CROISAN FIXED IT

Named the Date for Marion County Primaries

IN THE INTERESTS OF SIMON

Places Himm in the Position of Absolute Dictator Over the Geer People—The Situation at Salem.

SALEM, Or., March 2.—E. M. Croisan, local manager for Joseph Simon, practically dictated the date for the Marion County primaries. He did it in the interests of Simon, and thereby secured an advantage of no small importance. While the date selected, March 14, does not give him an advantage over the anti-Simon people, it places him in the position of absolute dictator over the Geer people.

Multnomah County Republicans will hold primaries March 15. Fixing the date in Marion County one day earlier is virtually a message from Simon to the Geer people, saying, "You must deliver the goods." In other words, Senator Simon proposes to see what Geer can do for him in Marion County before he, Simon, does anything for Geer in Multnomah. And believing that Geer can carry Marion, Mr. Simon proposes to have that victory to strengthen his forces in Multnomah on the following day. If Simon should be defeated in Multnomah Geer's defeat is also certain. If Geer should lose his own county he could expect little help abroad. If he should get the state delegation for himself and fail to land a legislative delegation for Simon, it is doubtful whether he would get any help from the latter, even though the Simon people should win in Multnomah. Mr. Croisan, however, evidently does not intend that Geer shall win out here unless the victory is also one for Simon. Croisan, on behalf of Simon, virtually holds four aces, so far as Geer is concerned.

Croisan's Relation to Geer People.

The Geer people have been talking in favor of a late primary. They have said that Geer is steadily gaining strength and that they will profit by a longer lapse of time before the decisive battle takes place. They communicated this view of the situation to Mr. Croisan, who is lieutenant to Mr. Simon and ex-officio leader of the Geerites. It requires no stretch of the imagination to believe that Mr. Croisan replied: "That may all be true, but I would rather have the fight come off here before it does in Multnomah."

"What difference does that make?"

"The understanding is that you Geer people are to elect slates that will be satisfactory to Simon."

"Yes."

"Then if you win out here, it will be a victory for Simon."

"Why, certainly."

"Well, Mr. Simon would like to tell the Portland people on the morning of March 15 that he has won a victory in Marion."

"But suppose we put up Simon slates in Marion and then the Senator fails in Multnomah, where will Geer be?"

"Where was I when I was thrown out of the Reform School with only half a term?"

"But we don't see any reason why we should deliver goods before Mr. Simon does. Why not have the primaries in both counties on the same day?"

"March 15 is Saturday, and you know the Adventists won't vote on Saturday."

"True, but you didn't think of that down in Portland."

"I don't care to argue the matter; it will be for Mr. Simon's interests to have the primaries here first."

"Then you don't believe we will play fair."

"I believe you will play fair."

"You mean you can't trust us?"

"I mean that I don't have to."

"Then you propose to boss the Geer people."

"Not at all; I simply made the suggestion. If you Geer people don't care to act upon it, you needn't. My private affairs require my attention, and you people are so hard to organize that I am getting tired. Any time you can find a leader that suits you better I will be pleased to retire."

"Oh, no, no. We couldn't get along without you."

Make Necessity a Choice.

And when the central committee met the Geer people were ready to agree to March 14; the anti-Geer people found it advisable to favor the same date, and all was satisfactory. As a matter of fact, the opposition did not dare to advocate any other date, for Wrightman was chairman of the committee, and any attempt on the part of his friends to determine the date would have been declared a misuse of his power as chairman. Mr. Wrightman said before and after the meeting that any date would be satisfactory to him, so his friends were ready to acquiesce in any date that might be approved by the Simon-Geer people.

Mr. Croisan was a member of the committee by virtue of a proxy, but he said not a word during the whole session. Everything went to suit him, and as long as that condition exists he is always peaceable.

Some Details of the Fight.

Both factions in the Marion County Republican fight have been doing some hard work during the past week. Several precincts have been canvassed, the most careful work being in Salem No. 2 and Salem No. 4. Both sides are perfecting their organizations and are doing no small amount of missionary work. The antis are forcing the fight, and are beginning to attack Governor Geer's record. They have charged that the Governor permits a private lieu land agent to have a desk in the office of the State Land Agent, who is appointed solely by the Governor; that the Governor has sold mutton to the State Reform School, without calling for bids; that he has employed numerous of his relatives in various state positions, or that they have been employed in institutions in the management of which he has a voice, and that he exercised his pardoning power without justification in the famous Mims case. The Geer people say that the state profits by the private lieu land agent having a desk in the office of L. B. Geer, State Land Agent; that the Governor has not appointed an undue number of his relatives to office; that his record as a whole has been such as to warrant his renomination, even though he may have made mistakes, and that if Marion County turns the Governor down this county will get no representation on the state ticket. The short campaign that is to be made before the primaries promises to make the rest of the fight a very spirited one.

