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LA FOLLETTE IN LA GRANDE TODAY

"REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT" THEME TONIGHT.

Great Deed of Things Big in the United States Senate and Nation—Friend of the People Visits in the City Today—Will Lecture as Long as the Train Schedule will permit Him to—Lecture Commences at 8 o'clock Prompt.

Robert Marion La Follette, United States senator from Wisconsin, lecturer, editor, trust buster, friend of the people, daring lawmaker who by dint of will power and eloquence forced the attention of the political world upon his reformatory measures immediately after his occupancy of a seat in the upper house, is in La Grande today and tonight will lecture at the L. D. S. tabernacle on "Representative Government." The Badger solon will step on the rostrum at 8 o'clock and talk until his train leaves for the west; probably about 9:45. The public fervently hopes that the train will be running on a delayed schedule, for in times recently passed, this same man has swayed audiences until after the midnight hour, and if he will take it upon himself to continue his lecture for two hours or more tonight, it will be a boon to his hearers.

"Representative Government" is a theme upon which the senator has a world of information and plenty of vim and eloquence to make the subject matter so effective as to be worth while. A few of this city have heard

him. Those who have not, had best do so.

Relative to the trend of his lecture tonight Mr. Follette said today that he would touch upon the tariff—and those who have read of his tariff speeches know what they are—the workings of the last congress, the acts of certain congressmen, who though not specified in advance have their habitations not more than a thousand miles from La Grande, if past practices can be taken as a criterion here.

La Follette is a genius. The story of his climb from the governorship of Wisconsin to that of United States Senator of commanding personage is one that has thrilled lovers of real "doers." His life story including his rise from but little prominence after his graduation from the University of Wisconsin to a place on the political ladder where he was supported by the common people through thick and thin is also another matter with which the careful reader is conversant. This "Napoleon" of America it is that will lecture here tonight.

Missionary Council.

Utica, N. Y., Oct. 26.—Delegates representing the diocese of New York, New Jersey and Porto Rico are here today to take part in the council of the Second Missionary Department of the Protestant Episcopal church of the United States, which will be held in Trinity church during the next three days.

The council is an outgrowth of action taken at the convention of the church held in 1907, in Richmond, Va. when the whole district of the United States and its dependencies was divided into eight departments, each consisting of several states, councils to be held in these several departments every year for the purpose of stirring missionary zeal and instructing the people in regard to missionary affairs.

Olean, Oct. 26.—Baptist clergy and laity are here from New York in great numbers attracted by the annual state convention of that denomination, to open this morning.

BERING SEA IS WHIPPED BY GALE

SEAFARING VESSELS ARE AT THE MERCY OF WINDS.

One Ship Wrecked and No Report of Its Crew—Feared that When Details Become Known Loss of Life Will be Heavy—Dozens of Vessels Blown Ashore by the Terrific Wind which is Sweeping the Entire Coast Today With Fury.

Nome, Oct. 26.—The worst storm that has been known for many years is raging on the Bering sea today. Dozens of vessels have been driven ashore by the fierce gale. It is feared that when the details have been received many lives will have been found to have been lost.

The whaler Olga is reported to have been wrecked and all of the coastwise vessels are ashore at various points.

The steamer Senator after being buffeted by the tremendous seas is now sheltered by Sledge Island. Although this position is precarious she is utterly unable to land her passengers, which number about eighty-eight. Captain Mogg and his crew of eight or ten men is unknown at this time.

Good Roads Meeting.

Jackson, Miss., Oct. 26.—Supervisors and others interested in good roads met in Jackson today to organize a Mississippi Good Roads Association. Actual demonstrations of road building machinery will be witnessed by the delegates.

FOREMOST JAP ASSASSINATED

PRINCE ITO IS SHOT DOWN BY A KOREAN.

Stranger Walks Up to Ito and With one warning shoots Three Times—Conflicting News Sent Out at First—Confirmation of Death Received This Afternoon—Victim Has Figured Prominently in Inter-World Politics and Deeds.

London, Oct. 26.—The Japanese Embassy has received a cablegram this afternoon from Tokio, stating positively that Ito, is dead. This dispels the doubt caused by the action of the Tokio government in withholding the announcement that the prince was dead. For diplomatic purposes the government chose to announce Ito "was merely in a critical condition."

