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BOYS' AND GIRLS' CLUBS END YEAR WITH BIG RECORD

TOTAL PRODUCTS ARE VALUED AT \$12,283

456 Members Active Under Program; Improvement in Results Shown

With an enrollment of 456 children, the boys' and girls' clubs sponsored by the government and the state agricultural college produced in Clackamas county products valued at \$12,283 during the year just ended, according to the annual report completed Wednesday by Mrs. L. Purcell, county club leader.

During the year 39 clubs were active in the county doing work in 14 projects, varying from the raising of milk goats to study in the art of homemaking. Of this number of clubs, 20 finished 100 per cent, with all of the enrolled members still active at the end of the year. A total of 35 finished "standard" or with more than 75 per cent of their enrolled members reporting on the work accomplished during the year. The total cost of the products of the club members for the period was \$7,871.70, leaving them a net profit of \$4,411.33.

Enrollment Increases

The number of boys and girls enrolled three years ago was practically one half of the present enrollment. That year the profit on the products was but \$1,500. During this period in which Mrs. Purcell has been in charge of the work in this county a number of new projects have been undertaken. Three years ago, there were no pure bred calves in the club organizations. This year not a grade animal is on the list and the club entries in dairy calves and Guernseys and Jersey classes, took all of the first awards at every stock exhibit in the state. Club exhibits at the Pacific International Livestock show and at the state fair took a total of 26 first places and at the former show every cattle and poultry exhibit entered by club members from the county placed.

"Credit for the excellent showings, especially that of this year is due to the activity and interest of the community project leaders," said Mrs. Purcell. "Each club has an older person who guides them in their work, and the enthusiasm with which they have taken hold of the work has been the greatest aid to the members of the clubs to be successful in their activities."

Records Are Kept

In carrying on their projects, the club members keep complete record of all of their expenditures, including an allowance of 15 cents an hour for their time. Although no organized club took charge of corn production and milk goat raising, seven were listed in the former project and two in the latter. Corn produced was valued at \$183.50, netting a profit of \$143.89. Products from the milk goats netted a profit of \$78.55 over a cost of \$21.45, the total value being \$160.

One club with eleven members engaged in potato raising and reported 100 per cent at the end of the year. The value of the product was \$730.50, produced at a cost of but \$236.57. Four clubs did vegetable gardening, enrolling 29 members and producing a crop valued at \$89.10 with a profit \$63.15. There were four poultry clubs, three of which finished standard with 33 of 47 members enrolled. Their product was valued at \$300.33 which netted a profit of \$478.66.

Pork Profit Big

Two of five pork clubs with a membership of 22 of the total of 37 finished the year. The total value of the product was \$1140.90 which cost \$686.17.

Two calf clubs finished the year losing only one member and made a net profit of \$113.57 on produce valued at \$39.00. With a membership of 9, the sheep club produced \$156 worth of produce netting a profit of \$69.51. Four canning clubs lost but one member of a total of 33 during the year and made a profit of \$1066.24 on canned goods which they put up valued at \$1493.33. The homemaking club numbered six members during the year, and the value of its work was \$212.82 of which 50 per cent was profit.

Fifteen clubs were organized in sewing and started the year with 163 members. 103 turning in reports. They made a profit of \$231.44 on \$761.62 worth of things made. Thirteen cooking clubs, finished with 92 of 122 members made a fifty per cent profit on \$474.82 worth of food produced. Nine members, forming a rabbit club netted \$78.55 on a production of \$155.97 during the year.

The purpose of the club work is to aid the younger generation to use business methods in farming, to teach the advantage of scientific application and modern methods in production on the farm and in management of the home.

LICENSE TO WED

A license to wed was issued Thursday by County Clerk Miller to Peter Lauer, 39, and Vera Smith, 27, both of West Linn.

Active Work for Red Cross Drive Started Monday

Active work in Oregon City in solicitation of memberships under the Fifth Annual Roll Call of the American Red Cross was started Monday morning.

The drive has been in progress in the outlying districts since the middle of last week, when organization under district chairmen was completed. In Oregon City the drive is to be handled through the local chapter office, under the direction of Mrs. Thora B. Gardner and Miss Cis Barclay Pratt.

