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Big Pow-wow And Fair Rounding Into Shape

Thousands of yards of purple and gold bunting, hundreds of American flags, myriads of electric lights and scores of other gaily colored decorations are in evidence throughout the business district today. The metropolis of Mendocino county has donned her holiday garb, set her house in order and is preparing to put her best foot forward next week in entertaining the largest crowds of visitors that have ever favored this community with their presence. The occasion will be the first annual entertainment of the recently organized Mendocino County Fair Association which has been designated the Yo-kaya Pow-wow and Harvest Festival. The gates will be thrown open for the reception of visitors at 10:30 A. M. Monday the 18th, and for 8 days the big educational entertainment will hold forth. Each day of the program has been assigned to different communities of Mendocino, Humboldt, Lake and Sonoma Counties, and advices from numerous points indicate large crowds. The Fair Association officials believe that the Pow-wow will attract an attendance during the 8 days estimated conservatively at from 40,000 to 50,000 admissions. The big tent, in which the manufacturing, industrial and agricultural exhibits will be shown, measures

100 feet in width by 514 feet in length and one must of necessity see this veritable sea of canvas to appreciate fully its enormous proportions. The tent, together with center poles, quarter poles, ropes, pulleys, etc., weighs 46,000 pounds. The wiring of the big top and adjacent quarters of the Pow-wow will require more than 15,000 feet of wire. The illumination effect, it is claimed, will be truly wonderful to behold. The tent crew, as well as a squad of electricians from the city are here making ready their part of the work.

Professor Charles O. Scott, the Santa Rosa band master, with his big band will arrive in Ukiah Sunday. The vaudeville troupe of 20 big-time artists will also arrive Sunday. A special police force will be on duty day and night at the grounds to protect visitors and exhibits and to direct traffic. The delicate task of constructing the Indian Village is progressing rapidly under the personal supervision of Dr. J. W. Hudson of the Indian Village Committee, who has given his entire time for several weeks past to the numerous details incident to this work. The village comprising several tule and slab huts is located amid a

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MENDOCINO COUNTY WINS AGAIN

Judges at the State Fair decided that Mendocino county's Bartlett pears were the "finest" exhibited by any county at the State Fair. The chamber of commerce announces the following results from the display of products sent to the fair:

Best single box, standard pack, Bartlett pears, First Prize.

Best 5 boxes, standard pack, Bartlett pears, First Prize.

These pears were grown in the Flowers & Stickney orchards, and were especially selected and packed by Mr. C. D. Flowers.

Best box, standard pack, Dried apples, First Prize. These apples were grown in Anderson Valley.

Best exhibit of apples on plates, six specimens to the plate, First Prize. Most of these apples were from Anderson Valley.

Best single box, standard pack,

Gravenstein apples, Second Prize. Best 5 boxes, standard pack, Gravenstein apples Second Prize. This fruit was grown and packed by Geo. Schneider, whose orchard is located five miles east of Elk, on the Greenwood road.

Every exhibit entered into the competition by Mendocino county, was awarded a prize, which certainly speaks well for the quality of fruit produced here.

Robert Austin is now maturing plans for the largest exhibit yet placed in the state fair, which will be held in Sacramento, Sept. 1923.

It is expected that the exhibits to be displayed at the Pow-wow will disclose many new sources from which exhibit material can be grown. Every fruit grower and farmer should cooperate and help make the state fair exhibit the same success in the future as it has been in the past.

FIGHT FORESHADOWED ON FT. BRAGG BOOTLEGGERS

According to reports from Fort Bragg this week, that city, which has been run on an exceedingly liberal footing as regards the liquor issue, for some time, faces a fight to the finish between the "wet" and "dry" forces.

The struggle is foreshadowed by the resignation of Ed Banker from the board of city trustees last Monday evening. Banker's action is an innocent appearing proceeding to the uninitiated, but according to those conversant with the situation in the city politics of Fort Bragg, it is fraught with the utmost significance.

