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100 MEN WANTED TO CUT WOOD

Labor Famine Prevails in Kamela and Meacham Camps Despite Good Wages.

SHORTAGE OF MOUNTAIN WOOD MAY RESULT.

Dealers Find It Impossible to Secure Hands Enough to Cut Winter Supply of Fuel for Pendleton, Walla Walla and Way Towns—Good Cutters Make From \$2.50 to \$3 Per Day—Price of Wood Recently Dropped and Freight Rate Has Been Increased—While Idle Men Count Ties, Good Jobs Are Beckoning for Laborers.

Work at good wages for at least 100 able-bodied men is now to be found at the wood camps of Kamela and Meacham. Wood dealers find it impossible to secure men to cut wood for the winter market and as a consequence, a shortage of blue mountain wood is threatened.

Wood dealers are now offering \$1.10 per cord for wood cutters, but so far none have been found to take the jobs at this price. At this price a good man can make from \$2.50 to \$3 in a 10-hour day and while many men are tramping the railroad tracks these jobs are still beckoning for laborers.

A year ago wood dealers were forced to pay as high as \$2 per cord to get wood cut, but the reduced prices of wood in this city and Walla Walla and the higher freight rate from Kamela and Meacham to this city have reduced the price of wood cutting to \$1.10 on the mountains.

As there is but little wood on the mountains, dumps and as no men are now at work cutting a supply for next winter, wood dealers are expecting to have difficulty in securing sufficient to carry them through next winter.

Recently the O. R. & N. company added 25 cents per cord to the freight rate from Kamela to this city and Walla Walla making the rate \$1.50 to this city and \$1.75 to Walla Walla.

TELEGRAPHERS MAY STRIKE.

Members of Commercial Union Want More Pay.

Milwaukee, Wis., June 8.—A demand for the same wages which were paid before the strike of the telegraphers on the Western Union Telegraph company will probably be made by the national convention of the Commercial Telegraphers' union, which opened here today. Threats are made of a general strike if the demand is not complied with.

The locals of the union in a number of cities, including New York, voted some time ago to make the demand.

They claim that union operators who returned to work were compelled to drop out of the union and forfeit their insurance policies in the labor organization. They also insist that the companies have discriminated against their former employees, particularly in women operators.

BALLOONIST CREATES INTEREST

Professor Hicks Makes One Ascension and Tries Two Others.

"Professor Hicks," balloonist and cloud jumper, has been a source of interest in Pendleton during the past few days. His first ascension Saturday afternoon was a successful one. Rising from the starting place across the street from the N. P. depot, the balloon sailed straight up into the air until the daring balloonist looked but little larger than a bird. He then cut loose with his parachute and alighted in the O. R. & N. yard on Bluff street. He was uninjured.

Saturday evening another attempt at an ascent was made and a monster crowd gathered to watch proceedings. However, a hole was burned in the parachute and the attempt had to be given up.

In a credible effort to "make good" with the crowd, Hicks undertook another ascent last night. But the balloon rose only 100 feet or more in the air and the aeronaut dropped in the street but a block away. The balloon then sailed away and landed in the west end of the city.

GREAT HAILSTONES FALL IN JAPAN.

Tokyo, Japan, June 8.—A terrific hailstorm swept this city today. Hailstones measuring 2 1/2 inches in diameter fell like bullets. Not a window which was exposed was intact. Many were severely injured and the damage to crops is very severe.

FAIR APPROPRIATION QUESTION PASSED OVER.

County Court Will Think on Matter Before Giving \$1000 to District Fair Board.

Without taking any action regarding the appropriation for the district fair the county court has adjourned until June 12. The adjournment was taken Saturday evening after the commissioners had disposed of the routine business then on hand. The session last week was devoted to auditing bills and the consideration of several road matters.

Just before the adjournment Saturday Judge Gilliland brought up the subject of the fair appropriation and asked if the two commissioners were prepared to act on the matter. However, Messrs. Walker and Lee declared they preferred waiting until the board met again, so the matter was passed up for the time being.

