

CLARA BIGHAM IS SHOWMAN CHAMP AT ANTELOPE FAIR

Champion beef and dairy showman at the Antelope 4H club fair was Clara Mae Bigham of the Antelope Club. She was judged champion in both dairy and beef classes in competition with eighty-five 4H club members from all of Jackson county. She was awarded a wool blanket by the M. M. Dept. Store, Medford.

Nadine Davies also of Antelope club was judged champion sheep showman and was awarded \$5 by the First National Bank of Portland, Medford Branch. Other winners in the various classes were:

Blue ribbon class in dairy showmanship: Clara Mae Bigham, Antelope; Helen Harnish, Eagle Point and Henry Padgham, Roxy Ann. Red ribbon class: Beth McCurley Westside; Bill Ferns, Fern Valley; Darlene Hale, Bellview White ribbon class: Dale Bigham, Antelope; Barbara McCune, Eagle Point and Albert Allen, Table Rock. Blue ribbon class in beef showmanship: Clara Mae Bigham, Clara Mae Bigham, Antelope; Beth McCurley, Westside and Bud Tyler, Eagle Point. Red ribbon class: Jan Freeman, Antelope; Lois Field, Antelope; Henry Padgham, Jr., Roxy Ann; Ted Willoughby, Bellview. White ribbon class: Clara Mae Bigham, Phyllis Cahall, Antelope; Glenn Williams, Valleyview and Bob Willoughby, Bellview.

Winners in sheep showmanship were: Blue: Nadine Davies, Antelope; Donna Nealon, Table Rock and Cecil Thames, Roxy Ann. Red: Bruce Field, Antelope; Richard Pervorse, Central Point. Mary Ann Gassaway, Bellview. White: Lois Nelson, Antelope; Albert Allen, Table Rock and Carol Lee Wyatt, Antelope.

Judge for the beef events was Alec Laven, herdsman for Blue Moon ranch; the dairy and sheep events were judged by L. E. Francis, former Jackson county 4-H club agent and currently with Farm Market Relations, Inc.

Eagle Point and Reese Creek 4-H clubs will hold a local fair, Aug. 15, at the Reese Creek school, starting at 10 a. m. Exhibitors will be: Barbara Ruth and Bud Powell, Helen Harnish, Florence and Wayne Russell; Jimmy and Ernest Burgess; Barbara, Bud and Bruce McCune; Larry Mongold, Buddy Tyler, Dick Chamberlain and Teddy Gred, all of Eagle Point club; Ralph and Darlene Humphrey, Neal Sullivan, Dean Collins, Thora and Lorena Millard, Joyce and Joann Conner, Bud Wiesbrod of the Reese Creek club.

Judge for the day will be Jens Svith, county agent of Josephine county.

Lunch will be served at noon and all club members and friends of club work are asked to attend.

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Fuel Oil Concern Constructs Large Klamath Station

Announcement of the installation of a fuel oil bulk plant at Klamath Falls was made here today by Victor Milnes, vice president of the Western Oil and Burner company, who has spent the past two weeks in that city completing construction plans. The modern tile and stucco building was started July 25, and will be completed about Oct. 1, according to Milnes. It will cover a 200 foot square area on South Sixth street, and will be the largest fuel oil bulk plant in Klamath county, Milnes states.

Two storage tanks, holding 125,000 gallons each of stove and diesel oil, a five truck garage and modern oil burner service shop will be included in one section of the building, and the other will house offices and merchandise display rooms. Another strip of land connects the lot with railroad spur tracks for tank car unloading. Oil is hauled now from the bay area refineries to the northern distribution centers in trucks owned by the company.

The Western Oil and Burner company now maintains offices in Sacramento, Marysville and Oroville, Calif., and Medford, Ashland and Klamath Falls.



Olive Barber's Letter

This morning I looked out the kitchen window and there, just beyond the woodshed I saw a most astonishing sight—a silver-wheeled Ben Hur chariot, the driver standing bravely erect, the skirt of his robe a silver sail behind him.

I called to my husband saying, "Do you see what I see? Ben Hur in his chariot headed straight for our garden."

