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"FAIR PLAY" IS CRY TO STOCKMEN

EVIDENCE OF FIGHT

OVER GRAZING LAWS.

Representative From Roosevelt Conveys Executive's Idea and Wishes Relative to National Issue That Centers on the Coast—Trans-Mississippi Congress Convened This Morning—Coast Delegates in the Majority Now.

San Francisco, Oct. 6.—"Go out there and tell the congress I believe in fair play." That is the message President Roosevelt gave William D. Wheeler, assistant secretary of the department of commerce and labor, to deliver today to the Trans-Mississippi congress. Wheeler arrived this morning.

The delegates are confronted with the fact that western stockmen are aggrieved at the curtailment of grazing lands, and claim they face ruin through discrimination favoring the agriculturists. These complaints reached Roosevelt and prompted the above quotation.

Explaining Roosevelt's attitude Mr. Wheeler said:

"President Roosevelt's idea is one that propositions must be accepted as best for the good of the cause, either these reasons must degenerate into a kind of pink tea affair in which speakers vie with each other in hurling sweetly-scented bouquets, or else they must be forums in which every man may speak his mind with perfect freedom—whether it be heavy with real or fancied troubles or tranquil and content with the administration as it stands. This is by no means to be understood as an intimation that the president assumes the protestants' rights. It is simply the old principle of fair play. Let a fight be made and the deserving win. That's Roosevelt's idea. Let no consideration weigh against a full and fair hearing of every protest. That's what Roosevelt desires."

Fight is Apparent.

With the Pacific coast delegations and their demands in the majority, there is every prospect for a bitter fight on the forestry service, a demand for more guns on the coast defense, and a fight for the demand for the next national democratic and republican conventions, the Trans-Mississippi congress convened this morning. It was called to order by Arthur R. Briggs, vice-president of California. Fifteen hundred delegates are seated.

NORTH POWDER DEPOT.

Large Structure Commenced Today to Replace One Burned.

North Powder, Oct. 6.—(Special.)—The O. R. & N. today commenced the construction of a new depot to replace the one destroyed by fire some time ago. The new structure is to be 20x 50 feet and two stories high. The crew of men at work is sufficient to mean prompt completion of the building.

NEW LIGHT ON REBATE PROVISIO

FEDERAL COURTS GIVEN UNHEARD OF POWER IN RATE CASE

Los Angeles, Oct. 6.—Judge Wellborn, of the United States district court, has established a precedent by orally deciding in the federal courts to have jurisdiction in rebate cases where the offense charged was committed within the borders of one state. He ruled the alleged payment by the Southern Pacific to the Pennsylvania Fruit company of money expended by the latter in hauling fruit to freight houses, was a matter within the provisions of the interstate commerce act. The indictment charged the fruit company with accepting a rebate from the Southern Pacific for hauling oranges from Arlington to Riverside.

WHEELS GOING AROUND.

La Grande Iron Works Busy With Rushing Fall Work.

The La Grande Iron works is busy with fall orders. It is making 2500 iron braces for the power line which the Grande Ronde Electric company is constructing from Union to Rock creek, near Haines. Each brace has two holes in it, making 5000 in all, to be punched.

Two large wheels, technically called pulleys, have just been made for the Palmer Lumber company's box factory and a 50-ton barley chopper is being built for Mr. Bryant of Summerville. Mr. Fitzgerald believes he has one of the best feed choppers on the market, and he says he will never change his belief until he finds a better mill, and when he does, he will manufacture it.

Feed Stock Here.

A trainload of stock from Nampa to Tacoma, was held in the city today, while the cattle were fed at the stock yards.

More Coal for O. R. & N.

Another consignment of coal reached the city this morning for O. R. & N. supply. Local dealers are still without the fuel.

LITERATURE ON COUNTY ARRIVES

PEN AND CAMERA STORIES

IN 32-PAGE BOOKLETS.

After Weeks of Time and When Boost Club is Swamped With Letters Seeking Information, Booklets Arrive—Splendid Affair, Teeming With Cuts and Conservative Reading.—Will Be Sent Out by Club to Those Asking for Information.

Fifteen hundred copies of the order for several thousand 32-page booklets to be used by the commercial club for advertising purposes, reached the city this morning and today the enormous stack of letters that have been held by the secretary's office in the Commercial club, were answered. Rather, the office commenced to answer them. For the past two months the club has been forced to write letters of some length, to send papers or anything else they could lay their hands on. Now the club can send out the attractive booklets that tell the story conservatively and effectively. The workmanship is excellent and the material first-class. From cover to cover there is crammed facts and figures that do not lie, and to aid matters, photographs that never did lie, are freely interspersed with the reading matter, to make the booklets of high value.

