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FIREMEN ARE SATISFIED

SENIORITY PROMOTION PLAN IS ACCEPTABLE

NEILL HAS RETURNED TO HIS HEADQUARTERS

Firemen's strike averted and firemen gain their points in many instances—Erdman act will fix matter of increased pay—Agreement is signed by both parties after an all-night session.

Chicago, March 24.—An agreement providing for a settlement of all the disputes between the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and the Western railroads was signed today after an all-night conference. The signing of the agreement averts for the present all danger of a general strike of the engine-men. It is believed the men have gained the greater part of their demands.

Seniority in Promotion.
It is understood the firemen's demands for an increase in wages of 12 1/2 per cent will be arbitrated under the Erdman Act. The system of seniority for promotion of firemen will be established within 60 days, according to persons supposedly familiar with the terms of the compromise.

Neill Given Credit
This is practically a victory for the employees. Labor Commissioner Neill left today for Washington. He is given credit on all sides for bringing the factions together.

New Star in Ring
San Francisco, March 24.—Following the showing of Frank Klaus, who had the better of a six-round fight last night against Stanley Ketchell at Pittsburg, Promoter Cofforth today is planning for a meeting between Klaus and Billy Papke for May 14.

SETTLERS FROM IDAHO
Local firm sells farm to Idaho people
Arrive today

The family of Valentine Mickish arrived from Market Lake, Idaho today and went immediately to Imbler where they are unloading their household goods which came in a day or so ago.
Mr. Mickish recently purchased the Bryant place west of Summerville, consisting of 160 acres, from the La Grande Investment Co.

Explosion on Fishing Boat
Seattle, March 24.—Six men of the crew of the gasoline hullboat Silver Wave are in the hospital here today seriously burned as the result of a gasoline explosion on the boat while tied up at the wharf last night. A supply of gasoline was taken on board during the afternoon. Quantities had leaked out and when the cook threw a lighted match out of the galley door after lighting the fire an explosion followed.

FINE HOME SOLD
Manager Crowe of the telephone company buys home in city.

The J. E. Connors property in west La Grande was sold recently by the La Grande Investment company to S. D. Crowe, of the Home Independent Telephone company.
This is one of the nicest homes in the city. Mr. Crowe will take possession about April 15th.

OUTLINE NEW BODY POLITIC

FARMERS AND LABOR FEDERATION MAY UNITED

REPUBLICANS AND INSURGENTS BURY HATCHETS

For the present at least both elements are anxious to maintain harmony in the Republican ranks—Ready to resent false move—New party to be composed of about seven millions.

progressing favorably today toward the formation of a new National Labor party through the alliance of the American Federation of Labor with the Farmers' Union. When the Farmers' Union meets in convention at St. Louis in May, Gompers will address the convention in connection with the proposed alliance. The farmers have a membership of 4,000,000 and the Federation 3,000,000.

It is proposed to form all the labor organizations in one political party similar to that in England.
Regulars and insurgents today officially ratified the nominees of the Republican caucus for the rules committee, but each side is preparing to throw bricks if the "other side" make any hostile move. The insurgents declare they made no move to get places on the rules committee because they wanted harmony and feared any move on their part would mean a fight.

The regulars declare they are seeking harmony and believe the Republican party will get together and stay together.

CROSS FIRES OVER DOCTOR

UNION DOCTOR SUES FOR HIS FEE FROM LANIUS

DEFENDANT COUNTERCHARGES MALPRACTICE AGAINST DOCTOR

Doctor suing for \$106 while defendant wants damages to the extent of \$2500—Phillips jury hangs—New venire drawn—Evidence being taken in cross-fire case—May go to jury tonight

The case of Cromwell vs. Lanlus, a case involving money and a counter claim of mal practice, came before the court this morning and will probably get to the jury late this afternoon.

It seems that Mr. Lanlus suffered a gunshot wound, and was attended by Dr. Cromwell, whose charges were \$165. The suit is for collection of this fee and counter-claim is brought by the defense of mal practice charging damages in the amount of \$2500.00.

Four witnesses for the plaintiff were examined this morning, including plaintiff's testimony in chief.

Witnesses for the defense are on the stand this afternoon. It is believed that a verdict will be reached by this evening.

Return no Verdict.
After being out some time the jury in the case of Phillips and Phillips vs. Kiddle Bros., returned with the announcement that they could not agree on a verdict, and they were dismissed at a late hour last night. Mr. Kiddle has gone to Portland, and it is unlikely that the case can be heard again at this term of court.

It will probably come up for trial again at the June term.
New Venire Drawn
A special venire of six men was ordered by the court late yesterday afternoon, as there was not jurors enough left of the old venire to hear the cases still on the present docket. Sheriff Childers secured the new jurors late yesterday afternoon.

