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CAMPAIGN IS GIVEN MOTION

FIRST BINDING CONTRACTS ARE SIGNED

WORK BEING DONE IS PERMANENT AND IS FINAL

Those objecting strenuously to old contract are perfectly satisfied with present wording—Another committee out on road today—Many want large blocks of land and are eager to sign.

ROLL OF HONOR

Acres Subscribed

E. S. Norris.....	200
Walter Glenn.....	80
J. D. McKennon.....	500
J. E. Reynolds.....	320
La Grande Investment Co 80	
Total last night.....	1189

Blessed with sunshine, and apparently aided by popular support from farmers, the final campaign for water right subscriptions started yesterday with satisfactory outcome. The trip yesterday was just one week later than had been planned, but the delay was due to bad roads, which even now are far from perfect and retard speedy progress from farm to farm.

However, the campaign is on and it is apparent that the farmers are satisfied with their present contract. E. S. Norris, one of the prominent farmers of the county, influential in farm organization, was one of the men who led the popular demand for a change in the wording of the original contract. Yesterday, when a revised contract was presented to him, he promptly signed up all land he has available for water. The action of Mr. Norris is indicative of the popular opinion of the equity of the present contract. The committee which opened the campaign was Fred J. Holmes, president; Secretary J. E. Reynolds, and William Miller, director, all officers of the Grande Ronde Irrigation company. The first day was auspicious in many respects. About 50 per cent of the farmers were not at home when the committee called, but another committee is going over the same ground today with the intent of meeting all those who failed to consult yesterday. It is the general opinion among the directors, that with hard, conscientious work for a week a great majority of the subscriptions will have been obtained. The amount actually subscribed in black and white last night is 1189 acres, but there are large subscriptions that merely need the official signature and indentations. Among these is the Bennett subscription of 1100 acres. Mr. Bennett will come up from The Dalles soon to affix his name for that amount.

The committee which is out today consists of J. D. McKennon, F. L. Meyers and J. E. Reynolds. It is believed that the subscriptions today will outstrip the initial day's results by a good margin.

Mine President Dead
Boston, March 29.—Alexander Agassiz, president of the Calumet and Hecla Mining company, died today on board a steamer en route to Europe, according to wireless message.

UNION COUNTY NOW HAS NO MORE INDEBTEDNESS

LAST WARRANT CAN BE PAID BY TOMORROW, SAYS TREASURER

Call for every outstanding county warrant! A front page story! Well, I guess yes. This afternoon county Treasurer John Frawley called up the Observer and stated that while he was not a newspaper man he believed he had a front page story for once in his life.

This means that our county is entirely out of debt; something that years ago was never deemed possible and two years ago was not thought possible by this time.

"Teddy" Not Criticized

Cairo, March 29.—Roosevelt's party today visited the bazaar and spent the morning buying souvenirs. Later Commander Tanakao of the Japanese fleet called on the Roosevelt's and entertained at luncheon by Count Hatfield of the German embassy.

This means that Union county has shared the general prosperity that has favored this garden of Eden.

Aetna Threatening Again

Authorities today ordered 75,000 residences on the southern slopes of Mount Aetna and vicinity to abandon their homes in anticipation of greater eruption of the volcano. The action is based on the official report of a party of scientists who risked their lives in climbing the mountains and making an examination of the crater.

He said that tomorrow he would issue a call for every outstanding warrant issued against the county.

Contrary to expectations, the Nationalist press did not attack Roosevelt for his speech yesterday. The Nationalist comment following the Kratom speech was very bitter. Today there was no trace of bitterness.

The absence of severe criticism is attributed to a heart to heart talk Roosevelt had with Nationalist editors Sunday.

Several thousand Nationalists made a demonstration last evening before the hotel in which Roosevelt was a guest.

Constant recurring of explosions within the craters lead to the belief on the part of scientists that Aetna will soon burst its temporary safety valve and throw a tremendous fountain of volcanic matter from the depths.

"Give us a constitution" they said, "Down with the autocratic government."

The prefect of Catania, at whose instance the order to abandon the towns on the southern slope were issued, today declared that more than a dozen mountain villages are involved in the orders. The towns will be occupied by the military, whose duty now places them in constant danger.

Guests on the veranda fled in terror, but Roosevelt paid no attention.

Vegetation in the vicinity of the mountain is destroyed. Orchards and vineyards have been beaten by the hail of hot stones and cinders and buried in the lava or smothered in volcanic dust. The ruined area is many miles in length.

SALT LAKE WINDS

Heaviest wind in years destroys the railroad approaches of S. P.

Ogden, Utah, March 29.—The waters of Great Salt Lake, whipped by the heaviest wind storm in years, washed away the Eastern and Western approaches of the S. P. trestle crossing the lake and put the line out of commission today. All trains are being diverted via Pocatello and Portland.

Trinity Baseball Dates

Hartford, March 29.—Trinity college begins its baseball season in Maryland today with Washington college. Annapolis will be played tomorrow and Trinity College of Durham, N. C. and North Carolina will be played before the nine returns home to meet Yale next week.