STATE VETERINARIAN HERE.

Dr. Kornick Investigating Many Conditions of Horses.

Dr. Chas. J. Kornick, state veterinarian, is here today from Salem and has been in conference with Dr. S. W. McClure, head of the local office of the bureau of animal industry. This forenoon the two men drove to the reservation for the purpose of looking at the preparatory work being done towards dipping the scabby horses of the reservation.

While Dr. Kornick was not seen this morning, it is understood that his visit to Pendleton at this time is in connection with the enforcement of the state law regarding treatment of many horses off a government reserve. For some time past efforts have been made to have the veterinarian take up the proposition of dipping many horses and he may now be contemplating such a course.

BANKER FLEECE ANOTHER BANKER

WALTER BARNETT FACES TERM IN PENITENTIARY.

Former Vice President of Looted California Safe Deposit and Trust Company—Manager of Defunct Institution Is Now Doing Time at San Quentin and Will Be State's Chief Witness—Prosecuting Attorney Denounces Defendant.

San Francisco, June 8.—The actual trial of Walter Barnett, former vice president of the looted California Safe Deposit and Trust company, charged with felony and embezzlement, was begun today before Judge Conley, Assistant District Attorney Coke made the opening statements.

Barnett is accused of stealing \$205,000 in bonds of the securities of the Colton estate. J. Dalzell Brown, former manager of the bank, will be the state's star witness.

Mrs. Dahlgren, one of Colton's heirs, was the first witness. She testified that she deposited the securities in the bank.

Barnett will take the stand in his own behalf. In the opening statement, Cook denounced Barnett and explained the cipher code used by the defendant to communicate with the bank officers.

Mother Strangles Babe to Death.

Redwood City, Cal., June 8.—Mamie Slass is held in jail today pending the investigation of her confession to the police that she strangled her infant, and threw it into the bay. The body was found floating near shore. Suspicion pointed to the young mother, and when the crime was fastened on her she coolly admitted she strangled the child. She will be tried for murder.

Robber Is Caught.

Ely, Nev., June 8.—Just as he was about to board the train at McGill Junction, 14 miles north of here today, officers overpowered the man who robbed the saloon at Ripetown of \$800 Friday and recovered the money. The officers had traveled 100 miles before they got track of the man.

Thomas Would Fight.

San Francisco, June 8.—Willis Britt, brother of Jimmie, has assumed the management of Joe Thomas, and is now arranging several bouts for him. He has challenged Ketchell to a six-round fight and has also wired Charlie Harvey for a fight with him.

Gompers Will Fight.

Washington, June 8.—Gompers today declared he would fight the New York petition against the insertion of the anti-injunction plank in the republican platform.

Victim Buried.

Los Angeles, June 8.—F. G. Maxwell, who died Sunday as the result of the explosion on the cruiser Tennessee, was buried today in Harbor View cemetery.

SIX ARE DEAD IN COLORADO MINE

Engine House Burned and Filled the Works With Poisonous Gasses.

SIX MEN SHUT UP IN TERRIBLE MINE TRAP

Silverton, Colo., June 8.—The scene of a terrible holocaust—All Escape Shut Off by Burning of Buildings at the Mine Entrance—Gasses Killed Six and Sickened 30 Others Before Rescue Came—Village Is Panic Stricken.

Silverton, Colo., June 8.—Six men are dead, eight others in a dangerous condition from breathing foul air and 25 more temporarily confined to their homes from weakness due to contact with poisonous air in the Gold King mine, located at Gladstone, six miles from here.

The dead: Peter McNiny; Roy Coburn; Alex. Johnson; A. W. Burns; Victor Erickson, Gus Oisen.

On Thursday night fire was discovered in the engine room of the mine and before it could be brought under control, that building had been destroyed, as well as the shaft house. The two buildings were located near the portal door of the main shaft and to prevent the spread of the flames and accumulation of smoke in the workings of the mine, these doors were closed temporarily.

