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ITINERARY OF PRESIDENT IS COMPLETED

Harding to Make 14 Addresses on Trip to Pacific Coast.

RECEPTION FOR CHIEF PLANNED

Governors of Five States to Greet Presidential Party at Old Oregon Trail Pageant.

The governors of Idaho, Wyoming, Oregon, Montana, Washington, and W. E. Meacham of Baker have been asked to act as a reception committee to welcome the president to the Old Oregon Trail Pageant at Top O' Blue Mountains on July 3rd, which is to be held in a great natural amphitheatre. The pageant will depict the history of the Old Oregon Trail and the characters of the early days from the time of Wilson Price Hunt expedition in the winter of 1811-12 and the coming of the first wagon train in 1843, the struggles with the Indians and the later steps in the development of the country and will celebrate the completion of the Blue Mountain link of the new Old Oregon Trail highway across Oregon.

Wear Pioneer Clothing.

White collars, silk shirts and party gowns will be decidedly out of place at the Old Oregon Trail pageant to be staged here July 3 or 4 commencing the crossing of the Blue Mountains by the first wagon train 80 years ago and celebrating the completion of the Blue mountain link of the new Old Oregon Trail across Oregon.

On the contrary, ladies especially are being urged to lend a pioneer atmosphere to the affair by wearing old fashioned clothing and the men are asked to attire themselves in a manner similar to the pioneers of former days. The pageant is entirely out-of-doors and the costumes will fit in perfectly with the details of the celebration.

Detention Chain.

While every effort is being made to prevent lawlessness at the pageant preparations are being made to handle those who might need surveillance. The sheriffs of Union, Umatilla, Baker and Malheur counties will have charge of a detention chain—which will be in fact merely a heavy chain that will be stretched between two trees and obstructive persons will be handcuffed to this and thus kept out of any further mischief.

Barbecue To Be Feature.

An all day and night barbecue will be one of the features of the pageant. Added interest will be lent by displays of pioneer relics, among them being a set of old fashioned traps belonging to a trapper at Mt. Vernon, Wash., and a candle lantern—a relic that few see nowadays. A letter received by W. E. Meacham from Mrs. Harry Watkins, Mountain Home, Idaho, says her father, Daniel Holman and grandfather John Holman and uncle, P. H. Barnett, were members of the first wagon train to cross the Old Oregon trail in 1843 to Oregon, states the Baker Herald. The last named was the first American governor of California. They settled in the Willamette valley. Mrs. Watkins plans attending.

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TEAMS GO TO MOUNTAIN TOP

Highway Commissioner Doby Orders Free Help to All Tourists to Get Over Bad Road.

No more will the tourists who get stuck on top of the mountain be held up in price of assistance to get out for this morning. Commissioner Doby ordered two teams to be stationed at the bad road and no charge will be made to help cars over the hill. It is a state matter and the state will take care of the expense, said Mr. Doby.

Weather Forecast

Portland, June 6. — Partly cloudy unsettled tonight and Thursday. Probably rain near the coast.

Counterfeiters Are Arrested

NEW YORK, June 6.—Thirteen men were arrested and millions of bogus government revenue stamps, whisky and champagne labels with plates from which they were printed, were seized by the United States secret service operatives in two raids here today.

FRANCE FAVORS BELGIAN PLAN

New Reparation Plan Expected to Be Accepted by French; German Indemnity Set.

(By Associated Press) BRUSSELS, June 6.—Premier Poincare, of France, is understood to have accepted in principle the new Belgian reparation plan, but asked that time be given for the French experts to examine and report upon it.

Want Forty Billion.

NEW YORK, June 6.—The Belgian reparation plan fixed the total German indemnity at forty billion gold marks with payments of two billion eight hundred million gold marks annually, according to a purported abstract of proposals printed by the World today.

Fair Damsels May Play On Beach in One-Piece Bathing Suits, Decree

NEW YORK, June 6.—Fair formed damsels who hitherto have been forced by police edict to hide their charms now may gambol at will on the sands of Rockaway Beach in one piece, abbreviated stockingless bathing garments.

With an imperious wave ushering the first formal session of the day, police officials Tuesday willed from their starched primness of former years and rescinded all orders banning one piece suits. Stockings, socks or just shoes will be permitted they said.

PLANS CARE OF WAR 'ORPHANS'

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., June 6.—With the belief that the problem of caring for orphans of the World war in five years will be second only to that of disabled veterans, members of the American Legion are preparing to provide relief for the children of their former comrades who are left in destitute circumstances in the years to come.

Under the direction of George A. Withers, of Clay Center, Kansas, chairman of the legion's national war orphans' committee, a survey of the condition of war orphans and facilities already established for them will be conducted by legion members in every state. An attempt will be made to estimate the number of orphans in a period of five years.

