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CONVENTION OF GRANGERS DRAWS MANY

200 ATTEND OPENING SESSION /

FISH FEED FEATURE

Long Program of Legislation Recommended by State Master C. E. Spence in His Annual Report.

Fully 200 delegates are in attendance at the annual convention of the Oregon State Grange, which opened here on Tuesday. It was announced this noon by Master C. E. Spence at the close of the morning session, which was devoted exclusively to passing on credentials. With this preliminary work completed, standing committees were to be appointed this afternoon, and the reports of officers heard. Wednesday is set for the election of officers. The convention is the 47th meeting of the kind held by the Grange in Oregon.

Work is Outlined.

In outlining matters of statewide importance which are expected to come before the convention, Mr. Spence declared that considerable time would undoubtedly be given to various policies hinging on cooperation in the various subordinate and Pomona Granges, and that in addition recommendations for legislation on a number of vital questions will be debated. Chief among these will be an auto license law providing an upward revision with special reference to the larger, higher powered cars, a state income tax law, and a land registration law based on that now in effect in Canada and aiming at the eventual elimination of the abstract business. Mr. Spence also expects to bring up the question of initiating a hydro-electric district law, providing for organization to develop electric power on much the same plan as the irrigation district, and will ask action on a recommendation for an anti-discriminatory law basing prices on factory cost, and protecting local producers from price cutting by competitors whose goods are shipped in from outside points. A law to do away with game wardens, placing their work on county officials, and another aiming at slight changes in the initiative and referendum, will in all probability also be discussed.

ALFALFA CROP AT SISTERS IS HARDY

Slow Growth Strengthens Plants, Reports Delegate to Squaw Creek District Meeting.

J. B. Minor and H. H. DeArmond attended the regular meeting of the delegates of the Squaw Creek Irrigation District, held at Sisters last night. An approximation of 4,000 acres is under alfalfa in the Sisters section this season, notwithstanding the apparently late spring, and it is generally conceded, so Mr. Minor reports, that the crop is in better condition this year than it has been for two seasons previous. This year the growth has been comparatively slow, making the plant sturdy and preventing the cold nights from affecting it as they have in years past. The entire tonnage raised on the 4,000 acres will be consumed in that section, says Mr. Minor. Several of the largest stock-raisers have planned the building of silos in the coming fall. It is generally believed by the residents of that district that there will be an abundance of water at the time it is most needed, during the summer, owing to the slow melting of the snow in the mountains.

ENDORSE CLUB'S STAND ON JAPS

LETTERS COME FROM ALL OVER STATE

Second Wire From George L. Burt Asks Cooperation—Reply offers Opportunity to Speak Before Business Men.

The objection of the farmers of the Terrebonne section to the importation of Japanese laborers, and the support given this position by the Bend Commercial club is bringing letters of commendation from many sections of the state. Incidentally it has brought about the discharge of the guard at the George L. Burt holding in this county, who, according to the reports of farmers from that section, was hired to protect the Japanese potato growers.

In a telegram to the Commercial club announcing this step, Mr. Burt says: "No reason why you should not cooperate with us. Positively not our intention to colonize Japanese on our land in Central Oregon. We have five men there and don't intend to bring any more until we can come to some definite understanding with farmers as well as business men."

Burt Invited to Speak.

Definitely outlining the club's position on the question, a wire in reply to this communication was dispatched today by D. G. McPherson, president of the club. "The Bend Commercial club stands with the farmers of this section in opposing settlement of land by Japanese, and will use every effort to prevent it," he said. "If you or your associates care to put your position in the matter before the club, will be glad to have you do so. Please notify us when you wish to be heard."

Typical of the letters commending the stand of the Bend business men and of the Terrebonne farmers is one from Portland, in which the statement is made: "Oregon must fight the importation of these fellows to the last ditch, and then keep on fighting. We have no time to lose, but we must begin, and keep it up till we have won. Nothing less will save the country from being overrun by a race which we cannot assimilate nor naturalize."