A fund of \$5,000 is to be raised to guarantee the activity of the chapter here for the next year. During the past 12 months, according to the report of the local office, claims of wounded or disabled ex-service men, totaling more than \$8,000 a month or \$96,000 a year, have been secured through the efforts of the chapter here. Two hundred and forty-five families of ex-service men in the county have been on the list as under the care of the chapter and have received material and badly needed aid.

Under the policy of the Red Cross, every effort is made to put a man or a family on their feet. With this view special attention has been given to vocational training and every care taken that the men are put in their proper places. At the request of the district headquarters, educational institutions in the county have been reported on, and it is probable in the near future that some of them will become accredited for post war educational work, and ex-service men who are in need of training will be placed there.

The drive will continue until the latter part of this week, and will probably not be finally concluded until the first of next week. The local chapter Monday received a statement on the drive from Dr. Livingston Farland, national general chairman, which says:

"The summons of the Fifth Roll Call finds the American Red Cross still standing in a position of unique importance. Nothing is more remarkable than that of home and overseas. There is a remnant of our work that still persists, and our work cannot in any sense be called complete until the last possible detail that work is accomplished. Perhaps the principal asset of the American Red Cross is that out of the varied activities of war-time it has learned how. It offers its experience and its organization to the cause of humanity, satisfied to be the agent of the American people upon whose heart and conscience it depends for its warrant. In all that it undertakes the American Red Cross has no ulterior nor selfish motive. It has nothing to give but disinterested service. It asks for nothing but a chance to serve the common good."

Merchants Fall for Phoney Check Artist

Every few days Sheriff William J. Wilson receives a check for a few dollars from some Oregon City merchant with the information that it was passed by a matronly appearing woman about 60 years of age. The checks vary in amount from \$3.25 to \$4.75 and are always drawn on the First National Bank of Canby, but are signed with different names. The checks are filled out by the merchants on whom they are passed. No cash is asked for, but the shopper is a keen buyer and haggles over the price. Sheriff Wilson has warned every merchant in town, but the checks continue to be cashed and returned.

Prize Heifer Hurt In Auto Smashup

The prize winning Jersey heifer owned by Miss Jean Skene, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Skene, of the Twilight district, was injured in a collision when being returned from the Pacific International Livestock exhibition. The driver of the truck ran into a telegraph pole to avoid striking a car that dashed ahead of him. One horn of the animal was broken, so that dehorning will be necessary. This will not disqualify the animal from competing in exhibitions. In addition to the prize won by Miss Jean, her father was a winner of one of the prizes awarded for a junior heifer calf of the Jersey breed.

Motorcycle Stolen By Gardner is Found

The motorcycle belonging to J. C. Hansen, which was stolen from Oregon City by Roy Gardner, has been recovered in San Diego, California. Word to this effect was received here by Chief of Police J. L. Hadley. The machine was a Harley Davidson, and was originally equipped with a side car, but the bandit evidently cut the car loose in order to travel lighter. When the machine was discovered in San Diego, the motor was frozen. The motorcycle was taken from the Nash Garage on 7th and J. Q. A street, and up until the time of the capture of Gardner, no trace of it was found.

VALUATION OF PUBLIC UTILITIES TAKES BIG DROP

DECREASE IN COUNTY IS MORE THAN \$277,000

State Tax Commission Gives Corporation Levy Basis For Coming Year

Taxable valuation of the public service corporations in Clackamas county is \$277,827.46 less this year than in 1920, according to figures received from the state tax commission Monday by County Assessor W. B. Cook. In 1920 the valuation of public utilities in the county was \$5,367,623.11 and this year it is \$5,091,795.65.

The assessment of the public utilities, gives the county a total value of \$29,594,806.65 on which the 1.21 per cent tax will be computed, a decrease of \$277,827.46 over last year. This year, the assessed valuation of the wire lines of the Pacific Highway Light and Power company was \$90 per mile less, resulting in a decrease of \$71,000. The power plant at Oregon City was valued at \$32,300 less than last year, the Cazadero plant, at \$47,000 less, the Estacada power plant, at \$29,700 less and the water power sold at Oregon City at \$86,000 less. The Bull Run power plant showed an increase in valuation of \$75,000.

