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BOUGHT MILLIONS

The Wycoff Family of the U. S. Found Nothing on Which to Base Their Hopes.

Neligh, Nebraska, September 28. The previous letter of this series ended with our Sunday visit to Topeka, where we did not tarry long enough to observe any changes since 1910. The ride from Kansas City to Omaha Monday night did not afford any opportunity for further observation than that southeastern Iowa was still dripping wet from the bath of a heavy equinoctial storm.

At Omaha we got on board one of the transcontinental trains which had been considerably delayed by the rainstorm of the day before and missed by five minutes the connection we had hoped to make with the Northwestern at Fremont; and so had an unexpected opportunity to familiarize ourselves with that thriving city of 8,000 people. The delay was from 10:20 a. m. to 6:20 p. m.; so that we put in full union hours in seeing the town that bears the name of the first republican candidate for president.

We noted here, as in some other Nebraska towns that automobiles are allowed to park only in the middle of the street, the diagonal location to be occupied by each car being designated by heavy white lines on the brick pavement. The plan seemed to work well and has at least two points to recommend it. The portion of the street next the sidewalk are kept absolutely clear of vehicles, and all traffic is one way, being kept rigidly on the right side of the street and never intermingling, owing to the row of parked cars that separate the moving vehicles on the two sides. How would it do to try that plan in Coquille—if the streets are wide enough?

We found our friends awaiting us at Neligh at about half past ten, and that, of course, meant late bedtime for all of us. We are stopping here with Judge and Mrs. J. F. Boyd, who have been occasional visitors at Coquille, the latter being Mrs. Y's sister. Last week in making between 300 and 400 miles of auto rides we got quite a comprehensive view of this scenery of central Nebraska for a long distance each side of the Platte river and feel fully warranted in the statement that its principal products are corn, wheat, alfalfa—and then more corn. Prices for the latter are as low—only two bits a bushel—that unless farmers can feed most of the crop to cattle and hogs, according to the old formula, "raise more corn to feed more hogs to buy more land to raise more corn," they may again be tempted to burn corn for fuel this winter instead of paying \$8 or \$10 a ton for coal. It stacks up about this way: a ton of corn sells for about \$9 and a ton of coal costs about the same. Which is worth the most for heating purposes pound for pound?

Last Thursday we went over to visit the county fair of the adjoining county of Boone, at Albion, thirty-five miles away in an air line, but over fifty by the detour we were compelled to make on account of road work in progress. Our journey took us down the Elkhorn valley to Tilden, the only town we ever heard of named after the democratic candidate of 1876, who came within a handbreadth of winning the presidency. Then it was over the hills which make this a billowy country, a constant succession of rounded summits, the major ridges from 50 to 75 feet above the valleys, but all running in apparently endless lines from northwest to southeast, and all covered with ripened fields of corn and pastures in which fattening cattle grazed.

Farmhouses did not average more than four to a section but the water and surroundings all indicated a land of plenty. Finally we turned up Cedar creek valley, and where the road was lined by immense cottonwoods, took our picnic dinner in their shade.

The Boone county farmers do nothing by halves, and during the past year shipped in from Chicago a portion of a steel grandstand at a baseball amphitheatre, and set it up on their fair ground at an expense of \$35,000. It seats 7,200 people and on the hot September afternoon was not only filled with spectators who paid twenty-five cents or a dollar for seats, but also were the bleachers extending a quarter of the way round a half mile course, of which late com-

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Baby Clinic Here Wednesday

The well baby clinic conducted by Miss Elizabeth Campbell in the city hall here Wednesday afternoon was quite largely attended. She was assisted in the work by Mrs. Ida K. Owen, Miss Louise MacDonald, Mrs. F. Sample, Drs. Richmond and Bunch made the examinations.

The following are the names of the babies which were brought for examination: Minevby Hansen, 3 mos.; Keith Miller, 6 yrs.; Betty Lou Faustman, 5 mos.; Willa Frances Elliott, 4 1-2 yrs.; Alfred Scaltritte, 18 mos.; Geraldine Ensele, 35 mos.; Leonard Ensele, 20 mos.; Robert McGilvery, 13 mos.; Emma Frances Mulkey, 14 1-2 mos.; Joan Dalen, 10 mos.; Robert Long, 13 mos.; Lolita Dallas, 13 mos.; Margarette Belloni, 3 yrs.; Everett Hurley, 4 yrs.; Dorothy May Bender, 2 1-2 mos.; Edna Richmond, 4 yrs.; Betty Selander, 10 mos.; June Selander, 3 yrs.; Gladys Hurley, 2 yrs.

