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COUNTY DIVISION BOBS UP AGAIN AT OAK GROVE

The primary object of the road meeting to be held at Oak Grove on next Wednesday evening is to agitate the question of the division of Clackamas county again, and Harvey G. Starkweather, sponsor for the movement, will preside at the gathering. It is reported.

STRONG MAKES FINE REPORT ON CONDITION OF PLANTS IN COUNTY

Lee B. Strong, chief deputy plant quarantine officer, of Sacramento, Calif., who investigated the strawberry plants in this county Thursday, reported to O. E. Freytag, local inspector, that the local product was free from pest and the vines were in excellent condition. He also investigated the vines owned by A. H. Finnegan, president of the Clackamas County Strawberry Growers association, and reported the vines the best in the county.

HOWLAND IS CHAIRMAN FOR CITY DISTRICT

A. C. Howland has been appointed chairman of the Oregon City district for the Clackamas county's Children's Relief drive which begins Sunday, December 19th. Mr. Howland will have charge of the Oregon City district and the thirty-eight school districts adjacent to Oregon City. The quota for this district is \$3000. Chairmen for the other districts of the county are, Canby, W. H. Bar; Estacada, H. C. Stephens; Molalla, W. W. Everhart; Sandy, W. A. Proctor; Milwaukie, Philip Strieb; Wilsonville, Joe J. Thornton. Sub-chairmen have been appointed in each of the school districts of the county and the drive will begin in earnest in each district of the county on the opening day.

FIVE OFFICIALS TO MEET AND PLAN LAWS

SALEM, Or., Dec. 17.—Sam A. Kozar, secretary of state, yesterday called a meeting of the secretaries of states of California, Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana, and their representatives, to be held in Portland, December 21, for the purpose of discussing interstate automobile regulations. At first it was not intended to invite the Montana official, but J. G. Hinkle, secretary of state for Washington, suggested that this be done, and the invitation was sent by telegraph last night.

IMMIGRANTS COME IN DROVES FOR XMAS IN U. S.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—The Christmas rush of immigrants and other passengers anxious to spend the holidays on American soil, reached its height when eight trans-Atlantic liners arrived with more than 12,000 passengers.

FOUR AMERICANS FIGHT AT MANILA ARE KILLED IN

MANILA, Dec. 16.—Eleven men, four Americans and seven Filipinos, were killed here last night during a riot within the walled city between enlisted men of the Philippine constabulary and the Manila police.

The Americans killed were Captain of Police W. E. Wichmann, Patrolmen Albert H. Troge and John W. Driscoll and Augustus Jacuman, field clerk of the United States army. Fifty Filipinos were killed when 40 constabulary men fought to avenge the shooting of a constabulary man by the Filipinos. The riot occurred as a result of the shooting Tuesday of a constabulary man, who was reported to have attacked the policemen with a knife. The riot occurred when promiscuous firing between the police and constabulary men took place. Police reserves with riot guns rushed to the walled city where hundreds of shots were exchanged. The Filipinos killed included a patrol wagon driver and bystanders. Four Filipinos were wounded. There were no casualties among the constabulary forces.

COUNTY PUPILS TEACH A LESSON ON HOW TO SAVE

The students of 71 schools in Clackamas county represent bank savings to the amount of \$22,651.03, and the total amount of war savings stamps owned by them is \$18,057.21. These figures were compiled by Brenton Vedder, county school superintendent, and were taken from reports sent in by the teachers of the several districts upon request of the superintendent.

The following compilation issued by Mr. Vedder gives one an idea of the vast resources and saving ability of the students in Clackamas county: Number of students owning War Savings Stamps—949. Number of students having savings bank accounts—707. Approximate value of stamps owned by pupils—\$18,057.21. Approximate value of War Savings Stamps purchased in 1920—\$14,881.16. Amount of bank savings deposits owned by pupils—\$22,651.03. Total War Savings Stamps and bank deposits owned by pupils—\$40,738.24. Superintendent Vedder sent out blanks to 143 schools of the county and received 71 reports back. The totals will be greatly increased as the balance of the reports come into the office of Mr. Vedder, and a stupendous amount of savings and war stamp investments are expected to be recorded for this county.

