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The County Fair Should Attract You!

At the county fair, to be held shortly at Gold Beach, is an opportunity for this area to express itself in a manner which could never be duplicated in any other way. It is a chance to "strut its stuff."

Members of the Grange, boosters for the fair, are doing something about the matter. They are staging a dance to pick a candidate for fair queen from southern Curry county, and after one is named, to see "she has a chance" to become queen of the fair, later this month.

The Pilot could think of dozens of exhibits that should be taken to this fair. The Pilot, if wagering might be permitted, would like to predict that many of these exhibits could come home with prizes.

In making the rounds of this vicinity, the Pilot has seen some extraordinary cabinets built for the homes now under construction. This might suggest some of these display some of this handiwork.

This area took first prize at the Oakland flower show on Croft lilies. Certainly such lilies might be worthy of consideration at the county fair.

There are a number of people who work with myrtlewood in this area. The Pilot has seen some magnificent work. These certainly would swell the display at the county fair, and would be likely to have ample chance to win some of the prize money.

There are two upholsterers in this area: Chas. Schaal and F. A. Hamilton. Both are experts, and certainly their works should rate consideration.

Flowers—well, it is a question where else one would find a place in the world where more beautiful ones are grown. Little need be said about this.

Leo Lucas has some nice looking Polled Hereford cattle. He should be encouraged to exhibit.

There are some "real" gardens in this area. A pumpkin from this one, a head of cabbage from another, and on down the line, could make up a real vegetable display for this fair, or any fair.

Curry County Lumber Co. has a "native wood" display which attracted much comment at the Portland Rose Festival in June. Certainly this display might grace the exhibits at Gold Beach, whether competing for a prize or not. It should be taken.

Besides showing what this area can produce, "going to the fair" will create within the community a civic consciousness which is going to be good for the community and county in years to come.

County fair data will be released by the Pilot as soon as it is available. Watch for it.

Micky Gould told the Pilot recently that his little daughter came to him, quite puzzled. "Dad, what are ancestors?"

"Well, little girl, I'm one of your ancestors. Your grandfather is another."

"Then, daddy, why do people brag about them?"

Doe Schmitt: "You're way ahead of me. I didn't tell you to say ah-h-h-h!"

Patient: "I know. I just caught a glimpse of that patient who came into your office."

Smith River News

Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Miller received a letter from their son, Star Scout Gordon Miller, a member of Troop 4, of Smith River, who was chosen from this troop to attend the World Scout Jamboree, at Paris, France. He had arrived in New Jersey with scouts and was having a wonderful time, and said he would sail on an army transport about July 24. About 30,000 Boy Scouts are expected to participate in this event. Another Del Norte boy, Star Scout Leonard Nielsen of Troop 11, Crescent City, was selected to go on this same trip. The boys will arrive at Antwerp, Belgium, Aug. 2, and will be taken on a sight-seeing trip before leaving for Moisson, France. The boys write home that they wouldn't miss this trip for anything.

Wayne Blagdon has returned home from Washington where he was called by the death of his aged father, Fred Warren Blagdon, 82, who died July 15, at Suquamish, Wash., following an illness of several years. He was born Nov. 9, 1864, in Illinois, and came west as a young man, settling in Washington. Surviving are his widow, one son, Wayne of Smith River, a daughter in Washington, seven grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

One of the worst electrical storms known for years hit Del Norte County, Saturday night, with continuous lightning, followed by heavy thunder and a downpour of rain. A transformer was blown out near one of the dairy ranches and the owner was forced to milk by hand Sunday morning. Lightning struck a big redwood on the highway between Smith River and Crescent City.

VA Will Subsidize Co. Serv. Offices

SALEM — County service officers will be "subsidized" on a one-to-three ratio by the Oregon Department of Veterans' Affairs, and the county courts have been so advised, Veterans' Affairs Director William F. Gaarenstroom revealed early this week.

In a letter to the county courts Gaarenstroom explained that the advisory committee to the state veteran's agency recently adopted a policy whereby each county employing a service officer to counsel and aid ex-service men

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will be eligible to receive one dollar from the state for each three dollars spent by the county up to a \$1000 maximum. About half the counties now employ service officers.

The letter states: "We are now in the process of working out plans to put this policy into operation. These plans are being discussed with the budget director and should be completed by the end of the month."

"If your county is desirous of participating in this program we would greatly appreciate receiving word from you. As soon as we hear from the various counties and the budget department approves of our plan of operation, we will immediately start to enter into agreements with the counties."

It was emphasized that the plan "does not intend to assume the responsibility of the county courts for the appointment of county service officers. The advisory committee, however, insisted that a high standard of service officers must be appointed and a good standard of service maintained to qualify for the subsidy. We are only interested that the persons appointed have the ability and desire to carry out this important service to our veterans."

Funds for the program are from an appropriation made to

Bids Asked

Bids are asked by Dist. No. 23 for transportation of pupils of said district route to watering trough. Ten to 12 pupils. Bids will be opened at the school house, Aug. 14, at 2 p. m. The board reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

ALICE E. OVERMAN, Clerk
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