Tokio, Oct. 26.—Hirobumi Ito, the foremost man in Japan, was assassinated by a Korean in Korea today, according to information received here.

News that Prince Hirobumi Ito, the former resident general of Korea and the foremost diplomat of Japan was shot by a Korean assassin at a railway station in Harbin, has set the city wild. Business is practically suspended and the stock exchange is closed.

The greatest excitement prevails in the foreign department and the imperial household. Official announcement is to the effect that the Prince's condition is critical, while private dispatches from Harbin say that he died while being removed from the depot. The excitement in officialdom leads to the belief that the prince is dead. It is known that the emperor has sent a telegram of condolence to Harbin.

An attempt was made last April to blow up the train on which he was travelling by the use of dynamite, while he was enroute to Manchuria to inspect the Manchurian railroads and investigate other Japanese interests.

At the time of the assassination Ito was standing at the station talking to Consul General Kawakami of Harbin. A Korean approached unnoticed and fired. Ito fell. The assassin was immediately seized and imprisoned. It is reported that three shots struck Ito. Director Tanaka of the Manchurian railway was with Ito and is said to have been struck by a bullet and is badly hurt. A Korean said that the assassination was in revenge for the execution of the assassin's relatives whom were shot by the order of Ito. He says that the assassin went to Harbin for the purpose of killing Ito and expressed no interest in what had been done other than to state that he hoped the assassin would escape.

Ito served five times as prime minister of Japan and has held almost every portfolio within the gift of the Emperor. He was sent to Korea as the resident general in 1906 and succeeded by the use of rigorous methods in putting down the Korean rebellion and thus gained the everlasting hatred of the Koreans.

Ito was born September 2, 1841. He escaped to England with Count Inoue in the days of the last shogun and took a part on the imperial side during the war which restored the imperial government. In the end he was appointed governor of Hyogo. He was responsible for the existing banking regulations. He was made minister of public works in 1878 and in '88 was dispatched to Europe and America to gather materials for the purpose of framing a constitution for Japan. He was the founder of the present system of government. In 1886 he was made prime minister and inaugurated the constitutional government and became the president of the house of peers. Ito is responsible for the treaty of Shimonoseki which ended the Chinese-Japanese war.

Missouri Librarians. Columbus, Mo., Oct. 26.—Librarians of Missouri are gathering for their tenth annual meeting which begins today.

Texas Electric Doctors. Dallas, Texas, Oct. 26.—Many medical topics of importance will be discussed during the annual convention opened today by the electric physicians of Texas.

Old Hoosier Judge Quits. Evansville, Ind., Oct. 26.—Judge Oscar N. Wellborn of Princeton, who has been on the Indiana circuit judge bench for the past thirty-six years, and who is in point of service, the oldest judge in the state, retired today and was succeeded by Judge Herdis

Taft Enjoying Trip. Cape Girardeau, Mo., Oct. 26.—Apparently enjoying to the utmost the novelty of his trip down the "Father of Waters," President Taft arrived here early this morning, and after a stop of an hour, proceeded down the stream with his great fleet of vessels. Cairo, Ill., is the next stop, and Hickman, Ky., will be reached late this afternoon.

THIRD PARTY PLATFORM OUT

PENDLETON DRAWS UP SET OF LIQUOR RULES.

"Third Party" Presents Panacea for Saloon Evils There.

Pendleton, Oct. 26.—(Special)—The text of the "third party" platform in the city of Pendleton has been announced by the committee selected to draw up the platform. These measures will be voted upon at the next regular election. The following are salient points in the platform.

The number of saloons in the city to be limited to one per 1000 people or the majority fraction of a thousand. Not more than two saloons to be allowed in any one block.

Each saloon to pay a license of \$2,500 per annum.

Every saloon man to give a bond in the sum of \$2,000 through an accredited surety company, this bond guaranteeing that none of the provisions of the ordinance shall be violated.

No man may secure a license who has ever been convicted of a felony or who has ever previously forfeited a license.

