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The Indiana senatorship is one that won't be settled at the White House. That is something to be thankful for.

Just as soon as Mr. Roosevelt leaves the White House he will have to smell of every dollar that comes into his hands to keep from being caught with Standard Oil money on his person. Even the "Outlook," which he is to edit, is owned by a Standard oil magnate.

The fact that not less than 4,000 delegates are expected to attend the fifth session of the National Rivers and Harbors congress to convene at Washington on December 9th and continuing throughout the two succeeding days, is a complete evidence of the deep interest taken in the vital question of waterway improvement. The expectation is not only based upon the membership of the congress—a membership constantly growing—but upon the official notifications from governors of states, mayors of cities, presidents and secretaries of agricultural, industrial, commercial, financial and trade organizations and on notifications from local associations organized for the advancement of waterway improvement.

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husband's death three years ago, and she kept it at day and night. She was so sweet, so brave, yet so desperately miserable over leaving her little girl alone in the world.

Dr. Van Valkenberg sat silent. It was true, then. This was Katharine's child. He had not known of the death of Armitage nor of the subsequent poverty of his widow, but he had known Katharine's baby, he now told himself, the moment he saw her.

"Well," the nurse resumed, "after she died we raised a small fund to buy some clothes for Hope and take her to Chicago to her new home. Mrs. Armitage has a cousin there who has agreed to take her in. None of the relatives came to the funeral. There are not many of them, and the Chicago people haven't much money, I fancy."

Dr. Van Valkenberg was hardly surprised. Life was full of extraordinary situations, and his profession had brought him face to face with many of them. Nevertheless a deep solemnity filled him, and a strange peace settled over him.

"I want her," he said briefly. "Her mother and father were old friends of mine, and this thing looks like fate. Will they give her to me—these Chicago people—do you think?"

Tears filled the woman's eyes. "Indeed they will," she said, "and gladly. There was"—she hesitated—"there was even some talk of sending her to an institution before they finally decided to take her. Dear little Hope! How happy she will be with you!"

He left her and went back to the seat where Hope sat crooning to the doll. Sitting down, he gathered them both up in his arms, and a thrill shot through him as he looked at the yellow curls resting against his breast. Her child—her little, helpless baby—now his child to love and care for! He was not a religious man. Nevertheless a prayer rose spontaneously in his heart.

"Hope," he said gently, "once long ago I asked a little girl to come and live with me, and she would not come. Now I want to ask you to come and stay with me always and be my own little girl and let me take care of you and make you happy. Will you come?"

The radiance of Jane's sunshine broke upon her face and shone in the brown eyes upturned to his. How well he knew that look! Hope did not turn toward Nana, and that significant omission touched him deeply. She seemed to feel that there was a question she alone must decide. She drew a long breath as she looked up at him.

"Really, truly?" she asked. Then, as he nodded without speaking, she saw something in his face that was new to her. It was nothing to frighten a little girl, for it was very sweet and tender, but for one second she thought her new friend was going to cry. She put both arms around his neck and replied softly, with the exquisite maternal cadences her voice had taken on in her first words to him when she entered the car.

"I'll be your own little girl, and I'll take care of you too. You know, you said I could."

Dr. Van Valkenberg turned to the nurse. "I shall go with you to her cousin's from the train," he announced. "I'm ready to give them all the proofs they need that I'm a suitable guardian for the child, but," he added, with a touch of the boyishness that had never left him, "I want this matter settled now."

The long train pounded its way into the station at Chicago, and Dr. Van Valkenberg summoned a porter.

"Take care of these things," he said, indicating both sets of possessions with a sweep of his arm. "I shall have my hands full with my little daughter."

He gathered her into his arms as he spoke, and she nestled against his broad chest with a child's unconscious satisfaction in the strength and firmness of his clasp.

"Merry Christmas!" she sounded on every side. Everybody was absorbed and excited, yet there were few who did not find time to turn a last look on a singularly attractive little child held above the crowd in the arms of a tall man. She was laughing triumphantly as he bore her through the throng, and his heart was in his eyes as he smiled back at her.

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RULES AND REGULATIONS Polk County Poultry Association, DALLAS, DECEMBER 16, 17, 18.

Exhibitors are requested to study the rules carefully, fully, as they will be rigidly enforced and ignorance of them may be fatal to successful competition.

I. All entries must be made on regular entry blanks furnished by the Association. All entry fees must be paid in full at the time the entries are made. No attention will be given to entries unaccompanied by the proper fee. Remittances should be made payable to J. E. Beezley, Secretary, Dallas, Or. Entry fees will be on single birds, 35 cents.

All birds must be entered singly, and when competing for pen prizes, an extra fee of 75 cents must be paid. Entries without fees will not be received.

All birds entered for sale and not for premiums shall pay an entrance fee of 25 cents.

Birds suffering from disease on arrival will be returned at once, and entry fees for the same will be forfeited to the Association.

II. All entries positively close at 8 o'clock p. m., December 14th.

All birds must be in show room by 9 o'clock a. m., December 16th.

Birds will be received on and after the 15th. All crates and coops must be addressed to J. E. Beezley, Secretary, Dallas, Polk County, Oregon, and express prepaid.

III. During the exhibition, the Superintendent shall exercise full control over all exhibits, and none shall be removed from the show room without his consent.

IV. The Association will not be responsible for any loss that may occur, but all specimens assigned to the Association will receive attention from intelligent and careful attendants, and all possible pains taken to prevent loss or damage, and specimens may be returned to the owner at the close of the exhibition.

Exhibitors need not necessarily accompany their birds.

