

PUBLICITY BY TAXATION

Astoria Chamber of Commerce Proposes New Law Advertising Counties in State Through Fund Secured by Tax Assessment.

Astoria's chamber of commerce wants Clatsop county's annual population to pay for advertising the resources of Clatsop county. Likewise it would be glad to see all other counties in the state do the same. It would also like to have the legislature at its next session enact a law which would provide for a tax on the people for advertising purposes.

In accordance with this desire the Astoria chamber of commerce has sent a circular letter to all the members of the legislature, included in which is a bill setting out its idea of the plan if the law is put upon the statute books. In brief the plan proposed is about like this: It is set out that the state of Oregon as a whole and the different counties of the state are units of much need of judicious, careful and systematic advertising. It is provided in the bill, therefore, that if in any county the people of any county desire to have a tax levied on the county for the purpose of raising a fund for county advertising they can have the proposition submitted to the people by filing a petition with their signatures with the county clerk prior to a county election. Upon the filing of such a petition the county clerk is to put the question of whether or not such a tax shall be levied by the people on the ballot for the election, and at the election the people are to vote yes or no, as their inclination directs.

Levy Assessment for Advertising.

If a majority of the people of the county decide that such a tax would be beneficial and vote yes, then the county court is to levy in assessment the size of which is to depend upon the money needed. When this fund is collected it is to be turned over by the county court to the legislative chamber of commerce or other advertising organization having county advertising work in hand, to be expended as the officers of the organization see fit and proper.

That is the gist of the bill as it has been submitted to the different members of the legislature. Accompanying the bill is a letter asking the members of the legislature to give the matter attention and let the Astoria chamber of commerce know what they think of the scheme. It is probable that the bill will be presented to the legislature at its next session, providing the sentiment of the members heard from is not hostile to its final enactment. The chamber of commerce, however, who have expressed an opinion concerning the plan, are inclined to look with some doubt on the wisdom of such a law. They are afraid such a fund, produced by county taxation, would lead to bickerings and mismanagement on the part of those who were entrusted with its spending, perhaps not in all cases, but in some. If the bill does come into the legislature it will have a strenuous time.

FOOD MEN FAVOR STATE CONTROL

Draft Uniform Law for All and Assail Federal Regulation.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Mackinac Island, Mich., Aug. 7.—Following the charges made by Professor E. E. Ladd that Secretary of Agriculture James Wilson is trying to defeat the ends of pure food legislation in the United States, the convention of state and national pure food departments has adopted drastic measures, amounting to a defiance of the national food laws and a defiance of the federal government. A resolution was passed through the convention calling for a committee to draft a uniform pure food law, which all the states in the union will be urged to adopt and which will contain only such portions of the national law as the state associations deem best adapted to the requirements of the states. A committee is today drawing up these measures.

The action is practically an announcement that the states intend to take the matter of food legislation into their own hands, due to their distrust of the nation to adjust properly the situation.

Vice President Fairbanks attended the convention yesterday and expressed great satisfaction with the way Dr. H. W. Wiley, head of the bureau of chemistry, has aided in the adoption of adequate pure food legislation.

The convention decided to meet next year at Denver.

FOUR GENERATIONS ON ONE RANCH

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) North Yakima, Wash., Aug. 7.—A transfer of a 160-acre estate in Yakima valley, made by the late Attorney F. W. Sweet and wife, will result in a few days in the establishment of a fourth generation. The Sweet family has two children. The wife's father, A. E. McElroy, of Ohio, is to come out, also her father's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. McElroy, of Lawrence, Indiana. The oldest pair are respectively 87 and 82 years of age, and as the lawyer puts it, they are coming out to grow up with the country.

LOSES FORTUNE IN ADVANCE OF WHEAT

(United Press Leased Wire.) Minneapolis, Minn., Aug. 7.—Two girls are in serious trouble today, as the result of the death of John G. Lund, who committed suicide Wednesday after losing his fortune through the 5-cent rise in the wheat market. Alberta Lunde and Edna Lund, while stenographers in Lund's office, are alleged to have been induced to sign bogus mortgages for \$100,000. The mortgages were signed to raise money.

