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LABOR DAY IS DULY OBSERVED

Fine Weather and a Large Number in Parade, Source of Gratification

EXERCISES IN THEATRE

Dancing and Sports at Electric Park Occupy Afternoon and Evening

The Grays Harbor Trades and Labor Council certainly owes a vote of thanks to Captain H. A. Benham, the weather man, for delivering the proper goods yesterday. The weather was perfect for the observance of Labor Day, and the celebration was a complete success. A large number came from all parts of Chehalis county, from the towns, inland mills and the woods, and all appeared pleased with the festivities.

The route of the parade was lined with spectators and the pageant was the feature of the forenoon's program. Marching over the principal business streets, the long line entered the Grand theatre, where an interesting program was rendered.

The four judges last night decided the prize for best float should be divided between the electricians and the Women's Card and Label league.

The speaker of the day, Ernest P. Marsh president of the State Federation of Labor delivered a stirring address, in the course of which he praised the Shingle Weavers, Loggers and Mill Workers Union for the large number of men they had in line in the parade, insisted that the eight-hour day had come to stay because it was right, and gave the workingman time to study, and better his condition if he so desired.

He cautioned union men that the opening of the Panama canal would tend to lower wages, by the large immigration to the Pacific coast it would induce, and suggested that they begin at once to study the problem about to confront them. His remarks met with frequent applause.

Motorcycle Races
A feature of the day's festivities that attracted large attention was the motorcycle races from Aberdeen to Centralia and return, a distance of 119 miles. There were 13 entries, all of whom started at the stroke of 12 o'clock, noon, from in front of Chub Philbrick's cigar store on Heron street, and six of them made the round trip without serious mishap, seven machines being disabled before they reached Oakville.

Ed. French, of Hoquiam, set the record for Southwestern Washington, in making the 119 miles in 2 hours and 45 minutes an average of 43.3-10 miles per hour, and taking first prize. Following are the winners:
First—Ed. French, 2:45.
Second—L. L. Luce, 3:04:30.
Third—George French, 3:29.
Fourth—A. Anderson, 3:35.

Sports at the Park.

The program in the afternoon, at Electric park, consisted of athletic sports and dancing, each of which began at 1:30. The dancing was in the Pavilion, and the Women's Card and Label League served refreshments. The five-inning ball game between the Hoquiam Shingle Weavers and a picked team from Aberdeen was won by the Shingle Weavers.

The Prize Winners

Following is the list of winners in the athletic sports:

100-yard dash for men under 21—E. Armstrong, Aberdeen; Donald Abel, Hoquiam.

50-yard dash, for boys 12 to 16 years of age—William Leacock, Aberdeen; tie for second between A. Gibbert, Aberdeen and Loren Gearhart.

Egg race for girls from 12 to 16 years of age—Esther Mead, Gertrude Calvert, Aberdeen.

Men's 100-yard dash—E. Armstrong, Aberdeen.

Sack race—Stanley Griffin, Hoquiam; John Kafhincke.

Ladies' Race—Anna Johnson, Hoquiam; Mary Fisher, Aberdeen.

Wheelbarrow race—A. J. Sanders, Hoquiam.

Fat men's race—A. J. Sanders, Hoquiam.

The grand ball at the park last night was a success and everyone who attended had a good time. The dance committee was J. Brown, S. N. Burlanck, H. A. Hansen, W. E. Lockner, Ed. Carlson, Wm. N. Johnson. The grand waltz, for which a prize of \$5 was given, was decided in favor of J. F. Koch and Mrs. Frank Cole of Hoquiam.

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INCREASE OF VALUATIONS

Failure to List Omitted Property Held Increase of Valuations to \$1,300,000

FARM STOCK REDUCED

Victory of Tax Dodgers But Temporary—Path Blazed for Next Year

MONTESANO, Sept. 1.—Assessor R. A. Wiley has raised the valuation on milk cows, lumber, logs and mills. He has lowered the valuation on horses, stock cattle, sheep, hogs, goats, automobiles, organs and pianos. In fact valuations are lowered materially on almost everything but milk cows and lumber and lumber products.

