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GIVE VON BUELOW ALL THE REINS

PROMINENT CHANCELLOR GAINS ADDITIONAL HONORS.

Delivers Remarkable Speech in German Parliament on Additional Naval and Military Taxation—Strongly Opposing Allowing Now Noted Solon Full Control of Affairs to Build Up the Shattered Forces of Germany—Would Be High Honor.

Berlin, Nov. 19.—Urging increased taxation for enlargement of naval and military equipment, Chancellor Von Buelow, who exacted a promise from the kaiser that the latter will limit his imperial power, today made one of the most remarkable speeches ever delivered in the German parliament. He made a vigorous address supporting his eight finance bills that faced defeat because of the dispute between the chancellor, reichstag and the emperor.

"Germany is unpopular among the other nations of Europe, he declared. "The only way to regain lost prestige is by uplifting the military and naval forces. Our financial system is the weakest point."

There is a strong sentiment among the members to give the chancellor a free hand and allow him to rebuild the forces.

SMOKES FEWER "WEEDS" NOW

PRESIDENT'S DAUGHTER HAS REFORMED GREATLY RECENTLY

Des Moines, Nov. 19.—Congressman Nicholas Longworth has worked a great reformation in the character of his wife—the president's daughter—according to a statement made last night by Dr. L. B. Sperry, before the Y. M. C. A. "Longworth told a friend of mine recently," said Sperry, "that he succeeded in reducing the number of cigarettes smoked by his wife from 40 to 20, daily."

Profitable Crops.

Lands around Freewater and Milton, in the northeastern part of Umatilla county, that 10 years ago were worth only \$5 to \$10 an acre, are now selling at from \$300 to \$1000 an acre. What has happened? Only that people have discovered how to use the land, and to use available water on it. Several men there made from \$300 to \$400 an acre this year raising strawberries and peaches. Many others made over \$200 an acre by producing various kinds of fruit and vegetables. A man doesn't need many acres of such land to make a living and lay up a surplus.

The land where these results are being obtained is a wide bottom, part of it of coarse gravel, along the Walla Walla river, but the fruit-growing area is expanding out onto the adjacent lands, where for many years big crops of wheat have been produced, and that cannot be irrigated. Valuable as this land is for wheat, much of it promises to become far more valuable for fruit. So in various localities in eastern Oregon, like the Freewater and Milton districts, and the Grande Ronde valley, in Union county, besides Hood River valley and The Dalles district, and in southern Oregon, and in the Willamette valley, great development of the fruit industry is taking place, and there will be greater development still, from year to year. Oregon can be, and at last bids fair to become, the best fruit state in the union.—Exchange.

DESPONDENT AT POVERTY.

Young Bridegroom Dresses in Bride's Finery and Suicides.

Kansas City, Nov. 19.—Despondent because he is unable to pay for the girl he married two months ago, Gordon Kyle, aged 24, dressed himself in his bride's party clothes, made a noose from two of her hair ribbons and strangled himself to death last night. He was attired in all her finery, excepting shoes and hat, when found dead at the bed post.

WILL RETIRE CERTIFICATES

ONE-YEAR-OLD TREASURY CERTIFICATES MATURE FRIDAY

Washington, Nov. 19.—In accordance with the announcement of Secretary Cortelyou, the one-year 2 percent treasury certificates will mature and cease to bear interest tomorrow.

National banks desiring to maintain their circulation secured by those certificates, must furnish other United States bonds not later than tomorrow. National banks may retire their circulation by authorizing the redemption of the certificates and the application of so much of the proceeds as may be necessary to the retirement of circulation based thereon.

It is understood that this action does not involve any immediate call on national banks for the return to the treasury of any part of their present holdings of government deposits. Owing to the redundancy of currency, many of the banks now having treasury certificates on deposit to secure circulation will retire so much of their circulation as is thus secured. This will relieve the secretary from the necessity of paying out any considerable sum of money at this time.

Belated Honors for Hero.

Paducah, Ky., Nov. 19.—Today is the 156th anniversary of the birth of one of America's most heroic men, General George Rogers Clark, who unfurled the first American flag in Illinois and was largely responsible for making the great northwest an American territory. Dying in poverty and want, the great soldier was forgotten for nearly a century. A few years ago a movement was inaugurated to rescue from obscurity the name and fame of the almost forgotten hero, and this patriotic project had its culmination this month in the dedication of a handsome monument at Fort Mifflin, near Metropolis, Ill. Some of the most notable events of American history centered about this old military post. It was here, according to history, that Aaron Burr plotted his treason.

Evans to Live in Bay State.

Los Angeles, Cal., Nov. 19.—M. J. Arkell, an assistant to the president of the Los Angeles Harbor company, today announced that "Fighting Bob" Evans will make Los Angeles his future home. Evans yesterday was elected chairman of the board of directors of the Harbor company, which is planning extensive improvements about the San Pedro harbor.

