

PRINCIPALS WILL GET AND LEARN OF CONTEST PLAN

Committee Arranging for Garden Rivalry in Schools Holds Session and Prepares for Spring's Coming.

There was a touch of springtime in the air yesterday. It suggested growing garden vegetables and flowers. The sun had scattered through the clouds, the light shining through a high up window of the Commercial club fell on the general committee from business organizations that is arranging for the school garden contests in Portland. "That sunshiny makes the day. We've got to get very busy," said O. M. Plummer, a member of the committee. "Our committee will need procure the prizes for the students who enter the contest right away," said J. Jaeger, chairman of the prize committee. "The vegetables will be sprouting almost before we get the seeds in the ground. If the garden making does commence right soon," said R. R. Houtledge.

School Principals to Dine.

The upshot of the discussion that all the committee members participated in was a decision to bring the principals of the schools together at dinner in the Y. M. C. A. next Tuesday evening. Then the schedule of prizes and awards to be made for the best exhibits by schools, the best gardens and the children raising the best vegetables, will be explained. This will be followed by the organization of garden contest societies in each school under authority of the school board and Superintendent Rigler. There will also be appointed a school garden committee of five citizens to act in an advisory capacity.

The principals, it was decided by the committee, are not to be "fed into enthusiasm" in the plan for training city school children how to avoid vacant lots and how to raise vegetables, so that they will understand the dignity importance of soil culture, and so that they will have their hands as well as their minds trained in the doing of things essential to success in life occupations.

The report of the committee on arrangements of entries and prize awards was received and adopted. It provides for the largest percentage of contestants in proportion to the number of enrolled students. This cup must be won twice before it will be the permanent property of any school. There will be a first prize of \$15 for the best garden in any school district, a second prize of \$15, and a third prize of \$15. Each district may have its own contest, too, with prizes. Arrangements are being made for such a contest in the Irvington district.

Prizes of articles valued at \$5, \$3 and \$2 are to be offered, first, second and third, for the best exhibits in 120 different classifications. Every contestant will be given a certificate. Penalties will be provided as rewards for merit in deserving cases where prizes are not awarded. Other children in private schools may enter contests, where their entering does not interfere with the plan for the public schools.

Rabbit After Rose Show.

The general exhibit and competition will be on Saturday, June 15, at the Armory, just following the rose show. It will be featured in the program of the Rose Festival association.

There were present at yesterday's meeting D. O. Lively, James J. Sayer, Eugene Brooks, J. Fred Larson, Lewis M. Head, Howard Everts, R. W. Routledge, Harry W. Stone, O. M. Plummer, E. J. Jaeger and the chairman of the general committee, James J. Sayer was chosen to act as secretary of the committee.

School Director I. N. Fleischer, Superintendent Frank Rigler, President Carr, of O. A. C.; President Campbell, of University of Oregon, and Harry W. Stone, general secretary of the Y. M. C. A., have been asked to serve as speakers next Tuesday evening.

Members of the general committee are to meet at 5:30 o'clock in Mr. Stone's office next Tuesday evening. The dinner is to be served at 6 o'clock, and the addresses will be illustrated with lantern slides.

At the meeting of the principals with Superintendent Rigler at Lincoln high school the plan for garden education was presented by Eugene Brooks, president of the Progressive Business Men's club, and chairman of the committee on garden education from the school. Mr. Brooks invited the principals to the supper Tuesday evening at the Y. M. C. A. auditorium in the name of the general committee.

FOREST SERVICE WILL GET APPROPRIATION

(Washington Bureau of The Journal.) Washington, Feb. 10.—Many protests are coming in to the congressional delegation against cutting the appropriation of the forest service for fire fighting. Among them are telegrams from J. F. Berger, mayor, and President M. J. Duray, of the Commercial club, and the Peninsula Lumber company, Portland. However, the chief forester tells Hawley it will not affect the new rate of the forest service, which was appropriated last year for emergencies and \$23,000 was expended. While last year was admittedly a dry year, the belief is expressed that a smaller emergency fund will meet the requirements of the service.

