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FAIR PRIZES FOR COUNTIES TO BE BANNED

Salem Paper Claims Jackson Really Won First in the County Exhibits

PROPOSE A CHANGE Competition of Counties Held to Produce of Friction by Producers' Association

No more prizes for counties to compete for in their exhibits at the state fair seems to be the program for next year.

The substitution of a plan whereby counties would arrange exhibits merely for advertising purposes was urged in a resolution adopted by the State Fair Exhibitors' association in Salem.

Members of the exhibitors' association said that in eliminating the present competitive system friction would be removed and counties would arrange their displays for advertising purposes rather than with the view of winning some prize.

Mrs. Ella Shultz Wilson, secretary of the state fair board, declared that the directors of the fair probably would favor the change proposed by the exhibitors' association, and that the change would be authorized early next year.

The Salem Journal, in commenting on the friction aroused by the contest for county exhibit prizes, states that Jackson was really robbed of the first prize. The editorial from the Salem Journal is as follows:

The Capital Journal called attention last year to the unfair and unjust system followed in awarding prizes for county displays at the state fair—a method that if continued means the withdrawal of co-operation by the various counties which have in good faith entered competitive displays.

The case of Jackson county is one of half a dozen instances that can be cited. Three years ago, Jackson county was awarded first prize having admittedly the finest display of any county, and not having previously received official recognition.

Stimulated by its success the county prepared a much finer exhibit last year, which it is enabled to do by the fact that southern Oregon produces the finest fruit in the world, but the award went to an eastern Oregon county whose display was not in the same class. This year Jackson county presented as fine

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\$50,000 FIRE AT MT. SHASTA TIES UP SHASTA ROUTE

MT. SHASTA, Cal., Sept. 30.—The box factory of the Pioneer Box and Lumber Company and several homes of employees were destroyed here today in a \$50,000 fire which at noon was threatening destruction of the sawmill of the company.

The fire, one and one-half miles south of town, also warped rails of the main line of the Southern Pacific Railroad and burned some ties, causing a tie-up of the Shasta route until repairs are made.

A south wind is blowing and there was some apprehension lest the flames spread toward Mt. Shasta.

The fire started in brush along the state highway at 9 A. M. when the flames attacked the box factory a general fire alarm was sounded here and every available man was rushed to the scene. Due to the dryness, the battle to subdue the flames is hardfought.

Some farm homes are in danger. The main fight at noon was to save the sawmill of the Pioneer Box and Lumber Company.

\$750,000 FIRE SWEEPS WASHINGTON SAW MILL

BELLINGHAM, Wash., Sept. 30.—With a loss of approximately \$750,000, flames which swept the Bloedel-Donovan Lumber company properties throughout the night, were brought under control this morning with the help of out-of-town fire apparatus and a heavy rain.

A fortunate shifting of the wind this morning saved the ten million dollar lumber mill of the Bloedel-Donovan interests, which was endangered by the close approach of the flames.

LA FOLLETTE HAS LABOR'S APPROVAL

State Federation for Six-Day Week for Women and Oregon Free Book Laws

EUGENE, Sept. 30.—Senators La Follette and Wheeler, the Independent-Progressive candidates for president and vice president respectively, were unanimously endorsed without reference by the Oregon State Federation of Labor here late yesterday.

The federation decided to inaugurate an active campaign for the compulsory compensation amendment which will come up at the polls this fall. The executive board recommended legislation for a six-day a week campaign for women and for free text books for the Oregon schools.

EXPLAINS BAG LIMIT OF BIRDS

Roy M. Parr, deputy game warden of Jackson county, has received some instructions from the state game warden relative to the bag limit and its definition, which is of interest.

From the state game warden's letter and Mr. Parr's comments are taken the following: "Replying to that part of your letter in reference to the bag limit on Chinese pheasants and quail in Jackson county, will say that 5 of any or all of such birds can be shot in any one day, or 10 during any seven consecutive days.

In other words, you can go out and kill five Chinese pheasants and that will be your total for one day; or you can go out and kill five quail and that will be your total for one day. The same applies to grouse and native pheasants. Or you can go out and kill one pheasant and four quail, or kill four pheasants and one quail.

