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MORE WARRANT MONEY IS READY

COUNTY IS RAPIDLY
PAYING DEBTS

READY SALE FOR WARRANTS

WHAT NINE YEARS AGO SEEMED
IMPOSSIBLE IS NOW AN
ACTUAL FACT.

COUNTY ONLY 14 MONTHS BEHIND

Improvements Have Not Been Neglected in Meanwhile.

What a few years ago seemed to be an impossibility is now a reality. With a county indebtedness of \$250,000, the time was when the taxpayers never expected to live to see the day when Union county would entirely be out of debt and warrants worth their face value.

It has been a long pull. Nine years ago it required \$148 to pay off a \$100 county warrant, the \$48 being interest thereon.

By referring to the warrant call by County Treasurer John Frawley, in today's issue it will be noticed that he has cash on hand to pay all county indebtedness contracted prior to June 1, 1908, which means that the county is only 14 months behind and county warrants are in ready demand at 97 cents on the dollar and at our present rate of payment, the warrants will soon be taken at their face value.

At our present rate of liquidation warrants will soon be taken at face value.

While our present county court has made a record of debt reduction, this has not been by sacrificing county improvements. The roads of Union county were never in better condition, and during this administration, many wooded bridges have been replaced with substantial steel structures, new roads have been opened and improved and several thousand dollars have been expended for improved road machinery. A beginning has been made for macadamizing the principal thoroughfares of the county. Our county court has made a careful study of scientific road building, its members have attended numerous Good Road conventions, have visited counties in this state and in Washington, where many miles of macadam road has been constructed, and if the present policy is carried forward, in after years the present administration will go down in history as the pioneer substantial road builders of Union county.

Read the Observer.

STALL LUMBER READY

Detailed plans for the barns and exhibit stalls for the county fair have been prepared by J. L. Slater under the supervision of Committeeman W. B. Sargent, and when the board meets tonight these plans will be presented to them. The plans are ready. They showed the details of walls and their support. There will be 47 stalls on each side of Washington avenue from Fir street to Greenwood, with entrances and exits at either ends. The main entrance will be on Fir street

Excellent Comedy at Pastime.
The antics of "Job Jenkins" and the eccentricities of "Martha Jane Boggs" as played by Russell Harrison and B. Bertha Natino, respectively, go a long way toward making "Struck Gas" the success that it is at the Pastime. The other parts are all strong, and well played. This excellent comedy will be given tonight and tomorrow night.

Insurance Convention.
COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo., Aug. 24.—Addresses by some of the best known insurance men of the country will mark the national convention of insurance commissioners, opening in Colorado Springs today for a session of three days.

Sell Copper Property.
PITTSBURG, Pa., Aug. 24.—All of the Pittsburg & Montana Copper company's property in the vicinity of Butte, including lands, mines and smelters, will be sold at auction at a trustee's sale here today.

There are 630 acres of land in Jefferson county, Montana, and twenty-three lode mining claims in Lewis and Clark county, and a great many letters patent and patent rights, foreign and domestic to be sold.

Local Option Election.
Harrisonburg, Va., Aug. 24.—As a result of the Virginia Anti-Saloon league's crusade to make the Old Dominion as "dry as a bone," a local option election was held here today, and was attended by scenes of great excitement upon the part of the women and children workers of the league. The town is now "wet" and has six saloons. The "drys" are claiming certain victory, but the "wets" have not yet given up hope of holding the fort and worked valorously today to bring out the full liquor vote.

UNCLE JOE IS ANGRY INDEED

WILL TAKE THE FLOOR OF NEXT
CONGRESS.

Replies to Fowler's Attack With Great
Burst of Anger.

CHICAGO, Aug. 24.—Aroused by aspersions cast on him by Congressman G. M. Fowler in an open letter yesterday, Speaker Cannon today said he would make "fur fly" when congress meets again. He said he would take the floor and talk at length.

Cannon said: "I intend to call a friend of mine to chair, take the floor, speak as long as allowed, and I tell you fur is going to fly. Some people who profess to be Republicans will get the severest castigation you ever heard. I intend to call a spade, a spade, and to some of these people ranting about the present tariff bill.

Your Old Uncle Joe is going to talk in language any one can understand. I promise that for virility it will rank as a masterpiece. It is time some one showed these malcontents just where they stand."

HILL WINS OVER ENEMY

HARRIMAN ENJOINED FROM ENTERING THE DESCHUTES

Hill Scores Signal Victory over Adversary By Decision in Circuit Court

PORTLAND, Aug. 24.—James J. Hill the empire builder, gained a great victory today over Harriman, the railroad king, in the fight between the Hill, Harriman interests for the control of right-of-way of the Deschutes canyon, the key to the mastery of Central Oregon and California valleys, and assured outlet at San Francisco for inland coast lines.

Hill was given at least one year's

start over his rival by a decision of Justice Robert S. Bean, in the Federal circuit court in which Harriman interest were temporarily enjoined from occupancy of the disputed right-of-way in the canyon. Attorney Cotton representing Harriman, appeared stunned by the decision and announced he would ask an injunction compelling the Hill men a 200-foot-wide strip which the court gives them as an absolute right.