PROTEST HALTS LAND CLEARING

Answering the recent telegram sent by the Bend Commercial club inviting him to attend a session of the club and present his side of the case in regard to agitation in the north end of the county against employment of Japanese labor on his potato ranches, George L. Burt, wealthy Pacific coast potato broker, wired today, expressing his appreciation of the invitation and declaring that he will make a special effort to leave San Francisco for Bend this week.

"Will wire for appointment before leaving," his telegram continues. "Recommend having Mr. Pellett and all parties interested at the meeting. Will appreciate your arranging this."

"Positively no reason why you should not cooperate with us. We have no intention to offer our land in Central Oregon to Japanese. Your citizens and farmers will have no legitimate cause for complaint from any action on the part of our corporation."

"Owing to extreme labor conditions, we sincerely regret we attempted to cultivate and farm any of our Central Oregon lands. Tried hard to secure labor, and our operations, so far, have been most expensive. I want to go on record at this time that not another sagebrush or juniper will be removed from our lands in Central Oregon until we are working in peace and harmony with your body and farmers of Deschutes County."

MANY JOIN IN OBSERVANCE OF MEMORIAL DAY

IMPRESSIVE SERVICE SEEN

LOFTY IDEALS URGED

Rev. J. Edgar Purdy Speaks at Indoor Exercises—More Than 100 Ex-Service Men in Uniform March.

Crowds filled the gymnasium to capacity to attend Memorial day services, held under the auspices of Percy A. Stevens post, American legion, Monday morning, and later lined the streets as more than 100 men in uniform, led by the Shevlin-Hixon band, in khaki, started the march to Pilot Butte cemetery, where the simple, but impressive, ceremonies, authorized by national headquarters, expressed the reverence of the living for the dead.

The observance of Decoration day started shortly before 10 o'clock at the gymnasium, when the members of the post marched into the gymnasium and stood at attention during the playing of "The Star Spangled Banner." The invocation by Rev. J. Edgar Purdy of the Methodist church, and a vocal duet by Dr. L. W. Gatchell and Mrs. Ashley Forrest followed.

In the address of the day Rev. Purdy made an eloquent appeal for the perpetuation of the ideals for which America's wars have been fought. The American legion he spoke of as a worthy successor to the Grand Army of the Republic and the Spanish-American War Veterans. Members of both of the two last named organizations were on the platform during the services.

Graves Are Decorated.

After the benediction by Rev. Fred A. Corneliusson of the Scandinavian-Lutheran church and the singing of "America" by the audience, the service men filed out, reforming in the street and beginning the march to the graveyard.

Entering the cemetery in column of squads, at a half-time cadence, the command swung into company front and stood at attention while the tribute to the dead was read by Fred A. Woelffen, commander of the post, and the firing squad, under the command of Sergeant Norman A. Cobb, had performed its appointed duty. The service was concluded with the decorating of graves by men from all branches of the service.

The observance of Decoration day was in charge of a committee of the legion, headed by Dr. Gatchell.

GROWERS AWAIT WOOL ADVANCE

SLUMP IN MARKET SINCE EARLIER SALES FINDS SHEEPMEN UNWILLING TO DISPOSE OF CLIPS.

Since the purchase of two fairly large clips of Central Oregon wool and several smaller amounts for E. N. Stanfield, the market, both in Portland and Boston, has fallen off badly, and growers, unwilling to accept the 30 cent rate now offered, are holding for an advance. Already, says A. M. Pringle of the United Warehouse, approximately 200,000 pounds are in storage here awaiting the sale which will be held about the middle of June, and 350,000 pounds more will probably come in before the buyers gather in Bend.

Fifty-two cents was the price at which Tom Cronin's 30,000-pound clip was contracted for by Stanfield two weeks ago, while 50 cents was paid for the large clip of Charles Pitcher, which has not yet been brought into Bend.

No wool has been sent out of Bend on consignment, it is stated by Mr. Pringle.

LARGE CROWD ENJOYS TROUT FEED IN BEND

MEMBERS OF GRANGE ENTERTAINED

NOVEL DINNER GIVEN

Hundreds Eat by Light of Huge Bonfires on Bank of Deschutes. Band Music Pleasant Feature of Evening.