Legislative Candidates Active.

J. M. Poorman, of Woodburn, a Simon candidate for the State Senate, was in Salem twice this week, conferring with political friends. His fate will be decided in the primaries at Woodburn. The fight is a local one, and extremely bitter. Walter L. Tooze and J. H. Settlemier have joined to down Poorman, with the understanding that if they win Settlemier shall have the support of the Woodburn delegation for a seat in the lower house of the Legislature, and that Tooze shall go as a delegate to the state convention. Both sides claim to be friendly to Geer.

Alex La Follett, of Mission Bottom, an anti-Simon candidate for the lower house of the Legislature, has also been a Salem visitor this week. He has been several times reported as a candidate for the Senate. He says that this report has been started by the Simon people in the hopes of injuring Dr. J. N. Smith, who is the leading anti-Simon candidate for the upper house. La Follett is doing considerable quiet work.

State Senator N. H. Looney was in Salem Saturday for the first time in several weeks. He has been quarantined on account of smallpox in his family. He is a candidate for renomination, but as no particular fight is being made against him at this time he is putting forth no efforts in his own behalf. He works with the anti-Simon wing of the party.

Henry Keene, who was a member of the lower house at the last session, has been in Salem several times lately. His home is in Stayton. He is being supported by the Simon people for renomination. W. H. Hobson, also of Stayton, is being talked of by the Simon people for State Senator, and it remains to be seen which of these two men will eventually be before the county convention.

Wasco Election Pleases Geer People.

The success of Congressman Moody in Wasco County was pleasant news to the Simon-Geer people in Salem. One of Geer's closest friends was asked: "How do you like it?" He smiled broadly and answered: "That means a Wasco delegation for Geer," and then he winked and smiled more cheerfully than before. An anti-Geer worker was asked the same question. He replied: "It is only what we expected. Moody ought to be able to carry his own county by a larger margin than he did. His victory in Wasco does not mean that he can carry the rest of his district for himself and Simon. He has simply won in his stronghold. The anti-Geer people in Marion are generally in sympathy with Williamson, and if Williamson finally wins out, it is all off with Geer. Moody's victory in his own county will not discourage any one here, for it was to be expected."

Lowell Popular in Sherman.

County Judge Bartholomew, of Sherman County, was in Salem this week on business before the State Land Board. In talking about the political situation in his county, he said that the Congressional contest is the all-absorbing topic. He says that no particular interest is yet being taken in the Senatorial or Gubernatorial fights. The Congressional contest is too close for any one to pretend to predict the outcome. In regard to Eastern Oregon candidates for Governor, Judge Bartholomew said that Furnish will probably get the support of Sherman county, because of his ability as a political organizer. Lowell, however, he regards as a much more popular man among the people. "If Lowell were put at the head of the Republican ticket," he continued, "he would get 20 per cent more votes in Sherman County than any other man the Republicans could nominate. But he is not a politician, and it is supposed that he cannot organize his supporters."

Jackson County Favors Fulton.

Representative E. D. Briggs, of Jackson County, was in Salem this week on business in the state library. He says that there is some political activity in his part of the state, but neither the Senatorial nor the Governorship question is as prominent as they seem to be in the northern part of the state. Mr. Briggs thinks public opinion is in favor of Fulton for Senator in Jackson County. E. V. Carter will probably be nominated for Senator, and W. A. Carter for Representative. Mr. Briggs says his present inclination is not to permit his name to come before the convention, but his friends are urging him to do so.

Attorney-General's Chances.

Attorney-General D. R. N. Blackburn has been ill with typhoid fever for the past six weeks, and is just beginning to improve. It will be another six weeks before he will be able to get around actively. Under the circumstances nothing is being done in behalf of his renomination. J. R. Whitney is trying to get the support of Linn County, Blackburn's county, for himself for State Printer. If he succeeds in this, Judge Blackburn will have no initial support, and will be out of the fight. Judge Blackburn has made a very satisfactory record in that the state boards have had few suits during his term, and have won in every instance.