Valuations on horses are lowered from 20 to 33 per cent. Valuations on sheep are cut a third and on hogs there is a reduction of about 14 per cent.

The total increase in valuation of property of all will not exceed about \$1,300,000 instead of \$2,000,000 as at first thought. Personal property increase amounts to \$1,168,889. The Hoquiam increase in real estate will amount to \$28,246, with possibly a few deductions for reductions made, if any. Aberdeen increase in realty is \$55,196 with \$1000 off for a double assessment that was on the books. It is estimated that supplemental rolls, of property omitted, will amount to between \$50,000 and \$75,000. Under a ruling of the attorney general these supplemental rolls will be made up by the treasurer and not the assessor.

It may be of interest to show the valuations on personal property fixed by Wiley as against the valuation of the ex-assessor:

Property	1913 Val.	1912 Val.	Average
Horses 1-year old	\$15.45	\$19.94	\$17.69
Horses 2-year old	24.00	31.26	27.63
Horses 3-year & older	31.60	39.49	35.54
Work horses	45.08	59.56	52.32
Stallions	87.74	145.56	116.65
Mules and asses	49.90	62.05	55.97
Cattle, yearlings	7.36	7.61	7.48
Cattle, 2-year old	13.03	13.98	13.50
Cattle 3-year & older	15.53	17.14	16.33
Cattle, milk cows	23.28	21.87	22.57
Cattle, bulls	21.19	21.84	21.51
Sheep and goats	1.80	2.36	2.08
Hogs	3.05	3.62	3.33
Autos	264.79	314.50	289.64
Watches	8.38	9.50	8.94
Organs	13.85	19.07	16.46
Pianos	86.95	99.83	93.39

The valuations on timber was not given last year but here are Mr. Wiley's figures:
Lumber, \$1,001,000 at \$4.27 per thousand.
Saw logs, 64,822,000 at \$4 per thousand.

TIMBER SALE ON RESERVE

Forest Service Announces Sale of Timber in Olympic Forest Reserve

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 29.—The sale of a large body of timber to be cut on the Olympic peninsula of Washington is announced by the forest service. Approximately 10.3 million board feet of saw timber and 43,440 linear feet of western red cedar poles will be disposed of. This is the second big timber operation on the Olympic national forest and the largest to date. Other sales of equal or greater magnitude will follow, according to the forest service, by which the mature timber will be harvested and put to use in accordance with scientific forest management.

The timber to be disposed of at this time consists of 80,136,048 feet of Douglas fir; 1,100,193 feet of western red cedar; 21,236,462 feet of hemlock; and 329,516 feet of western white pine. The minimum rates at which the timber will be sold are \$1.55 per thousand feet for Douglas fir and white pine saw timber; 50 cents for hemlock and \$2 for cedar saw timber. Cedar poles will be sold for one cent per linear foot up to 45 feet in length; above that, the charge will be one and a half cents a foot.

The total returns from the sale will be, it is estimated, in the neighborhood of \$26,000 of which 35 per cent goes to the state of Washington for schools and roads in Clallam and Jefferson counties which include the Olympic forest.

SETTLER AGENCY EXTENDS FIELD

Board of Directors Meets Last Week to Make Plans for Larger Operations

NEW ACREAGE SECURED

Tract of 1,200 Acres Is Set Aside for Swiss Colony in Humpulips Valley

CHEHALIS, Sept. 1.—Renewed activity toward larger operation is assured as a result of the meeting of the board of directors of the Southwest Washington Settlers' Agency, which was held at the general offices of the agency in this city last Wednesday afternoon. Those present were: N. B. Coffman, president; George P. Larsen, secretary; George S. Long, of the Weyerhaeuser Timber company of Tacoma; Ralph Burnside, of the Sunset Timber company of Raymond; L. I. Wakefield, of the White Star Lumber company of Elma; D. F. Davies, of the Eastern Railway & Lumber company of Centralia and W. B. Mack, of the Slade Lumber company of Aberdeen.

