

PRIZES OFFERED FOR BEST STOCK

Offer Made to Encourage Growing of Fancy Market Stock in the State of Oregon.

PORTLAND, Or., Dec. 8.—Prizes for the stock raisers of the northwest are offered by the Portland Livestock Exchange. The following premiums will be awarded for the best Christmas cattle shipped to the Portland Union Stock Yards: Best car steers, not less than 20 head, \$150; second prize, \$75. Best ear of cows, not less than 20 head, \$150; second prize, \$75. Best single steer, \$25; second prize, \$15. Best single cow, \$25; second prize, \$15.

The cattle will be judged on the morning of December 14 and sold at auction that afternoon. Judges of the stock offered in the competition will be John F. O'Shea, Portland; Frank Brown, Carlton, Or.; and G. W. Gammie, Portland.

The offer is made to encourage the grower and feeder of cattle throughout this territory and is expected to help in the development of the livestock industry. The value of a bigger livestock market at Portland is shown by receipts at the local yards during the past month. In November 6518 cattle, 584 calves, 7549 sheep, 12,744 hogs and 274 horses were brought to the Portland market. The approximate value of the 457 cars that made up the receipts was \$567,500, a tidy sum that went into the pockets of the farmers and stockmen of the northwest.

Atchison, Kansas, is the central point of four states, Missouri, Kansas, Nebraska and Iowa, that have on numerous years produced a corn crop of a billion bushels. According to the Globe, a newspaper at Atchison, the government estimate of the past year's total crop in the United States is 2,767,316,000 bushels. Kansas began the growing of alfalfa in 1879 and if more had taken it up at that time, it is estimated that the state would be much richer today. Now hogs are marketed in the Missouri river packing centers that never tested corn. How much better are the opportunities in this Pacific northwest for growing hogs on alfalfa and other foods than corn than in the middle west where alfalfa does not thrive so well as it does here.

Medford, Grants Pass and Roseburg are assured new passenger depots by the Southern Pacific. In line with the development and growth that are in evidence in southern Oregon, that part of the state is getting too big for facilities that have heretofore proved ample.

An army of men is at work building railroads up the eschutes river to the interior of the state. The winter season is not stopping the work and during the coming year trains will be run into central Oregon making a wide agricultural region accessible to farmers. New railroads, too, are entering the coast country, while in the southern end of the state, railroad builders are pushing north from Klamath Falls to Matron on the new Southern Pacific line. Electric projects are active in the Willamette valley. On the whole it looks like the coming year will be a record one in railroad building for Oregon.

PRESIDENT SENDS IN NAMES OF APPOINTEES

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—The president has sent to the senate a list of 1200 official nominations, mostly of persons appointed during the recess. The new ones include: Franklin Lane, re-appointed interstate commerce commissioner; Sanford B. Dole, to be United States judge of Hawaii; Fred D. Fisher of Oregon, to be consul general at Mukden, China; Henry B. Miller, to be consul at Belfast, Ireland; Charles B. Merrick, to be register of the United States land office at Portland; Benjamin F. Jones, to be receiver of the land office at Roseburg, Or.; George W. Riddle, to be register of the land office at Roseburg, Or.; W. B. Harris, to be postmaster at Forest Grove, Or.

SNOW AND COLD CONTINUES IN FORCE AT HOOD RIVER

HOOD RIVER, Or., Dec. 7.—With the continuation of the snowfall at Hood River, the thermometer is creeping downward and has stood at about 16 above zero for the entire day. The wind is quite heavy from the east and the snow is drifting slightly. Several of the west bound trains have been annulled for the day and all of the trains are running late. Sledding has never been better in Hood River and it is being taken advantage of by the wood haulers and the small boys.

PRISONERS DO BEST TO ESCAPE

Only Vigilance of Police Succeed in Holding the Spokane Prisoners in Check.

SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 8.—Weary of their long confinement, 50 disgruntled and bewhiskered members of the Industrial Workers of the World attempted to break from the Franklin school last night and but for the vigilance of the Spokane police the temporary jail would have been empty today. The delivery was planned for last evening just as the night shift was going on duty.

The prisoners had removed the brick partitions in the air-shaft leading from the second floor to the basement, had armed themselves with a piece of steel, had piled up tons of brick behind the radiators in the east room and needed only to kick out a wooden gate in the basement to gain freedom.

When Officer Willis investigated and foiled the attempt at freedom, the brick partition on the second floor as well as the one on the first floor had been removed.

MACVEAGH RAPS AT THE SUGAR TRUST

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big and little, it will be impossible to have an honest service for any length of time.

"Any considerable share of the present cost of this demoralization to the public revenues, to the efficiency of the service, and to public and private morality, is a tremendous amount to pay in mere liquidation of the small debts of political leaders."

Blames Americans.

Then he also blames returning American travelers for not only being willing to defraud the government but to corrupt its employees, and importers to evade duties through undervaluations and corrupt combinations.