AT THE HOTELS.

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J F Lee, Seattle
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H E Salsick, Hartland
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C W Oberlin, Omaha
W H Herman, city
H L Jenkins, Minn
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F A Place, N Y
F Schoureck, N Y
W A Howe, Carlton
E A Moross, Detroit
P E Bronson, Wis
A J Diehl, Ann Arbor
A Pollak, N Y
J W Chambers & wf, S F
M C Mason & wf, Seattle
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A J Hilbert, Milwauke
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Jos Heller & wf, city
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Mrs Joseph Baker, do
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Master Frederick N Keating, Astoria
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W C Boughton, Ashld
A Linter, Cal
M S Burkholder, Hinbrook
Mrs M S Burkholder, Hinbrook
Jas Keating, Astoria
C A Pagan, S F
H H Engham, Heppner
Mat Mosgrove, Or
Mrs Musgrove, do
C C Henniger, Toledo
M T Heald, Cinti
Mrs Langram, Echo
R J Pollack, Portland
E B Twenger, do
E McCullough, do
C Masterson, Eugene
G A Campbell, do
Miss Shull, W W
J B Reynolds, Mont
W L Perkins, Salt Lk
D W Ralston, Mayville
G M Lloyd, Waltsburg
W M Shull, W W
C M Wilby, S F
Chas Johnson, Dalles
N B Brooks, Goldendal
J D Day, Oregon City
M D Cady, Beaverton
J C Green, Hillsboro
G N Greenbach, Olymp
C Masterson, do
Mrs Williams, Seattle
B H Bell, do
Mrs B H Bell, do
Miss Bell, do
J C Yager, The Dalles
F Pelton, St Paul
John DeLand, St Louis
M McGinnis, Dalles
C W Welby, S F
W H Noyer, S F
M H Speer, Mehama
Mrs M H Speer, do
E C Watkins, Heppner
E B Burnes, Gold Hl
G H Doern, Spokane
M D Swift, Castle Rk
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H Marks, Roseburg

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SEATTLE'S CITY ELECTION

EFFECT IT WILL HAVE ON THE GENERAL STATE CONTEST.

If Humes Is Successful, the King County City Will Try to Get a Senator and Representative.

OLYMPIA, March 2.—Washington in November next will hold a general election, at which three Congressmen, two Justices of the Supreme Court and members of both houses of the Legislature will be chosen. The state campaign is now in motion, and its first gun will have been fired in earnest Tuesday next, when Seattle will elect its Mayor and other municipal officials. The result of that election will have a big bearing on the tickets to be chosen late in the year, and for this reason the outcome in the chief city of the state is being anxiously watched.

Behind the Seattle election is the Senatorial question. Upon the success of Thomas J. Humes in his candidacy for Mayor depends in a considerable degree the hope of King County to secure a Senator. If Humes is defeated, Senator Turner's successor will very likely come from some county other than King. If, on the other hand, Mayor Humes is re-elected, Harold Preston's chances of having his home county behind him are exceedingly good. In fact, it is said by those who are posted that a victory for the Mayor absolutely guarantees the 25 votes of King County for Preston. Should the King County Senatorial candidate come to the capital next Winter with what is nearly one-fifth of the Legislature behind him, he will in all probability lead all other candidates on the first legislative ballot.

But Seattle will not be satisfied with a Senatorship. It seems to be understood that the Queen City will also make a strong bid for a Congressman. She has two rather prominent Republicans who are desirous of representing the state in the lower house of Congress—ex-Speaker R. B. Albertson and Corporation Counsel Will E. Humphreys, both adherents of Mayor Humes in the municipal campaign—and should the Mayor be successful, the organization behind him will be besieged by friends of both Congressional aspirants for its support. This idea of Seattle Republicans demanding both a Senator and a Congressman may later prove embarrassing to King County, but a little thing like being accused of asking too much does not bother the average Seattleite.

Democratic Candidates.

