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BRUMFIELD ATTEMPTS SUICIDE; MAY DIE

Y.M.C.A. BOYS MEET HERE FOR S. ORE. CONFERENCE

DELEGATES ARRIVE TO ATTEND OLDER BOYS' CONFERENCE; RECEPTION COMMITTEE MEETS TRAINS; ANNOUNCE THREE-DAY PROGRAM.

Plans for the boys' conference are complete and delegates are already arriving. One of the finest groups of young men ever gathered in southern Oregon will soon be assembled as the guests of Ashland.

Registrations will begin at 3 o'clock this afternoon. A reception committee of Boy Scouts under the care of J. O. Rigg will meet all delegates at the train. The Scout guides will conduct the visitors to the homes where they are to be entertained.

The first session will be at 4:45 o'clock this afternoon. Devotional by W. Judson Oldfield. All delegates should be in attendance without fail. Nominations of conference officers will be held, after which the dismissal will be made for supper.

The following program will be observed:

- Friday Evening
- 7:30—Song Service and Devotional... Rev. W. J. Evans
- 8:00—Address of Welcome... Mayor C. B. Lamkin, Rev. C. P. Koehler, Herbert Doran
- 8:15—Election and Installation of Officers
- 8:30—Address, "The Price of Physical Leadership" ... Carl Doney, D.D., President Willamette University
- Saturday Morning
- 8:00—Leaders' Meeting
- 9:00—Song Service and Devotional... Rev. C. A. Edwards
- 9:30—Address, "The Price of Intellectual Leadership"
- 10:00—Discussion, "How Can High School Fellows Become Leaders in Scholarship?"
- 10:15—"Raising the Moral Tone in the High School"—Discussion
- 10:30—Discussion, "Can the Individual Boy Raise the Moral Tone in the High School?"
- Two Papers by High School Boys
- 11:10—Recess

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Freight Rates Adjustment By S. P. Not General

PORTLAND, Or., Oct. 21.—"While no general reduction in freight rates is possible until operating costs are lowered, the carriers have announced many rate reductions and are readjusting thousands of individual rates to eliminate inequalities in grain, foodstuffs, lumber, low-grade commodities, vegetables, livestock and manufactured articles of many kinds being among the items on which the freight cost has been cut." The above comment was made yesterday by G. W. Luce, freight traffic manager for the Southern Pacific company, relative to the general discussion of freight rates and railroad labor wages now going on in connection with the threatened railroad strike.

"I would like to call the attention of western shippers, producers and consumers to a few of the important reductions that have been announced by the Southern Pacific company and other carriers within the last few months. These reductions include cuts in rates on root and green-top vegetables and melons from California and Oregon points to Chicago, averaging 12 per cent; 20 per cent reduction in livestock rates; reductions of from 10 to 25 per cent on eastbound rates on dried fruits, dried peas and beans and canned goods; reductions ranging as high as 45 per cent on furniture from eastern points to Pacific coast points and many reduced westbound rates on manufactured commodities. Helpful reductions have been made in east and westbound rates on hundreds of commodities, both domestic and import rates."

Grants Pass Grid Battlers To Play Locals

Ashland and Grants Pass high school football teams will meet in battle on the local grid-iron tomorrow afternoon for the second time this year.

Although the Ashland huskies romped over the Grants Pass field two weeks ago for a 61 to 0 victory, local sports fans believe that the visiting team has improved and will put up a good battle. Grants Pass supporters are encouraged by the fact that their team held the Medford warriors to a 16 to 10 score, although they were defeated.

Captain Leslie Heer, of the local team, has recovered from an injured leg and will be in the game tomorrow.

EX-MARINES WILL MEET IN MEDFORD ON ARMISTICE DAY

A meeting has been arranged for all the ex-marines of Jackson, Josephine, Klamath and Siskiyou counties. This meeting is for the purpose of making possible ex-marines to see their old comrades and "buddies," and also for the privilege of enjoying the celebration to be held in Medford on Armistice day, November 11.

