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COUNTY FAIR 3 WEEKS AWAY

MANY FINE EXHIBITS PLANNED FOR WEEK

Many Entries Already Have Been Made in Livestock Department

AUTO SHOW IS FEATURE

All Stock Entries Must be Made by September First on Account of Health Test

Jack Rupp, one of the directors of the county fair, writes agent Pine that he will be down here some time the coming week to take charge of the work of making the fair grounds ready for the big show when the various superintendents and others can make their wants known as to the arrangements of booths and exhibit rooms.

The Sunset, Tillamook and Chevrolet garages will stage a big exhibit together under a big 50x100 tent and will put on a big auto show during the fair.

Conover & Conover will have a big grocery display in a space just taken by that firm.

Geo. Burckard will show a fine line of plumbing stock and auto accessories, etc.

Photographer Graves will make a display of his work in a booth at the fair.

The Nelson Electric company will have a booth in the main display pavilion.

Bethel & Gooch, florists, will have a fine collection of flowers and flowering shrubs which should interest lovers of the beautiful in that line.

The Page Furniture Co. has engaged space for their exhibit and promise a good exhibit.

Mrs. Royal Stillwell will show her large assortment of canary birds in a special booth, as usual.

The Coast Power company has taken the whole north end of the exhibit building and will put on an elaborate display of their lighting systems and electric appliances which means that it will be worth seeing.

A. A. Pennington, will be there with a nice assortment of general merchandise for exhibition showing latest fall and winter styles.

Others, it is understood are making

MYSTERIOUS FIGURES DISCOVERED ON EGG

Jim Christenson—everybody knows Jim—who lives out in Echo Dell, near Pleasant valley, brought to this office Wednesday a freak egg laid by an unassuming Rhode Island Red hen. The egg is quite large and has mysterious and unnatural corrugations over the shell which attracted the attention of Mr. Christenson. Four of these corrugations are the letters "R" joined together as if written. There are other undecipherable hieroglyphics on the surface. Some of those who have seen the egg are inclined to take a superstitious view of the matter and various speculations are rife as to what they might portend or mean. The egg expert of this office, however, is inclined to view the figures as mere accidental corrugations and undertakes to classify the hen sphere with other freak productions that nature sometimes seems to bring forth without explanation.

LOGGER GETS FINE ACCOUNT FIRE LAW

Improper placing and Use of Fire Fighting Equipment Brings Charge by Warden

Fred Robitach, a prominent logger in the vicinity of Haddon, who is operating a logging camp and furnishing the logs to a mill company in his vicinity, was arrested last Thursday by deputy state Fire Warden A. L. McCarty who is also connected with the State Forestry bureau. The complaint alleged non-compliance with the state law in the matter of the proper location of fire fighting apparatus required to be kept in logging camps. Mr. Robitach plead guilty to the charge and Judge Stanley imposed the minimum fine of \$25 and costs. This is believed to be the first case of the kind ever brought in this county, and it was only until lately that prosecutions have been brought in the state under provisions of the law above quoted. It is understood, however, by Mr. McCarty, that the law will now be rigidly enforced as fires from donkey engines in the woods are responsible to a great extent for destructive fires each summer, and much of this could be avoided on the part of loggers and others by keeping the implements for incipient fires in the places provided for by the law. The action was brought against Mr. Robitach under Sec. 201 the state law, which reads as follows:

"Each side of a logging operation shall maintain a tool box at or near roadway containing at all times from May first to October first, six shovels, six hoes or grub hoes and six water buckets in good condition for fire fighting purposes."

Mr. Robitach claims that he had not carefully read the law, the non-observance of which as to some of the provisions of the section caused the trouble for him.

MERRY MARRY MAKERS SWAMP COUNTY CLERK

The county clerk and his force worked overtime last Saturday issuing marriage licenses. Five glory tickets were issued that day. The whole atmosphere was surcharged with a current of hymeneal bliss. Clerk Brimhall says he never saw the like before since he has been in that office. Who says we are to have race suicide? As a result of the licenses G. D. Edgar and Alice Kelley of Nehalem were married by Rev. L. E. Taber at that city, Aug 11; John Snider was married to Violet Baxter by Rev. Geo. Harness on the same day, in this city; Leslie M. Walker and Edith M. Fletcher secured a license to wed and two other permits were issued and the marriages are recorded elsewhere in this issue, making five in one day. And August isn't supposed to be a bride's month, but it was.