And there are the Democrats to reckon with. J. W. Godwin is the Democratic candidate for Mayor. While the platform upon which he is running is not by any means diametrically opposed to the Humes policy, yet Mr. Godwin has managed to make a number of independent Republicans believe he can more safely be trusted to manage the city's affairs than can Judge Humes. Should the Democratic candidate be able to convince enough Republicans of his intentions, the political situation in Seattle will be very much confused. Humes' defeat would give the Democracy courage to make a hard fight for control of the Legislative delegation from King County, and it would also, without a doubt, inspire the Democrats to place a popular man in nomination for Congress. With Humes defeated, there would be a pretty bad condition of affairs among the Republicans of King County, and this would further aid the Democrats in their struggle for a number of Senators and Representatives and also a Congressman.

But it does not necessarily follow that Humes' election would make King County sure of a Republican Congressional nominee, though a victory for Godwin would almost certainly have that result for the Democrats. The Northwest—Whatcom, Skagit, Jefferson and other Lower Sound counties—has ambitions in that line. Jefferson County is already in the field with an aspirant, in the person of Charles E. Coon, of Port Townsend, and there are others. The big city of the state has made enemies, and these will be slow to give Seattle a Congressman, as well as a Senator. It is but natural that the smaller counties will protest heartily against giving all the plums to the larger counties. At present Pierce County has a United States Senator and Congressman, and Spokane County is in the field with a demand for a similar honor. The Legislature at its last session failed to provide Congressional districts, and therefore all such nominations will be made in a general convention, where the smaller counties will have a voice in each nomination. Congressman Cushman, it would appear, will be renominated from Pierce County, and Congressman Jones, of Yakima County, has an absolute cinch on being again placed on the ticket. With Pierce, King and Spokane shouting for Congressmen and earnestly desiring each to either hold or capture a Senator, the "cow counties" will be very apt to combine to permit the largely populated localities from getting all the good things politically.

The Southwest wants a Congressman, and numerous candidates are now making individual campaigns in that section. The Northwest, as has been stated, is after a Congressman, and Eastern Washington has any number of candidates in the vicinity of Spokane. With what will likely prove a combination against her, King County will have a task persuading a state convention to her way of thinking—giving her a Senator and a Congressman also.

It is not, therefore, surprising that the Republicans of the state, as well as their political opponents, are watching with interest the municipal campaign in Seattle, nor is it surprising that local pride is cutting considerable figure in the contest now drawing to a close. The "Seattle idea" is being forced to the front in the campaign by the Republican managers, and the hope that King County may be on an even footing with Pierce in Congress is being held before the eyes of the voting public; that Humes may win and that the county may have a member in each house of Congress, to look after her commercial interests. No one but a Seattle man can properly appreciate what a tempting bait this is and how apt it is to capture the doubting voter. For these reasons the election to be held at Seattle Tuesday is proving of much interest, both at home and abroad.

RECEIVER FOR CANAL COMPANIES.

Important Step in Advancement of Irrigation in Washington.

NORTH YAKIMA, March 2.—What is probably an important step in the advancement of irrigation in arid Washington occurred late yesterday evening, when W. B. McGarry, in behalf of himself and all the other bondholders of the Columbia & Yakima Irrigation Company and of the Prosser Falls & Priest Rapids Canal Company brought a suit to secure the mortgages securing $125,000 outstanding bonds against the property of these companies. The complaint also asked for the appointment of a receiver, and George Donald, president of the Yakima National Bank, of this city, was at once appointed by the Court Commissioner, C. L. Allen.

The canals of these companies are located in the eastern part of Yakima County. They once comprised what is known as the Leadbetter system. When completed they will cover more than 150,000 acres of the finest land in Washington, being on the banks of the Columbia River, both above and below the Lower Yakima River. The country covered by the canals has great advantages, both in point of climate and situation. The system was partly constructed in early days, but was abandoned several years ago, through stress of circumstances. Several hundred thousand dollars was expended.

H. J. Snively, attorney for the bondholders, says that the bondholders do not intend to extend the canals, but that as far as they are concerned they merely want their money; he says he knows of no one who has in contemplation the purchase of the property, and that it will be sold to the highest bidder. Judge Hanford, ex-Governor McGraw and many other prominent Seattle and Tacoma men hold desert claims under the canals.

There is a rumor here that a big effort is being made by the persons who would be benefited by the ditch to have the Government take it up and complete it immediately upon the passage of the irrigation bill now before Congress, and that interested parties are now in Washington with this in view.

FUNERAL OF WELL-KNOWN PORTLAND WOMAN.

