

La Grande Evening Observer

VOL. XI

LA GRANDE, UNION COUNTY, OREGON.

TUESDAY, JULY 26, 1910.

NUMBER 228

OHIO SWINGS TO TAFT WITH ITS SUPPORT

GARFIELD WILL LIKELY WIN THE GUBERNATORIAL NOMINATION ON TAFT PLANK

ENEMIES ARE DISRUPTED

Late Today Former Secretary Garfield is Strongest Man in the Candidate List for Governor of Ohio—By Introducing the Taft Endorsement Plank He Will Likely Score Victory Over His Opponents.

Columbus, July 26.—The Plank endorsing President Taft which Garfield will back affirms: "We reaffirm our adherence of the policies of the administration and express our confidence in the patriotism and sincerity of the president in his efforts to fulfill party pledges." This plank will give Garfield the nomination unless the enemies can agree on something similar. Mr. Taft will be endorsed in his own state.

Columbus, Ohio, July 26.—Carrying the well-wishes of Theodore Roosevelt, and President Taft, former secretary of the Interior James A. Garfield is ready to enter the fight for a progressive platform nomination for governor in the state republican convention which meets here this afternoon. Anti-Garfield forces conferred long but failed to agree on concerted movements. Senators Burton and Dick and others admitted they failed to agree. This makes Garfield's stand more commanding.

"Nick" Makes Keynote Speech. Representative Nicholas Longworth will make the keynote address. Garfield has stated his attitude toward the administration.

Will Not Fight Taft. He doesn't mean to fight the White House and his platform does not antagonize Taft. This will help much. Theodore Roosevelt said today when asked to explain his position on the convention: "I want to see a progressive platform adopted; that is all."

Taft Keeps Hands Off. Columbus, Ohio, July 26.—To endorse or not to endorse the Payne-Aldrich tariff law is one of the questions before the Ohio republican state convention, which begins a session of two days in the city today. It is likely that the act will be ratified as meeting the desires of the party in President Taft's state, but there are not a few insurgents among the delegates who oppose the commendation of the tariff. President Taft has made it very plain that he will keep his hands entirely off in the matter of advocating a candidate for governor. Neither will he have a "personal representative" in Ohio or any other state during the campaign. He purposes that the states shall manage their own affairs. In platform declarations affecting the national administration and forming the "plan of campaign" along the line he will continue to feel a personal and party interest.

Dick Has Choice Job. Senator Dick is to be chairman of the committee on resolutions at the convention, and it is understood that he has submitted to the president most of the planks from which the Ohio platform is to be constructed. The platform promises to be a voluminous affair from the present outlook, but undoubtedly it will experience some more trimming down before it finally is made public. It will be progressive, it is stated, based on the legislation of the last session of congress. On the subject of conservation it will probably endorse President Taft's plan as assuring the accom-

plishment in a legal way of all that was contemplated when the scheme of conservation first swept the country by storm. It is purposed by those in charge that the form of endorsement written into the platform shall serve as a model for other states that intend standing loyally by Mr. Taft.

Elks in Capital. Washington, July 26.—Good fellows from New York to Norfolk are gathering in the national capital today for a union session of the grand lodge of Elks in the east.

WOOL BUYER IN LA GRANDE

WALLOWA COUNTY WOOL GROWERS HOLD FOR HIGHER PRICES

Last Available Wool in Wallowa County at Present Shipped Out

J. S. McLaughlin, traveling freight agent for the Illinois Central arrived on this afternoon's train from Wallowa with six cars of wool. Mr. McLaughlin has shipped out about four hundred cars of wool so far this season from eastern Oregon.

The tendency of the wool growers in Wallowa county is to hold out for higher prices.

These six cars will about clean up all of the wool available in that county at this time.

EXAMINER HERE TO CLOSE OFFICE

BY TOMORROW RECEIVERSHIP WILL BE DISSOLVED.

Books and Accounts to be Cared for at the Washington Office.

Accounts and books of the Farmers & Traders' National bank receivership are being checked up and prepared for shipment to the comptroller of the currency at Washington today by Eugene T. Wilson the well known bank examiner who now has his headquarters at Seattle. Mr. Wilson will conclude the checking up tomorrow sometime and at that hour Walter Neldner will be relieved of duties. Mr. Neldner took charge of affairs at the time the bank failed and has been in control ever since. The business affairs are now shaped so that the accounts can be maintained at Washington without the cost of a receiver, and what minor affairs that may come up hereafter will be looked after by Attorney Wm. Ramsey present legal representative for the government in this connection in La Grande, or some other person duly appointed to do the work.