LOS ANGELES SHIPPERS LOSE IN RATE FIGHT

(United Press Leased Wire.) Los Angeles, Feb. 10.—Discovery that southern California shippers must pay exactly the same rates on outgoing cargoes at San Pedro harbor as they did before the court decision that established lower schedules has caused considerable excitement in mercantile circles here. According to the facts in what threatens to become a complex situation the attitude of the shippers that will influence companies is all toward the steamship future rates. On eastbound and foreign shipments, however, rates will be cut sufficiently to permit Los Angeles manufacturers to compete with San Francisco and Seattle. The new tariff eliminating the charge for the haul between Los Angeles and the port. According to experts employed by the Chamber of Commerce to investigate local shipping conditions, the new rates are effective in doubling this city's export trade, but will in no wise influence its imports.

WIMMER MERCHANT BLOWS OUT BRAINS

Man Who Wears Gun on Belt Around His Neck Finally Uses It on Himself.

(Special to The Journal.) Gold Hill, Or., Feb. 10.—With his brains blown out and a revolver at his side, Harry Triplett was found this morning in his store at Wimer, 16 miles from here, on Evans creek. Insanity is believed to have been the cause. It had been known for some time that Triplett's mind was unbalanced and he had been rapidly growing worse. As a result of a neighborhood row last spring, he was arrested and fined for carrying concealed weapons. Since then he has worn his revolver by a belt around his neck. He was 45 years old and had spent most of his life in Jackson county. He has a brother in Josephine county.

Although the circumstances point conclusively to suicide, Coronado Kellogg will probably conduct an inquest so that neighborhood bitterness may not ripen into an accusation of murder.

LUMBERMEN WIN IN EASTERN RATE FIGHT

(Special to The Journal.) Aberdeen, Wash., Feb. 10.—Announcement of an agreement between the Soo line and the Oregon-Washington, where by lumbermen of Grays Harbor, Portland, Tacoma and intervening points may route east via Spokane to the Minnesota gateway, was made here today by L. E. Paaskil, traveling freight agent of the Soo line. The rate agreement means the opening of the vast territory in southern Canada to shippers of this district at a rate open only to mills of Seattle and north, which route is via Sumas, Wash., and the Canadian Pacific.

Lumbermen in this territory have been asking for this rate for months. The agreement between the Soo and Oregon-Washington lines has been under consideration for some time. The agreement is of immense importance to the Oregon-Washington, which heretofore has not been able to route lumber shipments to the Minnesota gateway.

BRUTAL INDIAN SLAYER CONVICTED, 2D DEGREE

(Special to The Journal.) North Yakima, Wash., Feb. 10.—Jim Johnson, an Indian, accused of killing William Lusby, an old man living with his wife on leased land on the Yakima reservation, some months ago, was convicted of murder in the second degree by jury Thursday night. Both Lusby and his wife were terribly beaten by their assailant, a Peoria story, before being slain. Mrs. Lusby's life being despaired of for some time. The murder was a particularly brutal one, the Lusby's paying their rent to the Indian agent, as required, and refusing, according to Mrs. Lusby's story, to give money to Johnson, himself. Their refusal was the basis for his attack.

CHEAP POTATO PLANK IN MAYOR'S PLATFORM

(United Press Leased Wire.) Indianapolis, Feb. 10.—The potato promises to play an important part in Indiana politics during the coming campaign. Samuel Lewis Shank, mayor of Indianapolis, and something more than a receptive candidate for the Republican nomination for governor, today has announced that he would make his campaign slogan the "cheap potato plank" which the broad center of his support. Likewise, the turkey plank, the Christmas tree plank and other planks dealing with the cost of living, are to be called to the mayor's aid in his vote getting tours.

IRONWORKERS' AGENT DROPS FROM SIGHT

(United Press Leased Wire.) Omaha, Neb., Feb. 10.—Mystery today surrounds the sudden and unannounced disappearance of Frank K. Paynter, business agent of the Structural Ironworkers' union, here. It is alleged, however, that he was in the city, then left for parts unknown. The incident just came to light today, although his landlady says Paynter has been gone for a week.

DOYLE ATTACKED EDITOR DYING STATEMENT SAYS

(United Press Leased Wire.) Truckee, Cal., Feb. 10.—It was authoritatively stated today that F. M. Doyle, who shot and killed Editor W. H. H. Smith of the Truckee Republican, will be bound over to the superior court at Nevada City for trial on a charge of murder. At the preliminary hearing the prosecution suggested getting Smith's antemortem statement into the record. In this statement Smith swore that Doyle attacked him. It is the most damaging evidence against Doyle.

