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ASHLAND APPLE GROWERS LAND MEDFORD PRIZES

ALBERT JOHNSON, EIGHTY-YEAR OLD VETERAN FRUIT RAISER, WINS FIRST PLACE WITH THREE EXHIBITS.

LOCAL EXHIBITORS WIN TEN PREMIUMS

C. W. PELLET ORCHARD HAS RECORD APPLE CROP; FOUR ACRES 15-YEAR TREES PRODUCE 2500 BOXES.

With ten premium scapes hanging from their belts, Ashland orchardists returned from the county apple show at Medford feeling well satisfied with the outcome of the contest. The judging was done Friday, lasting until late in the night. M. E. Root, C. C. Lemmon and Prof. F. C. Reimer marking the score cards. There were plate displays and single layers in display boxes.

Albert Johnson, veteran Ashland orchardist, in his eightieth year, was represented with big displays of Delicious, Golden Delicious, King David, Newtown, Banana and Bellflower apples, winning first on the three varieties first named; also second on King David, of which variety two boxes were shown. First premiums were also won by this exhibitor on plates of Delicious and Golden Delicious.

G. M. Frost was awarded first on a box display of Banana apples. Very fine Delicious and Newtowns were also shown by this progressive orchardist.

Thornton Wiley won second place on Spitzburg and third on Delicious, box displays, and second on plate Delicious. An extra fancy box of Bananas was contributed by Mr. Wiley, who is rapidly coming to the front as a grower of fine apples.

Clark French won third prize on a box of Spitzburgs and second on a plate of Bananas. A. H. Davenport was represented with a splendid box of Newtowns and Fred Porter with extra fancy boxes of Spitzburgs and Newtowns. Credit for these fine apples is mostly due to the skillful care of Miss Mildred Porter, who is finding health and wealth on Cherry Acres.

The season of 1921 has been one of the best ever known here for growing and maturing a fine crop of apples, and our orchardists take great pride in exhibiting the fruits of their labors. Some varieties, such as the Banana, have colored up better than ever before, many specimens having a rich, red color on one side, instead of the faint blush seen in most years.

Some of the West Ashland orchardists were apparently too busy pulling apples off the trees to make an exhibit at the Medford fair. G. W. Pellet has about 3000 boxes picked and expects to find 500 more, all from four acres of fifteen-year-old trees. Two years ago \$4000 worth of apples were sold from this orchard—fifty tons at \$80 a ton—the total expense of raising and harvesting the crop amounting to only \$350, as the buyer, a Los Angeles firm, furnished the boxes and shipped the fruit in bulk. The present crop is expected to bring \$5000.

A few years ago when Mr. Pellet asked \$10,000 for his ten-acre place people thought his ideas of orchard values were altogether cloud-like. Now he values his tract at \$25,000, with only four acres in bearing trees, these being considered worth \$3500 per acre. Counting the two bumper crops above mentioned, and two light crops in the "off" years at \$500 each, brings the total returns for four years up to \$10,000, which is ten per cent per year on the price quoted. The place is not for sale, however.

Fruit colors remarkably well on the Pope-Pellet plateau. Pellet has been selling Bananas at \$3 to \$3.75 per box, and Spitz at the former figure. His crop and that of Wimer Cove have been contracted for by Guy Conner, who furnishes boxes and advances picking money. Growers have the privilege of ordering their apples sold to the firm which makes the best cash offer within sixty days.

Owing to insufficient thinning many of the Newtowns this year are very small in size. London and other export markets will absorb apples down to the 250 size, but Mr. Conner states that the sizes which sell best in this country are 112, 125 and 135. Mr. Conner is also of the opinion that the home market is the best.

