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LA GRANDE TO CELEBRATE THE NATIONAL DAY

BUSINESS INTERESTS ALL FAVOR THE PROPOSITION.

Greatest and Best Celebration in Eastern Oregon Will Be Held in This City on July Fourth—Commercial Club Backed by Business Interests, Say So—Details Yet to Be Worked Out, But the Proper Spirit Animates the Promoters.

- Committee on Arrangements.
- Mac Wood, chairman.
- Fred G. Taylor.
- W. H. Bohnenkamp.
- George Stoddard.
- William Miller.
- Einer Sebbelov.
- George L. Cleaver.
- John Collier.

Nearly every business interest in the city was represented at the mass meeting last night in the Commercial club rooms. The purpose of the gathering was to discuss plans for the proper celebration of the Fourth in La Grande. The directors of the Commercial club had declared themselves favorably the night before, and nearly all of them were present and took part in last night's meeting. That we will have the greatest and most elaborate celebration ever given in eastern Oregon is certain. It only remains to formulate plans that, carried out, will spell success in big letters. We have the spirit—and after all, that is the prerequisite of success in any undertaking. And there is a greater degree of harmony among the business interests of the city than at any previous period of our history. The banks declared in favor of a celebration, the big lumber companies have done likewise—no interests, except it be a few of the saloon men, are at all hostile to the idea.

At the meeting last night an organization was formed with Mac Wood in the chair and George Currey acting as secretary. Mr. Wood will appoint a committee of seven to take charge of the arrangements. A suitable place for the exercises of the day has not been definitely decided upon, but there are several groves within reach of town that will serve admirably. And there always remains the opportunity to turn several squares into a park by the use of evergreens. The fraternal organizations will be extended every courtesy by the celebration committee, and it is certain that at least the G. A. R. veterans and the Woman's Relief Corps will take an active part in the festivities.

An effort was made early this morning to get Governor Chamberlain to deliver the address of the day, but he is already engaged to make a speech elsewhere. There are a number of other prominent men available, one of whom will be secured within a day or two.

MORE TAFT MEN SEATED TODAY

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE HAS EASY TIME OF IT.

The sixth and seventh congressional districts of Missouri represented by the delegation—Hughes adherents in the North Carolina lands liberal delegates for Taft—Secretary Hitchcock "flirting" for Taft, not himself.

Chicago, June 10.—When the republican national convention convened today the Missouri contests were taken up, 25 minutes being allotted to each side for argument. J. L. Minnis presented the claims of the Taft delegation.

The Taft delegates from the 11th and 12th congressional districts of Missouri were seated today by the committee, defeating the Hughes men, who wanted the delegation split.

North Carolina contests were taken up next. After arguments lasting half an hour each, the Taft delegates at large were seated.

Judge Marcus Schoup of Dayton, is here to represent Foraker in the contest in the Sixth congressional district of Ohio.

Hitchcock, Taft's manager, this afternoon said:

"I am not a candidate for vice-president or manager of the republican campaign or anything else. I am here solely for the purpose of securing the nomination of Taft.

CRY FOR MEN IN THIS COUNTY

CROP WILL BE A REMARKABLE SUCCESS.

Grande Ronde Fruitgrowers Are Now Facing the Serious Problem of Their Life—With a Crop That Gives Appearance of Breaking All Anticipations, the Growers May Not Be Able to Reap the Harvest—Must Have Pickers at Once.

With the advent of warm weather comes a serious problem to the fruit-growers of Union county. From every district in the valley come calls for cherry pickers. So bumper-like is the crop that the growers feel assured they will be unable to care for the picking in the proper time unless there is an influx of pickers from points without. The famine for help is now rife in Walla Walla, where the ranchers are going to extreme ends to retain what little help they can procure. It is evident that the same condition will exist here unless some one loosens up and agrees to aid the growers. Where 40 or 50 were formerly employed to handle the fruit picking, 200 are now called for.

This represents the gigantic crop that is evident. Though the warmth has been retarded somewhat, a few weeks like the present one will hurry the ripening. The 12th of July has been commonly decided upon as the day which will mark the harvest of cherries in the Cove district. The other sections will form in-line about that date.

The cold weather of the past few weeks served to thin out the trees partially and now that the weather is warm the remaining crop will have ample opportunity to round into splendid form and assume that teeth-watering effect so familiar to consumers of locally grown fruit.

DIRECTOIRE WEDDING.

Scandalous Gown Makes Appearance in Fashionable Church Wedding.

Washington, June 10.—The directrice gown made its first appearance at the altar today when Juliette Williams, daughter of Colonel and Mrs. John R. Williams, was married to Joseph Leiter, the Chicago millionaire, in one of the most fashionable weddings ever held here. The bride's gown was the topic of conversation in society circles.

The gown was made of white satin in a modified directrice mode and is the creation of a Washington modiste. Mrs. Levi Z. Leiter, mother of the groom, presented her son with the Leiter mansion in Dupont circle, with all the valuable works of art.

