

2 WELL-KNOWN JACKSON CO. MEN CALLED SUDDENLY

Isaac Merriman, a native son of this county, died today on Bear creek, where he and his sons, Lester and Chester, had gone to cut wood and explored a short time after starting to cut down a tree. Mr. Merriman was born on the farm where he resided all his life. Born September 11, 1861, and was aged 61 years, 5 months, 7 days. He had been a member of Medford Lodge I. O. O. F. for 33 years and also a member of Medford camp W. O. W. He leaves his wife, Emma and four sons, Harry Merriman, Clark, Wyoming; Merritt Merriman, Gold Hill, Ore.; Chester and Lester of Medford, Ore. Funeral arrangements announced later. Remains are at the Perle Funeral Home.

Elmo Nell, a pioneer stockman of this county, dropped dead Saturday afternoon. Mr. Nell's death came as a great shock, as he was apparently in perfect health, until Saturday morning when he complained of severe pains in chest, but got over this and went out driving his cattle, came in in the afternoon and cleaned up and bent over to tie his shoe and dropped dead. Heart trouble is believed to be the cause. He was 42 years old, and a descendant of the old pioneer family, Nell. He leaves a wife, a brother, Jesse Nell, a rancher, and two married sisters living in the east. Funeral services will probably be held Wednesday afternoon of this week at the Elks Temple in Astoria. He lived across Bear Creek from Ashland.

TEACHERS MEET AT PHOENIX HELD

The central zone of teachers met in Phoenix on Saturday the 16th, instating about thirty in attendance. The roll call, responded to by report on points toward standardization, gave all a chance to know who was who in the group, and where teaching. Several schools will undoubtedly become standard. During the business session J. R. Tyrrell, Phoenix, was elected chairman, Mrs. Eliza Tyrrell, secretary; H. P. Jewett, Central Point, county fair committee; and Chester Cook, Jacksonville, athletic director. Jacksonville was selected as the place for meeting on February 1, 1923. The program for the morning consisted of Standard Tests, presented by H. P. Jewett; Parents' Interest in the Schools, discussed by Mrs. Chester Cook; and Professional Training and Growth of Teachers, address by Suzanne Holmes Carter.

A delicious luncheon, with holiday favors and decorations was served in Linda Hall by the ladies of Phoenix, as their part in the entertainment of the visiting teachers. Needless to say the guests greatly enjoyed the hour.

At one o'clock in the assembly hall groups of the primary pupils of Phoenix gave several folk games in happy mood. Then seventh grade girls, and a group of lower grade boys, sang two-part songs with exceptional brightness and accuracy. Departmental sessions for upper grades and primary grades followed, under leadership of Miss Eunice Davis of Oak Grove school and Mrs. Ella Tyrrell of Phoenix, with excellent discussion brought out in each department. After a brief general assembly, during which boys' and girls' club week lessons available now were announced, the group adjourned at 2:30.

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ORTEGA AND M'KAY PRIMED FOR ACTION IN FRIDAY'S BOUT

Gordon McKay meets Tom King of Australia tomorrow night in the feature scrap at Milwaukee, after which he will hop the rattler for Medford, where he meets the former Pacific coast middleweight boss, Battling Ortega, next Friday night at the Nat. Ortega will arrive tomorrow, primed for action. This McKay-Ortega scrap should be the best ever staged in a local arena.

In the six round semi-final Jack Edmunson, fighting at 160 pounds, will show his wares against Tom Sharkey, who weighs more than Jack Dempsey. Edmunson is facing a serious weight handicap, but contends that the bigger they are the more noise they make when they hit the resin.

Should Edmunson beat Sharkey he wants to meet the winner of the Ortega-McKay go. Battling Frick and Danny Cummings, meet in the other 6-round go and this should be a slam bang affair as these two fought a slashing draw in a previous battle.

There will be a four round curtain raiser.

WALLY'S FATE STARTS QUIZ

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duelings have undoubtedly undermined his strength and system in months gone by."

Mrs. Reid in describing his condition just before the present breakdown said that he wept and said:

"How did I happen to let myself go? Why couldn't I have stopped long ago. I thought I was so strong; I thought I knew myself so well! I can't understand it."

Indignant denials of published reports of "orgies" in the Reid home were made by Mrs. Alice Davenport, mother of the actor to whom those reports had been credited.

"I know there are dope parties in Hollywood—everyone knows that," she said, "and I suppose Wally has attended some of them; I don't know."

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 18.—Investigation by the state board of pharmacy into the sale of narcotics to Hollywood motion picture colonists has been progressing for three weeks according to a statement today by Louis Seehr, president of the board.

"We are not concentrating so much on the users as we are on the sellers," Seehr said. "While we have determined that drugs are being supplied prominent members of the motion picture industry, it would be a libel on Hollywood to say that there was any concentration of selling and consumption of drugs there. As a matter of fact there are far worse places in southern California and elsewhere."

