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NO IMITATION BUT REAL BATTLE

OFFICER AND TWENTY MEN SHOW BRAVERY.

Novel Experience Gone Through on the Lower Chesapeake Bay Today, When a Naval Officer and Twenty Men Remain on Target Boat, While Shells Are Fired at It—No Damage to Ship or Injury to Men—Real Color of Open Sea Battle.

Thimble Shoal, in Lower Chesapeake bay, by wireless to Fort Monroe, May 27.—Disregarding danger and apparently anxious for an experience of open war at sea, Commander Quimby, Lieutenant Tausig, and 20 men remained on the monitor Florida today while 12-inch shells were hurled at the ship from guns of the monitor Arkansas, anchored 300 yards off broadside, with the battery in full play on the target ship.

Plans were suddenly changed this morning when Quimby and his men volunteered to remain on the Florida. They didn't take their places in the turrets where it was necessary to manipulate the guns in case of firing, but remained just behind the turrets while the projectiles were flying. They were severely jolted whenever a projectile struck.

Harry Denbaugh is commander of the Arkansas. The first shot was fired at the screen target hoisted over the flotilla. It pierced the center. Then firing on the ship began, the shells hammering the plates. Glasses failed to show the Florida crippled by the bombardment, but experts say the projectiles had a terrific effect. No signal of distress has been seen from the men aboard the Florida, and they to all intents show no signs of being sorry for their dare-devil experience.

Thirteen Sailors Drown.

Gloucester, Mass., May 27.—Thirteen sailors of the schooner Fame lost their lives in a collision between the Fame and the steamer Boston, of the Dominion-Atlantic line, off Massachusetts coast. The Fame was run down by the steamer with suddenness and only six of the schooner's crew were saved.

MORE SOUTHERN STORMS.
Oklahoma City, May 27.—Seventeen killed and many injured by a tornado which swept Alva, Okla., this morning. Property damage is heavy. Houses were swept off their foundations by the twister.

CITY MARSHAL WOUNDED.

Town Near Medford Scene of Wholesale Looting and Gun Fight.

Oakland, Ore., May 27.—City Marshal John Beckley was wounded in the shoulder by bandits who last night attempted to steal all the city's cash. The men had stolen stamps from the postoffice and looted a hardware store of guns. They were rifling the till of a furniture store when interrupted by Beckley. The men ran, but when the officer fired, they turned and poured a fusillade at him, one bullet taking effect, effectually ending the pursuit.

COVE LOSES CHAMPIONSHIP.

Local High Scores Decisive Victory in Baseball Game Yesterday.

By taking the deciding game from Cove yesterday afternoon by the score of 11 to 8, the La Grande high school baseball team won just claims to the championship of the county. The game was fast most of the time, only occasionally got loose.

Birth Record.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Ray Logan of this city, May 26, a son.

SEND TENTS INTO WALLOWA COUNTY

BRIDGE BUILDING IS TO COMMENCE JUNE FIRST.

Positive Proof That There Will Be Some Work on the Wallowa Extension in the Near Future, Now at Hand—Tenting Sent Out to the Front This Morning—Bridge Builder McCoy Will Come Early in June to Commence Work.

The symptoms of a busy summer on the Wallowa extension appeared in La Grande this morning when a carload of tenting went out to the front to be erected in villages for the accommodation of the laborers when Harriman drops the flag and says "G'bye into Wallowa with the new road."

Contractor McCoy, who constructed the coal bunkers in this city last summer, and who is now on the Riparia job, is scheduled to be in La Grande about June 1, to go to the front, where he will build bridges.

His task at Riparia will need about a week's work yet, and then he comes here to go into Wallowa county. He will build the bridges where they are needed.

All this advance news gives positive proof that the summer will see some activity on the line. Whether or not it will be completed this year to Joseph is another question.

ENTHUSIASTIC MEETING IN THE ELKS' HALL LAST EVENING

REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE FOR UNITED STATES SENATOR MAKES CLEAR HIS POSITION ON THE TARIFF

HAS CHAMBERLAIN UP A TREE ON STATEMENT NO. 1

Hon. H. M. Cake completed his tour of the valley with a rousing and enthusiastic meeting at the Elks' hall in this city last night. The distinguished candidate showed some signs of fatigue on account of the intense nature and duration of his campaign in this county, having made five speeches in as many different precincts Monday and three extended addresses yesterday. The speaker handled the issues of this campaign in an extensive and able manner, and showed up his opponent in a light that cannot do otherwise but aid the voters of Union county that the republican party still holds for them and for the country the better policies and principles than any other party of the nation.

