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FINAL CONTEST

Meyers' Five Free Exposition Trips

The September contest closes the 20th of this month--contestants are running close--only 10 more business days to decide the winner of this final contest for a trip to the world's greatest exposition.

Standing of Contestants at last count:

- Ethel Trindle 2839
Mollie Pearmine 2781
Birdine Meyers 2560
Phylis Kellogg 2459

THE HOUSE OF QUALITY

MEYERS GOOD GOODS

Salem's Big Department Store

All Around Town

Dr. Mendelsohn, specialist in fitting glasses correctly. U. S. bank bldg.

Among those who will sail on the Northern Pacific steamer from Flavel tomorrow are Joe Hewitt, William Spayd and Miss Bessie E. Bailey.

Dr. Stone's Drug Store.

T. G. Albert and family are home from a three weeks' vacation at Ocean Lake Park. Instead of resting and taking life easy, Mr. Albert put in his time building a family cottage.

Dr. R. T. McIntire, physician and surgeon, 214 Masonic bldg. Phone 440.

H. H. Corey, secretary of the State Public Service commission, returned to the office this morning after a two weeks' vacation which was cut a few days short on account of the rush of work.

Dr. Stone's Drug Store.

M. Vernon Parsons, a well known attorney of Eugene, and County Prosecuting Attorney J. M. Devers, of Eugene, are in Salem today to argue the case of the State against Locke in the supreme court.

Dr. Utter, dentist, will return from National Dental Congress September 13. Office 414 Salem Bank of Commerce Bldg.

Dorothy, the five-months old baby of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Mills, 241 South Eighteenth street, died yesterday evening at 7:45 o'clock. The body was taken to Newberg for burial this afternoon.

The regular Sunday school of the Unitarian church will begin with the first Sunday of October, when a Sunday school rally will be held.

Placards have been placed in the store windows on Commercial street announcing the state fair from September 27 to October 4. According to the heat of information, the closing day of the state fair is Saturday, October 2, and not October 4.

New class in shorthand and stenography will be commenced at the Capital Business college on Monday, September 13. The principal is in his office each day this week to answer inquiries.

The general estimate of experienced hop men place the crop in the Willamette valley pretty close to 90,000 bales. The first estimates were 125,000, and later were lowered to 100,000, and now those who are well posted on crop conditions are bringing the estimate still lower.

The Woman's Alliance of the Unitarian church will meet with Mrs. Dr. Cartwright of 745 Terry street Friday at 2:30 p. m. All members and friends are invited. Important business will come before the meeting.

W. L. Alexander, a landscape gardener of Chicago, writes the Commercial club that he may locate in this city. Besides being a landscape artist, his work includes tree repairing, timber estimating and a study of fungicides.

Music students redoubled. Mr. and Mrs. Fredrick S. Mendonhall now have their studios located in the Hubbard building, where students wishing to register in any line of musical work may do so at Room 211.

There are several indications of business activity, that indicate to some extent a return to normal business conditions. Repair men are busy, job printers are working steadily to fill orders, and there is a general feeling that things will be lively in Salem from a business standpoint.

Assistant State Superintendent of Public Instruction C. E. Carleton returned today from San Francisco where he has been for two weeks. Mr. Carleton attended the convention of the National Educational association held in San Francisco and then remained a week longer to visit the fair.

The department of commerce, Washington, D. C., has issued a directory of all the commercial clubs in the world. This directory will soon be on file at the Commercial club rooms and will be of assistance to those who want information regarding any city in the country.

Attorney Glenn E. Unruh returned today from a ten days' stay at his farm near Dayton. He reports that prunes in that section will average about 50 per cent of a crop. Sizes will run from 3 1/2 to 4 1/2 and are drying heavy. The grain crops in that section are all much above the average and the general conditions are satisfactory.

The Elk committee, consisting of Fred S. Ryan, W. E. Slater and Dr. Seymour Skiff, met with W. A. Jones

yesterday and discussed plans for making Thursday, September 30, Elks' day as well as Portland day, the big day of the fair. Invitations are being sent to all the lodges in the valley, and the chances are that the big Elk band of Portland will accompany the boys from that city.

The funeral services of Mrs. Flora E. Graham, who died at the Salem hospital Tuesday, September 7, will be held tomorrow morning at 10:30 o'clock from the chapel of Webb & Clogg. Services will be conducted by the Rev. Yeares of Portland, and interment will take place at the City View cemetery.

Bidding against two Portland firms for the steel and cast iron to be used in the construction of the Ruth hotel, a Salem firm, Shann & Marcus, was awarded the contract. The Portland firms submitting bids were the Northwest Steel company and the Pacific Iron works. Shann & Marcus are the proprietors of the Salem Iron Works, on Front and State streets.