Before taking this precautionary move, the men working the night shift in the mine were hurriedly notified of the conditions on the surface and instructed to withdraw. When the flames had been extinguished in order to make sure that all was well with the men, the list was checked over.

The discovery was made then that three men were missing. Immediately efforts to rescue them were started, but with little hope of reaching them alive, as the machinery operating the fans had been put out of commission by the destruction of the engine house and any pure air that might have reached them from the surface had been shut off by the closing of the portal doors.

LONG BALLOON TRIP.

St. Louis, June 8.—Captain C. L. Baunhaugh will make a trip to the Pacific coast in his balloon July 4 from Chicago. He recently made a 500 mile trip.

EMBEZZLER CAUGHT.

Prominent California Politician Is Under Arrest.

San Francisco, June 8.—Charged with the embezzlement of \$500 of the funds of the Metropolitan Surety company of which he is the Pacific coast manager, Judson C. Brusie is under arrest in Los Angeles. The authorities here are awaiting his return to San Francisco to be tried on a felony charge.

He is secretary of the state board of railroad commissioners and a prominent politician. The warrant was sworn to by D. A. Macbeth, an eastern representative of the firm.

Oregon for Bryan.

Portland, Ore., June 8.—That Oregon's delegation of eight will be instructed to vote for Bryan "first, last and all the time," at the Denver convention, is the statement of Chairman Alexander Sweek and other prominent democrats gathered here on the eve of the state convention. Adherents of Johnson are few and have made no headway against the overwhelming sentiment for Bryan existing in Oregon.

Oregon Democrats Meet.

Portland, June 8.—Oregon democrats will hold a state convention at Portland tomorrow morning. It is expected Chairman Sweek and Secretary John B. Ryan will be reelected.

FORMER SAGE BRUSH WASTE SELLS HIGH

Another illustration of the rapid increase in land values of Umatilla county is brought to light in the sale of the C. R. Lisle or James E. Taylor ranch, three miles east of Echo. Joseph Cunha, the well known sheepman of Echo, purchased this ranch last Saturday for \$25,000 in cash and will take charge of it at once and harvest the large crop of alfalfa now ready to be cut.

This place consists of 560 acres, in the Umatilla river bottom east of Echo and only a few years ago was a sagebrush waste worth but \$2.50 per acre.

FRESH HOPE FOR ANTI-TAFTITES

Cannon's Manager Rushed to the Scene and the Fight is Renewed With Vigor.

TAFT WILL PROBABLY WIN EVERY CONTESTION

Hitchcock Is Finally Ousted From the Committee and Then Declines to Go Back When Opportunity Is Offered—Hurry Call Is Sent for Congressman McKinley by the Allied Leaders—Oregon Man Offers Hitchcock His Seat and Is Turned Down—Taft's Manager Claims 700 Votes on the First Ballot.

Chicago, June 8.—New hope was given the allies today in their battle against the Taft-Roosevelt power in the republican national committee by the arrival of Congressman McKinley, manager of the Cannon boom.

Senator Hemenway of Indiana and Senator Murray Crane of Massachusetts, who have been at the head of the allies, sent a hurry call for McKinley.

The contests before the national committee will be continued in accordance with the statement given out by the allies last night after they had given up the plan to save their power until they could appear before the credentials committee of the convention.

Today the fight seemed to be on with all its original vigor. There is little doubt but the Taft men will carry every issue before the committee.

Frank Hitchcock, Taft's manager, whose presence on the national committee caused such an outcry, announced today that he would not participate in the sessions any more. Solomon Luna, of New Mexico, whose proxy Hitchcock held, appeared in the committee room personally. Hitchcock refused to attend the sessions as assistant secretary of the committee.

The committee today placed the Taft delegates from the third congressional district of Florida on the temporary roll. Hitchcock remained in the ante-room during the session. He declared he was certain Taft would have 700 votes on the first ballot and said Luna asked him to take his place until he returned to Chicago. Charles Carry of Portland, Oregon, sent his proxy to James McLachlan, who offered it to Hitchcock, who declined it. The Taft delegates from the first congressional district of Georgia were seated at noon.