"The board is investigating the Wallace Reid case, but only in connection with the sale of drugs to motion picture colonists who use them. It must be emphasized that the colony as a whole is not under investigation."

"With the advent of Mr. Will Hays into the motion picture industry the drug evil in Hollywood has abated to some considerable degree. Agents of the board may now enter the studios freely while heretofore they had to be supplied with each warrant. Mr. Hays is not only trying to weed out the users of the drugs but particularly the sellers. It is not an easy job, but we must commend the splendid co-operation he is giving us. I place the principal source of the traffic over the Mexican border below Texas."

STORM ON GREAT LAKES

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The captain's boat has not been accounted for, but the other, after drifting several hours in the storm, finally was blown ashore on the Ontario mainland, 85 miles north of Salt Ste Marie.

BAY CITY, Mich., Dec. 18.—The fleet of nine steamships loaded with grain and bound for Lake Erie ports which St. Mary's river yesterday and early St. Mary's river yesterday and early today and entered Lake Huron on the way down. The ships and their cargoes are worth \$28,000,000.

SAULT STE MARIE, Mich., Dec. 18.—The tug Gray, searching for the 27 persons lost from the tug Reliance on the rocks of Lizard Island, reached the scene of the wreck today and found two overturned and battered lifeboats but no sign of the missing persons.

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 18.—(By Associated Press). The Danish steamship Lituanian, which left New York December 6 for Danzig and Libau with cargo and passengers, is reported aground on Bornholm Island in the Baltic Sea.

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Mr. Pierce Favors Legislation to Relieve Burden—No New Appointees for the Present—Civil Service for County Assessors—To Conserve Land

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 18.—Legislation to relieve the state from the "terrible burden of guaranteeing irrigation district bonds" will be asked of the coming session of the legislature, Governor-elect W. M. Pierce said here today.

"The state is pledged to pay \$1,000,000 in interest on some of these bonds," said Pierce, "and there is not the slightest chance of recovering this money from the districts."

Pierce said he would announce no additional appointments to state offices until he had become acquainted with the situation at Salem. So far only the post of private secretary has been filled.

Commenting on his suggestion that members of the state highway commission should be paid salaries he said:

"This work in the future will have little of the glory that attached to the pioneering, but will be hard labor retreating the outstanding bonds and finishing the job."

The incoming governor indicated he would recommend to the legislature the civil service system for county assessors and that the power of removal be vested in some central body, probably the state tax commission.

Mr. Pierce will take an active interest, he said, in seeing that the question of conservation of the state's natural wealth be safeguarded by the legislature, having in mind a severance tax on forest wealth and the conservation of Eastern Oregon land, which he claims is now being destroyed by dredger mining and rendered unfit for agricultural purposes. Mr. Pierce will spend the remainder of this week in Salem in looking over the state institutions and grounds and in attendance at the meetings of the state board of control.

CORVALLIS BALLS UP PLANS

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game. Medford has also raised \$1000 and has agreed to give the Toledo team that amount for the only game to be played on the coast by Scott high and it is felt that the state athletic board, if they act with fair judgment will grant that Medford be allowed the only game or will force Corvallis to co-operate with Medford, each school playing a game with Scott high. If the latter proposition is agreed to Medford will be making a concession to the northern school to select the date and to pay the larger portion of the Ohio team's expense. Word as to the final decision was expected this afternoon from Grants Pass.

DENVER MINT ROBBED

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the bank. It is released to the bank on instructions from the secretary of the treasury. To transfer of the money is very irregular, according to Director Grant, sometimes three and four releases being made in a week and then again no money being released over a period of two weeks.

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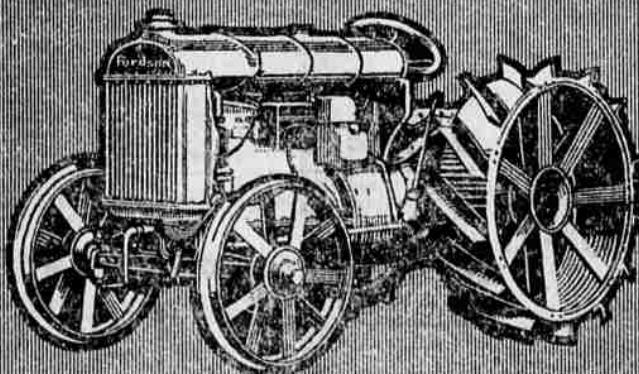
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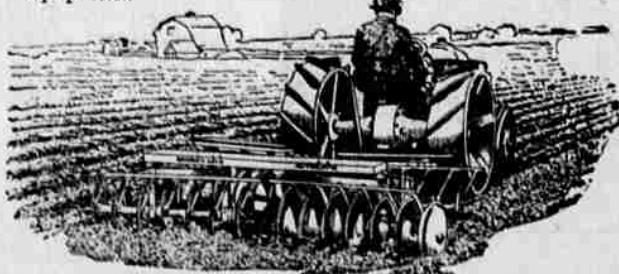
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