Lund killed himself to escape prison, say his relatives. He had been losing money and as a last resort, it is alleged, employed dishonest methods to raise money.

HOBSON PUT JAP Y. M. C. A. ASLEEP

Jap Journals Only Poke Fun at Him for His Later Japphobia.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, Aug. 7.—Advice received at the state department from Tokio states that the Japanese press has finally awakened to the war spurge recently made in this country by Representative Richard D. Hobson. The Nipponese journals have made their criticisms in very artistic fashion, according to the reports of the Japanese Chronicle, for example, after calling attention to the fact that Hobson was once a member of the Japanese Men's Christian association on the duty of loving ones enemies and his auditors all went to sleep.

"Early in the morning," quotes the Japanese scribble, "that estimable, honored gentleman should have become incensed to fury with all of his unthoughtful behavior by Nippon's sons."

SNYDER KNOWN AS SINIDINOS

Sheriff at Kansas City Says Murdered Woman's Husband Gave Wrong Name

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Kansas City, Aug. 7.—Peter Snyder, referred to in dispatch from Hishop, Cal., as having been arrested for alleged conspiracy to cause the murder of his wife, a wealthy Kansas City woman, is said by Sheriff Snyder to be Peter Sinidinos, a Greek contractor, who lived at 1401 Garfield avenue in Hishop. The case has excited much comment as Sinidinos was known to have married into a large fortune and some weeks ago he was arrested from southern Oregon, where he would meet his wife at Hishop, over the California line. The woman disappeared for the next and was not heard of again until the telegraphic reports had it that she was shot down from an ambush, presumably by hand, while on her way from the camp of employees of a water power company for which her husband was general contractor.

Mrs. Snyder was carried from the scene of the shooting a quarter of a mile from the camp at Hishop, by her husband, Sinidinos, in a motor car. Reports from Hishop yesterday were that Sinidinos said that two men fired on him and that the bullet struck his wife who was in a buggy with him. This explanation, that the two men, county authorities and deputy sheriffs took the Greek and a foreman into custody, charging conspiracy to murder, is a little better than the one which he said to have been given to her husband.

The foreman, whose name is Avginos, is not known here.

OREGON MAKES FAIR PLANS

Counties Engaged in Preparing for Annual Exhibits of Resources.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) The Dalles, Or., Aug. 7.—The eightieth annual fair of the second Eastern Oregon district, comprising Wasco, Sherman, Gilliam, Wheeler, Crook and Hood River counties, will be held at The Dalles for five days, commencing October 6, and closing October 10.

A large number of premiums will be offered for exhibits, races, etc. The main attractions will be the big pavilion, where all the fruits, cereals, flowers, etc., will be exhibited. There will be races every day, a truck race by athletes of the schools of the district, Arnold's Amusement company will have concessions, and in addition there will be bullion, gymnastics, high diving and other free attractions.

As at recent fairs and fairs give promise of being excellent quality and of large yield, it is expected that the fair this year will surpass all other efforts.

The Mayville Grange.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Condon, Or., Aug. 7.—At a meeting of the executive committee of the Mayville grange, it was decided to hold the annual fair October 8 and 9. Arrangements are being made to make the agricultural event the largest ever held. Dr. James Wilby, secretary of the Oregon agricultural college, has accepted his intention to be present. The date of the fair was put a week earlier so that it might be present.

Pondleton's Publicity Stunt.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Pondleton, Ore., Aug. 7.—A publicity stunt which has been going on at the Pondleton fair since it was started by the late Mr. W. W. Sweet and wife, is being continued by the late Mr. W. W. Sweet and wife. The stunt is to have a small town in the middle, and will continue to be carried on in such a way as to be a success. It is expected to have a large number of people from all over the state, and is expected to be the best fair yet held in the district.

