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THOUSANDS AT FLATHEAD FILING

MISSOULA LIKE ARMY CITY

FIFTY THOUSAND FILINGS

EVERYTHING IN READINESS FOR
OPENING TOMORROW.

LITTLE GIRL TO DRAW THE LOTS

Flathead Indian Land Opening Attracts Great Hordes.

MISSOULA, July 14.—At least 5000 strangers are lodged in the hotels and rooming houses of this city today in anticipation of opening to filing on the Flathead Indian reservation lands tomorrow. It is expected that 50,000 will register.

Lands comprise 750,000 acres, all told. After the registration a drawing will be conducted by a committee appointed by the government. Miss Christie Donlan, aged 12, and the daughter of Senator Donlan, will be officially chosen to draw the allotments.

Still Coming Too.
Every train brings hundreds of persons. Already tents are pitched in vacant lots.

By Thursday the place will resemble an army encampment. Temporary buildings have been erected as sleeping quarters. By special order the city administration has issued a mandate restricting operations of fakery during the registration period. Special deputies have been added to the force under Sheriff Graham.

VON BUELOW QUITS POLITICS

HE SHEDS TEARS WHEN HE LEAVES

Kaiser Appoints Successor to Famous Statesman.

BERLIN, July 14.—Chancellor Von Bulow today formally tendered his resignation to the Kaiser, who

promptly accepted it, and appointed Dr. Von Betham Hollweg, present vice chancellor, as his successor. Tears were rolling down Buelow's cheeks when he entered the Imperial audience and handed the resignation to the Kaiser, who was dressed as a field marshal. The Kaiser broke convention and grasped the retiring chancellor by the hand, and said: "Berhard, you have always served me well and faithfully; we have always been friends."

The Emperor arrived here early this morning from Kiel City, and took a holiday. The streets are thronged with people eager to get a glimpse of Von Buelow as he drove from his home to the palace.

WILL BRING JOHNSON.

Will Bring Gov. Johnson to Seattle on Swedish Day.

SEATTLE, July 14.—Armed with a document purporting to be requisition papers signed by President Chibberg, of the exposition, the Swedish Vice Consul, Andrew Chibberg, is today en route to St. Paul to bring Gov. John Johnson to attend the Swedish day celebration July 31, when 50,000 Swedes will be present. Johnson is now ill as a result of an operation for appendicitis.

ISOLATED TRACT BREAKS RECORD

EIGHT DOLLARS AND A QUARTER
FOR POOR LAND.

Sheepmen's Animosity Pushes Price to Exceptional Point.

Animosity between Heppner sheepmen was nickels and dimes for Uncle Sam and amusement for bystanders this morning when an isolated tract sale at the local land office doorstop brought a record breaking price. Land for grazing purposes usually sells for \$1.25 or \$1.50 per acre, but due to rivalry between two Heppner sheepmen, 40 acres of isolated land this morning brought the enormous price of \$8.25, and the land in question is poor grazing at that. D. O. Justus had advertised for a particular tract which lies in D. McCulough's territory, as is often done between sheepmen, but the latter was advised of the sale and this morning appeared at the door of the land office when the sale was opened on the "bid in" plan.

Glaring at each other in right royal manner, ferocity and chagrined at the rapidly increasing prices, the two men continued to raise the bet. Finally the 40 acres were knocked down to McCulough for \$8.25, an exceptionally high price.

Rains did great good throughout the Willamette valley.

COMMITTEE TO ENGINEER FAIR

HOLD FAIR ON STREETS

EXECUTIVE MEETING SOON

HARMONY IS SUPPORT OF EVERY
MOVE MADE.

GRANDY LOTS IS LIKELY SIGHT

Hustle For Arrangement of Details Already Noticeable.

The Executive Committee.
President Collier today appointed the following executive committee to control and engineer the district fair which was ordered held on the streets of La Grande, this fall at the meeting last evening: Mac Wood, C. S. Dunn, George H. Currey, William Miller, William B. Sargent, William Ash and J. E. Reynolds.

With the Commercial club and the Fair Commission working hand in hand, the citizens of La Grande guaranteeing the expense of the affair and everybody boosting with spirit, the district fair next fall promises to be the best one ever attempted in Eastern Oregon, and certainly the best held in Union county.

