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OPTION ELECTION IN BOISE NEAR

"DRYS" ACCUSE FOES OF SWELLING REGISTRATIONS

Stated That About 500 Illegal Voters Have Been Registered in Ada County by The Saloon Men—Election With Bitter Campaign Comes to a Climax in Idaho Tomorrow—Many Deputy Sheriffs Will Be Appointed in Boise.

BOISE, Sept. 7.—(Special)—Tomorrow is election day in Idaho, and the bitter local option war will come to a climax. Both sides are confident, but on the eve of election the dry forces have made charges of crooked work in the ranks of the "wets."

Chairman Kessler of the dry forces announces today:

"So far as the public sentiment of the legal voters of the county is concerned, there is no question but what Ada county, in which Boise is located, will go dry. From all information I can get 400 or 500 illegal voters have registered. Our principal effort will be directed toward preventing them from voting. As an illustration of how they are getting in illegal voters, the Homestead mine, which is owned by the Duffy Malt whisky men, brought in five carriage loads of men from the mine in Elmore county Saturday and had them register, and so far as we can learn only six or seven of them had ever resided in Ada county.

We have other information to the effect that they are bringing in miners and ditch workers wherever they can get them, paying their wages and all expenses while here waiting for election day.

We are asking for the appointment of a dozen or more deputy sheriffs and will have some of our strongest men appointed as challengers in all the city precincts and do not propose to allow any legal votes to be cast.

By keeping out illegal voting and getting out our full vote, I do not believe there can be any doubt of the result of the election."

TEDDY TO BUILD DITCH.

NEW ORLEANS, Sept. 7.—Roosevelt is to take up the work of completing the Panama canal, according to a report current in official circles here. The statement was made by T. W. Harrison of Columbus, attached to the engineering department of the canal.

He declared that Taft was not satisfied with the present canal administration.

STOCKS SLUMP BADLY

HARRIMAN REPORTED DEAD IN LONDON AND STOCKS ARE IN BAD SHAPE--HARRIMAN VERY ILL

NEW YORK, Sept. 7.—The stock exchange opened with a frenzy and excitement today, and some stocks are slumping five and a half points. Harriman issues led the decline. It was reported in London that Harriman was dead, and a violent slump of American stocks followed on the exchange before the rumor was denied.

Declines here are attributed to the London slump. It was announced at the Union Pacific offices that Harri-

WILL OPEN MONDAY.

La Grande School of Music Under Management of Prof. Day.

Next Monday the La Grande school of music will open its doors for the ninth year under the directorship of Prof. and Mrs. Day.

Those desiring to take lessons will appreciate the advantage of commencing with the beginning of the term. (8-9-7-10)

Attack Unsuccessful.

MELILLA, Sept. 7.—Encouraged by recent victories over Spaniards, 15,000 Moors attacked an army of General Agueleras a sit was marching, and met heavy losses. They expected to surprise the Spaniards, but the Spaniards fired and hundreds of Moors fell. The others were forced to retreat.

E. S. ROLAPP VISITS FACTORY

PROMINENT MAN OF AMALGAMATED COMPANY HERE.

"Big Man" of Sugar Industry Inspecting Local Property.

E. S. Rolapp, secretary of the Amalgamated Sugar factories, and one of the "big men" of sugardom, is here today conferring with the managers of the La Grande factory, preparatory to making the fall campaign, which will commence about October 1st.

Superintendent Thomas says he will finish working up the brown sugar left over from the last run this week. The next two weeks will be required in getting things in shape for the coming beet crop.

More News From Peary.

BROOKLYN, Sept. 7.—Secretary Bridgman, of the Peary Arctic club, has received the following message from Peary: "Kindly rush the following: Wire all the principal home and foreign geographical societies of all nations including Japan and Brazil, that the North Pole was reached on April 6, 1909, by Peary's Arctic club expedition, under Commander Peary."

This message was forwarded to the officials at Washington.

RICHEY TO PORTLAND.

Postmaster Richey Will Attend The Convention There The 15th.

Postmaster G. M. Richey will attend the convention of the postmasters of Oregon, which will be called the 15th of September. At this convention Postmaster General Hitchcock will be in attendance, and a large number of the postmasters of Oregon will be there.

