

Hughes Wins Corn Show Sweepstakes

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CENTRAL HOWELL, Nov. 19—Dense fog on the prairie Saturday night did not lessen the number who attended the annual Marion county corn show and Farmers Union ham dinner, both held at Central Howell.

A. E. Hughes, Woodburn, showed the sweepstakes 10-ear corn exhibit in the 34 entries judged by Rex Warren, crop specialist at Oregon State college. The very uniform 10 ears of hybrid 355 were grown on well-drained Willamette soil on the Hughes ranch near Woodburn.

Harry Hughes, showing the same variety, was runner up. Other winners in this division were James Hadley, Aurora, third place winner; Claude Steusloff, Salem; Don Steffen, Salem; Roy Rutschman, Silverton; D. A. Steffen, Silverton; Raymond Werner, Silverton; and Pete Bischoff, Salem.

4-H in Minority

Future Farmers of America entries far outnumbered the 4-H club members this year. Winners in the former were 1, Wayne Johnson, Jefferson, showing Hybrid 355; 2, Tom Moser, Silverton; 3, Wayne Steffen, Silverton; 4, Roy Girod, Salem; 5, Tom Stampey, Woodburn, and 6, Don Bassett, Salem. The two 4-H club winners were Howard Watts, Silverton, and Wayne Goode, Salem.

The yield contest, which was judged by the college, drew more interest this season than ever before. Harry L. Riches, Marion county agent, stated. Exhibits from the 11 entries were displayed at the Saturday night show with the awards in the 4-H group going to Howard Watts, with a yield of 79.4 on hybrid 525, with a moisture content 35.2 per cent. Wayne Steffen, Silverton, won first in the FFA division with a yield of 63.5, and Wayne Johnson, Jefferson, second, with a yield of 41.4.

Winners Listed

Adult winners in the growing contest were Albert Schmidt, Silverton, with a yield of 86.2 bushels per acre; Raymond Werner, Silverton, 75.7; Claude Steusloff, Salem, 72.1; Roy Rutschman, Silverton, 71.5; Henry Buettler, Salem, 69.2; Pahlshneider Bros., St. Paul, 63.6.

Jerry Roth, David Wahler, Marvin Cage and Howard Watts, tied for first place in the youth judging contest, with Jim Keunel and Wayne Goode tying for second place.

A courtesy exhibit of Bloody Butcher corn brought by Roy Werner of Silverton, attracted considerable attention at the show.

Following the ham dinner, served to 147 people, the committee composed of Roy Rutschman, Ted Hobart, Alfred Jensen and Harry Riches, had arranged a program consisting of musical numbers by the county FFA chapters, a brief talk by Rex Warren and motion pictures shown by Riches.

100-Foot Suicide Dive Not Fatal

BRUSSELS, Belgium, Nov. 19 (AP)—Passersby watched a 47-year-old Belgian fling himself from the Brussels palace of justice today, drop 100 feet and crash through the roof of an automobile—and live.

Before jumping, Francois Stroyens of Brussels calmly smoked a cigarette and removed his hat. He is now in a hospital, badly injured, but doctors report his life is not in danger.

LARGEST CROP

PHOENIX, Ariz., (INS)—Arizona will harvest its largest cotton crop this year. The Arizona Co-operative Growers association says 277,000 acres have been planted compared to 282,000 last year. Gross value will exceed \$70,000,000. Pickers will get \$16,000,000.

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Sweetland Claims Sen. Morse Loses Liberal Support

KLAMATH FALLS, Nov. 19—(AP) Republican Senator Wayne Morse no longer can gain the support of Oregon liberals, Monroe Sweetland asserted here today.

Sweetland, Oregon democratic national committeeman, said liberals had been doubtful over Morse's stand on CVA and other issues.

The final straw, he continued, came when Morse this week told the conservative Oregon farm bureau federation at La Grande that he was standing with republican Governor Douglas McKay and the GOP for the 1950 elections.

Sweetland said it now was clear that Morse was talking like an independent between elections, but using his independence record to help elect "any reactionary with the GOP label" at elections.

Young Demos Ignore Civil Rights Split

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Nov. 19—(AP)—Young democrats tonight passed 297 to 173 a resolution which included endorsement of President Truman's civil rights program.

The deep south, with the exception of Florida, voted solidly against the resolution.

After considerable maneuvering, the controversial matter was put through without a bitter floor fight which had been anticipated. There was virtually no debate after the issue reached the floor of the young democrats' national convention.

D. Wilson Gilmore, 37-year-old Benton, Mo., attorney, was elected national president of the young democratic clubs of America by unanimous vote.

Gilmore is a Missouri state senator. He had the support of the retiring President, Roy G. Baker of Sherman, Texas.

The civil rights issue had kept the convention in turmoil since Thursday, but in the final showdown tonight the opposing factions expressed feelings of good fellowship with those who could not agree with them on the touchy matter.

Possible Demo Candidates for Congress Listed

KLAMATH FALLS, Nov. 19—(AP) Oregon Democratic National Committeeman Monroe Sweetland tonight listed seven possible democratic candidates for congress in the state's second district.

