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[illegible] EDITOR DROWNS

[illegible] G. HENDRICKS' BODY FOUND IN WILLAMETTE.

[illegible] Man [illegible] Exhausted Swimming From Dennisons' to Minto's Island On Friday.

[illegible] body of Leland G. Hendricks, [illegible] editor of The Oregon [illegible] drowned in the Willamette [illegible] between Dennison's bath [illegible] Minto's Island late Friday [illegible], was found Saturday afternoon [illegible] three. The body lay in six [illegible] of water. The funeral was held [illegible] at two [illegible] the home of [illegible], father of the young [illegible] were in charge of [illegible] lodge, number 336, of [illegible] young man was a [illegible] James Elvin of the [illegible] church conducted the [illegible] had charge at the [illegible]

[illegible] his clothes were [illegible] bath house at [illegible] searchers dragged [illegible] Willamette river [illegible] house. The only [illegible] a question Mr. [illegible] asked some of the at[illegible] swimming place: "How [illegible] the island?" Hen[illegible] robust and is said to [illegible] some from heart trou[illegible] thought that Friday he [illegible] usual custom of staying [illegible] tank at Dennison's, and plunging [illegible] river to swim to the island. Paul Hendricks, brother of the [illegible] remembers that Leland had [illegible] swim to the island [illegible] It is believed he became [illegible] during the swim and sank. [illegible] current at the point where [illegible]

[illegible] G. Hendricks, 25, was a [illegible] of Salem high school and [illegible] University of Oregon, class of [illegible] high school and Univer[illegible] specialized in journal[illegible] senior year at Salem high [illegible] editor-in-chief of The Clarion. [illegible] he was elected to [illegible] journalistic positions [illegible] of his class and the [illegible] editor-in-chief of The [illegible] Junior class annual, and [illegible] the tri-weekly stu[illegible] publication. In the mem[illegible] class of 1915 he is known [illegible] as the editor of the best [illegible] Hendricks was a member [illegible] Sigma collegiate fraternity; [illegible] the sophomore class honor[illegible] The Friars, the upper[illegible] honorary society; Sigma [illegible] the national journalistic [illegible]; and a number of other [illegible] The verse of several of the [illegible] songs of the university [illegible] Hendricks. Upon his grad[illegible] became managing editor of [illegible] Statesman, owned by his [illegible] G. Hendricks. He had [illegible] to leave Salem this winter [illegible] work in a larger city. [illegible] is survived by his par[illegible] a brother, Paul, a member [illegible] M, and an undergraduate [illegible] University of Oregon.

[illegible] SIBLEY GETS BIG BUCK.

[illegible] 200 Pound Deer, Bagged [illegible] Nestucca Country.

[illegible] hunting trip to the Big Nestucca last week J. R. Sibley [illegible] prong, 200-pound buck, and [illegible] members of the party [illegible] big game. A big bear [illegible] to the guns of Judge H. [illegible] Miller and Jick Sibley [illegible]. The hunters say [illegible] plenty of deer in the Nestucca.

[illegible] Longnecker Married.

[illegible] Longnecker, daughter of [illegible] A. Longnecker, and Ed[illegible] Hutchison of Portland were [illegible] the parsonage of the Port[illegible] Methodist Episcopal church [illegible] evening by Rev. Frank [illegible] pastor. Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] visited in Dallas Friday [illegible] Saturday left for a two [illegible] automobile tour of the south. [illegible] return they will live in [illegible]. Mrs. Hutchison left Dallas [illegible] years ago to enter the nurses [illegible] school of the Multnomah [illegible] hospital in Portland and was [illegible] three months ago. Mr. [illegible] is a member of a pioneer [illegible] family. Until last week he [illegible] of the Chuck-Nut Candy [illegible] Portland.

[illegible] GIRL TO VISIT JAPAN.

[illegible] Beulah Balderee Will Leave October 1 for Ten Months.

[illegible] Beulah Balderee will leave Dallas October 1 for Tokyo, Japan, to visit with her sister, Mrs. Harvey A. Wheeler, Mr. Wheeler and two children, for ten months. Miss Balderee will sail from San Francisco October 7 and will return to the United States next July. Mr. Wheeler is a teacher of English in a Japanese college in Tokyo and previous to his residence in the capital resided in the port of Nagasaki. Mrs. Wheeler was Miss Ruth Balderree.

Grand Ronde Man Visits

M. Petersen of Grand Ronde was in the city Friday. Mr. Petersen is still the same enthusiastic road booster and was full of road and Grand Ronde news. Mr. Petersen said that his appeal to the governor and state highway engineer for the proposed improvement of the road between Grand Ronde and Taft was meeting with prompt action by the state officials. The Grand Ronde-Taft road is 30 miles long and passes through some timber. Twenty of the thirty miles is along the Salmon river.

