

CLIP YOUR STRAW BALLOT TODAY IN NATION-WIDE POLL

Check Choice for President — Coupon On Page One of Today's Paper.

Who is your choice for president of the United States? Elsewhere in this paper will be found a straw ballot form, with the names of the leading candidates for the presidency.

You may bring it in, enclose it in an envelope or paste it on a postcard; just so it reaches our office before we close this first poll one week hence.

Nation-wide Newspaper Poll The Mail Tribune has accepted the invitation of the Associated Newspaper Polls of America to participate in the cooperative enterprise of sampling the public opinion of the American people on political and allied questions, coast to coast.

Our assignment is to find out how the people of Medford and Jackson county are planning to vote this fall, and it is important for all of you civic-minded and patriotic citizens to join with us in recording your sentiments on the approaching battle for the highest office in our land.

The ballot is secret; no signatures required and no cost, except the postage stamp, or postal card on which the ballot may be pasted; or you may bring the ballot open or in an envelope to our newspaper office.

Please don't forget to fill in the data as to your age, sex, occupation, etc. It will help the experts work out their analysis of the nation-wide voting.

And we desire, also, to know your sentiment on the question of "peace" overseas. Shall our government make a move for a British-German peace? Check your answer, like next ballot question will be about conscription.

Swiss republican style versus totalitarianism, etc. Ballot No. 1 will appear in several issues and must be in our office or mailed on or before September 3. Clip it now before you forget it.

LEGION TO FIGHT FOREIGN CUT-UPS

At a joint session of the executive committee and convention delegates of Medford Post No. 15 The American Legion last night, definite plans were prepared to assist the state and civic authorities in combating any and all subversive elements in our midst. Plans were also formulated so that the Legion disaster relief committee can function in a minute's notice.

Further details will be announced over the radio. The next regular post meeting will be held on Wednesday at 8:00 o'clock at the Armory. This is the last meeting prior to the state convention at Seaside September 4, 5, 6, 7. All Legionnaires are urged to attend this important meeting.

PALESTINE FILMS AT 4-SQUARE CH.

On Wednesday evening, Aug. 28th, at 7:45, at the Foursquare Church, Central and Jackson, Rev. T. R. Jackman, well known world traveler and lecturer, will show "The Promised Land" in sound, natural color motion pictures. This is the most complete picture on the Bible Lands today, right up to date and taken by Rev. Jackman during his recent travels through Egypt, Palestine, Italy and other countries.

While going around taking these pictures Rev. Jackman was arrested as a war spy, and thrown in jail several times. He has some very interesting facts to relate of conditions around the Mediterranean Sea and Europe as a whole. Rev. Jackman is an outstanding authority on modern Palestine, having spent several years in study and travel in the Bible lands, covering its archaeology, geography, history and its present social and political complexities. These pictures and lectures will not only be inspiring but also very informative and entertaining. Admission is free.

Warner's Backyard Gladiolus Hobby Now World Business

A hobby that grew into a large business whose products are sold in all parts of the world.

That is what developed when W. J. Warner planted a few gladiolus bulbs in his back yard 20 years ago. Mr. Warner nursed those bulbs along like any amateur gardener who is interested in getting the best out of his plants.

Mr. Warner became fascinated by his gladioli and began giving them more and more attention. The result? Today Mr. Warner is a large-scale commercial grower of gladiolus bulbs which are sold all over the world. Right now, in various tracts, he has 16 acres in full bloom in all the variegated colors for which gladioli are famed.

In a few weeks this year's crop of bulbs will be harvested and employment will thus be provided for a large number of workers, for this business is not so simple as it appears on the surface. The bulbs must not only be harvested; they must be treated scientifically in a number of ways and these processes are intricate and involved. One may start planting gladioli in his back yard as an amateur gardener but he must acquire a scientific knowledge of the business before attempting to operate on a commercial scale if he is to be successful. It was pointed out by those familiar with the industry.

An indication of the magnitude of this local business may be gleaned from the fact that last year Mr. Warner sold 650,000 bulbs to one west coast re-

tail distributor and it is likely that the order will be repeated this season.

The Warner bulbs also go to Florida and New York. In New York state, incidentally, bulb growers are able to profit also by sale of the blooms but here the sale of the flowers is practically nil.

Two years ago an importer of Holland who had bought Warner bulbs came all the way to Medford to confer with Mr. Warner and arrange for the further purchase of the local product.

Local soil and weather conditions are said to be favorable for the growing of gladiolus bulbs. The plant requires a loose soil and the same ground may not be used successfully two years in succession. This rotation, it was explained, is required not because gladioli deplete the soil but because it is impossible to get all the bulbs out of the ground and therefore the grower, if he used the same land in successive years, would have no control over varieties as volunteers would crop up all over the area.

And commercial growers are continually seeking new varieties, something a little different in order to satisfy the demand for something new.

Mr. Warner also grows rare varieties on order. Last year an easterner had one 75-foot row of his special variety raised by Mr. Warner. When the time came to harvest the bulbs, the easterner flew all the way out here to dig the bulbs himself and hasten back with them by plane to his home.