For it leaves the board evenly divided on the wet and dry issue, August West and Henry Little being wet and Clarence Broback and Dana Gray dry. Which means that the board will probably be unable to agree on a successor for Banker and the matter will go up to the people in an election.

There is every indication that it will be a battle royal, as the open town policy that has obtained since the last city election has aroused the dries to desperation, while the wets are equally determined that Fort Bragg shall be one oasis in Mendocino county, the county, state and national law to the contrary notwithstanding. And they have succeeded famously.

Banker's resignation is due to the multitude of complaints addressed to him on account of the blind pigs and bootleggers. It was accepted by a vote in which himself, Gray and Broback voted yes and Little and West no.

Prognostications as to the result of an election should one be called, vary, but all agree that the dries are better organized and much stronger than when they put up their losing fight at the last city elections.

CASES FILED IN SUPERIOR COURT

Through M. H. Iversen, Alice S. Hall has filed a suit in divorce against Robert L. Hall, alleging neglect and failure to provide. She seeks the return of her maiden name of Spurlock. They were married in San Francisco, Aug. 29, 1920.

Through George Redwine, Angelo Gialdini has filed a complaint to quiet title to property in the McClure subdivision near Talmage, naming as defendant, the Wm. Doolan estate.

Through M. H. Iversen, Della Armstrong has filed a suit to quiet title to property in Fort Bragg, naming Francis Armstrong as defendant.

Through Mannon & Mannon, George C. Bauer has filed a complaint against H. H. Beard, seeking for a dissolution of a co-partnership between the two, a receiver and accounting and a sale of the property and division of profits.

Through Chas. Kasch, B. B. Hutson has filed a claim with the highway commission to recover \$443.36 from Frank Johnson and others, alleged to be due for truck tires used on cars engaged in state highway work near Willits. The plaintiff also seeks \$100 for attorney fees and also seeks costs.

Through M. H. Iversen, Owen W. Busch has applied for letters of administration on the estate of Cynthia A. Busch, valued at \$400.

Through foreign counsel, Harry C. Bemis, a son, has applied for letters on the estate of John M. Bemis, late of Pennsylvania, who died recently leaving real estate in this and Trinity counties valued at over \$100,000.

Through Will Van Dyke, Catherine O'Neill has filed a suit against the Montezuma Improvement Co., seeking to recover \$910 paid on contracts whereby she bought hogs and certain real estate on a cooperative plan. She alleges that the real estate was misrepresented as being level tillable land, and that the promised dividends on the hogs were not paid.

FIRE FROM FOOTHILLS DESTROYS PROPERTY

The brush fire which started on the Bradford ranch last week, destroying a barn there, worked south and easterly the past six days and on Tuesday and Wednesday had reached a point west of Ukiah and about half a mile up the mountain. Back fires were started along the foothills Tuesday night and again on Wednesday morning. Shortly after noon Wednesday, a slight change in the wind caught the back fires and drove sparks down to the Gobbi house and an old winery near it. Both buildings and some sheds adjoining were consumed with all their contents and the fire also spread to the big winery west of the Otis Redemeyer home. This also went up like tinder and with it went the Sparks home, a barn belonging to Mr. Fisher, a barn belonging to Mrs. Hughes and several sheds and outbuildings, besides a considerable amount of fencing. The reservoir was saved by Henry LeBastie, assisted by Bunt Cox. A large crowd turned out to fight the flames, and, aided by the dense shade trees, ploughed fields and gardens and another favorable shift in the wind, managed to stop a conflagration that for a time threatened to sweep to the center of town.

All the houses in that vicinity were afire at various times, but the multitude of fire fighters on the roofs did valiant service. Men, women and children fought together to save the town and the business section was practically deserted the greater part of the afternoon.