Mr. Neldner will probably go to Portland for a short visit before again reporting for duty under the comptroller.

MISTAKE IN DATES Erroneous Dates as to grouse laws Given Out to Hunters.

It appears that erroneous dates have been generally adopted as the time when the grouse law opens. "In eastern Oregon the grouse law is open from August fifteenth until October first."

O. R. & N. Detective Here. Detective E. B. Wood, of the O. R. & N. is in the city looking after company business.

GREAT MOUNTAIN USA BEING LEVELED BY TREMENDOUS FORCE OF QUAKE-ERUPTIONS

Tokio, July 26.—The great islands of Yezo (Hokkaido) is being shaken continually by earthquakes and by a tremendous eruption of Mount Usa in the southern part of the island. Eight thousand are fleeing inland to escape the rain of boiling mud from the volcano. The great bay of Usa, capable of sheltering the navies of the world, has been made a shallow lake by the upheaval of its bottom. It is only twenty feet deep now.

Warships have been sent to the scene. Few details are available. One hundred and eighty-four distinct shocks have already been felt. The government is preparing to rush supplies. The eruption started Friday.

TWENTY-TWO CARS GO IN THE DITCH AT NORTON, BLOCKING TRAFFIC ON THE MAIN LINE

Through traffic on the O. R. & N. is at a standstill today and but for the fact that transfers were possible, the pile-up of twenty-two freight cars at a point one and 1-4 miles east of Norton which is four miles east of Baker City, would have completely stalled traffic. The wreck occurred in a deep cut and the debris is piled high, rendering clearance work greatly. It is impossible to "tip" the wreckage to either side and allow the other trains to pass, and consequently most of the wreckage has to be picked up and lifted away.

Phlange Does Work. The train was derailed by a broken phlange on a company coal car. It quickly unwhipped other cars and before the smashup had ended eighteen coal loads and four empties were in the ditch.

No One Hurt. The escape of the engineer, fields, and the fire man was not so remarkable but how Conductor Gibson and his brakemen managed to dodge injury, is more startling. At any event, it is not believed anyone was hurt unless hoboes were on the train and are buried beneath the wreckage.

Transfers Made Today. Local division officials say that it is scarcely possible to have the track cleared by evening and it is more likely that it will be morning before clearance signals are given out. In order not to hold the overland trains too long, consolidations and transfers were ordered immediately this morning. The fast mail No. 10, was held here several hours awaiting the arrival of the regular eastbound passenger number six, and the two trains were consolidated here and on arriving at the scene of the wreck passengers and mail were transferred to No. seven which has been waiting at the wreck since early this morning. The trains were then sent back from the directions whence they came.

INSURGENT NORRIS SUFFERS DEFEAT IN HIS OWN STATE FOR PERMANENT STATE CHAIRMAN

Lincoln, Neb., July 26.—Insurgents lost the preliminary struggle for the control of the republican state convention here today, when congressman George William Norris, the father of insurgency, was defeated for permanent chairman. A standpat platform

will probably be adopted, and this in the state which gave birth to the insurgency in the house has rather startled the political map. Insurgents will carry the fight to the floor however.

Philippine Exports Small. Washington, July 26.—Since the Payne-Aldrich tariff law went into effect, the Philippines have not exported the full amount of cigars, sugar and tobacco permitted to enter free of duty. The Payne-Aldrich law authorizes the free admission of 150,000,000 cigars, 300,000 gross tons of sugar and 1,300,000 pounds of tobacco. Only 86,513,691 cigars, or a little more than one-half of the total amount allowed free, were exported to this country. Actual amount of sugar exported was 104,994 pounds gross tons, or about one-third of the authorized amount. Only 15,994 pounds of tobacco were sent to this country. Of-

ficers of the Insular bureau do not expect the Philippines to export the full amount allowed free entry for the next three or four years.

Resident of Troy Married. Albert Metzger of Troy, Ore., was married Saturday evening to Bertha Decker, lately of Cleveland, Ohio. The marriage occurred at the M. E. parsonage, Rev. L. McLeod officiating.

Southern Mills Idle. Charleston, S. C., July 26.—By running only part time this month and August, South Carolina cotton manufacturers expect to reduce the output by more than two million pieces of cloth.

Jewelers Hold Exhibit.

Detroit, Mich., July 26.—In connection with the convention of the American National Retail Jeweler's association, national exhibition of gems and jewelry was opened in Detroit today. In addition to retailers from all over the country, the manufacturers and jobbers are well represented. The convention and exhibition will continue four days.