The value of other assessable property in the county this year, according to Mr. Cook's rolls was \$24,563,165, an increase of nearly \$182,000 over the valuation for the same class of property last year. This gain was shown despite the fact that there was a total of more than \$79,000 in exemptions granted this year. These included exemptions under the old soldier's tax bill and the exemption of Canemah automobile park. The former totaled \$65,785 and the latter \$13,500.

Minister Brodie is Guest at Luncheon

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 18.—(Special)—E. E. Brodie, of Oregon City, Oregon, who took the oath of office a few days ago as envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary to Siam was the guest of honor at a luncheon today given by Pera Fanpakitch, judge of the Siamese legation here. Later in the afternoon Mr. Brodie was given an audience by Secretary of State Charles E. Hughes. After the conference tomorrow with the Far Eastern Division of the state department he will depart for Oregon Saturday preparatory to sailing for Bangkok December 10. Mr. Brodie today had a conference with Under Secretary Fletcher of the state department relative to his duties as minister.

RECALL DECISION STANDS.—BISMARCK, N. D., Nov. 22.—The North Dakota supreme court late today denied the application of five taxpayers for a writ prohibiting the state canvassing board from canvassing the vote cast at the recall election October 28.

JUST TRIM IT



1925 Exposition Up to People of State of Oregon

Clackamas county, at the primaries in May next, will vote upon the subject of the 1925 exposition tax, if present plans of the disincorporation are carried out. Announcement made at the headquarters of the exposition in Portland states that everything is being put in readiness for the security of support of the state, since Portland has pledged itself for what will be the major burden of the cost.

At the election in Portland Saturday, the question of the city's voting a tax to raise \$2,000,000 passed by a majority of more than four to one. Every precinct in the entire city returned a favorable vote, a record which far outstripped expectations.

Of the \$6,000,000 that is to be raised, \$2,000,000 is now voted, \$1,000,000 will be secured through guaranteed subscriptions and the balance by a state tax. "The question of the exposition is of especial importance to Clackamas county," said Chairman Julius Meier yesterday in speaking of the forthcoming campaign. "While we have proved conclusively that the World Fair will be of tremendous benefit to the entire state, it means much in a different way to your county up the Willamette because you are practically within the gates of the exposition itself."

"In symbolizing the water power of the Northwest, from which the phrase 'hydro-electric' was incorporated in the name of the Exposition, Willamette falls will play a large part, and with your industries and undeveloped potentialities, Clackamas county will become one of the nearby drawing cards to the millions who will visit Oregon in 1925."

It is probably, in order to submit the tax to the people of the state, Governor Olcott will call a special session of the legislature, so that the measure can be put on the ballot at the next primary.

WORKMAN FALLS FROM NEW SPAN; SKULL CRUSHED

Sam Finucane, well known young man of this city, is suffering from a fracture of the base of the skull also fractured jaw, as a result of being struck by a concrete carrier and pitched 20 feet below the suspension bridge where he was employed in construction work. Finucane struck on the rocks, and had a narrow escape from death. He was removed to the offices of Drs. Mount and McLean, where his injuries were attended to and later removed to the Oregon City hospital, where an x-ray picture was taken of the fractures.

This is the first accident to occur on the structure since the work began. The men, with whom Finucane was working, were engaged in building the concrete foundations for the west side approach of the new bridge, when he was struck. Finucane is the son of P. S. Finucane, of 1215 Van Puren street, of this city, and was in the service during the world war. The young man's condition was reported favorable Thursday evening.

REGISTRATION OF SCHOOLS SHOWS SLIGHT INCREASE

FEWER GIRLS AND MORE BOYS ATTEND

First Report for County of Current Year Prepared; Funds Apportioned

First total figures on the registration in the schools of Clackamas county were announced Friday by the county superintendent. This year, the total registration is 8053, an increase of 71 over last year. Two small districts are not included in the report, as their registration blanks had to be sent back for correction.

The figures are for the first month of school here, but are completed late for the reason that a number of the schools in the county do not commence until the first week in October. The figures this year show a decrease in the number of girls attending school, but a large increase in the number of boys. In 1920-21 there were 4060 girls registered and this year there are but 4043. Boys this year number 4010 as against 3921 in 1920-21, but are still outnumbered by the girls despite the increase.