This will mean much to all ex-"leathernecks," as there will be representatives from the Fifth, Sixth, Eleventh and Thirteenth regiments; also men from Guam, Haiti and many other places where the marine corps had men stationed.

Every ex-marine should consider it his duty to correspond immediately with Dick Molinet, 624 West Eleventh street, Medford, Or., who is the assembly committee for this branch of the service.

The committee in charge is making every possible effort to get all the ex-marines in this section, and the old marine slogan, "We want you," is appropriate at this time. The committee would also like to have all men wear their uniforms, which is the insignia of the day, and to remember the time and the place.

OREGON CATTLE SHOW UP NEARLY TUBERCULAR FREE

"Proclaim Oregon a bovine paradise—about 99 per cent of the more than 10,000 cattle so far tested for tuberculosis are free of the dread disease."

Such is the preliminary word that goes out from the state college extension service which, in connection with the livestock men, the state livestock sanitary board and the federal bureau of animal industry, is carrying on a campaign to clean up the state, and as far as possible establish a state-wide cattle district for production of beef and milk and for market of pure-bred stock tubercular free.

Several tubercular-free areas have already been established, reports E. B. Flitts, directing the work in Oregon as the representative of the extension service. The largest of these is Clatsop county. Several other counties are engaged in the clean-up on a country-wide basis and can soon be declared disease free. In Polk county, 1,921 cattle were tested with thirty-one reactors. In Linn county, 3,998 were tested with only fourteen reacting—a remarkable showing, declares Professor Flitts. In Deschutes county, fifteen out of 257 reacted. Of the first 500 tested in Crook county, not a reactor was found.

This is said to be a fine tribute to Oregon cattle-raising conditions. In the eastern states a much higher percentage are diseased, in one state as high as 17 per cent. At this rate Oregon would have had 1,700 diseased out of the 10,000 instead of about 100 actually found.

"Elimination of the disease will have an important bearing on the future of the cattle industry in Oregon," Professor Flitts asserts. The bull-roarer, used by the aborigines of Australia in religious ceremonies, is a flat of wood attached to a thong. It gives out a loud groaning or "booming" noise when whirled, and this is alleged to be the voice of a spirit.

R. R. Officials and Labor Heads Are Called to Mat

TEACHERS SUPPORT THE COUNTY UNIT ADMINISTRATION

The annual Jackson county teachers' institute, held for three days at Ashland, closed at 4 o'clock Wednesday and the majority of the teachers hied them away to their respective districts in order to teach the two remaining school days of the week, and this meant a sixty-mile drive for some of them.

The last day scored some important points in the Jackson county teachers' world. First, the county unit of the Oregon State Teachers' association completed organization by electing officers under its new constitution. The officers are: President, Superintendent G. A. Briscoe, Ashland; vice president, H. P. Jewett, Talent; secretary-treasurer, Ray Henderson, Central Point. These officers, together with Mrs. Edna B. Allen, of Rush, and Superintendent Susanne W. Homes form the executive committee for the county.

Secondly, among the resolutions adopted was one pledging support of the teachers to the county unit of administration measure, which Ben Sheldon introduced into the last legislature. This measure was presented to the teachers by Assistant State Superintendent W. M. Smith, and an hour was given to discussion of it—lively discussion, too. Only one county in Oregon is at present under this form of school administration—Crook county—where the measure was voted by the people last August.

Third, the following names received a majority vote for officers of the State Teachers' association: President, Mr. Howell; vice president, G. W. Ager, and for members of the executive committee, E. H. Hedrick, Central Point, and O. C. Brown, Roseburg. Jackson was quick and proud to put unanimous vote for G. W. Ager, former county superintendent, as O. S. T. A. vice president-to-be.

Representatives to the Oregon State Teachers' association council were elected, as follows: Walter R. Hughes, Ashland; Inez Willits, Trail; Jessie E. Wilson, Medford; E. H. Hedrick, Central Point; Alma Fuller, Sams Valley. Alternates, G. W. Milan, Phoenix; Mrs. Ada East, Neil Creek; W. R. Putnam, Gold Hill.

