

FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICTS URGED

Creation of fire protection districts to include territory outside of incorporated towns and cities, will be proposed at the next session of the legislature by the legislative committee of the Oregon State Fire Chiefs association.

This was the decision reached at a meeting of members of the committee held in the offices of Clarence A. Lee, state insurance commissioner, here Saturday. Under the provisions of the proposed law each fire protection district would have its own fire fighting apparatus, which would be purchased with funds derived from a tax.

It was pointed out that the creation of these fire protection districts would have a tendency to reduce insurance rates in the rural districts and relieve the towns and cities from sending their fire fighting equipment into the country.

Fire chiefs who attended the meeting were William Nussbaum, Eugene; Tom Coates, Tillamook; Tom Carlon, Bend; H. C. Hutton, Salem; A. C. Kleiböck, Albany; Ivan Pearson, McMinnville; P. R. Graham, Corvallis and C. E. Foster, Astoria. H. H. Pomeroy, arson investigator for the state fire marshal's department and a member of the legislative committee of the fire chiefs association, also attended.

County Exhibits at Fair Will Be Larger This Year

County exhibits, which have been the outstanding feature at previous state fairs in Oregon, will be larger and better than ever this year. This was the information given out here Saturday by Mrs. Ell Schult Wilson, secretary of the state fair board. The fair opens September 24.

A total of 14 counties have reserved space for this year's fair and other counties probably will enter into the competition before the gates are thrown open to the public. Counties which already have reserved space are Coos, Douglas, Washington, Linn, Polk, Yamhill, Lane, Josephine, Clackamas, Jackson, Wasco, Marion, Columbia and Malheur. All county exhibits will be largely agricultural and will be housed in the new pavilion. Two state institutions, the Oregon state hospital and the Oregon state penitentiary, will feature agricultural products in their exhibits. A miniature flax processing plant will be operated by the penitentiary. All of the other state institutions will be presented in the agricultural building, it was said.

Fig Gardens Exhibit

Another interesting exhibit which will give the public an insight into one of the newer industries of the state, will be that of the Willamette fig gardens of Multnomah county. This exhibit will feature figs and fig products. Walnut exhibits will be entered by J. J. Duerfler and Percy Brothers. The walnut exhibit will be larger than at previous state fairs and no doubt will attract wide attention. The honey exhibit will be housed in the new pavilion at this year's fair instead of in a separate building as in past years. Both the state fish commission and the state game commission are arranging exhibits at this year's fair. These exhibits will be of particular interest to sportsmen and Oregon visitors from other states.

Records show that virtually every foot of space in the several pavilions has been sold and it may be necessary to arrange temporary facilities to handle belated entries. There also has been a unprecedented demand for concession space.

Racing Card Filled

All races have been filled and

Unique Vacation Trip Is Planned

STAYTON, Ore., Sept. 15.—(Special)—Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Wood have gone on a two weeks vacation with the intention of going as far as possible the first week, hoping it will be the Mexican border, and returning the second week. Mr. Wood is employed by the Mountain States Power company and Mrs. Wood is the local librarian. They made the trip in their car.

Newly Married Couple Honored

STAYTON, Ore., Sept. 15.—(Special)—Mr. and Mrs. Gilles Brown, who were recently married, were pleasantly surprised by members of the Baptist church, who presented the young couple with a handsome silver set. About 25 members and friends enjoyed the evening.

Stage Line Will Lose Its License

Suspension of service for a period of five days by the Oregon Trail Stages will result in revocation of the company's permit to operate in Oregon, according to an announcement made by the public service commission here Saturday. The company operates between LaGrande and Twin Falls, Idaho. The company has filed a petition of bankruptcy in the federal courts.

Republicans plan to put Hoover's picture in every kitchen. Why don't they put it some place where the women will see it?—Miami News and Metropolis.

Having been obliged to listen to a good many, we don't blame Mussolini for shutting down on the yodlers.—Union Republican.

