

WHAT YOU WILL SEE AT JACKSON COUNTY FAIR

Work at the Natatorium Fair grounds is rapidly approaching completion and everything will be in readiness for the opening day. Below is printed a partial program of each day's events as the official program will not be announced until the first of the week.

Tuesday, September 18

Entry day. Exhibits not open for inspection and no admission. Dance at big hall of Nat at 8:30. Music by Jazz orchestra from Oregon Grill of Portland.

Wednesday, September 19

Medford day. Free barbecue at noon at Natatorium fair grounds. Bring cups for coffee with you.

1 p. m. Girls' canning contest, prizes of \$50 offered by Utah-Idaho Sugar company.

2:30 p. m. Address by Miss McCormick, representative of national council of defense.

7:30 prompt, entertainment, music, style show, etc.

8:30. Dancing in large hall, music by Jazz orchestra. Address in small hall.

Thursday, September 20

Ashland day.

1.00 p. m. Canning contest continued.

2.00 p. m. Stock parade.

3.00. Address by representative of O. A. C.

4.00. Military drill by Co. C.

7:30 p. m. Entertainment, music, style show, etc.

8:30. Dance, music by Jazz orchestra.

Friday, September 21

Children's day, with big list of sports conducted by Supt. Ager.

1.00 p. m. Canning contest.

2.00. Rock drilling contest between Blue Ledge, Grants Pass and northern California districts for championship and prize of \$160.

2.30. Address by Dean H. B. Miller, U. of O.

3.00 p. m. Sports of all kinds.

The bicycle race for boys, Medford to Phoenix and return, start from Nat., prizes by C. E. Gates Auto Co.

7.30. Big entertainment by Medford's celebrated Choral society, under direction of Geo. Andrews. Also special orchestra music.

8.30. Dancing, music by Jazz orchestra, large hall.

8.30. Address by Dean H. B. Miller of U. of O., in small hall.

Saturday, September 22

Jackson County day.

3.00 p. m. Address by Prof. C. C. Cate.

4.00 p. m. Drill by Co. C.

7.30. Entertainment, music, style show, etc.

8.30. Dance, music by Jazz orchestra and grand final wind-up after fair.

On Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 1.30, 3, 4 and 7.15 p. m. dog and pony show for the children.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 15.—The comptroller of the currency today issued a call for the condition of all national banks of the United States at the close of business Tuesday, September 11.

AUTO SUPPLY IS REPORTED AS SHORT THIS FALL

Will there be a scarcity of automobiles for the retail trade this fall and winter? was the question asked a local dealer a few days ago.

"Eastern executives of big companies and students of the problems say that it is very probable," he answered. "They declare that the prices for material, at present very high, are not likely to be lowered for some time, and that many manufacturers are bound to cut down their output of pleasure cars because of war time orders."

"Many large companies, figuring that the demand will be stimulated by a heavy trade among farmers after crops have been marketed this fall, have planned to increase their output schedule materially, not only for the rest of this, but also for next year."

"Heads of some of these concerns argue that material prices will not be lower for some years. Yet because they are so much higher than formerly, many manufacturers who swelled the total of the cars produced last year will retrench their production, thereby aggravating the shortage brought on by the increased demand."

"That materials used in building motor cars are utilized in making munitions, ordnance, ships and other war necessities works a distinct hardship on the automobile industry because government officials have indicated that they would give the—as they call it—'pleasure car' last consideration in supplying necessary materials."

"This attitude would cause widespread pessimism, if it were not generally realized that the output of our mines and steel mills is tremendous and will doubtless be 'speeded up' correspondingly."

BARBECUE OCCURS ON WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

Everybody remembers how they enjoyed the barbecue at the Jackson County Fair last year and what a success it was. Two of the choicest beehives in the county were barbecued by that splendid artist in this line, Dr. D. M. Lowe, of Ashland, who will have charge of the barbecuing again this year. And H. E. Marsh is chairman of that committee and with his able assistance assures the success of the big event which occurs Wednesday, Sept. 18 at noon at the Natatorium.

Two big, fat home grown young beehives have been selected for this year and say they sure cost some coin but nothing is too good for the Fair association and the Medford merchants to serve to their guests on this occasion. You had better prepare to come and bring the family.

The association asks that you bring your cups for coffee as they cannot furnish them. Bread, barbecued beef and coffee will be served. The merchants of Medford will act as waiters for their hosts again. If you want to get plenty of choice barbecued meat and have a good time be at the fair Wednesday.

25,000 MILES OF TRAVEL BY SEA AND NO U-BOATS SEEN

Twenty-five thousand miles on the high seas with a U-boat scare is almost as much a novelty today as submarine battles were at the beginning of the war. A Detroit man completed such a trip a short time ago, however, and is now under way in a journey that will probably take him an even greater distance. Whether the "novelty" of placid business excursions in war time will be shattered on this occasion remains to be seen.

"The only excitement I saw during the entire year abroad," he said, "occurred one night several months ago off the coast of Colombo. We came in sight of what was believed to be a German raider. All lights were ordered out and considerable commotion resulted among the passengers. Nothing developed, however."

