

CLUBWOMEN HEAR OF PRISON REFORMS

Oregon Federation Considers Problems as Presented by Investigator.

SIGNS ON ROADS OPPOSED

Indorsement of Military Training Is Indicated by Outbursts of Applause During Debate—Reports for State Are Given.

SALEM, Or., Oct. 26.—(Special.)—Theoreticians and faddists should be prohibited from experimenting with their ideas in prison reform, declared Joseph P. Byers, of Philadelphia, tonight in an address before the Oregon Federation of Women's Clubs, which is in session here.

Although the speaker advocated the honor system in prisons, he told the clubwomen that it could be easily overdone, and laid the emphasis on the importance of leaving its development to experienced prison officials.

Attempts of theoreticians to impose their views of prison reform upon those in active charge of penitentiaries was severely censured.

Solution Is Pointed Out. "The solution of the criminal problem," said Mr. Byers, lies in catering to the self-interest of the prisoners. Let us by all means have the honor system, but at the same time let us remember it can be carried too far.

"A prison should not be made a republic, but always should be a benevolent monarchy, under direct control of experienced officials. Give no honor to prison by the prisoners, as in some cases has been tried, only encourages in the imprisoned a spirit of contempt for law and order."

Mr. Byers made clear that prisons are evidence of disease in the body politic, and that proper corrective efforts should begin outside the walls. It was declared that 12 per cent of those in prison were there because of mental defect.

Army of Crime Put at 400,000. "The stronghold of crime," continued Mr. Byers, "is defended in the United States by an army of at least 400,000. To combat this we have our criminal machinery, which costs us more to maintain than does our educational system."

Prior to Mr. Byers' address tonight, musical numbers were given by Miss Ethel Edick and Miss Ella Van Letuween.

Sessions tomorrow will include addresses and discussions on child problems, education, conversation, fashions, women's property rights and the Oregon-California land grant. The latter will be discussed by G. P. Putnam, private secretary to Governor Withycombe.

Work in State Is Outlined. The work of different organizations in the state in preventing disease was outlined by Mrs. Sadie Orr-Dunbar, chairman of the committee on public health. Co-operation of the federated clubs in the campaigns against tuberculosis and cancer was advocated.

The danger of the 5-cent novel in the hands of the young was emphasized by Miss Cornelia Marvin, State Librarian, in her address before the convention today.

That the delegates to the convention are strongly in favor of National preparedness for war and believe in military training in the high schools, seemed apparent when the argument of Judge C. U. Gantenbein, of Portland, for high school military training was punctuated throughout with applause.

Judge Gantenbein briefly debated the question with Charles Remy, of Portland.

Reports of Officers Are Given. The session this morning was devoted mainly to the hearing of reports from officers and standing committees, after it had been formally called to order by Mrs. Sarah Evans, president. The federation extended to Mrs. Evans a vote of appreciation for her services at the general federation council.

Indicative of the progress the federation is making throughout the state is the great growth in membership during the year. Mrs. J. A. Pettit, of Astoria, recording secretary, reported that there now are 117 clubs in Oregon belonging to the federation as compared with 96 at the first of the year.

Billboard Opposition Voted. For prohibiting billboards being erected along the Columbia Highway, Mrs. C. H. Castner, chairman of the cities committee, in her report expressed the appreciation of the committee.

The recommendation that the clubs take an active interest in suppression of the billboard nuisance along all scenic routes in Oregon, as well as in municipalities, called forth applause.

Reopening of the State Normal schools at Ashland and Weston and improvement of the old system of education, rather than the introduction of new and untried reforms, was urged by Mrs. G. Howard Pittman, chairman of the committee on education, in her report.

ACTION NOT TO BE HASTY Chamber of Commerce Likely to Hold Hearings of Astoria Case. Action on the resolution of the Realty Board urging a movement to give Astoria common rates will not be taken hastily by the executive committee of the Chamber of Commerce.

"BUY AT HOME" URGED Oregon City Live Wires Launch Campaign for Merchants. OREGON CITY, Or., Oct. 26.—(Special.)—A "Buy-in-Oregon-City" campaign was inaugurated at the meeting of the Live Wires at noon today and

Thomas A. Burke, main trunk, was authorized to appoint a committee of 10, which will have complete charge of the campaign. This committee, said Mr. Burke tonight, will be appointed either tomorrow or Thursday.