Jackson county scored 100 per cent membership in the State Teachers' association or O. S. T. A., as familiarly cited, which means 221 members this year.

Hard Luck Turns For F. H. Short; Auto Recovered

The luck of F. H. Short, proprietor of the East Side pharmacy, has turned. His recently-purchased Ford car, stolen Wednesday evening from in front of the drug store, has been retrieved from a roadside ditch two miles this side of Siskiyou, where it had been abandoned by the thieves. Mr. Short states that defective headlights on the car caused the unknown driver to precipitate the machine off the road. One wheel was broken and other incidental damage done to the car.

A telephone call from Hilt by a man stating he was an Ashland man and knew of the theft, resulted in the recovery of the auto. The Hilt informant, whose name is not known, stated he had noticed the machine from the highway. With the recovery of Mr. Short's car, the pharmacist considers he has reason to believe his luck has changed for the better. The theft of his auto, purchased only six hours before, culminated a series of robberies amounting to \$2,850. Mr. Short has lost a \$2,000 Studebaker car and rugs valued at \$500 since arriving in Ashland four months ago.

Sweet Home road being repaired with crushed rock.

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I came to Ashland to lead a peaceful and quiet life, in this wonderful land where the roses bloom at Christmas and cool breezes blow all summer long. It seemed to me that nature had conspired to make this the most delightful place on earth for a quiet repose. But soon I discovered that, besides its seductive beauty, Ashland had some possibilities—in fact, wonderful possibilities—in development—so I set to work and tried to do something that would bring Ashland into her own. Well, no sooner had I started than some folks began to fight—all of them did not fight the thing; they chose to fight the individual who had attempted it. Some of them lied about me. They walked up and down the street and said that I was engaged in the greatest graft that ever happened—that I had stolen \$40,000 of the people's money. Yet I did not fight back, but took the advice of some good friends to ignore it. After six years of ignoring I discovered that the calumniators had made considerable headway in convincing others of the duplicity they charged. Some folks said, "Well, if he isn't guilty he would not allow them to talk that way about him. He must be guilty, or he would fight back." And another prominent citizen went 400 miles to say to one of my friends that every other business man in Ashland would tell him that I was a thief and a liar. Then I thought it was about time to wake up and fight back. That I had waited six years too long to call my calumniators. In the meantime, some of those to whose salary I was one of THE LARGEST contributors got peeved and began to BOYCOTT my business. Then I said I was going to fight, and I am going to keep fighting until somebody gets licked or I am busted. Nobody from now on can calumniate and boycott me without getting a fight back. This much just for an explanation to the timid ones as to why I fight and why I am not going to quit fighting. As long as there is anybody left who fights me, I am going to be in on the fighting. I would rather get broke fighting than being BOYCOTTED. I have not, heretofore, and do not intend in the future to start any fights, but when the other fellow starts it, count on me to go clear through.

MEDFORD MAN SHOTS SEASON'S LARGEST DEER

MEDFORD, Or., Oct. 21.—One of the largest deer ever shot in southern Oregon or in the state, so far as can be learned, was bagged recently in Klamath county by Sidney Smith, of Medford, while he was on a hunting trip with V. J. Emerick and George Barnum. Although Mr. Smith is reluctant to state the weight and size of the prize, several old hunters and men of experience have judged that it would weigh 350 pounds when dressed, and George Barnum says that he and Mr. Smith were unable to lift it into the car after it had been killed.

The animal was one of the mule-tail variety. Earlier in the season Klamath Falls hunters bagged one weighing 250 pounds, and that was considered unusually large.

Echo—Road east of city to be graveled.

LABOR BOARD WILL PLACE BOTH SIDES ON THE DEFENSIVE

CHICAGO, Ill., Oct. 21.—The United States railway labor board issued an order today citing railroad officials and leaders of the "big four" brotherhoods to appear before the board Wednesday of next week and give testimony as to whether or not they had been or are violating the wage cut decision.

All parties concerned have been instructed meanwhile to maintain all the wage scales.