Special funds were provided to make it possible to formulate in detail the plans for large operations, and to secure a definite amount of frontier acreage pledged to such plan, announcement of which will be made in the near future. Several thousand acres were pledged at the meeting by those present; one large tract near Chehalis by the Weyerhaeuser people, and large tracts near Elma. The consensus of opinion of the members present was that lands should be sold to settlers at the lowest possible price commensurate with the cost of handling and on long time, with not more than 6 per cent interest, and this rule will be strictly adhered to.

Starting Swiss Colony
During the past few weeks the agency has quietly been placing several families of Swiss people on tracts of 40 acres each on the lands they are handling in the Humpulips river valley. A tract of 1,200 acres has been set aside and what is now unoccupied will be reserved for Swiss people secured from various places, and thus create a modern Swiss colony. Among the people purchasing land in this tract are some from Seattle, Spokane, Chehalis, Portland, San Francisco. Nearly all are experienced in dairying and general farming. It will be interesting to note the progress made by them in the future.

All lands handled by the settlers' agency are comparatively well located, tributary to good towns, logging camps, mills and other advantages giving the bona fide settler an opportunity to work should he so desire. These tracts are all more or less near railroad transportation, and good roads, according to the development of the surrounding territory.

The semi-public nature of the Southwest Washington Settlers' Agency; the fact that it was brought into being to promote the public welfare, and the high character and well known responsibility of the men who compose its board of directors, and the precautions being taken by them to guard the interests of the settlers gives to the agency a standing that assures to it the entire confidence of the public. Intending settlers can communicate with the general offices of the company at Chehalis, Wash., with absolute confidence that their interests will be made those of the agency and that every one connected with it will be found most anxious to give information and assistance to the homeseeker.

MAY FISH TO EAT

New Game Law Permits the Catching of Salmon for Food, is Decision of Elma Justice

ELMA, Sept. 1.—There is a "joker" in the new game and fish law that permits any man to catch salmon for his own use at any time, any place and in any manner except by dynamiting, according to a decision given by Justice of the Peace H. L. Grayson and concurred in by Deputy Prosecutor A. E. Cross. The decision was a result of the arrest by Game Warden Esses of Harry F. Sellers of Elma, who had been catching salmon with a net for his family's use in the Chehalis river. E. S. Avey who was employed to defend him found that the law permits the catching of that fish for one's own use. The ruling is of considerable importance for there are some fifty families at this place besides others all up and down the river who depend largely on salmon for their meat, during the season.

"COME ON, FELLOWS; I'VE GOT HIM!"



—Donahay in Cleveland Plain Dealer.

RELATIVES OF POINDEXTER

The Senator Is Emphatic in Denouncing the Charges of Nepotism

STARTED BY "BANDIT"

Seattle Paper and Its Editor Scored on Floor of the Senate Thursday

WASHINGTON, Aug. 29.—Rising to a question of personal privilege yesterday, Senator Poindexter replied to what he declared were "libelous and false" charges published first in the Seattle Post-Intelligencer and later elsewhere to the effect that he had appointed 11 of his relatives to federal offices. He also characterized as false the statement that he had unloaded mountain land in Virginia onto the government for a forest reserve and shortly afterward purchased a fine home in Washington.

Four of Poindexter's relatives mentioned in the article, he said, were unknown to him. Fielding L. Poindexter, first lieutenant in the army, he declared was in the army before the senator came to congress.

Only One Appointment
Senator Poindexter said his son, Gale, is at Annapolis, having been appointed to the academy by Representative La Follette of Washington at his request. In return for this he said he had appointed William Earl Chambers of Spokane to West Point on Representative La Follette's endorsement. His brother William Poindexter, he had appointed to federal service. He was appointed to a position in the senate folding room.

As to the Virginia land, the senator said the executor of his grandfather's estate sold the land to the government and not himself. He said he got about one-fourth of the proceeds. In his state Senator Poindexter severely scolded Scott C. Bone, editor of the Post-Intelligencer, formerly of this city.

