

La Grande Evening Observer

VOL. XI

LA GRANDE, UNION COUNTY, OREGON. THURSDAY, AUGUST 25, 1910.

NUMBER 255.

EASTERN CAPITALISTS PROMISE TO GIVE GRANDE RONDE ELECTRIC DEVELOPMENT

Kansas City and many other mid-western capitalists are behind the development of the Grande Ronde valley, with the finances to tap this fertile district with electric lines. S. Z. Mitchell—builder of the electric light plants of La Grande and Baker City—with a galaxy of Eastern moneyed men, passed through La Grande this noon on a tour of inspection of all holdings of the Pacific Power and Light company, principally located west of the Cascades, but incidentally the Billesby interests, formerly owned by the Northwestern company are also to be inspected by Mitchell and his crowd of fourteen officers and stockholders in the Pacific Light and Power company. They are all easterners, each controlling vast sums of money, and a crowd of commercial club members, newspaper and business men today noon, the party, with Mitchell as the spokesman, guaranteed that Grande Ronde valley would receive all the backing at their disposal in the effort to perfect electric train service in this district. Such men as S. Z. Mitchell, president of the Electric Bond & Share Company and chairman of the board of the Pacific Power and Light Company; Marsden J. Perry, chairman of the board of the Electric Bond and Share Company;

H. P. Wright, president of the Wright Investment Company, of Kansas City; R. E. Breed, president of the American Gas & Electric Company, of New York; F. C. Walcott and A. M. Young, New York bankers, were with the party. Mr. Mitchell is particularly well known here and reiterated several times that he was anxious to see Union county electrically developed, and promised that whatever his company might do in the development of Oregon, would be such that the Grande Ronde valley would receive its just dues. Mitchell knows the valley like a book and asserted his confidence in it. This afternoon, at Pendleton, the party of Easterners will be met by a delegation of influential Portland bankers. Private Pullmans, palatial cars and everything that money can provide will be at the disposal of the visitors. From Pendleton they will go to Walla Walla, Athena, Freewater and Pasco, and then to Portland, where the stockholders are heavily interested in electric lines. The party is unquestionably the richest crowd of fourteen men that have ever been in the city at one time, and the statements of the leaders of the crowd, are indicative that the near future will bring forth electrical development of this valley.

CONSERVATION IS EXPLAINED

BALLINGER PUBLISHES LONG LETTER ON POLICIES

Does Not Believe in Withholding Development of Communities.

San Francisco, Aug. 25.—Characterizing the criticism of his policies as hysteria, Secretary Ballinger replied to his opponents in a long published statement. He also defines his idea of conservation. He said he believed in "development that the character of the conservation that will permit development of the country, and this may be obtained under rational laws without violence to any just views of conservation."

He said he was opposed to withholding any lands of the public domain, reserved or unreserved, that were capable to assist in the upbuilding of any community.

MRS. LYLE IN LONDON.

Writes to La Grande People Telling of Her Splendid Tour in Europe.

Mrs. Clara Lyle, originator of the Lyle Tuesday Musical Club of this city, and known throughout Oregon as a musician of much talent is now in London, enjoying all the sights of the metropolis of the world, according to a letter received by Mrs. W. A. Worstall this morning.

She has been to many of the tourist stations, such as Stratford-on-Avon Buckingham Palace, the art galleries, Westminster abbey, and a score of other world renowned places and things and will visit Edinburgh, Paris and many of the places of repute in that section of Europe. Mail sent now will reach her at Edinburgh.

Eagles Hold Jubilee.

St. Louis, Aug. 25.—Marching like soldiers in ranks, jolly decorated, 25,000 members of the Order of Eagles paraded the streets today. The report of the committee which are investigating the graft charges that were made against one of the high ex-officials of the order, is expected this afternoon. Louisville is making a hard fight for the next convention.

URGED THAT ALL REGISTER

CENTRAL COMMITTEEMEN WILL SEEK REGISTRATIONS.

Letter Sent to Committeemen Urging Them to Exert Themselves.

Urging the voters of Union county to register, County, Chairman J. H. Peare of the county central committee has sent a circular letter to the central committeemen of this county. The situation is alarming, as the Observer has already outlined, and the central committee is taking steps to get the vote out. All the central committeemen will receive a copy of the letter, which follows:

La Grande, Oregon, Aug. 24. Dear Sir:—There is an appalling neglect on the part of the voters to register. We, as committeemen, may properly urge the voters in our respective precincts to look after this important duty. No voter can participate in the primary election unless he has registered. We are to have a primary election on the 24th of September. The people will nominate the ticket to be voted at the general election. It will be their nominations and their primary so why will they not think enough of this important factor to qualify themselves to take part in it.