He was a speaker before a five county convention of railway brotherhoods on the democratic party's chances in the next elections in the district. He said any one of the seven may oppose Rep. Lowell Stockman (R), Umatilla county rancher, for the job.

Sweetland named: State Senators Vernon Bull, La Grande, and Ben Musa, The Dalles; Martha Ferguson McKewen, author of Hood River; Henry Hess, U. S. district attorney; Harry Boivin, Klamath Falls attorney and a member of the state board of education; Mitchell Paige, Klamath Falls, an ex-marine and holder of the Congressional Medal of Honor; Clarence Briggs, Bend, prominent in AFL union affairs.

Thor Lodge Plans Christmas Party

A Norwegian Christmas party is being planned by the Sons of Norway Thor lodge for the evening of December 17, it was announced Saturday.

Also planned by the lodge for the near future is a Lutefish dinner.

Initiated at the meeting of the group Saturday night were John Quamme, Mrs. Dorothy Norby, Mrs. Druzella Peterson and Or-lonzo Peterson.

Reno Gambling Czar Shot in Night Ambush

RENO, Nev., Nov. 19—(AP)—In a midnight ambush at his palatial home, gambler Lincoln Fitzgerald, 57, was wounded critically by a shotgun blast.

The charge, which entered his side and severed his spine, may cause his death.

Police said they had no clue which would point to a motive for the attack on the Nevada and Michigan gambling man, co-owner, with Danny Sullivan, of the prosperous Nevada club here.

Detective Sgt. Michael Saloni-san said "It couldn't have been robbery; it must have been revenge."

Police Chief L. R. Greeson said, "In some respects it looks like a local job, rather than an outside job."

In Fitzgerald's background there is a Michigan gambling case in which he and Sullivan were charged with corrupting state officials. Whether the shooting had anything to do with that case was not known.

Fitzgerald was cut down at the entrance to his garage, just before he and his wife, Meta, 38, were to leave for his club. He had gone to the garage to take the car out. She still was in the house.

The gunman fired just as the gambler swung up the overhead door. The light was on. He was silhouetted in the doorway. "He was a beautiful target," his wife said.

It is quite possible that Fitzgerald saw the man who shot him. But his condition was so critical he couldn't be questioned. Blood transfusions kept him alive.

Indians occupy almost five million acres of land in New Mexico.

State Employees Ask Cash, Not Time Off, for Overtime Work

PORTLAND, Nov. 19—(AP)—The Oregon State Employees association voted today to ask for cash payment for overtime work, rather than compensating time off.

The employees said the present system, of allowing only time off, meant they got nothing at all in cases where there was too much work to leave. They asked to have the choice of cash or free time.

The convention also recommended that temporary employees be made permanent under civil service after six months of satisfactory service. Also proposed was a larger office staff for the civil service commission, to speed up services.

No wage increases were asked. The delegates passed a resolution however, asking that wages be commensurate with those paid in private industry.

E. F. Chidsey, La Grande, was nominated for the presidency.

E. A. Bamford, Salem, was nominated as vice-president, and Lois Manning, secretary-treasurer. Elections will be tomorrow.

Nominated for directorships were Cliff Atkins, Portland; James Banks, Salem; F. M. Brandt, Corvallis; Bob Ashby, Salem; Floyd Query, Salem; Paul Gemmell, Salem.

Earlier, the association instructed the directors to seek improved medical and hospitalization insurance for the membership. The delegates will discuss tomorrow a bid to obtain such protection under the state industrial accident commission.

Letters Threaten Young Actress With Violence

HOLLYWOOD, Nov. 19—(AP)—Three obscene letters threatening violence have been received by the family of Actress Elizabeth Taylor, her studio said today.

The letters were turned over to the federal bureau of investigation.

Two of the letters, one from Brooklyn, were so vile Miss Taylor's family would not permit the girl to see them.

A studio spokesman said the letters were received over a period of several weeks. Miss Taylor at first was inclined to discredit the letters as the work of some crank, he said, but decided to tell authorities after the third one arrived.

The letters apparently were written by three separate individuals, he said.

Portland Police Chief Asks for 100 More Men

PORTLAND, Nov. 19—(AP)—Police Chief Charles P. Pray today recommended 100 more beat patrolmen here to prevent sex crimes and sidewalk robberies.

Reporting an increase in sex offenses, street assaults, and armed robberies, the police chief said Portland should have two patrolmen for every 1,000 population.

Too many areas, he said, are protected only by radio-equipped patrol cars, not by foot patrolmen.

"We are not keeping pace with the phenomenal growth of the city," Pray declared. "Give me 100 more men and we will have enforcement."

There are now 590 police officers in the city.

U.S. Says Red Threat Brings Rearmament

LAKE SUCCESS, Nov. 19—(AP) The United States said today it is helping western Europe re-arm because the west fears the intentions of the Soviet Union. Russia replied its intentions are purely peaceful and that it, not western Europe, is "threatened."

Assistant Secretary of State John D. Hickerson, chief American United Nations expert on atomic energy, spoke for the United States in a special political committee debate on a proposed world census of ordinary (non-atomic) arms.

