

OLD EXPOSITION AND CLUB HOUSE BURN

Portland, July 14.—Two men are dead and six are missing, and 150 people are homeless, with a loss of a half million, as the result of fires, early this morning, which, starting in the old exposition building on Washington street, between Nineteenth and Twentieth, destroyed it, the Multnomah club, five up-town hotels, several residences, and damaged several more. One hundred and forty-five horses in two stables in the basement of the exposition building, perished.

F. R. Price, foreman of the United Carriage Company was sleeping in the barn, and was awakened by the flames. He rushed through the fire,

was burned fatally and died in the hospital.

A man named Bout, a hostler, escaped, but received fatal burns and died soon afterwards.

The missing men are hostlers employed in the stables, and three tramps, whom Price had allowed to sleep in the building. The first started in the basement and the origin is unknown. The exposition building was a landmark, built in 1887. It was a frame building, four stories, and cost \$100,000.

Sailors from the gunboat Yorktown and cruiser Marblehead, anchored in harbor, did excellent work. Seventy-

five of them handled the hose and worked alongside the firemen, and thereby saved several thousand dollars' worth of goods from the burning buildings. The crowd applauded them.

Marblehead Race.

Boston, Mass., July 14.—Tomorrow will witness the start of the Marblehead-New York race for motor boats, always one of the most interesting of events for this class of craft. The start will be made from Marblehead and the finish at Bay Ridge, Brooklyn, a distance of 285 nautical miles. While the race does not compare with the Bermuda contest as to distance, the much larger number of entries gives it greater interest.

SIX HUNDRED DROWN

Two Ships Come Together in Black Sea; Hundreds Drown.

Odessa, July 14.—Six hundred persons perished Saturday night in a collision between the ships, Lovki and Wampan, in the Black sea, according to today's statement of officials investigating. The Lovki's boiler exploded afterward, and blew the passengers into eternity.

Taft May Address Conservationists.

Chicago, July 14.—President Taft will be invited to address the national Conservation Congress at St. Paul and any other speaker whom the president may name, will speak. This decision was arrived at in the conference when Pinchot found that opposition might cause a disruption in the ranks of the conservationists.

PINCHOT TALKED FINE STRUCTURE TO HOUSE THE LAUNDRY FOR GOVERNOR: MORE GRIEF

WOULD ENTER FIELD AS COMPROMISE CANDIDATE

Deposed Official has Not Admitted He Would Accept Nomination.

New York, July 16.—Gifford Pinchot may be a compromise candidate of the republicans for New York's gubernatorial nomination, according to the general belief among politicians. Pinchot's friends say he is not seeking the office but it is intimated he would not reject the nomination if it were offered.

There is no doubt where Roosevelt would stand, although Taft's endorsement is questionable in the light of the Ballinger affair.

PINCHOT IN TROUBLE

Charged with Packing Program of National Conservation Congress

Chicago, July 14.—Charges that Pinchotites have packed the program of the National Conservation congress scheduled for St. Paul, were thrashed out today in a conference between Pinchot and B. H. Baker, Secretary Shipp of the congress, Governor Eberhart of Minnesota, and members of the Twin Cities' conservation committee. As a result, the congress may be transferred to Denver or Kansas city. The St. Paul Board of Trade charged Pinchotites with control of the program and are excluding speakers unfavorable to their way of looking at it.

Pinchot backers stood pat today as result, and refused to change the program.

AERIAL COMPANY FORMED.

Arizona Concern Will Make and Operate New Airships

Jefferson City, Mo., July 14.—Articles of incorporation of the Universal Aerial Navigation company, were filed today with the secretary of state. The concern is an Arizona corporation and seeks the right to manufacture, patent and operate airships for passengers and freight. The capital stock is five millions.

Japan to Annex Corea.

Tokio, July 14.—Lieut-Gen. Viscount Terauchi, Japanese resident-general of Corea, accompanied by several other high Japanese officials, left today for Seoul, the Korean capital, to complete the final terms for the annexation of Corea by Japan.

No hitch is anticipated in the proceedings as Emperor Yi-Syuk of Corea, is reported to be in a complaisant state of mind in view of the ample provision which has been made for him, his immediate family and other members of the royalty, under the annexation arrangements.

In accordance with the convention recently made between Corea and Japan, the Korean emperor has issued an edict delegating to the Japanese government the police administration of the country. This is the first step. The final step will be taken when Corea is practically under guard. The garrisons are being steadily strengthened.