Please urge your neighbors to register at once. Only one third of the voters of this county have registered to date. If we are to take the proper position in the affairs of the state, we must as a people qualify ourselves by registering.

Please urge upon the republicans to do nothing in working for the candidates of their choice, in nominating them, that will make it impossible for them to consistently help the ticket when nominated. This is important. Let the slogan be: "Vote for your friends at the primary and for the ticket at the general election."

Sincerely yours,
J. H. PEARE,
Chairman.

Railroads in Turkey.

Constantinople, Aug. 25.—American capitalists are said to be interested in railroad company just organized here.

Mayors in Parade.

St. Paul, Minn., Aug. 25.—Mayors and other officials of many cities took part in the parade which was today's feature of the congress of the League American municipalities.

Regatta in Bermuda.

Hamilton, Bermuda, Aug. 25.—Twenty-three events are on the program of the annual joint regatta of the Bermuda Boat and Canoe Club and the Bermuda Athletic Association, to be held today off White's Island. The championship of the colony will be decided and here will also be open events in which tourists from America will take part.

Mountain Golfers Play.

Jefferson, N. H., Aug. 25.—Amateur golf championships of the White Mountains will be played today, tomorrow and Saturday over the links of the Waumbek Golf Club. Qualifying rounds are in progress today, with a cup for each of the three sixteens and a runner-up cup for the first sixteen.

GATHERING OF THE TRIBES.

Many Indians Will Participate in the First Annual "Round-up"

Pendleton, Aug. 25.—(Special).—The big "Round-up" to be held in this city this fall received an added impetus the other day when the three Indian tribes on the Umatilla reservation, met in a great pow-wow and unanimously decided to participate in the frontier celebration. Major Lee Moorhouse and Roy T. Bishop, chairman of the Indian committee, assisted by Major Swartzlander, Indian agent, were present at the council and succeeded in arousing the enthusiasm of the redmen over the coming event. Chiefs Umapine of the Cayuse, No Shirt of the Walla Wallas and Amos Pond of the Umatillas all addressed their tribesmen in favor of the proposition with the result that when the matter was put to a vote, there was not a dissenting vote. The Indians are to be allowed a certain portion of the exhibition grounds and it is estimated that there will be over a hundred tepees in this village. The parades, which will be one of the special features of the celebration, will be things of dignity and every attempt will be made to make them suggestive of the native American of by-gone days rather than of the modern remnant. War dances will be put on each evening and pony races and tribal games will be held during the day.

FISH WARDEN IN LA GRANDE

NOT AVERSE TO PLANS PROPOSED BY TROUT ANGLERS

Movement on Foot Here to Get Radical Changes in Game Department.

A movement that has been under consideration and discussion in Eastern Oregon for many months received an impetus this morning when Master Fish Warden R. E. Clanton of Salem, intimated that he was in favor of establishing trout hatchery plants in Oregon. At the present time all the hatcheries propagate salmon and there has been a crying need for trout fry. At the present time all the money collected from sportsmen's hunting and fishing licenses revert to the game department of the state and that department maintains the salmon hatcheries. What the sportsmen of Eastern Oregon have wanted

and wherein they are backed by a great army of fishermen of the state is for the present fish department fund to be increased.

The fish department is financed entirely by the licenses paid by professional fishermen, such as salmon cannery people. What the trout men want is to have some of the funds from the angler's licenses go to the fish department proper. The cost of hatching trout is very normal, say the sportsmen, and strenuous efforts to effect such legislation will be planned.

The master fish warden was not adverse to the scheme. He said that he had been approached by people in other counties on the same line of argument and it appeared to him that the movement would be a popular one everywhere. He agreed to take the matter under advisement and consider it from all standpoints.

Catholics Sail for Montreal.

London, Aug. 25.—What is said to be the largest party of Roman Catholics prelates and laymen which ever

crossed the Atlantic together sailed today on the Empress of Ireland for Montreal, to attend the Eucharistic Congress opening in the Canadian metropolis early September. The party represents the Catholic clergy and nobility of Italy, Spain, Austria, Germany, Great Britain and Ireland.

Poses Seek Italians.

Hondout, Kas., Aug. 25.—Poses are seeking two Italians who are believed to have murdered Peter Tabian, aged 4, whose slashed body was found today at his home near Glascoe. The boy disappeared a week ago, and the father found the body today by following the directions of a fortune teller. The boy was kidnapped, it is believed by men whom father had quarreled with previously.

