

LA GRANDE EVENING OBSERVER.

WEATHER FORECAST
 Tonight and Sunday fair
 Light frost tonight, warmer
 Saturday.

THE TRAINS
 No 2 East bound 9:10 on time
 No 5 West " 9:10 on time

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THE MORMONS HOLD CONFERENCE

PRESIDENT JOS. SMITH PRESENT AND MAKES ELOQUENT ADDRESS

Largest Saints Meeting Ever Held in Oregon

Work on the Tabernacle Will be Continued And A Speedy Completion Is Assured

The quarterly conference of the Union Stake of the Latter Day Saints was held in the L. D. S. meeting house on Saturday and Sunday 11 and 12 sessions being held at 1 a. m. and 2 and 7:30 p. m. of each day. This conference was the largest ever held by the Latter Day Saints in Oregon and gave evidence of the great need for the completion of the new Tabernacle that is now in course of erection and from the present indications it will not be too large but will be well filled as soon as it is finished. Notwithstanding the busy season of the year Saturday morning saw the premises and street adjacent to the church well occupied by teams and conveyances of people who had left their work for a day, in order to take part in and listen to the teachings of this conference. There were representatives present from all the wards in the valley, from Baker City, Emmett, Branswell and Indian valley in Idaho, the representation being also the most complete of any conference ever held in Oregon. President Joseph F. Smith and Elder Seymour B. Young of Salt Lake City were also present and spoke at each of the sessions.

Considerable church business was attended to including the sustaining of the church officers by the vote of the people and the passing of a resolution that we confine the work on the Tabernacle and push it to completion as fast as possible. Reports of some of the wards and organizations were also submitted showing the steady growth and improvement of the conditions in all the wards and organizations.

Many interesting topics and doctrines were treated by the speakers and were listened to by appreciative audiences and although the day was warm and the house crowded to its utmost capacity there was no uneasiness shown by the audiences when the session passed the time limit of two hours and all seemed anxious to hear the discourses to the last word.

The subject of some of the discourses were "the charity we should exercise for the faults of others, the beneficial teachings of mormonism, the worlds ignorance of mormonism, maintaining and care of children, duty

and law of procreation, resurrection and marriage."

The beautiful singing was a noticeable and pleasant feature of the entire conference and shows the result of a great deal of careful training and study on the part of choir and its director Mr. W. K. Davis.

It is to be regretted that the Latter Day Saints have not a larger place in which to meet as many people went away before the time of commencement of both the Sunday sessions not being able to obtain seats or even get inside. The new tabernacle is certainly needed and its completion is anxiously awaited.

Was It Murder

"Redd" a cook well known in Walla Walla and Baker City was found in a box car on freight train No 23 at Weatherly, dead. He was brought on to Baker City when an inquest was held. The verdict stating death was caused by wounds in the head by some sharp pointed weapon in the hands of some unknown party or parties.

Abner McKinley Dead

Somerset, Pa., June 13—Abner McKinley, brother of the late President was found dead in his chair, at his home this morning. Death came without warning to his family. His colored servant who slept in his room was up with him at two o'clock and it is not known what time Mr. McKinley got up again as he did not awaken his servant. Mrs. McKinley went into his room at eight o'clock and found him sitting in his chair dead. A physician was summoned who said that death probably occurred two or three hours before.

Organized.

Pendleton, Ore. June 13—The Retail Liquor Dealers association this afternoon organized for the campaign against prohibition and local option. To begin with, all contributions to churches are to be stopped, the Salvation Army is taboed and nine busi-

ness houses whose proprietors advocated local option were placed on the black list, as was also the Portland Journal. Saloon men say during the past year they have contributed more than \$1000 dollars to local churches, besides a great amount to charity.

Arrested

Weston, Ore. June 13—J. Brannan was arrested here last evening in company with A. G. Gibbons, the 15 year old daughter of the postmaster at Athena, and was held over for examination at Pendleton. Miss Gibbons is inclined to be weak. She is the girl who was plied with liquor at Adams recently as an escape which got several Athena people in trouble. She had been away from home four days on this occasion. Brannan is between 25 and 30 years old.

