



POLITICAL MANOMETERS

Republican and democratic state chairmen have called meetings of their county chairmen in the 1st congressional district to be held in Salem to consider plans for the special election Jan. 11 when a successor to the late Congressman James W. Mott will be elected for a 10-month term. Political grapevine has it that the objectives of the meeting was to hold down the field and if possible concentrate on one candidate from each party, who must be designated on the ballots as independents. The kingmakers in both parties are cooling off on any plans that resemble old convention methods. If any selection or indorsement is made losing disgruntled candidates and their

friends will have no party loyalty rally around for the whole setup must be labeled "independent". With a small vote contemplated and the shortest campaign on record, about 30 days, the "modified" convention plan is losing prestige.

Lew Wallace, democratic national committeeman, has indicated his party will not use the petition plan that requires the signatures of 3896 registered voters, but will nominate by the assembly plan. In calling his meeting for Dec. 15 he asked each county chairman to bring 25 other voters to make the 250 required to constitute a legal assembly.

PRICE LAW TEST

A test of Oregon's fair trade act is involved in a suit brought by the Borden company against a Salem merchant. The plaintiff complains that the merchant has advertised and sold one of its trade-named items, "Hemo", at a price lower than its established retail price. The complaint sets up that Borden's have entered into numerous contracts with dealers fixing resale prices but does not assert any contract with the dealer sued whom

it seeks to have enjoined from selling its products below the fixed price in contracts with others.

The case will test whether a manufacturer can restrain a dealer not under contract with the manufacturer from selling its product at less than the price the maker fixes. The case is expected to attract national interest among manufacturers of trade-marked merchandise and retailers.

WORTHY RECOGNITION

Oregon state officials have been receiving signal acknowledgements of late from international and national associations. All of which adds up to the fact that they are pretty good men and the voters of state are doing a good job at the polls and its good advertising for Oregon.

The International Association of Industrial Accident boards elected L. O. Arens, member of the Oregon industrial accident commission, president of the board. He has been a member of the Oregon commission since March 10, 1939. The convention was held in Winston-Salem, N. C. last week.

State Corporation Commissioner Maurice Hudson was elected treasurer of the National Association of Securities Commissioners at the post-war conference held in Chicago last week. Charles Heltzel, securities examiner for the commission also attended the conference.

AUTO LICENSE PLATES

Up to Monday morning there had been 73,566 applications for 1946 motor vehicle licenses received by the state department. This compares with 47,909 applications made at this time a year ago. Delivery of plates is scheduled to begin Dec. 15 and from that date to the peak of the rush, around the first of the year the department will be able to deliver licenses and plates the next day or so after applications are received. Secretary of State Farrell warns that the new plates cannot be displayed on cars before Dec. 15.

WOULD STOP PARI-MUTUELS

Abolition of horse and dog races in Oregon is sought in an initiative filed with the state department this week by two Portlanders. If the sponsors get the signatures of 23,108 registered voters, the measure will appear on the general election bal-

lot Nov. 5, 1946.

The initiative petitioners would repeal the Oregon racing commission act which sets up Pari-mutuel racing.

A WORD OF APPRECIATION

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ready to relinquish to our successors, it is with regret, as we will miss all of you.

Dona E. Barnett
Trannie B. Parker.

HOME ON FURLOUGH

Cpl Paul C. Brown came home Thursday of last week on a 90-day furlough, at the expiration of which he will report at Fort Sam Houston, Tex. for discharge. On his first visit home Paul wanted only to see his family but now he is interested in seeing his friends, all of whom will be welcome at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Brown.

Top Ranking 4-H'ers in Oregon

SUPERIOR records of achievement in home beautification, dress revue, dairy foods and frozen foods have won 1945 state championship honors for six Oregon club members. The state winners and brief outlines of their records follow:



Byron Schriever Verna Cutsforth

Maxine Martin LaVon Kelly

Byron Schriever, 15, of Molalla, received the state 4-H home grounds beautification award of a 17-jewel gold watch provided by Mrs. Charles R. Walgreen, Chicago, for his landscaping achievements during five years in club work. They include moving the shop away from the house, making a lawn out of barren ground, and a new gravel drive-way. The family drilled a new well and installed a new pump, making watering of lawn possible. Byron plans to continue his home beautification work next year.



Betty McIsaac and Virginia Rose

Verna Cutsforth, 16, of Portland, wins top state rating in the 1945 4-H Dress Revue. Her Club Congress trip award is provided by the American Viscose Corporation. Verna's winning outfit is a smart two-piece wool school suit. The cardigan jacket is plain green and the pleated skirt is of plaid. She made a Dutch hat combining plain and plaid material, and a reversible drawstring bag. Verna was grand champion of county dress revue for three years, and won many other placings, including \$47.59 in cash. State winners who participate in the National 4-H Dress Revue Presentation at the Chicago Club Congress will receive a \$25 U. S. Savings Bond.

Maxine Martin, 17, of Astoria, is Oregon's state winner in the new National 4-H Frozen Foods Activity. Her reward is a \$50 U. S. Savings Bond provided by the International Harvester Co. The girl's record shows that she prepared, packaged and froze 435 pounds of meats, and 76 con-

tainers of fruits and vegetables, for placing in a frozen-food locker, to supplement foods preserved by other methods. Maxine won several awards in frozen foods contests, including \$8.00 in cash. Through her demonstrations, talks and leadership she has done much to promote interest in freezing foods in her community.

Oregon's winners in the 1945 National 4-H Dairy Foods Demonstrations are (individual) LaVon Kelly, 16, of Jefferson, and (team) Betty McIsaac, 17, and Virginia Rose, 16, of Parkdale. Each receives a \$50 U. S. Savings Bond from the Kraft Foods Co. LaVon demonstrated "Planning an Ideal Luncheon" and the team's demonstration was titled "Cream Soups." The purpose of the demonstrations was to show others good methods of preparing dairy products for all occasions, gain experience in public speaking, and develop teamwork and sportsmanship.

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