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DEBATERS TRIM BAKER

TWO TO ONE VICTORY GIVEN TO
LA GRANDE

ONLY ONE MORE TEAM TO BE
MET IN EASTERN OREGON

Ingie, Hamilton and Meyers wrest victory from Baker City last night deciding the tie and the local team will meet only opponent for the Eastern Oregon championship—May go to Eugene.

By defeating the Baker high debaters last night, La Grande won the right to compete in the finals for the ferocious championship of Eastern Oregon in the final debate which takes place soon.

The debate took place in the Library Auditorium at Baker City last night.

Students here are elated over the victory which the local team won by a two to one vote and celebrations were held last night locally.

The question under discussion was "Resolved that the commission plan of government increases effectiveness and decreases corruption in city offices."

La Grande's team, composed of Joe Ingie, William Hamilton and Arlo Meyers, spoke for the negative and by polished delivery and convincing arguments were able to wrest conclusive victory from Baker City, their old time rivals.

The judges were Dr. Best, Rev. Evans and W. R. Graham, all of Pendleton.

In the weeding out process, La Grande defeated Enterprise, Elgin and tied Baker. Baker in turn had defeated the debating teams east of La Grande, and the victory for La Grande last night was such as to

give this city's schools undisputed victory over everything in a large territory, excepting the winner of the Pendleton debate.

Eugene will see the final windup of the year's work where the champions of Eastern and Western Oregon will meet soon to settle state honors. If La Grande can complete its string of victories in Eastern Oregon, it will meet the Eugene team. Pendleton Wins at Fossil

Pendleton, March 13.—(Special)—Pendleton high school won the debate with the Wheeler county high by a unanimous vote at Fossil last night. This gives them the right to debate with La Grande in the finals for the championship of Eastern Oregon. The time and place for this final debate has not been announced.

HITCHCOCK NOT RETIRING

POSTMASTER GENERAL WILL DIRECT POLITICS

Hitchcock will not retire as was first announced

Washington, March 13.—It is reported here upon good authority today that Postmaster General Hitchcock will not retire from politics as was asserted that he would. The postmaster general will have general supervision over national work coming before the congressional elections this fall.

TOM JOHNSON ILL
New York, March 13.—It is reported today that Tom Johnson, former mayor of Cleveland is so ill at a local hotel that his life is despaired of.

CANNON REGIME COMES TO SUDDEN END WHEN NORRIS CROWD WINS

WHEN CRISIS COMES INSURGENTS AND DEMOCRATS ARE STRONG
ENOUGH TO WIN AND OVERTHROW CANNON

Rochester, Mar. 13.—Taft today assumed a "middle of the road" position regarding the fight to oust Cannon. He received a number of telegrams from the leaders of the insurgents and regulars, but replied briefly, stating that the fight was none of his business.

Washington, March 13.—(Bulletin)—The house this afternoon adopted the Norris resolution, re-organizing the committee on rules and eliminating Speaker Cannon from membership thereon, by a vote of 192 ayes to 153 noes.

Washington, March 13.—Shortly after the house reassembled today, Speaker Cannon sustained a point of order, raised by Daldel, against the consideration of the Norris resolution to change the organization of the rules committee and eliminate the speaker therefrom.

A roll call was ordered on Daldel's point of order, which was also a motion to lay the resolution on the table.

Norris, of Nebraska, appealed from the decision of the chair and a motion to lay on the table the Norris appeal from Cannon's ruling was defeated 164 to 181.

Crowds Hear Refusal
In the course of the fight on the Norris resolution and its appeal from Cannon read a carefully prepared

opinion on the question. The scene was dramatic when Cannon faced the house and the packed galleries. He stood pale but resolute. He said, "I am planting myself upon the law made for the house by Speaker Randall of bygone days. I am appealing from the passions of this day to a just reasoning of that day. The chair sustains the point of order and holds the resolution not in order."

Insurgents Want All.
Opposing leaders in the rules fight began a conference at nine o'clock. They occupied a greater portion of the morning in an effort to effect a compromise.

Cannon's proposed effacement from the Rules Committee was the point upon which the conference couldn't agree.

Official announcement that the fight would go on upon the floor of the house was made by the leaders. Of the regulars, Daldel and Mann prevented a compromise by insisting that Cannon remain on the rules committee.



JOSEPH G. CANNON.

