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MAYOR FAVORS PURCHASE OF HISTORIC BLDG.

Johnson, at Forum Luncheon, States Building Is Need of City

COUNCIL FEELS SAME

"I Would Hate to See the Building Get Into Private Hands," Johnson Concedes

"I would hate to see the Chautauqua building pass into private hands at the price for which it is reported it could be purchased. I would even hate to see the land, without the building, go into private hands at that price, without the city making some effort to save it," declared Mayor O. H. Johnson, one of the speakers at the Forum luncheon of the Chamber of Commerce, held at the Plaza Confectionery today. The Mayor and members of the city council were guests of the Chamber at the luncheon.

Johnson in his speech, traced the history of the Rogue River Valley, from a period 40 years ago, tracing the coming of the railroad, told of the conditions of the country before the coming of the railroad and after its advent, and related problems which confronted the settlers in that time comparing them to the problems which must be faced now. "In those early days, opportunity could present itself, and we could think about it for some time, go back and find the opportunity still there. This is not the case now, and I think the acquisition of the Chautauqua building should be considered, but considered rapidly," Johnson stated.

The councilmen, in their speeches, confirmed Johnson's attitude in regard to the building. The water problem, the different solutions for which have been offered, the bringing of a normal school to Ashland and other problems which are before the council were viewed and explained by Councilmen Burdick, Wright, Peters, Wiley and Detrick in their talks. They explained that they had been in office but a short time, and had not been able to form definite opinions on many of the problems, but all were unanimous in their ideas on the water proposition; Ashland must have a better supply of pure water before the city can be expected to grow as it should.

It was announced at the luncheon that J. H. Fuller, secretary of the body had had several meetings with leading educators of the state, and that he sent word that prospects for the establishment of a normal here were bright.

ELKS FIVE TO MEET ROGUE RIVER OUTFIT AT ARMORY TONIGHT

After several weeks practice, following their first game here with the Portland Municipal Basketball Club five, the Ashland Elks quintet will again take the floor this evening for their second tussle of the season. Their opponents will be the Rogue River five. In a preliminary game, the Ashland High Faculty five will tangle with the Central Point Faculty five.

The Rogue River outfit is a real tussle. The local pedagogues have lined up a basketball five capable of rivying anything in their class a real battle, while the Central Pointers are reported as having a fast five.

The first game tonight will get under way at 8:00 o'clock.

OLD ROYAL TONSORIAL ARTIST SAVES LOCKS

LONDON, Jan. 13. — At the age of eighty-four Charles Howlett still continues to be official royal barber to Dowager Queen Alexandra's household at Sandringham.

He was the first barber to trim King George's beard, and since then has shaved or cut the hair of almost every important English royalist.

WELL KNOWN ASHLAND CHARACTER IS VALUED SOUTHERN PACIFIC MAN

Wah Chung, Aged Chinese, Acts as Labor Agent for Railroad Maintenance of Way Dept.

Wah Chung, well known Ashland character, is one of the most valued employes of the Southern Pacific system, having charge of the Chinese maintenance of way gangs.

The January issue of the Southern Pacific Bulletin has the following to say of Wah. "Since the days of early railroad construction work in the West, when Chinese laborers played such an important part in accomplishing the herculean task of laying the first steel rails across the Sierra Nevada mountains, Chinese employes have always contributed a large share toward maintaining the high efficiency standards of Southern Pacific.

There are two section gangs on the Pacific System composed entirely of Chinese, one on the Portland Division and one on the Salt Lake Divisions. For more than 42 years the responsibility of keeping these section crews recruited to full strength has been in the hands of Wah Chung, a resident and business man of Ashland, Oregon, who acts as Chinese Labor Agent for Southern Pacific.

Wah Chung is now 82 years old, yet judging from his hale and hearty appearance he will probably continue for many more years to be of helpful service to the Company's Maintenance of Way Department. He has a married daughter living in Boston, while his oldest son is an assistant foreman in one of the Chinese section gangs. The youngest son, Samuel, attends school in Portland.