At last night's meeting of the Commercial club board it was definitely settled that the next fair will be held on the streets of La Grande. While no definite street was decided on, it will probably be at the corner of Grandy and Oak. At this place the whole of block 9, Grandy addition will be available and B. W. Grandy, the owner has made a liberal offer to the club and in all probabilities at the meeting of the committee tonight, this place will be decided upon.

This place is in a very desirable location with nothing that will hinder the handling of the stock and exhibits and is very easy for the visitors to reach. It is five blocks from the postoffice.

Several of the prominent citizens of La Grande have expressed their willingness to guarantee the expenses of the fair should the attendance be too small which is not very likely.

The committee appointed last night to select the place will probably meet today and decide and then nothing will stand in the way of a district fair that will break all records in this section.

ATTEND FAIR FREE.

Crowd go Through Tunnel to Exposition Grounds.

SEATTLE, July 14.—Beating the exposition out of several hundreds of dollars admissions daily, the employees on the North Trunk sewer completed through the grounds, with friends and relatives have been entering the fair through a capacious tunnel of the new sewer up the manhole. The secret passage was discovered yesterday. For some time, men and women have been seen coming from the north east section of the grounds brushing dirt from their clothes.

Other entrances to the tunnel outside of the grounds are from the University Campus. It is said to have been freely used by several members of the fraternity houses.

W. C. T. U. to Meet.

The W. C. T. U. will meet tomorrow promptly at 2:30 at the home of Mrs. C. R. Thornton at the corner of Main and Cedar street. All members are urged to be present.

FIERCE STRUGGLE IN THE FAR EAST

WAR CLOUD IS OMINOUS

HUNDREDS KILLED TODAY

WAR BETWEEN TURKEY AND
GREECE PROBABLE.

GREEK ARMY MOBILIZING ALREADY

Troops Pouring Into Salonica From Remote Sections.

TEHERAN, Persia, July 14.—Cannonading today resulted in the heaviest losses in both the Royalist and Nationalist armies since the rebels stormed this city early yesterday. Hundreds of soldiers killed, and fighting is still on. Rebels stormed barricades which is the last hope of the Royalists.

Rebels are determined to overthrow the Shah, and re-establish the constitution. The trouble is the result of the withdrawal of the constitution granted by the ruler when he ascended the throne.

Declaration of War Expected.

Declaration of war against Turkey by Greece is momentarily expected, and troops are being mobilized by both nations. The immediate cause is the result of a recent order issued at Constantinople for the troops to drive all Greeks off the Turkish frontier.

Greeks made a formal complaint to their King, the result was a secret order to mobilize the Greek army. This was discovered by the Turkish government, and similar precautions were taken here. The troops are pouring into Salonica from every part of Turkey.

ST. HELEN'S CASE SENT TO TRIAL

BLOODY AX AN EXHIBIT IN THE
COURT.

Defense in Noted Murder Trial Will
Prove an Alibi.

ST. HELENS, Oregon, July 14.—In the presence of the bloody axe said to have been the instrument with which Robert Livingstone, aged 62, was murdered at Goble, last December, the jury began hearing the evidence in the sensational trial at 11 this morning. Assistant District Attorney Miller made a plain statement.

W. H. Abel, for the defense, declared he would prove George T. Murgatroy, the defendant at Astoria, was working at an oyster house at the time of the murder, and was there seven days after.

I. H. Bross, a section foreman, who found the body, was the first witness. The blood bespattered cabin where Livingstone lived, and was murdered was described. 40 witnesses will be examined.

The witness detailed the occurrence of the night and forenoon of the fatal day when the little town of Goble was shocked over the awful tragedy. Livingstone had lived many years in the cabin, and was respected by all who knew him. His body was found lying in a pool of blood

that the grain sack would hardly cover. Details of the circumstances of the killing occupied the time of the jury until the noon recess.

ROMANCE IN COURT.

WEISER, July 12.—The case of Edward W. Lang, charged with perjury occupied the attention of the court all day Saturday. Lang lived at Durkee, Oregon. He was engaged to a young lady of that place by the name of Leonora Crisp. Her parents objected to Lang and forbade him to come to the house. The young lady was not of age. They had arranged to elope as soon as she was of age. On May 30 she told Lang that she was now 18 years of age and they could now marry. He consented and the next day they ran away and came to Weiser where they were married by Probate Judge Ayers. Lang was compelled to dispose of a saddle and bridle in order to secure money to pay his bride's expenses to Weiser, and the expenses of the wedding. He procured a marriage license and swore the girl was 18 years of age.