The heaviest loser was the California Grape Products Co., which lost 50,000 new grape boxes, a quantity of machinery and cooperage, all stored in the winery. Leander Gobbi lost a large number of prune trays besides his buildings, and a large quantity of grapes.

HOWARD MALONE IS FATALLY SHOT

Howard Malone, who with his wife, formerly Miss Hazel Handy, has been visiting at the Fred Handy home in this city, shot himself with a revolver, presumably by accident, at 8 o'clock this morning. He was cleaning his car in the back yard. Mrs. Malone heard the shot and heard him call and ran into the yard. He collapsed as she reached him, and died in a few minutes.

The wound was in the region of the heart. The inquest will take place this morning.

UKIAH TO PLAY WILLITS BASEBALL HERE SUNDAY

There will be a baseball game on the Ukiah diamond next Sunday afternoon at 2:30 between the Ukiah and Willits teams. The locals have been strengthened by the addition of some good players, including Shultis, a former Oakland league pitcher. Pool will be behind the bat for Ukiah. Willits will pitch "lefty" Lawson, her very formidable hurler.

The game will be a good one and will be welcomed by local fans, who have been honing and pining for a game, so, these many weeks.

Number of Reasons Control Increase in 1922 Tax Rate

There have been a number of inquiries addressed to the Dispatch-Democrat since our issue of last week as to the reason for the increase of the tax rate of this year over last. For the information of those interested we give herewith a comparative table of the budget of last year and this.

There has been a decrease in the assessment roll of \$899,603 since last year, which will cause an increase of about .08 in the rate. Another .04 will be caused by an estimated needed increase of about \$10,000 in revenue. In the exploitation fund there is about .01 increase, in the county schools .014, high schools .166.

The tabular comparison of last year's budget with this shows the following:

Purpose	1921	1922
Bridges and New Roads	\$167,738	85,221.00
Board of Supervisors	3200	1,600.00
Auditor	1100	1,200.00
Treasurer	385	451.80
Assessor	1450	1838.58
Tax Collector	1764	1,850.00
District Attorney	560	1,045.50
Surveyor	665	1,200.00
Coroner	2152	2,737.00
Elections		15,000.00
Registration of Voters		2812.50
Justice Court	500	500.00
Superior Court	7000	10,825.00
Grand Jury	1000	2,250.00
Clerk	1500	1,947.00
Courthouse and grounds	3400	3,181.30
Permanent Improvements	3117	13,100.00
Clerk's Office		100.00
Supt. Schools		500.00
County Farm		5,000.00
Storage Bldg.		7,500.00
Sheriff	5000	6981.18
Jails	450	480.00
Constables	500	500.00
Recorder	2100	1,787.00
Public Administrator	250	230.00
Fire Warden	1000	1,500.00
Bounties	4000	7,000.00
Humane Officer	250	460.00
Inspection of Sheep	922	500.00
Farm Advisor	2660	
Farm Advisor		2600.00
Assistant Farm Advisor		1500.90
Horticulture Commissioner	3000	3,800.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures	2000	2,376.30
Health Officer	600	565.00
Vital Statistics	250	290.00
County Farm	18,000	18,000.00
Social Agent	600	740.00
Relief to Poor	6908	7,000.00
Burial of Poor	1000	1,000.00
Probation Officer	25.00	25.00
Care of Children	10,370	13,000.00
Reform School	280	280.00
Care of Insane	610	1,000.00
Examination of Insane	200	550.00
Board of Education	250	375.00
Superintendent of Schools	2500	3,757.50
Purchasing Agent	1500	1,500.00
Statistician	1220	1,245.00
State Highway right of way		15,000.00
Block Book	1000	1,100.00
Compensation Insurance	2800	3,000.00

RAILROAD COMPANY WILL FURNISH FAST TRAINS

For the first time in history the Northwestern Pacific Railroad Co. is putting on fast fruit trains from Ukiah to the East. The trains will be run from here to Santa Rosa in the case of cars routed over the Southern Pacific, and will be switched to the S. P. line at that point. Those routed via the Santa Fe and other lines will be taken across the bay at Tiburon.