COMPARED WITH ITALY TURKISH LOSSES LIGHT

(United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, Feb. 10.—At the Turkish embassy today it was officially declared that Italy has suffered the loss of 400 men killed in January, while the Ottoman losses were but 30 killed and 40 wounded, in the Tripoli campaign.

Philbrick for Hoquiam Post.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, Feb. 10.—President Taft has nominated Ralph Philbrick to be postmaster at Hoquiam, Wash.

WOMEN HELD LONG NIGHT CONFERENCE

Mrs. Ethelind Dunn, in Thurston Will Case, Tells of Visit to Mrs. Tingley.

(United Press Leased Wire.) San Diego, Cal., Feb. 10.—It is the word of a prominent member of the Theosophical society against that of Mrs. M. Patricia Dixon and Mary L. Hastie, both outsiders, in the case of the Thurston will contest. Mrs. Ethelind Dunn, for 4 years a resident at the Homestead and now a directress and teacher in the raja yoga school, was called to the stand and told the story of Mrs. Patterson-Thurston's first visit to Mrs. Katherine Tingley, the defendant in the case, in her apartments in the Academy building. Mrs. Dixon stated that Mrs. Patterson-Thurston remained closeted with Mrs. Tingley in the latter's room until 2 o'clock in the morning and that when she left Mrs. Tingley said to Mrs. Dunn: "We have the old girl coming our way all right, but we will have to play our cards smoothly."

SLAYER OF 22 MEN KILLS HIMSELF

Shooting of Louis Hall and Morgan Hall May Bring Kentucky Feud.

Pikeville, Ky., Feb. 10.—As a result of the killing today of Louis Hall, who himself boasted of taking 22 lives, and Morgan Hall, his son, another feud war is feared in the Big Sandy valley. Hall was shot by Constable George Johnson. Johnson was reading a warrant for arrest, charging Hall with operating a "blind tiger," when Hall showed signs of resistance and was shot.

MOHAIR INDUSTRY IN OREGON IS IMPORTANT

(Washington Bureau of The Journal.) Washington, Feb. 10.—Senator Chamberlain recently drew out considerable information regarding the mohair industry in Oregon by a remark to the effect that the angoras had been introduced into Oregon largely to help clear land, and that they had been successfully shown for that purpose. It has been shown that there are some 1500 persons engaged in raising angoras in Oregon, and that the mohair produced there is peculiarly soft and glossy because of the favorable conditions.

EXPLOSION KILLS FIVE AT BIG DAM

Denver, Feb. 10.—Five workmen were killed in a dynamite explosion at the Pathfinder dam project near Caspar, Wyo., according to word received here today by the reclamation service. Dispatches differ, saying the men were being carried by an aerial tram to the top of the dam, when the cable broke, precipitating the workmen into the river, where all drowned.

FAMOUS FRENCH PREACHER DIES

Paris, Feb. 10.—Charles Loysen, known by his monastic name Pere Hyacinthe, died here yesterday. He was known widely as a lecturer and author. Loysen was born in Orleans, March 10, 1827. In 1850 he was ordained priest, entered the Carmelite order and became known as a preacher, his work extending to Paris. He was too liberal in his views, however, and his unorthodox utterances soon caused the recall of his authority to preach. He left the order, yet would not keep silent, and was excommunicated.

HOUSE WOULD REDUCE CAVALRY FORCE IN ARMY

Washington, Feb. 10.—The cavalry arm of the United States army will be reduced from 15 to 10 regiments if the army appropriation bill passes as approved by the house. This reduction would lessen the number of men by 2500.

ARIZONA TO ENTER ST. VALENTINE'S DAY

(United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, Feb. 10.—The territory of Arizona will become a state on St. Valentine's day, February 14. President Taft announced today that on next Wednesday he would sign the proclamation officially admitting Arizona to the Union.

WITNESS SAYS HE IS DISCHARGED

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C. & E. CUTS FARE TO 3 CENTS MILE

Obeys State Railway Commission's Order of Jan. 19 to Reduce Tariff.