The ladies present were Mesdames Ray Young, Neil McGilvery, Fred Sample, Rex Dallas, C. E. Mulkey, John Hurley, H. P. Belloni, Carl Ensele, Cora Wilson, Ottavis Scaltritte, Nettie Selander, Pearl Richmond, Yvonne Dalen, Ada Bender, H. R. Lukens, T. L. Miller, H. T. Hansen, Mary Gage, Rose Bunch, Grace Norton, Mildred Hudson and Mr. Ottavis Scaltritte.

Miss Riddle was also present and talked to the mothers on nutrition.

SHOULD HAVE BEEN FIRST

County Agent C. C. Farr returned from Salem Tuesday morning with the prizes Coos county won at the State Fair safely tucked away in his keeping, and also with the knowledge that Coos should have won first prize in the state and the sweepstakes which go with that prize. That this prize was not accredited to Coos was an oversight.

The rules require that an exhibit must be completed and ready no later than 12 o'clock Monday noon—the first day—and shall suffer a demerit of five points if it is not. Thanks to the able assistance of Mr. Vern Hazen and Miss Louise Riddle, and also, we will add, to his own endeavor, the Coos county exhibit was all in shape Monday morning. But the Jackson county exhibit was not and it was not until between ten and eleven o'clock that night that those preparing it were through their work.

According to the scoring Jackson beat Coos by 3.1 points but if the demerit had been set against the interior county's score, Coos county would have led by 1.9 points. This neglect by the scoring committee to take into consideration the lateness of Jackson's preparation has been put up to the Fair Board and a revision of the awards asked for.

Mr. Farr and his assistants are to be heartily congratulated on the honors the county won this year, and that Coos was not first was due entirely to an oversight by the judges.

In addition to the great honors won through the county exhibit Coos county through special entries made by Mr. Farr in the state general exhibit won first prize on tomatoes, grown by C. M. Nelson, of Coos River, first and sweepstakes on six rowed barley grown by John Carl, of Arago; first on table squash of the Hubbard variety grown by Ralph Bunn, of Arago; first on Early Rose potatoes grown by Mr. and Mrs. Volkmar, of Myrtle Point; second on white winter wheat grown by Andy Radabaugh, of Norway; second on Australian brown onions grown by E. E. Schreder, of Arago; first on Coos Bay Beauties apples grown by Lloyd Lackey, of Broadbent. These prizes, totaling \$42.50, will be turned over to the county fund to help defray expenses charges, entry fees, etc.

The Coos county livestock exhibit was put on by an appropriation of the county court this year and all expenses have been paid by them, while all premium money will be turned over to them to help meet expenses. Nils Liljebad, of Kentuck Inlet, J. C. Harvey, of Lee, and Wm. Lillie, of Coquille, assisted Mr. Farr with the stock, fourteen head of cattle and one stallion, which won \$142.50 in prizes.

Mortgage Was Foreclosed

In the case of A. E. Simpson against Frank J. Fish and wife, and others, Judge Coke on Tuesday granted judgment against the defendants for \$2449.46 and interest and an attorney's fee of \$250, and foreclosed a mortgage as asked by the plaintiff.

THE FARM BUREAU 7TH CORN SHOW

Membership Campaign to Start Next Week—Only Costs Five Dollars a Year.

The Coos County Farm Bureau, cooperating with the State Farm Bureau, is preparing to make a membership drive in Coos county. On page six of this issue of the Sentinel they are advertising the meeting places and dates for the speaking campaign, which is to be carried on all over the county next week. Practically all of the speakers will be Coos county farmers, William Schumerick, Washington county farmer, being the only outsider, who is sure to be present.

The following week, Oct. 17-23, a corps of solicitors will cover the county calling on every farmer and rancher, soliciting their membership.