The mass of Coreans accept the reports of the approaching annexations with indifference.

Ocean Race for Motor Boats.

Atlantic City, N. J., July 14.—Starting from the Seaside Yacht Club early this morning, a fleet of cruising motor boats got away on the long ocean race, which is expected to terminate about sunset this evening at Gravesend Bay, Long Island. The contest is for the Captain Morton Wistar Smith trophies.

Construction of a fire-proof one-story building—built either of brick or cement—in which to house the Cherry's New Laundry, will be commenced immediately, and is to be ready for occupancy in 60 days. This does not mean that every detail in connection with the new building is to be done by that time but Mr. Cherry will be able to do business at the end of that time.

Modern Throughout.

The building, which is to be located on the site of the one recently destroyed by fire on Jefferson between Fir and Greenwood, is to be modern throughout and equipped with modern facilities. A boiler room 15x30, will also be built in connection with the structure proper and the heating plant will be such that a private electrical plant can be operated. This will supply lights for private use and for irons as well. In addition to the private electric plant, an up-to-date gas plant is likewise to be installed. New machinery and considerably more of it than occupied by the first building, has already been purchased.

With cement floors, and the architecture of the building conforming with what modern laundry building should be, the place will be one of the most up-to-date plants in the state.

Building operations are to commence immediately.

ASSEMBLY GIVEN MAKE A RADICAL CHANGE IN PRICES

VERY AMICABLE AGREEMENT IS REACHED YESTERDAY ON MOOTED TOPIC.

FULL DELEGATION NAMED

Several Prominent Republicans Who are not Committeemen Attend the Meeting When Republican Central Committee Endorses Assembly Plan—Judd Geer of Cove Chosen Chairman in Absence of Pearce.

A meeting of the Union county central committee for the republican party yesterday afternoon in the Commercial club rooms, was well attended, not only by committee men from the different precincts, but by a number of republicans who were not committeemen.

The important question to be settled was whether Union county should send a delegation to the state assembly at Portland on the 21. By unanimous vote it was decided that a delegation be named.

Judd Geer of Cove was made chairman of the meeting and Secretary Mattot filled his position during the afternoon.

After considerable discussion relative to what will benefit the party, both locally and in the state, the following list of delegates were nominated and elected by the committee:

Precinct Delegates.

La Grande—J. F. Baker, J. A. Matott, D. E. Cox, Doctor O'Conner, C. E. Cochran, T. J. Scroggin, William Jasper, Frank Leavit and F. L. Meyers.

Union—W. T. Wright, George A. Scibird, F. A. Bidwell and L. A. Wright.

Elgin—R. A. Hugg, Dwight Barnes, J. B. Thorn and Chas. Halgarth.

Imbler—John Wells.

Summerville—E. J. Conrad.

Allice—George Ruckman.

Island City—Chet Bidwell.

Cove—M. B. Reis and Otho Eckersley.

North Powder—John M. Gilkison.

Medical Springs—Harry Cook.

Hilgard—J. D. Casey.

Kameia—C. A. Nordine.

Talocasset—George Hansen.

Hot Lake—Fred Currey.

Delegate-at-large—Bruce Dennis.

The Resolutions Adopted

The following resolutions, framed by J. A. Matott, C. E. Cochran and Bruce Dennis, were adopted.

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LOWER PRICES FOR NEXT YEAR'S CHAUTAUQUA ORDERED BY THE MANAGERS

OLD BOARD IS RE-ELECTED

Non-Transferable Tickets Will be Sold Next Year but Put Price of Each Annual Ticket is to be Reduced Considerably—Vote of Thanks Extended to the Management at Last Night's Entertainment.

CHAUTAUQUA DEVELOPMENTS

Reduction on annual tickets to be approximately \$2.00.

Tickets not to be transferable.

Over 100 1911 tickets already sold.

Chautauqua to be repeated next year.

Financial deficit first year about \$150.

Old board re-elected with unanimous voice.

Radical changes are to be made in the method of managing Union county.

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FRIENDS WOULD BREAK PRISON

NEW SHERIFF PUT IN POWER TO ENFORCE LAWS.

Aftermath of Recent Lynching in Ohio Proves to be Serious Affair.

Columbus, July 14.—Fearing an effort may be made to storm the jail and rescue the 14 men arrested for alleged participation in the lynching of Detective Etherington, Sheriff Slabaugh has been appointed to succeed Linche. He has informed the state officials that the situation is critical and that he is preparing to defend the jail. Assistant Attorney General Miller is enroute to Newark to assist in investigating the riots.