A watchman will be in attendance day and night.

V. See that your name and address is plainly marked on every coop shipped by you, and that the leg band numbers of the fowls in each coop are marked on the coop or card, so that the same birds may be returned to their respective coops.

All birds must have leg bands, and the band numbers plainly marked on the entry blanks. Intending exhibitors not having leg bands on their birds may procure same from the secretary by enclosing with entry fee 5 cents per band for the number needed.

VI. When birds arrive they will be fed, watered and weighed.

This show will be judged by the score card system. The decision of the judge shall be final after the score card has been signed by judge and the secretary.

VII. All protest against awards, etc., must be made in writing and delivered to the secretary within twenty-four hours after the awards have been announced for that class, and must be accompanied by a deposit of \$5; and, if after the matter has been thoroughly investigated, it proves to be without foundation, the deposit will be forfeited.

Should birds be entered and not shown, the fees for same will be forfeited to the Association.

VIII. Birds will be fed and cared for and transported to and from the depot by the Association. Exhibitors desiring to dispose of their specimens, but unable to attend the exhibition, may give their price in the entry, to be sold by the secretary. If sold, the full amount of such sale will be remitted to the exhibitor at the close of the show. No commission will be charged on sales, and exhibitors present are expected to attend sales of their own specimens. The secretary must be notified of every sale or transfer, otherwise birds will be returned to the original shipper.

IX. A pen shall consist of one male and four females. Birds entered in single classes can compete in pens and for special premiums.

X. For the purpose of this exhibit, the term "Cock" shall be male hatched previous to 1908; "Cockerel," a male hatched in 1908; "Hen" a female hatched previous to 1908; "Hatched" a female hatched in 1908. A "Pen" shall consist of a male and four females.

XI. The latest edition of the American Standard of Perfection will be the guide of the judge in awarding the prizes on all the prizes recognized therein. Other varieties will be judged by their club standard of comparison.

XII. Exhibitors whose entry fees amount to \$3 will be furnished with a non-transferable season ticket, and these tickets will be forfeited if presented to anyone but the owner.

XIII. Forty per cent of all entry fees in each variety will be paid in cash premiums; 25 per cent to first; 15 per cent to second.

XIV. All breeds of chickens, geese, ducks and turkeys recognized by the "American Standard of Perfection of Poultry," are entitled to entry for regular premiums. Also Pit Games and other pure bred fowls.

XV. The Executive committee reserves the final and absolute right to interpret these rules and regulations and arbitrarily settle and determine all matters, questions and differences in regard thereto.

For further information address the secretary.

SPECIAL PRIZES:

The Association offers the following special prizes:
When deciding the winners of special, judges will use the following:
First, 3 points; second, 2 points; third, 1 point.

Every three additional birds count 1 point. In case of a tie on numbers of points by two or more exhibitors, the special shall go to the exhibitor having the largest entry in the class.

I. Handsome ribbon badge for all first, second and third prizes.

II. Silver Cup, Value \$12.50, offered by the association for the largest number of entries.

III. Silver Cup, Value \$10, given by the Eugene Poultry farm for the five best male birds.

Silver Cup, Value \$10, donated by Krebs & Reynolds Poultry farm for the best five female birds.

Silver Cup, Value \$15, donated by Oregon State Poultry Association, for best pen exhibited by a member of the Oregon State Poultry Association. To compete for this cup, unless already a member of the Oregon State Poultry Association, include \$1 for membership card to J. E. Windle, Lewis, Oregon.

Silver Cup, Value \$10, given by J. C. Hayter, of the Polk County Observer, for the best display in the Mediterranean class.

Silver Cup, Value \$10, for the best display in the English class given by V. P. Fiske, editor of the Polk County Itemizer.

Silver Cup for the best exhibit of Single Comb R. I. Reds, donated by C. S. Graves, county assessor.

Silver Cup to the exhibitor showing best collection of White Waydotters, given by Bee Hive Store.

Silver Cup for best display of water fowl, by Dallas Mercantile Company.

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Silver Cup for the best bird in the show, standard handicaps applying, given by A. H. Harris, jeweler.

Silver Cup by Staffin Drug Store for the best display of Minorcas.

Silver Cup for the best display by an amateur, exhibiting first time, donated by E. M. Smith, county clerk.

Five dollars merchandise for best display in the American class, by Pacific Seed Co., Portland, Oregon.

Five dollars merchandise for best display in the Asiatic class by Pacific Seed Co.

Portland Seed Co. offers \$5 order on S. M. Ray & Co., their local distributors, for second best bird in show, weight variety, also same on second best bird in show, non-weight variety.

Northwest Poultry Journal offers a thirty (30) word ad., under "classified ads., to the exhibitor showing the best pen in show, any variety.

One year's subscription to the Northwest Poultry Journal for the best solid colored bird in show, weight variety.

One year's subscription to Northwest Poultry Journal for best part-colored bird in show, non-weight variety.

One year's subscription to the Northwest Poultry Journal to amateur exhibitor showing third prize cock bird, Barred Plymouth Rocks.

One year's subscription to the Northwest Poultry Journal, to amateur exhibitor showing third prize Brown Leghorn cock bird.

One year's subscription to the Northwest Poultry Journal for best display of pigeons.

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For best White Langshan, two packages Lilly's Best Insect Powder.

For best Orpington Pullet, two packages Lilly's Best Insect Powder.

For best Brown Leghorn cockerel, two packages Lilly's Best Insect Powder.

For best Single Comb R. I. Red cockerel, two packages Lilly's Best Insect Powder.

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