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THE GREATEST OF STATE FAIRS

No More Fake Boxing Contests in San Francisco

READY FOR THE FAIR

OREGON'S GREATEST

Buildings In Splendid Condition—A Fine Array of Racers and the Greatest Gathering of Fine Hacks Ever Seen On the Coast

To say that the state fair promises well, is not enough. It is a fair already realized. The exhibits on grounds two days before the fair are enough to take one hour to see, and they are hours to see. The twelve big new exhibits are slowly filling up with people like the spokes of a wheel, and will hold 5000 animals. They are the best and biggest improve ever made there. The board has 120,000 feet of old lumber and 100,000 feet of new lumber. The stables are painted with

Oregon sienna paint, made at Salem, and the other half with Eastern paint. The Oregon paint, like all else made in Oregon, excels everything else. It took quite a fight to get the fair board to use the Oregon paint, but now they are all glad they used it on as many barns as they did.

A refreshing improvement is the beds of flowering plants in front of the pavilion. There are also window boxes of flowers, that add a great deal to the appearance of the old building.

Horses and Cattle.
It is going to be nip and tuck between horses and cattle as to which will add the greatest attention. There is a bunch of 15 big horses, owned by Yannke & Boedighelmer, with the splendid yearling colt "Salem," weighing 1259. Salem is probably the biggest colt in the world for his age.

Something of a Horse.
To give an idea of the character of the draft horses on exhibition, the mention of one animal will be of interest. There is a dapple bay Belgian horse, four years old, that weighs half a pound more than the 2000 mark. There are many larger horses, and the display that will be at this fair should interest every farmer for 50 miles around. It means thousands of dollars to every precinct in Western Oregon to cultivate enthusiasm for this kind of horse flesh, that sells so readily and

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COUNTY SCHOOL BOARDS

UNIFORM STATE BOARD

Wm. B. Ayer Advances a Progressive Idea That Would Put All Higher Educational Institutions Under One Management—Abolish Political Control and Local Influences

Several important and progressive school ideas were brought out at the meeting of the Board of Regents of the State Normal Schools. State Superintendent Ackerman advanced the idea that some day there would be county school boards instead of local district boards, and the county school superintendent would be formally their business agent and school administrator. That would give the whole county uniformity in courses of study, in employment of teachers and construction and repairs of school houses. Just as three men now administer the affairs of the county commissioners' court, so three men could run the county school affairs, and get far better results. That would make better schools possible, and would make it possible to have school houses and grounds kept in better repair. There are too many school houses in the county that are neither sanitary nor comfortable, and in too many districts the employment of teachers is a matter of favoritism, or where the teacher shall board, more than the quality of the educational work that is done.

An Important Reform.

Wm. B. Ayer, of Portland, advanced the idea that all state educational institutions would ultimately have to come under one board of control, and he cited the laws of several states where this is now done. The duplication of studies and departments at the State University and the Agricultural College could thus be avoided. He said informally at the meeting of the state board that he could not conceive that two such institutions could cover the same ground in any respect, one being an institution of literary and classical attainments, and the other being a school of sciences and industries. That will be the solution someday of the big expense that is now heaped upon the state from carrying on similar or identical departments in the State University and the School of Agriculture. By holding both more strictly to the purpose of the laws creating them they would both come more efficient. Mr. Ayer believes in the application of sound business common sense to the work of reforming the state educational system. It has been suggested before that things have been running too much at loose end, and it is evident that Oregon is entering upon a new era in school matters. Mr. Ayer would certainly take the higher schools out of politics and local control.

Compulsory Education Law.
The newly appointed county superintendent of schools has taken up his work and gives promise of being a progressive and conscientious officer. Marion county has fallen behind some of the other counties on some lines of work, but is ahead on some other lines. The new school superintendent has sent out letters to school officers notifying them of their duties in relation to the compulsory education law, as follows:

"I wish to call your attention to the compulsory education law passed by the last legislature and found on page 89 and following pages of the school law. I wish to secure your co-operation in carrying out the provisions of this act. It requires you to furnish the teacher, at the opening of school, with a copy of the last school census, together with the names and addresses of the guardians.

"Section 26, page 17, of the school law states that it is the duty of teachers to file with the clerk of the district a copy of their institute attendance certificates, and the clerks are to file these or copies thereof with the county superintendent in order that the district may receive \$5 for each teacher who has attended an institute. Please attend to this as soon as possible."

Make It Lively for aps.

Tokio, Sept. 14.—Reports from Seoul indicate a constantly widening field of rioting, which has heretofore been restricted to the southeastern section. The outbreaks are in the heart of the Jap sphere.

CANADIAN DOWNS HEINZE

Vancouver, B. C., Sept. 14.—Aug. Heinze, the Butte copper millionaire, has lost the first round in his battle with the Canadian Pacific railroad over the division of 600,000 acres of land in Kootenai. Heinze will have to pay all costs of the suit. The judgment was handed down today by the supreme court.

TO TALK ABOUT HINDUS

Seattle, Sept. 14.—That the violence to which Hindus of Seattle and other places on Puget Sound have been subjected to in the past week will be made the subject of diplomatic correspondence between the British government and the United States, is the opinion of many. British Vice-Counsel Bernard Pelly, is investigating the details of the outbreaks which resulted in the Hindus being driven out of Bellingham. He also expects to investigate the trouble aboard the steamship Portland while at the dock in this city Wednesday night.

SAYS BUY COAL.

Interstate Commerce Commission Says There Will Be Fuel Famine.

Seattle, Sept. 14.—All Washington will witness the greatest coal and car shortage in its history this winter, is the statement made today by Franklin K. Lane, interstate commerce commissioner, who for months has been making an investigation in the matter. "If I were a resident of this state I would at once begin stocking my coal sheds with all the available coal I could secure," he said, "Western Washington is going to have a coal and car shortage this winter that will make things uncomfortable."