No price on Newtowns has yet been established, although offers of

Ashland Bonds Top the Market With High Prices

It was generally conceded that the city dads had scored a hit when they sold \$16,000 worth of Ashland bonds at a fancy price close to par value, as the result of an auction sale following the rejection of opened bids by the council. Pursuant to that coup comes a moneyed appearing sheet from the Portland bond purchasing house stating that the bonds at one per cent above par value. The bonds, which are offered at a higher price than any list in an offering of twenty-seven different class bonds offered by cities and several foreign countries, bear interest at six per cent and have a yield of 5.50 per cent.

Bordeaux Mixture For Peach Blight, Apple Anthracnose

Apples in some sections of the county that have anthracnose should be sprayed in the fall with Bordeaux. There may be a few growers who have not yet applied this spray on account of harvesting the apple crop. Unless this application is made soon it will not be effective against anthracnose. This spray to be effective should be with Bordeaux.

Peaches, cherries and apricots should be sprayed at this time with Bordeaux mixture for the California peach blight fungus. This is a disease that does a great deal of damage to stone fruits in this county, and it can be controlled very readily by spraying applied as early in the fall as possible, after the crop is off.

For both stone fruits and apples, use six pounds of bluestone and six pounds of good lime to fifty gallons of water. Dissolve bluestone in separate barrel and slake lime separately, then add water to each sufficiently to make up enough for the tank. Then add slaked bluestone and lime solutions to the spray tank at the same time. Do not add bluestone to lime solution or vice versa. Both should go into the tank at the same time. Keep up good agitation and spray all parts of the trees. The addition of three ounces of sugar to a two hundred gallon tank will preserve the keeping quality of the Bordeaux mixture for a few days in case spray is made up and cannot be applied immediately.

C. C. CATE, County Pathologist.

GRAND JURY ASKS HOLDOVER; FAILS TO FINISH WORK

MEDFORD, Or., Oct. 26. — The grand jury failed to complete its work last week and has adjourned temporarily, after filing a report with the court requesting that they be allowed to hold over this term. The report is as follows: "To the Honorable F. M. Catkins, Circuit Judge: "We, the grand jury, respectfully report to the court that at various times since our appointment we have conducted investigations of certain matters we deemed to be of importance to the county, and had expected to complete our work on these matters this week. However, at this regular session of the grand jury, beginning Monday, October 17, there was a large number of criminal cases to come before the jury, and we have at this session returned eighteen true bills and three not true bills, and investigated certain other matters without action. This large amount of routine work made it impossible for the grand jury to complete this week the work started some time ago.

"It will probably require a week at least to complete this work, and in view of the large criminal docket at this term of the circuit court, of course it will be impracticable for the grand jury to be in session during the term, or, at least, it would work a hardship on the officers who would have to assist this jury.

"We believe the matters we have yet to complete are of sufficient importance to justify our holding over this term, as much as we would like to be released from the duties we are trying to perform.

"We have no other report to make at this time.

"Respectfully submitted, "JOHN W. ELDEN, "Foreman of the Grand Jury."

Returns to California—Carol Wagner has returned to California after a visit at the old home here with relatives and friends. He holds a fine position as geological engineering expert in connection with research development work in the oil fields of that state.

PROHIBITIONISTS TO HOLD CONFERENCE HERE NOVEMBER 4

A county law enforcement conference and mass meeting will be held in the First Presbyterian church in this city at 7:30 o'clock Friday evening, under the auspices of the Anti-Saloon league of Oregon. The conference will be held under the direction of Captain Frank B. Ebbert, recently of Washington, D. C., where as associate attorney of the Anti-Saloon league of America, he was instrumental in helping to secure the passage of the Volstead act and took a prominent part in the cases appearing before the United States supreme court as to the validity of the same. The object of the conference and mass meeting is to discuss every phase of the enforcement of prohibition, both federal and state laws. The conference will also take up the enforcement of liquor laws in this county. W. J. Herwig, of Portland, superintendent of the Anti-Saloon league, issued the following statement: "The Anti-Saloon league of Oregon is proposing to conduct a very extensive law enforcement campaign throughout the state. It is our purpose to hold a law enforcement conference and mass meeting in every county seat town. The purpose of the conference is to arouse public sentiment and get the people and county officials together; instruct the people as to their duties, show them how they can co-operate with officers and to organize the forces, if possible, for future action. "Similar campaigns are being conducted in every state in the union. If prohibition is to be made permanent and a success, the same must be properly enforced, and we are confident that this campaign will be the means of arousing a stronger public sentiment for law enforcement. The greatest immediate need in the state is to inform our people just what the law is and their duty as citizens, and get the people and law enforcement officers together."