"Do you get the idea? A hunter cannot lawfully kill five pheasants and five quail, making a total of ten birds in one day. The total of any or all of such birds is five in any one day or ten during any seven consecutive days.

ALIEN PROPERTY CUSTODIAN QUIT

WASHINGTON, Sept. 30.—Thomas W. Miller tendered his resignation to President Coolidge as alien property custodian.

The president, in indicating he would accept the resignation, asked Miller to confine in his office for the time being.

Miller said he was impelled to resign because the duties of the office to which he was recently elected—president of the International World War Veterans' Association—would demand his presence abroad during most of the next year. He was appointed to office by President Harding in March, 1921.

Besides his work as custodian, Miller has been active in the study of soldier rehabilitation questions and is a member of the American Battle Monuments Committee. He was a member of the house from Delaware in the sixtieth congress.

POSTMISTRESS AT COOS BAY ARRESTED FOR SHORTAGE

PORTLAND, Sept. 30.—Mrs. Ida A. Rolund, Coos county ranch woman and until recently postmistress of the postoffice at Gravel Ford, twelve miles south east of Coquille, was brought to Portland to face trial on charges that the books of the postoffice showed a shortage of \$490.

She was indicted by the grand jury last week on information furnished by a postal examiner who went over the books after Mrs. Rolund had resigned last January.

JAPS VICTOR IN CHANGING OF PROTOCOL

Settlement of Argument to Prevent Any Trouble in League Council

DIPLOMATIC VICTORY British, French and Japanese Hold Secret Session; Work Out an Agreement

GENEVA, Sept. 30.—The Japanese dispute, which threatened to wreck the League peace plans, was virtually settled today when Japan and Australia accepted the compromise formula dealing with the aggressor clause. An amendment will be drawn for insertion in the protocol.

The agreement was reached through the secret session of representatives of the British, French and Japanese. This is regarded as a great victory for Japanese diplomacy.

The accomplishment was the changing of the definition of the word aggressor to read "the state can only be assumed the aggressor if it has not previously submitted the question in dispute to the league council."

COOLIDGE WANTS RESOURCES FOR COUNTRY'S GROWTH

SACRAMENTO, Sept. 30.—President Coolidge's message to the American Mining Congress, which convened this morning, pledged his support to stimulating the development of the water-power, reclamation and metal mining industries.

He declared: "Many people who are now living will see the United States population 200 millions. This condition will demand the widest utilization of the country's natural resources.

PARLIAMENT HAS 4 BIG PROBLEMS

LONDON, Sept. 30.—Parliament reconvened after the summer vacation, and legislators plunged immediately into a number of highly controversial subjects, any one of which might easily cause the downfall of the MacDonald Labor government. It being merely the resumption of a session, there was no formal opening by the King or speech from the Throne, but the rush of legislators for seats was as big as on a normal state opening day.

The four major subjects for discussion are: The Ulster boundary dispute, the Anglo-Russian treaty, unemployment, and the Dawes plan and the German loan.

The Ulster question is down for tackling first, and so bitter will be the fight over this, that the other questions may never be reached, in the life of the present Parliament.

COUNTY TO HAVE FULL TIME UNIT HEALTH CORPS

Jackson county has availed itself of the Rockefeller Foundation fund in establishing a full time health unit consisting of a full time medical officer, two nurses, and an office assistant. The unit will be established in the Court House at Jacksonville and with its staff giving its whole time to county health work, the needs will be amply cared for.

The operation of the unit will amount to \$10,000 a year. \$5,000 will be met by the Rockefeller Foundation Fund and the county assumes the remainder. The courts have had the matter under consideration for some time and find that with the county's present needs of a second nurse that the full time half unit will be a saving in funds.

Dr. Wm. P. Holt, the present half-time county health physician, has consented to retain his office for the ensuing three months.

REPORT ON SUGAR SITUATION ASKED IN TARIFF STUDY

WASHINGTON, Sept. 30.—President Coolidge today instructed Secretary of Agriculture Wallace to investigate the condition of the beet and sugar crop in the United States.

He declared he wanted information in connection with the decision whether or not the sugar tariff rates should be lowered.