The Commercial club is already listing rooms for fair visitors. Those who can accommodate a few visitors during the fair, should let the fact be known at the Commercial club, giving their name, address and number they can accommodate, and also pieces. With this information, the club members that can every year to spend a few days can properly be taken care of.

A case of Loju will be presented to Col. Samuel Moody, passenger traffic agent of the Pennsylvania railroad when he passes through the city today in his special car, en route to San Francisco. Paul Schmidt, representing the Northwest Fruit Products company, and Ralph E. Moore, for the Commercial club, will meet Col. Moody and set forth the virtues of Loju as a beverage and tell him what a great advantage it would be to the Pennsylvania system to serve Loju on their dining cars.

Secretary of State Ben W. Olcott has given the Commercial club permission to serve punch, wafers and sandwiches in the state house, just outside of the house of representatives, when the Land Grant congress meets in this city September 16-17-18. Instead of having one big banquet for the delegates, about 300 in all, the Commercial club will take this means of entertaining them. And to add to the pleasure of dining, Loju, eating wafers and all kinds of sandwiches, the Commercial club is arranging to have them served by several of Salem's most comely young ladies.

The engineers of the state highway department are preparing preliminary plans for re-doing the steel bridge at Eugene with creosoted wood blocks. While this bridge was erected but two years ago the three inch plank is wearing out and the Lane county commissioners are seeking some more permanent decking. To put down wood blocks will increase the weight on the bridge and it will be necessary to strengthen some of the reinforcing of the structure to hold the additional load.

Secretary of State Olcott is unable to find any trace of the "Crown Jewel Home" which Harry Moreland Smith, a young man in Las Angeles says was located near Portland in 1892-94 and 95. Mr. Olcott referred the matter to George P. Litchfield, of this city, who is particularly well informed on the early history of this state and Mr. Litchfield says that there was never such a charitable institution in the state. The records of the state do not show that it ever received state aid and it is evident that the young man was mistaken in the place. Smith said he was taken out of the home when an infant and wished to find out more about his antecedents.

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LONDON PAPER SAYS AMERICAN PERISHED

Native of New Jersey Was Killed When Hesperian Was Torpedoed

London, Sept. 8.--No confirmation was obtainable early today of the Daily Mail's report that United States Consul Frost of Queenstown had word that a man named Wolff, born in New Jersey had been killed in Hesperian explosion. The Mail claimed Frost's advisers were official.

Department Takes Notice. Washington, Sept. 8.--The state department is making every effort today to ascertain the truth of the London report that an American, Wolff, or Wolff, was lost with the Hesperian, as there was no official confirmation of the report here.

Asks For Information. Washington, Sept. 8.--Ambassador Gerard at Berlin has been asked by the state department whether Germany is informed concerning the circumstances surrounding the torpedoing of the Albatross liner Hesperian. It was explained the query was not a request on Berlin to make a report, but only a step to learn if anything is to be expected by this government from German sources.

Says Definitely Settled. London, Sept. 8.--Queenstown messages today said it had been definitely settled that an American able seaman named Wolff from Newark, N. J., had perished in the Hesperian disaster. The American embassy, however, was without confirmation.

Wall Street Banishes International Politics

New York, Sept. 8.--Attention in Wall Street today was strikingly diverted from foreign politics to home industrial affairs. The Hesperian incident was seemingly dismissed. Since the street never was worried over the Dumba incident, international politics ceased to be discussed.

The market opened irregular, sold off fractionally, and then grew stronger. The advances, however, were not well distributed and the trading was light. A point advance in the bid quotation for United States government bonds may have reflected feeling over the German issue.

Foreign exchange continued uncertain, but the indications pointed to a tendency to become steady. Sterling declined 3/8 cent, recovered nearly two cents and fell from the higher figure, but closed a cent above yesterday's close.

ELLIOTT GOES TO INDEPENDENCE

W. P. Elliott, of Eugene, who recently purchased an interest in the Wetherbee & Jones dry goods store in Independence, left this morning with Mrs. Elliott to make his home in that city. P. C. Eddy, of Willamina, will be a partner of Mr. Elliott. He has been a traveling salesman for a Chicago firm.

Merritt Davis, head of the Commercial department of the Salem high school, is busy this week laying out the work for the coming year. It is his intention this year to divide the work in his department into two courses. One will emphasize stenography, and the other give special attention to book-keeping, accounting and salesmanship.

Reports coming in from the prune orchards throughout the county, indicate that drying is being done much earlier this year than last. All the driers are now working full force, and the work is being pushed to avoid the early rains. Prunes are being shaken hard to get the brown rot. According to Ivan G. McDaniels, in the Liberty district, all orchards are being picked this year one week earlier than last, as a year ago all were caught in the early rains. Prunes are not as large on an average throughout the country, but they are heavy and will average close to 40% and 50%. The white crop has been unusually large in all parts of the county.