At the meeting of the commission orders were entered on the record instructing the engineer to prepare estimates for submission to contractors in calling for bids on two pieces of improvement—one the grading and rocking of the road between the city limits of Medford and the top of the Cascade hill about a mile this side of Eagle Point, connecting with the stretch of road improved this past summer, and the other being the section of the highway between Trail and Cascade Gorge, at the head of the Florence Rock grade and about six miles west of Prospect. The commission announced that they would undertake to contract these two sections for construction during the next summer.

CRATER LAKE ROAD IS APPROVED BY HIGHWAY COM.

MEDFORD, Or., Oct. 25.—That the state highway commission, at its meeting in Portland Wednesday had taken steps which practically assured the improvement of the remaining sections of the Crater Lake highway, was the gratifying report brought by Ben Sheldon, who has returned from Portland where he went to present the matter to the commission. At the meeting of the commission orders were entered on the record instructing the engineer to prepare estimates for submission to contractors in calling for bids on two pieces of improvement—one the grading and rocking of the road between the city limits of Medford and the top of the Cascade hill about a mile this side of Eagle Point, connecting with the stretch of road improved this past summer, and the other being the section of the highway between Trail and Cascade Gorge, at the head of the Florence Rock grade and about six miles west of Prospect. The commission announced that they would undertake to contract these two sections for construction during the next summer.

RANCHER GETS \$600 DAMAGES FOR SHOWER OF ROCKS

A. R. Brown, rancher, eight miles east of Ashland on the Pacific highway, collected \$600 damages this morning from Christian Natwick, road contractor, for a "rain of rocks," which fell on his property from October of last year until April of this year while a road was being built near his property to replace the one destroyed by the construction of the Talent irrigation dam. The damage, Mr. Brown says, caused by the showers of rocks hurled on his property, was settled for \$600 in preference to taking the case to court with a claim for \$1200 damages. Mr. Brown states that the flying rocks tore the shingles from the roof of his house and tore large holes in the top of his barn. One rock, hurled over a hundred yards, tearing a large hole in the roof and the side of the barn, weighed approximately 1000 pounds. A team of horses was necessary to take the rock away.

O. A. C. DIRECTORS APPOINT HOTEL BONDS COMMITTEE

Tangible action for the creation of a cash bonus, originally suggested as \$50,000, as an added inducement for the construction of a modern hotel in Ashland, was taken up at a meeting of the Chamber of Commerce directors this week, when V. O. N. Smith, J. P. Dodge, H. G. Enders and M. C. Reed were appointed as members of a hotel committee. Mr. Smith stated this morning that the committee would meet this week for the purpose of planning the details of raising the bonus and under what conditions it would be offered to prospective hotel builders.

The bonus idea, originating at a recent "talk fest" meeting of the chamber of commerce, is already backed with promised subscriptions amounting to \$3,000. The following are pioneer offers in the movement for a new hotel: H. G. Enders, \$1,500; John H. Fuller, \$500; The Tidings, \$1,000.

Following the suggestion of J. H. McGee, all special advertising backed by the chamber of commerce will be considered by a committee of five members appointed by the secretary before adoption.

At a recent meeting of the merchant committee of the chamber of commerce it was decided to issue advertising booklets similar to those issued last year. The suggestion was made by L. F. Ferguson. The committee approved a motion made by T. H. Simpson calling for a special Dollar Day sale for Ashland merchants during the week of the Winter Fair.