The board will require the brotherhood chiefs, it was announced, to show cause why they shouldn't be punished for violating the wage cut decision by calling a strike in protest against it.

If the board's edict that the status of the roads remain unchanged is obeyed, it will postpone the strike until the case has been thoroughly thrashed out and the question of legality or illegality of the brotherhoods' action in calling the strike is definitely settled.

The first definite announcement by a federated union that it would join the strike came from the Brotherhood of the Maintenance-of-Way and Shop Employees' unions. President Grable said that his men would strike October 30 if the "big four" brotherhoods did.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 21.—The administration has no intention of invoking war-time powers to cope with the threatened railroad strike, but will rely entirely upon the railroad labor board to solve the problem. It was officially stated at the White House this morning.

TURTLES LIVE LONG TIME, BUT STICK AROUND HOME

POPLAR BLUFF, Mo., Oct. 21.—Turtles are like mountaineers of the Ozarks—they live a long time, but never get far away from home.

Sixty years ago H. W. Kirkschiff carved his initials, "H. W., 1861," on the back of a turtle and turned it loose. Kirkschiff died several years ago. H. H. Kirkschiff, his son, has found the plodding animal.

Sportsmen Of S. Ore. Postpone Medford Meet

MEDFORD, Or., Oct. 21.—The big meeting of the Southern Oregon Sportsmen's Game and Protective association, which was scheduled to be held in the public library here on October 24, has been postponed until after November 1. At this gathering Col. George Kelly, of the state game commission, and Capt. A. E. Burkhdoff, the state fish and game warden, will be guests of honor.

Plans will be discussed and formulated at the meeting for fish and game laws to cover this section, and the proposed enlargement of Crater Lake National park by including Diamond lake and vicinity within its confines also will be discussed.

LONDON, Oct. 21.—Warships bombarded Lisbon all day Tuesday and Tuesday night after former Premier Granjo had been seized by a Lisbon dispatch to London newspapers today. Lisbon dispatches direct to the International News Service did not mention that the city was being bombed. Some doubt is expressed as to the veracity of the report.

Talent Woman Dies Suddenly; Apoplexy Attack

TALENT, Or., Oct. 21.—Miss Tencello Wells, sister of the late W. N. Wells, former superintendent of the county poor farm, died this morning at 1 o'clock, due to a sudden stroke of apoplexy. Miss Wells fell to the floor in a swoon immediately after she arose from her bed to accompany Mrs. W. M. Wells to the bedside of a sick inmate of the county farm. Miss Wells complained of pains in her head just before losing consciousness.

According to statements made this morning, Miss Wells was known to have been ill previous to her sudden death. The body was taken to the Weeks-Conger undertaking parlors at Medford, from where the body will be shipped to Centerville, Iowa, the former home of Miss Wells, who had been living in Talent since February of this year.

\$50,000 MEDFORD OIL COMPANY TO DRILL ON HOLDINGS

MEDFORD, Or., Oct. 21.—A new oil-drilling venture has just been inaugurated by a company composed of well-known Medford men, which is capitalized at \$50,000, under the name Southern Oregon Exploration company, of Medford, and which this week filed articles of incorporation with the state corporation department at Salem. The incorporators are L. Neidermeyer, H. H. Noel and J. P. Mundy.

The company, which is entirely separate from the present Mundy well venture, has leased the mineral rights under 1,400 acres of land, which takes in the Westerlund orchards and adjacent territory, and will at once begin the sinking of a well. The contract for drilling has been let to the Lynch Bros., the largest drilling concern on the Pacific coast, and requires that they drill to a depth of 2,000 feet.

The company also in sinking this well will explore for coal, and its promoters say they expect to strike two or three veins of commercial coal as the drill goes down. The diameter of the hole is to be five feet, with three and one-half-inch core all the way, so that, as Colonel Mundy says, "We can see all the way down all the time and let nothing get away from us."

