

STATE SUNDAY S. CONVENTION OPENS ASHLAND TONIGHT

The second division of the State Sunday School convention for Oregon opens this evening in Ashland. The sessions will be held in the Baptist church beginning at 7:30 p. m. The best speakers and workers of all co-operating denominations in the state will be on the program, as well as one or two national speakers. Dr. Milligan of the Baptist State Sunday School force; Dr. Van Nuy, Presbyterian, the state worker for the Congregational church in Washington and Dr. Magill of the National Sunday School association, will be on the program.

The meetings last through Thursday and Friday and Friday night, when Rev. Mr. Slana, field worker for the State Sunday School association of Oregon, will deliver the closing message.

WRESTLING BOUT ON ELECTION DAY

Everything is being lined up this week for the smoker which is slated for Tuesday, November 6th in the armory building and a committee of the Medford Legion post is busy arranging for two high class preliminaries for the Gus Schnelldau-Farmer Vance match. This match will afford Medford fans their first opportunity of seeing a good wrestling entertainment in Medford for many months and the Legion boys are optimistically anticipating a big turnout for the first smoker of the winter season. The big hall of Medford's new armory will be used which will mean that every enthusiast in southern Oregon will have an opportunity of seeing Tuesday's card.

Farmer Vance comes here with an enviable record. He is a Chicago boy and had quite a reputation in the east and middle west as well as on the coast and, in all probability, will make Schnelldau show his best tricks Tuesday evening. Gus, who came here recently from Los Angeles, will now be a protégé of Medford fans since he is making his home in this neck of the woods and this city will now have a man who they can back against all comers. He has on his list of victories the names of some of the best mat men in the country.

Hunger Strike Peeters Out
DUBLIN, Oct. 31.—The hunger strike in the jails is rapidly coming to an end. It is officially announced that 3200 prisoners have ceased to fast during the last five days.

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BIG INITIATION BY K. OF P. HERE MONDAY EVENING

Forty new applicants in Medford and others in prospect, for membership in Tullman Lodge No. 31, were acted upon at the K. P. lodge meeting on Monday evening. These applicants, together with others from Roseburg, Grants Pass, Klamath Falls, Hornbrook, Yreka, Etna Mills, Doos and Montague, will take the rank of Page initiation in the Knights of Pythias on Monday evening, November 5 at Medford.

There will be an illuminated parade, led by the D. O. K. K. band, preceding the convention and it is anticipated that 500 men will be in line. Visitors will be here from all the lodges mentioned and the Bathhouse Bible class of November 15, 1923, will be an event long remembered by Pythians of southern Oregon and northern California.

STATE FEDERATION FOR INCOME TAX

ASTORIA, Ore., Oct. 31.—Support of the state income tax law, enacted at the last session of the legislature and to be voted on at a referendum election November 6, was given in a resolution adopted today by the State Federation of Labor in convention here. C. E. Spence, state market master, representing the State Grange, spoke in favor of the income tax law.

William A. Marshall of the Industrial accident commission, explained the purposes of the state compensation law.

A resolution asking for compulsory acceptance of the workmen's compensation law is in the hands of a committee which has not yet submitted its report. Favorable report, however, is expected by those in touch with the committee.

N. YORK STOCKS TAKE BIG JUMP

NEW YORK CITY, Oct. 31.—The Wall street closing was strong. Encouraged by the seemingly panicky state of the short interest, operators on the long side of the market continued to bid up prices in the late dealings.

Stock prices turned vigorously upward in today's stock market, one of the most active in months, on the unexpected declaration of an extra dividend on U. S. Steel common and the publication of a bullish forecast by a prominent speculator. Gains in the active issues ran from 1 to 6 points. Sales approximated 1,250,000 shares.

Big Season Business Rocky Point Resort

A. C. Allen and son, James, have returned from Rocky Point resort and will remain here during the winter. They had a wonderful business this year, with greatly increased attendance, and will make improvements early in the spring to accommodate increasing business.

