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COUNTY FAIR GALA EVENT THIS YEAR

Varied Program Offered by Twelfth Annual Exhibition which Ends This Evening After Four-Day Program; Displays Well Made.

With a program varying from horse-racing to a baby show, from free entertainments by the Dixie Minstrels and the Wheeler and McMahon circus to athletic stunts and wrestling, the twelfth annual Lane county fair in Eugene ending today has offered entertainment for young and old of widely different tastes. Exhibits of horses and livestock, of fancy bred poultry, let the citizens of the county know what Lane county can offer at its best. Hot dog stands, balloons and taffy give the tang and zest familiar to every small boy and every boy grown tall.

Springfield has been well represented in the various departments. Noticeable in the large pavilion is the splendid showing in fruit, vegetables and flowers of the Chase Gardens. Flowers in the deep autumn shades make gay the southern wing of the large pavilion also. The public markets are represented by a high quality of produce on exhibition.

In the collection of E. C. Eckert, Eugene taxidermist and furrier, may be seen some interesting Indian relics, grinding equipment of stone some unearthed in Mexico, others from eastern Oregon.

Much interest has been aroused by the art display, which is declared to be better both in variety and quality than in previous years. One oil painting by C. J. Fulton, Eugene clothier, depicts a beach scene near Bandon. It has attracted much attention as has work in oils by Virgil O. Hafen, fine arts instructor at the University of Oregon who is known for his interpretation of desert settings. A painting by John F. Carlson, New York painter famous for his snow scenes, may be seen in the collection. Life drawings, cast drawings and pencil and crayon sketches, as well as original designs are hung on the walls.

The school children are well represented with handicraft. Various pieces of furniture have been made by the manual training classes and submitted to the judges as has also a violin. Art work in this class is especially attractive.

Auto dealers have devoted a large amount of space to the display of the latest car models which include Star, Durant, Flint, Oldsmobile, Ford, Paige, Studebaker, Buick, Chevrolet, Chrysler, Maxwell, Hudson, and Essex makes.

The Santa Clara community furnished the best sectional industrial display. It was decided early in the week E. C. McElroy, ticket clerk at the Eugene Southern Pacific station was declared the winner of the first prize for the freakiest hat worn during the week to advertise the county fair. He was given \$7.50, cash. Clinto Hurd, president of the fair association, won second prize of \$5, and Lloyd E. Ireland, father of the freak hat idea, was given third prize of \$2.50. The prizes were awarded Tuesday evening at the grandstand entertainment. The wearers of the freak hats paraded before the stand and members of the Dixie Syncopators acted as judges, selecting the three funniest, and allowing the audience to designate the rating of the three.

Yesterday was baby day at the fair, and the judges were put to the difficult task of choosing the handsomest of the county out of the 177 babies entered in the event. There were 26 prize-winners, in which Springfield was represented by two winners. Evelyns, daughter of Mrs. Virgil T. Wright, and Doris Helen Rayburn, daughter of Mrs. O. C. Rayburn.

Four Janes, three Johns and two Marys carried off prizes. Blue eyes were favorites with the judges, with 12 blue-eyed babies. But brown eyes ran a close second with 10. Girls seemed to be prettier than boys, for 14 girls were announced winners as compared to 8 boys.

Best looking twins—First, Joseph and Albert Flaherty, Eugene, sons of Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Flaherty; second prize, Marjorie and Muriel Olsen, Creswell, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Olsen.

For babies under one year—First Rosalie Anne Calef, motor route B.

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FOUR OUT FOR SCHOOL CLERK OF DISTRICT NO. 19

Gosler, McKinnis, Lansberry and Smith Seek Position Left Vacant
By J. W. Coffin's Death.

Thomas McKinnis, Reuben W. Smith, Lynce Lansberry and Walter Gosler have filed petitions which place their names on the ballot for school clerk of district 19 in the election to be held Saturday, September 20. The position was left vacant by the death of J. W. Coffin, who held that position as well as that of city recorder.

Plans for the election were made at a meeting of the school board Tuesday night. The board also voted to purchase new blackboards for the Springfield high school, and to buy some new scales to be used for weighing and measuring the students in the physical education work.