O. A. C. Has 21 Students From Ashland Enrolled

CORVALLIS, Or., Nov. 1.—Ashland is represented by twenty-one young men and women at the Oregon Agricultural college this year. Four of these are registered in the school of agriculture: Ernest W. Abbot, and Elmer B. Bagley, seniors, George S. Mason, a sophomore, and Rollie Freeman, a freshman. Three others are studying pharmacy: James L. Porter, a junior, Iva C. Neville, a freshman, and Harold M. Bechtel, a special student. While Violet P. Herbert, a post graduate student, and Cecile M. Moore, and Mabel L. Moore are registered in the school of home economics. Three other students are studying mechanical engineering: Oliver Anderson, a junior, and William Whittle and Charles B. Wisne, sophomores. The students in the department of electrical engineering are three juniors: Earl J. Biegel, Chester MacCracken, and Harold B. Stone. Irving W. Porter, a junior, and Cecile Case and John M. Brady, sophomores, are studying commerce. Edwin L. Mowat, is a sophomore forestry student, and Ivera L. Keller is a sophomore in vocational education. She is majoring in physical education. The representation from Ashland is considerably larger than that from other towns of equal size.

JACKSON COUNTY BOASTS OF 4,291 MOTOR VEHICLES

SALEM, Or., Oct. 31.—Up to the present time during the year 1921 there have been registered and licensed in Oregon 613 motor vehicle dealers, 6436 chauffeurs, 178,620 motor vehicle operators, 3106 motorcycles and 116,609 passenger and commercial cars, from which the total license fees aggregate \$2,319,307. The fees, less administrative expenses, are distributed one-fourth to the counties from which the registrations are received, and three-fourths to the state highway fund for use in road construction and improvement throughout the state generally. "The distribution of the registrations up to September 15, 1921, shows that in Jackson county there were registered 16 motor vehicle dealers, 303 chauffeurs, 6221 motor vehicle operators, 67 motorcycles, 3558 passenger cars, 5 ambulances and hearses, 1 bus, 127 commercial cars of less than one ton capacity, 293 trucks of from one to five tons capacity, and two trailers of from one to five tons capacity, or a total of 5291 licensed passenger and commercial motor vehicles." Application blanks for 1922 licenses have been mailed by the secretary of state to all motor vehicle owners in Oregon, so as to permit them to apply for and receive such licenses before January 1, 1922. Motor vehicle owners will avoid much trouble, annoyance and unnecessary delay by promptly applying for their 1922 licenses upon receipt of the application blanks. Deferring applying for licenses until about the first of the year only congests the work of the secretary of state's office and may result in the arrest of the car owners by traffic officers for failure to have the 1922 licenses on their cars after January 1 next. License plates for 1922 will have a yellow background and black figures and letters.

ASHLAND MOTHERS LEAD COUNTY AT BABY CONFERENCE

During a recent visit to Ashland, Miss Marie Falladine, county nurse, stated that the campaign for better babies had met with greater success in Ashland than in any other city in Jackson county. Miss Falladine stated that splendid support had been given the recent baby clinic and conferences held here by Ashland mothers. In support of her statements the following article appeared in the last issue of the Jackson County Farm Bureau News, giving also a resume of the county work: "Ashland has taken the lead by holding two conferences with doctors in attendance and a monthly meeting each month with an average attendance of ten to fifteen babies at each meeting. "Talent has held a conference with doctors in attendance and has held two follow-up meetings. Central Point, one conference and one follow-up meeting.

Medford held first conference this month with an attendance of fifty-one babies. Lake Creek communities have held several follow-up meetings and Table Rock one weighing and measuring meeting. "The aim of these conferences and follow-up meetings is to help mothers in their problems of child care and child nutrition. The county nurse and home demonstration agent have tried to follow up the work into the homes and both feel that the child welfare work has gotten a good start in the past year. The nurse takes care of all problems on physical care and health of child and the home demonstration agent handles all problems concerning the diet of child. If you are the parents of children, get into this big movement to give the boy and girl a chance for a perfect body and mind.

