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## GUARANTEE AGAINST PRICE DROP BARED

Federal Trade Commission Advised by Business Interests to Form Policy

Washington, Oct. 5.—Partial responsibility for high prices was laid today on the trade practice of manufacturers' guarantee against price decline by those who protested against the custom at hearings before the federal trade commission. More than 200 spokesmen for business interests were present to advise with the commission in formulating a policy.

The statement that prices would have gone down soon after the armistice in many lines had the price guarantee practice been unknown was brought out in answer to questions by Chairman Murdock.

Without exception opponents of the system said their belief had been confirmed by breaks in commodities where the practice was not employed. They cited the sugar and silk markets as typical.

Mr. Goldsmith, representing the Silk Association of America, said the guarantee could be construed in no other light than as a means of maintaining "generally high level of prices and mitigating against any reduction which would have followed natural operation of the law of supply and demand."

Silk prices, he said, had declined 50 per cent in the last six months, which would have been impossible had the wholesalers been guaranteed against loss by the manufacturers.

"What about holding up artificial prices, like war prices, and would they have been reduced except for the price guarantee?" Mr. Murdock inquired.

"Unhesitatingly, I would say they

## The Albany Races

Seeing that the fair people have declared the 1920 fair off, the business men of Albany determining that the people shall not be entirely disappointed, have arranged for three days of racing on the fair grounds track, Thursday (today) Friday and Saturday. Nearly all of the horses which would have been at the fair, will be at this race meet. See the big race ad in this issue.

## Will Not Close Down

Manager Peery of the Condensery informs us that despite the fact that more than thirty large condensing plants throughout the United States have closed operations, the Scio plant will continue to operate. While farmers cannot expect prices to rule as high as in the past, the Scio plant will continue to pay on the basis of the market price for condensed milk. With the cooperation of farmers and dairymen a steady market for their milk supply will be maintained.

## Mexican Posts Stricken

Washington, Oct. 5.—Yellow fever is prevalent at all the principal ports on the east coast of Mexico and to prevent its possible spread to the United States the public health service has placed quarantine restrictions against all travelers from these ports.

Epidemics of the disease have been reported from Tuxpam and Vera Cruz and some deaths have occurred at Progreso, in Yucatan, further to the south.

Oil companies in the Tampico field are apprehensive that the prevalence of the disease may cause an exodus of foreign employes, including many Americans, which would materially reduce the oil production of the world's greatest field.

## State Transfers Land

Salem, Ore., Oct. 5.—Governor Oleott today signed a contract whereby the state will exchange 50,000 acres of scattered lands in the forest reserves for a compact body of federal land of equal area. The contract also was signed by C. V. Martin, acting secretary of the interior. Authorization of this exchange of lands was made at a meeting of the state land board held here four weeks ago.

Receipts from the sale of the timber and other revenue from these lands go into the common school fund.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl and Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Parker returned to their home, at Gates, Sunday after spending a few days visiting with Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Parker.

W. A. Ewing, J. L. White and Mitchell Trollinger left Thursday for Riddles, Oregon, from which place they are going to strike out for the mountains to hunt for deer.

would have fallen long ago," Mr. Goldsmith replied.

Only two speakers defended the practice, but their side of the question will be heard fully tomorrow.

## 2 MORE TO HANG FOR TAYLOR DEATH

First Degree Convictions Not Expected in View of Alleged Brutalities Testified To.

Pendleton, Or., Oct. 5.—Guilty of murder in the first degree as charged in the indictment was the verdict returned at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon by a circuit court jury sitting in the trial of Elvie D. Kerby, alias Jim Owens, and John Laffebear, alias Jack Rathie, two of the five men indicted for the murder of Till D. Taylor, sheriff of Umatilla county, on July 25 last. The verdict closed the last trial of the five conspirators who planned to break jail and shoot their way out to freedom, and of the five three go to the gallows and two have been sentenced to life imprisonment.

Judge Phelps of the circuit court will Friday sentence the men found guilty today. The judge allowed the defense five days to file motion for a new trial and 50 days to file a bill of exceptions.

Two hours deliberation was all the time taken by the jury in reaching their verdict, following the receiving of instructions of the court, after hearing the closing arguments presented in court this morning. Attorney-General Brown making his last appearance as prosecuting attorney, marshaled, the evidence for conviction, in a strong plea for a verdict of guilty in closing the case of the prosecution this morning. It was during the progress of this trial that he was informed of his elevation to the state supreme bench.

## JORDAN ITEMS

Joe Jungwirth and family attended the state fair Friday.

E. Daugherty of Oregon City was transacting business in our vicinity Saturday.

Mrs. John Jungwirth, who was recently operated on at Scio General Hospital, is improving, we understand.

Mrs. M. M. Fink is visiting in Oregon City.

School commenced Monday in district 124, with a young lady from Mount Angel as teacher.

The high water in Thomas creek still persists in its way and manages to carry off enough of the works every Saturday night to give an extra force of men employment all of Sunday.