Mr. McKinnis is a retired farmer now employed at the Booth-Kelly sawmill. He is owner of the Bell theater building.

Mr. Smith is janitor at the Springfield high school, and for many years a resident of this city.

Mr. Gosler is assistant postmaster at the Springfield postoffice, and prominent in American Legion activities.

Mr. Lansberry has been bookkeeper for the Carl Fischer sawmill at Walton for some time past.

Filing closes at 6 o'clock this evening.

The polls will be open for voting in the City Hall on Saturday from 2 to 6 o'clock in the afternoon.

LIONS HEAR RORER ON DAWES REPARATIONS

The Dawes Reparation plan, which he likened to a receivership of Germany, was discussed before the Springfield Lions club at its regular luncheon last Friday noon by C. D. Rorer, president of the Eugene Bank of Commerce. Mr. Rorer expressed the belief the troubles of the world were purely economical and that the Dawes plan which would solve the reparation payments by putting Germany on its feet economically would make prosperity throughout the world.

F. C. Ables, who pioneered the irrigation in this district with his big canal, told of his efforts to secure a state experiment station here and was assured the hearty support of the Lions in this connection.

Went to Corvallis and Newport— Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Flanery and daughter, Dorothy, spent the week-end at Corvallis and Newport

Home from Hospital—Clarence Bradley who underwent a minor operation last Saturday, has been brought home from the hospital.

LANE PIONEERS HOLD REUNION AND PICNIC

Old Timers Gather and Swap Stories
of 50 Years Ago or More; Miller
Elected President.

A total of 30 new members signed the membership roll, meeting the requirements of 50 years residence in the state. The state pioneer group requires birth in Oregon prior to 1865, but the county rules were recently changed to the 50 years residence.

The members of the association who have gone beyond since the 1923 reunion are listed as follows:

Caroline Marx, Eugene, 1854; Charles A. Damewood, Crow, 1853; Charles A. McCullough, Crow, 1853; James M. Andrews, Eugene, 1853; R. M. Veatch, native of Cottage Grove, 1861; David McFarland, Cottage Grove, 1853; F. E. Dunn, native, Eugene, 1869; James C. Bushnell, Eugene, 1851; Mrs. William Stoops, Eugene, 1853; Miss Amanda Hayes, Eugene; W. P. Chesire, Eugene, 1854; James Wallace, Natron; Mrs. Anna Barker, native, Irving, 1873; Mrs. Rosetta Dickenson, Eugene, 1864; William Wallace, Natron, 1852; Melvin Fenwick, Springfield, 1863; Amos Wilkins, native, Eugene, 1854; Ben Hammitt, Dona, 1864; George Orswell, Eugene; James Callaway, Eugene, 1853; Clay Owen, Lorane, 1860; J. T. Duckworth, Eugene, 1859; Anna Lyons, Springfield, 1853; John C. Porter, Cottage Grove, 1854; William Pittner, Junction City, 1853; G. R. Chrisman, Eugene; James Benton, Eugene, 1864; Andrew Wood, Eugene, 1853; Mrs. Josie Smith, Coburg, 1853; Jos. Liles, native, Crow, 1865; B. F. Wilkes, Ada, Thomas VanDuyn, Coburg; Malinda Mathews, Dexter; L. Blyue, Eugene, 1862; Mrs. Fannie Estelle Custer, Eugene, 1860; Mrs. Ernestine Miller, Santa Clara, 1853; Mrs. Louise Robertson, Santa Clara, 1856; Arthur Lindley, Goshen; Mary A. Baker, Cottage Grove; Philo Wilcox, Springfield, 1853; Mrs. D. M. McCrady, Eugene; Adam Ritchey, Jasper; Mrs. Ella Belknap, Belknap Bridge; Mrs. Anna Standish, Eugene; Jos. Powell, Cottage Grove.

A picnic dinner of lavish proportions and tales of the "good old days," their hardships and their joys, were featured at the fair on Tuesday, "Pioneer Day." Heading the organization for this year is George Miller, 1853, who is a brother of the famous Joaquin Miller, and a son of the Hulings Millers who settled here near Coburg. F. A. Rankin, '62, is vice-president, and W. L. Bristow was selected to serve his 11th year in the secretary's chair.