"Your home demonstration agent and county nurse are paid agents to help you in this responsibility you have in seeing that your child is equipped with a strong body and good mind."

BON TON CAFE ROBBED HUNTED BY POLICE

A police drag net was thrown out this morning by local authorities for the arrest of Harry Williams, 19, wanted on suspicion of being implicated in the robbery of the Bon Ton cafe on Fourth street, between 12 and 4 o'clock this morning. The police report that \$75 in silver and \$2 in pennies were taken from the cafe till. In addition the thief helped himself to several boxes of cigarettes and other incidentals.

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED

The engagement of Miss Helen Adamson and Raymond E. Badger was announced at the Lambda club house dance Friday evening in Corvallis. This bit of news will be of interest to the many friends of the young people of Ashland and Talent, where they both are well known. Miss Adamson having graduated from the Ashland high school a year ago. She now is a sophomore at O. A. C., while Mr. Badger is an instructor in animal husbandry at the college.

The only pleasing thing about a tax is a receipt showing that it has been paid.

SCHOOL TAX OF \$55,612.50 IS VOTED 65 TO 10

By a vote of 65 to 10 the citizens of Ashland yesterday voted the special school tax of \$55,612.50 for district No. 5. The total amount needed for the coming year was estimated at \$53,412.50, of which the county school fund will yield \$15,000, state school fund \$2500, elementary school fund \$7500, and other sources \$2800, leaving the amount voted on to be raised by the district tax. The teachers' salaries will absorb \$54,450, athletic coaching \$1850, Smith-Hughes work \$1750, janitors, etc., \$3760.

Civic Club Notes

By GRACE H. CHAMBERLAIN There will be no meeting of the Civic club on Tuesday, November 1, owing to the fact that the regular annual meeting falls on the second Tuesday in November. On Tuesday, November 8, there will be a sixty-cent noon luncheon at the Hotel Ashland. Get your tickets by Saturday, November 5 at the hotel or engage them by telephone from Mrs. Wilshire, 267-L. At the annual meeting there will be the usual election of officers, reports and discussion in regard to the work for the coming year. All members of the Civic club should make special effort to be present at this annual meeting. "We will stand by" was the slogan last February. Membership is increasing, money is coming in for the club house. Many stores are offering its percentages on sales. The salvage tent is a great success. The stores are sending in new goods worth many dollars, and we want to stand by the merchants who are helping so generously. Even nails for the new building have been sold at wholesale prices. We can not advertise these generous givers in the newspapers, but they are behind us.

Individuals are urged to send more contributions to the salvage to help keep the record of selling over \$5 worth each day. A beautiful Edison phonograph that cost \$150 has been offered us to sell at \$100. This includes records. The salvage will get \$50. If you are interested in this offer, call up Mrs. Wilshire, who will put you in touch with the owner. The concrete supports and heavy first floor of the new club house are strong enough to bear twice the weight of the proposed building. Some of the supports are eight feet under ground. The building will be first class in every respect, a building to be proud of. Societies wishing special lockers or cupboards may have built-in and locked closets. Several clubs have already discussed renting the hall, and individuals are interested in the reception parlor as a meeting place for small clubs and parties.

Come to the luncheon Tuesday, November 8, and add your enthusiastic support to the Civic club. The dream voiced in the articles of incorporation in 1916, when the club voted to "procure real property for the construction of a home for sale corporation and its members" will soon be a reality. Another of the dreams fulfilled that will help make Ashland the best home town in Southern Oregon.

HONOLULU MAN INTERESTED IN NEW HOTEL PROJECT

Dr. J. P. Wayson, of Honolulu, called yesterday to express particular interest in a hotel project for Ashland.

