter and otherwise to come forward Sunday morning. The choir leads but Bro. Gray urges all to sing. The music is a big feature of the meetings. The Chapel Car has been undergoing repairs for its heating plant but it is hoped the car can be parked for meetings all next week. We trust this meeting will grow into a good vival meetings of the right kind come vival meetings of the right kind come and help. There is only one time to prepare for the judgment and that is in this life. Don't neglect this the most important matter. Evangelistic services Sunday night. Young People's meeting at 6:30 p. m. Fred Hart, president. These meetings are "better and better."—A. R. Sitton, pastor.

Zion English Lutheran Church — Sunday school 10:00 a. m., Mrs. R. Bogstad, superintendent. Preaching service 11:00 a. m. Sermon subject: "Working for God." Rev. Nortroff will be there to give a talk on the Near East conditions. Short business meeting after services for election of a delegate to the Pacific Synod convention at Vancouver, Wash., January 17 to 19.—R. Bogstad, pastor. Res. 1906 Oak. Phone 141-W.

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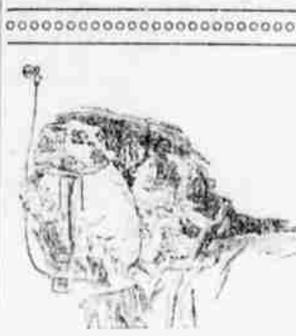

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