SOLOM GUILTY SAYS SENATE

SENATOR ALDS ACCEPTED BRIBE MONEY

SENSATION OF NEW YORK ASSEMBLY IS ADDED TO

By wide margin senate calls senator guilty—Had resigned from assembly a half hour before vote was taken, hoping to avert action—One thousand involved in graft charges says verdict.

Albany, N. Y., March 29.—By a vote of 40 to nine, that state senate today decided that the charge against Sen. Jotham P. Allds, that he solicited a bribe of \$1000 has been sustained.

The charge was brought by Senator Conger, who alleged that Allds agreed to use his influence to kill legislation aimed at the bridge trust.

Half an hour before the senate met to vote on the matter, Allds filed his resignation from the assembly. It was believed by many that his resignation would prevent any action on the part of the senate.

Allds has been the center of scandals in New York for several weeks. It was said he had his wires out for the United States Senate and it is believed that this matter will put a quietus on his aspirations.

ADMONISHES DEFENDANT

Setting a precedent in local jurisprudence, but showing throughout the procedure that they had the welfare of young Fred Wisdom at heart, the jurors who heard the evidence in the perjury case and who were in retirement from yesterday at 2 p. m. until midnight last night, acquitted Wisdom with a well worded letter which was read to Wisdom this morning by Circuit Judge Knowles.

In the letter the jurors made it clear in their own minds that the fellow is guilty of perjury but on the strength of the evidence could not convict him. Seven for acquittal and five for conviction was the first vote on the situation. At midnight the jurors penned a letter which will likely do Wisdom some good. They also made it clear that it was no particular "smartness" on the defendant's part that led to the acquittal; that he was as near the penitentiary as one could well be and not actually enter the portals; that he was given the benefit of the doubt and acquitted.

Wisdom heard the letter read to him in the same jaunty manner that he has maintained through the trial and departed to his home in Elgin today, pleased with the sunshine and the world in general.

GEANDE RONDE VALLEY

"The richest Valley in the West" says Dr. Withycombe

On his return from visiting Eastern Oregon with the O. R. & N. experimental train, Dr. Withycombe in an interview with the Oregonian, the following appears: "In the Grande Ronde valley, characterized by Dr. Withycombe as the richest valley in the West." * * * "Dr. Withycombe is undoubtedly the best posted man in Oregon today regarding the natural productiveness of the different sections of the state and his opinion regarding Union county is certainly appreciated. While we know it we are pleased to hear it from out side authority.

THOUSANDS FOR DEFENSE

Mrs. Hyde negotiates a loan of \$150,000 for defense.

Kansas City, March 29.—It became known today that Mrs. Frances Swope Hyde, wife of Dr. B. C. Hyde, has negotiated a \$50,000 loan from a trust company. Dr. Hyde is to be placed on trial on April 11th for the alleged murder of Col. Swope. It is supposed this money was raised to provide funds for her husband's defense.

INCREASE CAPITAL STOCK

New York, March 29.—Stockholders of the American Telephone and Telegraph company at a special meeting today approved the plan to increase the capital stock from \$300,000,000 to \$500,000,000. It was also decided to increase the membership of the Board of Directors from 18 to 25.

LOADED DOWN

With new Shoes and Oxfords just received, still warm, right from the factory, with a style that won't grow old



Shoes
Oxfords
Slippers
Sandals
for
Men
for
Women
for
Children

THE FAIR

Rose to Speak for "Wets"

Chicago, March 29.—With the most important municipal prohibition election in the world's history now only a week distant, the "wets" and the "drys" of the Windy City have redoubled their efforts and the next seven days will find Chicago engulfed in a sea of fervid oratory. Tonight Mayor Davis S. Rose of Milwaukee, one of the most eloquent anti-prohibition orators in the country, will address the voters of Chicago and tell them of the terrible thing that would follow the adoption of a dry regime.

To the "man on the fence" all of this oratory seems to be but wasted words so far as convincing anyone is concerned. On this question the voters were aligned before the campaign commenced, and it is unlikely that many have changed their minds.

TO RECOVER RECORDS

Said to have been left by Dr. Cook on Mt. McKinley

Tacoma, Wash., March 29.—Belmore Brown has decided the personnel of the party which will accompany him to Mt. McKinley to recover records claimed to have been left on the summit by Dr. Cook. The expedition will sail from Seattle the latter part of May. Prof. Parker of Columbia University will share the command with Brown.

Big Shipment

Of Waists, One piece Tub Suits for ladies and misses. Dress trimmings. Fine line of belts and buttons. Knit underwear, ladies suits and spring coats, and many other spring lines. Just step in and look our line over. THE VAN DUYN CO. 3-29-12

A HAIR TRAGEDY

In the healthy scalp when a hair falls out it is soon followed by a new one. This process goes on all the time.

But there may come a day when the falling hair is not renewed; the hair bulb has lost its vigor. Unless this vigor is promptly restored the bulb will probably never be revived. Multiply these torpid or dead bulbs and permanent baldness is the result.

Don't wait when the hair begins to thin out. Use Shiek's Golden Hair Tonic in time and it will always prevent baldness.

It makes the scalp healthy and the hair soft, glossy and thrifty.

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