Used to my whimsies, he looked then laughed indulgently and said, "Just the mowing machine, you goon."

Well, maybe it was but the sun had glorified the dew-drenched wheels into circles of silver. The tall gear-shaft was the illusionary driver and the spread of an enormous spider web formed the skirts of an equally illusionary robe.

Just a mowing machine? Oh, no! A Ben Hur chariot, with an upright, silver-gowned Ben holding the reins. Perhaps one of the reasons we farm so casually is that we dream and imagine so industriously. Like watching the moon rise when we could have been doing much more practical things. The moon had drifted upward from behind the forested hill to the East. The tips of the fir tree tops were limned against the golden disk of the moon which rose slowly until it stood free in a star-dusty sky. I likened the moon to butterfly-colored Juliette, her booty brood about her. A house guest said the man in the moon was shaving and the stars were golden whiskers adrift on the floor of the night. But Frank, who is a baseball fan, said some celestial pitcher had tossed a slow ball.

The mowing machine a Ben Hur Chariot; the moon a bantam hen; a baseball or a man taking a shave! The fanciful folly of foolish folk. Yet wisdom at times is frivolously garbed. And it could be a form of wisdom to reap a measure of joy in a world so often sown to thorns and sorrow. If this be so, then it was not undignified, the group of men I saw laughing at the antics of a kitten. They were men dealing in world-wide affairs, yet for a few minutes there was only themselves and a playful kitten. And for me, well before I washed the separator and went to the garden to hoe corn—a mowing machine was a silver chariot; a spider web the robe of the imaginary charioteer. And it seemed to me that the separator washed easier, that morning; and the corn was less weedy. A good return for folly.

Oakland, Cal., Aug. 13—(U.P.)—Joseph W. Frazer, president-chairman of Graham-Paige Motors, was to arrive here today for a conference with Henry J. Kaiser, western industrialist.

SURPLUS GOODS OFFERED PUBLIC BY RFC DIVISION

Thomas A. Crowe and W. B. Babson of the surplus property division of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation's Portland office were here over the week-end for the purpose of acquainting business men and the public in general with the opportunity offered to obtain surplus goods from the government. Mr. Crowe, assistant chief of the surplus property division of RFC, said a supply of booklets had been left with the Jackson county Chamber of Commerce telling "How to Do Business With RFC."

The booklets list approximately 3,000 items of government owned surplus property which may be purchased by contacting the Surplus Property Division of the Portland RFC agency, 310 S. W. Sixth avenue, Portland. The wide range of items covers the broad classifications of aircraft, industrial plants, and capital and producers' goods. Mr. Crowe, said the stock includes gliders, aircraft, ferrous and non-ferrous metals, paints, varnishes, chemicals, lumber, leather, machine tools and other items too numerous to mention.

Everything offered is inspected, appraised and sold at a fair price. Hundreds of buyers visit the offices and display rooms during the week," Crowe said.

Copies of the booklet explaining the purchase procedure and listing items obtainable may be secured at the chamber of commerce here or by writing to the RFC at Portland. Future catalogues and special offerings will be mailed to anyone asking that their name be placed on the mailing list, the RFC representatives said.

THE GRANGE

Roxy Ann Grange
Roxy Ann Grange, H.E.C., will meet Wednesday, Aug. 15, at 2 p. m. at the home of Mrs. Hazel Chase. All having layette tickets are asked to turn them in at this time.

Gold Hill Grange
At Gold Hill Grange, H.E.C. meeting Aug. 8, Billie Hunterman acted as secretary due to absence of Secretary Florence Lance, whose husband was ill. A covered dish dinner and quilting made the day pass pleasantly.

A check for \$5 was received by Chairman Shaw from Grange insurance for burning the grass around the hall.

Nellie Pugh and Irene Johnson were remembered by Flora friends. Lucy Edington received the prize.

Don't forget to attend the annual Grange picnic from 10 a. m. to 5 p. m. Aug. 19 at Nellie Smith's ground on the Old Stage road. Dinner will be at 1 p. m. Coffee, cream and ice cream furnished. Bring your sugar.