GENERAL STRIKE IS MUCH FEARED

HOQUIAM SHINGLE MILLS REFUSED INCREASE DEMANDS

Refusing to Give What They Affirm Would Ruin Them, The Mill Owners Precipitate Strike of 2500 in Chehalis County—Strike May Spread Over The Coast—A Few of The Mills Will Clean up Lumber and Stay Idle— Feared Strike Will be General.

HOQUIAM, Sept. 7.—Following submission of demands by representatives of 2,500 shingle weavers for increased wages, the Poison Shingle company mills and East Hoquiam company mills are closed today, indefinitely. Similar action by other mill owners are expected.

It is probable some of the mills will remain open and clean up the timber on hand, and then close until the strike conditions are ended. Action of the mill men followed a six hour session yesterday by the local Shingle Weavers' union.

Workmen decided to submit their demands for an increase in wages this morning, and if refused they would strike. Their action affects 32 mills employing 2500 men.

Chehalis is the only county involved, but it is possible that the strike may spread along the coast. A number of mills of the Manufacturers association are standing by the association in order to support the "Open Shop" policy. Mill owners say they will be ruined if they submit to the demands.

Bowwow Exhibition.

NEW YORK, Sept. 7.—One of the best open-air dog shows of the summer was opened here today by the South Side Kennel club.

Appraiser Here To Give Data

Government Appraiser Frank G. Bayley, has reported to the officials of the land office here the first appraisal made by him under the new law on the timber and stone entries in this land office district. Under the new ruling all timber and stone claims must be visited by a government appraiser and the value of the land ascertained. After the appraiser has completed his work in finding the value of the land and timber on the land and reported to the land office, the applicant can either reject or pay

EXPLORERS ACT LIKE BOOSTERS

CALIFORNIA SCOFFS AT TACTICS EMPLOYED BY THEM

Cook And Peary Too Have Appearance of Seeking Notoriety With Their Successes—Can See no Reason For Cook's Behavior on His Return— Peary's Action no Better Asserts

Noted Geologist—Sounds Like Wild West.

BERKELEY, Calif., Sept. 7.—Peary's message in which he stated he had nailed the stars and stripes to the North Pole, and Cook's entry into Copenhagen, has the savor of "Buffalo Billism and press agency," according to a quoted statement of Professor Geo. Davidson, authority on geographic and astronomic affairs. Davidson declared his belief that both Peary and Cook reached the pole, for the reason that he could not imagine a sane man foolish enough to make the claim without proof.

He said: "Much of the glory of having accomplished the feat of reaching the pole has been dimmed I think, by the actions of the explorers themselves to say nothing of their respective friends. The Buffalo Bill-like entrance of Cook into Copenhagen, would suggest a press agent's preparation for a lecture tour. I think that if he attired himself like an American citizen, dressed and shaved aboard the ship, which could easily have been done, his return would have been more dignified and wouldn't make the native land ridiculous in the eye of the world. Peary's bombastic message about nailing the stars and stripes to the pole, indicates that we may expect Buffalo Billism and press agency on his return."

IMPROVE BARBER SHOP.

Jolly And Desilet Will Install New Fixtures And Furniture.

Jolly and Desilet, Foley hotel barbers, will in the near future install three new chairs in their shop in addition to refitting the place with new fixtures. The order has been shipped and will arrive soon. Immediately upon its installation and a third tonsorial artist will be employed.

Seek Taft's Wife.

CHICAGO, Sept. 7.—The police have two letters threatening the life of President Taft. Captain Porton, of the secret service, belittles them, and says they are from cranks.

PROBE CHARGES ILL TREATMENT

OLD-SOLDIERS HOME CONDITIONS WILL BE INVESTIGATED.

Charges of Insufficient Food And Bad Treatment in Linnelght.

SAWTELLE, Calif., Sept. 7.—"We want facts, and will endeavor to get them," declared Senator William Warner of Missouri, a member of the National Board of Managers, of the soldiers homes, who today began an investigation of the conditions of the local soldiers home.

Charges were brought last June to the effect that the old soldiers were served with poor and insufficient food. The investigation is the result.

Diseased Beef Investigation.

BATE, Me., Sept. 7.—Charged with having shipped diseased beef to Boston, John C. Gordon, a wealthy cattle buyer of Pittsfield, will be given a hearing at the September term of the United States District Court in this city. Gordon pleaded not guilty. The meat has been held in cold storage as evidence for the prosecution.