The day following the wedding a brother of the bride appeared in Weiser and made a charge against Lang with perjury, charging the girl was under age and that Lang knew it. Lang was arrested and bound over to the district court. He was held in jail until he could secure bonds. He testified in court yesterday that his wife asked him to marry her, that he never proposed to her. She said: When I am 18 years of age we shall get married. When she told him she was of age he testified that he knew nothing of the contrary, as he had never asked her when she would be of age. The jury appeared to take the ground that he had been tempted like Adam of old, and acquitted him.

Building Site Purchased.

The federal building site at the corner of Alta and Garden streets has been formally accepted by the treasury department and the money for the property is now upon the way to Pendleton.

NORWEGIAN SHIP WRECKED.

Captain And His Family And Fifteen of Crew Is Drowned.

LONDON, July 14.—The Norwegian bark Errol is a total wreck on Middleton reef. The Captain, wife and children, and fifteen members of the crew was drowned, according to a report issued today by Lloyds agency.

Birth Record.

Born, in Baker City, July 11, 1909, to Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Sheet, a son.

EX-MAYOR LAW CASE DISMISSED FOR LACK OF GOOD EVIDENCE

IS A DUCK A DUCK OR A MUDHEN IS LEGAL TANGLE

NEW FEATURE TURNS UP IN PRATT-WOLEE FINES

UNION, July 14.—(Special)—"Is a mudhen a duck, or is a duck a mudhen, or what is a mudhen?" is a point in birdology which Justice Maxwell was called upon to decide this morning when Ex-Mayor Law was put to trial on a charge of shooting duck out of season.

Joe Jolly was the first witness called by the state. He testified that he had seen Mr. Law, the defendant, on one side of the lake in question, and the defendant's son on the other. He heard shots fired and saw something resembling a muskrat rather than a duck. Mr. Jolly's son gave the same insufficient evidence as his father.

C. H. McCorckle was the second, and a more important witness. He saw Law's son shoot at a mudhen in a pond with a rifle, as he noticed the water splash. The law

ORDERS LUMBER YARDS REMOVED

NORTH SIDE IS WINNER

YARDS MUST BE MOVED

SUPREME COURT HOLDS FARMERS
MUST HAVE ROAD.

LOWER COURT UPHELD BY DECREE

Vacation of County Road For Yard Purpose Set Aside.

"We might as well dismantle our mill as to vacate this property in question. The Commercial club promised us when we came here that the road would be vacated and since then we have built dry sheds and unloading platforms, besides piling thousands of feet of lumber, on what we thought had permanently turned over to us. It cuts us squarely in two. Insurance premiums under such conditions would be prohibitive.—George Palmer, president of the company.

The Supreme Court has upheld the Union County Circuit Court, Judge Bean of Pendleton presiding, where the vacation of the county road near the Palmer mill was set aside. Al Good, Mrs. Proebstol and Mrs. Rynearson were the parties who, through Attorney J. W. Knowles, attacked the action of the county court in vacating a piece of county road which the George Palmer Lumber company needed for lumber yard purposes.

The Circuit Court ordered the vacation set aside, on grounds that residents of the north section were put to inconvenience in coming down the river to find a crossing to reach Oro Dell. Union county appealed the case to the Supreme Court and yesterday a decision was reached, which upholds the Circuit Court.

Thousands of feet of lumber are now piled on what has been ordered opened for a public road.

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who was on the other side of the lake, shot twice. The bird was dead. The witness saw the boy wade out after the fowl, but refused to testify which one shot the bird.

What is a Mudhen?

Then followed a long word battle over what a mudhen is and at noon court adjourned until 1:30 this afternoon, after Attorney Leroy Lomax had moved for dismissal on lack of evidence by the state.

Law Case Dismissed.

When court reconvened at 1:30, the court ruled that the case should be thrown out of court on lack of evidence, and Law is now exonerated of the charge.

Other Case Unsettled.

Pratt and Wolfe, special officers, were yesterday fined \$5 each for assault and battery, on charge

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New Lines Arriving JUST IN

BEAUTIFUL LINE OF HAND BAGS
all the newest styles. Suede and Jett trimmed.
Price \$1.00 to \$4.50

NEW ELASTIC BELTS.
All colors and styles. 50c to 75c

ELEGANT LINE OF BACK COMBS.
Shell combs in beautiful designs 25c to 75c

A new grape design on old gold back ground, ea. 75c
New Tailored Linen Waists \$3.00 to \$3.50

THE FAIR