Half a thousand people, including practically every delegate to the state grange convention, with many Bend residents, gathered on the east bank of the Deschutes Tuesday evening for the trout banquet given by the Bend Rod & Gun club and the Commercial club. The fact that an abundant supply of fish was on hand to satisfy the appetites of every man, woman and child in the crowd was a tribute to the skill of local anglers, who had spent the two preceding days in procuring trout from the various lakes and streams in the country tributary to Bend.

A detachment of cooks, under the direction of Pat Murphy, prepared fish, potatoes and coffee and served them on wooden plates, provided by The Shevlin-Hixon Company, to the hungry hundreds who passed by the cafeteria counter enclosing a huge range. Menus were printed on Deschutes white pine, furnished by the Brooks-Seaman Lumber company. From the outdoor kitchen the delegates and their friends passed to long wooden tables and benches erected by the forest service, and enjoyed the repast, while an immense bonfire illuminated the scene. Excellent instrumental numbers were offered by the Shevlin-Hixon band. Mayor J. A. Eastes, in a brief address, welcomed the delegates just before the cafeteria line was formed.

Sportsmen Add to Roster.

After the last trout had disappeared, speeches were in order, and A. Whisnant, C. E. Spence, master of the grange; H. J. Overturf, Mrs. Minnie E. Bond, state lecturer, and C. J. Hurd, county agriculturist, from Douglas county, were introduced by President D. G. McPherson of the Commercial club.

While the outdoor session was in progress, a successful canvass for members was made by the Rod & Gun club and a business meeting of the same organization followed.

MADE IN OREGON WINDOWS PLEASE

Even More Interest Should Be Shown, However, Says Associated Industries Manager.

In connection with the display of Oregon made goods being made this week by local merchants, A. G. Clark, manager of the Associated Industries of Oregon arrived in Bend Wednesday and spent the morning visiting with local dealers. While pleased with the showing of Oregon products in the store windows during Grange week, Mr. Clark expressed himself as being somewhat disappointed that more interest is not being taken. "Oregon made goods mean payrolls, and the merchants of Bend have every reason to know what payrolls mean to them," he said.

A committee of delegates attending the Grange convention will be appointed tomorrow to judge the windows and select the three best to receive the cash prizes offered by the organization which Mr. Clark represents.

Mr. Clark is the father of Mrs. J. L. Van Huffel, of this city.

CRANKS CAR, DEPARTS ARM.

Walter Smith, of Crescent, while cranking a car, sustained a fracture of one of the bones in the arm Sunday. He was brought to Bend Monday for medical treatment.

L. K. SHEPHERD LOSES LIFE IN SUTTLES LAKE

JUMPS FROM BOAT AS WAVES THREATEN

COMPANIONS RESCUED

Life of Norval Springer Saved by 20-Year-Old John Brewer When Craft Overturns—Exhausted Pair Found at Last.

Starting on a trip of more than 600 miles to Ashland, Oregon, where funeral services will be held for L. K. Shepherd, prominent music store proprietor of Bend, who was drowned at Suttles lake Saturday afternoon, Mrs. Mariam Shepherd, his widow, and Earl Shepherd, his brother, left Bend Monday accompanying the body of their husband and Brother. Mrs. W. G. Newton is making the trip with them. They are to be met at Portland by Mr. Shepherd's parents.

News of the tragedy came Saturday evening in a phone message sent in to Bend by F. A. Howard, of this city, calling from a ranch near the resort. Shortly after, a party consisting of Oscar Hanson, Dr. H. N. Moore, D. H. Peoples, J. H. Haner, S. E. Roberts, and J. D. Donovan, left for the lake, and Sunday morning the body was recovered 65 feet from shore at a 40 foot depth.

Heavy Clothes Hinder.

Jumping from a boat nearly full of water, but only 50 yards from shore, Mr. Shepherd attempted to swim to safety though hampered by hip boots and a heavy sheepskin coat, according to Norval Springer, of Bend, who, with 20 year old John Brewer, left in charge of the resort by William Young, holder of the Suttles lake concession, were in the boat at the time it was being swamped by waves. The craft capsized as Mr. Shepherd jumped, and Brewer started to swim ashore, but had gone only a few strokes when he turned back to aid Springer, who has no knowledge of swimming. When only 30 feet from a firm beach, Mr. Shepherd sank.