The secretary says that the work of carrying on the revelations, the prosecutions and the reorganization, will be continued without pause and "will have, as it had had, the effective co-operation of the department of justice."

Secretary MacVeagh makes no recommendation on banking and currency reform except to urge that the change, when it comes, must be fundamentally right and freed from political partnership, special interest or pride of opinion.

Must Sell Bonds.

In pointing out the condition of the treasury, which, he says, has not at present, either in the banks or in its vaults, materially more than a working balance, the secretary declares that it will become necessary in order to meet deficits, to sell either bonds or certificates of indebtedness.

The ordinary receipts for the current fiscal year of 1910 he estimates at \$648,000,000 and the disbursements at \$682,075,620 which leaves a deficit in ordinary receipts of \$34,075,620. Add to this the Panama Canal and public debt disbursements and the deficit is \$73,075,620.

For the fiscal year 1911 the ordinary receipts are estimated at \$672,000,000 and the disbursements at \$623,224,550, which would leave a surplus of \$48,775,450. But when the estimated Panama Canal appropriations are included for that year at \$48,063,524, it leaves a surplus of \$711,926.

Settle Canal Expense.

The amount already expended upon the canal \$97,069,649 has been taken out of the general fund of the treasury and there is a continual drain upon the general revenues for this work. "It is desirable," says the secretary, "that the settlement of this account should be at least begun; and that the expressed policy of the government to pay the costs of the canal from the proceeds of bonds in order that the next generation or two shall share with this in the cost of the great enterprise, should be secured and established."

Need for Next Year.

In presenting his estimates for the next fiscal year, Secretary MacVeagh points out that the sum, \$671,288,075, is less by \$55,662,091 than the appropriations for the fiscal and over \$94,000,000 less than the estimates for 1910. He declares that the estimates for the coming year are presented "as a careful measure of the actual and irreducible needs of the government."

"The time is nearly ripe," he says, "for wise and judicious savings in federal expenditure," and he points out that there are two classes of reductions in the present estimates. One of these results from improved han-

SHIPS FIRST CAR OF FRUIT

Jacksonville on Tuesday for First Time in History Consigned a Car Lot of Fruit to the World.

For the first time in the history of Jacksonville a car load of apples were consigned direct from that place Tuesday. The car was made up of Newtowns and were consigned to the London market through the Rogue River Fruit Growers Association.

The fruit came from the orchard on the old Ryboe farm south of Jacksonville and there will be three more cars shipped from this orchard at once.

Considerable fruit has been shipped from Jacksonville heretofore but this is the first shipment in carload lots. It will not be the last, however, as there is goodly acreage of apples and pears coming into bearing in that section, which will be shipped from that station.

SAN FRANCISCO RAILROAD IN RECEIVER'S HANDS

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 8.—The Ocean Shore Railroad company of San Francisco today is in the hands of a receiver, collector of customs, Frederick Stratton, has been appointed to the duty by Judge W. Morrow of the United States circuit court.

The railroad company went into the hands of the receiver yesterday upon the petition of the Baldwin Locomotive Works. Stratton will continue to operate the road in an effort to assist the creditors to realize upon reported unsecured claims aggregating \$1,900,000.

KERMIT REACHES NAIROBI AFTER SUCCESSFUL HUNT

NAIROBI, British East Africa, Dec. 8.—Kermit Roosevelt arrived here today after a successful two weeks hunt in the Mau forests.

Two bull bongos, considered to be the rarest specimens of African antelope, two cows, and other trophies, fell to Kermit's gun. The young hunter is in excellent health, and after a few hours rest, set out for Mombasa where he will hunt awhile.

Colonel Roosevelt and the members of his party expect to arrive here from Londiana Saturday. Unusual success, the reports indicate, have attended their hunting there.

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Reed, Mrs. Moulden and Mrs. Carey were at the Footh Creek ranch of the former Wednesday on a tour of inspection.

ding of government work and the cutting off of avoidable expenditures without injury to the service or the people; and the other from postponements of expenditures which can be delayed and subjected to more thorough economic scrutiny.

Loss in Mail.

In order to effect full permanent reductions in appropriations he suggests that there should be taken into consideration: The heavy losses to the government on second-class mail matter which require a discrimination to be made between mail matter demanded by the interests of the people and that which merely promotes private gain; the excessive expenditures for public buildings which suggest the simple arrangement by which such buildings will be approved and ordered for the needs of the public service only; the expenditures for public works; and the expenditures for printing. In other words, in order to effect a real revision of the expenditures of the government, it must be a general revision, both of those appropriations which have their initiative in the executive departments and of those that have their initiative in the congress.

Corporation Tax.

A brief reference to the corporation tax law says that the term "net income" has been construed to mean not only net earnings from the operations of the business, but also net revenues from investments and all other sources. He estimates the revenues to be derived from this tax at \$15,000,000 for the fiscal year 1910 and \$25,000,000 for the next year.