WE SHALL SEE

The election is a thing of the past and Union has suffered from it. The people of Union county have spoken in no uncertain tones. La Grande is the choice of the people for county seat and there can be no doubt about it. Just what the people of Union will do is hard to determine. Much lies with La Grande. La Grande has pledged itself to provide suitable buildings for the county for a nominal sum, will it do it? That remains to be seen. If not, and the county seat goes, it will cost the taxpayers over \$100,000 to foot the bill. We shall see—Union Scout

Late Harvest.

Dayton Wash. June 13—Harvest in some parts of Columbia county will be delayed until nearly October, according to present indications, but the grain promise is one of the best in the county's history. Late snow barley in some places is only three or four inches high, and cutting will be correspondingly late. This is only in the higher parts of the county.

Another Game.

The La Grande base ball team is still boss of the road. They have not been defeated yet this season. Their battle yesterday with Union resulted in another victory. Score eleven to eight. The La Grande boys say they were treated so royally that they were almost ashamed to take the game.

Short Crop.

Walla Walla June 13—The strawberries have been a poor crop. Cherries will be under the average, while all the fruits, even the fall and winter apples have been hurt by frosts in some districts.

Good Sermons.

Rev J. F. Day of Newberg preached two most excellent sermons in the Baptist church yesterday morning and evening. He will preach again this evening, and those who enjoy a real good sermon will not be disappointed if they attend.

Wm. Eccles passed through the city this morning enroute to Odgen from Hood River where he is interested in the lumber business.

FINANCIAL LOST IN COLORADO STRIKE

Twenty-three Millions, as Estimated By The Denver Republican During the Last Sixteen Months.

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| Denver June 13—The Republican estimates the cost of the strikes in Colorado during the past sixteen months under the administration of Governor James H. Peabody, to aggregate \$23,036,000. An itemized statement is given as follows: | miners.....\$ 350,000 |
| | Loss to dependent labor.... 200,000 |
| | TOTAL |
| | State expense.....\$ 175,000 |
| | Loss to union miners..... 1,750,000 |
| | Loss to dependent labor.... 850,000 |
| | COAL MINERS |
| | State expense.....\$ 35,000 |
| | Loss in wages to miners.... 4,000,000 |
| | Loss to steel works employes..... 1,000,000 |
| | Loss to men in allied trades 1,500,000 |
| | Loss to employes through idle capital, interest, profit, etc..... 5,000,000 |
| | Total.....\$ 23,036,000 |

COVEITE VISITS BIG ST LOUIS FAIR

Sees The Wheels Go Round But Fails to Mention the Oregon Log Cabin

On the 13th day of May 1904, after a sojourn of 32 years in the west, we started on our first trip back toward the land of our youth, going by stage from Clatsop to Union, in company with Mrs. A. G. Coville and family taking passage on the O. R. & N. traveling by way of Huntington and Postville to Cheyenne at which place we left our companions much to our regret to take our way among strangers.

We give our most earnest attention to the variable scenes along our way, some were good to look upon many were passable but others, seemingly to us, were void of every feature that makes life desirable; yet human nature is such that wherever it can do the best financially is the place that suits it most. Hence the source of many desert towns.

Often while passing along tender memories and pleasant visions of the beautiful Grande Ronde were indulged in. Being delayed some three hours at Green River our party thought it a good opportunity to get a "square meal" and boldly marched into the restaurant only to retreat later with a decided opinion that the corners had been knocked off and the meal was anything but "square." We were "switched off" and allowed to sleep a few hours at Cheyenne ere we started on the U. P. train. Another delay was encountered at Denver but we improved the opportunity to see the city by ascending the elevated street car road which gave us a good and favorable impression of the city of 160,000 inhabitants.

Our next change was at Kansas City and as the rain poured, the hour of delay was spent inside the depot building viewing the immensity of its size and that of the population gathered there. We think it safe to say that taken altogether the people in that building that day would equal in numbers a well attended Union county Fourth of July celebration.