One coming to Jordan, especially with a car, cannot help noticing the doubtful condition of the pavement on Main street, near the warehouse. Just keep to the right and trust to fate; it will be fine next Summer.

Owing to a late season and wet weather the wild blackberry crop was not as prolific as in past seasons; however, quite a few were taken from our vicinity.

## OREGON MIST.

Miss Oda Clark left for Portland Thursday, where she intends to work this winter.

## The Albany Races

The fact that a number of Albany businessmen are sponsor for the three days of racing at the new fair grounds, is commendatory. These races, mainly harness races, should receive a liberal patronage. It should and probably does please the racing men, who have brought their animals from Canada, British Columbia, California, Idaho, etc. for the expense is heavy in bringing race animals such great distances. It should be pleasing to race fans, who are drawn to fairs mainly because of the races, and finally it should be pleasing to the Albany fair promoters because it will mitigate to the people the disappointment in having the Linn County fair for 1920 declared off.

The notice of the race meet is short as the first card is to be pulled off today and to extend over the rest of the week. All lovers of speed contests between horses should be on hand for every race will be for blood seeing it is the last chance to recover expense money in Willamette valley races.

## 40 Fires; Loss \$100,000.

Salem, Oct. 5.—Fire losses in Oregon, exclusive of Portland, for September totaled \$457,160, according to a report prepared by the state fire marshal. The most disastrous blaze was at Klamath Falls, where the Houston hotel and eight other structures were burned with an aggregate loss of \$100,000.

There were 30 fires reported to the fire marshal, 14 of which resulted from unknown causes.

## Hail and Wind Storm Damages.

The Willamette valley seldom is damaged by hail, but the storm that visited us shortly before midnight Tuesday left its mark. Father Osborn, of near Shelburn, brought some vegetables, apples and English walnuts to town Wednesday which showed injury. The cabbage was torn to ribbons, the outer hull of the walnuts was bruised and torn off and the keeping quality of the apples destroyed.

The roof of Marion Arnold's barn was blown off; the Shelburn prune dryer was blown over and caught fire, but the watchman succeeded in putting out the fire; Bill Miller's silo was tipped over.

Many window lights were broken by the hailstones, which were as big as pigeon eggs.

Let us hope no democrat nor republican will vote for Frank Myers' candidate (Thomas A. Hayes) for U. S. senator. Myers was kicked out of the Portland postoffice, an act which he thought Chamberlain could have prevented; though Chamberlain did nothing, nor has done nothing, derogatory to Myers. Myers had an exaggerated opinion of his importance and holds Chamberlain to blame because he has to scale down his own opinion of himself. But bear this in mind: If you want Senator Chamberlain to succeed himself a vote for Thomas A. Hayes is equivalent to a vote for Stanfield. Hayes was placed in the running to defeat Chamberlain and for no other purpose. Stanfield may be financing Hayes' campaign.

## ALBANY'S COLD FEET SAY MANY PEOPLE

"Old Jupe" Wins the Sweepstake—Fair Grounds a Sea of Mud and Water

Last Sunday morning the Albany fair people declared the fair for 1920 "off." The condition of the fair grounds and the prospect for more rainfall simply disgusted the fair projectors and the prevailing opinion among the managers was to let Old Jupe take the pot, dealer, stakes and all.

The prevailing opinion among would be exhibitors is that the fair managers made a serious blunder in declaring the 1920 fair off. Those who have prepared agricultural exhibits are especially incensed. They say: "We would be satisfied if the fair people had converted the show into a street fair. But after persuading us to go to the trouble and expense of preparing an exhibit and then to declare the whole business off at the eleventh hour, is a colossal exhibit of cold feet. We will prepare an exhibit for another year—nit."

Last spring, when the fair dates were selected, many Scio people said the dates were too late. When Scio gave her first fair on the late fair grounds we made the same mistake Albany has made this year. We placed the dates in October. Well, we had rain even up to and including the day before the date of opening. YET, WE GAVE A FAIR! We did not get cold feet. Our Albany friends will find that it will be very difficult to arouse enthusiasm among the people next year. Everyone will say "what's the use; two days' rain just before opening day will upset the whole business."

This writer and others remarked last spring that those people (Albany fair promoters) will know more about producing county fairs, next fall, than they now know. They have found out October is not the month for giving fairs, not with safety. It rains in that month—at least sometimes.

## Reception.

The upper classmen entertained the lower classmen Friday last in the high school auditorium. At 8 the doors were opened and in came the plucky little freshmen who were immediately taken in charge by the entertainment committee.

Hot fires, huge buckets of water, high planks and electricity were aids in initiation. All were "game" and a pleasant evening followed. Many games were played and ice cream and cake served. Reporter.

Rev. H. B. Iler is getting ready to open a barber shop in the room just south of the hotel.

## At The Peoples Theatre.

For this week, Saturday and Sunday evenings at the Peoples Theatre will be presented "The Devil's Pass Key." Every Wednesday evening, besides the two reels of serial there is a full program.

See our Window Display this week

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