Mrs. Anna Evans Davis.

Mrs. Anna Evans Davis, whose funeral occurred yesterday, was born August 13, 1826, in Pittsburg, Pa. She belonged to one of the oldest and most respected families of the pioneers of this country. She was married to Benjamin F. Davis, a veteran of the Mexican War, August 12, 1848. The early part of their married life was spent in Pittsburg. In 1855 they went to Iowa, and shortly after they removed to Arcola, Ill., where they remained eight years. They moved to Minnesota, where they remained until they came to Portland, where they lived happily together until in 1895 death claimed the father and devoted husband. To this union were born Q. S., W. S. Davis, Mrs. E. Morrison, C. M., D. L. and F. G. Davis, five sons and one daughter. Mrs. Davis died at the family residence, East Ash and Twenty-sixth, February 26, from which place the funeral was held. A large number of friends met to pay the last tributes of respect to this noble woman and devoted mother. The sons and son-in-law, by the mother's request, were the pallbearers. The interment was in Lone Fir cemetery.

DISCUSSED SCHOOL LAW.

Address by Superintendent Ackerman on Sanitation and Decoration.

OREGON CITY, March 1.—A meeting of the teachers and school officers of the county was held in the Circuit Courtroom yesterday afternoon to listen to an address by State Superintendent J. H. Ackerman on "School Sanitation and Decoration." Thirty-six districts were represented, and besides numerous teachers and others interested there were clerks and directors present from a number of districts. The forenoon was occupied by a discussion of school law relating chiefly to the duties of directors, and the afternoon was partly taken up with similar topics, after which Superintendent Ackerman gave a most practical, lucid and complete statement of the construction and arrangement of a modern and up-to-date country schoolhouse, covering such points as lighting, arrangement of windows, heating, ventilation of the house itself, and the proper preparation and adorning of grounds. He suggested plans for adapting the system of ventilation to buildings already erected. The meeting ended with expressions of great enthusiasm and approval of the ideas advanced. Another meeting is to be called early next year, when it is hoped to get the other districts also represented. A local institute will be held in this city March 29. Those attending will be entertained by the teachers of Oregon City.

Fire Department Election.

An election will be held in this city tomorrow for officers of the Fire Department to serve for the ensuing year. Three Commissioners and a Chief and Assistant Chief of the department will be chosen. The candidates for Commissioners are the present Chief, Chris Hartman, Fountain Hose Company, No. 1; J. H. Howard, Mountain View Hose Company, No. 4; A. Millin, Columbia Hook and Ladder Company; C. Schuebel, Oregon City Hose Company, No. 3. The only candidate for Chief is the present Assistant Chief, S. J. Burford, of Columbia Hook and Ladder Company. Laurence Ruconich, of Fountain Hose Company, No. 1, and William J. Wilson, of Oregon City Hose Company, No. 3, are candidates for Assistant Chief.

Funeral of Samuel Engle.

The funeral of Samuel Engle, the well-known pioneer of 1847, who died yesterday morning, was held this afternoon at Molalla. Many people from Oregon City attended the funeral.

Mrs. Fred Seidler.

FOREST GROVE, Or., March 2.—Mrs. Fred Seidler, aged 64 years, died at her home, at Cornelius, today. She was born at Preussen, Germany, where, in 1859, she was married to Fred Seidler. The deceased came to Portland from Germany in 1881. The past 18 years she had resided in Washington County. Her husband and the following children survive her, namely: Herman Seidler, Cornelius; Edwin Seidler, Newport, Or.; Mrs. Olga Bequette, Mrs. Antonie Blake, Mrs. Louisa Brown, and Ernest and Rudolph Seidler, of Portland, Or.; Fred Seidler, San Francisco, and William Seidler, of Burke, Idaho. Interment wil be in Lone Fir cemetery tomorrow.

Apportionment in Polk County.

DALLAS, Or., March 2.—Yesterday, at the meeting of the Polk County Republican Committee, the following apportionment of delegates was made: Douglas precinct, 6; Jackson, 6; Salt Lak, 5; Spring Valley, 4; Eola, 9; Ricreal, 6; South Independence, 8; South Monmouth, 6; Buenavista, 5; Souver, 4; Luckamute, 7; Bridgeport, 6; East Dallas, 10; McCoy, 5; South Dallas, 10; North Independence, 12; North Dallas, 10; Rock Creek, 4; North Monmouth, 5; Falls City, 6.