PURSE SNATCHER CRACKED ON HEAD WITH A UKULELE

This time the young would-be purse snatcher was bashed over the head with a ukulele. And as on two previous occasions he was driven away empty-handed by feminine wrath.

Twice before, in the past 10 days, a young boy about 14 years old accosted women on dark streets and attempted to grab their purses, but both times the expected victim hauled off and swatted the culprit across the head with the purse, itself.

Latest episode in the purse-snatching flareup occurred last night about 9:45. A girl, who desires to remain anonymous, told city police she was walking on South Ivy street when the young hoodlum approached her and made a grab for her purse. She related she cracked him over the head with a ukulele she was carrying, and that he turned and whizzed away—without the purse.

The boy was described as being blond and wearing blue trousers and a light sweater. This tallies with descriptions of the boy involved in the other two situations.

Another woman, who also prefers that her name not be used, told police she was grabbed by a young boy last night while walking on Cottage street.

"I haven't a purse," she was quoted as telling the youth.

Whereupon, she told police, the boy said he didn't want a purse and clamped onto her wrists. She wrenched loose and the young assailant jumped on a bicycle and disappeared in the darkness.

He was described as being about 14 years old.

City police said today that things would go "very hard" with the boy or boys, when they are caught in the coils of the law.

NATIONAL GUARD SEEKS RECRUITS

Company A, 186th Infantry of the Oregon national guard, is now receiving applications for enrollment for a year's active duty. Capt. Carl Y. Tengwald, commanding, announced today.

Applicants accepted now will be placed on the national guard inactive list and will be called for service when the company is mobilized for active duty, the captain said. Applicants are to register with Sgt. Frank Lindley at the Medford armory.

It is anticipated that company A will be called to active duty about September 15 and will leave for encampment at Fort Lewis about September 25. When the mobilization order is issued, the strength of Company A is to be increased from 86 men to 129.

GILLETTE GIVEN 30-DAY TERM AS DRUNKEN DRIVER

Dave Gillette, 67, Phoenix, was today serving a 30-day jail sentence for operating a car while under the influence of intoxicating liquor. He was also fined \$100 and his operator's license was taken up by Judge William R. Coleman in justice of the peace court. The license is to be cancelled for a year.

E. Floetke, 43, Phoenix, who was riding with Gillette, was fined \$10 and \$4.50 costs on a charge of being drunk on a public highway. The arrests were made and the complaints filed by Cy Combest, marshal of Phoenix. The men were arrested by Marshal Combest Sunday when Gillette assertedly drove his car around Phoenix in a drunken manner.

Both men pleaded guilty. Floetke was committed to jail for five days to serve out the fine.

Claude E. Briscoe, 22, Phoenix, pleaded guilty to a state police charge of passing another vehicle when he did not have sufficient clearance. He was fined \$2.50 and costs.

Rolene L. Pitts, 19, Route 2 was fined \$5 and costs for violating the basic traffic rule.

EDWARDS CIRCUS CLOSES TONIGHT

Tonight's performance at 8:00 o'clock will bring to a close the two-show stand at the fair grounds ball park of the Edwards Brothers' combined circus, thrill show and wild west rodeo, rated the largest and best of its kind in the United States. An enthusiastic audience was on hand this afternoon to witness the first performance.

The traveling circus features the aerial Ericksons, direct from

C. OF C. COMMITTEE SEEK UNIFORMITY FOR DONATIONS

Six Southern Oregon Cities Plan Protective Move From Solicitors.

A committee of secretaries of the chamber of commerce of six southern Oregon cities is now at work on a uniform standard governing the solicitation of funds or contributions of any sort.

The chambers of commerce engaged in this effort to control solicitation are those of Eugene, Roseburg, Klamath Falls, Ashland and Grants Pass while in Medford the cooperating agency is the Merchants association. Earl Reynolds, secretary of the Klamath Falls Chamber of Commerce, is temporary chairman of the committee.

The committee will meet to draw up the final standard procedure during the annual convention of the Oregon State Chamber of Commerce Secretaries association at Oregon Caves September 21 and 22. It was announced by Frank Hull, secretary of the Merchant association's committee which passes on solicitation applications.

The groups of the six cities are also to exchange information on solicitors and their solicitations. Mr. Hull said, so that each will have advance information on the merits or lack of merits of all solicitation schemes.

It has been found necessary to create a protective plan on solicitation because of the great increase in soliciting by outside interests who take money out of the city without rendering any commensurate service, Mr. Hull explained.

KIWANIANS VIEW DR. LEMERY FILMS

Local Kiwanians and their guests were entertained yesterday at their noon luncheon meeting by Dr. C. W. Lemery who showed his moving pictures of his recent trip by air to Havana where he attended the convention of Rotary International. Dr. Lemery supplemented the picture account of his trip with a running description of events of the trip, and of the various cities visited en route.