FREIGHT TRAIN DERAILMENT NEAR DUNSMUIR DELAYS ALL TRAINS FROM SOUTH

Ashland was without mail delivery from the south today. Statements at the Southern Pacific depot from the yardmaster's office indicate a train wreck had occurred a short distance below Dunsmuir, Calif. It was stated that the derailment of a freight train near that city had held up trains due here at 8:45 o'clock this morning. At 4:40 o'clock this afternoon and 6:15 o'clock this evening, it was stated at the yardmaster's office that all the trains would arrive in Ashland about 7 o'clock tonight.

It is claimed at the local postoffice that the delay of mail and train service is caused by an accident to the ferryboat system at Oakland, used to transport the mails to San Francisco.

GREAT LARK AT ARMORY TONIGHT

A real old-fashioned harvest ball is to be held at the Armory this evening, and is to be characteristic of the feature entertainments that have been put on with so much success by the First company. Decorations are most elaborate and represent a week of painstaking work on the part of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Robertson. They would do credit to the efforts of any decorator in the west. Autumn leaves and colors are used to a large extent. All one has to do is to get out their overalls and aprons and get ready to "loosenemupandlive," as the posters state. No one is to be admitted on the floor unless they are in barn-dance costume.

DENTIST YANKS OUT TEETH TO SLASH THROAT

CONVICTED MURDERER SHARPENS GOLD TOOTH FILLING ON FLOOR OF CELL; SHERIFF'S PREMONITION LEADS TO INVESTIGATION.

ROSEBURG, Or., Oct. 21.—Semi-conscious and under the influence of opiates, Dr. R. M. Brumfield, convicted yesterday of murder in the first degree for the killing of Dennis Russell, lies on his jail cot today in a dangerous condition, hovering between life and death as the result of attempted suicide.

While reading at his home last night, Sheriff Starmer had a strange premonition that the convicted dentist was dead. Sheriff Starmer hurried to the jail and found Brumfield lying on his cot in almost unconscious condition. A pool of blood lay on the floor near the dentist's cot.

Medical attention was obtained at once and the wounds were closed by several stitches. Unless infection sets in the prisoner is expected to recover. Guards have been placed in the cell to see that Brumfield does not tear out the stitches.

During the investigation conducted today it developed that Brumfield had pulled out a set of bridged teeth from his mouth, straightened out a piece of gold on it and sharpened the metal by grinding it on the concrete floor. With the improvised knife the dentist slashed his throat on both sides. One wound reached almost to his jugular vein.

During the delirium that followed his attempt at self-destruction, Brumfield raved about going to the postoffice to mail a letter, and that some one had shot him in the neck. He frequently called for his mother, who is dead.

METHODIST RECEPTION

The parlors of the Methodist church will be a scene of lively, friendly greeting tonight when a reception will be given to the pastor, Rev. C. A. Edwards, and family and to Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Glenn. The reception will be given by members and friends of the church congregation.

C. of C. Secretary Is Given Vote Of Confidence

"Whereas, Certain charges have been brought by The Ashland Tidings reflecting on the character and ability of John H. Fuller as an individual and as secretary of the Ashland chamber of commerce; and "Whereas, Assertions have been made that a large percentage of the membership agree with the attitude of said Ashland Tidings; and "Whereas, Though Mr. Fuller may have made some mistakes in his work, as all make them in their lines of endeavor, no matter how well qualified they may be in such lines, after investigation the directors of the chamber of commerce are convinced that such charges are unfounded and statements incorrect; and

"Whereas, The directors of the chamber of commerce feel that the attack in The Ashland Tidings is unwarranted and is seriously detrimental to the community at large; and "Whereas, The by-laws provide, in section 2, article 4, a means of determination of sentiments in cases of this kind, as follows:

"Meetings of the members may be held at such other times as the president or board of directors may determine, but not less frequently than one in three months, or upon the written request of 5 per cent of the members in good standing; provided, that when called otherwise than by the president or the board of directors, the notice shall contain a statement of the purpose of the meeting and shall be issued at least two days preceding the meeting"; and "Whereas, No effort has been made to call a meeting in accordance with the foregoing section; and "Whereas, Mr. Fuller has signified his willingness to resign if, in the judgment of the trustees, such

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