Street Car Wreck.

Tacoma, Sept. 14.—Five persons were seriously injured this morning shortly after 7 o'clock, when an inbound car crashed into the rear of a Fern Hill car. No cause other than carelessness has been discovered to explain the wreck. The injured are W. L. Royster, motorman; Thomas McCormack, E. T. Farrel, W. C. Hechwind, O. G. Winslow and G. R. Augustine.

TO STOP FAKE FIGHTS

LIKE CLEAN SPORT

But the Board of Supervisors of San Francisco Refuse Permits For Boxing Contests and Say No More Robbing Schemes In Boxing Will Be Allowed

San Francisco, Sept. 14.—The action of the police committee of the board of supervisors, in refusing to recommend an application for the October fight permit has caused something of a flurry among fight promoters. The question has arisen whether Mayor Taylor and the board are planning to shut down the boxing game entirely in San Francisco. Supervisor Thomas Magee said today: "What we want in San Francisco is clean sport, none of us on the police committee are inclined to be puritanical. Good, clean boxing is a fine sport, but professional fights are all faked, and it is time to purify the game."

MORE CASES OF PLAGUE

San Francisco, Sept. 14.—The plague cases increased to 25 today, the latest stricken being Mary Impostato, aged 30. Her two children developed the disease some days ago. Her husband and her husband's brother are detained as suspects.

May Deport the Hindus.

Ottawa, Ont., Sept. 14.—In reply to a dispatch from Mayor Bethune, of Vancouver, asking what should be done with the 900 Hindu immigrants landed there, the premier, Sir Wilfrid Laurier, today sent the following telegram:

"I have your telegram asking permission to house in drill shed at government expense 900 Hindus landed yesterday at Vancouver. I would understand from such request that these Hindus are paupers, therefore liable to deportation. Minister of interior will send tomorrow special officer to deal with the question."

Lipton Challenges Again.

London, Sept. 14.—Sir Thomas Lipton will make another attempt in 1908 to regain America's cup from Great Britain. The announcement was made yesterday afternoon by Sir Thomas in London, and by the secretary of the Royal Irish Yacht Club at Dublin. The challenge, which goes to the New York Yacht Club, in the name of the Royal Irish Yacht Club, was mailed from Dublin yesterday.

Adepts Will Fight.

Chicago, Sept. 14.—Opposition to Mrs. Annie Besant, of Adair, India, the world president of the Theosophical Society, is already taking shape here, and before the convention of "Adepts" is closed it is believed many stormy sessions will disturb the brotherhood. Hundreds of "Adepts" are gathered here today to attend the twentieth annual convention of the society.

Studying Harbors.

San Francisco, Sept. 14.—John A. Fox, special director of the national rivers and harbors congress, has arrived here, and Monday evening he will leave on a tour of the harbors of California.

THE EARLE CASE.

Mrs. Earle Gets the Child White-Earle Gets an Affinity.

Boulogne, Sept. 14.—Emilie Earle, whose husband, Ferdinand Pinnay Earle, the artist, cast her off for an "affinity," Julia Kuttner, with her 2-year-old son, Harold, arrived at Boulogne today. "When Ferdinand and I decided our paths should separate," she said, "we never dreamed it would create excitement and interest all over the world. We could see no other way out of the miserable situation."

"You had not a woman's qualms of remorse and no jealousy," was asked.

"No, I was not jealous," she replied, "but there was unhappiness in it for all of us, for Miss Kuttner, for Ferdinand and for myself."

NEGRO HAS A CONTRACT.

He Has Undertaken to Capture Bill Miner, an Escaped Convict.

Vancouver, B. C., Sept. 14.—Lee Curtis, a negro logger, states that he knows that Bill Miner, the escaped convict, is hiding in the vicinity of Chatam Point. He has seen the penitentiary officials, and has gone north after his man.

To Double Track Roads.

Chicago, Sept. 14.—As a result of his trip through the West, and owing to his unbounded faith in the continued prosperity of the country, E. H. Harriman has approved plans for spending between \$75,000,000 and \$100,000,000 to complete what he believes will be the best double-track transcontinental railway system in the country.

His plans contemplate the construction of a low-grade double-track railway from Chicago to the Pacific coast at San Francisco, Portland and Seattle, and its operation over the mountain sections by electricity, generated by water power from the Rockies and Sierras. The completion of this enterprise practically will have the effect of adding three single-track roads, so far as capacity to handle tonnage is concerned, to the transcontinental system.

A Gang of Murderers.

Lisbon, Portugal, Sept. 14.—The discovery and roundup of a gang of desperadoes in the catacombs suburbs reveals eight decomposed bodies and heaps of human bones, which are believed to be the remains of mysteriously disappeared victims. A dozen men were arrested after a pitched battle with the police.

Strike at New Orleans.

New Orleans, La., Sept. 14.—The Port of New Orleans is effectually tied up by a strike of longshoremen. As a result there is a probability that the entire system will be changed, and laborers will be paid by the bale, instead of by the hour.

Strikers Won Out.

Galveston, Tex., Sept. 14.—The strike of 1000 Southern Pacific dockworkers has ended. The officials conceded the demands of the men after failure to procure strike-breakers to handle the freight blockade.

Killed a Prince.

Tiflis, Sept. 14.—Prince Chavadev, head of the council of the empire, was assassinated in Bushety district, and Princess Chavadev was wounded at the same time.

Want Damages.

San Francisco, Sept. 14.—The United Railroads Company is preparing to bring suit against the city for damages sustained since the inception of the car men's strike. An estimate of the losses due to rioting is now being prepared.

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