J. L. Laird, of Bridge, Campaign Manager for the Farm Bureau, and his assistant, Jos. Nulf, of Parkersburg, were here yesterday conferring with County Agent Farr, and Mr. Laird informed the Sentinel that he would be very glad to put on Coos county men as solicitors if they could be secured, but that he had been unable to find anyone who had the time to devote to the work. The crew which is coming in, however, are all Farm Bureau members from other sections of the state.

The annual membership fee of \$5 is not for one member only, but includes the whole family, as the purposes of the Farm Bureau embraces all phases of farm life—pig clubs, calf clubs, poultry clubs, sewing, as well as the phases which appeal more directly to the farmers themselves.

The Farm Bureau is an organization, which has had a wonderful growth all over the United States the past year and its influence is being felt in the halls of Congress, as well as in the capitals of every state in the Union, where farmers are organizing for their own protection and to their financial betterment.

Mrs. Evland New Librarian

The Library Association met in the library rooms Tuesday evening and elected three new members to serve on the board of directors, with the two already serving, Mrs. L. H. Hazard and O. C. Sanford. The three were Mrs. F. C. McNelly, Mrs. L. L. Turner and Mrs. H. A. Young.

There was a very good attendance and many suggestions for the conduct of the library work were discussed.

After the meeting the board proceeded to elect Mrs. Young as chairman, Mrs. McNelly as secretary, and Mrs. C. C. Evland as librarian, to take the place resigned by Mrs. T. M. Dimmick.

In token of the appreciation of the association for the untiring work Mrs. Dimmick has performed for the library in the years she has served as librarian, the secretary was instructed to write her a letter of commendation and thankfulness. There has been no one who has patronized the library during her incumbency of office who has not spoken in the highest terms of the efforts Mrs. Dimmick has made to serve them and the assistance she has been in finding and selecting reference books, reading matter, etc. She has endeared herself to all, and her retirement is sincerely regretted.

Under Mrs. Evland's care the library will be well handled and the same service extended as has been the case in the past.

News to Be Sold Next Monday

The plant of the Southwest Oregon Daily News will be sold by the sheriff at 10 a. m., next Monday, Oct. 10. The sale is to be made under the terms of the mortgage held by the Bennett Trust Co. Besides the \$6700 due the trust company, there is a second mortgage against the plant of \$1,000 held by the Zellerbach Paper Co., and other indebtedness totalling \$16,000 in all. The county has nearly \$500 due it in taxes from the company which last operated the paper.

To Sell Bandon Woolen Mills

The suit of the Bank of Bandon against the Bandon Woolen Mills was settled by Judge Coke in court Tuesday when he ordered that the decree issued in June, 1920, be set aside and that the property be sold by the receiver under the decree of June 15, 1918, after he had furnished a satisfactory bond of \$15,000.

Plans Making for the Finest One Yet Held—To Be Next Month.

The Commercial Club held meetings on both Wednesday and Thursday evenings this week making plans for this year's Corn Show, and it has been definitely decided that the annual carnival will be held next month. The tentative dates selected are Nov. 18 and 19. The reason for not making it certain is that it is hoped to hold the Coos county Farmers' Week in Coquille the three days preceding the Corn Show and County Agent Farr could not state whether the Agricultural College could send its six lecturers in for that week until he had conferred with the state leader, W. L. Kadderly, who was expected in today.

After the corn show last year a committee consisting of J. A. Lamb, J. E. Norton, A. N. Gould, J. P. Beyers and Geo. O. Leach was appointed as an executive committee to have in charge everything pertaining to this year's carnival. Last evening Mr. Lamb announced that this committee had met and named the following committees to have charge of the several different lines of work connected with this year's show:

Finance Committee—E. D. Webb, Ray Jeub, S. M. Nosler, Archie Walker.

Building Booths—L. H. Hazard, A. B. Campbell, C. A. Gage.

Parade—Leo J. Cary, R. B. Rogers, A. N. Gould, L. P. Branstetter.

Night Amusement—Geo. O. Leach, F. G. Leslie, Arthur Selander, J. E. Norton.

Street Amusements—J. W. Laird, J. W. Miller, J. P. Beyers, J. L. Smith, Archie Walker and E. J. Page.

Specialties—Geo. Battey, S. M. Nosler, F. G. Leslie, Tracy Leach, T. B. Currie.