Owing to the efforts of certain democratic publications in the state that claim Mr. Cake had changed his attitude upon the great question of statement No. 1 principle, the speaker took occasion to say:

"When I was a candidate for the United States senate in 1906, I became so under the provision and by virtue of the direct primary law. In the direct primary law is contained the great principle of the election of senators by the direct votes of the people, and although defeated by 400 or 500 votes, yet, nevertheless, from the platforms of the principal cities of this state I upheld and advocated the election of my then successful opponent as being the best means of extending and establishing the principles contained in the statement No. 1 pledge. During the summer of 1907, when I considered becoming a candidate in the campaign of 1908 for the office of United States senator, I announced in interviews to the press of the state, I should stand upon this principle as a principal part of my platform and when I became an active candidate about the first of January, in the primaries held this year I again advocated from the platforms of the principal cities and precincts of the state of Oregon, the principles contained in statement No. 1, doing everything within my power to establish that principle in the public minds of the state of Oregon so that it may be permanently a part of our political and civil history.

"From the first of January to the 17th of April my distinguished opponent remained absolutely silent. He certainly was not thoroughly convinced of the correctness of this principle. He gave no utterance that the public could hear as to where he stood on this great question, but after the supremacy of the principle had been established and after it had been demonstrated that the people proposed to retain all of their power that was possible and after the battle had been fought and victory won—then it was that the distinguished gentleman, with a holier-than-thou attitude—at a time when I desired to discuss with the people of this state the great national question, embodied in what is known as the Roosevelt policy—mounted the platforms in the principal cities and precincts of Oregon and proclaimed himself to be the leading advocate of the people's rights all of these years. It is certainly gratifying that the governor, at last, if he is sincere in his campaign, has found the correct principle, but he cannot escape from the proposition, that where I have been advocating this doctrine to our people at all times when it needed advocacy and when it was being attacked by some of the press and people of this state and advocated it because it was right that the governor remained silent until it had been established, and then took up the hue and cry for the purpose of votes only." The speaker then took up the discussion of reclamation service and ad-

vocated its early and active extension and the forest reserve policies was also discussed in which he advocated more attention on the part of the officials, of the needs of the stockmen and that more equitable division of the early and late range could be made among those who use the public range.

The speaker favored the revision of the tariff and said:

"I believe that the tariff of this country should be so revised that the element of profit, derived solely from its existence, could be taken away but at the same time maintain the principles of protection to American labor and American homes and industries that has been the means of building this country to its present condition.

HOME NEARS COMPLETION.

Local Elks' Building Rapidly Nearing Time for its Dedication.

The work on the Elks' home is progressing rapidly, the carpenter work being practically finished. The paper hangers have been busy for several days. By the last of the week it is expected they will be ready for their carpets, which arrived several days ago.

The first floor will be used exclusively for ball room for which hard wood floors have been ordered. A platform large enough to accommodate a 50-piece orchestra has been built. The second story will be devoted to the Elks only, and contains a large reception and billiard room, a reading room, lodge room, a kitchen and janitor's quarters.

The lodge room and reading room are finished in soft shades of brown, while the reception room is done in the bolder shades of red and green. When completed the local lodge will have an up-to-date home and a visiting Elk will know where to find a warm welcome.

AUTO BEHIND TIME.

Fernando Nelson Confident of Making Speed Record Yet.

Medford, May 27.—Fernando Nelson's party arrived here at 7:40 this morning and left for Portland at 8:35 this morning, expecting to arrive there at 10:30 this evening. Considerable time was lost in the race from San Francisco to Portland on account of a 40-mile stretch of bare rock road in the Pitt River country. At Sison the machine became lost on a lumber road and went 60 miles out of the way. Nelson is confident of making his schedule time on a second trip, when he knows the roads.

FLOOD LET LOOSE.

Umatilla Project Now Completed and Water Flows Over Fields.

Hermiston, Ore., May 27.—The great Umatilla Irrigation project costing a million, and comprising 22,000 acres, was formally opened this morning. The floodgates were opened and the water was poured from the reservoir into the canals at 11 o'clock.

An immense crowd of Pendleton people are in attendance, as that city will be directly benefited by the enormous sum of money which will necessarily come into her coffers by the reclamation of these lands.

Through Grading Papers Soon.

The board of examiners, which is grading the papers handed in on the recent eighth grade examinations in country schools, contemplates completing its work tonight and by tomorrow noon the number of successful students should be ascertained. One hundred and twenty took the examinations.

DEAD ENGINEER AT THROTTLE.

Chicago-Frisco Flyer Breaks Speed Record With Dead Engineer.