The process which the club will use to distribute the booklets is well calculated and destined to bring the very best results. The others of the order will be sent soon.

WAR CLOUDS HAVE BEEN BLOWN AWAY TEMPORARILY

SULTAN DECIDES TO POSTPONE DECLARATION

Following Advice of Eastern Powers, Sultan Delays War on Bulgaria—Natives of Bulgaria Think Independence Assured and Celebrate—Hold Conference.

Paris, Oct. 6.—Heeding the advice of France and England, the sultan of Turkey today announced he had decided to postpone a declaration of war against Bulgaria, pending a conference with the powers.

The postponement of the declaration of war is believed to mark a great turn for the better in the situation, and is already considerable relief. All disinterested powers except Germany agreed to the call for a conference.

High Elation in Sofia.

Sofia, Bulgaria, Oct. 6.—The permanent Bulgarian independence is regarded as assured today throughout the country. The event is wildly celebrated everywhere. A great crowd paraded the streets. The populace is indulging in revelry, speechmaking and music. It is expected the czar, Ferdinand, will make a special declaration of independence at the Philippopolis within the day.

Shoots Wife and Suicides.

San Francisco, Oct. 6.—In view of 100 persons, William Peterson, a tailor, shot his wife four times and killed himself on the street here today. Peters met his wife on the street and holding her by one hand, he fired with the other. The woman broke away, falling on the ground. Peters then took effect. She is in the hospital in a critical condition.

Train Late Again.

The Wallowa train continues to arrive on impracticable schedules. Last night the mixed train did not arrive until after 8 o'clock. It has been on time but seldom since it was put into service.

WATER REQUIRED BY POTATO FIELDS

CROP IN THE VALLEY IS

FIFTY PER CENT SHORT.

Where Seventy Carloads Were Grown Last Year, Thirty Will Include All This Year's Crop—Market Price is Not Established, But One Price is Quoted at 75 Cents—Urgent Need of Irrigation in This Coming Phase of Local Farming.

The potato harvest is about to be launched in this valley, and the fact is now well known that the entire crop will be less than half of what it was last year. In the Imbler vicinity lack of water has reduced the crop to approximately 30 carloads, where last year 70 were shipped out. This same ratio holds good over all parts of the valley. What the potato growers need is water—water in a regular manner such as irrigation will afford.

A Coming Staple.

Potatoes are rapidly forging to the front and will soon be classed along with the apple and grain products of the valley. A few years ago potatoes were raised, not as a principal crop on any ranch, but as a side issue. Now it is different for, as was demonstrated last year, there is enormous profit in raising "spuds" in this valley. But it is impossible to do it along extensive scales without irrigation. Imbler is considered to rank as one of the best potato producing sections of the valley and what is done there in

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MORRISON JURY PICKED AND CASE PROGRESSES

FOUR REPORTS FROM THE GRAND JURY MADE TODAY.

Twelve Men Selected to Hear Evidence in Noted Morrison Case—Witnesses Called Late in the Afternoon—Several Cases Have Been Disposed of Already.

A jury has been secured in the Morrison escheat case and late this afternoon the case went to trial. The day was spent in securing a jury, and being successful during the afternoon, the state and defense each presented its arguments. At 3:30 the first witness was called.

True Bills Reported.

Four true bills have been returned by the grand jury late today, though only two have been made public as yet. One of these is an indictment against Lewis, who was arrested recently, charged with stealing liquor from a box car in the local yards. The other is against Frank Ross and Geo. Evans, charged with stealing \$40 from John Henderson of Elgin.

The Morrison Jury.

In the Morrison case, the following men will hear the evidence to be adduced in the most sensational and far-reaching case that has been tried in circuit court for several years: Henry Weymair, J. B. Wolfe, W. B. Butterfield, Frank Zurbrugg, G. W. Allen, Samuel Parker, Harry U. Meyers, A. H. Parsons, S. M. Haynes, W. A. Ogden, Earl Jones and W. R. Hamilton.

Cases Disposed of.

The following cases have been disposed of since the court convened: Farmers Meat Co. vs. Minnie Johnson, dismissed. Marshall Wells Co. vs. B. F. Webb, settled and dismissed. D. Fitzgerald vs. Henry Cochran, settled and dismissed. C. E. Cochran vs. Central Railroad of Oregon, demurrer overruled and defendant given until October 20 to

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DISPUTED GAME SETTLED.