Ladies Entertainment—Mrs. F. C. McNelly, Mrs. J. E. Ross, Mrs. Frank Leslie.

Advertising Committee—H. A. Young, A. B. Campbell.

Exhibits—C. C. Farr, J. L. Smith, Dr. F. G. Bunch, Geo. Oerding, O. F. Thompson.

Band Music—J. E. Ross, C. L. Willey Jr., Geo. Leach, Stewart Norton.

Decorating Committee—Pete Miller, Harry Oerding, Z. C. Strang, Nick Johnson, Bert Folsom.

It is too late to go into details this week as to how the Corn Show will be handled in this issue, but Archie Walker's suggestion that if everyone would give a fourth as much toward financing it as they did for the Highway Celebration it could easily be put over, met with enthusiasm, and he started a canvass last evening. More than that the Commercial Club will probably match dollar for dollar, up to \$350, whatever is raised by popular subscription, if necessary.

Plans for entertainment are in the hands of committees, which have helped make the corn shows of the past a success.

The Liberty Theatre management offered last evening to donate the use of the theatre for the Farmers' Week schools, which will be from ten to three o'clock each of the three days. The plays which will be given each evening from Tuesday to Saturday will also be given in the theatre at a nominal price.

Arrangements are being made for the use of the new half of the Graham garage, 50x100, and for a part of the Highway Garage across the street from the Sentinel office. In one of them the agricultural, industrial and mercantile displays will be made while the other will be used for entertainment and dance features.

The husking bee, corn husking contests and old fashioned dances are to be held in Goulds' Hall.

Further announcement will be made from time to time, giving in detail just what is being done to make this the finest two days' attraction ever held in Coquille, or the county.

Seven Criminal Cases on Docket

There are now seven cases on the criminal court docket for the coming session of the Circuit court and there is no telling how many may be added when the grand jury meets. Those now on the docket are The State of Oregon against the following named persons: Tom Ward, Orval Anderson, Walter Wallace, A. J. Mayse, Lyle Stebbins, Henry Buehner, and W. M. Rutledge. Several are on appeal from justice courts.

Call on us for Stationery.

Short Council Meeting

The city council held a short session last Monday with W. H. Mansell presiding in the absence of Mayor Hamilton.

The city engineer reported the improvements on Beech street and Holly and Bush streets as completed and the council gave notice of their intention to pay for the work in full. The north end job, Holly and Bush, cost \$1663.54, and that on Beech street \$913.17. It was also ordered that O. C. Harry be paid \$362.52 for 75 per cent of the work he had completed to that date.

The application of the city recorder for a three weeks' leave of absence, from Oct. 7 to Oct. 26, was granted and T. J. Thrift was appointed to serve in that capacity during Mr. Lawrence's absence.

City Engineer Gould reported that the work of surveying the proposed route for the water line from the North Fork to the top of the divide, above Rink creek intake, was being pushed rapidly now and that he was assembling all the data requested by Engineer Koon when he made an investigation of possible sources of supply here last spring. Adjournment was then taken until 7:30 o'clock next Tuesday evening.

The county teachers' institute will be held in Coquille on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, Oct. 24-26.

COUNTY COURT IN SESSION

Listening to visiting delegations, all of whom were asking for the appropriation of money, has been the principal business done by the county court this week, after auditing the month's bills. And the court has had to turn them all down because of lack of funds. Last year the rain stopped road work early in September and left the county with \$20,000 unexpended. This year with the splendid weather of the past month and the greater number of men available, the money budgeted has been practically all spent and the last of this month will see every road project in the county closed down for the winter.

Judge Wade says that he will soon have a tabulated report ready for publication showing which roads have been brought to line and grade and how many men have been employed on the jobs. The total mileage of new roads built this year is 25.

Some months ago two roads were petitioned for southwest of Myrtle Point, one up Dement creek and one up Catching Creek to the Curry county line. The court threw out the petitions at the time but this week they passed a resolution declaring their intention to relocate the old trial up Catching creek and make a county road 60 feet wide and three or four miles long. It will start at a point seven miles southwest of Myrtle Point. Objections to the project will be heard by the court on Wednesday, Dec. 7, and all claims for damages must be filed before that time.

The court appropriated \$400 for conducting a teachers' institute in Coos county this fall.