The Commercial club is just in receipt of a register containing the names of all the buyers and sellers in the United States. This book gives the names of all the manufacturers in the county, and what they make, and also the names of various buying agencies. The value of a merchant want to buy a certain article, this book will give a list of all the firms in the county manufacturing it, and also all the special agencies in the county.

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COURT HOUSE NEWS

The report of the referees in the case of Elmore Witzel and Wagner Lee of Elmore Clara Campbell, Evelyn Brady, Clarence Lee, Leslie E. Fry, George L. Foisy, Vera Grant and Albert Shaw, a partition suit was filed today in the circuit court of this county. The referees surveyed and divided the farm in question which consisted of 244.80 acres. To Elmore Witzel was awarded tract No. 1 consisting of 71.56 acres on condition that he pay \$720 to be divided equally between Bernice Lu Foisy, Vera Grant and Albert Shaw to whom was awarded tract No. 4 containing 70.59 acres. Evelyn Brady received tract No. 2 containing 67.45 acres, Clara Campbell received tract No. 3 of 67.50 acres and L. W. Lee received a tract containing 67.52 acres. The referees were J. S. Duncan, Henry Keene and James Culver.

H. C. Willing today filed an application for a judgment foreclosing a tax lien against George Foss, A. T. Beeby and James Geis. The property involved consists of about two acres in T. S. R. 1 E. and the total of the taxes and penalty is \$7.71.

The road and highway warrants and also the general warrants for the August bills of the county were mailed out this afternoon from the office of the county clerk. The road and highway warrants for the month totalled \$18,197.83 which was about \$10,000 more than last month. The general fund warrants amounted to \$6,979.74.

District Attorney Ringo appeared for the state in the supreme court this afternoon to argue the case of the State against Joe Peery charged with giving intoxicating liquor to a convict. Peery was convicted in the circuit court and fined \$50 but appealed the case to the higher court. Smith & Shields are representing the appellant and defendant.

Eleven widows are seeking to force Judge Bushey to grant widows' pensions in this county, and alternative writs of mandamus were filed in the circuit court yesterday afternoon. There were three suits of this nature filed about two months ago to compel Judge Bushey and the county commissioners to come into court and either grant the applications for pensions or to show cause why they are not granted. The following widows made application for pensions: Jessie V. Loter, three children, \$25; Cora M. Kephart, four children, \$32.50; Ollie Lewis, four children, \$32.50; Olen Pederson, four children, \$40; Eva Wolfe, five children, \$40; Jennie Hendrick Woolley, Doris White and Zora Baker, each having one child and each asking \$10, and Lettie Yoho, eight children, \$32.50. Walter L. Touze and G. O. Holman of Dallas, represent the plaintiffs.

A suit for divorce was filed today in the circuit court of this county by Loreta Niederheiser against James W. Niederheiser in which the plaintiff alleges cruel and inhuman treatment existing over a period from 1883 when they were first married until the present time. There have been five children born to the couple, all of whom are of legal age but one, a son, Daniel Louis Niederheiser, aged 16 years. The complaint states that the property of the couple has been divided equally and that there are no property rights involved. Martin & Martin are attorneys for the plaintiff.

Judge William Galloway in department No. 2 of the circuit court today issued a decree granting a divorce to the plaintiff in the suit of Howard G. Damon against Daisy Jones Damon, Wash., in February, 1914, and the findings of fact state that the defendant deserted the plaintiff and her actions constituted cruel and inhuman treatment. There were no children or property rights involved in the controversy and the defendant was given the right to drop the Damon from her name and resume her maiden name of Daisy Jones.

A motion by the plaintiff for a non-suit and dissolution of attachment was granted by Judge Percy B. Kelly today in the suit of Quin M. Wasson against W. E. Detrick and M. E. Detrick. Neither party will recover the costs of the action by the decree of Judge Kelly. The case was settled out of court.

Yesterday was a big day at the office of the county clerk and in all \$124.00 was taken in for fees alone. This is the largest amount ever taken in for fees exclusively in the history of the office and is far in excess of the usual day's business. There have been days when there was more money taken in through judgments and bonds and other sources but not for fees alone.

SHAKE-UP IN NAVY. Washington, Sept. 8.--A wholesale shaking up of naval officers, acting as members at the Annapolis naval academy was announced by the navy department this afternoon. About a dozen heads of departments were ordered detached.

Blaine McCard, a prominent attorney of Woodburn, was in Salem today on business.

When in SALEM, OREGON, stop at BLIGH HOTEL. Strictly Modern. Free and Private Baths. RATES 75c, \$1.00, \$1.50 PER DAY. The only hotel in the business district. Nearest to all Depots, Theatres and Capital Buildings. A Home Away from Home. T. G. BLIGH, Prop. Both Phones. Free Auto Bus.