Cincinnati, O., Oct. 6.—The board of directors of the National league, today declared the disputed New York-Chicago game a tie, upholding the decision of the umpires. This means the game will be played over on the New York grounds if the New Yorkers so desire.

TRUST BUSTER IN LIMELIGHT

ATTORNEY KELLOGG IS CHARGED WITH COMPLICITY

Latest Gun From Democratic Ranks is Charge Against World—Renowned Trust Buster Kellogg Said to Have Been Affiliated With Several Trusts While Fighting the Standard Oil and Other Trusts—Charge Comes From Minnesota.

Chicago, Oct. 6.—Frank Kellogg, President Roosevelt's chief trust buster, is the object of a severe attack by the democratic national committee, charging Kellogg that while acting as the government's chief counsel in the suits against the Standard Oil company, he was the Minnesota attorney for the steel, beef and sleeping car trusts, the express companies, J. J. Hill and other interests.

George S. Loftus, of St. Paul, commissioner of the Minnesota Shippers & Receivers' association, is named as authority for the statement. It is alleged that in 1907 Kellogg assumed charge of the forces of the steel trust in the battle to bring about the destruction of labor unions on the Duluth Iron Range railroad.

Men Plead Guilty.

Thomas Moffatt and Van Goodlin, indicted by the grand jury on the charge of selling liquor contrary to the local option law, changed their plea of not guilty to guilty on two indictments each, this afternoon, and will be sentenced Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock, says the Pendleton East Oregonian.

It is understood that a compromise has been agreed upon, whereby pleading guilty to two counts, the defendants will be permitted to pay a fine for the first offense and will have their jail sentences suspended during good behavior. The other cases will be held over them.

What will be the final disposition of the cases against the remainder of the defendants is hard to determine at this time as it seems neither the attorneys nor their clients have reached decisions or can agree. Indeed, the two men who entered pleas of guilty this afternoon, did so without consulting their attorneys, which fact caused a mix-up and considerable delay in court proceedings this afternoon. The attorneys in the case were Raley, Richards & Raley.

Some of the other defendants have declared they will fight the cases rather than plead guilty, even if it costs them every cent they have. It is therefore probable that some long drawn out legal battles will be waged in the circuit court and state courts.

THAT'S AT FERGUSON'S.

OCT. SCHOOL APPORTIONMENT LARGE

Seventeen thousand, six hundred and sixty-six dollars and sixty cents is the October apportionment for Union county schools, making a per capita apportionment of approximately \$3 for the year. This is the second apportionment for the year, the first being made last April when practically the same sum as that apportioned by County Superintendent E. E. Bragg today, was distributed. This lucrative sum of money to promote and carry on the schools is such that it places the county of Union under the tenth in the state in amount received.

The October apportionment comes mainly from the state funds, while the spring apportionment is generally made up in largest portion from the county funds, for at that time the taxes are being paid in greater quantities than now.

Included in this sum of money is the work of apportioning to each respective school its quota of the amount. The work requires close figuring and voluminous work, hence the superintendent's office has been an extremely busy one today.

AFTER TWELVE YEARS,

Former Resident Returns—Did Not Like the La Grande of Today.

J. H. Callender, who left La Grande in 1896, when times were the hardest that ever struck this valley, returned last night after an absence of 12 years. He could not realize the changes the city had undergone during that period.

He tried to find the house he occupied but it had been changed into a modern cottage since then. Mr. Callender has lived in many places since leaving La Grande, but while having been quite successful financially, he believes he made a mistake by leaving

SUGAR FACTORY OPENS ON THURSDAY

Contrary to general plans, the Amalgamated sugar factory will not start until Thursday morning, instead of Wednesday morning as planned thus far in the week. The second delay is occasioned by an accident yesterday afternoon at the factory during the preparatory work, that did no damage to the workmen about, but has proven costly in delay and repair expense. An 8-inch steam main, which is the principal one of its kind in the factory, burst during the try-out and test. Fortunately no one was

THREE FIRES IN BAKER.

Full Sanitarium, Old Creamery Plant and Two Barns Burn.

L. H. Russell returned this morning from Baker City. Last evening or early this morning three fires destroyed the full sanitarium, the old creamery plant and two barns. Three fires

to give the fire boys about all the exercise they need within any one given 24 hours.

Funeral Today.

The funeral services over the remains of the little son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Miles, was held this afternoon from Central Church of Christ, Rev. O. H. King officiating. The interment took place at the cemetery.