Although there is no manner of arriving at the exact total of children who will require assistance, the legion has examined statistics of the Civil war and it has been estimated that there will be from 35,000 to 40,000 war orphans in this country in about 12 years.

The legion's plan for relief includes four provisions. The most desirable method of caring for the children, according to Mr. Withers, is to keep them in their homes, if possible, and to assist their mothers by obtaining mothers' pensions and other relief measures.

Second in order of advantageous plans is the placing of children in the right kind of homes, where they will receive kind treatment from foster parents and will profit from congenial surroundings, the legion contends.

To provide for those who are not included in the first two plans, the legion is investigating the establishment of state homes. In Michigan, Illinois and Pennsylvania, homes for World war orphans are already in operation under auspices of the legion, and Kansas legionnaires will soon establish an institution of that nature.

Children in states which do not maintain homes would be cared for in regional or national homes, according to the fourth provision of the plan. These homes would receive children from sparsely populated states, where the number of war orphans would not warrant the creation of special institutions.

Cases of dependent orphans would be investigated by the nearest post of the American Legion, which would act as unofficial guardian for the children, according to the legion's plan. The Forty and Eight, independent as the playground auxiliary organization to the legion, plans to spend \$34,000 to relieve war orphans.

The Market

PORTLAND, June 6. (AP)—Cattle slow and weak, hogs and sheep steady, eggs showing a stronger tone, butter firm.

Spaniards Loose 45 Brush With Rebels

FARMERS' PICNIC TO BE A BIG ONE

Entire Union County Is Invited—No Restrictions That Visitors Must Be Farmers.

"We have just about decided on June 20th as the date for the county-wide Farmers Union picnic to be held in the La Grande park," said Commissioner John Wells today to a reporter for the Evening Observer. "And unless something bobs up to change the date, which will be properly announced, go right ahead and tell the people the big picnic will be held on Wednesday, June 20th."

Mr. Wells is making the preliminary arrangements for this event and he wants first of all to have it understood that the general public is not only invited but requested to attend. The program consists of speeches by prominent men, Governor Pierce has promised to be present, President Egbert of The Dalles will be here, C. E. Master of the Grange and market commissioner is to deliver a talk, and A. V. Swift, former vice-president of the National Farmers Union will be on the program.

Take your baskets and have a real picnic day with the farmers of the county is the request made to all.

BULLETINS

Court Declares Man Dead.

(By Associated Press) TORONTO, Ont., June 6.—Ambrose Small, wealthy theatre owner, who disappeared in December, 1919, and has not been heard from since, Tuesday was adjudged dead by a decision of the high court. The court permitted Mrs. Small to make an affidavit preliminary to probating her husband's will. The estate is estimated at \$2,000,000.

The decision reverses that of Judge Coatsworth who found against Mrs. Small's petition. The appellate division decided that Small was dead so that every reasonable effort had been made to find him. Mrs. Small had offered a reward of \$50,000 for information as to his whereabouts.

To Hold Inquest

PORTLAND, June 6. (AP)—The coroner will hold an inquest tonight investigating the death of Joseph Mannix, former Astoria city attorney, who died from injuries from wrestling. The coroner acted on the request of Mannix's brother Thomas.

"Domestic" Question

WASHINGTON, June 6. (AP)—The government has informed diplomats that the ship liquor question is purely domestic and has required an international conference on the subject.

BAKER COURT POSTPONED

BAKER, June 6.—The June term of the circuit court has been postponed and all cases that were to be tried now will be tried at the November term. The cases on the docket for this term will be carried over.

Wheat Quotations.

PORTLAND, June 6. (AP)—Hard White \$1.12; Western Red \$1.06.

TOURISTS ARE ON THE ROADS

As the weather becomes gradually warmer and more representative of summer, the tourist crop continues to increase in numbers and interest. Tourists from western states, especially from California, Washington, and Idaho, are daily passing through La Grande either bound for the coast or starting a long trip eastward.

As yet no cars have been noticed from the Atlantic coast but before many days they will begin to arrive. The Old Oregon Trail pageant to be at Top O' Blue Mountains July 3 or 4 will be a magnet for hundreds, probably thousands of the "knights of the motor-driven vehicles."

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Visit Pageant



MRS. WARREN G. HARDING

According to press advices, Mrs. Warren G. Harding will be a member of the presidential party who will visit the Old Oregon Trail Pageant at Top O' Blue Mountains July 3rd. Secretaries Wallace, Hoover and Work are also expected to accompany the President on his western trip.

HARDING VIEWS SHRINE PARADE

Great Pageant Passes Before Chief; Music and Bright Colors Feature.

WASHINGTON, June 6.—Conrad V. Dykeman, of Brooklyn, N. Y., was elevated to the Imperial Potentate today by the Ancient Arabic Order, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.

