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FAIR BOARD TO POSTPONE SALE OFFER

Sale of the Multnomah county fair grounds to the county will probably be deferred until after the next fair at which time there will be a better prospect of them being taken over by the county commissioners.

Nine members of the present fair board and two of the new members elected for next year met in Portland yesterday, and after a discussion of the matter decided to wait. The determined attitude of several members of the budget committee against the necessary expenditure was assigned as a cause for postponement.

However, the fair board is not discouraged and will work to make next year's fair the best one ever held—which will be quite an undertaking in view of past performances, and there are Portland assurances of help to make it so.

The same liberal premiums will be given next year as were given this year and several features will be added to make the exhibits more complete and instructive. Among them may be mentioned the school project work in charge of County School Superintendent W. C. Alderson, who has been at work for the past month in lining up the country schools for that very purpose.

No one need be surprised if practically all of the gallery floor in the pavilion is taken up with school displays. The project work is to succeed the juvenile division in another year or two, and under efficient management the displays will be far greater than ever before in the children's department.

And the granges, too, are becoming interested. One of them has already voted to have a display next fall. Multnomah grange took this action last Saturday. From present indications, and from the enthusiastic reports heard there will be more grange exhibits in 1918 than in any year previously.

Then, too, the entertainment features promised for future fairs has been the means of awakening renewed interest. The action of the chautauqua guarantors in refusing to deal with the Ellison-White system next year has awakened renewed interest in the fair. The evening entertainments given at the last fair were so highly appreciated that they have been the incentive for more of the same kind and it will be something extraordinary if an auditorium is not built on the fair grounds for their future accommodation.

It is such features that are going to make the next fair a big success—excepting very bad weather or some other unforeseen circumstance—and then there will be very little to stand in the way of the fair being taken over by the county.

The three new directors from Portland will add great strength to the board, as they may be counted on to help materially, and they are all in a position to do great things for the fair next year, and then help in the sale of the institution as contemplated.

QUOTA MAY AGAIN BE OVER ENLISTED

Multnomah county was one of the few that did not have to answer the first draft call, and from indications and observations it will again be exempt when the next call is made. Its quota was over-enlisted when the first summons was made, and if that proves to be the case again it will reveal a high degree of patriotism here.

More than five hundred boys have been sent to Vancouver within the past week and the recruiting offices in Portland are overcrowded all the time with those who are eager to enlist. Such a high degree of patriotism could easily continue this county as the banner non-draft county in the United States.

Tailoring
For men and women—cleaning, pressing and repairing done well. Peter Lenard, Powell street.

REPORT OF Y. M. C. A. WORK FUND

The recent campaign in aid of the Y. M. C. A. war work fund throughout the county of Multnomah, outside the city of Portland, resulted in the receipt of over \$2400, of which the sum of \$601 is in pledges which will be paid later as agreed upon by those who made the pledges.

These figures are obtained from the report of R. G. Jubitz, secretary of the Y. M. C. A. committee to Rufus C. Holman, director of the work in the county. Mr. Holman has submitted the secretary's report to H. L. St. Clair, publicity manager, accompanied by the following letter under date of December 7:

Mr. H. L. St. Clair, Gresham Outlook, Gresham, Oregon.

My Dear Sir: Enclosed herewith please find statement of receipts from the recent Y. M. C. A. campaign conducted in Multnomah county outside of the city of Portland, for which you were publicity manager. These receipts do not include one item, over \$700, delivered by you to Mr. B. Lee Paget, who has made no accounting to Mr. Jubitz. Possibly there was a conflict between Mr. Paget's work and mine resulting in some confusion, but, however, all the money eventually goes to the same excellent cause and it is immaterial whether it goes to Mr. Paget or myself.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank you for the excellent support which the Gresham Outlook gave this campaign and to thank Mr. E. H. Thompson of Bridal Veil, Mrs. C. E. Larsson of Troutdale, Mr. F. H. Crane of Fairview, Mr. S. B. Hall of Gresham, Mr. O. F. Folkenberg of Holbrook, Mr. Sidney B. Lathrop of Hillsdale, Mrs. E. J. Stack of West Portland, and Geo. W. Stapleton of Gresham, the captains of the districts into which Multnomah county was divided, and especially to thank all those public-spirited citizens who cooperated in the organization with these captains, and all those generous warm-hearted citizens whose actual contributions were the object of the entire organization. No doubt as long as this terrible war continues we will continue to have need for more and ever more contributions from the public for humanitarian and also warfare purposes.

Again expressing my heartfelt appreciation to all, I beg to remain, Very truly yours,

RUFUS C. HOLMAN.

Mr. Jubitz, in making his report to Mr. Holman, writes as follows:

Portland, December 6, 1917. Mr. Rufus C. Holman, County Commissioner, Courthouse, Portland, Oregon.

