

WEATHER FORECAST
 Tonight and Wednesday fair
 Warm Wednesday
THE TRAINS
 No. 1 East bound 9:10 on time
 No. 2 West 9:10 on time

KILLED IN A MINE.

Eleven Men Were Killed in Mine Explosion-- Was The Work Of An Assassin.

Cripple Creek, June 6.—A concealed assassin by merely pulling a wire exploded an infernal machine, thereby instantly killing 11 men and severely wounding nine others, none of whom since died, at Independence today. All the killed and injured with the exception of two men from the headwork mine were non-union miners employed on the night shift of the Findley mine. The men had quit work at 2 a. m. and were waiting to board a suburban train on the Florence and Cripple Creek railroad and returned to their homes in Cripple Creek and Victor. Just after the engineer of the approaching train blew a signal to the miners according to custom a terrific explosion occurred underneath the depot platform and near which 26 men were gathered. The platform was blown into splinters the depot wrecked and a hole 20 feet in diameter, as many feet in depth, was struck in the ground. Fragments of bodies were hurled through space several hundred feet.

Some of the bodies dropped into the pit made by the explosion but heads, hands, ears, legs, arms and trunks were strewn about on all sides. Pieces of flesh were found on buildings 50 feet away. Everything within a radius of 50 feet was bloodstained. The force of the explosion was felt through the camp and the crash awakened everybody.

The approaching train was stopped and the train crew were the first men to reach the scene of disaster. They were joined in a few minutes by hundreds of persons and relief work began at once. A special train was sent from Cripple Creek carrying physicians, nurses, of ficers and many others but when it reached Independence the injured had already been placed on board the suburban train and removed to hospitals in Victor.

The mangled bodies of the dead were placed together as well as possible and were removed to the coroner's office.

Amputation has been performed upon a number of the injured, but it is almost certain several of them will die. A majority of the dead and injured were single men, but several had families living in the district.

The infernal machine with which the diabolical work was done consisted of a quantity of dynamite estimated at 150 to 300 pounds, a loaded revolver and a long slender steel wire attached to the trigger. The revolver was fastened so that the pulling of the trigger would not draw it away. The wire ran from under the depot to the cribbing of the Delmonico Liberty about 400 feet away, where its end was fastened to the rung of a chair. The dynamite was placed close to the muzzle of the revolver which was discharged by pulling the wire when the engineer blew his whistle. The ball from the revolver exploded the dynamite.

A man was seen running down hill from the Delmonico after the explosion. The Victor troops, who were ordered out by Mayor French, were so stationed as to keep the people from passing over the path taken by the assassin and blood hounds were sent from Canon City and Trinidad for the purpose of trailing him.

By order of Mayor H. A. Naylor of the National Guard, the bodies were removed from the coroner's establishment to another undertaker's. This action was taken on request of J. S. Murphy, superintendent of the Findley mine, because it was alleged Coroner James Doran had remarked before the infernal machine, that the death of the men was due to an accident. Later Coroner Doran explained that although he had spoken of the disaster as "an awful accident" he was convinced a terrible crime had been committed.

Another Cup

And now Sir Thomas Lipton has decided that if he can't lift the cup that has been so successfully guarded by our nation for half a century, that he will place a cup of his own for contest under different circumstances. The Brooklyn Yacht Club has accepted his offer for a race from Grausend Bay to Marblehead, Mass., to be run some time next fall. A dozen or more boats have already been entered by the home club, but it has not yet been announced what craft Lipton will enter, or if he intends to build a new boat. Arrangements will be formulated at a meeting to be held July second.

At Honolulu

Honolulu, June 4.—The purchase by the United States government of the Kahaika military site, near Honolulu has been completed, the federal government paying the leaseholders \$49,000. The tract includes 1500 acres of forts, barracks and camps will be erected upon it.

The Heavens In June

The principal constellations which are visible at nine o'clock in the evening in the middle of June are as fol-

lows: Cassiopeia is low in the north under the pole, Cepheus lies above and to the right is Cygnus lying in the Milky Way with Lyra above it marked by the brilliant Vega. Below on the right is Altair the principal star of Aquila. Though there are no particularly bright stars to the south of this the Milky Way is very conspicuous and full of bright knots and patches.

Just south of east is Scorpio, with the ruddy Antares at its heart and the long line of the tail curving down to the horizon and bending up again. The region west of this is barren, but higher up near the meridian is Bootes with Arcturus blazing brilliantly. Between this and Vega are Corona and Hercules. Virgo lies southwest of Bootes and its principal star Spica is the brightest in that part of the sky. Further west is Leo which is now sinking rapidly toward the horizon, and preparing to follow Gemini, whose last stars are disappearing in the northwest. Ursa Major lies north of Leo and Ursa Minor and Draco are on the meridian above the pole.