HOLCOMB IS FIRST TO PUT OVER QUOTA

Holcomb school district No. 51 was the first district outside of Oregon City to turn in their subscription to the Children's Relief Drive. The drive was completed in that district in one day and G. L. Uptgrove, chairman of the district turned in \$26, nearly twice the quota assigned to that school district. School district No. 67, Advance, John Denou, chairman, ran the Holcomb district a close second, having completed their drive and turned in their funds by Tuesday afternoon. The list of contributors for each district follows:

Mr. Wm. Koellmeir	.....\$1.00
S. H. Aseel	.....50
J. Iderhoff	.....50
Mrs. J. Iderhoff	.....50
H. Iderhoff	.....50
Fred Koellmeir	.....1.00
John DeNeui	.....5.00
John Wilken	.....1.00
Sam and Mrs. Moser	.....2.00
Geo. Moser	.....1.00
John Zimmerman	.....1.00
W. Dragou	.....50
H. Toedtemelr	.....2.00
Chas. Lervis	.....2.00
Mr. H. Koellmeir	.....1.00

Some of the districts of Oregon City have been assigned to workers of the drive who will begin soliciting Tuesday. Mrs. A. McDonald will have charge of the district south of Seventh street and east of the bluff, and Mr. Eva E. Dye will have charge of the district north of Seventh street. Contributors may designate the countries for whose relief they wish their donations to be used and will have the assurance of the European Relief Council that the funds will be so distributed.

CLUB IS STRONG FOR NEW S. P. DEPOT IN CITY

Prompted by the application of the Commercial Club for better depot facilities in Oregon City, three officials of the Southern Pacific Co., H. A. Hinshaw, general freight agent, J. A. Ormandy, assistant general passenger agent, and A. T. Mercier, superintendent of the Portland division, were here Monday to make an investigation of the complaints that have culminated in the filing of an application with the Public Service Commission for a hearing, with the object of compelling the company to build a new station.

The Commercial Club's committee, headed by Wallace B. Caulfield, in his application makes the following statements: "That the depot and station facilities afforded by the said company in Oregon City for the accommodation of passenger and freight traffic are inadequate and insufficient to meet the needs of the patrons of the company at that point and of the community in general.

"That the existing freight and express facilities are crowded so closely to the passenger facilities as to make conditions both unsightly and hazardous. "That it has been and now is the practice of the company to permit local butchers to unload livestock at the depot, and passenger station in Oregon City, and to load them in front of the main passenger waiting room over the depot platform, and the approach to the depot designed for the use of passengers and prospective passengers.

"That the aforesaid regulation and practice, and the service afforded by the company are in the respects complained of and by reason of the foregoing matters and things inadequate, unreasonable, and unjustly discriminatory." It is understood that the company will resist the attempt of the shippers, represented by the Commercial Club, to compel the construction of a new station here. Local representatives state there is no ground available, that the cost of construction is prohibitive and that the local business of Oregon City is handled largely by motor trucks, admitting, however, that motor trucks carry local freight as far south as Albany, and that Albany, Salem and other cities in the Northern Willamette valley obtained new stations several years ago before paved roads were built.

2057 MILES ROAD WORK IS AUTHORIZED FOR STATE OF OREGON

SALEM, Or., Dec. 17.—A total of 2057 miles of highways in Oregon, involving estimated financial obligations aggregating \$28,479,930.94 and actual expenditures totaling \$21,548,552.28 have been authorized under the direction of the state highway commission during the years 1920 and 1921, according to a report prepared here today by Roy Klein, secretary of the commission. This statement will be made a part of the report of the commission's operations for the last two years and will be submitted for the consideration of the legislature session next month.

BLAST LAID TO REVENGE BY I. W. W.

SOUTH BEND, Wash., Dec. 18.—A statement of Elgel Christensen, one of the four men who died as a result of the explosion of the dredger Beaver here, that Fred Welch, now in a local hospital suffering from injuries received in the explosion, set off the blast for revenge is being investigated by the coroner. Welch has been put under arrest and is guarded at the hospital.

