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IT SEEMS TO ME:



By Dewey

They say that many things do get better with age, like whiskey, fruit cakes — and old Panama hats, especially the one owned by E. C. "Sandy" Smead, of Hollywood, who came here Tuesday to visit his cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Z. Smith. This hat, literally filled with signatures of such men as Will Rogers, Gen. John Pershing, Rudolph Valentino, and other celebrities, is insured by Lloyd's of London for \$10,000.

To me and the other common people, the actual value of this hat might be just the cost back in the year Calvin Coolidge was our president, but to Smead, it has all the value there is in the world—and rightfully so. His association, through radio and his years in Hollywood have added the personality to this hat that it now holds.

In talking to me Tuesday, Mr. Smead said that he was to have had a bid from Bob Ripley, the very day he died, of \$20,000, to be "turned down" when he heard over the radio that Ripley the moment before, had dropped dead of a heart attack. The hat is

displayed in a plastic case, under a sign "\$10,000 Hat," insured by Lloyds of London.

The case of this hat proved to me conclusively that any of us if we only will, may have wealth of this size or more, if we could only have the foresight and the willingness to push our idea. This example should be inspiration to all youth of today.

There seems to be some question in the minds of many of this area about the actual value of the forthcoming "Lily Blossom Time," which a committee is laboring to make the best ever.

Perhaps it will not sell many bulbs directly, but the indirect effect cannot be measured. This is the way I look at this situation — from where I sit —

With tourists, and there should be many on July 4, viewing the beauty of the lily, a desire will result, naturally, to have one for the home of the individual. If properly exploited, this campaign should be much further-reaching than one mortal can figure immediately.

Some growers figure that visiting this festival will cause any number to want to come here to raise lilies, thus flooding the market, like it was a couple of years ago. Such, if the individual person, will think it through, is far from the truth.

I have visited many fairs in my lifetime. I have seen many displays, but not once have I been so excited that I wished to rush into that type of business. I love to look at new machinery — but certainly I have had no particular desire to manufacture machinery.

If this community will but realize it, this is our best opportunity to make the world conscious of Brookings and its many floral products. The first Pendleton Roundup never amounted to too much, but look at it today — people all over the world know what it means.

This community should, if for no other reason than civic pride,

get fully behind this movement and help make each succeeding festival greater. The past two have made quite a name for the community, if the world of George Funk can mean anything.

He has told the committee of the inquiries he answered at the recent Oakland Flower Show, concerning the forthcoming Lily event. He says many will come from the Bay area. Certainly we should be able to interest our own state in coming.

ONPA Conclave Will Be Held Next Week At Gearhart

GEARHART — Newspaper editors and publishers will gather here June 16 to 19, for the 62nd annual meeting of the Oregon Newspaper Publishers Assn.

Seven out-of-state speakers are billed to headline the program and 14 Oregon newspaper men will also give talks.

From New York City will come Frank Starzel, general manager of Associated Press; Wesley E. Carter, editor of Linotype News; and Edgar S. Bayol, press counsel for the Coca-Cola Co.

Robert W. Weed, assistant managing editor of Kansas City Star; L. L. Coleman, publisher of the Tribune at Moberge, S. Dak.; Robert E. Mayer, director of public relations for the Waterfront Employers Association of the Pacific Coast with headquarters in San Francisco; and Walter W. Morey, originator of the Teletypesetter, Los Angeles, are all coming to Oregon to take part on the program.

Newspaper men from Oregon who will take part on the program include: Arne Strommer, Eugene Register-Guard; Philip N. Bladine, McMinnville Telephone-Register; Robert L. Jones, Salem Capital Journal; Wendell Webb, Salem Statesman; Fred L. Andrus, Astorian-Budget; Ralph P. Stuller, Coquille Valley Sentinel; Henry N. Fowley, Bend Bulletin; W. Vern McKinney, Hillsboro Argus; Robert E. Pollock, St. Helens Sentinel-Mist; Frank Schiro, LaGrande Evening Observer; Erick W. Allen Jr., Medford Mail-Tribune; Ralph Kletzing, Independent Enterprise; Lee D. Drake, East Oregonian, Pendleton; Ernest Fingerlos, Roseburg News-Review and Hugh McGilvra, Forest Grove News-Times.

Frank Jenkins, Klamath Falls Herald and News and president of the association, will preside over all meetings which start on Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. J. R. Yelton Attended Council At Corvallis, June 1

Oregon State Home Economics Extension Council's 17th annual meeting was held June 1 and 2 at Oregon State College, Corvallis, with some 150 county extension women, representing 28 of the state's counties present.

Curry county members present included Mrs. Grace Yelton of Brookings; Mrs. Mabel Ostrander of Pistol River; Mrs. Fern Townley, Port Orford; and Mrs. Helen Fain, Langlois, also with the home demonstration agent, Mrs. Aldene Aho.

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"Today's Home Builds Tomorrow's World" was the theme of the meetings, held in Memorial Union building, and presided over by the council's president, Mrs. Elsie Leming of Cornelius.

Included on the program were special speakers and music, with a banquet the evening of June 1, and a luncheon at noon on June 2, those being the two main social functions.

Committee chairmen made their reports and recommendations, among which was the report of \$25,000, of the \$45,000 goal, raised and presented to Pres. A. L. Strand.

The A. C. W. W. (Associated Country Women of the World) chairman recommended that the plans be made to send a representative from Oregon as a delegate to the Tri-Annual meeting to be held in Denmark in the fall of 1950.

Of interest to members of the Curry County units was the election of Mrs. Noma Thomas of Port Orford, for representative of District 5.

Card of Thanks

I wish to thank the many friends of Frank Sandstrom for all their kindnesses and flowers during my recent bereavement.
Mrs. Frank Sandstrom.

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Bulb Growers Book Quarterly Meeting Next Monday Eve

Washington, Oregon and California bulb growers will hold their quarterly meeting at Chetco Grange hall, Harbor, Monday, June 13, at 8 p. m., it was announced here Monday by officers of the local unit of Pacific Bulb Growers Organization.

Reports will be given to the membership in regard to the condition of the industry from a standpoint of expected production as compared to expected demand.

The association studies the growing and marketing fields, gathering information which will keep the membership informed as to market conditions as well as advise them along advanced cultural lines.

The information given out will be for members only and admission to the meeting will be membership card. Any bulb grower not now qualified, will need to see Secretary A. Hoffeldt prior to the opening of the meeting.

Every Tuesday noon, Rotary club, at Vincent's Restaurant. All visiting Rotarians are welcome.

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