Refers to I. W. W. Disorder
After commenting upon I. W. W. disorders in Seattle, Senator Poindexter concluded:

"The ignorant and poverty stricken alien who talks lawlessness should be punished, but for every year of his incarceration the bandits of big business and their literary prostitutes like this man Bone, who act lawlessness, should serve 108 years in prison. A hired criminal libeler is in the same class as a hired murderer. Nothing would do this country more good today than that they and those who have them should learn what the flag really represents as it waves over a penitentiary in which they are confined at hard labor. Their present course, illustrates that perfectly familiar, but quaintly curious wisp saying "whom the gods would destroy, they first make mad."

WILSON IN AUTO BUSINESS

MONTESANO, Sept. 1.—Commissioner C. N. Wilson has purchased the E. A. Bacon interest in the Montesano Automobile company and took possession today. J. S. Foss is the other partner in the concern, which has the largest garage and auto business in this city.

MOTORCYCLE RUNS INTO AUTO

William McKean Is Severely Injured Yesterday Afternoon in Collision

SUSTAINS BROKEN KNEE

McKean Was Pacemaker of Motorcycle Races, Leading Last Man to Finish

What might easily have been a fatal accident occurred yesterday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, as the motorcycle racers were coming down Heron street to the finish. William McKean, who was the official pacemaker and patrol, was leading in the fourth and last rider, going at a speed of about 30 miles an hour, he ran into the automobile driven by Mrs. Ed. Larkin, crushing his motorcycle and the windshield and fender of the auto, and was himself severely injured.

The accident occurred at the intersection of Heron and H streets, and McKean was taken into the store of the Aberdeen Drug Co., where a hurried examination was made. An ambulance was called and he was taken to the Aberdeen General hospital, where his injuries were found not to be so serious as was at first surmised, a broken knee cap being the extent of his injuries.

Mrs. Larkin in her car, in which were Mr. and Mrs. A. Emerson Cross and baby, were standing on Heron street near the corner of H, watching the motorcycles come in. The street, while crowded, was kept clear in the center until three of the racers arrived. The crowd appears to have thought they were all in and that the race was finished and commenced to gather in the middle of the street. Mrs. Larkin, thinking the races over, started up her auto, and turned to go up H street, when the crowd in the street began to scatter, and some of them shouted to Mrs. Larkin, who stopped her auto in the center of Heron street, just as McKean was within 50 feet of H street.

He was coming swiftly, with his head lowered and his hands in the center of the handle bars, when he saw the auto. He cut off the power, and let the cycle go from under him, which action doubtless saved his life, but the speed he was going threw him against the auto. The crowd surged forward to the scene, and it was at once reported that McKean was mortally injured. Internal injury to the hospital showed that beyond the injury to his knee and the severe shaking up, he had escaped in a wonderful manner.

The city authorities and the motorcycle club came in for a share of criticism over the accident. It was pointed out that, when permission to end the race on the crowded street was given, provision should have been made for a careful patrol of the street by the club during the time the racers were on it.

Send your inquiring eastern friends the Semi-Weekly Aberdeen Herald, to inform them about the Grays Harbor country.

NEW TARIFF WILL HELP THE FARMER

By Placing Farm Machinery and Necessaries He Has to Buy on Free List

DEBATE IS NEARLY OVER

Democratic Administration Uses Public Funds to Prevent Financial Stringency

WASHINGTON, D. C., August 27.—(Special.)—It can be stated on reliable information that the tariff bill will pass the senate in the early part of September. Some of the republicans have been making the ridiculous charge that the bill discriminates against the farmer. They are doing this in the hope of winning the farmer from the Democratic party at the next election.

Bill Greatly Favors Farmer

The fact of it is that the farmer is one of the greatest beneficiaries under the pending tariff bill. It places every piece of farming machinery and every farming tool on the free list which were heavily taxed under the Payne-Aldrich bill. It also places his clothing and all manufactured food that he uses on the free list. The tariff on farm products has always been a sham and has never helped him for the reason that this country is an exporter of foods and not an importer, and the tariff on beef, for instance, has merely helped the beef trusts to make its monopoly effective as they name the price the farmer gets for his cattle, and the price that the consumer must pay for his beef steak. So the tariff on beef has simply been an aid to the beef trusts in shutting out foreign competition. This is largely true of the tariff on all farm products. The new tariff bill will be an unmixing blessing for the farmer.