(Special to The Journal.) Salem, Or., Feb. 10.—The Corvallis & Eastern Railroad company today filed with the state railway commission a new passenger tariff, reducing the rates on its road to three cents a mile. This is in compliance with an order issued by the commission January 19, when it found that the company was charging more than three cents for passenger fares, which the commission pronounced unreasonable and unjust.

PORT OF NEHALEM TO MAKE BETTER REPORT

(Washington Bureau of The Journal.) Washington, Feb. 10.—Senator Bourne yesterday filed the Port of Nehalem announcing the rejection of a favorable report on the project by the board of review and urging prompt action to show that Major Morrow's report should be sustained. The board of review declines to approve District Engineer Morrow's report on the Nehalem project on the ground that the present tonnage does not justify the expenditure of money necessary for the project. It was ascertained in conference this morning with the engineer that Morrow's report has been sent back to him for revision. Major Morrow should reach New York today, returning from Panama, and proceed directly to Portland.

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BLACK SPOTTED TROUT EGGS FOR HATCHERY

(Washington Bureau of The Journal.) Washington, Feb. 10.—Fish Commissioner Bowers today promised Senator Bourne that he will send 200,000 black spotted trout eggs to the Bonneville hatchery as soon as he can make them ready for shipment.

U. S. EXPRESS WILL BE ONE WITH WELLS FARGO

(United Press Leased Wire.) New York, Feb. 10.—Merger of the Wells Fargo Express company and the United States Express company is believed here today to be almost certain. The Harriman firm, which already controls the Wells Fargo, have also succeeded in electing four of the seven members of the board of the United States Express company. These men are C. T. Goffarth, Joseph W. Harriman, A. G. Hackstaff and William J. Averill.

ROYAL FAMILIES ARE UNITED BY MARRIAGE

(United Press Leased Wire.) Vienna, Feb. 10.—The Austrian house of Hapsburg and the Bavarian house of Wittelsbach were still closer united today when Prince George of Bavaria and Archduchess Isabella Maria were married here at high noon.

PROGRESSIVES WILL CONTROL WASHINGTON, FEB. 10.—The progressive Republicans will control the national convention and will easily nominate any man upon whom they concentrate in the opinion today of Governor Hiram Johnson of California, who is in Washington to confer with Senator John A. McLean.

EXPLOSION KILLS 6 IN RAILROAD CAMP.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Fort Francis, Ont., Feb. 10.—John Casey, late of Lebanon, Pa., and five Austrians and Bulgarians, were killed and five more wounded by a premature explosion of dynamite at the camp of Johnson & Cart, contractors of Fort Francis, who were engaged in building a bridge and blowing a rock into a lake to make a roadway.

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ACCUSED GAMBLERS WAIVE EXAMINATION

The Orpheus club members arrested Monday night for gambling waived preliminary hearing this morning before Presiding Judge Kavanaugh and will go before the grand jury. The men are Martin Ready, Thomas Johnson, John Olson, J. Danielson, Charles Hill and Charles Jones. W. O. Rust, secretary of the club, has been made a defendant in the action.

HE WITNESSED KILLING

(United Press Leased Wire.) St. Louis, Feb. 10.—John Swinney, a former convict, testified today in the third insurance trial of the case of George A. Kimmel, bank cashier, who has been missing for 13 years. The suit was filed by the receiver for a \$25,000 policy against an insurance company of New York. Swinney testified that he saw J. A. Johnson murder the real George Kimmel while the latter was seeking buried treasure in Oregon in 1893. After Kimmel's murder Swinney testified that he killed Johnson to save his own life.

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BIGELOW DESIGNS FROM CITY BOARD