MAN SHOTS WIFE NEAR DALLAS, OR.

DALLAS, Or., Dec. 20.—George F. West of Fellows, Kern county, California, shot and instantly killed his wife, Flora West, at the home of John G. Brown, in North Dallas, shortly after 11 o'clock this morning. West then took a small vial of carbolic acid with suicidal intent, but at last report from the Dallas hospital, where the man was conveyed, he may survive.

Sovietizing Industry

It is distinctly a forward declaration made by William E. Kimsey, secretary of the Oregon State Federation of Labor, is his statement that "practically every activity of organized labor is tending, and rightly so, toward the control of industry." The author of this rather astounding avowal has gone far since he learned his trade of a linotype operator at a keyboard in the plant of the Morning Enterprise, where open shop conditions have always prevailed, and where the producing family is accepted and remains on a basis of merit, loyalty and service on both sides.

In short Mr. Kimsey, official spokesman for organized labor in Oregon, would sovietize the country's industries, and he would obtain control "only by absorbing industry, either by nationalization or by having each industry placed in the hands of those who work therein." By "industry" we assume that Mr. Kimsey means all manufacturing concerns, as well as every wholesale and retail establishment, and every organization of whatever kind where labor is employed, from the farm to the factory. In plain English "nationalization" can mean only ownership and control of operations by the state, for which Socialism is another word.

It is not explained how this "nationalization" is to be accomplished. It may be by purchase, in which case we must admit organized labor has a perfect right to purchase and to operate industrial concerns. Many of them are today owned and controlled by men who once were laborers, and who were savers instead of spenders, who were students instead of sluggards, who were fired by ambition instead of by class envy and hatred.

Just the minute labor obtains control of industry, and starts operations, just that minute labor becomes identified as an employer. His mental attitude must undergo a complete reformation. He immediately enters upon problems far removed from labor, such as financing, meeting payrolls, collection and absorption of bad debts, anticipation of market conditions, purchase of materials and supplies, organization of various departments and hundreds of other problems of capital that must be successfully met if the industry in question is to survive. He must also be content to see his earnings cut with the lean years that nearly every industry has.

We fear Mr. Kimsey is looking at this great question in a one-sided way. The American people will never countenance confiscation of industry, nor will they sanction a Russianized solution of their every-day problems.

TWO CLUBS PROPOSE TO JOIN FORCES

A mass meeting has been called for next Thursday evening at Mt. Pleasant, when the Hill Improvement club and the Mt. Pleasant Community club will join forces and consolidate into one big organization. The object of the proposed order will be for the purpose of securing Oregon City water for the Mt. Pleasant district. At present, the residents of that neighborhood are getting water from another source and it is claimed by the members of the Community club that there is no reason why the homes in that district can not benefit from the pipe line running into Oregon City from the South Fork, and that the reservoir of the city water works is near Mt. Pleasant.

Court Will Reverse the Bond Decision

O. D. Eby has received word from Arthur S. Benson, clerk of the supreme court that a rehearing of the case of W. P. Hawley, Sr., in which the latter contested the validity of the Clackamas county road bond issue, would be given. The supreme court, in order to conform to the recent ruling which it made in regard to Union county bonds, will pave the way for the Clackamas county road bonds to be put upon the market for sale, and clear the air for the coming \$1,700,000 road program for this county.

MAN PLUNGES THRU GLASS IN CRASH

SALEM, Or., Dec. 21.—Fred Stark, aged 63, suffered lacerations of the face and arms, a crushed leg and other injuries when an automobile in which he was riding was run down by a Southern Pacific passenger train Tuesday. Mr. Stark was taken to a local hospital where he received medical treatment. The automobile was badly wrecked.

Car Fare Will be 10c in Vancouver Dec. 20

Ten cent fare in Vancouver has been ordered by the Washington state public service commission, effective December 20. The fare has been 7 cents.