BRYAN'S OPTION FIGHT IS ON

COMPROMISE IS DISCUSSED TO MAKE BILL PASS GOVERNOR

Shallenberger Willing to Enter Compromise But Dahlman Not.

Grand Island, Neb., July 26.—An exciting time is expected today when the democratic state convention meets. When it convenes William J. Bryan will oppose Governor Shallenberger and other regulars in his endeavor to force the convention to adopt an option plank in its platform. If the Bryanites force a compromise, they will insist that the convention defer the matters to various legislative districts and that the gubernatorial nominee be pledged to sign the option bill should the legislature pass one. This will probably satisfy Shallenberger but would fail to please Mayor Dahlman of Omaha who is also a candidate for governor.

MOTION FOR NON SUIT IS DENIED IN WILLS CASE

WILLS CASE STRIKES A LEGAL SNAG EARLY TODAY

Arguments on Non-suit Occupy Several Hours and Trial Proceeds.

Litigation over the damage money requested from the George Palmer Lumber company by a man named Wills who formerly was employed by the lumber company, struck a legal snag this morning when Attorney T. H. Crawford for the company moved for a non-suit. At time of adjournment for the noon recess it was believed that a decision on the motion would be rendered at 2 o'clock this afternoon but arguments were resumed at that hour and it was well along in the afternoon before a decision was given.

Judge Knowles finally denied the motion and evidence for the defense was introduced.

Music for Cows.

Detroit, Mich., July 26.—Several Michigan farmers have found a new and profitable use for phonographs. The canned music machines are placed in the cattle barns and rag time selections, brass band music and grand opera rendered for benefit of the cows while they are being milked. This is said to cause them to "give down" their milk with surprising results in the way of increased output. Some of the agriculturists and dairymen who have been trying the plan declared today that cows are good judges of music, and that they immediately recognize the voices of Caruso and other great artists, expressing their appreciation by an in-

CATCH EXPLAINS STRINGENCY IN MONEY

HEALTHY, BRISK AND SUBSTANTIAL LOANS SAP ALL THE AVAILABLE MONEY

RICHMEN OFTEN REFUSED

Bank Examiner Goes Into Details Explaining Prevailing Stringency in The Money Markets Everywhere—Banks Holding Great Reserve Funds to Prevent "Panic" as Occurred During Late Panic.

"Good, healthy and brisk loans on splendid securities and a nation-wide policy of keeping bank reserves in excess of what they customarily have been is responsible for the 'stringency' in money markets," accurately explained Bank Examiner Claude Catch who passed through La Grande this morning on a regular tour of inspection into Idaho. He explains, with considerable encouragement to the public which as a rule believes there is a touch of panic in the financial atmosphere, that the banks have never been in a more flourishing condition than right now.

"Caught hands down in '08 by lack of reserve funds, the banks of the country were taught a lesson which they will never forget. They are holding their reserves with scarcely a single exception and no matter what sort of a wind would blow up, the banks would have sufficient on hand to avert a real stringency."

Rich Men Inconvenienced.

"Rich men, entitled to loans, are meeting with flat refusals everywhere. Why? Because the banks have already loaned out money on real estate, fruit ranches, and other similar gilt-edge security and they have nothing to loan unless they draw on their reserve funds. This all bankers are refusing to do and the result is that Mr. Richman comes to the bank, is refused the loan simply because there is no money to loan, because—again—the healthy circulation of currency has drained the ordinary coffers on the loan market."

Banks Suffer in Return.

"The aftermath of this is that Mr. Richman must have money and goes to his friend who has deposit in banks. He gets it thus from private sources but only after the bank deposits have been lessened."

"The banks of New York are today holding \$40,000,000 more than their regular reserves, establishing almost unbreakable foundations for them to stand on. More money has been in circulation this summer than any previous year, on a rough estimate, and yet the demand is so large that it cannot be met. A whole crowd of bank examiners were assembled in San Francisco the other day and this opinion was unanimous. Healthy, brisk and substantial loans are responsible, alone, for the apparent shortage of funds," he concluded.

creased flow of milk. Those who have been trying out the venture will not tell what singers the cows listened to when they gave less milk.

Quizzes for Teachers.

Springfield, Ill., July 26.—Ambitious pedagogues and school ma'ams of Illinois are taking examinations for state teachers' certificates today.

Important Meeting.

The Women's Missionary society of the Baptist church will meet at the home of Mrs. Stevenson, 1603 Adams Ave., on Wednesday at 2:30 p. m. Mrs. Gray will lead the meeting, and the Philippines will be the subject. Matters of importance will be discussed, and a large attendance is desired.