Next Tuesday the court will meet again to fix an upset price at which all property bid in by the county at delinquent tax sale will be sold by the sheriff. The list of this property comprises 118 type written pages, all but four and a half of which is for town lots, a line to a description.

Many of these lots to be sold are two and three miles out from Marshfield and Bandon. If some one would buy up a bunch of these lots in one section, have it vacated and replaced on the county books as acreage it would tend to simplify the records and cut down from 40,000 the town lots now showing on the rolls as platted in Coos county.

Asked for County Library

A committee of the local Library Association, consisting of Mrs. Helen Sperry, Mrs. L. P. Branstetter and Mrs. Wm. Candlin, waited upon the county court yesterday in regard to budgeting for a county library. The court appreciated the need of such a library and expressed the hope that a levy for its establishment might be made in the near future, but with the existing high rate of taxes they didn't think it advisable to do it this year. It is hoped to keep the amount raised for county taxes this year at the same figure it was last year.

"FOOLISH MATRONS," the big Maurice Tourneur picture at the Liberty next Tuesday and Wednesday. See the program on page three.

2 MOONSHINERS

Fined \$500, Six Months in Jail And Had Their Auto and Equipment Confiscated.

It's getting to be a habit with the sheriff's office to bring in moonshiners Friday morning. Last week it was Robert Young. This week it is Chas. Thomas and his son-in-law, E. E. Doyle, of North Bend, who were lodged in jail at seven o'clock this morning. The sheriff arrested them on Sumner mountain about 5:30 this morning just as they were moving their outfit.

Sheriff Ellingsen had located the place, which is three-quarters of a mile from the summit on the Sumner side a week ago, and had had Constable Kern watching it since that time.

Yesterday afternoon the two men moved in and by 5:30 this morning had run off 16 gallons of liquor and had their equipment packed, loaded on their truck and were just driving away when arrested.

They are a pretty slick pair and by means of the truck they have kept moving constantly, operating a night or two at various points in the county. Prior to setting up their still they build a platform, probably there are a good many scattered around in isolated spots, and after running a batch move to their next spot.

Last night one of the men sat alongside the road, 800 feet from the still with a cord attached to a bell at the plant and by means of this arrangement could signal his partner whether anyone was coming. The bell could be heard for several hundred feet.

Yesterday afternoon the sheriff was notified that they had moved in, so he and Deputy Malaborn and Constable Kern and Goodman spent the night out there.

When the moonshiners started to pull out this morning one of them carried a 30-30 Winchester which he pulled down on the officers when commanded to halt, but Ellingsen had the drop on him and he changed his mind.

Someone had tacked a note at the still warning them of the fact that the place was being watched and they were trying to get away before daylight, not knowing they had been under surveillance all night.

Besides the two men, the capture including the sixteen gallons of booze, two large damijohns, two stills, two stoves, the Winchester and an automatic revolver.

At ten o'clock this morning Doyle and Thomas were taken before Justice J. J. Stanley, where they pleaded guilty and were fined \$500 each, sentenced to six months in jail and all their equipment, including the Ford touring car, which had been made over into a truck, were declared confiscated by the judge.

The moonshining game is a little expensive to be caught at. If not there appears to be big money in it. But sooner or later the sheriff gets next and then it is Turnkey Price's hostelry for the offenders.

Coos Cheese Scored High

J. A. Larson, of the Oregon Dairy-men's League, received word last week that the league's cheese exhibit at the Spokane Inter-state Fair had won first prize in competition with the leading cheese factories of the Pacific Northwest. The exhibit was made by Eod Farmer, of Coos Bay Factory No. 2, scoring ninety-three and one half points. Mr. Farmer is to be congratulated on the honor he has won, and it is besides a splendid advertisement for Coos county.

Keep to the Left

Supt. Lynn A. Parr has given notice at the new high school building for all pupils coming out the highway to keep to the left and be courteous to parents to impress this fact on their children that only by following that road law will they be safe. It is a rule which all pedestrians on the highway should heed.

The Schilkret Orchestra

Attention is again called to the first number of the American Legion's Meneley Lyceum Course, which will be given at the Liberty Theatre next Friday evening, Oct. 14. The Schilkret Orchestra, which has been delighting American audiences for twenty years, will be the attraction. You will save money by buying a season ticket.