CRAZE FOR COLLECTION OF ANTIQUES GROWS STRONGER

Younger Generation Shows Strange Liking for Articles Which Grandmother Considered of Little Value

By ROZELLA BUNCH

One of the curious developments of the past few years is the passionate attachment which Americans have acquired for antiques. Few are the families that do not now have their antique collectors.

This attachment, as a general rule, is confined to the older members of the younger generation. Grandmothers are prone to laugh openly and mothers are somewhat skeptical of the value and beauty of a piece of furniture which, while it may have been in the family for untold generations, nevertheless is undeniably wobbly, has lost a leg or two, and has retained a few matted remnants of upholstery.

Not more than a week ago we heard two of these avid collectors in conversation. "You know," said the first, "I found the cunningest little old chair the other day. Of course it will need repairs. Oh, but it will be worth it!" "And perhaps it will, to her."

Search Interesting

We accompanied two amateur collectors on a search for antiques recently. We drove through several small towns, stopping in each

at the most disreputable old buildings, aptly labeled, "Antiques," or sometimes by the less imaginative owners, "Old Furniture." In one such place, after digging through some carefully arranged dust and cobwebs, we unearthed several marble topped stools which the dealer characterized as "genuine antiques," and which, amazingly enough, appealed greatly to our friends.

Collectors, at least those with whom we are most familiar, seem not merely to have a predilection for things beautiful and unidentifiably old, but rather for anything old, no matter how ugly the lines or how out of repair.

Homes Cluttered Up

There are homes which everyone has visited in which the major but also tables, secretaries (very part of the furnishings are so-called antiques. The owner, it would seem, must find their homes somewhat of a nervous strain for when they have guests, as surely you have noticed, they suggest rather unostentatiously that their modern pieces, if any, are most comfortable. No doubt they are more comfortable and certainly they are more substantial. A number of these people not only collect chairs but also tables, secretaries (very antiquated versions of desks) or just anything sufficiently ancient.

The most recent acquisition to one of these homes is a maple table with removable top which is no doubt very quaint but we had occasion to notice that unless articles were placed with great precision in the center or exactly balanced on either side, the table top with all its contents is deposited on the floor.

Spool Beds Hobby

We have an acquaintance whose special collection hobby is spool beds. She has acquired three, one painted black, one painted white, and one of the natural wood—a wood which looks suspiciously, at least to a disinterested observer, like fir. As the dubious owner did not bother to send any but the linod parts of one of the beds, the cost of repairs amounted to more than the price of several new pieces of furniture of a far better quality.

Even the old coal oil lamps are now coming into their own. The lamp bases have been wired and are used with shades as electric lights, the bases of colored glass being, of course, the most popular. Electric wall fixtures have been designed which have the old-fashioned white glass lamp chimneys or shades. Needless to say it is the grandmothers and not always the mothers who evince the most enthusiasm over these fixtures.

There are many beautiful pieces of old furniture which we would be very pleased to own. But I will admit that the dilapidated pieces of questionable lines and woods masquerading as antique and commanding staggering prices have as yet no great appeal for me.

State to Return California Man

Governor Patterson Saturday authorized the extradition of J. W. Wenzel, who is wanted in San Francisco on a charge of forgery. Mr. Wenzel is under arrest at Roseburg.

Insurance Rate Inquiry Sought

The Portland Traffic and Transportation association has requested the public service commission to launch an investigation of the blanket inland marine insurance and automotive carriers of freight.

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Smooth Streets and Easy Grades of Oregon's Capital Make For Prevalence Of Cyclists

Bicycles are more prevalent in Salem than in most cities of its size because the business and residential sections are not separated by hills or great distances, believe the cycle dealers here. That the number of bicycles is larger in proportion to the population has been noticed and remarked upon by several new comers to the city.