The same man was in China just prior to the recent revolution. The fact that he succeeded in taking several photographs within the walls of the forbidden city, where cameras are not tolerated, indicates that there was little suspicion of the impending outbreak, even as late as May 15. Guards did not seem as numerous as he had seen them on previous occasions, he said. Much interest was centered on the session of parliament at that time, because of the debate on China's proposed entry in the war.

Rumors of possible outbreaks in India were discounted by the Detroit man, who declared that both troops and civilians everywhere are loyal to the British cause and that an excellent system of colonization is being operated to great advantage. The streets of Bombay were crowded constantly with soldiers, indicating that recruiting was proceeding at a lively pace.

The traveler who relates these war-time impressions is E. G. Willems, foreign district representative for Dodge Bros. He declares that the world generally believed the United States would remain neutral at all costs and for that reason received the news of the declaration of war with much surprise.

EX-PRESIDENT OF CHINA DOWN AND OUT

PEKING, August 15.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press)—Li Yuan-hung, once president of the Chinese republic, possesses today less power here than the lowliest coolie. He is a prisoner in the capital of the land over which he once ruled, and for the first time in many years he holds no office; and except for that of Prince Wu Yi, he holds no title.

It is Li Yuan-hung's desire to leave Peking and seek rest in Tien-tsin, but the government has repeatedly denied this request. Premier Tuan Chi-jui and Acting President Feng Kw-chang apparently have no intention of allowing the veteran warrior to depart for any settlement where he would be in a position to communicate with the revolutionists in the south. The government is said to realize how potent the name of Li Yuan-hung would be were he to be made president of a southern republic.

He such as Sun Yet-sen Tang Shao-yi, C. T. Wang and other Kuomintang leaders are endeavoring to establish in Canton.

Since he surrendered the presidency a month ago and allowed General Chang Hsun to take over the central government, Li Yuan-hung has divided his time between the French hospital and his home in the Tartar City, without the walls of the Forbidden City. He also took refuge for a short time in the Japanese legation, and he handsomely rewarded the Japanese soldiers and officers who protected him in the trying period when the republicans were ousting the boy emperor, Hsuan Tung, and overthrowing the short-lived monarchy set up by Chang Hsun.

Li Yuan-hung's illness was not serious enough to make his retirement to the hospital necessary. But the French hospital is in the Legation Quarter. It is under the protection of the foreign guards. And Li Yuan-hung was not the only Chinese who was ailing at the time conditions were so unsettled outside of the foreign settlement. Hotels, hospitals, legations and private houses within the Legation Quarter were filled to overflowing when Tuan Chi-jui's troops moved against Peking on July 12.

U. S. OFFICIALS SEIZE \$40,300 GOLD IN BARREL OF PORK

A GULF PORT, Sept. 17.—Customs officials today boarded a Spanish steamer here shortly before the vessel was scheduled to depart for a European port and seized \$40,300 in gold secreted in a barrel of salt pork that formed a part of the ship's stores. An investigation conducted by the federal district attorney was followed by the arrest of three members of the ship's crew, charged with violating President Wilson's proclamation of Sept. 10, prohibiting the exportation of gold save under license.

Officials at first were inclined to the belief, they said, that the gold bears some relation to reports that Germany has received gold through communication of her submarines with neutral ships.

Following the investigation comment was withheld. Full details were wired to Washington tonight by the collector of the port.

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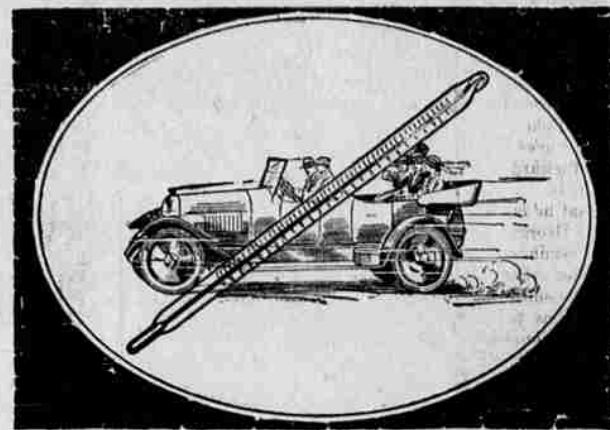
"We publish the telegrams which

give the most favorable accounts of the deeds of the Austro-German armies because there are in Mexico papers of great resources which are dedicated solely to the insertion of news favorable to the allies, and as our government has declared itself neutral it should be the duty of one daily of importance to give cognizance to that which redounds to the credit of the central powers."

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BIG BANK MERGER REPORTED IN PORTLAND

PORTLAND, Sept. 17.—Completion of a merger was announced today whereby the Lumbermen's National bank and the United States National bank are consolidated under the name of the latter institution, with a capitalization of \$1,500,000. J. C. Ainsworth, president of the United States National, will remain as president, and E. G. Crawford, heretofore president of the Lumbermen's National, will be first vice-president.



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