

The Race Issue

With one portion of Mr. Edward M. Shepard's speech we must disagree quite as heartily as we have approved other parts and its spirit. Among the "aacific reform" which he says Judge Parker will undertake if elected is a "re-inal to reopen the negro question." The implication is that Mr. Roosevelt did try to reopen it. This is distinctly unjust to the President. At no time has he ever said of "re-opening" the question. The South itself reopened it by its hysterical outburst over the Booker T. Washington incident—as if the President of the United States did not have the right and the privilege of entertaining any American citizen of distinction, whatever the color of his skin. As for Mr. Roosevelt's negro appointments to office, they have been fewer and better than those of McKinley or Cleveland. He would have been re-elected, indeed, had he denied office to worthy Americans merely because of their color. When the historian of the future writes of Mr. Roosevelt's administration he will find nothing to record more creditable than his stand on this issue—even though President and party seem, at this writing, willing to abandon the negro in the hope of again capturing Maryland and West Virginia. The simple truth is that there is no issue so full of dynamite for the Democrats as this one of the negro and his rights. If the Southern doctrine is to be brought to the front, as is now planned in Maryland, a formidable argument becomes available for the Republicans.—New York Post.

The Rebel Yell

The evening before the Democratic Editors called upon candidate Parker to give him an occasion for making his opening speech of the campaign, they had a banquet in New York city at which the following scene took place.

New York, Sept 7.—Nearly 700 democratic editors from all parts of the United States met at a banquet at the Waldorf-Astoria tonight, the occasion being the national conference of the democratic editors called at the instance of the democratic national committee.

When "Dixie" was played, the diners, many of whom were from the south, jumped to their feet and the "rebel yell" was given several times. Enthusiasm was at the highest pitch when the selection was endorsed.

Henry Watterson responded to the toast "Issues and the Outlook," Clark Howell, editor of the Atlanta Constitution, to "Democratic Success, a Guarantee of National Unity."

Bids Wanted

The plans and specifications for the exhibit building are now in the office of M. L. Causey and bids for its construction will be received up to Tuesday evening.

FOR RENT—Furnished rooms. Inquire of Mrs. A. E. Jones, corner of Third and Adams Avenue. 5-10

Special Excursion to the World's Fair.

The Denver and Rio Grande, in connection with the Missouri Pacific, will run a series of personally conducted excursions to the World's Fair during June. These excursions will run through to St. Louis without change of cars, making short stops at principal points enroute. The first of these excursions will leave Portland June 7, and the second June 17. The rate from La Grande will be \$60 to St. Louis and return. Excursionists going via the Denver & Rio Grande have the privilege of returning by a different route. This is the most pleasant way, as well as the most delightful route to cross the continent. The stops arranged give an opportunity of visiting in and about Kansas City. If you wish to accompany one of these excursions write at once to W. C. MoBride, 124 Third street, Portland, for sleeping car reservations.

In The District Court of the United States for the District of Oregon

In the matter of J. G. Ritz, the first meeting of creditors. To the creditors of J. G. Ritz, of Hillgard, Union county, Oregon, Bankrupt:—

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that on the 8th day of September, 1904, the said J. G. Ritz was duly adjudicated a bankrupt, and that the first meeting of the creditors will be held at the office of the undersigned, in La Grande, Oregon, on Monday, September 19, 1904, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day, at which time and place said creditors may attend, prove their claims, appoint a Trustee, examine the bankrupt, and transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting. Twenty five cents must accompany each claim filed.

Dated at La Grande, Oregon, September 9th, 1904.

F. S. Ivanhoe, Referee in Bankruptcy.

Sept 10-13

A Serious Accident

Yesterday while Vernon, the fourteen year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Jell Bull was playing upon a log in the Ormond mill pond on Ladd creek fell into the pond and before assistance could arrive the little fellow went to the bottom three times. One of the men at the bank house heard the screams of a little playmate and at once ran to the pond and jumped in at the spot where Vernon was last seen. He succeeded in finding him and caught him by the hand and brought him to the shore. It required considerable work on the part of the mill hands to bring the little fellow back to life. He had ridden to the mill on his wheel, but was too weak to return the same way and Mr. J. C. Gulling who happened to be at the mill brought him home in his buggy. This morning the boy was able to resume his duties at his father's shop and seems but little worse off for his close call from death.

Special Shipping Rates

One of the chief obstacles that has hindered the securing of St. Louis exhibits for the Lewis and Clark fair was removed this morning when the corporation was notified that the eastern freight associations had declared to extend the special shipping rates made for the St. Louis fair to the 1905 exposition.

