

La Grande Evening Observer

GEARIN ON JAPANESE EXCLUSION

(Scripps News Association)
Washington, Jan. 7.—United States Senator, J. M. Gearin from Oregon today discussed the rights of Japanese children in white schools and the necessity of restricting the immigration of coolies. He took issue with the President on the tone of the recent message which issued a warning to laboring classes against the threatened invasion of cheap labor.

Gearin said: "We are now at peace with Japan, but the peace will not last long unless we reached a better understanding as to the present treaty and the obligations imposed. If there is a question about this treaty we should have a new one. Japan could send five million laborers and never miss them. We must protect ourselves or go to the wall in the world's competition. If there are any commercial advantages which we destroy by excluding the Japanese laborers, I answer, I don't care."

CEYLON COAST FLOODED

(Scripps News Association)
London Jan 7.—Dispatches say that a tidal wave off the south coast of Ceylon Friday, has caused much damage. Following an earthquake at sea the entire coast was flooded.

WIFE RATHER THAN CHARITY

(Scripps News Association)
Norristown, Pa Jan 7.—Cassatt's will disposing of ten millions in estate was filed today. The entire amount goes to his wife and children and none to charity.

TO HUNT PREHISTORIC GAME

(Scripps News Association)
New York, Jan. 7.—Professor H. F. Osborn, of the American Museum of Natural History, Walter Granger and George Olsen of the Museum's staff, sailed today for Egypt where they will search for skeletons of a small animal believed to be the prehistoric elephant of the pliocene age. The expedition is the outcome of a discovery made some four years ago by a party of British Engineers in the Saycum desert who unearthed some of the bones. Mr. Morris K. Jessup, president of the American Museum, became interested in the discovery and authorized the expedition. Professor Osborn will carry on his investigations in the Saycum desert at a point about seventy miles southwest of Cairo and not far from the Sayoum oasis. He expects to be absent about four months.

SUPREME COURT UPHELD

(Scripps News Association)
Washington, January 7.—The supreme court today declined to assume jurisdiction in the Colorado election cases, holding that no federal question was involved and that the supreme court of Colorado's decision was final. That decision favors the Republicans and gives that party's officials the legal title in Denver.

EIGHT DAYS OVERDUE

(Scripps News Association)
New York, January 7.—The steamer Ponce, overdue eight days from Porto Rico with seven passengers and a crew of fifty-two is still unreported. Nine steamers, traveling the same route as the Ponce, have arrived today and report no sign of the Ponce.

THE NATIONAL BASE BALL COMMISSION

(Scripps News Association)
Cincinnati, O., Jan. 7.—The annual meeting of the National Base Ball Commission will be held here tonight. Chairman Hermann, President Johnson of the American League, Sec'y Bruce and the schedule committees of the National and American Leagues, after disposing of the annual business, will eliminate conflicting dates from next season's schedule.

SOUTHERN PACIFIC STRIKE DECLARED OFF TODAY

(Scripps News Association)
Chicago, Jan. 7.—The Interstate Commission were in conference all last night with representatives from firemen of the Southern Pacific and Louisiana and Texas roads. This morning Commissioner Knapp announced that the Grand Chief Hanna and his associates of the firemen's union, have accepted the compromise, subject to a vote of the men

whom it affects, and he also said that unless the rank and file of the union object, the strike will be off without more conferences.

OFFICIALLY CALLED OFF

Houston, Tex., January 7.—The Southern Pacific firemen's strike was officially called off at one o'clock this afternoon and the men returned to work.

LOCAL LODGE REPRESENTED

Delegates from the La Grande lodges of Conductors and Brakemen are today holding a conference with General Manager J P O'Brien and General Superintendent M J Buckley in Portland, considering the demands of the employees for an eight-hour law. Every lodge on the O R & N system is represented.

The locomotive firemen of the O R & N system have already made a request for an eight-hour day, but the request was denied and it is thought the request of the conductors will meet the same fate.

When the various committees departed for Portland they were under the impression that the S. P. strike and the proposed sympathetic strike on all Harriman lines would aid their demands, but as this afternoon's developments have settled the Southern Pacific firemen's strike the outcome of the Portland conference is not very bright.

ENGINEER'S REPORT ON BEAVER CREEK PROJECT

The City Council, La Grande, Oregon, Gentlemen:
In accordance with your instructions we have this day completed the examination and estimate of the proposed La Grande gravity water system and beg to report as follows:

Our engineer, Mr. Cunningham, went to La Grande on the 20th of December and procured from your city engineer, Mr. Pickler, all the available data regarding the proposed water supply, and from this data we have compiled the estimates hereto attached.

We find that the sizes necessary to carry 2,000,000 gallons of water per day is 14, 13, 11, 9 inch and for the lower end of the pipe near La Grande either an 8 or 10 inch pipe.

An 8 inch pipe will be sufficient to carry the full amount of water and develop about 220 horsepower, while a 10 inch pipe will develop 350 horsepower on account of difference in friction in two pipes.