GUARDSMEN SHOTS ATTEND STATE MATCH

Sergeant John Aschim and Elwell Erskine, Harold Graves, Jimmie Watson, Jr., and Harry Miller of company K. 162d inf. left Thursday morning last for the state rifle range at Clackamas to participate in the state militia target practice. The boys are all good shots and it is believed they will figure when the scores are checked up at the end of the practice.

Guy Ford of the Tillamook cheese factory, bought a new Willys-Knight coupe last week.

AVIATION EXPERTS SEE LANDING SITE

New Fair Property Favored by Flyers as Suitable Landing Field

FIELD IS PHOTOGRAPHED

Fair Officials Give Assurance That Ground May be Used for Aviation Purposes

Tuesday last Lieut. Powell and Sgt. Giles, pilot, in a large DeHaviland airplane arrived in Tillamook and landed at the new fair grounds site east of the city. The arrival was about 10 a. m. and the flight from Vancouver, Wn., occupied 45 minutes from the time of starting until the plane made its landing here.

The course was by compass almost on a due east and west course from Portland most of the way on account of fog conditions. While a board fence had been placed across the ground since it was used by Lyle Smith a couple of years ago, the pilot had no difficulty in making the stop. Later on, in the forenoon, the plane circled the town several times and repeated the flight locally in the afternoon.

It is understood that Lieut. Powell was instructed from his superior officer.

CONCRETE MACHINE INVOLVED IN SUIT

J. P. McGinnis of Portland has filed a suit in circuit court for foreclosure of a certain chattel mortgage against F. C. Feldschau of this city to recover the sum of \$840 and interest, alleged to be due from the defendant on the sale of a concrete mixer to him on which it is alleged in the complaint that payment has not been made.

FIRE CONVENTIONS ATTENDED BY CHIEF

Local Fire Department Head Returns From Meeting of Coast Chiefs Held at Wallace, Idaho

Thos. Coates, head of the local fire department of this city, returned Saturday night last from attendance on a session of the Pacific Coast Fire Chiefs, held in Wallace, Idaho. Previously he attended the annual meeting of the state convention of fire chiefs held at Bend on July 27 to the 29th. There were about 50 delegates present at the state convention and Bend gave the convention a royal welcome. The object of the association "is to elevate the standard of knowledge regarding the prevention, handling and extinguishing fires."

The delegates were feted by the Bend chamber of commerce at the Pilot Butte Inn. At this meeting Mr. Coates was called on by the toastmaster and introduced as the "Chief" (Continued on page 4)

SUIT IS BROUGHT AGAINST STAGE LINE

A foreclosure suit on a mortgage made by Ivan Donaldson and N. P. Christenson and Jack Fletcher, proprietors of the Portland - Tillamook stage line, was filed by the First National bank of this city in circuit court for this county this week, asking for a judgment for \$3572, alleged to be due the bank from the defendants to the suit.

TOE GETS SMASHED BY MOVING TRUCK

While attempting to board a moving truck from the Y. M. C. A. camp up the Trask river last Monday morning, Ralph Sipperel of Portland, missed his footing with the result that one of his big toes was flattened and bruised by a wheel of the truck, inflicting a painful wound. Dr. Ringo attended to the injury.

FREER MOVEMENT IN CHEESE SALES

Late Report Says that Very Little Cheese is Now Held in Storage

LOAF CHEESE FAVORED

Production Now 25 Per Cent Above That of One Year Ago; Now at 5500 Boxes

Carl Haberlach returned from a trip to Portland on Monday where he had gone in the interests of the cheese and feed business. Mr. Haberlach reports the cheese market as in better condition at present than it has been for three or four weeks, as cheese is moving off quite readily, and while little cheese is being placed in storage it is not more than the market will readily absorb the coming winter. Mr. Haberlach states that the loaf cheese is now meeting with better success than formerly as the association spent considerable money advertising the loaf cheese during June and July. He figures that nearly all of the winter milk that will be for the making of first class cheese will go into the making of loaf, so that the association should have a fair amount of cheese in storage to be sold during the winter.

Cheese production is keeping up well, the production for the last week being 25 per cent over a year ago. Production to date has been about 5500 boxes over last year.

TRASK RIVER ROAD WIDENED IN SPOTS

The county has recently done some good work in widening the turns and taking off the shoulders of the points on the Trask river road leading up to the state hatchery resulting in a very satisfactory condition to autoists and others.

MISSING RANCHER BELIEVED MURDERED

Sheriff Aschim Recalls Peculiar Incidents Which Took Place Several Years Ago

A dispatch from Astoria to a Portland daily August 9th states that the skeleton of a man was found in the timber near the old West ranch on the Tillamook highway about 4 miles south of its junction with the Necanicum river.