The time for holding the primaries and county convention was set for March 14 and 15.

Polk County Mohair Pool.

DALLAS, Or., March 2.—The annual election of the Polk County Mohair Association will be held in Dallas March 8. At this meeting steps will be taken to form the annual mohair pool.

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COAL IN EASTERN OREGON

PROSPECTING ON LOWER POWDER RIVER WILL SOON BEGIN.

Boring for Oil in Malheur County—Heir to a Great Fortune in Germany.

BAKER CITY, March 1.—There is a coal vein on Lower Powder River, not very far from this city. The vein has been prospected to some extent, and samples of the coal brought to this city. It is a very good quality of coal, but the vein is too thin to work to advantage. There is good reason to think that there is a better vein below the one that outcrops on the surface. The prospect is owned by a number of leading business men of this city, who are anxious to find out if there is a good vein of coal in this part of the state that will pay to work. The O. R. & N. people are also anxious to have the coal measures thoroughly prospected, and for that purpose the railroad company has tendered the coal company the free use of the O. R. & N.'s drill outfit, in order that the coal company may drill a number of prospect holes to ascertain if there is a good vein of coal underlying the outcrop that will pay to work.

Boring for Oil.

The Sand Hollow Oil Company will commence boring for oil over in Malheur County just as soon as the drilling machinery, which was ordered from California yesterday by telegraph, gets here. W. D. Dunham, of Denver, has charge of the preparations, and he is pushing the business as fast as possible. This will be one of the first wells to be bored in this part of the supposed oil fields. The move to bore this well is the result of the merging of most of the oil companies that have recently been organized to prospect the Eastern Oregon oil fields under one head. The company that is to do the boring is to receive a certain percentage of the stock of the various corporations, if they strike oil, and if they fail they get nothing.

Mine Consolidation.

Following the announcement of the consolidation of the Red Boy and Concord mines comes the rumor that the merged corporation is now endeavoring to obtain control of the Golconda mine. At present it is understood that it is not the intention to include the Golconda in the Red Boy Consolidated Mines Company, but that the Golconda is to be operated as a separate corporation, owned and controlled by the merged corporation. The Golconda is one of the rich mines of this section. Ore ranging as high as $30,000 to the ton has been taken from this mine.

Columbia Resumes Operations.

The Columbia mine resumed operations yesterday, with a full complement of men. The mine was closed down about a month ago, as the result of trouble with the miners, who, in their effort to sustain two striking engineers, forced the engineers who took the place of the strikers to leave camp. The miners were arrested on the charge of riot, and bound over to await the action of the grand jury. The grand jury indicted them a few days ago, but the accused men were allowed to go on their own recognizance during good behavior. All of the men who were implicated in the riot have been taken back, and are now at work at the mine. While the mine was closed down the management took advantage of the opportunity to overhaul all of the machinery and make a number of needed repairs about the mine.

Heir to the Emerick Fortune.

Logan Schaeffer, of this city, is one of 49 heirs to the estate of John Nicholas Emerick, a partner of John Jacob Astor. The owner of the fortune died many years ago, leaving his vast fortune, which consisted of money and property in Germany and America, to his four brothers. The heirs were lost sight of, principally because no will was left by the old millionaire, or at least it was supposed that he had left no will. About 15 years ago a will was discovered in Philadelphia, where the original owner of the fortune had lived.

The German Government had taken charge of the estate in the old country, which at the time the will was discovered, amounted to over $50,000,000. There was $20,000,000 worth of property in this country and by request of the German Government an administrator was appointed who gathered the property together. The German Government advertised for the heirs, and now they have all been located. One, Henry Emerick, of Portland, now deceased, was a grandson of the brothers of the Emerick who left the fortune. Mr. Schaeffer is a son of one of the great grand-daughters of the eldest brother of John Nicholas Emerick. The chain of evidence is all complete and as all of the heirs in the direct line of descent have established their claims, the estate is soon to be distributed. The value of the German and American estates now amounts to about $100,000,000, and Mr. Schaeffer's share will be about $2,500,000. Mr. Schaeffer is 63 years of age, a native of Illinois. He is a well-to-do farmer, owning a ranch near Pleasant Valley, in this county, and a home in this city, where he is living at present. He has a wife and three children, two sons and a daughter.

