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Marathon Winners



E. C. Baird To Close After 40 Years

A general merchant for more than half a century whose code has been "Be honest and fair-dealing and the public will deal fairly with you," Edward C. Baird, proprietor of Baird's General Merchandise, since 1909, has announced his retirement. His place of business, a familiar Newberg landmark, has been sold to the Western Auto Supply Co.

A bustling emporium after the turn of the century, Baird's store has been managed with the same strict policy for four decades, and will close only because its genial owner wishes to withdraw from business. Wednesday workmen were removing the long tables on which have been displayed everything from corsets to confections.

While large stores in large cities are turning toward the general merchandising field and are selling a great variety of goods, Baird believes that the day of the small general store is gone. He says that shopkeepers in smaller cities cannot maintain adequate stocks.

Although retiring from business, Mr. and Mrs. Baird said that they intend to remain in Newberg and declared that they have greatly enjoyed their business life here.

Formerly owner of a general store in Bartlesville, Okla., Baird came to Newberg in October, 1909. He had previously been with the Santa Fe railroad at East

PROUDLY DISPLAYING THEIR TROPHIES, winners of the first annual river marathon, run Monday on the Willamette, are pictured above as they refought the grueling 44-mile race in the Dundee Boat Shop, headquarters of the Newberg Boat club.

Shown, left to right, are: Walt Smith, Portland, 1st place winner, Class 3; Hugh DuPont, Portland, 1st place, Class 4; Roy Taylor, Salem, 1st place, Class 2; Arnold Nelson, Portland, 1st place, Class 1 and Over-All Trophy winner; Larry Ritland, McMinnville, 1st place, Class 5; and Stanley Hultberg, Portland, 2nd place, Class 6.

Al Christie of Newberg, first place winner in Class 6, was not present.

(Graphic Photo)

Nelson First To Pass Flag In Boat Race

Al Christie Runs 44-Mile Course In One Hour, 9 Minutes

Two upsets on the river and one in the decision of the judges lent surprise Monday afternoon when outboard enthusiasts from Independence, Salem, McMinnville, Dundee, Newberg and other valley cities slatted down the grueling 44-mile course of the First Annual Marathon to roar past the finish buoy at the foot of River street. The race was sponsored by the Newberg Boat club.

Piloting a light, plywood craft powered with a 5-h. p. motor, Arnold Nelson of Portland was first to flash by the checkered flag. His elapsed time for the run from Independence to Newberg was one hour and 43 minutes. Nelson was announced first place winner in Class I and was also awarded the coveted Over-All trophy donated by Drews' Jewelry of Newberg and the Diamond Shop of McMinnville.

Al Christie of Newberg, piloting a 33 h. p. boat in Class VI, the unlimited horsepower class, made the run in 1 hour and 9 minutes, averaging about 37 m. p. h.

Boats Upset

The two river upsets involved Loren Lottis of Salem and Stanley R. Hultberg of Newberg.

Lottis, according to observers, capsized his craft below the Wheatland pool, swam ashore towing his boat behind him, bailed it out, cleaned up the motor, launched it and completed the remainder of the race.

Hultberg capsized a moment after he had passed the finish line. His boat was retrieved by officials, and it was not learned until later that Christie had passed Hultberg in the race. Christie was later awarded first prize in Class VI.

Crowds Large

To witness the finish of the race, open to outboards only, large crowds were assembled on both banks of the Willamette at the foot of River street. Cabin cruisers, motor boats and other craft were moored at vantage points along the course.

Following is the list of winners: Class I (5-7 h.p.): 1st, Arnold Nelson, Portland; 2nd, Jimmerman of Portland; 3rd, Kenneth Martin, Newberg.

Class II (10 h.p.): 1st, Ray Taylor, Salem; 2nd, Ken Grimes, McMinnville; 3rd, Clifford Joseph, Jr., Salem.

Class III (16-17 h.p.): 1st, Walt Smith, Portland; 2nd, Thomas Graham, Portland; 3rd, John F. Markiewicz, Portland.

Class IV (22 h.p.): 1st, Hugh DuPont, Portland; 2nd, Paul Mitchells, Portland; 3rd, Orville Newschwager, McMinnville.

Class V (33 h.p.): 1st, Larry Ritland, McMinnville; 2nd, Phil Folscheck, McMinnville; 3rd, Jack Millard.

Class VI (unlimited h.p.): 1st, Al Christie, Newberg; 2nd, Stanley Hultberg, Portland; 3rd, Dave Ellis, Dayton.

Trophies Awarded

Trophies were awarded winners Monday evening at the Dundee Boat Shop by Johnny Paola of Newberg. Chuck Shirley was official starter. A 5-man crew from Independence cooperated with Shirley, Munroe Miller and Secretary Donna Rinkes at the starting line.

Officials at the finish were Chuck Caffall, flagman; Elmer Hills and Robert Drews, timers; and Doran Hochbaum, Bernadine Shirley and Mrs. Earl Rogers, scorers. Three crash boats patrol.

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