Returned to Portland—Miss Gretchen Herrick, who has been visiting at the home of Dr. R. P. Mortensen as a guest of Miss Alice Mortensen for the past three weeks, returned to her home in Portland Sunday.

Experts Favor Ables Project

Whether Irrigation Experiment Station is Located Here De- pends on Community

The importance and possibilities of the F. C. Ables irrigation project and the advantages of having a field experimental station of the Oregon Agricultural college here were very favorably impressed on Professors Powers and Jarden of O. A. C. who visited the 255 acre-farm north of Springfield Tuesday. They expressed themselves as believing this an ideal spot to demonstrate what irrigation would do.

Other sections of the state are also after experimental stations. Two things will be necessary before one can be located here according to information left by the college experts. One is that there must be positive evidence that the people of his vicinity want the station and the other is favorable consideration by the legislature. The impression was that if an irrigation experimental station were to be located on the 40 acres with water right to be donated by Mr. Ables the community must support and make use of it.

More than 100 acres has already been plowed on the Ables farm and Mr. Ables will go ahead and plow the 40 acres offered as well as level it and put it in shape for irrigation. He states he will carry on the work so that if the project is put over this winter the college men may take hold immediately.

FOUR NEW CANDIDATES SEEKING CITY OFFICES

Rosserman, Lansberry, and Smith for Recorder and George W. Stewart Files for Councilman.

Further excitement in the political contest in November is promised by the fact that four new names have been added to the list of candidates by petitions this week.

Reuben W. Smith and Bruce Lansberry also candidates for the position of school clerk in the Saturday election, are in the race for city recorder, as is Calvin Rosserman.

George Stewart has announced his intention to run for the position of city councilman. There are two places to be filled. The candidates now number three, Herbert J. Cox and W. C. McLagan are the other two.

No candidates have yet offered to make the race for mayor three-sided, and as things now stand it is between G. G. Bushman and William Long, William G. Hughes is the sole candidate for city treasurer.

WIGWAG SIGNAL FOR SECOND ST. CROSSING

S. P. to Install New Magnetic Signal
Soon to Warn Traffic at Blind
Crossing on Main Highway

A magnetic wigwag signal will be installed at the Second street crossing with the Southern Pacific railroad according to information received from E. L. King, superintendent of the railroad company by the Springfield Chamber of Commerce. Mr. King says the new traffic warning signal will be installed promptly.

The Second street crossing because is blinded by the warehouse on the west side of the street has long been dangerous to motorists. At the last meeting of the Springfield Chamber of Commerce a committee was appointed to bring the matter to the attention of the public service commission. This was done and Tuesday a letter was received from the commission containing the information from Mr. King. He said the appropriation for installing and maintaining the device had been authorized and it would be put up promptly.

CITY SCHOOLS OPEN WITH FULL HOUSE

Enrollment in the Springfield high school which began today totalled about 140 up until noon, with prospects of more to come, according to principal Vern D. Bain. Mrs. Ora Read Hemenway, principal of the Lincoln school, reported 331 pupils this morning. There are possibly 50 freshmen in the high school thus far. The first grade at the Lincoln building totalled 29, and is very crowded. Four pupils who are not 6 years old in October were sent back to their homes because the crowded conditions made strict age limits necessary.

A trial of the high school schedule will be run through tomorrow morning so that schedules can be worked out to this adjustment, and there will probably be no school in the afternoon principal Bain said. Work will begin promptly Monday morning in the various courses.

The introduction of systematic instruction in music, art and physical training will be a feature of the Lincoln school program this year. Mrs. Hemenway will give the music and art work. A representative of the University of Oregon physical education department will confer with Mrs. Hemenway this afternoon regarding the physical training work. More literary work will be included in the courses as well.

Teachers at the Lincoln building have been assigned to their classes as follows:

Marjorie Tracy, second A, with an enrollment of 11 boys and 11 girls; Crystal Male, third B, 14 boys and 18 girls; Nina C. Boesen, fifth B and fifth A, 10 boys and 15 girls; Ella Hayden, third A and fourth A, 10 boys and 17 girls; Mrs. A. L. Roberts, second B, 17 boys and 12 girls; Elmer H. Halstead, sixth B and sixth A, 23 boys and 10 girls; Mrs. Elizabeth C. Page, first B, 22 boys and 17 girls; Mrs. Ella Lombard, sixth B, 24 girls; Edna Platt, fourth B, 11 boys and 15 girls; Eula Montgomery, fifth B, 13 boys and 10 girls; Mrs. Helen Morgan, first A, 12 boys and 19 girls.