Taft Gets Them All.

The arrival of Arthur I. Vorys, of Ohio, the original Taft manager, coupled with the absence of Hitchcock from the committee, started the rumor that Hitchcock has been supplanted as Taft's director general. Vorys has established separate headquarters.

Taft delegates from the second and third Congressional districts of Georgia were seated this afternoon. The Taft delegation from the first district of Kentucky was also seated. This delegation was contested by Mr. Fairbanks.

The Louisiana contest will be the next taken up.

Clever Burglar Escapes.

Los Angeles, June 8.—With the assistance of two unknown confederates O. T. Adams, charged with burglary, feigned insanity and escaped from the county hospital in an auto early this morning. Deputy Sheriff Hutchison fired at the man as he was getting into the auto, but missed. With a steel bar and a block of wood, the door of Adams' room was raised from its hinges. He left the building wrapped in a blanket.

Ex-Sheriff Bradford of Washington county is now confined in the asylum at Salem as the result of his being compelled to hang John Ledrick in the 90's.

LUNCHEON AT THE NORMAL.

Annual Event at Weston Celebrated Sunday.

Weston, June 8.—President and Mrs. French gave their annual luncheon to the seniors yesterday afternoon. It was an affair of music, mirth and flowers.

The young ladies were all clad in blue with yellow flowers, the class colors being blue and gold. Two rooms held the well arranged tables at which the seven course dinner was served.

Two young girls from the freshmen one each from the sophomores and juniors gowned in white, assisting in the service. Toasts, songs and the reading of the class prophecy prolonged the feast from which formality disappeared. Dainty clusters of hand-painted forget-mensos embellished the place cards, red and white sweet peas decorating the red room, yellow roses the dining room.

Near the close Mrs. French distributed pieces of the wedding cake remaining from last June's wedding, when Miss Winifred Welch and Prof. Dennison, both of the faculty, were married at the president's cottage.

ASSASSINATION PLOTS EXCITE PORTUGAL

Lisbon, June 8.—Consternation reigns at the Palace following the discovery of a plot today to blow up young King Emmanuel, whose father and brother were assassinated. Three conspirators have been arrested.

They had planned to assassinate the king during the state religious feast to be held June 18 with a bomb, which was to be placed so the king would not escape.

Outbreaks are feared. The palace guards have been increased. The queen suffers from the shock caused by the news. The royal families are virtually prisoners.

BAKER CITY TEAM HERE THURSDAY

LOCALS GET THREE DAYS REST AND NEW MEN.

Lorimer Is Rapidly Strengthening His Line-up and Hopes to Keep the Miners in the Cellar—Emerick and Isaacs Will Add Strength—Conrad Will Go Back to First—Crocker May Be Signed Up.

For the next three days the Pendleton ball team will have a rest and during that time Manager Lorimer will strengthen his team for the series to be played here the latter part of the week with Baker City. Emerick, the star tosser, who was here for one game this season, has been signed up as catcher and will arrive tomorrow. Isaacs, an outfielder of Payette, Idaho, has also been engaged and Crocker, outfielder, may be brought here from Spokane.

With the new men on the team Pendleton's outfield will be made strong and with Emerick as catcher and Conrad back of first the team will be in shape to do some winning.

The Baker City team comes here this week and will commence the series Thursday. Games will then be played here Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday. At the conclusion of the coming series Pendleton goes to Baker City for a return series.

Confederates Gathering.

Birmingham, Ala., June 8.—Saddened by the recent death of their commander-in-chief, General Stephen D. Lee, but with much of their old enthusiasm left to them, the hosts of the United Confederate Veterans are gathering in Birmingham today. The sessions of the encampment will be commenced tomorrow and will last three days. Many officials of Grand Army and other patriotic organizations of the north will be the guests of the Confederates and will join with the "boys in gray" in mourning the loss of their great leader.

