

Belmont Park Closed For Safety of Public

New York - (UPI) - State officials Wednesday closed historic Belmont Park, home of thoroughbred racing for more than 60 years, because its grandstands might collapse. James Cox Brady, chairman of the board of the State Racing association, said the track would be closed for "reasons of public safety."

SOC Faculty Member Speaks at Riddle

Ashland—Biology and chemistry classes at Riddle High school were addressed recently by Duval J. Frey Jr., of the Southern Oregon college science division, under the sponsorship of the Oregon Academy of Science Visiting Scientist Program. Frey lectured on "Atomic Radiation" in respect to theory, biological hazards, safety measures, and treatment of injuries.

Capitol Memo

In common with other Oregon institutions of higher learning, SOC has a number of scientists available as resource speakers in specialized fields who may be called on by secondary schools to lecture, demonstrate, and counsel interested students.

Hatfield, Appling, Barton Believed To Be Running Hard

By ZAN STARK
Salem—What is taking place during this session of the Oregon legislature may have a dramatic impact on the political destinies of three men. Two are Republicans, Gov. Mark Hatfield and Secretary of State Howell Appling Jr., and the third is a Democrat, House Speaker Clarence Barton.

All three appear to be running hard for office. All three deny it in public statements. All three may have to tip their hands during the 1964 election campaigns. Hatfield, whose term as governor will not expire next year, is courting the vice

presidency. A recent New York Times article predicted, on the basis of the current situation, that the Republicans would pick New York Gov. Nelson Rockefeller as their presidential candidate, and either Hatfield or California Sen. Thomas Kuchel as the vice presidential running mate for 1964.

Strategically Hatfield is in a good position. If the chances of a Republican victory in 1964 seem doubtful, he can sit and wait—his term as governor doesn't expire until 1966. Appling and Barton don't have that advantage. They have to decide whether to

seek reelection to their present jobs, or to try for another. Appling hasn't said publicly whether he is considering another four-year term. Some predict he will seek reelection so as to be in good position to run for governor in 1966, when Hatfield's term expires. Barton also has remained

mute. Many Republicans have openly declared the Coquille Democrat will seek election as secretary of state. Some observers say Barton might seek reelection as a representative, then enter the race for governor in 1966. All three are keenly intelligent, politically mature and ambitious.

Many feel the flareups and violent personality clashes that have occurred since the legislative session began are a direct result of these future ambitions.

Hatfield is a vocal champion of education, aid to needy and aged, efficiency in government, economy and civil defense. Many observers say these same views are voiced by Rockefeller.

Barton is equally as vocal a champion for government efficiency, social welfare, aid to education, good administration and a revised tax program.

Appling has avoided involvement in the present controversies unless they touch upon his duties as secretary of state. But when they do he reacts with swiftness. Appling stands on his own program and has openly split with Hatfield on issues such as the use of prison labor.

While all three may violently and openly disagree on methods, all three also espouse sound programs that can stand the test of a campaign—either for reelection or for election to another office.

All three are proven vote-getters. Hatfield won reelection to a second four-year term in 1962 with more than an 80,000 vote margin in a three-man race.

Appling, who first was appointed to the office, was elected to his first four year term with better than a 71,000 vote margin.

Barton, who was first elected to the house of representatives in 1959, ran unopposed in 1962, and received more than 14,000 votes. He has never sought state-wide office, however.

All three are men to watch. All three will deny it, but there are many who believe much of what is happening in the legislature today is designed to have an impact on the election of tomorrow.

Area Students Are Listed on OSU Roll

Corvallis - Seventeen students from the Medford area made the winter term scholastic honor roll at Oregon State University.

They include: From Medford, engineering, James V. Berg, freshman; Kenneth R. Wise, sophomore; home economics, Marianne Nielsen, senior; pharmacy, Robert T. Elmer, senior; science, Nona J. Donahue, sophomore; John L. Fawcett, sophomore; Nicholas F. Gier Jr., freshman; Glenn C. Gratsinger, sophomore; Harold C. Sexton, senior; James R. Spoor, junior; Robert L. Steele, senior; forestry, John C. Flanagan, senior.

From Central Point, education, Anita C. Vonderhellen, senior; science, Alice A. Thompson, junior; graduate student, Ronald D. Lamb. From Gold Hill, agriculture, Milton K. Daily, sophomore.

From Phoenix, business and technology, Frederick E. Hopper, senior.

To be eligible for honor roll listing, students must make at least a B-plus average for the term. Flanagan and Lamb were two of 107 students singled out for special recognition for having made straight-A grades during the term.

Yreka Junior Named AFS Semi-Finalist

Yreka - Steven Meek, student at Yreka High school, has been named as semi-finalist in the preliminary selection for American's Abroad by the New York office of the American Field Service.

Being selected as a candidate does not guarantee that he will go abroad, however. Final acceptance depends upon a completed placement with a family in a foreign country. Placement for the summer program will occur not later than the end of May.

Meek is the older son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Meek of Yreka, and is a junior in Yreka High school. He is vice president of the American Field Service club in high school, secretary of the Spanish club and a member of the Mt. Zion Lutheran church. His hobbies are skiing, tennis and basketball.

Meek's name was one of four submitted to the New York office. The other three were Ardine Baroni, James Friedman and Merrill Morgan.

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