The greater part of the journey through Kansas was made by night but morning dawned before Topeka Kansas was reached and the remainder of our trip to St. Louis was made in the light of day. The country from Topeka Kansas to St. Louis is much improved by railways, cities and towns, yet the absence of neatness and thrift in the farming districts is very noticeable. A lone corner, an old stump and a weed of land seems to be an excuse for the farmer to leave an unsightly patch of brush, coarse grass

one good idea is a thing never to be forgotten after once seen

One exhibition we noticed on our first trip to the fair is that of the St. Louis Coffin Co. the largest mfg. company of its kind in the world. Their coffins on exhibition at the fair range in prices from \$1900 to \$2500. F. D. Gardner owner.

Another is by Simmons Hardware Co. of St. Louis the largest in the world. In this display a large pyramid faced with axes supports a constantly revolving dutch windmill also faced with axes, 600 axes are used in this decoration. A large arch is formed and in the center back ground a revolving ring saw is made of 40 compassed saw blades, sugar bits fall on chain river comes down in front of sun and is a work of merit, 600 table knives, 25 circles of spoons with electric light centers, 300 trowels, 48 saws, 300 pocket knives, including one 5 feet long, 10 inches wide, 4 blades opened and shut by electricity, 500 scissors and shears with one pair 10 feet long opens and shuts, one large wheel of circles and axes, one of compass and hammers, the word "Keen Outlets" formed of scissors and the same of pocket knives all combine to decorate the arch. All wheels and circles constantly revolve.

More Anon
 Juliet F. Dougherty

To The Public

The 4th of July committee has decided not to accept married ladies as candidates for Goddess of Liberty. Votes for them will not be counted.

J. M. Murphy, chairman
 Wm. Miller, Secretary
 of Ex. Com.

Forresters Attention

All Forresters are requested to be present at the meeting tomorrow evening Election of officers and other important business.

By Order of C. R.

Hilgard Notes

The election passed off quietly, and every one was pleased with the results. Mrs. E. E. Waite is convalescent. Mr. Erwin Waite and family of western Idaho, and Mr. Harry Waite of Weston, are visiting their parents. School closes this week, with an entertainment, and a basket picnic. A party of O. R. & N. surveyors were here on business Wednesday. Very Truly Yours,
 Mrs. J. O. Hart.

HEPNER'S DEAD

Memorial Services to be Held Tuesday and Regularly on June 14, Hereafter.

Heppner, June 13—At a meeting of the citizens of Thursday night it was decided to hold memorial services on Tuesday June 14, for those who lost their lives in the terrible cloudburst at this place last year, the day to be observed regularly thereafter, on June 14 of each year as long as Heppner shall remain in existence.

Well Known Here

Miss Grace Wright of Medical Springs leaves tonight for Minneapolis where she will marry a prominent business man of that city. Miss Wright is one of Eastern Oregon's prettiest girls and would grace the home of the best man on earth. We can only wish that her wedded life will prove one continuous honeymoon. —Baker City Herald

SOMMER HOUSE

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| R. T. Hart | Boise |
| O. K. Doon | do |
| O. M. Hollingsauster | Portland |
| R. H. Sandidiot | do |
| M. L. Lydick | do |
| S. Stenberg | do |
| W. Hendricks | do |
| F. E. Ramsay | do |
| Harry wear | do |
| J. M. Spencer | Pocatello |
| A. H. Averington | S. F. |
| H. Savage | Denver |
| F. Solin | Rooster |
| I. Lachman | St. Lake |
| W. Coyle | Walla Walla |
| M. E. Coyle | do |
| P. Hahn | do |
| Geo. De La Verra | Buffalo |
| A. Hard | Spokane |
| Dan Luge | do |
| C. E. Blackman | Pendleton |
| Julius Sommer & wife | Elgin |
| L. Black | S. F. |

Miss Mayme Carr, of Boise City is in town visiting her brother J. J. Carr.

SHOES

I make shoes a specialty. I have had years of experience. My line is complete for men, women, and children. I try to please my customers, I take pains in fitting children. My Ladies' \$3 and \$3.50 shoes have no superior and few equals.




I carry the celebrated WEBER BROS' \$3.50 SHOE for men. None better made.

BOYS SHOES

that are made to wear. I also run a first class repair shop in connection with my store. Give me a call. I take pleasure in showing my goods whether you buy or not.

T. M. STUBBLEFIELD.

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.

NEWLIN DRUG CO.

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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