During the hour and a half which followed, Springer's life was saved at least twice by his youthful companion, Springer declares, for the boat turned with them several times before they were able to get their balance. After regaining the boat for the first time Springer managed to kick off his hip boots. Thoroughly chilled by their long immersion in the icy water, and almost unconscious, the two were rescued by Young, who arriving from Redmond, heard cries for help and was informed by campers that they had seen a boat, apparently in distress, on the lake.

Jumps When Waves Threaten.

The two Bend anglers left here Saturday morning, headed for Square lake, and reached Suttles lake about 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon, Springer said. Young Brewer had been ordered to let out no boats if the water was rough, but Mr. Shepherd had no fear of the choppy water and high wind, and persuaded the boy to take them out.

After their trip across had progressed for some 15 minutes, the motor on the back of the boat became loose and was bolted back on by the boy while Mr. Shepherd manned the oars. A few minutes later, the ignition was killed by a wave, and one of the oars manned by Springer slipped from the lock, the boat swinging broadside to the wind. Bailing with their hats in lieu of cans, the occupants of the craft could make no headway against the waves which were gradually filling the boat. Soon Mr. Shepherd called, "She's filling up," and rising, without removing either boots or coat, and with the evident intention of lightening the craft for those remaining behind, jumped overboard. His foot, placed on the edge of the boat, overturned it as he entered the water.

Mr. Shepherd was 31 years and six months old at the time of his death. He was born in Ashland, where his parents still reside. In addition to his wife and brother, an infant daughter survives him.

INVASION BY JAPANESE TO BE AN ISSUE

GRANGE DISAPPROVAL IS EXPECTED

CANVASS UNDER WAY

Reelection of C. E. Spence as State Master Forecasted at Convention—Becomes a Reality When Vote Is Counted.

Before the adjournment of the state grange, which began the second day of its annual convention here this morning, action will be asked condemning Japanese colonization in Oregon, it was learned during the noon recess today. It was strongly indicated that the sentiment of the Grange would be strongly in favor of such action.

Interest today centered about the work of the canvassing committee, which spent the morning and early afternoon in going over the state referendum vote on the higher officers of the organization. Preliminary reports indicated that C. E. Spence, incumbent, was the favorite for the office of master, but official returns were not to be given out until the close of the afternoon session.

Aiming against any change in the prohibition law to allow for the manufacture or sale of light beers and wines, a resolution was introduced this morning by A. S. Coustant which, if passed, will place the objection on record as against any changes in the 18th amendment to the federal constitution.

Bright Future Seen

An optimistic outlook for the future of the organization was taken by State Master C. E. Spence when in his report yesterday afternoon covering the activities of the past year, he declared that the Grange is stronger than ever before, in spirit, if not in numbers, and that its financial condition will permit a more aggressive extension campaign.

Mr. Spence spoke vigorously against any attempt to regulate "big business" by law, asserting that the only satisfactory method of attaining this end is through cooperation between producer and consumer. "It is hoped that through an exchange between Farmer and Labor cooperative associations, much of the present cost of distribution can be eliminated," he said.

Grange Not Political

Touching on the present condition of unrest, he urged the removal of the cause, rather than the treatment of symptomatic conditions. "The only way to keep men from agitating against grievances is to remove the grievances," he said. "The seed of revolution is repression. The real antidote for the unrest which manifests itself is not suppression, but a deep consideration of the wrongs which beset our natural life, and the application of a remedy."

The speaker emphatically stated that the Grange is in no sense a political or party organization, but enumerated legislative measures which he declared should have the support of the organization. Amendment of the state rural credits law to permit financing with state funds, upward revision of the auto license schedule as regards new high-priced cars, a graduated land tax upon excessive holdings, a state income tax, abolishing discrimination in prices, organization of water power districts, and amendment of the land registration law to insure effective operation, were chief among these. He advised against any changes in the land bank law.

New Branches Organized

State Lecturer Mrs. Bond reported the organization of six granges during the past 12 months, and urged that the policies of the order be such as to eliminate the possibility of public criticism.

During the afternoon session, E.

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