Ascertaining Defalcations.

San Francisco Swindler's Action Being Investigated.

San Francisco, Nov. 19.—Experts are working on the books of the Merchants' association to ascertain the extent of the alleged defalcation of Frank W. Smithson, cashier and confidential man of the association. It is known the \$3000 are missing and the amount may reach \$10,000.

Confiscate Opium Shipment.

Manila, Nov. 19.—An opium smuggling plot was thwarted today when 193 cases of the drug were discovered in barrels supposed to contain cement. The barrels were a part of a shipment from China to Corregidor island. The opium was confiscated.

BUYING STANDARD OIL WELL DRILL

MANAGER OF M. G. & O. IS IN PORTLAND MAKING BUY.

Mammoth Oil & Gas Company, With Many Shareholders in La Grande, Will Have a Standard Drill on Oil Fields at Vale in 20 Days—Manager Davidson is in Portland Today—Will Hurry Work From Now on, Say Officials.

The Mammoth Oil & Gas company will have a standard drill on its holdings near Vale within 20 days, according to announcement made by La Grande men who are heavily interested financially in the new company doing preliminary operation work at the scene of the oil developments in the Vale section.

Buying Drill This Week.

Manager T. W. Davidson of Union, who is the managing head of the company, passed through this city last evening en route to Portland, where he will buy a standard drill and have it erected on the company's claims within 20 days if possible. The company is very fortunate in its purchase, for it has an option on a drill at Portland which has been used slightly, but is as good as new. The option will consummate in final purchase today, when Mr. Davidson reaches the metropolis.

Signal for Activity.

Renewed activity will follow the arrival and erection of the derrick on the property. Mr. Davidson is anxious to carry out the instructions of the directors in hurrying the work as rapidly as possible. The purchase being consummated in Portland this week is one indication that the company is intent on making every possible haste in its development work.

La Grande is largely interested in this company, many local men holding stock. There is a lively sale of shares at 15 cents a share, much of which is being taken by those already interested, and still more by new parties.

To Publish Memoirs.

Berlin, Nov. 19.—The kaiser's court is in a state of uncomfortable apprehension today following the announcement of Prince Philip Zuelenberg, that he is preparing an elaborate book of memoirs to be published after his death. For the safety of the monarch, completed thus far, it will be sent abroad. A number of letters from the kaiser are said to appear in the book.

Swindler Adjudged Bankrupt.

San Francisco, Nov. 19.—James E. Swadwell, who is facing trial on a charge of embezzling securities on the California Safe Deposit & Trust company, of which he is a director, was adjudged bankrupt on the complaint of Daniel O'Connell, representing various depositors who claim Swadwell is transferring property to his wife.

Has New Band Organ.

Messrs. Huntlock & Matlock, the new proprietors of the skating rink, have installed a new band organ that can be heard several blocks. It will supply splendid music for skaters.

CREDITORS OF J. W. SCRIBER WILL MEET TO SELECT TRUSTEE

Tomorrow is the appointed time of the meeting of creditors of the J. W. Scriber bankrupt estate. At this time it is expected that a trustee will be selected. Mr. Scriber wrote the referee in bankruptcy that he did not have the means to pay car fare from Portland and return, and that he could not be present. At the meeting tomorrow it is quite probable that

HAAS INQUEST HAS COMMENCED

ATTORNEYS PULL OFF LIVELY VERBAL TILT.

Inquest to Determine Responsibility for Suicide of Morris Haas, Was Started Today—Coroner Will Demonstrate Practicability of Carrying a Derringer in Shoe Tops of the Dead Man—Defense is Sparring for Time, It is Charged.

San Francisco, Nov. 19.—Bitter personalities between Attorney Ach and the attorneys for the prosecution marked the beginning of the Abe Ruef trial today. The wrangle was cut short by Judge Lawler who declared he would take some measure to prevent a recurrence. The quarrel arose over the questions propounded to James Gallagher, chief of the hooding board of supervisors, as to the details of signing the immunity contract between Rudolph Spreckles and the members of the hooding board.

Attorneys in Lively Tilt.

Attorney Johnson, for the prosecution, objected to Ach delaying the trial by repeating his questions. Ach replied he was saving time. "That is like Satan rebuking stn," declared Johnson.

"We can show that the very question just asked was answered five minutes ago. We can show that the counsel asked such question time and again for the very purpose of delaying the trial—dishonorably, we think."

"I take exception to the remarks of the special counsel," stammered Ach. The ire of Attorney Sullivan, for the people, was aroused and he declared:

"While we are on this subject we object to being designated by the opposing counsel as 'special counsel.' We are here for the people of the state, and if the counsel insists upon making personal remarks I suggest that the court administer a little contempt medicine."