"Our Chinese gangs," says Superintendent E. L. King, of the Portland Division, "have long been noted for their loyalty and length of service. Through many years of railroad experience they have become very proficient in track work and, in fact, very dependable in whatever work is assigned to them. Wah Chung keeps these gangs up to maximum requirement, looks after the welfare of the men, takes care of their commissary, and has been a very valuable asset to the company. He enjoys a wide acquaintance, and is always a welcome visitor, either in the office or on the line. Although well along in years he is still quite an active man and personally handles all the details of his work."

CHILD LABOR BILL PASSAGE UNLIKELY

SALEM, Jan. 13. — The Oregon Legislature is not likely to ratify the Child Labor Amendment to the federal constitution, it was indicated today. Friends of the amendment took a pole of the house this afternoon and found 33 emphatic negative votes, two more than enough to defeat the ratification. In the Senate, Toose and Zimmerman were the only two openly for the amendment. Those openly opposed are Senators Brown, Dennis, Dunn, Eddy, Fisk, Garland, Hare, Johnson, Kinney, Miller, Magrady, Ritner, Staples and Taylor. The rest of the Senate is doubtful, including Strayer of Baker.

RESIGNATION WITHDRAWN

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13. — James Davis has withdrawn his tentative resignation as Secretary of Labor and will remain in the cabinet, it was announced at the White House late today.

DIRECTORS ARE RE-ELECTED BY STOCKHOLDERS

Ashland Preserving Company Stockholders Hold Annual Meeting

HARMONY PREVAILS

Growers Are Expected to Raise More Berries in Future. Good Prices Sighted for 1925

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Ashland Preserving Company was held last night at the Chamber of Commerce rooms with a large number of the stockholders present. Election of officers was held with the result that the same board of directors was elected for another year and S. D. Taylor was reappointed manager. The outlook for the future is bright as all of the 1924 pack was sold at a satisfactory figure.

Although the financial returns for the past two seasons were not entirely satisfactory, they were caused partly by experience and unavoidable conditions such as the dry weather experienced last summer.

This is never likely to be repeated as the utmost harmony now exists in all of the departments and the two co-managers of the Ashland Preserving Company and the Bagley Canning company are working with the full confidence of the stockholders and board of directors.

Those most familiar with the experience of the past two years is not unusual with all of the canneries on the Pacific coast and that as soon as the problems are solved and the business is well started and under good management the success is assured. This appears to be the situation in Ashland. Only a few years ago the one Salem cannery packed less than 50,000 cases during one year. So great has been the increase of the pack of all of the canneries in Salem during 1924 that 1,900,000 cases were packed representing a value of millions of dollars. The cannery situation has advanced in a similar way in Vancouver and Puyallup, Washington.

Ralph Kozer and S. D. Taylor, the co-managers are somewhat disappointed because the growers in and about Ashland are not as yet taking the proper interest in the development of a large supply of berries, particularly blackberries, raspberries and loganberries for canning. The cannery stands ready to make long term contracts for all of the berries that can be grown about Ashland at profitable prices or merely to take the surplus of the Ashland Fruit and Produce Association.

This is considered to be the only weak spot at the present time. Much is expected from the Bellevue district in the line of growing in the future as the land is now undergoing great development with the irrigation project completed.

KIRK FORD HOTEL IS BURNED; \$30,000 IS ESTIMATED DAMAGE

KIRK FORD, Jan. 13. — Causing a loss of more than \$30,000 by fire at 7 o'clock Saturday night destroyed the Sheehan hotel, a stock of general merchandise and adjoining buildings.

For a time the entire town was threatened, an exceedingly high wind battling the efforts of volunteer fire-fighters to check the flames.

C. M. Sheehan, proprietor, stated that he is unable to account for the origin of the fire. The postoffice, located in the general store which was conducted in conjunction with the hotel, also was destroyed.