Strayed.

Lost or strayed, one white faced cow, one red two-year-old heifer, one brindle yearling steer, all branded T. L. on right or left hip. Reward paid for information leading to discovery. (8-7-9) La Grande Cash Meat Co.

MEETING IN UNION.

County Farmers Union to Hold Open Meeting Tonight.

County Organizer C. D. Huffman of the Farmers Union, will go to Union tonight and hold an open meeting with the local at that place. Mr. Huffman is also secretary of the county union.

COOK BELIEVES PEARY IS RIGHT

ADMITS HE IS GLAD HE GOT GLORY IN ADVANCE

Dispatch From Peary Causes Cook to Praise Peary—Will Take Advantage of His Popularity And Return to America Before Cook Gets Here— Has Stated His Desire to go on to America at Once—Believes Message True.

CREATEAU BAY, Labrador, Sept. 7.—Accompanied by the relief ship Jeannie, the "Roosevelt" bearing Commander Peary, is expected to arrive here this afternoon. It is believed Peary will file to the New York World, a detailed account of the discovery. The town is excited anticipating his arrival.

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COPENHAGEN, Sept. 7.—"Bully for Peary." This was the first exclamation by Cook when I handed him the dispatch from Commander Peary to the United Press, announcing the success of the Peary quest for the North Pole.

Cook said: "There can be no doubt in minds or anyone who knows Peary, but that the message came from him. The wording makes me sure he reached the pole. It sounds like Peary. I am mighty glad that Peary has been successful for he was one of the bravest and most persevering men who ever went north. He deserves all the honor that will come to him, and in addition am certain that his reports will corroborate the data I have collected."

"Of course it would be hypocritical for me to conceal the fact that I'm delighted that I had been able to plant the American flag at the pole a year before Peary reached the spot."

Despite this generous tribute, it is obvious Peary's messages have nettled Cook. He has a desire to join his wife and children and may sail for New York on the "Exanwerp" within a week. It is generally believed Cook deems it advisable to retain a strategic advantage already gained and get back to New York ahead of Peary.

Whole Valley Swept.

MONTEREY, Mex., Sept. 7.—It is reported here that the flood swept the Soto Lamarina valley, carrying everything before it. The loss is believed to be very heavy.

Al Andrew returned today from a business trip to Joseph and Enterprise.

FLOODS CLAIM VICTIMS

MEXICO AND SOUTH UNITED STATES SUFFER LOSSES BY TREMENDOUS FLOOD AND TIDAL WAVE

TAMPICO, Mex., Sept. 7.—A great flood amounting to almost a tidal wave has swept the valley of Soto Lamarina river, which enters the Gulf of Mexico 150 miles north of here, according to a dispatch today. Heavy loss of life, and tremendous property damage resulted. The town of Soto Lamarina, with a population of 6,000, is reported destroyed. Lives are reported lost at Palo Alto, Abasco, and Jimenez.

Scores Lose Lives.

MEXICO CITY, Sept. 7.—Scores of persons have lost their lives in the

second flood, which descended on the Tuia yesterday. The exact number is not ascertained. It is believed the food supply is short. Thousands of dollars damage was done.

Danger Near Denver.

DENVER, Sept. 7.—The great dam at Jefferson lake, 50 miles south of here broke this morning, and waters are rushing down the valley. Men on horseback are riding ahead of the flood, warning the residents on the bottom lands. So far no lives were reported lost.

ALLEGED LAND GRABBERS WINNERS

BOISE, Idaho, Sept. 7.—Judge Robert S. Bean of Oregon, has dismissed the civil suit brought by the government against the Barber Lumber company, to collect entry on 49,000 acres of timber lands at the Boise basin, valued at \$1,000,000. The suit was brought on the grounds that the lands were secured by use of "Dummy Entry men." The case has been pending for two and a half years. It is understood an appeal will be taken from Bean's decision.

NOTIFY OFFICIALS

Prompt notification to the proper committee by residents who will enter the yard contest in the aster show next Saturday, is desired. Either Mrs. Bragg, Mrs. E. Polack or Mrs. J. T. Richardson should be notified at once, that the candidates for prizes in that department may be visited by the judges on the day of the show. The committee should have this list at once with every street address in their possession.