Ran Away With Brother's Wife.

Welsler, June 8.—A mild sensation was created here when it was learned that Ed Dutton, a well known resident of this valley, was arrested at Medford, Ore., and is now in charge of Sheriff Winkler of this county, who will return with him as soon as extradition papers are received. The crime for which Dutton is under arrest is eloping with the wife of his brother, George Dutton, who resides west of town, taking with them the two children. When the case comes up for trial some sensational developments are expected.

Black Hand Terrors.

Pittsfield, Mass., June 8.—A posse today is scouring the woods on the estate of William Pollock, the New York millionaire, for members of the black hand who threatened Pollock with death if he did not submit to blackmail. Pollock and his employees had a gun fight with the black hands Sunday.

GARFIELD WILL VISIT HERMISTON

Secretary of Interior Announces That He is Coming to Inspect Project.

PRaises Work AND ENGINEERS IN CHARGE.

Announcement of Approaching Visit Is Made to Representative of the United Press in San Francisco This Morning Before the Secretary Sailed for Brief Visit to Hawaiian Islands—Will Come to Umatilla County Immediately After His Return—Visit Long Looked For and Preparations Are Being Made.

The long-deferred visit of Secretary James R. Garfield of the department of the interior to the Umatilla Irrigation project will now be made in a short time.

Before leaving San Francisco today on the battleship Maine for a tour of inspection of the Hawaiian Islands, Secretary Garfield said to the United Press representative that he expects to visit the Umatilla project on his return from the islands in a few weeks, at which time he will make recommendations as to the methods of opening the land under the project to settlement.

For many months the government engineers of the Umatilla project have looked forward to the visit of the secretary to this work and now that he has definitely announced that he will come, elaborate arrangements will be made by the citizens of Hermiston to receive him.

Secretary Garfield came west to witness the fleet festivities on the coast and will make a thorough inspection of the Hiwalian Islands, after which he will return to the Pacific coast states for an inspection of the reclamation projects.

At the time of his visit, the date of which has not yet been announced, it is hoped by the people of Hermiston that some definite plans for the opening of the remainder of the Umatilla project will be made.

It is thought that the secretary will return about July 15 to the coast and his visit to Umatilla county will be made soon after his return. By that time it is hoped by the engineers to have the project entirely complete.

In his interview with the representative of the United Press at San Francisco today, Secretary Garfield spoke highly of the Umatilla Irrigation project and praised the work of the engineers who have the project in charge. He said that it had moved forward most satisfactorily since the day it was indorsed by the consulting engineers.

DEPOT FOR ECHO.

O. R. & N. Making Arrangements for New Building.

The O. R. & N. company is arranging to build a new depot at Echo and a contractor is now there for the purpose of doing some preliminary work. The new station house is to be built across the railroad track from where it now stands. At present the building site is occupied by a couple of warehouses and these are to be removed.

According to reports from Echo an O. R. & N. contractor from The Dalles is now at Echo and will probably have the work of removing the warehouses as well as constructing the new depot.

Safe Crackers at Work.

San Leandro, Calif., June 8.—Safe crackers, thought to be the men who blew open the Southern Pacific safe in Melrose, recently, completely wrecked the safe in the company's station at San Leandro. Nitro glycerine was used. Nothing was taken.

Billek Must Hang.

Springfield, Ill., June 8.—Governor Deneen and the board of pardons today refused to commute the sentence of death of Herman Billek, convicted of poisoning six members of the Verzal family. He hangs Friday.

Try for Artesian Flow.

R. T. Thompson of the Lewiston Real Estate company, has awarded a contract to H. C. Hirzel for drilling a well on his farm property in Tammany, says the Lewiston Teller. Mr. Hirzel is now engaged in drilling a well on the Charles Gifford farm, and will remove to the Thompson place as soon as the present contract is completed.

Mr. Thompson will have the well driven to a depth of 200 feet. It is expected a flowing well will be cured. The farm is located in the Tammany section, near the postoffice corner.

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