RESCUE OF MEN IS ALMOST ASSURED

CHATHAM, Mass., Jan. 13. — The rescue of 34 officers and crew of the U. S. submarine, S-19 seemed assured today with the arrival here of the revenue cutter Tampa and Acushnet. The two cutters were standing by the submarine which went aground on a shoal five miles off Nauset beach light. It will likely be drawn into deeper water before it is badly damaged.

PRINCE HENRY'S ENGAGEMENT REPORTED



LADY MARY SCOTT & PRINCE HENRY

The engagement of Prince Henry, the military member of the British royal family, to Lady Mary Scott, second daughter of the Duke and Duchess of Buccleuch, is daily expected by London society. Lady Mary, though only twenty, is said to possess an aristocratic dignity worthy of a royal match.

SHRINERS READY TO LEAD NOVIATIES OVER BURNING SAND

Serious Side of Life to be Put Aside by Members of Play Order of Masonic Body

Friday of this week is expected to witness the gathering of Shriners from all over Southern Oregon, in Ashland on the occasion of the midwinter roundup and ceremonial of Hillah Temple of the red fezzed playground order of the Masonic fraternity. The faithful can usually be depended upon to lay aside for the time being the less important humdrum affairs of every day life to attend the all important functions of these occasional ceremonialis where it is said that the serious side of life's changing phases receives only absolutely necessary attention.

Preparations are making for the seating of three hundred and fifty of the Shriners and their ladies at the dining room of the Elks Temple at the tradition banquet to take place at 6 o'clock. This will be preceded by a session for the instruction of the candidates at the Armory in the afternoon while following the banquet, will take place at the Armory, the famous second section of the Shriner's code, which all novitiates are required to become proficient in. In the early evening the ladies will hold a social session at Masonic Hall. The program of the day is to conclude with dancing at the Armory from ten o'clock until midnight.

ANTI-ADMINISTRATION FORCES ARE LINED UP

SALEM, Jan. 13. — With bills introduced to eliminate the offices of State Market Master and State Prohibition officer, the anti-administration forces today commenced lining up support for a new deal on the State Fish Commission. The fish interests apparently determined to take the appointive power from the governor's legislature. They want Commission and place it in the hands of the sponsor Dick Price removed and would like to see Dr. Tom Price restored and want Commissioner Kendall retained. Ex-State Treasurer Jefferson Myers is mentioned as the third man wanted for the commission.

ATTEMPT IS MADE TO DESTROY S. L. COP HEADQUARTERS

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 12. — Every police agency in San Francisco is today engaged in a hunt for a tall man, dressed in black, who is believed to have planted a picric acid bomb which exploded in the hallway of police headquarters early this morning.

Only the fact that the detectives on the force arrived on time and the higher officials were late for work prevented loss of life, as the hallway was clear at the time of the explosion, which wrecked a telephone booth, tore a hole through the wall of the building, and shattered every window in the structure.

Portland—Northwest cannery association shows that 1924 was best year in history of industry, with products of \$30,000,000 practically all sold. 1925 promises even better.

DROUTH CAUSE OF FALLING IN SALES RECORDS

Fruit Association Meeting Held. Report of J. H. Robbins Is Made

DIRECTORS ELECTED

Sales for 1924 Fall Below Five Year Average. Lowering of Prices Caused by Low Supply

Probably the most striking result of the drouth of last summer is shown in the report of the year's activities of the Ashland Fruit and Produce Association, made at the annual meeting of the stockholders of the organization.

With a five year sales average of \$144,521.72 as the mark set between 1919 and 1923, inclusive, the sales during 1924 fell far below this mark, registering only \$116,162.77. It is estimated by J. H. Robbins, manager of the association that the revenue was correspondingly reduced about \$2835. It is conclusively shown that the drouth was responsible for this falling off in sales since it was impossible to obtain fruit and other produce with which to fill many orders which were received by the association. If it had been possible to fill the orders the association was forced to cancel, there is no question that the gross sales record would have amounted to much more than the five year average.