Comparative figures on the school census for this year will not be available until possibly January 1. The school census last year totaled 12,940 showing that more than two-thirds of the children in the county over four years of age and under 20 are attending school.

Clackamas county schools this year will receive \$21,190.40 as its share of the state educational funds, which accrues as the interest on the irrevocable state land sale fund. This is apportioned to the different school districts in proportion to their school census, at the rate of \$1.76 per capita. With this fund is also being sent out the semi-annual share of a general county school tax, which for this six-month period amounts to \$58,158.31 or \$3.61 per capita. Both of these represent a decrease of last year when the state per capita allowance was \$2.00 and the county tax \$4.60. The two-mill elementary school tax is the same this year as last, amounting to \$35,396.69. This however, is proportioned according to the number of teachers in the schools and the number of pupils.

Settlement is Asked On Note for \$1600

John Kuek filed suit here Thursday against Henry Krebs and H. C. Schlegel to collect on a promissory note for \$1600 alleged to have been given December 2, 1920 with interest at 6 per cent, the note to be paid within six months. Plaintiff alleges that nothing has been paid and asks for a settlement for the amount with interest and for \$200 attorney's fees.

Ambition? Local Neophytes Show The Real Thing

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Nov. 17.—That there is no lack of ambition in Clackamas county is indicated by the number of residents who are taking correspondence courses with the University of Oregon—examples of fine determination of persistence, study and preparation during spare hours.

The Clackamas county correspondence students during the past year include: Roberta M. Schuebel, Olive A. Whipple, Alma Litzberg, Marie Anderson, Mrs. Clarie Chaney, Vernice Robbins, Wilfred W. Davis, and Gussie Hull, all of Oregon City, who respectively enrolled in: socially significant literature and foundation of American literature and supervision, review of grammar, accounting, short story, child welfare, teaching principles and secondary education, and Oregon history and methods in grammar school English.

Milwaukee is Represented. Milwaukee is to be accredited with six enrollments during the year. They include: E. B. Stanely, in school administration; B. S. Wakefield, in educational administration and supervision; Lynda A. Cowell, in elementary algebra; Arthur C. Hathway, in short story; Marianne Dunham, in recent American literature; and Margaret Ann Dickover, in contemporary poetry.

Eita Halley, studying geometry. Mabel Larson, studying child study. Florence Fomonos, studying child study; Mrs. Mae E. Day, studying algebra; and Mrs. Fern M. Porter, studying entrance English composition, all registered with Willamette. In Molalla, R. W. Rose took a course in educational administration and supervision, while W. C. Jackson took courses in Oregon history and foundations of American citizenship.

Literature is Studied. Dorothy C. Henrich and Beatrice M. Rolfe, of Boring, enrolled in early American literature and rural school management respectively. Marvin Woolfolk, of Oswego, registered for English composition; Roy Stroud, of Oak Grove, for college English composition; Mrs. Laura Banngartner, of Eagle Creek, for teaching principles; Myrtle Birtchett, of Canby, for elementary psychology; Shirlee Swallow, of Gladstone, for educational psychology; Bess Parton, of Sandy, for methods in civics; and Mrs. Morris Hedden, of West Linn, for elementary psychology.

They all study by their own fire-sides, utilizing their spare time. The University of Oregon, through its extension division, offers 80 different courses in correspondence study—courses that cover the important fields of knowledge, and that carry university credit.

These residents of Clackamas county, who during the past year have taken such a variety of courses for cultural improvement and professional advancement, are part of a group of 1009 Oregon citizens who have taken advantages for home study offered by the University of Oregon.

E. E. Brodie is Given Audience by Harding

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 18.—(Special)—E. E. Brodie, of Oregon City, Oregon, was given an audience by President Harding today and the chief executive was promptly admitted to join the National Editorial Association of which Mr. Brodie is the president. Harding was quite sure that he belonged to the association as he had made a trip to the Pacific coast at one time with its members. He was told that a search of the membership rolls made a few days ago failed to reveal his name, whereupon he hastened to sign his name to the dotted line. Mr. Brodie left tonight for Oregon City under traveling orders to sail from Seattle for Bangkok December 10.