Maine Falls In Line

Augusta, Me., June 7.—At a convention here today steps were taken toward the organization of a State Federation of Labor. Heretofore Maine has been the only state east of the Mississippi river where such a federation did not exist. The formation of a Maine federation leaves but three states in the entire Union without such an organization.

LUMBER COMBINE IS HELD ILLEGAL

Portland, June 7.—A private dispatch received this afternoon by Attorney Freeman of the law firm of Veazie & Freeman states that the circuit court of appeals of San Francisco has rendered a decision to the effect that the lumber combination composed of the Inman-Poulson, the Eastern and Western, the North Pacific and the planing mills of Portland is illegal and against the anti-trust act. The opinion reverses the decision of Judge Bellinger.

A S. Ellis brought suit against the companies last summer because they refused to sell him finished lumber. He had purchased rough lumber from Vancouver mill, and for that reason local concerns refused to sell him the finished product. The case was decided in the local courts in favor of the defendants.

LA GRANDE WINS THE COUNTY SEAT

Mixed Ticket in the County--White is Defeated--Local Option Carries the State And County.

It is over. Let us all be thankful. The rest of the year can be put in telling how it happened. Whether it is ever satisfactorily explained or not the new officers will take their places, the old ones will retain theirs and the county seat will soon be where the voters have said it should be, in La Grande. The election was a spirited one and everybody was out and taking particular pains to see that the other fellow was there too, still there was no breach of the peace and everything was conducted in a friendly and generous manner. The men elected to office are all good and honest citizens and will make good officers. The men defeated are just as good and would have made just as good officers, but they did not find the favor in the eyes of the voters.

James Gilham, the young republican clerk will bear the distinction of being the first Republican to grace the clerk's office for some twenty-five years. His example will be such that from now on a democratic clerk will be an unknown quantity.

Local Option
A dispatch from Portland this afternoon states that local option has carried the state but returns are too limited to place the majority.

White is Beaten
Complete returns from Union County show that Lomax has defeated White by 592.

Lomax's majority in Wallawa is estimated at 160, and in Baker county at 160.

Assessor
Assessor Morton is reelected over Ben Brown by 274.

Commissioner
Selders defeats Duffey for the commissionership by 287.

Recorder
Recorder Proctor has been reelected.

Clerk
Gilham has defeated Minnaugh by 304.

County Seat
The vote on the county seat resulted in La Grande receiving 3552 votes Union 1009 making a total vote of 3555.

As La Grande to be successful was compelled to receive 60 per cent or 2133 votes. Thus it will be seen that La Grande received 419 more than was required.

Joint Senator
McDonald has defeated Hunter in the county by 112 plurality. He also carried Wallawa county.

Joint Representative
Dobbins carries Union county by 568 also Wallawa county.

Representative
McLeod has defeated McKinnon by 366.

Sheriff
Sheriff Pennington is re-elected defeating Wallawa by 396.

School Superintendent
Bragg is re-elected over Wilkenon for school superintendent by 296.

Re-elected
County treasurer Frawley and Coroner Henry were re-elected by a big majority having no democratic opposition.

La Grande Precincts
John E. Hough was elected justice of the peace and J. H. McLaughlin constable in south La Grande. In north La Grande Wm F. Kline was elected justice and Elmer Gailing for constable.

Choir directed by Mrs Lyle
Vocal Solo
The Daily Question... Meyer Halmond
Mrs E. C. Moore
Vocal Duet
Greetings..... Franz Abt
Mr and Mrs C. Ralston
Violin Solo..... Cupid's Garden
Virgil Smith
See program of Miss Buckingham's work elsewhere in this paper.
Admission 35 cents Children 20 cts.

Cotton Crop
Bulletin No 10 from the Department of Commerce and labor reached this office on yesterday giving the quantity of cotton ginned off the crops 1899 to 1903 inclusive from which the following figures are taken.

In 1903 there were 9,851,129 cotton bales of 500 pounds each ginned in the

U. S. In 1902 the crop was 10,630,945 bales, in 1901 it was 5,509,745 bales, in 1900 the crop ginned was 10,130,277 bales and in 1899 there were ginned 9,345,391 bales.

The increased thrift of the cotton planters since 1890, when the oligarchy that styled itself King Cotton, was destroyed and free labor substituted after a fashion for slave labor is shown by the following figures taken from official sources. In 1880 there were produced in the United States 4,861,282 bales of cotton or less than one half as much as ginned in the ginned crop of 1903.