Mexican Dog Show.

City of Mexico, June 10.—The first bench show of the Mexican Kennel club, postponed from May 28 at the urgent request of exhibitors, will be opened tomorrow. Owners of aristocratic canines in all parts of the republic have entered their dogs.

OREGON PLEDGED TO BACK BRYAN

J. D. SLATER ALTERNATE TO THE DENVER CONVENTION.

Oregon Democrats Adopt Platform Which Endorses Election of U. S. Senator By Popular Vote—Chamberlain Administration Endorsed—Touch Savings Banks—Many Planks in Platform—Full List of Delegates to Denver Gathering.

Portland, June 10.—(Special.)—Oregon's democratic delegation of six members are pledged to vote for and support W. J. Bryan at the national convention in Denver, as long as he is a candidate for the presidency, according to a platform adopted by the state convention here yesterday.

The platform indorses the initiative and referendum by which the direct primary law is enacted. One plank indorses popular election of United States senators.

Other features of the convention are the endorsement of the administration of Governor Geo. E. Chamberlain; recommended that the party establish a law for electing senators by the direct vote of the people; denounced extravagance of the postal service; urged the enactment by congress of an amendment to the interstate commerce act whereby the proposed advances in rates are not to become effective until the interstate commission can determine their reasonableness; recommended postal savings banks.

J. D. Slater an Alternate.

The delegates at large selected are: M. A. Miller of Linn county; R. D. Linn of Multnomah county; W. F. Matlock of Umatilla, and J. O. Booth of Josephine county.

The alternates are: Dr. H. L. Henderson of Clatsop; John Manning of Multnomah; James H. Boesman of Jackson; J. D. Slater of La Grande, Union county.

First congressional district delegates are Dan J. Fry of Marion county; L. M. Travis of Lane county.

The alternates: J. E. Hodmes of Clackamas county; Seth Riggs of Polk. The second congressional district delegates are D. M. Watson of Multnomah county; C. K. Henry of Multnomah.

Alternates: John C. Welch of Multnomah; George B. Cullison of Wasco.

Kentucky for Bryan.

Louisville, Ky., June 10.—Judging from the sentiment of early arrivals to attend the state convention tomorrow, the Kentucky delegation will be solid for Bryan, though some favorable mention of Governor Johnson is made, but his supporters are in the minority.

More Bryan Delegates.

Roswell, N. M., June 10.—The territorial democratic convention began here today with Bryan's chances of getting a pledged delegation for him, excellent. There seems to be no question but that the six delegates will be instructed to vote for him at Denver.

JOHNSON A FACTOR.

Montana Democrats Face Political Combat Over Bryan and Johnson.

Bozeman, Mont., June 10.—The democratic state convention opened here today with every prospect of a fight between Bryan and Johnson of Minnesota, for the delegation to the national convention. Bryan is strong among the democrats of the state, but one county is instructed for Johnson. It is Deer Lodge, wherein Anaconda is located, and is the stronghold of the Marcus Daly faction. Bryan has the support of Senator Clark's organ. The convention will select six delegates to Denver.

Tuxedo Horse Show.

New York, June 10.—Entries close today with Pierre Lorillard, Jr., for the annual exhibition of the Tuxedo Park Horse Show association at Tuxedo park, June 15 and 16. Numerous valuable cups, to be won outright, are offered by the association for this year's show.

NEW FEATURES IN THIS SERIES

WALLA WALLA COMING FROM BAKER TONIGHT.

Walla Walla Series With Locals Opens Tomorrow Afternoon at 3 O'clock, and Fans Will See Many New Features—New Left Fielder, New Team and New Umpire—Visitors Will Give First Glimpse at Washington Style of Ball Tossing.

The Walla Walla slabsters will arrive in La Grande tonight from Baker City and then opens a series in this city which will team with interest to local fans. Tomorrow at 3 o'clock La Grande will see several new features. One of them will be the Walla Walla team itself, which is new here. Another is Left Fielder Houston, and still another is Kosper in the umpire department. All this combined with the fact that La Grande has a fearful lead on the pennant racers, should attract a large crowd throughout the series here, which closes on Sunday afternoon.

Rooms have been reserved in the Smith rooming house for the visitors, and they will make their headquarters there while in the city.

GROOM STEALS RICH DAUGHTER

GOVERNOR OF UTAH IN A TERRIBLE STEW.

Excitement Rans High in Utah Today Over All-Night Search for Daughter of Governor Cutler—Fair Damsel Hopped on a Pony and Ran Away With Tony—Married by Mormon Elder in Ogden—Governor Overtakes Party But Comes Away "Stung."

Salt Lake, Utah, June 10.—An exciting scene was enacted this morning when Governor Cutler of Utah, after an all-night search with his son, found his daughter Mabel and her delivery wagon driver husband at a mountain resort, eight miles up the canyon from Idlewild. Cutler demanded his daughter leave her husband and return home but she refused. The governor and the groom, T. E. Butler, almost came to blows in the argument.