Of the gross sales total, almost fifty per cent was sales of fruits and vegetables, with a total of \$51,791.94. Fresh eggs made up the next largest total, with a sum of \$22,761.66, while flour and feed sales amounted to \$19,719.87. Shook sales total \$13,778.22, spray \$3,017, storage eggs \$2,542.20 and miscellaneous sales \$2,560.74.

A summary of the fruit and vegetable sales follows. 14,913 boxes peaches, \$12,628.87; 111,262 pounds cherries, \$11,081.62; 1,037 boxes assorted fruits, \$1,080.40; 282 boxes pears, \$531.37; 91,750 pounds cannerly pears, \$2,948.10; 4,568 crates berries, \$6,609.15; 431 boxes grapes, \$493.78; 3,025 dozen bunches, 9,412 pounds, 18 gallons, 2,996 boxes of green vegetables, \$3,473.58, and five carloads apples and all L. C. L. spring sales of apples from 1923 crop, plus 24 apple sales and sundry miscellaneous fruits and vegetables for which individual credits were given and price averages are not easily obtainable, \$12,947.07.

At the meeting, two members of the old board of directors were re-elected. These men were S. A. Peters and S. J. Evans. The three new members of the board are L. H. Gallatin, M. C. Lininger and D. H. Jackson.

CHANGES TO BE MADE IN FORCES OF U S DIPLOMATIC SERVICE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13. — Several changes will be made in the personnel of the ministerial force of the United States in the very near future, it was learned authoritatively here today.

Alanson Houghton, at present ambassador to Germany, will be transferred to London as successor to ambassador Kellogg, who will return to the United States to become Secretary of State in President Coolidge's cabinet, replacing Secretary of State Charles Evans Hughes, who will resign on March 4. It is probable that Houghton will be succeeded at Berlin by Senator McCormick, republican of Illinois.

It is believed in official circles here that if ambassador Herrick, now minister to France, returns from Paris before March 4, McCormick may go to Paris, and it will then become necessary to select another man to succeed Houghton at Berlin.

So far no reason has been given by Secretary of State Hughes for his resignation, although it has been intimated that he was opposed to the policy of the administration on the collection of war loans. It is stated an official announcement of the resignation will be received within a few days.

Walford Here — Fred M. Walford of Etna Mills California, visited friends in Ashland yesterday.

DUKE OF YORK TO VISIT AMERICA COMING SUMMER

LONDON, Jan. 13. — Prince Henry may be the next member of the Royal Family of Great Britain to visit the United States. Prince Henry is said to be anxious to make the trip across the Atlantic next Summer, after the Prince of Wales has returned from the Argentine.

The Prince will probably have been given the title of Duke of Edinburgh before he makes the trip.

This is the season of the year when the banks, in common with all other lines of business, "take stock," as it were; draw conclusions from past experience, and plan for the future. The State Bank of Ashland has found this experience a gratifying one, and at its annual Stockholders meeting held January 8 the "in-voice" of its business for the past year showed a substantial increase along all lines with which the institution is identified.

The following Board of Directors were elected: W. J. Moore, C. W. Banta, J. H. Fuller, W. E. Blake, F. J. Swenning, G. S. Butler, and G. G. Eubanks. This being the same board, with the exception of G. S. Butler who succeeds Irving Finley. Mr. Butler is a Nestor in commercial and financial circles, not only locally but throughout the county, and his wide experience and sound judgment are factors which add strength and confidence to any enterprise, whether it be agricultural, financial or industrial.

At the meeting of the newly selected Board of directors, held immediately after the stockholders gathering, the bank officers for the year were elected as follows: W. J. Moore, President; C. W. Banta, Vice President; G. G. Eubanks, Cashier and Annabel M. Davis, Assistant Cashier.

JONES BILL PASSED BY SENATE MEMBERS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13. — The Senate today substituted the Jones bill for the Underwood Muscle Shoals plan. The Jones bill would appoint a special commission of three to make a thorough study of Muscle Shoals, to report back to Congress next December with definite recommendations for disposing of the hundred and fifty million dollar nitrate plant. The vote today was 46 to 33.