For Style.
Try my ladies \$3.50 and \$3.00 Shoes. For style, fit, and finish and wear they cannot be beat.
T. M. Stubblefield Up-to-date shoe dealer.

Likely to Strike.
Boston Mass., June 7.—In Paine Memorial Hall this morning the fifth annual convention of the International Ladies' Garment Workers union was opened with an attendance of delegates representing 8,000 members. It is expected that a strike will be called affecting 80,000 members.

INJURED IN A STREET CAR WRECK

Burlington, Ia. June 7.—By the giving way of a brakebeam on an open summer electric car yesterday nearly a score of persons were injured. The car had just left the summit of Valley Hill when the accident occurred. The car rushed forward at great speed, throwing many passengers from their seats, injuring many, some having arms and leg broken, others suffering severe contusions on the head or body.

Born
Houshon.—In this city June 3 to Mr and Mrs E. V. Houston a son.

Notice
Beginning with June 1st no one shall be allowed the use of city water for irrigating purposes except between the hours of 5:30 and 7:30 P. M.
H. C. Gilman, Water Supt.

SMASHED MACHINE

Candidate Put Up For Slaughter Captures the Convention And Is Elected Governor.

Charles S. Dosem, who won the nomination for governor in the sensational struggle of the Illinois republicans, promises to be one of the most interesting political figures of this year. To begin with Mr Dosem is a lawyer of ability and has been prosecuting attorney of Cook county in which office he distinguished himself both by his success in legal matters and his independence of all political rings.

When he announced his candidacy for the gubernatorial nomination he was singled out for slaughter by the machine of Chicago, nominated by "Billy" Lorrimer, the congressman and "Doc" Jamieson a politician of the machine type. To their amazement, Dosem went into the county convention absolutely master of the situation smashed the machine and upset all the party traditions.

When he got to the state convention he found the state machine was against him and this time the fight was on a larger scale. Governor Yates with all the state patronage and office-holders at his back, yielded a power usually inflexible; other candidates fought each other but concentrated their fight against Dosem. The reports indicate that while Dosem won he had to sacrifice his independence and make promises which must hamper him in his canvass but he won and against odds which would have dismayed most men.

FOR SALE—Two room house and 7 lots for three hundred dollars. Lots 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 Block 3 Sunny side addition to La Grande. Address Grande Ronde Lumber Company, Perry, Oregon, June 4-12

INSTRUCTED FOR ROOSEVELT

Of the 998 delegates to the republican national convention, 708 have been instructed to vote for Roosevelt. There are no other instructions and it is thought the nomination will be made by acclamation.

DROPPED DEAD IN THE STREET

S. B. Bunk an old and well known member of Bourne dropped dead in the streets of Sumner Sunday morning from heart failure. He had come in from camp on business and to attend the rally Saturday night of the Democrats but was called to the Great Beyond before he had a chance to vote. He leaves several sons and many friends to mourn his loss.

Died

HERMAN—In this city June 6 1904, Arthur the thirteen year old son of Mr and Mrs Herman of Old Town. The little fellow had been ill with diphtheria for some time and though he had recovered from the disease proper his constitution was so weak that he passed away. The funeral took place at the family home this afternoon the Rev. O. H. King officiating. The family has the sympathy of the entire community.

EADS—In this city at the family home June 5 1904, Solomon Eads aged sixty years. The deceased had been in poor health for several months and finally succumbed. He leaves a wife and eight children. The funeral took place Sunday from the M. E. Church the Rev. Walker officiating.

Music Tonight
The following music will be rendered at Miss Buckingham's recital in Central Church this evening.
The Legend of the Chimney, DeKoven

Wm. Miller & Bro

Are preparing to move their office to No. 1107 Adams Avenue—Foley-Roesch Building, ground floor—where they will have the finest and most modern suite of offices in the city.

They will be better prepared than ever to take care of everything in the line of —

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\$2,0000

Worth of Merchandise of all kinds must be moved this month. This is a high mark and we realize that it will take extraordinary inducements to do it, and we are prepared and determined to make PRICE INDUCEMENTS THAT WILL MOVE them, as the above mentioned amount is just that many more goods than we should have at this time of the year. Attend this Sale which commences on Wednesday morning and save a snug amount of money on anything you need in seasonable summer goods. They will be on sale at reduced prices.

The Fair
THE PLACE TO SAVE MONEY

TELL TALE TEETH.

If you neglect your teeth you know it; and everybody else knows it, because the teeth are so prominently located that any lack of care is quickly visible. Good tooth brushes cost but little here. We have some that we guarantee never to shed a bristle. We also have the latest and best tooth preparations; those that polish, whiten and preserve the teeth and cannot harm. Can supply a tooth-saving outfit for very little money.

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