For the tariff board the secretary claims ample authority to gather information for the president as well as to assist the treasury department in the administration of the customs. He notes with satisfaction an improvement in the relations between the office of the comptroller of the currency with the national banks and the stimulation of bank directors to a livelier and more detailed sense of their active responsibilities.

LOS ANGELES TO REMAIN CLOSED

Alexander Re-elected Mayor, Indicating Citizens Are in Favor of Closed Town Policy.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 8.—Returns early today indicate that Mayor George Alexander, the candidate of the Good Government League has been re-elected mayor of Los Angeles over the Republican candidate, George Smith. Returns from 141 precincts gave Alexander 13,585 votes Smith, 12,062, making Alexander's majority 1,523 votes. At Alexander's headquarters it was claimed his majority would be between 2,000 and 3,000.

With the exception of Richmond Plant, candidate for the council, the entire Good Government ticket apparently has been elected. Henry Lyons, for the council, was the only Republican organ man elected, according to early indications. The total vote cast was close to 40,000. It was the heaviest vote ever polled in a municipal election here.

The silent vote of the city is considered to be responsible for the admitted defeat of Smith.

The election of Alexander and the Good Government League council indicate that the citizens are in favor of a closed town policy, which is favored by the mayor.

WILL RENAME FAMOUS SOUTHERN OREGON CAVES

A meeting of the Oregon Geographical Board is to be held in the near future at which time the matter of a name for the famous caves in Southern Josephine county is to be considered.

Many names have been suggested, among them "Oregon Caves," "Davidson Caves," and Joaquin Miller's designation, "The Marble Halls of Oregon." A name suggestive of the majesty and extent of the caves should be adopted. A name which will attract the attention of the sightseeing public and create a desire on their part to view this great natural wonder, which excels the mammoth caves of Kentucky in extent and is only second to Crater Lake in beauty and grandeur.

EXAMINATION FOR CLERK AND CARRIER

An examination for clerk and carrier will be held at the post office in this city on January 7, 1910. The age limits are 18 to 45 years, on the date of the examination. Married women will not be admitted to the examination, but unmarried women will be admitted to the examination, eligible for appointment only as clerk.

Applicants must be physically sound, and male applicants must be not less than five feet four inches in height without boots or shoes, and weigh not less than 125 pounds without overcoat or hat.

For application blanks and for full information relative to the examination, qualifications, duties, salaries, vacations, promotions, etc., address immediately William J. Warner, secretary board of civil service examiners, postoffice, Medford, Ore.

BOY OF THIRTEEN CAUGHT TRYING TO ROB A BANK

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 8.—Tom Gallacher, 13, captured after a wagon load of policemen had surrounded the Lafayette bank, Broadway and Park avenue, today confessed that he with another boy had planned to rob the bank. The other boy, who was acting as lookout, fled when the patrol wagon appeared.

"The other boy put me up to it," said the young prisoner. "We were going past the bank the other day and he pointed to a pile of money we could see through the window, and said it would be easy to get that. Then he planned how he and I were to get it. He made me go ahead of him and said he would whistle if he saw anybody coming, but he never did. He just ducked."

FRISCO PLANS FAIR IN 1915

Backed by Business Men Plan for Big Exposition to Observe Canal Opening is Under Way.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 8.—Backed by practically every business and professional man in the city, aided by every commercial organization and guaranteed the necessary financial support, the promoters of the proposed Panama-Pacific Exposition will begin at once to raise the necessary funds for holding the big fair here in 1915, to commemorate the opening of the Panama Canal.

The proposition was made by Homer S. King, president of the Bank of California and of the Pacific Ocean Exposition company at a meeting of 500 merchants and in a few minutes the plans were under way. No subscriptions have been taken as yet although several merchants have volunteered to contribute funds.

DON'T FORGET TO BUY RED CROSS STAMPS

A Red Cross Merry Christmas stamp has been aptly named a bullet in the fight against consumption. A stamp costs one cent or a cent buys a bullet to fire straight at the vitals of the great white plague. But no ordinary bullet could perform the varied services of the Christmas stamp. It carries a warning against exposure to the disease, it carries a message of hope to the sufferer, its price aids the visiting nurses association in its work, its exhibition is a sign to all that loyal men and women are giving practical evidence of their devotion to the welfare of humanity's greatest enemy. Don't fail to buy Red Cross stamps and help the cause while at the same time identifying yourself with progressive people. You can get them at the Commercial Club.

THIRTY-ONE KILLED IN BATTLE WITH MOROS

MANILA, P. I., Dec. 8.—Fanatical Moros and Sanos forced a fight on a detachment of constabulary under Lantz, near Mt. Malindang, Mindanao island, last Sunday. Six members of the constabulary, four porters and one policeman were killed and one of the constabulary was wounded. The aggressors left 20 of their number dead when they finally scattered.

Some four thousand fanatics gathered in the vicinity of the mountain two weeks ago and Governor Parshing expected disorder. Constabulary reinforcements have been sent to the scene of the fight, but no further trouble is expected, as the tribesmen are reported to be returning to their homes.



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