Dear Sir: Complying with your request of the 30th ultimo, I am herewith enclosing a copy of statement sent to the secretary of the Y. M. C. A., showing \$601.00 pledges received; \$1104.75 cash received, aggregating \$1710.75. I therefore have on hand the sum of \$1104.75 in cash which I am prepared to turn over to the Y. M. C. A. upon request. Thanking you for the opportunity to co-operate in this matter, I beg to remain,

Yours very truly,

R. G. JUBITZ, Secretary.

Following is the statement made by Mr. Jubitz to Mr. Holman, showing the actual amount of cash received and pledges made for the Y. M. C. A. war work fund. It gives due credit to each country district and its leader:

From C. H. Cary—Pledges, \$567; cash \$372.75; total \$939.75.
From O. F. Folkenberg—Pledges, \$151.50; total \$151.50.
From E. H. Thompson—Pledges, \$4.00; cash \$269.95; total \$273.95.
From Sydney G. Lathrop—Pledges, \$16.00; cash \$74.70; total \$90.70.
From F. H. Crane—Pledges, \$14; cash \$118.00; total \$132.00.
From Florence A. Dickenson, Oswego, Oregon—Cash \$26.50; total \$26.50.
From P. A. Soderstrom, School District No. 3 (E. H. Thompson)—cash \$8.50; total \$8.50.
From First State Bank, Gresham—Cash \$42.65; total \$42.65.
From R. E. Clanton, Bonneville—Cash \$45.00; total \$45.00.
From School District No. 3—\$1.10; total \$1.10.
Totals—Pledges \$601.00; cash \$1104.75; grand totals \$1710.75.
Less check returned, \$5.00.
Balance on hand \$1104.75.

Firemen and Others Notice.

On Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock, there will be a meeting in the fire hall, at which some member of the advisory board will be present to explain the questionnaire. All those interested in the draft are invited to be present.

FIRST STATE BANK TELLS ABOUT BONDS

Gresham, Dec. 11.

Editor Outlook:—Replying to your recent inquiry as to the position in which purchasers of Liberty Bonds will be placed in the event they do not receive their bonds with respect to collection of interest coupons prior to December 15, will say there should be no apprehension on their part for the bonds will be delivered to them with all coupons attached and we will be ready to cash the coupons for the purchasers of the bonds as soon as they are received. Those of course who have requested registered bonds, must expect that there will be considerable delay in receiving the bonds and possibly some delay in receiving a check for the interest due them, for the government is greatly handicapped by reason of not being prepared to handle the enormous amount of business thrust upon them in so short a time.

The population at Washington has probably increased 100,000 in the past six months and in addition to this the officials of street car lines in Washington declare there are 75,000 to 100,000 strangers in the city every day. Little construction work has been going on in Washington for a number of years past. The result is that the government has no buildings in which to transact the enormous amount of business which it has on hand at the present time. Clerks are working at a great disadvantage and when one of the officials was asked if there was not 50 per cent of lost motion in the work he replied that there was only about 10 per cent efficiency in the work of the clerks. The Hotel Washington opposite the Treasury building, recently advertised 500 rooms and baths to be opened soon, but as soon as the windows are in, it will be opened as a government office building. A new apartment house for which fabulous rentals were bid has been taken by the department of Justice. Families occupying large residences adjacent to some of the departments were asked to rent, then to sell and on refusal to do either was ordered to move to make room for government employees, so that it will be seen that the government has some reason and good excuses for not being more prompt in delivering the bonds, which have been taken up by the people of this land.

Thousands of employees are working night and day in the engraving bureau turning out the bonds for which the people have subscribed. It comes back to us quite forcibly that the United States was not prepared for war.

Installment payments on bonds must be made by December 15, or holders of bonds can pay up in full if they so desire.

Yours very truly,
FIRST STATE BANK.

MISSIONARY SOCIETY OFFERS FINE PROGRAM

The Woman's Home Missionary society of the M. E. church will meet at the home of Mrs. John Brown on Main street, Wednesday afternoon of this week at 2:30. The subject is "A Council of Allies to Discuss Allied Interests."

The following program has been arranged by Mrs. Arthur Dowsett, leader:

Hymn, "Onward Christian Soldiers."
Reading, "All Missionary Milestones," Mrs. C. M. Zimmerman.
"Mobilization of Denominational Forces," Baptist, Mrs. H. L. Westell; Presbyterian, Mrs. D. M. McKay; Free Methodist, Mrs. Lenore Cunningham; Episcopal, Mrs. G. W. Stapleton; Methodist Episcopal, Mrs. J. Montcalm Brown.
Paper, "Pioneer Missionaries," Mrs. A. Hevel.
"An Absent Member Heard From," Mrs. Jas. Sterling.
Instrumental solo, Mrs. Wm. Ott.
Vocal duet, Mrs. Myers, Mrs. Brown.