Protest Against Assessment.

G. T. Parr, manager of the Eastern Oregon Land Company, owners of The Dalles Military Road, was in the city yesterday, conferring with the County Assessor in regard to the assessment of 16,000 acres of land belonging to the company, which he claimed was wrongly assessed in Baker County because it is all located in Grant County, except 1300 acres. He submitted a map prepared by the Surveyor-General of the state in proof of his contention, and the county officers, being convinced that the land is not located in Baker County, struck it from the rolls. The dividing line between Baker and Grant Counties is the summit of the Blue Mountains, but by mistake the County Surveyor some years, when he surveyed the line, followed a spur instead of the main range, which accounts for the error.

COLLEGE NEWS FROM EUGENE.

Professor Young Addresses Assembly Meeting of Associated Students.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, March 2.—Professor F. Y. Young, head of the department of economics and sociology, addressed the students at assembly Wednesday morning, on the subject of "Current Events." Professor Young urged the importance of students keeping in touch with the progress of the world, for real success in any one line cannot be made unless the promoter has a thorough conception of what is being done by others in the same line; that is, one must keep up with the world. Professor Young also said this is an age of economic activity. He said further that we are in a time of world questions, and that we may consider that we have a world economy, a world literature, and a world religion. This world unity is in significant contrast to the earlier conception of a national economy, a national religion, etc.

Meeting of Associated Students.

A special meeting of the Associated Students was held in Villard Hall Friday afternoon, for the consideration of amendments to the constitution. The number of associate editors on the staff of the University of Oregon Monthly was increased from two to four, the amendment granting the editor-in-chief the appointing power for the two additional assistants, the others of the staff being elected by ballot at the annual student election in May. The salary of the treasurer of the association was reduced from 5 to 3 per cent of all moneys collected by him. The additional 2 per cent accruing to the association by this reduction was turned into the general fund, as there are specified percentage apportionments for various student organizations. Another amendment related to the time of preparing business reports for the executive committee.

After considerable discussion two amendments were voted down. One of these proposed that no manager of a student enterprise could assume a debt to exceed $25 without the consent of the executive committee of the Associated Students. The other proposed amendment would have permitted a member of the executive committee to enter local debates or oratorical contests, though not nominally to have a voice in the selection of judges for such contests.

Varsity Debating Team.

The local try-out for positions on the university debating team is scheduled for Friday evening, March 21. The try-out will be between but four contestants, Allen Eaton, '02, having been conceded the leadership. The contestants are: Vern Tomlinson, '05, and Benjamin Wagner, '04, against H. C. Galley, '05, and M. Riddell, '05. The winners will act as first and second colleagues to Mr. Eaton. A debate is being arranged with the University of Washington at Seattle, and the question for discussion will be that used in the local try-out—the justification of the 15th amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

New Society Officers.

The Laurean Literary Society installed the following officers last week: M. M. Scarbrough, '02, president; Herbert Eastland, '05, vice-president; F. C. Dillard, '05, secretary; Ralph Bacon, '05, assistant secretary; W. H. Johnson, '02, treasurer; P. I. Weld, '01, censor; F. D. Howe, '05, sergeant-at-arms.

The new officers for the Eutaxian Society are: Grace Plummer, '02, president; Lulu Craig, '03, vice-president; Elizabeth Moreland, '05, secretary; Edith Wilson, '05, assistant secretary; Gene Crawford, '03, treasurer; Grace Weld, '01, editor; Alice McKinley, '03, editor; Isabel Jakway, '03, sergeant-at-arms.

The College Young Men's Christian Association has elected the following officers for the coming year: C. V. Ross, '03, president; H. C. Galley, '05, vice-president; L. C. Dick, '05, corresponding secretary; Thomas Williams, '03, recording secretary; Carl Davis, '05, treasurer; H. W. Kuhlman, '05, librarian; Earl Shepard, '05, editor.

Following are the new officers for the Young Woman's Christian Association: Lulu Craig, '03, president; Rosa Dodge, '05, vice-president; Sibyl Kuykendall, '03, treasurer; Victoria Mitchell, '05, secretary; Gene Crawford, '03, corresponding secretary; Mary Gray, '05, editor.

Meeting of Chemical Society.