Salem streets have always been wide enough for the cyclist to have room to ride without getting crowded too much by wagons or automobiles. Numerous men ride to work every morning in the summer and many stick to their two-wheeled vehicles as long as the streets are not covered with snow.

Women and girls riding cycles are not an uncommon sight on the street but there is not the large proportion riding them that there is among the men. However, on Sunday a large group of young women were seen out for a little exercise on their wheels.

The two-wheeled conveyances were so numerous one time that the city had to pass ordinances to control their use on the streets—possibly the first traffic regulations. The bicycle trade here was started by several dealers who made the public see the advantage of riding to work and not having to tie the carrying force up or feed it.

—Taken from the New Statesman, Friday, Sept. 14.

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JEWISH NEW YEAR OBSERVED IN CITY

Saturday was Rosh Hashanah, or Jewish "New Year" and many of the stores and places of business owned and operated by persons of that faith were closed so that they might participate in the religious ceremonies in the several Jewish churches of Portland.

There is no Jewish church in Salem and no special services or meetings were held here but all of Portland Friday afternoon to be there for the beginning services at sundown Friday.

There are two divisions in the Jewish faith now, the Reformed Jews, who like the modern Protestants are more lax in observance of religious holidays, and who keep one day for the Rosh Hashanah, from sundown Friday to sundown Saturday. The orthodox Jew keeps two days in religious services over the Jewish New Year and is more strict in his observance of all religious holidays.

Services in the new Temple Beth Beth Israel in Portland started Friday night and were conducted by the Rabbi Henry J. Berkowitz. His sermon was entitled "A New Question With an Ancient Answer." A corollary to his sermon was racialism, legalism, and prophetism are the threefold formula of the Jewish life.

That California man who is beginning on the fourth year in jail rather than obey a court order to pay alimony is almost stubborn enough to make an ideal juror.—Terre Haute Star.

At the Oregon



William V. Mong and Lots Wilson who appear at the Oregon theatre Sunday and Monday in "Reason."

Sewer Requires Minor Repairs

Repairs at nominal cost will correct all of the minor defects in the Spruce street sewer line, according to a report filed Saturday by H. L. Gilbert, Portland consulting engineer, with Hugh Rogers, city engineer, following investigation of the charges made by H. H. Colgan, formerly a city employee, that the work was defective. Recommendation was made in the report that 12 joints be repaired and this according to Mr. Rogers, will cost less than \$40.

Prizes In Radio Contest Awarded

The Radio Scenario Writing contest winners have been announced. This popular contest which was conducted over KYA for the American Broadcasting company for two months, was productive of many new and original ideas for the arranging of broadcasting programs. The contest was held with the idea in mind of allowing the radio public to express itself as to the type of program the listener likes best, and to develop a staff of writers in the preparation of radio scenarios or continuities. Many hundreds of manuscripts were received, and the task of judging them was a hard one. However,

the following awards were made: Grand prize, \$500, to Luis G. Brees, 2701 High St., Oakland; second prize, \$200, to Harry Mead Rayner, 1011 Washington St., San Francisco; third prize, \$100, to Blanche McDonald, 849 Dolores St., San Francisco.