COURT ORDERS INDICTMENTS AGAINST CHICAGO PACKERS AS INDIVIDUALS, NOT AS FIRMS

Chicago, July 14.—The federal grand jury empaneled today was instructed to return indictments against leading meat packers as well as against certain corporations. "Don't indict mere aliases; don't indict corporations when individuals are responsible," were the instructions of Judge Landis. "Follow the trail down to the real offender."

The court's instructions pleased the government's lawyers who with more than 100 lawyers, representing government and packing companies, were present when instructions were given. After instructions were delivered,

the jurors were dismissed to meet and begin investigation tomorrow. Judge Landis said in part:

"Sometimes it happens persons who are about to violate the law take a name not their own. In this investigation, follow the trail, until you find the real identity of the offender." He cautioned the jurors against being influenced by the argument that law enforcement unsettles business. He ordered the jurors to inquire whether packers conspired or contracted or combined to destroy or restrict competition within the past three years.

ELKS IN PARADE

Hundreds of Thousands See Antlered Herd on Eight-Mile Parade.

Detroit, July 14.—The Elks' parade, one of the features of every convention, was witnessed today by hundreds of thousands of spectators. Fifteen thousand Elks were in the line, the route extending eight miles through the streets. The day is the hottest one yet, and ambulances and ice cream soda men are much in evidence. The Emergency hospital was kept busy reviving wilted Elks and toasted onlookers.

LAST NUMBER A STRONG ONE

CASTLE SQUARE ENTERTAINERS PLEASE RECORD CROWD

Musicians Simply Capture Audience With Oceans of Mirth

With an auspicious burst of enthusiasm, the Grande Ronde Chautauqua came to an end last night when the Castle Square entertainers faced the largest crowd that has at any one time assembled in and around the Chautauqua auditorium. The audience was put in a playful mood when Dr. H. E. McLeod moved for a Chautauqua salute to the officers and directors of the association who have devoted time and money for months to make the affair a success, and the appreciation felt by the public was reflected in the wholesouled waving of handkerchiefs that followed the mo-

tion. The crowd was on its feet and demonstrating its hearty accord in a moment. Then came the Castle Square entertainers and their long list of screamed for more, and when the entertainers were not on the rostrum there was a veritable riot demanding encores. The entertainers did their best and how they succeeded can best be attested to by those who heard them. It was not entirely in the newness of the program that the team excels, but it is in the way they do things. Irish monologues, imitations of Paderewski, the "Baseball Medley," Indian costume selection, "Good Mornin' Cy," (executed with side-splitting effect), were some of the features of the comic "stuff", and musical stunts, whistling solos, readings and the like filled in with splendid effect. That the quartette masters the classic was shown in their rendition of "I Trovatore." This masterpiece was very ably handled.

Like everything else that the Chautauqua offered the public, the Castle Square entertainers are superb. La Grande is always in love with music that smacks of the popular melodies, but the four men simply captivated, captured and then carried away with a whirl of music every man, woman and child that was in and around the auditorium tent last night.

Suspends New Tariff.

Washington, July 14.—The interstate commerce commission will suspend the recently-filed tariffs by various railroads for advanced rates. The decision was announced today. The suspension is sweeping, and includes all general freight advances. The action is taken under the recently passed railroad regulation bill.

Commemorate Big Fire.

Prescott, Ariz., July 14.—A celebration under the auspices of the local volunteer firemen was held today to commemorate the tenth anniversary of the disastrous fire which destroyed the entire business section of the city on July 14, 1900.

JAPAN DENIES SECRET ALLIANCE BETWEEN HER AND GERMANY, BUT ENGLAND MUCH ALARMED

Tokio, July 12.—Official denial was given to the United Press today to the report that Japan had concluded a secret alliance with German, as intimated in a dispatch from London. London reports were that Japan is attempting to cancel its alliance with England so she could enter an agreement with Germany in order to harass the United States, but it was shown that Germany's commercial interests in South and Central America were handicapped by the Monroe doctrine, and other American policies, while Japan's trade in the Philippines has

suffered on account of American occupancy.

London, July 14.—The political map of Europe and Eastern Asia have become so changed by the signing of the Manchurian convention by Russia and Japan, that diplomats are sorely puzzled. British politicians want to learn the attitude of America. It is feared since her alliance with Russia that Japan will become more aggressive towards the United States and England fears to face a world storm that would follow, should she support Japan against the United States under her alliance with Japan.