HOOVER RIDICULES LA FOLLETTE IDEA

Says We Must Either Remain on Road of Initiative or Turn to Complete Government Ownership of All Public Utilities; Has Been Big Growth of Business Conscience, He States.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 30.—In an address radioed from here last night, Herbert Hoover, Secretary of the Interior, said in part:

"Senator La Follette's party proposes government ownership and operation of railway and other public utilities. The Senator emphasizes this. 'I am for government ownership of railroads and every other public utility—every one!—this means all railroads, power, light, telephone and telegraph. The Republican party stands for private ownership, with the prevention of abuse through government regulation of service and rates or profits. Between them we must choose.

"Either we are to remain on the road of individual initiative, enterprise and opportunity, regulated by law, on which American institutions have so far progressed, or we are to turn down the road which leads through nationalization of utilities to the ultimate absorption into government of all industry and labor. What the Senator proposes is far more than a transitory experiment of government in business. It is a change in our social economic and political principles that will react to revolutionize our government itself. In its immediate form this is a proposition that the government should buy and run the railroads, electrical and other utilities, valued by official commissions as about forty billion dollars with two million seven hundred thousand employees, requiring two billions annually for bond interest with an operating budget of ten billions per annum.

"To keep pace with natural growth these concerns must spend two billions of new capital yearly for extensions. This is a financial transaction and a venture into business of a magnitude never before undertaken by any man or by any government, democratic or otherwise, except in Russia. Surely before we em-

bark on such a voyage we should look into the possibility of profit, examine the chart of the place where we are going, and consider the capacity of our vessel to carry the cargo.

"It is for the American people to decide. If they are to decide rightly they should have the reasons set before them in terms of sober economic and social thought, not in vituperation and appeals to hate. I accredit the sincerity of the advocates of these propositions, and I believe they have the manhood to credit ours. There is but one consideration, public interest.

"If I believed for one moment that this adventure would reduce rates, that it would decrease taxes, that it would benefit the employees, that it would maintain discovery, initiative, and advance in the development of these services; that it would not wreck our democracy, that it would strengthen the foundations of social and spiritual progress in America, or even that it would do a few of these things, I would unhesitatingly accept this proposal, stupendous as it is.

"But I don't believe it. I am convinced not only from the experience of our own country, but from the attempts made abroad, that government operation is a step backward in every one of these propositions. It is the negation of progress. America has found the true road of advancement in these enterprises through sustained initiative and equality of opportunity to our people with public control to prevent abuse.

"Our salvation consists in following this line with increasing intelligence and devotion. Much of the present agitation is based upon conditions, not as they are today but as they were a generation ago. There were then great abuses that called for remedy. The republican policy of public

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BEAR KILLS CHILD IN FRONT MOTHER

Parent Unable Protect Her as Pet Bruin Hugs Life Out of Chico Girl

CHICO, Cal., Sept. 30.—Before the horrified mother, three-year old Georgia Pepper was killed today by a huge bear which had been regarded as a neighborhood pet.

The mother was unable to save the life of her child, although she made an effort to drive the bear away.

U. S. INTENDS TO COLLECT WAR DEBT

Coolidge Tells Visitors at White House No Change in This Country's View

WASHINGTON, Sept. 30.—President Coolidge today told White House callers that no change had come about in the government's attitude regarding the collection of the war debts. This statement was brought forward by the renewed discussion in Europe concerning cancellation of the debts.

FLIERS RIDING TRAIN

SEATTLE, Wash., September 30.—The world fliers departed by railroad at 11 o'clock this morning for Dayton, Ohio.

SAYS SURVEYS OF WATERSHED NOT COMPLETE

Engineer McKissick Is in Favor of Full Study of Ashland Canyon

ASKS APPROPRIATION Pamphlets of His Report Being Printed for Distribution and to be Available to All

Stuart McKissick, engineer, gave the main address at the Chamber of Commerce forum at the Hotel Ashland this afternoon, with the Ashland water supply as his subject. He gave an excellent talk. Mr. Tourtelotte, architect for the new tourist hotel, gave a short talk, telling of the satisfaction of the Astoria hotel of which the local one is a copy.