Their resort is located on Klamath lake and affords splendid boating, fishing, mountain climbing and is one of the most pleasant all round resorts in Southern Oregon.

NEW YORK, Oct. 31.—Making his first start since conquering Papyrus in the international race, Zev, crack Rancocas stable three-year-old, today won the \$5,000 autumn championship stakes at Empire City in a gallop. Bracadale, a stable mate, was second.

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CHAMBER FORUM VOTES AGAINST INCOME TAX, 37-5

At the Forum luncheon today the members voted against the proposed income tax by a vote of 37 to 5. All in all, the forum today was one of the most interesting held for many weeks.

Guy Connor presided, and called attention to the fact that this is national apple week and that every family in Medford and Southern Oregon should have a box of apples in the house and eat at least an apple a day. He further said that Oregon, Washington and Idaho have 15 per cent of the apple acreage of the United States and often produces 50 per cent of the commercial crop.

Messrs. J. M. McWilliams, A. C. Wilhite and H. D. McNair attended the forum in the interest of the Winter fair in Ashland, early in December.

A. S. Rosenbaum announced that the Interstate Commerce Commission had refused to interfere in the new rates on lumber from Southern Oregon that go into effect today.

Harry Walther called attention to the need of an industrial survey of the county and Southern Oregon, like the one being made at present in Medford, to learn what our resources are and to prepare the public generally to be able to give all visitors the proper information. He also suggested that representatives of the Chamber of Commerce visit all camp grounds and hotels during tourist season and get acquainted with our visitors. The proposition met with hearty approval.

A straw vote was taken on the proposed tax measure to be voted on Nov. 5th, and resulted in 37 opposed and five for. Of course this does not pledge the chamber but clearly shows the individual expressions.

A discussion followed regarding the proposed increased valuation of property of the California-Oregon Power Company, and P. B. McKee made a statement regarding the same in which he called attention to the fact that the company had invested in the past two years, \$1,800,000 in Southern Oregon, not including \$600,000 paid for the Douglas County Light & Water Company property. Of the amount invested, over \$100,000 was spent in Medford and adjacent territory.

That the company plans to spend another million dollars during the coming year in construction and reconstruction, including the line from Ashland to Gold Ray, in order to keep up with the increasing development of this section.

He stated that the tentative figures fixed by the state board for 1923 would increase their taxes 70 per cent over last year.

He further said the increase of the value of their plant in Southern Oregon in 1921 over 1920 was 2 1/2 per cent, while the tax increase was 22 per cent and the earning power decreased 2 1/2 per cent.

The increase of the plant value in 1922 over 1921 was 36 per cent, while taxes were increased 52 per cent, and the increase in earning power was 53 1/2 per cent.

In 1923 the plant value increase over 1922 was 50 per cent, the tax increase would be 159 per cent if the tentative valuation is made permanent by the state board, while the earning increase would only be 107 per cent.

Mr. McKee said the tentative valuation would make the taxes 13 per cent of their gross earnings of last year, and that in California, with the same conditions, the tax increase would only be 7 1/2 per cent.

IMPRISON MUTINOUS CREW AT HONOLULU

HONOLULU, Oct. 30.—(By the Associated Press.)—Captain Perrault, representing the owners of the sailing vessel Dahma, which arrived here early today from Chile, after a voyage during which 11 members of the crew are alleged to have mutinied, will take command of the ship tomorrow, he announced on his arrival here today.

The alleged mutinous members of the crew were imprisoned here at the request of Captain Bobett, now in command of the vessel, who charged the men with mutiny and with attempting to poison him.

Major General Allen to Feed German Children

CHICAGO, Oct. 31.—(By Associated Press.) Major General Henry T. Allen, who commanded the American forces on the Rhine announced today on his arrival from Washington that plans were being made to feed 2,000,000 German children this winter through the medium of the American Society of Friends.