Crook County's Fair.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Prineville, Ore., Aug. 7.—The county agricultural fair, which is to be held at Prineville, Ore., from Oct. 13 to 17, is the best of the kind ever held in the county. The fair is to be held on the grounds of the G. A. C. and will be a grand success.

REGENTS TO MEET IN PORTLAND

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Salem, Aug. 7.—The Oregon Agricultural college board of regents will meet in Portland, Ore., today to consider the purchase of a new building for the college at Corvallis. The board is expected to purchase a building of 100,000 square feet, and is expected to purchase a building of 100,000 square feet, and is expected to purchase a building of 100,000 square feet.

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TWO OF CATTLE THIEVES SURRENDER

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Lewiston, Idaho, Aug. 7.—Two of the cattle thieves after being chased some days by Idaho deputy sheriffs and posse, through the timber of the upper Clearwater basin, surrendered yesterday. The man with a record and a record of his kind, is either dead or dying, the loss of blood and lack of food in the case of this surrender. The man who was captured yesterday, showing evidence of being hard ridden, with blood on his nose and shoulders, showing that the rider was bleeding badly. The saddle was gone and the supposition is that he got a fresh horse here and is on his way over the mountain trail.

HISTORY MAKERS MEET AT REUNION

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Walla Walla, Wash., Aug. 7.—Meeting at the annual reunion of the Pioneer association of the Walla Walla Valley. Death's Ravages. The meeting was addressed by Senator Ankeny, Mayor Tausick, N. G. Hallock, Michael Kenny, T. P. Goss, Captain W. P. Gray and N. T. Caton of Colfax.

SPANISH LIEUTENANT OFFENDS SUPERIORS

Havana, Aug. 7.—The Spanish colony in this port have given a banquet in honor of their compatriots of the Spanish cruiser Nautilus, at which Governor Magoon was an invited guest. His presence was regarded as an evidence of the sincere friendship existing between the Americans and the Spaniards in Cuba. Nevertheless he had to feel one disagreeable incident disturbing the pleasure of the naval visit. The Spanish Lieutenant, Campos, being incidentally in Cuba, with a furious, presented himself at the great ball in the Athenaeum in a brilliant full dress uniform. The officers of the Nautilus and the Spanish minister ordered him to retire from the assembly because he had no right to appear in uniform when he had no official position in a foreign country. The lieutenant refused to obey the minister and then several Spaniards intervened in support of the order to withdraw. Finally, the lieutenant withdrew with his friends, after challenging the minister and his secretary to a duel, adding that he would send his seconds to him on the following day. Since then a guard has been maintained over the Spanish legation.

BASTILE BECOMES LIQUOR WAREHOUSE

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Silverton, Ore., Aug. 7.—Chief of Police Moore raided Ambrose Brooks' place of business last night and seized several hundred dollars worth of liquor. The liquor was removed to the bastille and Brooks placed under arrest. He appeared before Judge Seitz and entered a plea of not guilty and was released on his own recognizance to appear for trial Wednesday.

BIG BOND ISSUE FOR SANTA FE

(United Press Leased Wire.) New York, Aug. 7.—Wall street learned today that negotiations looking to a bond issue of \$17,000,000 of a subsidiary company of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe railroad are nearing completion. The arrangements are being made by J. P. Morgan & Co. The bonds will be part of an authorized issue of \$30,000,000, and it is understood that the issue will be secured by a first mortgage on the Boies cut-off, which is part of the Santa Fe's main line, other properties of the company and the Pecos Valley & Northwestern railroad. The bonds will be put out in the neighborhood of \$4 and \$4 1/2.

FIRES STILL BURN AROUND ABERDEEN

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Aberdeen, Wash., Aug. 7.—The forest fire situation remains about the same, the flames being held in check by bank fires. They have not reached the standing timber. If the wind remains as it is, it will keep the fire away from the works of the camp situated on the Wishkah and Hoquiam rivers. Employees have been forbidden to smoke in the woods. Rain is badly needed. A great deal of timber lying in the path of the fire will eventually be burned.