FIVE-YEAR CONTRACT FOR OREGON HOPS

An Oregon agent of an eastern dealer who sells direct to one of the leading British brewers has closed contracts for several thousand bales of Oregon hops for terms running from one to five years. The price was 25 cents, plus one-fourth of any advance that may be shown on a specified date, the date being left to the option of the grower at the time the contract was drawn up.

Traveling Expense is Free From Tax

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Travelers on purely business trips are allowed to deduct from their incomes in computing tax payments, amounts legitimately spent in railroad fares, meals and lodgings. Internal Revenue Commissioner Williams ruled.

Trips undertaken for other than business purposes are listed as personal expenses and the meals and lodging upon such journeys are "living expenses" and not subject to deduction in making income tax payments, Williams said. The commissioner cited as an example that if an individual whose business requires him to travel, received a salary as full compensation for his services, his expenses for rail fare, meals and lodging in an amount in excess of the sum he would pay at home, is allowed to be deducted from gross income, in filing returns.

CARVER MAN ESCAPES DEATH BY QUICK MOVE

Stephen Carver, of Carver Station, while hauling logs near there last Thursday, fell from the wagon underneath the horses' hoofs and narrowly escaped death from the frightened and kicking animals. Carver was sitting on top of the logs at the time and when one of the logs started to roll from the load, he was thrown between the wagon and the team. The horses, becoming unmanageable, started to kick and plunge, but Carver fortunately rolled from underneath the striking hoofs with but a few minor bruises. The team broke loose from the wagon and ran down the road.

COUNTY AGENT'S WORK ENDORSED AT WILSONVILLE

Two more districts of Clackamas county have gone on record in favor of continuing the work of the county agent here. At a meeting of the Wilsonville Farm Bureau held at Wilsonville on Wednesday evening, the farmers of that section endorsed the work of the county agent and county club leader. The meeting was presided over by Henry Moulton, vice-president of the county Farm Bureau, and a delegation from Wilsonville will attend the county budget meeting to be held in Oregon City on the 28th of this month, and urge the county club to include money for the agent and club leader in the county budget for the coming year.

On last Tuesday evening a group of farmers representing the Happy Valley Bureau took place, and after a vote on the question of continuing the work of county agent, county health nurse and county club leader, the vote resulted in a unanimous verdict in favor of all three officials and that Bureau will also send in a representative to urge items in the budget for the continuance of the work in the county.

ANOTHER 'LITTLE STILL' IS FOUND NEAR THE HILLS

Another still and all the "fixins" was discovered by Sheriff Wilson and Portland revenue deputies Monday afternoon, when the plant owned by one Joe Markee was taken near the headwaters of Clear Creek in the Logan district. Markee was not at home at the time of the raid and had gone to Portland, where the federal men expect to arrest him. The result of the raid was one 15-gallon and one 30-gallon still, the latter all set up ready for business, and about 150 gallons of corn mash. The plant was artfully hid among fallen trees and brush about two miles off the main road, near a small stream tributary to Clear Creek, and the path to the still which led from Markee's house was covered over with leaves and brush.

Markee is a recent arrival in this county and has a wife and daughter, who were away from home at the time of the raid. The stills were brought to Oregon City, where they are being held as evidence.

RUM AND MASH ARE TAKEN IN RAID NEAR HERE

Nick Fakaras, Chronis Grizakis, and K. Tsilillos, Greeks, with equipment and apparatus for making moonshine as elaborate and complicated as their several names, are in the custody of the Federal officers in Portland, following a raid on their distillery by Sheriff Wilson, Deputy Hughes and revenue men of Portland Friday afternoon, between Boring and Orient. The men evidently specialized on rum, made from molasses, and 125 gallons of the finished product and 50 gallons of mash were found on the premises. One hundred gallons of the rum were destroyed and the apparatus smashed by the officers.

The outfit, according to Sheriff Wilson, was one of the best yet seen in the county. Of especial interest was the filtering plant, composed of two circular vats, made of wood, seven feet high and two feet in diameter. The filtering process was completed by straining the liquor through vats, which contained alternate layers of charcoal, sand, and blankets. The place had been under surveillance for about a week, said Wilson, and the men were caught red-handed in a job of distilling. The outfit was contained in a small shed near the house. It is understood that they rented the place and had lived there for some time, although the officers believe that they had not yet put any of their output on the market. The rum was contained in barrels. One of the Greeks had lived in America for 17 years, another 13, and the third 6 years, but none was naturalized. Little is known of them by neighbors.