The trains will run on passenger schedule and will ensure the grape crop's being delivered on the Eastern markets in fresh condition.

The trains will be ready for loading every day at 6:15 P. M. and will leave the next day at 1 P. M.

SLEEPING HOUSE BURNED

A canvas sleeping house at the Ledeboer home north of town caught fire last evening and was destroyed with several beds and some bedding. The fire department was called out but the fire had burned itself out by the time the firemen arrived.

The blaze was caused when one of the children who was sent out to the sleeping house on an errand, dropped a lighted match on the floor.

THE WEATHER

Dr. McCown reports the maximum temperature the past week as 195 and the minimum 45.

San Francisco Man Killed in Accident

J. H. Abbott, of San Francisco, a traveling salesman for the William Cluff Company of that city, was fatally injured last Wednesday afternoon, when his car went over the grade and into the deep canyon near the old Pinney place near Bell valley.

The car did not turn over, but in the descent was stripped of its top by overhanging branches of trees, which also caught Abbott and crushed his chest against the back of the seat. He crawled back to the road and was picked up by Mr. Farner, of Boonville, and brought to this city, where he passed away shortly after 4 o'clock.

His wife came from San Francisco, arriving about two hours after his death. She will take the remains to the city for interment.

DEATH OF ESTHER HOWARD

Miss Esther Howard, daughter of Mrs. Bessie Harbin, died in this city Wednesday after a long illness, the cause of her death being tuberculosis. She was 22 years of age.

The funeral will be held Sunday from the Baptist church.

The deceased was held in affectionate regard by a multitude of friends and relatives in this city, all of whom heard of her death with the sincerest regret.

She leaves besides her mother, her father, Lou Howard, and one brother, Ward Howard.

"Society Circus" Will Be By Home Talent

Great enthusiasm is being shown over the big musical show featuring over one hundred and fifty people in side-splitting character sketches and dancing choruses. Rehearsals are being held both afternoon and evening, everything coming along in wonderful shape.

Costume committees are busy arranging elaborate costumes, the stage decorations and electrical effects are started and every indication points to a "big" time production.

Carolyn Elinor Staley, the "whirlwind directress" is keeping everyone in a "whirl" in fact the results obtained are marvelous.

Anyone expecting this show to be the average, slow amateur show will be very much surprised as it runs two hours with never a five minute wait, although there are numerous changes throughout.

Reserved seats go on sale Saturday morning at 10 o'clock at Morty's. Everyone should reserve their seats early as standing room will be at a premium.

STORES TO CLOSE

The stores in Ukiah will be closed Monday morning, Sept. 18, from 10 o'clock until 1 o'clock, in order to permit the clerks and employees to participate in and view the POW-WOW parade.

LEGION WILL GIVE GOOD BOXING CONTESTS HERE

Fight fans are looking forward to the boxing contest to be put on by the American Legion at the Victory theatre next Friday evening. There will be two events.

The preliminary will be put on by Andy and Don Robertson, members of the Scotch colony. Andy was light and welter weight champion at Aldershot, England, of the command of 1918, and light weight champion of the Scottish command of 1917. Don was welter weight champion of Midland air force of 1918. Both boys are clever boxers.

The main event will be between Bert Meyers and Sid Herberts. Meyers is a San Francisco boy and is 23 years of age. He has had some sixtysix ring battles, most of them with tough antagonists. Herberts hails from Los Angeles and is 25.

Both men have fought many of the same boxers and their record is similar, which should make the bout a very interesting one.

BABY DIES AT HOPLAND

Jean O'Day, an infant of Hopland, died there last Monday. A coroner's inquest brought in a verdict of death from spasms brought on by teething. The child had been in good spirits a few moments before its death, which occurred very suddenly and which was accompanied by a copious sweat from the top of its head.