Any man desiring a saloon license must first publish notice of the fact for at least ten days.

No liquor shall be sold to minors, habitual drunkards nor intemperate persons who have been blacklisted, to an intoxicated person, to an Indian nor a half breed who lives with the Indians. One violation of any of these provisions or of any other provision of the ordinance works a forfeiture of the license and bond in addition to the regular penalties.

Saloons must be closed between the hours of 11 p. m. and 6 a. m. and from 11 p. m. Saturday night until 6 p. m. Monday morning.

A saloon shall use but a single room which shall be free from boxes, booths alcoves and chairs or other seats for the use of patrons; there shall be no connection with any other room having such for the convenience of their patrons; no screens nor frosted windows are allowed and saloons must be kept lighted so that the interior may be plainly visible from the street.

All games of chance, or skill, are prohibited, this provision including the shaking of dice.

The charter amendment and proposed ordinance are so worded that if adopted by the people of the city they will become effective whenever the sale of intoxicating liquors is not in conflict with the laws of the state of Oregon.

ASSESSMENTS ARE SUSTAINED

O. R. & N. MUST PAY THE ORIGINAL FIGURES.

Board of Equalization Decides Assessor Rinehart Was Right and Just in His Assessment of O. R. & N. Property in Union County—Central Drainage Assessment Lowered a Little.

Bankers Meet With Board this Afternoon.

La Grande bankers are meeting with the board of equalization this afternoon to compare assessments and talk the matter over. The board today sustained the assessor in the assessment placed upon the property of the O. R. & N. company against which the company has entered a protest.

The board lowered the assessment on the property of the Central Railway of Oregon slightly and raised the assessments on a few pieces of property belonging to some private parties. On the whole there is little doing with the board as few kicks are being made.

Dry Farming Congress.

Billings, Mont., Oct. 26.—What is considered by experts to be one of the most important agricultural developments in many centuries will be thoroughly considered during the fourth International Dry Farming Congress, opened in this city today. All of the Western states, the national government, the various provinces of Canada, Mexico, Brazil, Hungary, Turkey and South Africa are represented by delegate or exhibits at the great international dry farming exposition held in connection with the congress. The sessions will continue through tomorrow and Thursday, and agricultural authorities of world-wide renown will deliver addresses and read papers. The congress is confidently expected to give a great impetus to the reclamation of the arid and partly arid districts of not only Western America, but the entire world. Dry farming experiments are now carried on in many nations, one of the most notable of the projects being the restoration of the fertility of Palestine.

The objects of the congress are announced to be as follows:

"To encourage legislation looking by which the great area of arid land can be profitably utilized under thorough tillage by which the natural rainfall can be conserved.

"To encourage the use of methods by which, in districts where rainfall is slight, or irrigation water is limited, the actual productive acreage can be increased.

"To encourage legislation looking to increased federal and state appropriations for the establishment of more experimental stations, the employment of more field experts and the actual co-operation of all these stations in fixing and maintaining a certain recognized standard of methods for obtaining results from the operation of farms in the arid districts.

"To enlarge the plans for carrying on a great educational propaganda by which, eventually, the arid districts of the entire world can be populated by prosperous and contented agriculturalists.

"To create closer co-operation between the government and state experts in charge of dry farming experimental work and the actual farmers of the arid districts.

"To bring to the attention of active farmers the various theories and working plans whereby each farmer may assist in the general commercial, social and political uplift of the western states.

The Fair The Fair The Fair NEW ARRIVALS



We want to call your attention to the fact that we have as large and complete stock of ladies suits, coats, skirts, petticoats, millinery, etc., as is to be found in the city. Also that our prices are lower, quality considered, everything that is new and popular as well as the more staple styles will be found here in great variety. We invite your inspection.

We have just received another shipment of felt Jullets and slippers which now make our line complete. Prices range from 75c to \$2.00.

Our Shoe Department contains all the new and popular lasts in footwear at prices to suit every purse.



OUR MEN'S SECTION. We can supply your needs from head to foot. Everything you happen to want will be found here in immense variety and at saving prices. Our shoe section shows a large line of men's footwear ranging from the heavy working shoe to the vne dress shoe.

Let us fit Your feet