Heavy Hop Crop Is Nearly Picked

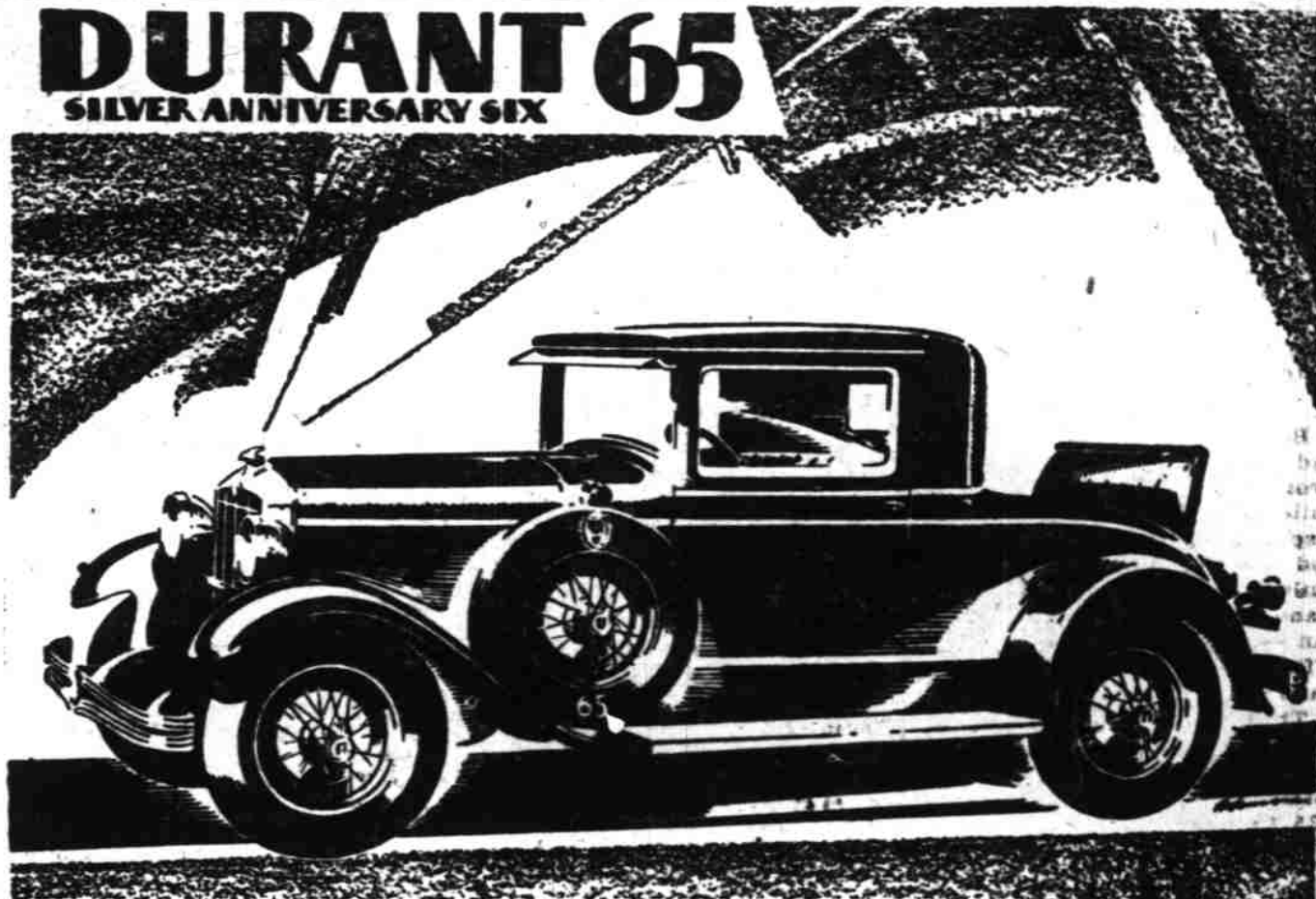
Hop picking in the Willamette valley probably will be completed within the next 19 days, according to reports received from the rural districts. Between 40,000 and 50,000 pickers have been employed during the past two weeks. The crop was one of the largest harvested in the Willamette valley in recent years.

Newmyer Funeral Set For Monday

Funeral services for the late Johnathan J. Newmyer, commander of Sedgwick post Grand Army of the Republic, who died in Portland Friday morning, will be held Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Clough-Huston chapel, Rev. S. A. Cochran of the Clough-Huston Baptist church will conduct the services.

The Grand Army of the Republic will assist. Pallbearers will be from the local post of the Sons of Veterans of the Civil War. Burial will be in the City View cemetery.

An exchange says that Alpine climbing has fallen off greatly since the war. So have the Alpine chambers.—Roanoke Times.



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