O. R. & N. Case Tomorrow.
It is expected that today's case in the circuit court will be finished by this evening, and if so the case of the O. R. & N. vs. O. F. Coolidge will come up for settlement tomorrow morning.

This is a well known case, being an action to collect an undercharge on three carloads of cement shipped the defendant some time ago. It has been heard in court before.

W. A. Robbins of the company's law department at Portland is here to direct the plaintiff's case, assisted by the well known firm of Cochran & Cochran.

Col. Ivanhoe will represent the defense.

Fifteen Perish
Hamburg, March 24.—Fifteen men perished today when the Norwegian steamer Dixi foundered off Cuxhaven. All were members of the crew.

FORD NOT SOLD OUT.

Consolidation with Morgan interests is denied.

Detroit, March 24.—Officials of the Ford Auto Company today denied the rumor that the company had been purchased by the Morgan interests which are reported to be forming an automobile trust. The truth of the rumor would mean that one of the largest plants in the world had consolidated with the Studebaker and United States Motor Companies.

Johnson Out of Jail Again
New York, March 24.—Judge Metcalf today accepted a new bond of \$5000 furnished by Jack Johnson and set the case for hearing as soon as Norman Fisher the complainant can be found. The negro was given a scolding by the judge for not controlling his temper.

Fairbanks Home
Indianapolis, March 24.—Former Vice-president Fairbanks and wife returned to Indianapolis today after a tour of the world and were given a rousing reception by the people of their home city.

Will Reforest Olympics
Port Angeles, Wash., March 24.—Seven hundred acres of burnt-over lands will be planted in Douglas fir by the Forestry Department this Spring. This will be the first attempt at reforestation on a large scale ever attempted in the Olympic reserve. A big fire occurred three years ago and burned over an area of 10,000 acres, killing the forest completely.

FOUR CLUB PLAN BURSTS

NAMPA WITHDRAWS AT ELEVEN HOUR

Enterprise now holds key to situation in Eastern Oregon

What was thought to be a practically assured plan for a four-club baseball league under national protection in which La Grande would be a part, was suddenly exploded yesterday morning when Nampa refused to join with Boise, Baker and La Grande in forming the league. Welser is out of it, and there is apparently only one loophole, where by the league may yet be formed and that is through Enterprise. That Enterprise is live enough to support such a team was evidenced last year when she paid a fat salary to her so-called amateur players. The matter will be taken up with Enterprise at once and if she acquiesces, the league will be formed at once.

Nampa had promised to be a part of the league, during the recent conference at Boise, at which Grant Lincoln of this city was present, but when the final details came up, Nampa withdrew, leaving the three teams high and dry. At this time it appears doubtful if professional ball will materialize this year.

Should Enterprise refuse to take up with the Class D proposal the local amateur field will be open to anyone who wishes to tackle the proposition. Mr. Lincoln refuses to touch it and the field is open for a manager, for amateur ball, should the system plans now under way go up in smoke.

CAIRO POLICE GUARD TEDDY

AUTHORITIES FEAR HARM FROM ANARCHISTS

RECENT SPEECHES BY THE COLONEL STARTED TROUBLE

Authorities protect Roosevelt with great guards of police—Roosevelt's pleading for co-operation between natives and British government is given as a cause for the native resentment

Cairo, March 24.—That the British Government actually fears for the safety of Roosevelt because Cairo is the hot bed of Egyptian Nationalists, was shown today by the throngs of police detailed to guard the former president. From the time the Roosevelt party left the train, which arrived at eight o'clock, until the carriage had conveyed them to the hotel, police guards held back the crowds.

The carriage was surrounded by a police escort. Roosevelt laughed at the idea of danger, but the authorities refused to dismiss the escort.

Many Americans and Europeans greeted Roosevelt at the hotel.
Roosevelt's speeches at Khartoum and Assouf pleading for native co-operation with the British government, is feared by British authorities here to have aroused the resentment of the Nationalists.

Nationalists are charged with the recent assassination of Premier Boutros Pasha and the officials fear a demonstration and possible danger for Roosevelt's safety.

A big crowd was on hand to greet the Colonel.

Public Pleads for Silence
Newspapers here are filled with open letters and editorials advising Roosevelt not to repeat the advice here that he gave the Sudanese. The seriousness of the situation can be read between the lines. Nationalists have been in a ferment since Roosevelt's speech at Khartoum.

WHERE IS LILLIS?

Kansas City banker takes train for secret destination.

Kansas City, March 24.—Considerable speculation is rife here today as to where Jere Lillis, the bank president attacked by Jack Cuddey in the latter's home three weeks ago has gone to spend an indefinite vacation. Lillis left yesterday. His destination was kept secret. It is understood he may go abroad. He will not resign the presidency of the bank.

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