At last week's meeting of the Chemical Seminar the following papers were discussed: "The Theory of Indicators," by R. R. Renshaw, '02; "The Preparation of Zinc Ethyl," by Sam Thurston; "Radio-Active Lead," by William Carroll, '02. The chemical society is composed of the instructors in chemistry and advanced students in the department.

Junior Class Caps.

The members of the Junior class have adopted a class cap, designed in the class colors—Yale blue and lemon yellow. The cap is blue, with a yellow O in front, encircling the class numerals, '03.

WIPING OUT THE DEBT.

Eleven Thousand Dollars Subscribed for Willamette University.

SALEM, Or., March 2.—Two meetings, held in the First Methodist Church today in the interest of Willamette University, to raise funds toward paying the debt of the school, were highly successful. Over $11,000 was subscribed. The debt is $35,000, and Salem was expected to raise $10,000. This was more than accomplished, and business men have not yet been called upon. The outlook for the Methodist university is bright.

At the morning service, after singing, prayer and Bible reading, the pastor, Rev. John Parsons addressed the audience for a few moments, upon the condition that now exists in the university's finances. Rev. Mr. Parsons then introduced President Coleman, who spoke but briefly. He said:

"This is not the time to speak. It is the time to act. I do not care to talk to you, but will give each of you a chance to talk to me. A crisis has been reached in the career of Willamette University, and it is for the Methodists of Salem to say what its future shall be. This is the time for you to say how much interest you have in the school.

"If the university lives, it will live as a Methodist institution. If it dies, it will die as a Methodist institution. It cannot be sold nor continue except as a Methodist school. If the present effort fails, the school will go down, and that building yonder on the campus will be a monument over its grave. The Methodists of Oregon expect the people of Salem to take the first steps in paying off this debt. The people of Salem expect the Methodists of Salem to make the beginning. Now I am ready to hear you say what you can do."

Among the larger subscriptions were the following:

W. H. Odell	$1000
Mrs. W. H. Odell	1000
D. A. Watters	1000
President J. H. Coleman	1000
John H. Albert	1000
First Methodist Church congregation	1000
C. P. Bishop	300
Miss Mary Reynolds	200
A. N. Moore	270
Dr. John Reynolds	250
E. C. Cross	250
J. Q. Barnes	250
W. C. Hawley	200
B. J. Hoadley	150
D. T. Brown	150
J. D. Lee	100
W. T. Rigdon	100
Mrs. D. H. Leach	100
Statesman Publishing Company	100
W. P. Drew	100
Mrs. W. P. Drew	100
Mrs. F. R. Smith	100
J. T. Matthews	100
L. B. Geer	100
Mrs. L. B. Geer	100

Salem business men will be called upon personally tomorrow, and it is expected the subscription in Salem will exceed $20,000. None of the money is payable until $35,000 has been subscribed.

Hard Storm at San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 2.—A heavy southeast storm passed over this city and vicinity last night. The principal damage was sustained by telephone and telegraph wires. Communication with interior points and the East was absolutely cut off for several hours. The heavy wind blew poles down in all directions. The bay was unusually rough, and the ferry service between this city and Oakland was discontinued until this morning. Shipping interests had sufficient warning to provide against serious damage.

Cort Wants Yakima Theater.

NORTH YAKIMA, March 2.—John Cort, the well-known theatrical man, is here negotiating for the Larson Theater. It is said he will pay $18,000 for the property. The Larson is owned by A. E. Larson, of this city. It was built in 1890, and is as good a theater as can be found anywhere in a town the size of North Yakima. It is said to have paid the owner a fair rate of interest on his investment since it opened.

Suicide of Thirteen-Year-Old Girl.

PENDLETON, Or., March 2.—The body of the 13-year-old adopted daughter of C. C. Morse, a farmer, living 22 miles south of Pendleton, on McKay Creek, who died Saturday from the effects of swallowing a tablespoonful of strychnine, was brought to town tonight, and will be interred tomorrow. The poison was taken Thursday. Apparently, there was no cause for the rash act.

British Columbia Cannery Combine.

VANCOUVER, B. C., March 2.—It is understood that a new salmon cannery combine, taking in at least 45 of the largest cannery plants in British Columbia, is about completed. The combine is on the line of the arrangement on the Columbia River. American capitalists are backing the deal with a capital, it is stated, of $4,000,000. H. Doyle & Co., of Vancouver, B. C., have arranged the deal.

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