Lee Prepares Fair Exhibit.

At William Lee's county fair vegetable exhibit visitors will see for the first time, on public display, a new vegetable, a cross between the vetch and the lupine. A successful dahlia cross and potatoe cross will also be shown for the first time.

Burch Has Freak Heifer.

S. T. Burch of Rickreall has what he believes to be a real freak. A two-year-old heifer of his, which has never had a calf, gives a good quantity of milk daily.

BABY SHOW PROMISING

PARENTS MAKE THIS FAIR FEATURE PROMINENT.

Comfort of Mothers and Children Provided For—Polk Doctors To Examine and Lecture.

The Better Babies' show opens in the tent tomorrow at nine a. m. All babies between 12 and 48 months are eligible.

Better babies, not just better looking babies, is the object of all the fuss about "Better Babies." Not pretty teeth but regular, well formed, hardy teeth; not huge babies, but well proportioned babies; not fat babies, but normal babies; not just "babies" but "Better Babies." Children should not be entered in better babies contests for prizes but rather for information and help.

The Better Babies contest is a popular, yet scientific movement to insure better babies and a better race. The Better Babies contest insures a better race of Americans, because it teaches parents how to improve the physical condition of children already born and to protect those yet unborn. It arouses interest in the conservation of child life and health and in all forms of child welfare work. It forges a connecting link between parents and teachers, between the home and the scientific study of child life. It promotes civic interest in children of the community, their schools and their recreations. And, finally, by means of a uniform score card, it will supply to the medical profession what has long been wanting—scientific data concerning the normal child.

The Better Babies contest is most valuable to the community when it is conducted along educational rather than competitive lines. The greatest return which parents and children secure from the contest is more knowledge and better care through the examination of the child by competent physicians. Small defects are uncovered and remedies are suggested.

Parents leave the contest knowing more about their children than they ever knew before, and the children are given a better start in life because of the knowledge gained by the parents.

A large floor-covered tent for the Polk county fair better baby contest has been secured. Precautions have been taken to secure a comfortable place for the mothers and the children. Of those who have entered their babies and received a definite time for examination by the physicians, the management requests that they present their children promptly at that time. There will be no necessity to have their babies there before the appointed time. Those parents who have not made application are urged to see Miss Viers or Mrs. Craven immediately.

The medal awards will be made in the tent Thursday afternoon at three. At that time doctors will make short talks concerning the babies.

PROGRAM

—OF THE—

POLK COUNTY FAIR

Dallas, Oregon, September 19-21, 1916

TUESDAY

10 a. m.—Balloon Ascension
1 p. m.—Automobile Parade
2 p. m.—Address by Governor Withycombe
2:30 p. m.—Vocal Solo, Hallie Parrish Hinges
3 p. m.—High Dive by Captain Henry Kerns
3:30 p. m.—High Wire Walkers
4 p. m.—Flying Trapeze and LaSchell act
4:30 p. m.—Slide for Life by Wongowed Wonder

7 p. m.—Band Concert
8 p. m.—Vocal Solo, Hallie Parrish Hinges

WEDNESDAY

10 a. m.—Balloon Ascension
1 p. m.—Stock Parade
2 p. m.—Boys' and Girls' saddling and riding contest. Premiums to be given by the Bank of Falls City
3 p. m.—Vocal Solo, Hallie Parrish Hinges
3:30 p. m.—High Dive by Captain Henry Kerns
4 p. m.—High Wire Walkers
4:30 p. m.—Flying Trapeze and LaSchell act
5 p. m.—Slide for Life by Wongowed Wonder

7 p. m.—Band Concert
8 p. m.—Vocal Solo, Hallie Parrish Hinges

THURSDAY

10 a. m.—Balloon Ascension
1 p. m.—Stock Judging Contest
Dairy Cattle Judging open to every boy and girl of school age in Polk County. Premiums offered by the Business Men of Perrydale: 1st, Trip to State Fair and $2; 2nd, $2.50; 3rd, $1.50; 4th, $1; 5th, 50c.
3 p. m.—Vocal Solo, Hallie Parrish Hinges
3:30 p. m.—High Dive by Captain Henry Kerns
4 p. m.—High Wire Walkers
4:30 p. m.—Flying Trapeze and LaSchell act
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H. L. Fitchard, Independence, offers a $10 robe for the best decorated "Ford" in the parade, and J. L. Collins, Agent, Portland, Oregon, offers ten gallons of ZEROLINE for the best decorated automobile in parade.