The proposal that a campaign be organized was received with great enthusiasm by the Live Wires. They will begin the movement themselves by trading at home, will influence their friends and neighbors and co-operate with the committee of 10.

The Wires will make this campaign one of the principal undertakings of the Winter. Trading with mail-order houses, as well as with merchants in other towns, has prompted the campaign.

Dr. L. A. Morris, former main trunk, was the principal speaker at the luncheon. He declared that thousands of dollars lost to Oregon City by mail-order sales. Others who spoke were Al Price, B. T. McBain, C. A. Miller, Thomas A. Burke, F. A. Husted, T. W. Sullivan, E. R. Brown, E. Kenneth Stanton, Lloyd Riches, M. D. Latourrette and O. D. Eby.

The membership campaign by the Commercial Club was discussed at the luncheon. The contest expires November 15. Fifteen committees of five men each are working for members and the \$50 cash prizes offered the winning team.

NEW RATE IS DEFENDED

McMINNVILLE CLUB INDORSES SOUTHERN PACIFIC ACT. Committee Is Named to Go Before Interstate Commerce Commission and Ask Approval of Cut.

McMINNVILLE, Or., Oct. 25.—(Special.)—The freight rate fight has aroused the business men of McMinnville, and at a meeting held today by the Commercial Club a strong resolution was adopted urging that the present plan of the Southern Pacific establishing a new rate for the Willamette lumber mills to California points be sustained.

A committee composed of Messrs. S. S. Searman, J. E. Larson and W. J. Liljeqvist will lay the matter before the interstate Commerce Commission within a few days and set forth the views of McMinnville citizens, business men, and, in particular, the position of the Commercial Club.

The rate question was thoroughly discussed at today's meeting, which was presided over by Vice-President G. W. Evans. It was argued that the most important matter for Willamette Valley mills since seven years ago, when change in freight rates defeated the lumber business of the valley out of certain channels.

"One speaker declared that it means life or death for the Willamette Valley lumber industry to maintain the present freight rate to California points, and that this rate has been attacked by certain lumber interests of Portland.

Other meetings are rumored as likely within a few days in other Valley cities.

PREMIUM PAID FOR BONDS

Portland Municipal Improvement Securities Bring 5.20 Above Par. Not in many years has Portland received as high premium on 10-year, 5 per cent municipal improvement bonds as was received yesterday for an issue of \$192,531.28.

The entire issue went for a premium of 5.20 per cent above par or better. A year ago bonds of the same type were at a premium of 2 per cent above par.

Twenty bids were received for the issue. Of these many offered more than 5 per cent premium. The award was made as follows: John Murphy, \$1000 at 5.25 per cent premium; Portland Trust & Savings Bank, \$20,000 at 5.20, \$20,000 at 5.15, \$20,000 at 5.10, \$20,000 at 5.05, \$20,000 at 5.00, \$23,531.28 at 5.25 and \$20,000 at 5.20. City Treasurer Adams took up \$29,000 of the issue for one of the city's sinking funds.

WIRELESS SHOWS PROFIT Federal Company Files Report With Commission at Salem. SALEM, Or., Oct. 26.—(Special.)—Showing net revenues of \$8,875 and a net income of \$7,495 for the entire year, the report of the Federal Telegraph Company, doing a wireless business on the Pacific Coast, was filed today with the Oregon Public Service Commission. The report covers the year ending June 30 last.

With plant and equipment in Oregon valued at \$46,393, the company's revenues in the state from operation is given as \$21,401, and operating expenses as \$26,903. The company maintains a Portland office, the only one in Oregon, and has six employees in Oregon.

PUPILS' PETS TO PARADE

Feature to Be in Connection With Home Exhibition. "A Pets' Paradise" will be held Saturday at 1 o'clock, weather permitting, in the streets near the Central Library in connection with the Junior Exhibition that will open in the library tomorrow and will continue until November 6.

The exhibit is a part of the "back-to-the-home" movement that has been inaugurated by the Portland Parent-Teacher Association.

Principal Blough, of Portsmouth School, assisted by several other principals, will direct the parade of pets and children. This parade will be one of the most unique and entertaining features of the exhibition.

