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GATE RECEIPTS SHOW DECREASE IN ATTENDANCE Fair Board To Elect Successors This Week

Despite ideal weather conditions and possibly due to the lateness of this year's East Clackamas County Fair, the attendance was slightly below that of former years, but aside from a decrease in gate receipts the majority of other features showed a decided improvement.

Had the directors foreseen the lack of attendance on the opening day, the program would have been changed to allow of more people enjoying the address by Pres. Franklin T. Griffith of the P. R. L. & P. Co.

Thursday's Political Day program was an innovation, with the leading speakers being Judge Huston of Portland and the Hon. Mark Weatherford of Albany, each of whom thoroughly expounded the principles of their respective Republican and Democratic platforms.

The majority of the county candidates for election this fall were present, each being allowed an opportunity to say a few words from the platform, among the candidates being Gilbert Hedges and Wm. M. Stone, candidates for the office of district attorney; C. W. Risley, candidate for county commissioner; George C. Brownell and J. E. Jack, candidates for representative; G. F. Johnson, candidate for county assessor; A. H. Lewis, candidate for joint senator and others.

An amateur baseball game was staged that afternoon, between nines representing the Republican and Democratic parties, but as the final score was 14 to 14, no true indication of the outcome of the fall election was forecast.

Friday was the banner day for attendance, with the program comprising talks by Prof. Hart of Reed College and by County School Supt. Calavan, interspersed with musical selections.

Much of the success of the three days programs was due to the la-

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Nearly Thousand Dollar Loss From Slashing Fire

Carelessness on the part of a neighbor in the burning of brush and slashings near Eagle Creek last Sunday, resulted in the loss of a frame outbuilding and contents of implements, belonging to Jas Smith, the loss amounting to close to \$1,000.

But for timely aid from the nearby ranchers and several local automobile parties, the fire would probably have consumed the Smith home, barn and other buildings, all of which were threatened for a time.

A similar fire occurred on the Jonsrud property near Boring, resulting in the destruction of a new barn with its contents of hay and feed.

BODY OF ALWIN T. HUNT RECOVERED

Funeral Services Held In Portland Wednesday

Following the letter herewith reproduced, Mrs. Guy T. Hunt of Garfield last week received telegraphic advices from the commander of the U. S. S. South Dakota, stating that the body of her son, Alwyn T. Hunt, who was drowned in San Diego Bay, Sept. 28th, had been recovered.

In answer to a request by the parents that the remains be shipped to Portland, the body arrived Tuesday, with funeral services held there Wednesday, with interment in the family plot in Multnomah Cemetery.

The following letter from the commanding officer of the U. S. S. South Dakota has been a great consolation to the bereaved parents and brothers and speaks in the highest terms of the record of "Billy" Hunt, during his brief term of enlistment:—

U. S. S. South Dakota,
San Diego, Calif.,
Sept. 30, 1916.

My dear Mrs. Hunt:—

It is my painful duty to inform you of the death of your son, Alwyn T. Hunt, ordinary Seaman, U. S. Navy, by drowning, at San Diego, Calif., about 6:00 p. m., Sept., 28, 1916. Your son was detailed as a member of a steam launch crew and while his steam launch was alongside the ship, he fell overboard and was drowned. Every effort was made to save him; two men diving in after him and life buoys being thrown to him. Boats were promptly sent out but all to no avail. There was a strong tide running at the time which seemed to suck him under before help could reach him.

The death of your son was in line of duty. Your son's conduct had been exemplary and his service in all respects satisfactory. He had been examined for and was to be promoted to the rating of seaman. The Commanding Officer feels that your son was a credit to the Navy with a bright future before him and that your great loss was also a loss to the Naval Service. The Commanding Officer is writing you this as he feels that you would wish to know of the circumstances surrounding your son's death and of his standing in the service.

Your son's body has not yet been recovered. Every effort, however, will be made to recover his remains and in the event that they are recovered you will be notified by telegraph and your instructions requested as to whether you desire them shipped home or buried here.

Very Sincerely,
A. MacArthur,
Commander, U. S. Navy,
Commanding.

Republican Rally 20th.