RIVER CASTS UP DEAD

MAN'S BODY FOUND BELOW WEST SALEM FRIDAY.

Clothing Remnants Indicate Person Was Well Dressed—Sheriff Orr Brings In Corpse.

The body of a man, evidently drowned during the February floods, was brought to Dallas Friday night by Sheriff Orr from the F. G. McLench place on the Willamette river, five miles below West Salem. From appearances the man had been drowned during the February floods as the body was bolt upright, 200 feet away from the present edge of the river, and at the point reached by the high water of last February. W. E. Hobbs discovered the body Friday morning about nine. Hobbs immediately phoned Dallas.

The flesh had entirely gone but there was enough of the clothing left under the belt to show that the man had worn expensive clothing. The shirt was of light color, soft, and with a stripe. The trousers were of dark blue, with a fine stripe, evidently of fine material and tailor made. A green silk tie about the neck had neither faded nor rotted.

The upper teeth were sound, the front pair spread apart and protruding. The lower three front teeth were bridged with crowns on either side. Keys were found close to the body.

Identification of the body may be positively made by a Salem dentist. A Mr. Springer of Salem was in Dallas Saturday and eaxmined the body. He says the clothes, the keys, the general build and teeth resembled those of his son who disappeared early this year. The Salem dentist who did work for the Springer boy has been asked to come to Dallas to examine the dental work and tell whether it is the same as that done for his patient. If the dentist says the teeth tally with those of the young man on whom he worked Mr. Springer and Coroner Chapman will consider the identification as positive.

JERSEY CLUB TO EXHIBIT

SOME OF FINEST CATTLE IN OREGON TO BE SHOWN HERE

Polk County Has Organization Which Has Nation-Wide Reputation for Fine Stock.

Some of the finest Jersey cattle in the state of Oregon, or for that matter in the whole of America, will be shown at the Polk county fair this week. The Polk County Jersey club, which has been instrumental in making this county the "Jersey Isle" of the west, intends to show Polk county people what they really have in the line of prizewinners, and these will be shown by various members of the club.

In the few years of its existence the club has distinguished itself. Last year at the San Francisco exposition it carried away a great bunch of prizes, in fact it brought back to Polk county more trophies than were taken by the balance of the state in this line. The members of the club also take considerable pride in the fact that they have enlivened enthusiasm in the Jersey business until no other county in Oregon has as many registered Jerseys as Polk.

Last year its first annual sale was held at Independence, and so successful was this that the club has announced a second annual sale, to be held at the same place on October 10th. It is expected to have 85 head in the sale, practically all of which are registered Jerseys of merit or their offspring. Col. J. W. Hughes, the auctioneer of Forest Grove, will cry the sale, and W. O. Morrow, president of the club, is sales manager.

MAJOR FISKE LEAVES.

Expects to Return Next Summer for Longer Visit.

After a week's visit with relatives in Dallas, Major Fiske and little daughter left last Thursday morning for Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. They were so pleased with Dallas that the major now considers coming here next summer with his family to remain a month or two. They were motored to Portland by the Major's brother, V. P. Fiske, where he remained until Friday evening.

During his stay Major Fiske looked over his lots skirting the Willamette near Oregon City. He is deeply attached to his native state and has always cherished the hope that he might some day be able to make Oregon his permanent home. With that thought in mind he hopes to build near Oregon City and place his family there during his periods of foreign service, and also settle there himself when he is retired.

Before leaving Portland he and his daughter were taken up the Columbia highway by V. P. Fiske and family and he was greatly impressed with its wonderful scenery. "Words of mine fail utterly to express its beauty," he exclaimed, on being asked, after he had returned to Portland, what he thought of the highway.

Begin Monmouth Paving.

Hoskins and Hobson of McMinnville, successful bidders for the Monmouth Main street paving work, began grading yesterday. The contractors believe the job will be completed within 30 days. The actual work will not take this long but a space of ten or twelve days will have to intervene between the laying of the concrete base and the upper coat of asphalt. City Engineer Edw. J. Himes of Monmouth will personally supervise the work.

SALEM TO ATTEND FAIR

CHERRIAN CLUB PLANNING FOR FINE TIME HERE TOMORROW

Expected Fully 50 Will Come from Capital City—Special Train Will Carry Visitors.

Salem will have a large representation at the Polk county fair this year. At a meeting of the Cherrian club, the live wire businessmen's organization of that city, last Friday night, it was decided to send a large bunch of Salem boosters to the fair and they expect to come on a special train tomorrow. The committee in charge of the excursion is headed by Wm. Gahlsdorf and T. L. Billingsly, and they promise not less than 50 for the special. The Salem Cherrian band will accompany them and play at the grounds.