Report of the Condition of the UNITED STATES NATIONAL BANK at Salem, in the State of Oregon, at the Close of Business September 2, 1915. RESOURCES. Loans and discounts (except those shown on b) \$161,088.02. Total loans \$161,088.02. Overdrafts, secured, 0; unsecured, \$991.26 \$ 991.26. U. S. bonds deposited to secure circulation (par value) \$ 31,000.00 \$ 31,000.00. Total U. S. bonds \$ 31,000.00. Bonds other than U. S. bonds pledged to secure postal savings deposits \$ 18,250.00. Bonds and securities pledged as collateral for State or other deposits or bills payable (postal excluded) \$ 435,719.23. Securities other than U. S. bonds (not including stocks) owned unpledged \$ 250,592.34. Total bonds, securities, etc. \$ 825,561.57. Subscription to stock of Federal Reserve bank \$12,000.00 \$ 12,000.00. Less amount unpaid \$ 6,000.00 \$ 6,000.00. Value of banking house (if unencumbered) \$ 12,000.00. Furniture and fixtures (if unencumbered) \$ 12,000.00. Real estate owned other than banking house \$ 18,000.00. Net amount due from Federal Reserve bank \$ 15,000.00. Net amount due from approved reserve agents in New York, Chicago, and St. Louis \$ 35,552.86. Net amount due from approved reserve agents in other reserve cities \$ 74,884.53 \$ 111,437.39. Net amount due from banks and bankers (other than included in 9 or 10) \$ 4,284.38. Other checks on banks in the same city or town as reporting bank \$ 3,714.66. Outside checks and other cash items \$ 110.67. Fractional currency, nickels, and cents \$ 832.91 \$ 943.58. Notes of other national banks \$ 253.00. Lawful money reserve in bank: Total coin and certificates \$ 61,652.25. Legal-tender notes \$ 35.00. Redemption fund with U. S. treasurer (not more than 5 per cent on circulation) \$ 1,500.00. Due from U. S. treasurer \$ 1,550.00. Total \$ 1,258,826.62. LIABILITIES. Capital stock paid in \$100,000.00. Surplus fund \$100,000.00. Undivided profits \$200,000.00. Less current expenses, interest, and taxes paid \$10,984.20 \$ 3,962.80 \$ 6,181.33. Circulating notes \$ 31,000.00. Less amount on hand and in treasury for redemption or in transit \$ 21,000.00 \$ 10,000.00. Due to banks and bankers (other than included in 5 or 6) \$ 8,825.39. Individual deposits subject to check \$ 30,432.28. Certificates of deposit due in less than 30 days \$ 26.95. Cashier's checks outstanding \$ 745.02. Postal savings deposits \$ 10,321.02. State, county, or other municipal deposits secured by item 4 of "Resources" \$ 98,667.23. Total deposits, items 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 \$ 476,964.07. Time deposits (payable after 30 days, or subject to 30 days or more notice) \$ 112,741.57. Certificates of deposit \$ 842,239.07 \$ 854,980.64. Other time deposits \$ 1,258,826.62. Total \$ 1,258,826.62. State of Oregon, County of Marion-- I, E. W. Hazard, Cashier, of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. E. W. HAZARD, Cashier. JENNIE BEST, Notary Public. Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of September, 1915. J. F. ROGERS, GEO. W. EYRE, U. S. PAGE, Directors.

She Wrote a Letter to Herself. Doris Willard, snubbed at school by the other girls because of her frumpy gowns and country ways, sees in a newspaper the photograph of "Bullet" Dick Ames, the great college football player, so she writes a letter to herself, purporting to have come from Ames, in which he asks her to be his wife. This is the pivotal incident in the story.

The Mating. A Thomas H. Ince Feature. Starring Bessie Barriscale. That brings together for life the sweet, pure daughter of a country minister and a stalwart football champion. See this five act Mutual Masterpicture. Extra Comic Comedy. Bligh Theatre. Adults 10c. Always the Best. Children 5c.

Do It Now. No Time Like the Present to Do Your Canning Tomatoes. The Finest Ever Grown in Oregon... 75c per Bushel Preserve them now, before it rains. Bartlette Pears. The Last of the Season... 60c and 75c per Bushel. Elberta Peaches. Salem's Very Finest... \$1.00 per Bushel. Removal Sale. All Jars Must Be Sold Out This Season. MASON... Pints 50c; Quarts 60c; Half Gallons 80c. Schram Jars. We have a few gross of Half Gallons; take all you want at 75c per Dozen. Roth Grocery Co.

When Your Eyes. Handy On Eye-glasses. Depend on glasses, you want glasses you can depend upon--the kind you make. Ask for Rhinolenses and Shar-On Mountings. Miss A. McCulloch, Optometrist. 208-209 Hubbard Bldg. Phone 109.