TAFT OPPOSES POLICIES

WASHINGTON, Aug. 24.—That the Federal forestry service is bitterly opposed to the policy of Secretary Ballinger in pushing to a settlement the so-called Alaska coal land cases involving lands worth nearly a billion, has developed today when Taft turned the matter over to Attorney General

Wickersham for a decision. It is charged Ballinger didn't head the protest of I. B. Glavis, the chief of field division.

Assistant Forester Price said today that the forestry bureau believed with Glavis, that the claims shouldn't be settled until the charges are fully investigated.

EMMA WAS THE CAUSE OF RIOTS

PITTSBURG FATALITIES BLAMED
TO ANARCHIST QUEEN.

If Police Can Find Her She Will be
Sent From Town.

PITTSBURG, Aug. 24.—The police today are charging Emma Goldman, the noted anarchist Queen with responsibility for the Sunday night's vicious rioting at McKees Rocks plant of the Pressed Steel Car company. It is known she has been in this city several days, and the police say she made speeches urging the strikers to burn the plant, an incited acts of violence. Emma is being sought, and if found will be "railroaded" from the city. Authorities are controlling the situation.

CHACE COMING TOMORROW SURE

WIRES HIS INTENT TO VISIT THE
LOCAL PARK.

Interesting Event in Park Marked by
His Coming.

W. F. Chace the Portland landscape gardener, will arrive tomorrow morning to inspect Riverside park,

HARRIMAN IS HOME AGAIN

HIS VESSEL TOUCHES LAND THIS
AFTERNOON.

Railroad King Hurried to His Country
Home at Once.

NEW YORK, Aug. 24.—The Kaiser Wilhelm, with E. H. Harriman aboard is expected to arrive in quarantine at 1:30 this afternoon. The liner is reported to have passed Nantucket at 4 this morning. The vessel will probably dock at 2:30.

It is undecided whether Harriman will remain aboard until docked or board a tug at the quarantine station. His private car is waiting at Jersey City, and he will be hurried to Arden, his country home.

and to give estimates and produce plans for its beautification, according to a telegram received by Mrs. W. H. Bohnenkamp this morning. The gardener will be taken out to the park immediately after his arrival here, and he will be given a chance to view the place where it is at its worst, for the grass is drying up rapidly, and the general aspect is anything but a pleasant appearance to the passers-by.

Deep interests centers in his proposed plans. Just what action he will advise, if his services are contracted, is of public interest, and his coming tomorrow will be one of the awaited incidents in parkdom.

As stated before, some time ago, Mr. Chace is the man who designed and carried out the beautiful depot grounds at Eugene and did the park work at Salem. He is a genius in his line.

Missionary Tea.
Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. W. Bush, who now resides on the corner of Second and Adams, the Home Missionary society of the Methodist church will hold a business session to which all of the members are requested to be present. Following the business session, from 3 until 6 o'clock, refreshments will be served to which everyone is cordially invited.

JOSEPH TRAIN DELAYED.

Cars Fail to Arrive From Baker City on Time For Joseph Train.

The Joseph train was greatly delayed this afternoon in leaving La Grande on the account of a delay in returning the passenger cars from Baker City this morning. The cars of the Joseph train were used in the special from Baker last night and the freight that was to bring them back did not arrive in La Grande until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

Marriage License.

A marriage license were today issued to Alfred Bocrso of Baker City and Maude Coon of La Grande.

Albany will have a chrysanthemum show in connection with its apple fair late next month.

WESTERN JOBBERS WIN DECISION

FAMOUS MISSOURI RIVER CASE
IS SETTLED.

Court Makes Permanent the Restraining
Injunction.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 24.—The circuit court today made permanent the injunction restraining the interstate commerce commission from enforcing the order to compel railroads to give proportional through rates from the Atlantic seaboard to Missouri River points. This is the famous Missouri River case which is a distinct victory of the western jobbers over the jobbers of the east. This will effect jobbers west of the Missouri River, controlled practically by the houses of St. Louis and Chicago as well as those of Kansas City and Denver.

250 DROWNED IN BOAT ACCIDENT

BUENOS AYERS HAS CATASTROPHE

JOLLYTY CONVERTED TO CRIEF

GERMAN STEAMER RAMMED BY
ANOTHER BOAT IN THE

MONTIVEDO HARBOR.

CAPTAIN ATTEMPTS TO END LIFE

Fete Ends in Terrible Accident Early
This Morning.

BUENOS AYRES, Aug. 24.—Two hundred and fifty excursionists aboard a German steamer lost their lives today when the vessel was rammed at the entrance to Montivedo harbor and thousands of excursionists were bound for that city.

When the collision occurred there was a great panic on board both of the vessels which the officers and sailors tried in vain to suppress.

Immediately after the collision the German boat backed away from the other vessel and immediately commenced to fill. In a few moments she had settled to the waters edge and hundreds of people leaped overboard and were drowned. The life boats were useless as the German bark sank so quickly that all assistance was unavailing.

The captain of the German boat was saved and then attempted to take his own life and was only prevented by force. The city is today in mourning and instead of a grand celebration, the cathedrals are filled with friends and relatives of the dead, offering their prayers for the lost ones.

The vessel sank in a few minutes, preventing escape.

Misunderstanding of signals is reported to be the cause.

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