STORM WARNINGS GO UP ALONG THE COAST

PORTLAND, Jan. 13. — Storm warnings were today ordered from Cape Mendocino north as a result of the disturbance which made its appearance off the North Coast, the weather bureau here today announced. Gales on the north coast and general rains over Oregon and Washington all of California within the next 36 hours are predicted. Snow will fall in Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Nevada.

PROBE IS STARTED OF SEABOARD DEATH

SEATTLE, Jan. 13. — Despite every indication of an accidental death, the coroner's deputies and members of the city detective force today started an investigation at the scene of the drowning, in order to probe their theories that Ernest Seaborg, supervisor of state fisheries, whose body was found in the Duwamish waterway late yesterday, was murdered by fish law violators or rum runners. Mrs. Seaborg, however, believes that her husband met with an accidental death.

Dr. Oeser and Son, proprietors of The Ashland Service Station are having the parking in and about their station improved. Concrete is being laid, but the work is arranged so that service is continued the same as usual.

CONFIDENCE MAN PULLS ONE NEAT SCHEME

Claimed to be Agent for Utah Construction Company for Road Work

MANY MEN ARE DUPED

Money Obtained to Insure Appearance of Workmen, Then Foreman Moves on

With traveling expenses obtained from contributions of two dollars each made by several working men of Ashland, a Mr. Harris, confidence man, slipped anchor sometime during the past few days and set sail for another field, where he will probably attempt to work his little game again. Harris drifted into town four or five days ago, and nonchalantly announced he was road foreman for the Utah Construction Company and that he needed several men to form a road gang to assist in the widening of the Pacific Highway in Northern California. Harris announced he had several months work for the men, at good wages.

It was an easy matter to sign up eighteen or twenty men to report for work on Monday morning, and from each, Harris painlessly extracted two dollars, to make, what he called, "sign of good faith" on the part of the employes. All went home satisfied Harris was a noble good fellow, thanking their stars for their good luck in obtaining employment to tide them over the lean winter months. All this happened Saturday afternoon and evening.

Early Monday morning the men gathered at the appointed meeting place, ready to go out on the job, anxious to assist the sovereign state of California in making driving safer by widening the highway. They waited for Mr. Harris, and then they waited a while longer for the same man. Finally, by the time noon had rolled around, the men had given up all hope of their good Samaritan ever showing up, and said good bye to their money. All but a few said good bye to the money.

These few, however, are liable to cause the downfall of Mr. Harris. One of the duped men gave a very accurate description of Harris to Chief of Police McNabb, and today swore out a complaint against Harris. Officials of Oregon and California have been warned to hold Harris if he is taken.

A number of the men started on the trail of Harris, and it is certain, if they find him, he will be in need of medical attention rather than police attention. Since he worked his game in Albany, Medford and then in this city, it is believed he is somewhere near and it is the belief of the police he is somewhere in Northern California, maybe getting ready to widen the Ashland-Klamath Falls highway.

POACHERS FIRING UPON BAND OF ELK BELIEF OF WARDENS

KLAMATH FALLS, Jan. 13. — Poachers were firing upon the band of elk ranging in the Fort Klamath country, it is believed, recent examination of tracks indicating that at least one of the 20 or more animals in that section having been injured in the leg.

Joe Hessig, who keeps a kindly eye on these royal forest denizens, has made three trips into their rendezvous this winter and has just returned from a survey, made to ascertain snow depth and feeding conditions. He states that about two feet of snow was found in the Seven Mile Creek area where about five head were espied. Ten or twelve head are on Crane Creek south of the egg taking station. A big bull is feeding at the Stiemens' ranch, Hessig reports.

The state game commission has been advised that unless the snow gets deeper it is probable that feeding will not be required. The elk were turned loose in the Klamath district some years ago and have been carefully watched by residents with the hope of a material increase. Tracks of only two calves were noted by Hessig.

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