CONLEY FUNERAL HELD SUNDAY AT SPRINGFIELD

Funeral services for Miss Ethel Conley, 39, were held Sunday afternoon at 2 p. m. in the Springfield Christian church, Rev. E. V. Stivers of the Eugene Christian church officiating, assisted by Rev. James Pointer. Interment was in the Laurel Hill cemetery.

Death came to Miss Conley on Tuesday evening, September 9, from a fracture at the base of the brain received when struck by a car driven by Miss Carol Chase at Second and A streets.

No inquest was held, although relatives of Miss Chase requested an investigation of the accident. Parents of the deceased did not ask for an inquest. Coroner W. W. Branstetter was in Springfield Thursday afternoon and held an inquiry, but no inquest was found necessary.

Fined for Camp Fire.

George Strawn of Woodburn, Oregon, while camping in the upper McKenzie country on Sept. 11, left his campfire without totally extinguishing it. It was discovered by a forest service patrolman and Mr. Strawn was notified to report to District Ranger Taylor's station at McKenzie Bridge. Upon doing this, the matter was referred to the local forest office and complaint was made in the Justice Court and when Mr. Strawn appeared he was assessed \$5.00 and \$3.85 costs. While Mr. Strawn was confident he had left his campfire in an absolutely safe condition, he admitted that possibility the fire was not quite out.

Owing to the very dry conditions at the present time, all forest officers have very emphatic instructions that all such cases must be dealt with as promptly and harshly as possible.

Attend Meeting in Albany.

Roy A. Humphreys, cashier at the local Southern Pacific depot, and Oswald M. Olson, Southern Pacific warehouseman, attended a meeting of the Brotherhood of Railway Clerks in Albany Sunday, as well as the big picnic in Bryant's Park there. Mr. and Mrs. Humphreys and son, Russell, went Saturday night and returned Sunday evening accompanied by their other son, Charles, who had been visiting his grandparents there, Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Humphreys. Mr. Olson went down Sunday morning, returning with the Humphreys in the evening.

Elbow Severely Cut—While at work in camp 34-above Wendling N. J. Ward had his elbow accidentally cut. The cut penetrated clear to the bone, and seven stitches had to be taken to close the wound. He has been receiving daily treatment and dressing for the cut at the Eugene hospital this week. As soon as he is able he plans to leave on a trip to Hillyard, Wash- ington, and Spokane to visit his children, stopping to see his sister, Mrs. May Holford of Portland.

Elected to Grand Lodge.

Mayor E. B. Parks of Eugene and H. E. Maxey, of Springfield, have been elected delegates to the Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias convening next month in Portland. They will represent Helmet Lodge No. 33. Mr. Maxey is the junior past commander of the local lodge.

YOUTH SHOT IN KNEE.

Billy Breeding, young son of Mr. and Mrs. George Breeding of Coburg, was shot in the knee this past weekend when the .22 rifle which he was cleaning was accidentally discharged. The bullet entered the knee near one of the larger nerves, and it may be necessary to perform a difficult operation to extricate it.

Walnut Lumber Commands High Price—Logging operations near the old home of W. E. Mountjoy near Peoria, Illinois, are, chiefly in the walnut district. Mr. Mountjoy reports that some logs which have laid on the ground for many years are taken for lumber and found as good as ever. One log 8 feet long and 24 in- ches in diameter was purchased at \$21.65 by a dealer there.

Dam Work Nearing Completion.

Workmen are busy on the south wing of the new dam at the Booth-Kelly sawmill, and its completion will mean the completion of the entire structure, since the north wing and the center sluiceways are finished. The structure is yet to be banked with dirt.

A removable bridge, 16 feet by 24 has been completed this week on the dock west of the mill. The structure can be removed by a crane when the trains come in on the tract under the bridge.