Dr. Wayson is a very interesting man, and it is to be regretted that he cannot remain to talk to Ashland folks at a public meeting. Dr. Wayson said: "You have here in the climate a gold mine, cool, snappy, energizing, one of the best health makers in the United States. Cool without dampness, an unusual combination. Ashland should have the greatest sanitarium in the United States. You may say almost anything as to your possibilities, and you cannot overestimate the facts!"

Dr. Wayson is general health officer of the territory of Hawaii, and has lived there for twenty-two years. He was born and lived formerly in the Puget Sound country, but he lives Southern Oregon and especially Ashland, has the edge on any section of the country.

China wants to lead its own career, without outside interference or domination. Why should it not be permitted to do so?

Islands constitute barely 7 per cent of the total land area of the earth.

HALLOWEEN IS OBSERVED BY 101 AT HOTEL PARTY

The Halloween luncheon—dinner, supper, what you will—given at the Hotel Ashland last evening was a great success. The attendance totaled 101 and there was plenty and to spare in the way of cats—elder and salad, potatoes and gravy, soup, squash, meat balls, coffee, rolls and other things needful to fill in between.

LADIES PREPARE "ROASTS" FOR CITY'S HIGHEST, BUT DEFER THRADES, PUBLIC "TO SENSITIVE"

The spacious dining-room was decorated with flowers, streamers and other materials in the popular Halloween colors—black and yellow. Everything looked good and shivery, with jack lanterns, black cats and goblins peering from every corner. The guests assembled in the ladies' parlor and marched to the scene of festivities, while seductive strains of music invited dull care to disappear. Fun and frolic was the keynote of the gathering, and the way the guests played showed that men and women are but children grown tall. Each man was given a fasselled stick, something like a carnival tикler. The sticks were put to various ornamental and ulterior uses.

"Roasts" Planned The ladies, directed by Miss Grace Chamberlain, had charge of the exercises, which, as they explained in song, had been planned to take the form of "roasts" on Ashland's prominent residents. Owing to the sensitive state of the public at this particular time, it was decided to substitute speeches on the general subject of Ashland's needs.

The speakers outdid themselves in suggesting ludicrous projects. Miss Gertrude Hicks wanted golf links for reducing purposes. Dr. Sawyer advocated an ice pond for skating; Mrs. John H. Fuller proposed piping sulphur water into each home for bathing; M. C. Reed suggested starting something that would provoke discussion and put a little pep into our civic life, which he said was too lammorous; Rev. C. A. Edwards advanced a plan of putting phonographs into each Ashland home, so that folks wouldn't have to get out of bed Sunday morning to go to church, but could have canned sermons piped to them.

Many "Projects" Favored Victor Mills said he wanted false teeth and such things supplied to hospital patients; Mrs. Otto Winter advocated the city feeding all cats and dogs within the municipality; Mrs. Fred L. Putnam thought it would be a good idea to train several Granite City girls to meet travelers and tourists with garlands of Oregon grape or some other fruit and fling these fruitful decorations over the heads of all visitors, a la Hawaii.

Liberal appropriations were made for all these and many other projects, including a larger Chautauqua building. Mrs. Elmora was happy in her musical efforts, leading the singing, solos and popular songs in a delightful manner.

Men Persecuted The men were not allowed to sit next to each other for mutual protection, nor to speak without permission. O. H. Barabill was the first to get tripped up in this manner, but when finally granted permission to speak, explained that he had an offer of \$10,000 for the Civic Improvement club building, but the offer was conditional upon being accepted by 7:20 o'clock, and it was then 7:23.

Victor Mills sought to deceive the ladies by wearing his wife's hat and coat, which was considered a very proper personal decoration. Following the example thus set, Rev. Edwards, Henry Enders, Jr., and other male speakers resorted to similar disguises.

John Fuller and Dr. G. O. Jarvis paid the most fines, being utterly incorrigible when it came to speaking without permission. Mrs. O. C. Bergner and Mrs. N. H. Harrison collected the cash so graciously, however, that the pain of giving was almost entirely eliminated.

Nearly all the men were fined at

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