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British Elections and Stock Market

Babson Discusses Importance of Churchill's Defeat On Stock Prices

By Roger W. Babson
Babson Park, Mass., Aug. 13—(Special Correspondence)—When Churchill's defeat was announced by radio, the stock market started to crumble. When, however, investors began to realize that it would take years for England to get its socialistic plans into action and perhaps then would fail to succeed, these same people began to buy back securities. The market has since returned to normal. There are several reasons for this.

England Sure to Inflate As Result of Election

I have long thought that inflation is inevitable; in fact it is going on every day. Nothing can stop it except a great spiritual awakening which will cause us to put the good of all before our own selfishness. I, however, now see no sign of this. Hence, the United States is headed for higher prices, higher wages, higher rents and higher stock values. The people of the world are "on the march" demanding inflation.

I am more sure of this than ever since the Labor government of England won by such a large majority. This will enable them to take over the Bank of England and issue all the money they need for their socialistic experiments. Whether or not these will be a success, no one now knows. Russia is still in the test tube, notwithstanding what her friends say. But for the next few years, while the experiment is being tried, jobs should be plentiful and money should flow like water. Stocks should sell higher—not only because of their intrinsic merit but because wise Englishmen will shift from their English stocks to American stocks.

Stocks Not Too High Compared to Panic Prices

Compared with panic prices of 10 years ago, the stock market now seems high to many conservative people. This is because the stock average was only 30 in 1932 compared with 110 today. Yet, only as far back as 1937, these same stocks sold at about 130; while in 1929 they sold for 280. With the British government and the Bank of England backing inflation, some stocks may well again sell at 1929 highs.

"What should I buy?" you ask. Well, the safest procedure is to diversify among a wide list, buying the leading stocks in 15 or more industries, omitting the rails, airplane manufacturing and shipping stocks. If you pinned me down to three groups I should advise the merchandising group, especially the variety chains, the insurance group, especially the casualty stocks, and well-managed real estate. These are the groups in which I am investing my own money.

Churchill's Defeat Should Hasten Billions Awaiting Investment

Fifty-five years ago there were only about one or two billions of "loose change" in pockets and cash drawers. It took about 50 years to build this up to seven billions. During the

past five years this loose change has jumped from seven billions to 28 billions! This means it has quadrupled in five years. During this same five years bank deposits have doubled and are now over \$100,000,000,000.

This nearly equals the assessed values of every acre of land and every building of every kind in the entire United States. When one considers that there are no more securities available for purchase than there were five years ago, it seems as if higher prices for stocks and land are inevitable. Sooner or later this loose change is going to seek investment. Churchill's defeat should hasten the day.

Interest Rates Lowest in History of World

Let us consider interest rates. It was not long ago that government bonds paid over 4½ per cent; savings bank accounts paid 3½ per cent; while we got two per cent on our checking accounts. Today these interest rates are down to two per cent, one per cent and zero,—lower than ever before in the history of the world.

Yet anyone can buy today good corporation bonds to yield 3½ per cent and good stocks to yield more. People should soon get tired of leaving their money

idle in the banks at one per cent or at no interest when they can get so much more from good securities. When the public realizes this, the demand for good dividend paying stocks should gently increase.

Young People Advised To Become Experts

One thing which I must mention in closing is this: The British elections will cause most of Europe to follow with socialistic experiments. The movement will temporarily cast its shadow on the United States. This means

that every family should own a little fertile land and every young person should become an expert in some profession, art or trade.

V-J DAY ORDER

Los Angeles, Aug. 13—(U.P.)—State Board of Equalization member William G. Bonelli today ordered all bars and liquor stores to close immediately after the official announcement of V-J day from Washington. Bonelli said there will be no sale of liquor allowed for 24 hours following the proclamation.

DISPUTE ENDED

San Francisco, Aug. 13—(U.P.)—Control of California's 80,000 cannery workers was solved today by two AFL unions which had been disputing when the Seafarer's International withdrew its jurisdiction in favor of the Teamsters.

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