Chicago, Ill., May 27.—For miles the Chicago-Frisco Flyer on the C. M. & St. P. road bounded along, breaking all speed records last night, with a dead engineer at the throttle. Aged Albert Cavins' life departed while the man was at his post at the throttle, and the fireman was unaware of it until the train dashed across a dangerous maze of tracks at Byron, Ill., with unabated speed. He stopped the train just in time to save the lives of the passengers.

Ross Wants New Trial.

Salem, May 27.—When J. Thorburn Ross called before Judge Burnett to be sentenced this afternoon, ex-Governor Lord started a long argument for a new trial. Following Lord's motion, an arrest of judgment will be argued. At the end of the arguments Lord will be sentenced. He was convicted of larceny by conversion of the state school funds while president of the Title Guarantee & Trust bank of Portland.

EXPRESS CHINKS BUT ALL DIED

EVASION IMMIGRATION LAWS BUT THEY SUFFER DEATH.

New Method of Evading Immigration Laws Proves Fatal to Twelve Chinamen—Bodies Reach New York by Express, But Are Dead—Shipped From Mexico Border—Unearth Plot to Smuggle Orientals—Long Voyage Exhausted Human Packages.

Washington, D. C., May 27.—Twelve Chinese lives is the price paid by smugglers in experimenting with a new scheme of evasion of the immigration laws. The government has discovered a dozen orientals who attempted to enter the country by having themselves crated and expressed to New York, were dead upon arrival.

Acting Commissioner of Immigration Larned, admitted this morning that a gigantic smuggling plot has been unearthed on the Texas border. Inspector Babcock has gone to New York, hunting Quong Dou Yen, who received the corpses from the Express company.

A telegram from Quong to friends in El Paso revealed the plot. Interpreter Ping Ming overheard the message read and informed the government officials, who notified Washington authorities.

It is believed the smugglers crated the men on the Mexican side of the line, and hauled them across the river, expressing the boxes from this side.

Fleet Leaves Seattle.

Seattle, Wash., May 27.—The battleship fleet sailed for Tacoma this morning in single formation. All men ashore were ordered to the ships at 1 o'clock this morning.

HAVE TRACE OF HOUSE WRECKER

SECOND ATTEMPT ON GALLAGHER'S PROPERTY.

Police Have Information Which Will Lead to the Arrest of the Party Who Dynamited the Vacant Houses Belonging to Ex-Supervisor Gallagher—Believed to Be Deep Plot Against Ex-Supervisor by His Enemies—Expect Arrests.

Oakland, May 27.—Arrests are expected today as a result of the dynamiting of three unoccupied houses owned by former Supervisor Gallagher who turned state's evidence in the graft trials, last night. It is intimated that the police have information that may lead to the exposure of a plot of surprising character, laid against Gallagher by his enemies.

The explosion last night was the second attempt, Gallagher's residence being wrecked by dynamite April 22. The police have a description of the suspect whom they expect to capture with little trouble.

Frank McVaugh, a watchman, was sitting in a tool shed when the explosion occurred. He says he made an inspection 10 minutes before the explosion and saw nothing of a suspicious nature.

Gallagher had a deal pending to sell the houses today for \$25,000.

TRACK TEAMS GONE.

Some Changes in the Line-Up for La Grande Track Artists.

There was some change in the personnel of the La Grande high school track team that went to Corvallis this morning to participate in the preliminaries on Friday and the finals, if possible, on Saturday in the intercollegiate.

Three went this morning and two more go tonight or tomorrow morning. Those who went and the events in which they enter, are: Carpy, broad jump, 100-yard dash and relay; Earle, quarter and relay; Peare, high hurdles, half mile and perhaps the relay. Those to go tonight are Reynolds, in the quarter, low hurdles and possibly the relay, and Williamson in the 100, 200, broad jump and relay.

For Island City the following went this morning, Walters having preceded the team; Perry, mile run; Swedke, weights; Irwin, half mile and low hurdles.

Fred Young's sprained ankle keeps him at home and thereby forestalls at least a place in the pole vault for La Grande.

NORTH CAROLINA IS DRY.
Haleigh, N. C., May 27.—After January 1 next year, there will be no liquor manufactured or sold in this state. The prohibitionists won the election by a 40,000 majority here yesterday.

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IT IS THOUGHT TO BE THE HAPPINESS AND GLORY of every citizen to so live and act that his fellow citizens will esteem him for his goodness, his kindness, and his usefulness. The principles of good citizenship should constitute the code of rules for every kind of business whether public or private. This applies particularly to the drug business, because, owing to the limited knowledge of the qualities of drugs by the general public, it follows that the reliability of the druggist is the chief guarantee of good service.

HILL'S DRUG STORE

La Grande Oregon