The word was received by General Freight Agent Miller of the O. R. & N. C. and was then given to President H. W. Goode of the fair. According to Mr. Miller's notes the western trunk line commission, the trans-Missouri and transcontinental freight bureaus the Central Freight association and the Trunk Line association have agreed to grant to exhibitors who send displays to the 1905 fair the same special return rate as that given St. Louis exhibitors.

Card of Thanks

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. E. Logsdon take this means to express their appreciation for the many acts of kindness rendered by friends during their bereavement.

For Rent

The building formerly occupied by the Salvation Army. For full particulars and rates inquire of Mrs. S. C. Zuber. Aug. 31 & 1

FIRE PROOF SAFE

For sale, weight 2500, price \$50. Call or write La Grande Pawnbroker Phone 1581.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.

Notice is hereby given to all whom it may concern, that Christian W. Murphy, has filed her final account as administratrix of the estate of Thomas N. Murphy, deceased and the County Court of Union county Oregon has set Tuesday, the 6th day of September, A. D. 1904, at two o'clock P. M. for the hearing of said report. Christina W. Murphy, Administratrix.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Department of the Interior, Land Office at La Grande, Oregon, June 2, 1904. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim to said land, to-wit: Frank Bejaud, John Keller, Conant Strober, Misaad Kallin all of La Grande Oregon. E. W. DAVIS, Register.

Dr. P. A. CHARLTON VETERINARY SURGEON, Office at A. T. Hill's Drug Store La Grande, Oregon Phone 1361 Residence phone 701

FARMERS ATTENTION

I have purchased the SPO-KANE CAFE and it is my intention to make a special effort to please the farmers. In order to do this I have decided to furnish a special meal Saturday of each week which I call the Farmers' Dinner. This meal will include all that the market affords and will be served in regular family style. This will be the best meal ever offered in La Grande for 25 cents. When in the city call at the Spokane Cafe and see exactly how good a meal you can buy for 25 cents.

REMEMBER we pay cash for butter, eggs and chickens.

J. F. Johnson.

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Kinds of Job Work

BLOCKLAND BROS.

Island City, Oregon Breeders of BERKSHIRE and POLANDCHINA SWINE.

Young stock always on hand, and always glad to have you call and see our hogs, as we breed them for the Farmer, and ask you to compare our prices before buying some where else.

We have now two fine young Berkshire boars on hand, July pigs ready for use only \$20. For short time only.

We want your Hay and Grain

AND WILL PAY THE HIGHEST MARKET PRICE

We will take all you have, no matter whether it is only a few tons or if it is several hundred tons. We want all the hay in the valley and then some.

A. V. OLIVER

WHOLESALE and RETAIL HAY and GRAIN DEALER

Half a Carload of New Wall Paper.

We have just received half a carload of the newest and latest wall paper. Half a carload means 20,000 rolls. This is more paper than any one firm ever thought of bringing into this county in a single season.

This paper is all for sale and must be sold this season. We have brought two first class paper hangers direct from Chicago, who are without doubt the most skillful workmen in Eastern Oregon, with the first class hangers already in our employ, give us the best working the Island Empire.

Stackland & McLachlen PAINTS, OILS AND GLASS

WHITE ROSE FLOUR

Is filled with the idea of pleasing every dealer's high-class trade—customers who appreciate quality. The name of the Pioneer Flouring Mill Co. guarantees reliability and highest grade in every sack of flour bearing the White Rose brand.

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Take Care of Your Trophies

I will pay from \$2 to \$10 for male deer heads hanging according to directions. The dotted lines on back of neck and horn show where to rip the skin. To bleed your game cut the jugular as low down as possible; never cut the throat. Commence to skin by making cut from the base of the horn to back of the head thence down the back of the neck to top of shoulders thence around the side to point of brisket, work the skin carefully away from the base of the horns. When the ear is reached cut off those to skin, afterwards remove the flesh, when the eye is reached run the finger in from the outside and raise up the eye lid to avoid cutting it when by tearing it with the point of the knife. In the corner of the mouth is reached cut through and expose the teeth, leave all the black lining on the lip also all the cartilage on the nose. Salt heavily and roll up for 24 hours then dry in the shade. Unless salted well and dried in the shade your work is spoiled. Use nothing but salt. Cut as much of the flesh of the head as possible and work the brain out the hole at back of head. Save the daily jar bones, having drying the skin keep it from wrinkling. I will also mount your trophies at reasonable prices.

WM HAWS Taxidermist