Unless some change is later made, a Republican rally under the auspices of the county Republican organization will be held in Estacada on October 20th. at either the Family Theatre or the Estacada Pavilion.

County Chairman E. E. Brodie of Oregon City, states that several first class speakers will be present and all voters are urged to attend.

STATE LIME PLANT URGED P. R. L. P. Co's. Agriculturalist Attends Corvallis Meeting

At the call of State Grange Master, C. E. Spence, a meeting of farmers and others was held in Corvallis on October 7th, where resolutions were adopted urging the state of Oregon to acquire lime deposits in the state, to operate same by convict labor and to furnish the product at cost, with a reasonable percentage added for a sinking fund, to the farmers of the state to use in reclaiming their lands.

Many prominent agriculturalists and others were present and in keeping with the policy of the P. R. L. & P. Co. in the work of their agricultural department, Mgr. Frank Ewing of Springwater, was delegated to represent this community.

It was reported that over 3,000,000 acres of state land are in need of liming, to offset soil acidity and the present price of \$6.25 per ton, is too high to allow of the farmers using the product.

Other states have adopted similar means to obtain cheap lime and it is hoped this meeting will result in obtaining early relief.

Alarm Taxes Firemen's Endurance

A fire was discovered early one evening last week in the cabin on the Boone property on Estacada Heights, for which an alarm was sounded.

The Estacada Volunteer Fire Department responded at once and after much hard work, succeeded in hauling the hose carts up the two hills to the scene of the conflagration, which in the meantime had been extinguished, with no loss sustained.

A goodly crowd followed the hard working firemen, with a few of the audience lending a helping hand in pushing the carts, but many preferring to reach the scene of the fire, regardless of the fire apparatus.

Alfalfa Grows Eight Feet

One of the minor exhibits at the late fair and yet one which should attract much attention, was the exhibit of three bundles of alfalfa by A. J. Mills of Estacada.

These bundles each represented about a two foot cutting from one stool; cuttings being dated, June 5, July 23 and Sept. 10, with over a foot of growth still remaining on the plant.

Currinsville Roll Of Honor

Ruth Hale, Wilma Kitching, Irma Jones, Glen Ely, Edmund Saling, Elsie Fuller, Verlie Coop, Jose Gordon, Mary Ely, Irene Saling and Walter Matson.

E. H. S. LOSES OPENING GAME Gresham To Play Here Friday

Last Friday afternoon on the home gridiron, Coach Baker's local eleven went down to defeat before the heavier and faster eleven of the Franklin High School of Portland.

While the final score of 41 to 0 compares poorly with the former scores against the Franklin boys, who for the past three years have barely pulled through a victory, it does not imply that Estacada has a decidedly poorer team this year, but shows radical improvements and development in the Franklin squad, under the coaching of the former O. A. C. star, Dewey.

It is too bad that the opening game of each local season has to be against the fast Franklin team, which team is usually faster and better coached than any of the teams which E. H. S. later in the season tackles. A severe defeat at the commencement of the season has a tendency to discourage the local team, but that will probably have entirely disappeared by next Friday afternoon, when Estacada tackles the Gresham athletes.

Gresham last year refused at the last minute to play Estacada, apparently preferring to default rather than take a good licking, but with a stronger line-up this year, the Greshamites expect to win, having defeated James-John High School of Portland.

While it is hardly fair to draw comparisons between this year's E. H. S. team and former ones, at least so early in the season, it has to be admitted that the outlook for a winning season is not the brightest.

With a nucleus of four or five former players, Coach Baker has been forced to develop material

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Midnight Fire Destroys Dodge Homestead

At about one o'clock Wednesday morning, a fire of unknown origin started on the Stanley Turel ranch in Dodge and as no fire fighting facilities were available, the family home, barns and all buildings were completely destroyed.

Mrs. Turel and children were at home, Mr. Turel and one son being in Portland, but had the father been present it is not likely the fire could have been extinguished, as but a limited amount of water under a low pressure, is available.

The barn was recently filled with the winter's supply of hay and feed, but luckily the stock was in pasture. The property was insured, but nevertheless the loss will be a severe one.

The Turel homestead lies about nine miles from Estacada, being situated in the foothills beyond Dodge and off from the main travelled roads.