WASHINGTON, June 6.—The Shriners chose Kansas City for their next convention, June 3-5, 1924.

WASHINGTON, June 6.—President Harding had a prominent part Tuesday in the festivities incident to the opening here of the 49th annual convention of the Ancient Arabic Order, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He reviewed the parade of 20,000 nobles, the feature event of the day; delivered an address on fraternalism at the first session of the imperial council, and Tuesday night attended a banquet given for Imperial Potentate James S. McCandless of Honolulu.

With Mrs. Harding and General Pershing, the executive, who is a noble of Aladdin temple of Columbus, O., remained for three and a half hours in his box at the reviewing stand in front of the White House as the long line of nobles passed through the "Garden of Allah" on their march over the "burning sands" of Pennsylvania avenue from the capitol to Washington circle. Mr. Harding wore a white suit and a red fez, but General Pershing, also a noble, was in the uniform of his rank as general of the armies.

Applaud Marchers.

Both the executive and Mrs. Harding entered fully into the spirit of the occasion, vigorously applauding the marchers and finding amusement in the antics of some of the drum majors and the clowns accompanying several of the delegations.

As each of the 118 temples passed the stand, the president and Mrs. Harding arose to salute the American flag and so were kept on their feet much of the time the parade was under way.

Better Homes Week One Of National Importance

Judges for the Better Homes kitchen contest now being held here as part of the observance of the week will make their inspection of the kitchens entered in the contest Friday. Judges of the window exhibition will make their inspection on the same day.

That the Better Homes week is receiving national notice is clearly illustrated, President Harding leads the nation in the matter. In a recent address he stated: "Better Homes week is a movement for a better America."

"It is not so much the problem of housing," he said, "as it is the problem of increasing the home comforts, of devising new conveniences, of expanding that understanding of domestic science which must make for the improvement of American homes. We have devoted much thought to the improvement in production, transportation and to a thousand things that make for the advance of civilization. We have too often overlooked the fact that, after all, the greatest single industry in America is the management of the American home, where 20,000,000 women toil every day of the year, 18,000,000 of these women doing their own work without help."

To Avoid War is Aim.

"The home is at last not merely the center, but truly the time, the

LIVESTOCK SHOW ON AT UNION NOW

Judging at Stock Show Opened 1923 Event This Morning.

GOVERNOR PIERCE IS PRESENT TODAY

Attendance Is Large; Program of Wide Scope Entertaining Thousands; Tomorrow La Grande Day.

The curtain rolled down on the Cattle and Horse Raisers' Convention at Union yesterday with the closing of the annual ball—heated a brief fraction, and rolled up on the opening day of the Fifteenth Annual Livestock Show. Union today started on the final lap of one of the greatest weeks in her history—a week, that when completed, will leave ample proof in the minds of every resident of the Northwest that Union can and does put over things in a big, hospitable and completely satisfactory way.

Fifteen years ago the first livestock show was held—a small affair indeed compared with the mammoth livestock and wild west show that is on today. A few animals were on exhibition that first year and widest attention furnished the greater share of the program. But the start was made and since that time with the slogan of "Bigger and Better than ever," Union has forged ahead, overcoming difficulties until she has finally made the show an annual affair that yearly attracts thousands of people to her domain.

Judging This Morning.

The show opened this morning with judging at the grounds where great numbers of thoroughbred horses, that even the owner of Kentucky stables would envy, of cattle that are unexcelled in any clime, of poultry that is at the top, and of sheep, swine and other stock that would grace any show in the world. It is a pleasure to roam through the exhibition stalls and gaze at such examples of the breeding art that produces such beautiful animals.

Music by the La Grande band preceded the opening event of the afternoon entertainment today—a parade at the grounds that was nearly a mile in length. Following the completion of the parade the racing program was started and also the events in the arena which are now in progress.

Governor Pierce Present.

Governor Walter M. Pierce is watching the show this afternoon from a special box directly back of the finish wire and many other distinguished guests are being cared for and will be present tomorrow and

ONE CIVIL CASE COMPLETED IN CIRCUIT COURT

The first case before the circuit court, J. C. Corbin vs. Wong Sing, was completed last evening when the jury returned a verdict giving the plaintiff immediate possession of the car, fixing the value of the car at \$290 and holding no damages against the defendant. The case of J. M. Stablefield vs. J. A. Preshears, a civil case, was started this morning.

Mr. Corbin sued the defendant for the recovery of a car and damages, on a contract alleged signed to Corbin.

New York's Wet and Dry Fight



Scene at Albany, N. Y., when Governor Smith (arrow) heard arguments for and against the repeal of the state prohibition enforcement bill. The governor signed the bill. Colonel Ransom H. Gillett (left) led the vets and Mrs. Ida B. Sammis (right) the dry forces.