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JAPANESE TOOK TWENTY THOUSAND

Of the Thirty-five Thousand Inhabitants of Port Arthur Twenty Thousand are Sick

Tokio, Jan. 5.—A dispatch from General Nogi says order is being maintained in Port Arthur and the people are quiet. He says common provisions and bread are plentiful but there is a scarcity of meat and vegetables. No medical supplies are in Port Arthur, but the Japanese are strenuously succoring people.

LEFT WITH OFFICERS

Tokio, Jan. 5.—The emperor of Russia has cabled General Stoessel saying that the giving of their parole or the alternative of imprisonment is optional with the captured Russian officers.

MANY PRISONERS

Tokio Jan. 5.—The Japanese captured 25,000 prisoners at Port Arthur. The total number of inhabitants is 35,000 of whom 20,000 are sick.

BLIZZARD IN NEW YORK

New York Jan. 5.—The most severe storm of the winter prevails in this city and vicinity today. Traffic of all kinds is delayed and many suburban trolley lines are blocked by snow drifts. In many cars snowbound in the streets the passengers remained all night rather than face the blizzard in an attempt to walk to their homes.

MURDER AND SUICID

Portland, Jan. 5.—It developed this morning that Henry Loomis who last night shot and killed Frank Frits and murdered his wife and then suicided by cutting his throat with a razor appeared recently before the grand jury in an attempt to get them to take action against his wife and her paramour. Failing in this, he also tried to procure a warrant at the police station. Then, as a last step he took justice into his own hands.

ABOUT GOOD ROADS

The people of Western and Southern Oregon seem to be taking a more lively interest in good roads than has been so far manifested by the people generally in Eastern Oregon. The Observer believes that good roads are of as much concern to the people of Union county as to any other county in the state and hopes soon to see as much interest taken in good road making here as elsewhere. The following dispatch taken from the Portland Journal indicates how the feeling runs in the Willamette valley.

Hillsboro, Jan. 4.—Good roads was the topic of absorbing interest to Hillsboro citizens yesterday. The occasion was the meeting of more than 200 prominent citizens and farmers of Washington county to discuss the betterment of the public highways in the near future.

Several men of prominence in good roads advancement were present from other counties and towns in the state and took an active part.

County Judge L. A. Rood presided at the meeting and George A. Morgan acted as secretary.

SAYS HE IS NOT GUILTY

But Knows that Land Frauds Do Exist in Idaho

Washington, January 5.—Persistent rumors have been in circulation here that Senator Dubois presented by Senator Dubois charging extensive land frauds in Idaho connected Senator Heyburn with the alleged frauds and caused considerable comment. These rumors are entirely without foundation but the senator, upon the recurrence of the reports, went to the White House this morning and had a conference with the president.

The senator was seen when leaving the White House and upon being asked concerning the report that he was attorney for the men implicated in the land frauds expressed himself vigorously upon the subject:

"I always select my own battlefield. Those who challenge me to combat want to be particularly careful what they have to say," said Senator Heyburn. "I have never represented any of them. On the contrary I have fought them and a year ago, in the course of a discussion of some matter affecting Northern Pacific land grants, I gave notice on the floor of the senate that land frauds in Idaho were being committed. I stand ready now to aid the officers of justice in an investigation of these frauds. Certainly I have no desire to shield any one who has been guilty of their perpetration. The men accused are no friends of mine. If they are guilty I want them punished and at any rate I want to have the whole matter investigated."

ELOQUENT YOUNG PREACHER

Far more than usual interest attends upon the meetings at the West Webb Methodist church, where the pastor, Rev. Howard is assisted by Revs. Thoroughman and Crockett. The former, once pastor here needs no introduction. Mr. Crockett is known only to the highly pleased people who have listened to him at that church since Sunday morning.

Mr. Crockett has as auditor each night the people, (all of them who can come) who listened to him previously and the result is that the meetings are growing rapidly in interest and effectiveness.

Mr. Crockett who is a graduate of the Kentucky Wesleyan University came West last spring and was for a time supply at Arlington. Later he was sent to La Grande, where he is now pastor. He is here now to help Mr. Howard in the present series of meetings. He is scholarly earnest and consecrated and one of the best of the younger class of evangelists, as a speaker and reasoner. His address and delivery are splendid and diction faultless. He is adjudged to have an enviable future in the history of the M. E. Church, South and of evangelism in the United States.—E. O.

Portland's Mayor Indicted

Along with Chief of Police and other Minor Officials.