CAUSE OF DEATH IS FIXED Oregon Physician Victim of Accident While Hunting in Wyoming. SALEM, Or., Oct. 26.—(Special.)—Dr. Clayton L. Ransom, of Mill City, met his death through the accidental discharge of his own gun while hunting in the mountains near Wilson, Wyo., according to the verdict of the coroner's jury impounded at Willamette after the finding of the body last week.

Word of how the physician met his death reached here for the first time, with the arrival of the body, which was taken to Turner for burial. Dr. Ransom disappeared September 17 last, when hunting in the Jackson Hole country in Wyoming.

Three Conditional Pardons Granted. SALEM, Or., Oct. 26.—(Special.)—Governor Withycombe today granted conditional pardons to John Kelly, from Coos county; Gus Carlson, from Umatilla county, and Ed Dore, from Union county. All were serving terms for larceny. The conditional pardons were granted by the Governor, who acted upon the recommendation of the late Harry P. Minto, superintendent of the penitentiary.

The Province of Ontario has done away with all local license boards and established a provincial licensing commission of five men, who will hereafter be responsible in

ST. PAUL CORN SHOW ATTRACTS THROGS

Governor Withycombe Praises Big Exhibits and Talks to 500 Farmers.

PRIZE AWARDS ARE MADE

County Agriculturist and Other Notables Also Are on List of Speakers—Marion to Have 5 More Displays This Fall.

ST. PAUL, Or., Oct. 26.—(Special.)—Marked by excellent exhibits and a large attendance, the St. Paul third annual Corn Show was held here today. The show this year is better than any held yet and the exhibits of the different varieties of corn demonstrated that the Willamette Valley can produce corn equal to any in the world.

The exhibits were arranged in the old school building, which throughout the morning, the displays and this afternoon spoke to 500 farmers and St. Paul residents.

County Agriculturist Also Speaker. Other speakers were August Huckerstein, postmaster of Salem; J. E. Larson, of the Oregon Agricultural College, and Luther J. Chapin, Marion County Agriculturist. Both Mr. Larson and Mr. Chapin spoke on seed corn and the best methods of cultivation and planting. The meeting was presided over by Mr. Vandewalle, of this city.

L. L. Ernst, of St. Paul, captured the first prize for the best individual farm display, and won first prize also for the best single ear of White Dent corn. The best ten ears of Yellow Dent corn were shown by S. Merten, while E. N. Smith took first honors for the best ten ears of White Dent.

First prize for the best 100 ears of Yellow Dent went to Allen Bros., and E. N. Smith took first prize for the best 100 ears of White Dent.

Mr. Smith's Popcorn Wins, Too. Mr. Smith also exhibited the best 12 ears of popcorn. C. F. Yeager's dozen ears of sweet corn were adjudged superior to other displays.

The show here today is one of six corn shows being given in different towns of Marion County this Fall under the direction of County Agriculturist Chapin. Shows now have been held at Mount Angel and St. Paul.

Others will be held as follows: Aumsville, November 5-6; Silverton, November 18 to 19; Woodburn, November 18 to 20; Astoria, November 22 to 24, and the County Corn Show at Salem, December 1 to 4.

IDAHO PATENTS GRANTED

CAREY ACT ACREAGE OF 151,343 IS TRANSFERRED. State Commission Recommends Cutting Down Area for Which Water May Be Furnished. BOISE, Idaho, Oct. 26.—(Special.)—Patent to 151,343.57 acres of Carey act land included within the Twin Falls North Side project surrounding the towns of Gooding, Wendell and Jerome has just been issued to the State of Idaho by the Federal Government. The act records the issuance of one of the largest land patents for irrigated lands in the history of the state. While the irrigation system for the project has not as yet been completed, the issuance of patent will be an inducement to finish it. The state has in its possession securities amounting to \$450,000 put up by the company as a guarantee it will fulfill its contract.

The settlers' association on the project vigorously protested against the Government issuing patent to the lands on the grounds the project was not finished. The State Land Board, however, assured the association and settlers generally on the project that the issuance of non-issuance of patent would make little difference with financing the canal system, as the state proposes to see that the settlers are protected and the company carries out its contract.

The Twin Falls North Side project is but one of several in the Snake River basin the completion of which is being watched with interest. The Irrigation and Drainage Commission created by the last Legislature recommended that a number of the projects be cut down in acreage. This is particularly true of the Twin Falls-Salmon River project, originally segregated as Carey Act land to the extent of 70,000 acres, but for which the Commission found there was water for but 24,000 acres.