The invitation to attend the fair was personally given by President I. L. Patterson, who spoke briefly to the club, saying it would be of benefit to both Salem and Polk county if everybody was better acquainted.

Speaking editorially about the trip and the good will it should foster, the Statesman had the following to say Sunday:

Public-spirited Salem people should rally to the call of the Cherrians to go with the special excursion to Dallas next Wednesday to attend the Polk county fair for an afternoon.

Since the invitation presented in behalf of the people of Polk county by I. L. Patterson at the Cherrian meeting Friday night there can be no doubt that Dallas is eager to have a visit from Salem. The invitation comes that the spirit of co-operation between the two cities may be maintained—not to re-establish a spirit of co-operation for there has never been any lack of it as far as the real big men of each community are concerned.

Now and then something is heard about a jealousy existing between the two places. It is not true and never has been.

Both towns are vital factors in the state and each has its function to perform.

Laliberte Hop House Burns.

Fire destroyed the H. Laliberte hop house near Independence Thursday morning. The drying kilns and the hops from a two-acre tract were burned. The loss is covered by insurance. Standing within a few feet of the hop house was a large warehouse filled with hay valued at $7,000. The warehouse was saved by the good work of the fire boys.

Buell Boy Is Buried.

The funeral of Teddy Armond Ridgway of Buell was held Saturday. Interment was in the Blair cemetery near Buell. The boy died Thursday afternoon in a buggy three miles this side of Buell. He was aged 14 years, nine months and 25 days.

TO DISCUSS SHORTAGE

FACTS TO BE DISCUSSED AT TOMORROW'S HEARING.

Willamette Lumbermen's Counsel Working on Case—Rumored U. P. and S. P. Will Pool Cars.

With a car shortage still facing the Willamette valley and with just a few cars filtering in each day interest is now centered on the hearing before the public service commission in Portland Wednesday, September 20. The promised relief of the Southern Pacific is being felt slightly but the facilities yet are far from sufficient. Reports from Salem show that the car shortage fluctuates with a slight variation in favor of the railroad company.

The public service commission has formulated eighteen questions for answer by the representatives of the railroad company. The questions follow:

Report of the length of time all freight cars, loaded and empty, have been held at junction points, division points, and terminals within the state of Oregon during the period from July 1, 1916, to September 1, 1916.

A report of the time all freight cars have been held by shippers and receivers of freight within the state of Oregon during the period from July 1, 1916, to September 1, 1916, within the state of Oregon.

The number of average demurrage agreements and the length of time and number and kind of cars held under the same during the period from July 1, 1916 to September 1, 1916, within the state of Oregon.

The number and kind of system freight cars per mile of operated line over your entire system.

The number and kind of locomotives, with tractive power and tonnage rating, on your entire system.

The number and kind of cars assigned for use in Oregon for the years 1912 to 1916 inclusive.

The number and kind of locomotives assigned to Oregon for the years 1912 to 1916 inclusive.

The number and kind of freight cars and locomotives assigned to Oregon on account of the additional mileage added to your system in this state during the last four years.

The number and kind of freight cars and locomotives added to the equipment of your company in the state of Oregon during the last four years.

The number and kind of freight cars and locomotives added to the equipment of your company during the last four years over your entire system.

The number and kind of freight cars and locomotives retired in the state of Oregon during the last four years.

The number and kind of freight cars and locomotives retired over your entire system during the last four years.

A detailed statement of the rules and regulations under which cars have been distributed over your lines in Oregon during the last year.

Number of men employed and their powers and duties in your separate car service bureau in this state, if any, and upon whom does the responsibility for distribution and supply of freight cars rest.

A detailed statement of any pooling arrangement you may have with other transportation systems.

A detailed statement showing the number and kind of freight cars received on the lines of your company in Oregon, both empty and loaded, between August 20th and September 10th, 1916, the points in Oregon to which such cars were distributed and shipped out, and commodities shipped therein.

A detailed statement of your equipment balance with connecting lines for months of July and August, 1916.

The number and kind of freight cars in use both in Oregon and California, by states, between the 15th day of August and the 1st day of September, 1916.

The Southern Pacific company has not kept its promise of supplying 50 cars a day to Oregon manufacturers and every day brings the news story of another mill closing down. Recently the Booth Kelly Lumber company's mills at Wendling and the Ewauna Box company at Klamath Falls closed down. The Hammond Lumber company's mill at Mill City is not attempting to run to its full capacity.

The Perrydale Flouring Mill has informed the Public Service Commission that since August 28 it has had under contract to ship to Portland 29 carloads of oats, but cannot secure carriers.