CATTLE CLUB VOTES TO HOLD COUNTY AGENT

At a meeting of the executive committee of the Clackamas county Guernsey Cattle club held in Oregon City Saturday afternoon, in the commercial club parlors, the committee went on record as unanimously favoring the county club leader and county agent being retained for the coming year.

A motion was made and seconded authorizing the secretary, Mrs. A. L. Hughes, to send a letter to each member of the Club asking them to be present at the budget meeting December 28, to vote, and use their influence to have these items inserted in the budget.

BIG REWARD TO BE PAID FORTUNE AND RICHARDSON

Word has been received from officials at Toronto, Ont., that the reward of \$15,000, offered for the capture of John Doughty will be paid to Constable Fortune and Ed. Richardson, of Oregon City. Although the news came over the wires before Fortune or Richardson knew of the decision, they were expecting the matter to be cleared up soon, and were pleased at the outcome.

Fortune said yesterday afternoon that he had received a letter from Detective Mitchell a few days ago, in which he was informed that the money would be awarded soon, but no authentic word from Mitchell as to the outcome of the case had been received by him.

When asked what he would do with his share of the money, Fortune said that inasmuch as the discount in exchange between this country and Ontario was so high—14 per cent—he would invest the money in Canadian bonds until he could cash in without so much loss.

The money to be divided—\$15,000—between Richardson and Fortune will be split fifty-fifty, and Richardson is also in favor of keeping the money in Canada until the rate of exchange between that country and the United States is more on a par. No trace of the missing Millionaire Small, Doughty's employer can be found, and Doughty himself refuses to talk of the matter outside of contending that the last he saw of Small was in a theater. A reward of \$50,000 for the discovery of Small is posted, and Doughty knows anything of the millionaire's whereabouts, and divulges enough to discover him or his body, Fortune and Richardson stand to cut another melon.

GOODFELLOWS CLUB DOING SPLENDID WORK IN CLACKAMAS COUNTY

Christmas donations for the sick and needy of Clackamas county are commencing to come into the Red Cross rooms, to be taken charge by the Goodfellowship committee, Miss Cis Barclay Pratt and Mrs. F. W. Gardiner.

Among those having already donated, but refuses to have his name revealed, is an elderly man from the county section, who has given two sacks of potatoes and money. Another business man, who never fails to do his part in making some one happy at Christmas, has "come through" again this year by donating a case of salmon. This will be divided as well also the potatoes by Mr. "Farmer."

Clothing, produce, and other articles may be donated for the good cause and will be greatly appreciated by the committee. There are a large number of little tots who will not have a visit from Santa Claus unless someone who has a big heart brings a toy or donates money for the purpose. Miss Pratt head of the club, says there are at least 24 needy and deserving families in Clackamas county to be provided for this Christmas. Each family will be given a basket of eatables for a Christmas dinner, besides presents that will be donated.

One family, including eleven children, recently lost their home and belongings and the father and son are striving hard to purchase the necessities of life. Clothing is needed in this family and of course toys would be acceptable, for there are children of various ages. There are other children in the county ranging from 18 months' of age upward, who are in need of clothing. There is another case where the mother died about a year ago leaving the father to care for six children. Two of the little girls have found a good home in a family until the father is able to care for them. He has four little boys on a farm. The father owns a little place and is working close by improving his property during his spare time.

VERY DEEP SNOW STOPS WORK ON MT. HOOD LOOP

Work on the new Mount Hood Loop road, which has been going on for the past several weeks has been halted in the neighborhood of Mt. Hood Lodge on account of the depth of the snow there. The construction crew were unable to continue the slashing work on the new wonder road owing to a depth of snow of 15 inches. Members of the crew have struck camp in that neighborhood and will wait until work can be resumed.