General Allen, who returned from a visit to Germany last July, declared that a "very grave situation and one with which Germany itself is not able to cope" exists in the former enemy country. He has accepted the chairmanship of the American committee in charge of the campaign, which he said had been endorsed by Secretary of Commerce Hoover and is being participated in by many nationally known individuals.

STEPHEN MATHER URGES SUPPORT BETTER HIGHWAYS

SEATTLE, Oct. 31.—Every western state is vitally interested in the \$7,500,000 appropriation to be asked at the next session of congress for national park highways, and the entire west should work as a unit to put the proposal through, declared Stephen T. Mather, director of the United States national park service, who arrived here yesterday on a tour of the Pacific Coast states after attending a conference last week of national park officials at Yellowstone national park.

Director Mather is accompanied by a large party of national park superintendents and other government officials who also attended the Yellowstone park conference.

"Existing highways must be improved and new ones built to make our national parks accessible, if the public is to get anything like the full value of the \$500,000,000 spent in recent years by the federal and state governments under various plans for the building of automobile roads," Mather stated.

"The tremendous record-breaking travel to the national parks this year clearly demonstrated that a traffic congestion already exists which will become serious unless the highways are given immediate attention."

The parks, Director Mather said, that were congested this year include Glacier national park, Grand Canyon national park, Rocky Mountain national park in Colorado, and Yosemite national park in California.

SOUTHERN PACIFIC TO SERVE OREGON APPLES

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 31.—Oregon's finest apples from the Rogue, Willamette and Umpqua River valleys and other famous apple producing centers of the state will be featured on all Southern Pacific dining cars during National Apple Week—October 31 to November 7.

In announcing this yesterday, John M. Scott, assistant passenger traffic manager for the company at Portland stated that all assistance possible would be rendered by the Southern Pacific in giving wide publicity to National Apple week which begins next Wednesday (Oct. 31).

Keen interest is being displayed, it is said, by dining car stewards and chefs in the preparation of menus featuring Oregon's luscious apples.

EX-CROWN PRINCE ASKS TO RETURN TO GERMANY

DOORN, Oct. 31.—Former Crown Prince Frederick Wilhelm of Prussia, it is learned authoritatively, has asked permission of the Dutch government to return to Germany. Holland does not object but would not allow the prince to return again to this country.

According to reliable sources Friedrich Wilhelm has conferred with the German minister at The Hague in regard to his return.

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PORTLAND MEN SHOOTING DUCKS FROM AIRPLANE

SEATTLE, Oct. 31.—Federal warrants were issued in Tacoma yesterday, it became known here today for R. G. Davis, an aviator of California and for two Portland, Ore., business and professional men on charges that last month on Willapa Harbor, southwest Washington, they slaughtered ducks from an airplane.

Frank Mossman, game warden of Pacific county, which lies on Willapa Harbor who was here conferring with the United States district attorney, asserted that Davis' plane was rented by the other two defendants and that the three darted in the machine into flocks of ducks, firing right and left as they went. He said they killed 100 ducks, in violation of the federal migratory bird act.

MARKETS FLOODED WITH COAST APPLES

CHICAGO, Oct. 31.—Total shipments of apples from far western states are running 10,000 cars ahead of last fall's output, according to a statement of the United States bureau of agricultural economics, issued today which added that the state of Washington alone has been marketing about 3,000 cars of boxed apples a week, compared with a movement of 1,300 cars at the same time last season.

Almost 60,000 cars of potatoes were marketed by the 18 principal late potato states up to October 27, a slight advance over last season, the statement said. North Dakota was ranked third in shipments, compared with the seventh position it held last year.

Standard Oil Alleges Patent Infringements

CHICAGO, Oct. 31.—(By the Associated Press.)—The Standard Oil company of Indiana today filed a bill of complaint in the United States district court here against the Universal Oil Products company and announced that a similar bill had been filed in the federal district court at East St. Louis against the Roxana Petroleum company to enjoin them from the use of certain oil cracking processes. The bills alleged infringement of patents.



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