Assuming that a horsepower per year is worth \$50 in La Grande, this means that an annual revenue of \$5500 can be obtained from this additional 110 horsepower, which capitalized at 6% equals about \$92,000 as the probable value. According to our estimate it will require but \$12,000 additional expenditure to make this last 9000 feet a 10 inch pipe instead of an 8 inch.

We would recommend a continuous wood stave pipe for the greater portion of the line, instead of the market sizes of machine banded pipe. It is highly important that nothing but the best material enter into the construction of this pipe,

and owing to the asphalt coating on machine banded pipe it is extremely difficult to detect imperfections in the staves and even if an inspector passes on the material at the mill a portion of the pipes will be checked and otherwise damaged by exposure to sun and long haul from the railroad. Again, the continuous pipe will be somewhat more economical placed in the ditch, on account of freight and wagon haul. The staves for this pipe can be manufactured at La Grande or any convenient sawmill where a machine and dry kiln can be installed. The bands, in the shape of 1/4 inch to 1/2 inch rods, can be shipped from Portland and of course bent on the ground. We do not (on account of difficulty in preventing leakage) recommend using wood pipe for pressures greater than 110 pounds per square inch, corresponding to a head of 250 feet. Above this we would recommend lap welded steel Kalamineid pipe with Converse lock joints, as manufactured by the National Tube Co., of Pittsburg, Pa. This pipe has a life of five or six times that of ordinary steel pipe, and as the difficulty of transportation, if not cost, prohibits cast iron, we think the Kalamineid pipe is the only one to be considered.

Owing to constant high velocity of the water in this pipe line (the minimum being 2.9 ft. per second), we do not consider it necessary to cover the pipe more than a foot and a-half in depth, which is sufficient to prevent damage by fire or expansion from heat and there is no danger of the water freezing.

At the intake we should recommend

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HEAVY STORMS IN NEVADA

(Scripps News Association)
Reno, Nevada Jan 7.—The state of Nevada is in the grip of a heavy storm. In some parts of the state, the storm is the heaviest in years.

NEW REPUBLICAN CHAIRMAN

(Scripps News Association)
Washington, Jan. 7.—Secretary George B. Cortelyou today announced his retirement as chairman of the Republican National Committee. Harry S. New will succeed him.

DESTRUCTIVE CHINESE FIRE

(Scripps News Association)
Bangkok, Chi., Jan. 7.—Fire devastated the Chinese quarters today with a loss of three millions.

DUEL WITH SWORDS

(Scripps News Association)
Paris, Jan. 7.—L. Essuere of the consular service and Robert Zevaco, the author, fought a duel this morning with swords. The consul is seriously injured.

ATTENTION MODERN WOODMEN

All members of the La Grande Camp Modern Woodmen of America are expected to attend the installation this evening. Do not forget.

E. E. Cross, a well known O. R. & N. brakeman of La Grande, is in the city today on his way to Portland.—Pendleton E. O.

FATAL DUEL FOUGHT IN CHEYENNE

(Scripps News Association)
Cheyenne, January 7.—W Dean Hayes, a banker and leading politician of Meeteetse was shot and killed this morning in a duel with a leading attorney of Meeteetse. The battle was the outcome of a feud of long standing. Hayes has been a Democratic nominee for governor, congressman and state treasurer during the past ten years. He recently announced himself as a supporter of Roosevelt.

GREAT POULTRY SHOW IN THE SOUTH

(Scripps News Association)
Atlanta, Ga., Jan 7.—Poultry fanciers from all parts of the Southern States have exhibits at the fourth annual show of the Atlanta Poultry Association here today. The exhibits number seven thousand and the show is the most successful of its kind ever held in the south. The Kennel Club is holding its annual show at the same time. There are a large number of great Danes, Mastiffs and Collie dogs on exhibition.

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MAYOR GEORGE M'CLELLAN MAY YET BE OUSTED

(Scripps News Association)
New York, Jan. 7.—Attorney General Jackson today brought suit in the supreme court to oust Mayor McClellan on the grounds that Wm. Hearst was legally elected mayor of New York at the last election. The mayor was served notice of the suit in his office this morning.

The McClellan suit was brought in the name of the State of New York. The Attorney General charges Hearst with being rightfully elected and says that in every election district in the city where the ballots were lawfully counted, the majority were for Hearst, but the inspectors counted them for McClellan. The attorney general also goes on to specify that in every voting district men were permitted to vote for McClellan who had not regis-

tered and in many instances men voted twice.

At the last mayorality election in New York, Wm. Hearst and George B. McClellan caused a spirited fight. The ballot count gave McClellan the office by the small plurality of three thousand. Immediately there was a cry of election frauds, the Hearst faction maintaining that their man was elected but counted out by frauds. The dissatisfaction resulting from the count at that time has since been smoldering and at times, flaring up to a heated issue.

Governor Hughes it was who gave the final impetus, when in his message to his legislature last week, he boldly advocated a reform in the election systems of New York.



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