Here the court declared that no more personalities would be tolerated. The condition of Francis J. Heney is much improved today.

Inquest is Now On.

The coroner's inquest to fix the responsibility for the suicide of Morris Haas, who shot Heney, has begun. It is the theory of the police that Haas had a Derringer pistol with which he committed suicide when he shot Heney. Deputy Coroner Tom Davis will put on the shoe of the dead man to determine whether it was possible for Haas to carry the pistol in the top of his shoe.

Officers Expect Trouble.

Manila, Nov. 19.—It is believed here that Admiral Harbor, commanding the United States Philippine squadron, has received information direct from Peking, causing him to expect trouble, necessitating the presence of American vessels in Chinese waters. It is thought the officers will continue to hold their feet in readiness awaiting developments.

EXPOSITION BUYS BOAT.

Fastest Steamer in Fruit Service in Atlantic Coming West.

Seattle, Nov. 19.—It was announced today that the steamer Admiral Sampson, one of the largest and fastest steamers of the United Fruit company of the Atlantic, will be brought around the horn to run between Seattle and San Francisco early next year. The vessel was purchased by H. F. Alexander, president of the Yukon exposition.

NORTH POWDER TO HAVE LIGHTS

INSULATORS BEING ATTACHED AND NEW POWER SOURCE SOON

When the night came on in the mountains between North Powder and Union today it found a crew of men at a spot four miles from North Powder toward Union, and to that spot the three heavy conveying wires are ready for service by the Grande Ronde Electric company from the Rock Creek plant. The wires have been strung for some time, but it is only this week that the final work is being done—placing the insulators. The work was commenced at the Rock Creek plant and the men are working towards Union rapidly, planning on reaching their destination next Wednesday.

Sub-Station at North Powder.

Contractor J. J. Clancy leaves tomorrow morning for North Powder, where he will construct a sub-station similar to the one at Union. He will have it ready for occupancy by December 1. While he is at work on that phase of the work another crew will have wired North Powder in detail and when the company desires, it will turn the switch at Rock Creek, electricity that will illuminate North Powder brilliantly.

A La Grande Surplus Supply.

North Powder will depend entirely on the Rock Creek plant for its light. Union and La Grande, with its subsidiary stations, will not be in that category. Morgan Lake and the Cove plant will be held in service as long as possible, but when sufficient power is not at hand, the mountain power will be hatched on at Union and the same voltage that is now obtainable at North Powder, will be sent through the wires that form the La Grande network. Prolonged darkness is practically out of the question in this section of the county.

Relative Locations.

There is some obscurity generally, as to the location of the plants that hereafter will light North Powder and be emergency power for La Grande. Olive lake, or what was formerly Desolation lake, is hid away in the high mountains between here and Baker City, and the company on the project there has a 1280 foot head, the largest in this section of the northwest. The company, aside from supplying the Red Boy and other mines, has a wire to Burns, about half way between the two points, another plant, known as the Rock creek plant, is located. It is at the junction of the two mountain streams. From this point is where the Grande Ronde electric built its line to Union town. The distance is 28 miles and the route followed by the conveying wires is directly through North Powder. One reason for the officials being positive of no future light famine is that the local company has both the Rock Creek and Olive lake plants to draw from.

STOP THE FIRST COUGH

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OLD OIL KING ADMITS SINNING

TELLS COMMISSIONERS HOW HE BUILT UP HUGE MACHINE.

Great Crowds Hear John D. Rockefeller Tell the Commission in Dissolution Suit, How He Took Money From Pennsylvania Railroad as Rebates—Goes Over the Facts of Organizing Crude Oil Producers Into a Monumental Trust.

New York, Nov. 19.—Rockefeller created a sensation in the federal court today by admitting that he formerly accepted rebates from the Pennsylvania railroad.

He carefully explained the record of expansion and absorption and development. He told how, under the direction of his iron hand the most marvelous business machine of modern times was built.

New York, Nov. 19.—It was necessary for a larger room to accommodate the curious ones when the examination of John D. Rockefeller was resumed today in the suit to dissolve the Standard Oil company of New Jersey.

Attorney Milburn, for the trust, asked Rockefeller if the uncertainty of the cost of raw material had any bearing on the expansion of the Standard Oil, and he replied: "It certainly did. It exerted a great influence then, and still has an important bearing."

Reviews Early Operations.

Rockefeller explained the association of refiners was organized for the purpose of conserving the supply of crude oil. He explained that in 1872 the need of a better understanding among the producers of crude oil resulted in the formation of an agreement for the purpose of insuring a higher price for the crude oil, thus maintaining stability of markets. He said it had the effect of preventing "overproduction" of raw material. He could not recall the number of producers represented in the agreement, but was sure there was a "very respectable majority."

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