\$2,000 Damage Suit Brings \$26 Verdict

One dollar damages, together with \$25 punitive damages, has been awarded to Louis Hoffman of Canby against Gus Rothenberg, night police officer. Hoffman brought suit against the officer claiming that on the night of May 13, when he was walking home at a late hour, he was attacked and severely beaten without provocation. He alleged that he had formerly been threatened by the officer. Hoffman sued for \$2,000. In awarding the verdict, the jury does not give the plaintiff court costs, although he won his suit. Costs cannot be assessed to any judgment for less than \$50. The lawyers fees and plaintiff's costs will be far in excess of the total of \$26 damages allowed.

Father Asks Return of Adopted Daughter

Frank Romahn has appealed to the circuit court asking for the reversal of an order of the county court, in which the adoption of his 6-year-old daughter, Gladys Romahn, was granted to Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Imel of Milwaukie.

OUT AND PHONE LINES ARE DOWN

DAMAGE ESTIMATED AT \$60,000; BRIDGES FALL BEFORE RISING TIDE; PHONE SERVICE IS HIT

What the Storm Did In Clackamas County

Damage probably \$60,000. Oregon City water main at Clew Creek washed out. Two hundred telephones out of order. Willamette Valley Southern track at Liberal washed out. New bridge at Molalla endangered. Steel bridge near Meadowbrook down. Falswork on old Clackamas River bridge destroyed. Log raft and digger torn from moorings. Lowlands over entire county flooded, devastating several homes. Bridge at Dickey Prairie destroyed.

More than 200 telephones and 60 lines in the district surrounding Oregon City were put out of commission yesterday by the storm which has been raging here, according to the local Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company. The majority of these are in the farmer districts. Damage to the lines is largely due to water's getting into the trunk cables, causing a short circuit.

Property damage is estimated at a total of more than \$60,000. The \$15,000 steel bridge, about two and one-half miles from Molalla, between Meadowbrook and Colton and spanning the Molalla river is badly damaged, due to the banks caving at one end, causing the pier to drop. If the ground continues caving, this will cause the entire structure to fall into the roaring Molalla, making a total loss of the bridge.

Small Bridge Goes. A smaller bridge, about 50 feet long, in the Dickey Prairie county has gone out with the flood, but the large bridge at Molalla, also spanning the river is believed still safe and sound, with no sign so far of going out.

Tracks Washed Out. Fifty feet of the Willamette Valley Southern's interurban tracks at Liberal have been washed out. Passengers are being transferred around the break.

A large log boom, owned by the Wheeler Lumber company broke loose from the moorings between Milwaukie and Oswego, and was swept down the river to Portland where it jammed into the Hawthorne bridge.

Sunday night, one of the diggers, believed to belong to the Willamette Sand and Gravel company which was located near Oregon City broke loose and sailed down the river as far as the ferry. It broke into several houseboats owned by Nickum & Kelly and did \$150 damage to the houseboat of James E. Craib. The digger was still stuck this morning.

Car Service Hit. Portland Railway Light and Power cars were delayed at intervals due to the storm's interference with the power lines. The delay, however, was not serious.

Several small slides occurred on the Pacific Highway between Canby and Oregon City, but A. H. Knight and William Rakel, with their crew of men, soon had the road cleared of all debris.

Near the Hawley Pulp and Paper company in Main street, a portion of the concrete walk has gone down, due to the rushing waters beneath. A barricade has been built around the dangerous walk to prevent any accident.

Molalla Dam Safe. Reports that the Troun Creek dam which supplies the new Molalla water system has been damaged by the storm was found to be safe. A committee of councilmen, accompanied by Mayor Henderson visited the dam, 7 1/2 miles from Molalla, and found that it was in good condition. The volume of water however has greatly increased.

Work on the new Willamette River bridge at Oregon City was not affected. It was estimated at four o'clock Monday that the water had risen 19 feet above normal at the west pier. Work on the bridge construction is progressing without interruption, too Monday afternoon efforts centered upon taking the logs which were in a small raft, out of the river onto the bank.

SUES ON NOTE

Charles Gramm filed suit Thursday against John H. and Bertie L. Yeager to collect \$100 alleged to be due on a promissory note given October 16, 1919, for the sum of \$200. Plaintiff alleges that only half of the note has been paid although it was run for only one year. Attorney's fees of \$49 and costs of the case are asked.