Crop Moving Money

Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo has just completed his plans for placing \$50,000,000 in the south and the west with which to aid the farmers in the moving of their crops. This has proven to be one of the most popular moves ever made by the government at Washington and so pleased the President and Secretary McAdoo at the prompt response to this offer, that Mr. McAdoo has announced if \$50,000,000 is not enough with which to move the crops the treasury stands ready to double the amount if necessary. This act on the part of President Wilson the secretary of the treasury has had an electrical effect in aiding business in all parts of the country, by easing the money market, and the business men are experiencing prosperity of a very satisfactory character. As soon as the tariff bill is out of the way there is no doubt whatever that wave after wave of the most solid prosperity will sweep over the entire country.

Sulzer and Tammany.

The country has been shocked at the audacity of Charles F. Murphy, the notorious and infamous leader of Tammany Hall in going up to Albany and virtually kicking Governor Sulzer out of the Executive mansion. It is not believed that the courts

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EXTRAVAGANT EXPENDITURES

Low Rate of Taxation Is Impossible Unless Expenses Are Cut Down

NEW HOSPITAL AN OBJECT

Reduced Taxes Will Follow When Big Interests Exert Influence for Economy

Referring to an article in the Raymond Review, which was published in the Herald of last Tuesday, the Hoquiam Washingtonian says:

"Quit throwing money to the birds and we will not have to raise so much by taxation. Keep on at the present rate and we will see the ruin of the Pacific Northwest as you predict. Extravagance and reckless waste are the chief characteristics in the expenditure of public money today and every department of the government, national, state, county and municipal, is affected.

"At the Monroe reformatory a \$40,000 residence was built to house a \$3,000 superintendent, while the inmates were herded in a factory building awaiting the erection of suitable quarters. It was at this same institution that six kegs of horse shoes were bought in four months for two horses. These horse shoes must have been used in playing an ancient and honorable game for surely the two horses could not wear all of them in such a short space of time.

"In our own county and city there is a continual demand for the expenditure of money and all must be paid through taxes. Work is done on our county roads by day's labor amounting to thousands of dollars, when the work could be better done, for half the money, by contract. The only time the people of Chehalis county have arisen in their might and swatted the demon of extravagance, was when enormous pressure was brought to bear to prevent the county commissioners employing a farm expert at about \$1500 a year. An expenditure more meritorious than most.

"Next year the valuation of property in Chehalis county is going to be largely increased and the levy is not going to be appreciably lowered. This is a prediction and we will make another to the effect that if valuation and levy continue to increase and a spell of hard times comes along, half the property in Washington will pass into the possession of the state by reason of non-payment of taxes.

"There should be an organization of tax payers with the duty of limiting expenditures, checking extravagance and carelessness and thus reducing taxation. The expenditure is where the trouble begins and where it must be checked."

The Washingtonian is catching a glimmering of the real cause of high taxation, although it need not go as far as Monroe to find extravagant public buildings. Chehalis county affords some striking examples along that line, including the new court house, which was built 20 years in advance of its necessity or the people's ability to pay for it. Closer to home we have the new county hospital, which by the time it is ready for occupancy will stand the taxpayers of the county not much less than \$100,000, and for which there was absolutely no necessity. The commissioners estimate it will cost not less than \$150,000 a year to maintain and operate it.

When the present board of county commissioners assumed office, they made an effort to stop the work, the foundations only being laid, but there were nearly a dozen contracts signed up by the retiring board and the contractors, having a good thing in sight, wanted too much money to consent to the abandonment of the contracts, and there you are.

One will search the files of the press that is now trying to manufacture sentiment against the present board of commissioners in vain for a word of condemnation for those whose extravagance placed the county in a position where a high levy is necessary. Nor was any attention paid to this long continued extravagance by the heavy taxpayers of the county so long as a large part of their taxes was remitted by local officials who owed their elevation to office to the interests so favored.

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