Ralph Sweeney received the regular attendance prize but Bob Frame was the recipient of the special attendance prize provided by Bill Barker and Walt Young. It is reported that the prize will be on permanent display in the Frame lily pond.

It was announced that the next regular meeting would be held on Wednesday, September 4, rather on Monday of that week.

Visits Gov. Sprague Salem, Aug. 27.—(AP)—Former Governor Frank F. Merriam of California, here to attend the notification ceremonies for Senator McNary, visited Governor Charles A. Sprague today on his first trip to Salem in 12 years.

The San Francisco fair, in death-defying acrobatics 125 feet above the ground without safety nets; the Five Flying La-Forms, who work blindfolded on flying trapezes and do triple somersaults as they did with Ringling Brothers circus for five years; trained animals, clowns, and the climax of the show: the head-on collision of two cars traveling 60 miles an hour.

Four automobiles will be demolished in tonight's head-on crash in front of the grandstand and the drivers will remain in their seats until after crackup.

MACKENZIE SAYS GERMANY SPOOFS WITH AIR THREAT

Nazis Have Superiority, But Not Supremacy, As Berlin Raids Show.

(By DeWitt MacKenzie)

That was rather a surprising statement by the semi-official Dienst aus Deutschland of Berlin which characterized all that has happened thus far in the battle of Britain as "preliminaries."

The preliminaries at last are finished, says Dienst, Nazidom has achieved air supremacy over England, and "now begins the planned destruction of industrial plants essential to war."

Nobody but the sponsors of this statement know whether it is a "business double" or just another piece of propaganda in the war of nerves. Certainly it finds support in the heavy Nazi raids over the industrial area of the English midlands the past two nights. However, I take the liberty of believing that Dienst could have given us a much more illuminating view of the position had it been permitted to do so.

Not for one moment do I doubt that the Nazi air forces are capable of unleashing many times the hell which already has been rained on the Britons in the "preliminaries" since the direct attack started on June 18, more than two months ago. There is no doubt, either, that Herr Hitler intends to employ this vast aerial power and—if it proves feasible—to accompany it by invasion.

Still, in my view the warfare which has been going on has been more than spade work. The Fuehrer set out for a quick kill—and more than two months is a long time for a man in a hurry. In short, it strikes me that circumstances over which Hitler has had no control have hampered his blitzkrieg plans and nullified some of his operations.

Among these circumstances we certainly may list the strength shown by the British not only in defense but in offense, and the threat of trouble in the Balkans at Germany's back door. We are entitled also to ask for more support of the contention that the Nazis have achieved supremacy over the English in the air.

That Germany has superiority

in air strength there is no question, but "supremacy" is another thing, for it denotes control of the air. The German superiority hasn't prevented persistent British raids over German territory in recent weeks also, only yesterday London listed 1,101 German raiders brought down since June 18, and more than 800 since August 8, which was the first day of the Nazi mass attacks. That doesn't sound like German "control."

There is another aspect of the beginning of this new phase of warfare which is highly important. That is bound up in the proverb that time and tide wait for no man, not even a conqueror like Herr Hitler. He is getting perilously close to the bad weather season which will

render military operations most difficult if not impossible. Anything can happen in the way of weather after the beginning of September, although the first half of the month generally is good. Sometimes the whole month is all right, but October means the start of bad days. Rain, fog and winds seriously hamper flying, and the always tricky English channel kicks up far more trouble than any invading force would want to deal with.

Highway Crash Fatal Pendleton, Ore., Aug. 27.—(AP)—Mrs. Leah Cole of Ukiah was killed and her husband, E. N. Cole, seriously injured when their car and a Harris Pine Mills logging truck driven by Dale

Williams collided late yesterday near Battle Mountain state park, on the Three Flags highway.

American On Trial London, Aug. 27.—(AP)—Tyler Kent, former clerk at the United States embassy here, and Anna Wolkoff, daughter of a former Russian admiral, were committed for trial at Old Bailey today at the conclusion of a hearing on charges of violating the official secrets act.

England Buys Seed Portland, Aug. 27.—(AP)—J. C. Bodger, California seed company owner, told an interviewer yesterday his company had exported 500,000 pounds of vegetable seed to England since the war's start.

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In the Notion Section on the Main Floor a Wednesday Sale of Per-Fit Girdles. These popular foundations are the two-way stretch type and come in small, medium and large sizes. 12 to 18-inch lengths.

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How about a Hand-Tailored Suit or Topcoat this Fall. Mr. Charles A. Wobbe of the Starrs-Schaefer Co. now in our Clothing Dept. with a complete line of Fall and Winter Woolens. Mr. Wobbe is a clothing stylist. A suit measured by him and tailored by Starrs-Schaefer assures you perfect clothing satisfaction. Tomorrow is Mr. Wobbe's last day, so hurry.

Here's a Sale of Luncheon Cloths you cannot afford to miss! 50x50-inch fine quality Rayon Cloths with 6 Matching Napkins, \$1.88 set. These lovely Cloths have wide colorful borders and snow white centers. They are fast to washing and very easy to launder.

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