He backed the U. S. program of arms aid to European countries, instead of disarmament, in a brief, blistering passage of a speech replying to Soviet charges that the U. S. wants to dominate the world.

"The nations of western Europe are not arming themselves because they are opposed to disarmament," Hickerson said. "The United States is not assisting them in their efforts because it is opposed to disarmament."

"They are rearming themselves, and the United States is helping them to do so, because they fear the intentions of the Soviet Union."

Prize Turkey Leaves by Air For Turkey

PORTLAND, Nov. 19—(Special)—The prize turkey for Turkey's President Ismet Inonu was flying on wings not his own tonight en route to Istanbul where he will furnish Thanksgiving dinner for the head of the near east nation.

Escorted by Gene Malecki, Salem, the big tom, left Portland by plane at 8:45 p.m. after foggy weather prevented origination of the flight from McMinnville, site of the Northwest Turkey show.

After a stop in Chicago the 36-pound bird (and Malecki too) will be introduced to Turkey's ambassador in the nation's capitol. From there he (the turkey) will go to New York where he will share a room at the Statler hotel with Show-Manager Malecki.

Monday they will board a plane for Istanbul via Brussels, Belgium. La Turkey, the bird is destined to adorn the table of President Inonu November 24. Just in case Inonu hasn't the heart to eat the prize tom, a dressed turkey is being flown to Turkey for the president's dinner.

The first known manufacturer of plywood used it in 1867 to make forms for sewing machine cabinets, says the Georgia-Pacific Educational foundation.

Columbia Basin Farmers Look for Much-Needed Rain

PORTLAND, Nov. 19—(AP)—The wheat farmers in Oregon's Columbia basin counties were hoping today for a "million-dollar rain."

Heavy rainfall would be worth about that to them right now, agricultural sources reported. There hasn't been a thorough rain in most of the area since March.

Winter wheat seed is slow to come up, because of lack of moisture. And possibly 20 per cent of the acreage hasn't been planted in winter wheat at all, because of dry conditions.

Services Set Tuesday for Mrs. Phipps

Funeral services will be held Tuesday at 2 p.m. in the Virgil T. Golden chapel for Mrs. Daisy E. Phipps, 76, resident of Salem for the past 23 years, who died at a local hospital Saturday.

Mrs. Phipps had been active in church affairs, being superintendent of the primary Sunday school at Jason Lee Methodist church for many years.

Born in 1873 in Illinois, Daisy Waller graduated from St. Cloud Normal school in Minnesota and taught school in that state until her marriage to Freeman Phipps in 1900. The couple came to Salem in 1926.

Survivors are the widower and a daughter, Mrs. Frederick Klaus, Salem; brother, John L. Waller, Prosser, Wash., and two grandchildren.

Gift Carrying Airplane Hits House; 3 Die

DETROIT, Nov. 19—(AP)—A big freight plane delivered its load of Christmas gifts to Detroit today in a mass of flames and death.

Three persons were killed as the twin-engine DC-3 plunged into a house, unleashing a blazing torrent of gasoline.

The two crewmen, Arthur De-dee, 26, of Brooklyn, N.Y., the pilot, and O. L. (Gus) Morrow, 31, of Hackensack, N.J., the co-pilot, and their bodies were not removed until two and a half hours later.

Harold Witzke, 36, died in Saratoga hospital. He was taken from the demolished house with both legs almost cut off.

Four other persons in the house were injured—one seriously.

J. E. Scott, research chief of Meteor Air Transport Co., owners of the ship, said engine failure was apparently the cause. The civil aeronautics board began an immediate investigation.

Hero of the crash was Raymond Perry, owner of the house.

"I saw it coming," he said. "I couldn't believe it at first. It just looked mighty low. Then there was a terrible noise. I saw it bounce off the house next door. 'I grabbed my wife and we ran. Then everything fell apart.'"

Perry said he shoved his wife, Edna, and his 14-year-old daughter, Judy, through a window as the house crumbled around them.

Another occupant of the house, Mrs. Bertha Witzke, 76, mother of Harold, managed to get to the back porch where she was trapped. When rescuers finally got to her, they said, they couldn't grasp her "without the skin pulling right off her body."

The Perrys were treated for cuts at Saratoga hospital and then released.

The plane was coming into Detroit from Teterboro, N.J., where it took off last night. Airline officials said it was loaded with Christmas merchandise for department stores.

Expulsions Cut Russ, Slav Envoy Staffs

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia, Nov. 19—(AP)—Tilt-for-tat expulsions have slashed the Yugoslav and Russian diplomatic staffs already at skeleton strength in Moscow and Belgrade, but the survivors are carrying on.

A Yugoslav foreign ministry spokesman said today the new cuts do not mean a break in diplomatic relations between Yugoslavia and Soviet Russia.

The Russians announced last night they had requested the recall of the Yugoslav charge d'affaires, Lazo Latinovic, on grounds that he was engaging in subversive activities.

Moscow said Yugoslavia had expelled three Russian diplomats—the consul at Zagreb, the second military attaché in Belgrade and a soviet information bureau official.

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