K. K. Kubli May Be Appointed to Fill Position; Letter of Resignation.

C. A. Bigelow, one of the most prominent members of Mayor Rueshlight's city executive board, tendered his resignation to the mayor today, giving press of private business as his reason for so doing. The mayor was not ready to name Mr. Bigelow's successor today, but it is rumored that the place will be offered to K. K. Kubli, a former member of the city council, and at present exalted ruler of the local lodge of Elks. Mr. Bigelow has led the fight of the present administration to reduce the cost of paving. As a member of the street committee, he did much to bring about a reduction in paving and excavation prices, which have prevailed in this city for many years. The mayor deeply regrets that Mr. Bigelow cannot see his way clear to serve out his term. The letter of resignation is as follows: "Honorable A. G. Rueshlight, Mayor—Last July you honored me by appointing me a member of your executive board. I am deeply indebted to you for the honor. At the time I accepted the appointment I believed that commission form of government would become effective January 1, 1912, and that my period of service would extend automatically thereby. In view of this belief, although I knew it would mean a sacrifice of time from my business, I was willing to serve for the supposed limited time, as a matter of civic duty, the beginning of a new year, with the great volume of new business ahead, it would mean a largely increased sacrifice of time carefully and conscientiously to attend to the duties on the board, and I do not feel that I can longer serve the city. Again thanking you for the honor bestowed on me, I herewith tender my resignation, to take effect at once."

FEDERAL AUTHORITIES TAKE HAND IN INQUIRY CONCERNING ALLEGED FRAUD BY OREGON-WASHINGTON TRUST CO.

Government authorities under the direction of United States District Attorney McCourt have taken possession of all the papers in the office of the Oregon-Washington Trust company relating to the transactions of the Columbia Orchards company and will prosecute a vigorous investigation of the charges of fraud as they may relate to the use of the mails.

POSTAL INSPECTORS HAVE BEEN BUSY TWO OR THREE DAYS AND FROM NOW ON A FORCE OF THE FEDERAL AGENTS WILL DO NOTHING ELSE BUT PROBE THE DEALINGS OF THE COMPANY.

District Attorney McCourt is working on the theory that the Oregon-Washington Trust company was organized for no other purpose than to hold the bonds issued by the Columbia Orchards company, after an effort to start the same establishment failed in Seattle. Speaking of this phase he said: "Trust Company Formed. 'Some time ago the Columbia Orchards company, which has its offices in Washington while on the other hand it can be done for nothing and no nothing in Oregon. So the Oregon-Washington Trust company was organized under the laws of the state of Oregon with headquarters in Portland. 'The headquarters consists of one room in the Chamber of Commerce building and all the papers and records of whatsoever kind which relate to the transactions of the Columbia Orchards company have been taken charge of by this office. 'The investigation into all the charges will be persistent and thorough, and as there is but one way which we can take, the use of the mails, I want all persons who have bought these bonds and have had any sort of mailed communications with either of these companies to see me or write me here.'"

ANOTHER COMPLAINT MADE. Salem, Or., Feb. 10.—Investors who sought worthless bonds from the Washington Orchard Irrigation & Fruit company are not the only ones in this state who have been ripped more or less by orchard companies. According to his own letter, O. K. Scott of Monroe, Or., has been given the small end of a deal in a transaction he had with an orchard company incorporated in Oregon and he has written to the secretary of state to inquire what he can do about it.

He says he purchased 40 acres of land from an orchard company, the land being represented to him on a blue print map of the district. But when he had the land surveyed he found the tract he possessed was shy several acres.

"In other words the plot does not represent the land," he says. "It is a gay deceiver."

REGULAR PATRONS OF THE OREGON ELECTRIC WILL BE PLEASED TO LEARN THAT ON MARCH 1, REDUCED RATES WILL BE GIVEN TO ALL THE REGULAR PATRONS OF THE SAVING OF ABOUT ONE THIRD OF THEIR PRESENT EXPENDITURES FOR CAR FARE.

The reduction will apply only to persons patronizing the cars daily, as the new tickets which are issued will be for a 30 day period, providing transportation for \$2 trips a month at 1 cent a mile. This will give persons living along the line and whose work or business brings them into the city daily, opportunity to travel at a very low cost compared with distance. So for instance, persons living nine miles out, now paying 14 cents each way, will have the benefit of a 9 cent fare.

OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE REDUCTION WILL BE MADE SOON BY GENERAL PASSENGER AGENT W. E. COMAN OF THE HILL LINES HERE.

In order to benefit from the reduction the purchaser must use the \$3 tickets within the 30 days period, for tickets unused by the end of the prescribed period will be declared forfeited. This will prevent other persons than those entitled to them from attempting to take advantage from the consideration that the regular patrons of the other ticket books as now issued, it is understood, will remain unchanged.

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