Read the Want ads.

CASH PRIZE GIVEN FOR BEST ESSAY

At the coming State Teachers' convention in Portland, December 26-29, much thought will be given to the subject of the \$50.00 prize, which was offered last June by the Oregon Bankers association to the county whose schools evidence the best showing in the promotion of thrift.

The prize of \$50.00 was donated by the Bankers Association at a meeting last summer in Marshfield. A thrift committee of the Oregon Bankers Association composed of W. E. Kyler, cashier of the Benton County Bank of Corvallis; H. Hirschberger, president of the Independence National Bank of Independence; A. C. Schmidt, vice-president of the First Savings Bank of Albany; and Dean J. A. Bexell of the Oregon Agricultural College, was appointed to devise means for awarding the prize. Through Dean Bexell the State Teachers' Association's co-operation was enlisted and plans laid for interesting every county superintendent in the state.

During the teachers' convention the details will be put before the teachers in anticipation of interesting all the children in Oregon. A score card will be sent to each school in the state, through the county superintendents, on which is to be reported the enrollment of the county, and the following questions are to be used as a basis for making the award. The score card is as follows:

How many pupils in the schools of your county have saved and deposited in a bank, an average of ten cents a week during the school year?

How many pupils have devoted an average of three hours a week to home industry, including food production or preparation, such as gardening, poultry raising, pig raising, fruit packing, cooking, canning, sewing or carpentry?

How many pupils have prepared, during the school year, written work on Thrift and submitted same to their teachers, county superintendent, or to some newspaper for publication?

CAMPAIGN TO LAST FOR ONE WEEK

The Christmas Red Cross membership campaign will be launched at noon December 17 and will last until the night of December 24.

This campaign is to add 240,000 members in Oregon to the American Red Cross.

A membership costs as little as \$1. In fact, in this campaign the greatest emphasis is placed on the \$1 membership, because it is believed this will be responsible for enlisting the greatest number of people under the Red Cross banner. The drive is not for money, but for members.

A complete state organization has already been perfected under Henry E. Reed, state campaign manager. The Multnomah county campaign manager is Dr. H. C. Fixott.

In brief, the effort of every county in the state is to enlist 30 per cent of its population under the Red Cross. Irrespective of whether members have, joined previously or not, they are asked to join again in the Christmas Drive, with the assurance that there will be but one drive a year in the future and that the week preceding Christmas. Thus "Make it a Red Cross Christmas" is resounding over the country. Special church services will be held December 16.

"Every man and woman in Oregon must join the Red Cross" is the Oregon slogan.

Prominent men and women all over the state are enlisting their services in the campaign. Membership funds are devoted to war work of the Red Cross, a percentage according to the local chapter which is expended on surgical, hospital supplies and other requirements for the war work of the chapter.

Automobiles anywhere, night or day. Phone 791, Gresham, M. M. Squire.

BRIDGE TOLLS REPORT SHOWS A BIG SURPLUS

An Outlook reporter was in the Portland courthouse yesterday, an observer of a meeting of the Interstate Bridge committee, and heard the financial report read, comprising the period between February 15th and November 30th of this year.

The report shows a healthy condition of affairs, which, it is predicted will grow better every month. The vast lumber mills to be erected at Vancouver and the new steel ship-building plant to be built there will increase travel and, correspondingly, the receipts.

County Commissioner Rufus C. Holman was the chief instigator of the Interstate bridge and is deeply interested in seeing that it becomes a paying project, financially, as well as a conservator of business activities between the two cities.

The report shows all receipts and disbursements up to November 30th. The amount on hand on November 30th was the collections for that month. Following is the report:

Receipts.
Tolls collected at bridge \$ 80,179.27
From P. R. L. & P. Co. 48,804.82
Interest on bank account 251.10
Sale of wood, sacks, etc. 52.85
Damages collected 2.00
Total \$129,290.04

Disbursements.
Audited vouchers \$ 23,353.57
Sundries 20.41
Paid Multnomah Co. 57,116.88
Paid Clark Co. 38,077.92
Total \$118,568.78

Recapitulation.
Total receipts \$129,290.04
Total disbursements 118,568.78

Available for distribution \$ 10,721.26

November Receipts.
Tolls collected \$ 8,583.95
P. R. L. & P. Co. 5,550.86
Total \$14,134.81
Less audited vouchers 3,413.55

Balance for distribution \$10,721.26
Number draw openings, Nov. 199
Maximum time of opening 12 min.
Minimum time of opening 1½ min.
Average time of opening 2 min.
Total time open 9 hours, 36 min.