Sheriff John Aschim is of the opinion that the remains are those of Joe West, a Belgian, who mysteriously disappeared about six years ago from his home on the north fork of the Nehalem river. Sheriff Aschim at the time was a state fire warden and he and A. L. McCarty who was working with Aschim at the time, spent considerable time at intervals during the summer following West's disappearance looking for his remains, believing that he had met with foul play at the hands of some Russian neighbors, with whom he had several times had trouble. One of the Russians told Aschim and McCarty that West had gone away, after killing his dogs, and that he thought West was crazy. Blood traces were found near a small creek near the West home, shortly after the latter's disappearance and the Russians sought to account for the blood by saying that West had shot his dogs at that point. Both Aschim and McCarty became convinced that West had been murdered and searched for traces of him at intervals during the summer when in that vicinity. The county judge of Clatsop county received an anonymous letter which stated that the writer had seen West somewhere back east, some time after (Continued on page 4)

GARIBALDI RESIDENT IS IN LIQUOR NET

O. D. Gravelle, a Garibaldi man who is said to have considerable property in that city, was arrested by Sheriff Aschim last Tuesday on two charges one for the possession and sale of intoxicating liquor and another for possession of liquor. He was arraigned before Justice Stanley Tuesday and plead guilty to both charges and was fined for the possession and sale of liquor in the sum of \$200 and costs and was sentenced to 60 days in the county jail; on the second charge he was fined \$100 and costs and given an additional thirty days in the court house basement. The total fines amount to \$300 and the costs and the total jail sentence is ninety days of confinement. At this writing Gravelle had not paid his fines and in any event will have to serve his ninety days in jail.

SUICIDAL MANIAC IS SENT TO ASYLUM

Melvin Shupp, who has been in this county for about eight months, was taken in custody Tuesday by the sheriff charged with being mentally unbalanced. He was examined by local physicians who decided that he was insane and by order of the county judge was so adjudged. Shupp is about 60 years of age and is said to have a suicidal mania and according to witnesses had several times threatened to take his own life. He was taken to the asylum for the insane last Wednesday by a guard from that institution.

STATE ARMORY BID WON BY LOCAL MEN

Merrick, Chaffee & Heyd to Get Contract for State Construction

START BUILDING SOON

Necessary Amount is Pledged by Kiwanis Club at Meeting Held Wednesday Night

The second calling for bids for the state armory that is to be erected here was successful Wednesday after the first figures submitted some time ago were all found to be too high.

Merrick, Chaffee & Heyd, local contractors, were the successful bidders, with a price of \$30,199. Other contractors bid the following figures on the general work: Hoover & McNeil \$31,082; Hodges & Huls \$32,888; A. Lombard \$30,960. The heating and plumbing contract will be allowed to George H. Burckard for \$5362.25 and the electrical wiring contract to the Coast Power company for \$1075.

Members of the general staff who were present at the opening of the bids were General George A. White, Lt. Col. Hiram U. Welch and Major James S. Gay, Jr.

As soon as the bonds are approved and the contracts signed work on the building will be started.

At a meeting of the Kiwanis club Wednesday night a sufficient amount was pledged to cover the deficiency in the appropriation for the building.

LOCAL SCHOOLS OPEN ON SEPTEMBER 17TH

Superintendent of schools Turnbull stated Thursday that the public schools of this city would be open on September 17 as it is believed the building will be ready by that time.

LUMBER BREAKS LEG OF CLOVERDALE MAN

J. E. Ramus who works for the Cloverdale Lumber Co., had a leg broken on the 8th inst. A pile of lumber skidded and fell upon one of his legs with the above result. The injured man was brought to Shearer-Merrick hospital where Dr. Shearer set the broken limb.

THREE ARE CONVICTED FOR "POSSESSION"

Howard Williams, Merle Rogers and Howard Trout who were arrested on August 1, charged with the unlawful possession of liquor and who at the time of their arraignment plead not guilty to the charge, were tried in Justice Stanley's court last Monday. County Attorney Goynne appeared for the state and H. T. Botts defended the trio. The defendants demanded a jury trial and M. N. Lamb, E. G. Krebs, C. W. Wagy, H. H. Rosenberg, Henry Schild and M. C. Trowbridge were chosen as jurors. The trial lasted several hours and resulted in a verdict finding all the defendants guilty as charged. The verdict, however, recommended leniency in the cases of Trout and Rogers. Justice Stanley fined Williams \$100 and costs and according to the recommendations of the jury, suspended sentence on Rogers and Trout during good behavior.

Fair Days and Restless Nights