The Multnomah county grand jury at noon returned indictments against Mayor G. H. Williams for malfeasance in office pertaining to the licensing of gambling and of Chief of Police Hunt for malfeasance in permitting gambling also, and releasing prisoners without trial.

Former City Engineer W. C. Elliott who resigned last month, and Contractors E. B. and B. W. Riner, for irregularities connected with the construction of sewers and several other minor indictments were returned.

The jury also indicted J. M. Cayford, an inspector in the city engineer's office, and Henry Chandler, surveyor on the streets and sewer.

Bryan the Crator

The Grant Birthday association, of Selma, Ill., will celebrate the great commander's birthday, April 27. William J. Bryan will deliver the address.

Not Yet

A citizen of Eugene who is visiting in Vermont, writes to the Daily Guard that if the Pacific coast had been settled first, New England would not be settled yet.

New Year's Gift

January 1 was born to Mr. and Mrs. John J. White, of Fredericksburg, Va., a son—their 23rd child. In the family are three sets of twins. Mrs. White is 38 years old.

St. Peter's Church

Tomorrow Friday Jan 6 being the Feast of the Epiphany there will be a celebration of the Holy Communion at 10 a. m.

FOR SALE

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WILL MOVE TO MISSOURI

El Paso, Jan. 5.—The headquarters of the Mormon church will some day be located in Independence, Mo., said John Henry Smith, one of the 12 apostles of the Mormon church, while here today. "The Mormon people have long cherished the idea," he continued. "Their great city should be located in Independence, which is not far from Kansas City.

"This dream seems now to become something tangible. James G. Duffin, a bishop of our church, has bought several thousand acres of land near Independence for use of Mormon colonists. This will be our vanguard and in the course of time we will erect there a magnificent city which will be known as Zion, and in which there will be a Mormon temple far more extensive and more magnificent than in Salt Lake. When this city and temple have been built the headquarters of the Mormon church will be moved from Salt Lake."

Notice

Notice of election of Chief of Fire Department.
To the Members of the La Grande Fire Department.

Notice is hereby given that by order of the Council of the City of La Grande Oregon, a convention of the members of the said La Grande Fire Department is hereby called to be held at the Council rooms in said City on Wednesday, the 11th day of January A. D. 1905 at the hour of eight o'clock p. m. of said day for the purpose of electing a Chief of said Fire Department.

Fire and Insurance Committee,
Of the Council City La Grande, Ore.

LADD CANYON LITERARY

The Ladd Canyon Literary Society met Jan. 4 and rendered the following program to a large audience.

The question for debate was Resolved that foreign immigration should be checked. The affirmative Mrs. Braden, Mrs. Couch, Leonard Peterson and Roy Peebler. Negative Mr. Curry, Mrs. Braden and W. O. Sherwood. The question was decided in favor of the negative.

After a short recess a very interesting program was rendered which was as follows:

Music.....Ione Peterson
Recitation.....Ruth Peebler
Song.....Mrs. Henry Peebler
Recitation.....Eugene Bantan
Duet.....V. Crossen, L. Phillips
Recitation.....Lucy McClure
Song.....Mrs. D. Crossen
Reading.....Mrs. Braden
Song.....Lena Ragain
Recitation.....Roy Couch
Song.....Mrs. Couch

After which the meeting adjourned until next Wednesday evening.

Shicklin Killed

Baker City Jan 5—Constable George W. Reynolds last night returned from Durkee having in charge a man named John Wilson who is charged with threatening to kill a man named Shicklin as the result of a quarrel. Judge Currey placed Wilson under \$200 bonds to appear in court and plead.

Special Sale

Mrs. T. N. Murphy is having a special sale on Out Glass, Fancy China and Heating Stoves. Call and make your selections early. She has some great bargains. Sale from January 6 to 20th J. 20.

TO THE PUBLIC:

The rush of Holiday trade is over and business in general has got back to its normal condition. I wish to inform all my patrons, and those not my patrons but who are liable to be, that I am now in a position to take care of all watch, clock and jewelry repairing with dispatch. I have secured all the necessary help in all the latest tools and materials known to the trade, as well as the best workmen that money can procure.

All repair work is under my personal supervision and I guarantee each and every piece of work done to be finished in first class workmanlike manner, and to give (with proper attention) perfect satisfaction. All work sent by mail or express will receive the same careful attention as if delivered in person, and to be promptly returned in first class condition.

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