NO CHANGE MADE IN THIRD-CLASS RATES

Postmaster Roberts has received the following instructions in regard to dispatch of third-class Christmas mail from the office of the third assistant postmaster general. There will be no change in the rate on third-class mail:

It appears from information received that some business persons and concerns have the impression that the War Revenue Act imposes a tax upon third-class mail matter. This is not correct. The War Revenue Act does not affect matter of this class. Circulars and other printed advertising matter of the third class may still be mailed at the regular third-class rate of one cent for each two ounces or fraction thereof. Postmasters are requested to give publicity to the foregoing.

Christmas falls on Tuesday, and in order to make certain of delivery by Christmas Day, parcels should be mailed at the latest in accordance with the following schedule:

States east of Chicago and in southern states, not later than Saturday, December 15.

North and South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas, Oklahoma, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Iowa, Arkansas, not later than Monday, December 17.

Wyoming, Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona, Tuesday, December 18.

California, Washington, Utah, Nevada, Idaho, Montana, not later than Wednesday, December 19.

Oregon, not later than Thursday, December 20.

Portland, not later than Saturday, December 22.
Wrap and tie your parcels securely.
If contents are valuable have parcels insured.
Mail at regular station.

LAST CALL TO ESCAPE THE DRAFT

This is the last call to men of draft age who wish to escape the draft by enlisting as volunteers.

It is also the last call to all men registered under the draft who have changed their addresses to be sure to notify their local boards immediately of their new addresses, so Questionnaires will reach them without delay.

December 15 is the date on which local boards will begin to mail out Questionnaires.

Until noon of December 15 is also the last date on which men of draft age may enlist as volunteers in the army, navy or marine corps. After that date, men subject to the draft will not be accepted as volunteers in the army and can enlist in the navy or marine corps only in case their numbers come so far down that they will not be needed for the current draft quota.

December 15 is important for still another reason. It is the date on which all previous exemptions or discharges from military service under the draft are automatically revoked.

Every registered man, whether previously exempted or not, must answer one of the Questionnaires to be sent out, beginning on December 15. Whether he is granted a deferred classification will be based on the information in his Questionnaire.

Only seven days are allowed from the time the Questionnaire is mailed to answer and return it to the local board. Therefore it is extremely important that local boards have the correct addresses of registrants, for failure to receive a Questionnaire will not be accepted as a valid excuse, and failure to answer is liable to cost a man his chance for exemption.

Any lawyer will assist a registered man, free of charge, in answering the questions in his Questionnaire.

The Oregon Coast Artillery, now stationed in the forts at the mouth of the Columbia river, still needs about 100 recruits to bring it up to full war strength and it wants them by December 15.

After that date men of draft age cannot enlist voluntarily in the army, but will be held for the draft. By enlisting now a man can choose his own branch of the service. The heavy artillery is considered one of the most desirable branches of the whole army service.

Intending applicants should communicate without delay with Colonel C. C. Hammond, Oregon Coast Artillery, Fort Stevens, Oregon.

BIG FISH POND NEAR SYCAMORE

Dr. Robert Brandon, a Portland dentist living in Laurelhurst, recently bought four acres of land at Sycamore, at the confluence of Johnson and Kelley creeks, where he will build a country residence and otherwise improve the property.

Among the improvements just finished is a fish pond which covers about two acres which Dr. Brandon will stock with trout from the Bonneville fish hatchery. The pond is formed by the water of Kelley creek flowing into a basin which has been formed by the building of a concrete dam across it.

The pond was completed on Friday last and will be stocked at once, but there is considerable yet to be done. A fish ladder has been built so as to allow the fish of the creek to ascend and a set of wire screens will be put around the pond to protect the fish within it and to keep them from getting out in case of a high water caused by rain or melting snow.

It is reported that two varieties of trout will be turned loose in the pond, but it is not stated whether they will be raised for private use or for commercial purposes. The success of the venture depends on care the fish receive, and to that end it is said Dr. Brandon will build his new home at once so as to be there at critical periods.

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PATRIOTIC CHRISTMAS OUTLOOK

COLORED COVER, 12 PAGES

The coming Christmas Outlook will eclipse any former effort to produce a highly interesting holiday number portraying the activities of this progressive locality and surrounding districts. It will be replete with illustrations of our soldier boys and old Santa's latest photograph. It will contain many interesting letters from the boys in training camps and at the front in France. Among other prominent features will be a Red Cross page, Y. M. C. A. and Food Conservation page, historical review, contributed articles on timely subjects, Holiday Greetings, etc., etc. Copies will be mailed free to names on our Honor Roll where addresses can be obtained. Send us pictures, correspondence, advertisements, subscriptions, and we'll do the rest. DO IT NOW