The former school superintendent, C. A. Hitchcock, was introduced and made several remarks, followed by the introduction of Mr. Hitchcock. Mr. Kline of Seattle was one of the guests of the chamber. I. E. Vining, President of the State Chamber of Commerce made a few fitting remarks. Mr. Pierce then introduced the main speaker of the luncheon. Between eighty-five and ninety people were present.

Mr. McKissick emphasized the fact that the investigation, surveys and data relative to the Ashland creek water supply are still wholly inadequate for any definite plan or outline.

He stated that not a single natural reservoir was, or had been found in the entire Ashland creek watershed which would solve the water supply question and decided that if a supply is procured it must be on the basis of being fed through the municipal power plant, which would thus produce both power and water for the city, making the project profitable and a good investment.

He reviewed the various contemplated sites for the reservoir and stated others had been surveyed and made a plea for a substantial sum to be voted by the people for a thorough and exhaustive investigation of the entire Ashland watershed so that the project could be presented to the voters in a form which would assure a successful plan, one which would appeal to the voter and assure its adoption.

Pamphlets of Mr. McKissick's report are being printed and will be available within a few days at the offices of the city recorder, the chamber of commerce and The Daily Tidings.

VINING LEAVING THIS EVENING FOR THE EAST

Prof. I. E. Vining, president of the Oregon State Chamber of Commerce, will leave this evening for Portland and the Portland business men will give a dinner in his honor Wednesday evening after which he will leave for Pittsburgh.

At Pittsburgh he will give the main address at the annual session of the Pennsylvania chamber of commerce on October 8th and on October 9th he will give an address before the presidents of the various chambers of commerce of that state.

While in the east he will also speak in New York City and at other points at business gatherings.

12 KILLED, 350 INJURED IN 2248 AUTO MISHAPS

SALEM, Sept. 30.—Twelve persons were killed and 350 injured in 2248 traffic accidents in Oregon during August, according to the monthly report of T. A. Rafferty, chief of the state traffic squad.

Of the 2248 accidents reported during the month, 1288, or more than 50 per cent, were due to carelessness. Failure to give right of way resulted in 390 accidents, cutting corner 68, driving while intoxicated 26, and reckless driving 28. Other accidents and their causes classified as follows: Failure to give signal, 90; improper parking, 14; speeding, 67; defective brakes, 14; skidding, 25; losing control of car, 13; inexperience, 14; defective equipment, 11; wet pavement, 16.

A total of 289 arrests was made by traffic officials of the state squad during the month, resulting in three jail sentences and fines aggregating \$4958.45, with 28 cases still pending in the courts.

GOLDFIELD IS A MASS OF RUINS; SECOND FIRE

GOLDFIELD, Nev., Sept. 30.—Historic Goldfield, Nevada is a mass of ruins today after the second disastrous fire in two years which yesterday destroyed all of the business section with the exception of the Goldfield hotel and the building of the Deep Mines company.

The Elk's club and the News building, occupied by the Goldfield Tribune, were burned to the ground. They were the remnants of the fire a year ago which caused a heavy loss of property at Goldfield.

LOCAL ELKS GET BEST OF MEDFORD

The athletic prowess of the Ashland B. P. O. Elks is acknowledged by the Medford Elks, whose measure was certainly taken by the local fraternal members at the annual picnic in Medford Sunday.

Speaking of this event the Medford Tribune hands the prize to the local Elks as follows: "The athletically inclined members of the Elks lodge, following their disgraceful defeat by the Ashland Elks contingent at the annual picnic of the local lodge yesterday at the Elks picnic grounds north of the city, have returned to their knitting, marbles and boasting of what they will do to their brothers from the neighboring city at next year's picnic.

It was awful! The Ashland men won the silver cup for another year, and inasmuch as they won the cup last year, if they win it again will retain it permanently. They were overwhelmingly too, not only the baseball game but all the other events and at that point of the Ashland B. P. O. E fellows used only one arm and many of them were on crutches.

The only event in which they met any opposition was in the horseshoe throwing match, and this was due to the fact that Mose Alford and his boy Herb were in superb form and occasionally threw within ten feet of the stakes.

Hereafter the athletes of the Medford lodge will leave Henry Mackey's coffee alone, unless the maker throws in some India rubber and witchhazel to liven them up.