Speaker of the house who was defeated in crucial test this afternoon when the Norris resolution was carried. Cannon has lost his supreme power in the house. His political career is practically over.

Enemy Admits Defeat

Mann, of Illinois, declared the allies did not offer the regulars anything in the way of compromise but on the other hand, demanded every concession.

When asked how he expected the fight to result he said, "I expect the regulars will be beaten."

This, coming from the staunchest supporter of Cannon, is taken as one of the strongest indications of the possible downfall of Cannon's regime.

Tawney said every compromise offered involved the humiliation of the speaker.

Allies Carry Motion

The motion of Norris ordering the previous question, thus shutting off the debate on the motion to table the resolution, was carried.

This denotes strength of "allies." A roll call then began to decide whether the decision of the chair shall be accepted or rejected.

Pinchot Sails for Hamburg

New York, March 13.—(Special)—Gifford Pinchot, former chief forester, sailed for Hamburg this afternoon to meet Colonel Roosevelt. Mr. Pinchot is probably closer to Roosevelt than any American man in political life.

Councilman Confessed

Pittsburg, March 13.—Following a hurried recalling of the grand jury this afternoon, it was announced on good authority that councilman John F. Klein, under sentence of three and a half years for grafting, and confessed to grafts and implicated 60 former councilmen.

MORE HOMES ARE PLANNED

MANY DEALS COMPLETED WITH
OUTSIDE PEOPLE

Several new residences planned for construction at once

Real estate deals and preparations for the greatest residence building year in the present decade are the order of the day in this city. Sales are being consummated daily, calling for large transfers of money. Plans for new residences are constant occurrences, and the chief difficulty to be encountered this year will be the shortage of contractors to do the work.

Purchases of tracts for building purposes included the following and were made through the La Grande Investment company:

Mr. Jewel, a cook at the hospital for several months, has purchased a tract of one acre and a comfortable residence in Pleasant Home addition. Mr. Gray has purchased one and one half acres in the Home addition and will build a cozy home at once.

Mrs. Verne Hamilton of this city has purchased a lot in the Rynearson addition and will build immediately.

Mrs. Anna Brooks, of this city is having sidewalks built about her lot, Cedar and Jefferson, and is also having material hauled on the place for immediate construction of a comfortable home.

Real Estate Deals

Eight 10-acre tracts in the Cove orchard tract, owned by the La Grande Investment company here, have been sold the past few days almost exclusively to outsiders. The land is being plowed now and will be set to orchard at once. The sales call for transfers of considerable sums.

E. Kuhn of Summerville this week, through the investment company, 40 acres of orchard land to Mr. Mulholland of Utah. The price is not announced.

ALBANY HOST TO PRESIDENT

GOVERNOR OF CANADA ALSO WITH
THE PARTY

TROOPS ESCORT NOTABLES
ABOUT NEW YORK CAPITAL

President Taft and party in Albany, New York, hosted of New York. Rebuilding fight, today—President will speak tonight at University club, but is not expected he will touch upon causes.

Albany, March 13.—Albany welcomed both President Taft and Earl Gray, governor of Canada today. The city was gay with hunting and American and British flags were displayed on every side.

Taft and his party arrived at 2:30 and were met by Governor Hughes. They were escorted to the executive mansion by a troop of the state cavalry. Shortly after four o'clock, the President, Governor and other notables, left in automobiles for the hall where the State Tuberculosis Congress is meeting. Taft addressed the members of the University Club tonight at a dinner.

Earl Gray was escorted to the Ten Eyck hotel by a battalion of the 10th regiment. Cannon's downfall will not likely be touched upon by the president in his speech tonight. His apparent effort to keep clear of the fight makes this conclusive.

ARGUMENTS BEING MADE.

Case of Adolph Newlin will go to the jury late this afternoon.

The state this afternoon in the case of Adolph Newlin rested its case at 10 o'clock, when the attorneys for the defense moved for a non-suit on the grounds that the state had failed to make its case. This matter was argued at length and at 2 o'clock the court denied the motion and the defendant was placed on the stand, wherein he emphatically denied that he had sold the goods charged in the indictment. No other witnesses were placed on the stand and as we go to press the attorneys are presenting their arguments.

Senator Daniel Better

Daytona, Fla., March 13.—Senator Daniel is slightly better today.

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