COURT HONORS LATE JUDGE

Legal Proceedings Halt at South Bend as Tribute. SOUTH BEND, Wash., Oct. 26.—(Special.)—Court proceedings here were halted today while the bar of Pacific County paid tribute to the late Supreme Court Judge, Herman D. Crow. Among those who spoke were John T. Walsh, Judge Sol Smith, Judge E. H. Wright,

AFTER YOU ARE FORTY Forty is the age of greatest effort with most people. Vitality is used up at the most rapid pace. The struggle to secure a competence for old age produces nerve strain, the failure to succeed causes worry nervous breakdown, neurasthenia.

Middle-aged people find that they cannot run as fast, nor are they as agile as in youth. The internal organs also feel the effect of age. The digestion resents that it accepted before, the heart palpitates on slight exertion, the muscles of the back ache after a day's work. Your blood is thinner and not so bright a red as formerly.

When these things occur, whether you are 14 or 49, you need a tonic. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills suit most people's need because they are non-alcoholic and they really build up the blood and strengthen the nerves. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are useful for growing children and for men whose nervous energy has been overdrawn. They are certainly worthy of a trial in every case of weak nerves and thin blood.

Your druggist sells Dr. Williams' Pink Pills or they will be sent by mail, postpaid, on receipt of price, 60 cents per box, six boxes \$2.50 by Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Schenectady, N. Y. Write today for free booklet on the blood and nerves.

POLK SCHOOLS SET RECORD

New Building Completed and High Attendance Average Reached. MONMOUTH, Or., Oct. 26.—(Special.)—Polk County schools attained a high point in their average for attendance for the first month of the term, 97 per cent.

As the result of the "go-to-school" movement, inaugurated here last year, 94 parents paid visits the first month. A noted feature of the beginning of a new school year is the reception to the teachers. On October 21 one of the finest modern rural school buildings in Polk County was dedicated at Zent. A new structure at Parker also was received with appropriate ceremonies on October 8.

Improvements have been made in buildings at Cocharan, Elkhart, Lincoln, Spring Valley, Black Rock, Rogue River, Fern and Wildwood. Gymnasiums have been erected and playgrounds provided.

RAILWAY MEN HAVE CLUB

O.-W. R. & N. Co. Provides Spacious Room for Employees. Employees of the O.-W. R. & N. Co. Company, who recently formed a social organization among their number, now have a spacious clubroom for use during their leisure moments.

At the direction of J. D. Farrell, president of the company, a large room on the fourth floor of the Wells-Fargo building has been vacated for the club. The place will be fitted up with furniture and appliances for the conduct of a club. Accommodations will be provided for the various athletic teams maintained by the club. The place already has become popular among many employees who gather there at noon for lunch.

Similar rooms have been maintained for several years for use of the women employees of the company.

Eugene Lad Disappears. EUGENE, Or., Oct. 26.—(Special.)—Elmer Roberts, aged 16, left his home in Eugene last Thursday, supposedly without money or means of support, and has not been since located by his parents. He is believed to be seeking to reach the home of a sister, Mrs. W. E. Howell, in Wasco, Sherman County. He left home following a disagreement with his parents regarding a small amount of work.

"I am a Professional GOAT"



The crooked bank directors, trembling over their inevitable exposure, gladly shift their burdens to Wallingford, who professes a desire to be blamed in such matters. Why Wallingford was willing to risk the fury of the mob, is the wildly exciting theme of this week's part of

THE NEW ADVENTURES OF J. RUFUS WALLINGFORD

"I'll bear the blame. If anybody's pinched, it'll be me. If anybody's to travel, it'll be me!" said Wallingford. But that shrewd individual is doing nothing for nothing, nor is he putting his neck into the noose.

In fact, you will learn how being a professional goat netted him several hundred thousands and the undying gratitude of a beautiful lady.

The pictures of Wallingford are sweeping the country by storm. Each week's installment is absolutely distinct—so you can begin now.

BEGINNING TODAY VIA WIRELESS

Pathe Gold Rooster Play Adapted From the Sensational Play by Paul Armstrong and Winchell Smith

Featuring the Celebrated Stars Bruce McRae and Gail Kane



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