There was, as anticipated, a very large crowd of Elks and their families at the picnic who enjoyed the fine weather, basket picnic, visiting and various sports and games to the full.

STATE FAIR PROFITS GREATER THAN 1923

SALEM, Sept. 30.—Although it rained for the first three days of this year's state fair, which closed here Saturday, the cash receipts were only \$3000 less than those of the 1923 state fair, which established a new attendance record in Oregon.

Expenses connected with the 1924 state fair were estimated by officials at approximately \$8,000 less than those of last year, which indicates that the fair board this year will have on hand a larger cash balance than it had at the close of the 1923 event. In 1923 clear weather prevailed throughout the week, with the exception of a light sprinkle on the opening day.

The total paid attendance at the 1924 state fair was 69,300 as against 79,200 last year. Cash receipts at the state fair just closed were \$99,312 compared with \$102,382 in 1923. This year's horse show attendance was 14,100 as against 6688 last year.

SOCIALISTS NAME ELECTORS IN CAL. FOR LA FOLLETTE

SACRAMENTO, Sept. 30.—Thirteen electors pledged to support Senator Robert M. La Follette and Burton K. Wheeler, Independent-Progressive candidates for president and vice president, were named by the Socialist party at an adjourned convention meeting in the Labor Temple.

These electors, all registered Socialists, will be placed on the November election ballot in the column reserved for the Socialist party, and if elected will cast California's vote for La Follette and Wheeler in the electoral college in Washington.

Every ad has a message.

BUILDING IN ASHLAND ON THE UPGRADE

Many Small Improvements Being Made by Property Owners in City

MANY MORE PLANNED Growth Forecasted Is to be Realized in Structures in the Next Year

That Ashland is waking up to her possibilities, and is growing larger every day as a result, is shown by the number of improvements that are being made in different parts of the town. Besides the new tourist hotel, many of the merchants have purchased property and are planning to erect modern business buildings.

J. H. McGee is planning to build a large place for his dry goods store, but has made no definite arrangements as to size or type of building. Bert R. Greer plans to erect a newspaper plant right next to McGee's site west of the Jordan Electric shop.

Another improvement contemplated is the erection of a modern jewelry store building by O. H. Johnson on the lot directly west of the Jordan Electric shop. Mr. Johnson recently purchased the lot for this purpose and will construct his new store sometime in the near future.

Every day brings the Lithia hotel that much nearer to completion. This will be one of the main attractions in our city when it rises majestically on Main street and seems destined to be the inspiration for the construction of business houses on all the vacant property between the hotel site and the Automotive Shop.

The moving of the Enders' former residence back to the side street, where it will continue to be used, completes the first step in the construction of a new business apartment building on this corner, which in a sense, will be just a continuation of the attractive Enders' Department store block in the next block to the west.

Refurnishing has already started in the Ashland Hotel, with promises of extensive improvements and additions within the near future, which will make this hotel more commodious and more attractive to the tourists and traveling public generally.

The building of the box factory to the south of Ashland on the Pacific Highway is another step in the advancement of this city. The frame and foundation have been put in and work is progressing rapidly. Hatcher and Benson are building a new greenhouse at the corner of the Boulevard and Palm Avenue, which promises to be a very modern and complete one. William Briggs has moved the house on his property at Granite and Nutley and is building a new home. When the work here is finished there will be three houses on the property. E. D. Briggs has also purchased some property across the street and is planning to build on it in the near future.

Sidewalks are being put in or repaired in different parts of town. On Granite street a number of sidewalks are being placed and also on Nob Hill.

Jack Milton of Long Beach has purchased the Johnson property, built a new garage and remodelled the house inside and out. Mr. Milton owns a \$12,000 home at Long Beach and one at Honolulu, but is very interested in the development of Ashland and sees a great future for the town, so he has located here.

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BANKERS OPPOSE LA FOLLETTE AND GOVT. OWNERSHIP

CHICAGO, Sept. 30.—Six thousand bankers today heard a denunciation of Senator La Follette and heard government ownership of the railroads and basic industries opposed in the speech of Walter W. Head, president of the American Bankers' association.

President Head opened his address with a forceful attack on "all radical proposals," especially those by La Follette.