Mabel eloped last night with Butler, and the couple were married in Ogden by the janitor of the county court house, who is a Mormon elder. The governor was in pursuit within a few hours. He took the midnight train for Salt Lake, but learned there the couple had left for the mountains. The bride says she would rather live in a humble cottage with her husband than in a mansion without him.

FEAR ASSASSINATIONS.

Honolulu Koreans Act Dangerously and Plots Believed to Exist.

Honolulu, June 10.—Secret meetings of Koreans are exciting interest here, especially in the Japanese quarters, where it is felt that some sort of vengeance is being planned similar to that carried out in San Francisco when Diplomat Durham Stevens was assassinated. Local Koreans are in constant touch with San Francisco Koreans.

Big Issue of Bonds.

St. Louis, June 10.—Bids will be opened today for \$5,000,000 worth of municipal bonds, for delivery July 1, bearing 4 per cent interest. No bids for less than \$1990 were received. Two and a half millions of the money received from the sale of the bonds will be used in the erection of a new municipal building. A half million will be used for the free bridge across

the Mississippi. The city hospital will get \$800,000, and the balance will be used in improvements of the fire department, bridges, viaducts, highways and parks.

Scranton Dog Show.

Scranton, Pa., June 10.—A two days' dog show, the first annual event of the Anthracite Kennel club, was opened today and has attracted much attention among the fanciers of Pennsylvania and surrounding states.

New Mexico Democrats.

Roswell, N. M., June 10.—The New Mexico democratic territorial convention began here today, with every indication of the instruction of the six delegates for Bryan.

Gans Will Retire.

San Francisco, June 10.—Local sports are surprised by Joe Gans' statement that he will retire after his fight with Battling Nelson on July 4.

PREVENT FROST WITH OIL CANS

E. Z. CARBINE NOW INVESTIGATING SYSTEM.

Colorado Fruitgrowers Have Been Blessed With New Invention Which Prevents Damage to Orchards by Frosts—Set of Cans Burns Crude Oil and Thus Prevents Damage—Mr. Carbine is to Thoroughly Investigate the Scheme—May Be Adopted Here.

E. Z. Carbine has been investigating the practical points of a frost preventive in orchards, which has recently been invented at Grand Junction, Col. It is a can-shaped object which burns crude oil and a set of them placed in an orchard will, if ignited at the proper time, prevent freezing of fruits. The system has been generally adopted in the fruitgrowing districts of Colorado and Utah, and if Mr. Carbine finds them up to expectations as reports say, he will make it a point to lay in a store of them.

In Colorado, it is said, the cans have saved many acres and acres of orchards by timely lighting of a match to the oil cans.

Mr. Carbine left for Utah today and before returning will know the exact worth of the new machine, which may next year be the means of saving much money for Grande Ronde fruit-growers.

Spokane Woman Suicides.

San Francisco, June 10.—M. M. Nelson, thought to be from Spokane, was found dead in a room in the hotel St. Anthony today, the body sitting upright in a chair and a bullet through the head and a revolver clutched in her hand. On her person was \$165 found in her pockets and \$218 in gold strapped around her in a belt. She is about 40 years old and well dressed.

IT OUGHT 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

KANSAS CITY IS FLOOD STRICKEN

INUNDATION WORST SINCE MEMORABLE 1903 FLOODS.

Residents of Flooded Districts Flee With What Goods They Can Carry—Danger of Overflow From Missouri River is Also Great—Great Gaps in Dykes That Cannot Be Patched Up—Water Still Rising Over Flooded Section of the City.

Kansas City, June 10.—The worst flood conditions since the memorable inundation of 1903, prevail here today. The Kaw river has flooded the west bottoms, and people living in that part of the city are compelled to flee. Great excitement prevails and the water is still rising.

All night a patrol guarded the temporary dykes that were thrown up to meet the high water. At daybreak the water gained an upper hand and began pouring through a great gap in the dykes workmen were unable to repair. People fled with all the goods they could carry.

The Missouri river is also rising, but men are working to prevent a flood from that source.

MAGNATES ON AMICABLE TERMS

WESTERN PACIFIC TO BE PUSHED THROUGH.

Reported on Wall Street Today That Harriman and the Goulds Are on Friendly Terms and General Plans of Adjustment on Questionable Matters Are Now in Hands of Harriman—Has Some Effect on Proposed Railroad Extensions.

New York, June 10.—The chief topic on Wall street today is the reported amicable adjustment of the differences between the Gould and Harriman factions. It is understood that an agreement was effected just before George Gould departed for Europe, covering all disputed points between the two interests in the west. Gould retains possession of properties west of Pittsburg and will continue building the Western Pacific, but it is to be operated in harmony with Harriman lines. Under the agreement Gould is not able to carry out his plan for a great transcontinental line because it provides he is not to cross the Alleghenies with a western connection to join the Western Maryland line.