Unwritten Law Popular.

New Orleans, Aug. 25.—Following the acquittal of Mamie McLaughlin on the plea of the unwritten law, after shooting and killing Hugh Smith whom she alleges betrayed her, the police today are facing an epidemic of man killing by disappointed girls. The first shooting was last night when Katherine Fretsch, a member of an old and highly respected family, shot and killed Frank Mischler. The girl was about to become a mother and popular sentiment is that she will be acquitted by the jury. She alleges that the unwritten law gave her the right to 'avenge herself. The police have been informed that numerous young men have received letters threatening death to many of them and they are filled with consternation and many of them are hiring body guards to protect them.

Married Today.

Ollie Lovan and Miss Olive Smith were married at the M. E. church in this city at noon today by Rev. McLeod. The young folks are popular residents of Cove.

TALK FAIR AND EAT DINNER

NOVEL PLAN TO INSURE GOOD DIRECTORS' ATTENDANCE

Fair Business Proceeds with a Vim and Directors are Hopeful.

Inner man and county fair matters are to run hand in hand from now on for every Wednesday evening will see the fair directors gathered about a dinner table, discussing the fair matters.

Details pertaining to the fair opened with a rush last evening a committee meeting. There were a score of important matters transacted and among which were plans for a systematic exploitation campaign. Bruce Dennis, Ed Eckley and George H. Curry were added to the advertising committee and other lieutenant's will be drafted into the service of exploitation in an effort to make the county

SLEEPING PASSENGERS ARE BURNED IN TRAIN WRECK

Durand, Mich., Aug. 25.—Bodies of six women, a man and a child, have been recovered today at noon, from the blazing wreckage of the Chicago-Montreal Express on the Grand Trunk, which ran into passenger train No. 4 near this city at midnight. The heat from the blazing coaches is so great that rescuers could not secure portions of bodies seen dropping into the fire. The injured number thirty.

It is believed that out of twenty Pullman passengers four escaped. The accident is said to have been caused by failure of the express crew to display signal lights when the train stopped, so the engineer could fix the

broken engine. Number 4 was traveling 30 miles an hour when she crashed into the rear of the express. A special train is enroute.

When the engine struck the Pullman, she split and tore through and to the following coaches, piling them on the tracks. Fire almost instantly broke out, and soon it was impossible to rescue the passengers, mangled in their berths. Brakeman Graham of the express, says he set out the signals.

In addition the eight to eleven passengers of train number 4 are missing and it is feared they are burned in the wreckage.

fair the best advertised of any yet held.

The first of next month an automobile load of boosters will tour the county posting bills and distributing premium lists.

An interesting fact in connection with the stock display and exhibit is the fact that the entire county is absolutely free from contagion. "Doc" Charlton's veterinary surgeon, who is acquainted with more stock than some people have hay, asserts that the county has never been as free of contagion among the stock as it is perfectly safe to place stock on exhibit.

ROOSEVELT STILL TALKS FIGHT

WILLING TO FIGHT IT OUT AND KILL OUT ROTTENNESS

Gets Encouragement from Cossiers—Reach Cheyenne Saturday.

Buffalo, N. Y., August 25.—"I feel it is just a little bit more my duty to hunt crooks out of public life because they happen to be in my own party," said Colonel Roosevelt today addressing the Ellicott Club, here. The Colonel is the guest of honor at breakfast and fully 500 were present. He assured the members that he would fight in the New York state convention. He boarded the train for the west at 8 o'clock and expects to arrive in Cheyenne, Wyoming, on Saturday.

In his speech he said: "Just as we must keep unpolluted the waters of the great lakes we must likewise act in the field of moral, public and domestic life. I believe in pure government."

Shakes His Mighty Fist.

Aboard Roosevelt's Train—Dunkirk, N. Y., August 25.—Five hundred regulars surrounded the Colonel's special train when he pulled into Dunkirk, Roosevelt spoke briefly but his remarks were punctuated by frequent interruptions by the whistles that were being blown in his honor. As he finished, a man shouted: "Do them up in the convention, Teddy." Roosevelt grinned and shook his fist.

Watertown, Aug. 25.—It is stated from sources that are considered to be authentic that Vice-President Sherman will seek retirement as soon as he has lived through the present incumbency. It is stated that Sherman is now making preparations toward this end. When approached regarding the matter Mr. Sherman refused to have anything to say regarding it.

William Lowell, of Pendleton, stopped over in La Grande today to visit with his friend Tom Burke of the Observer. Both gentlemen are students at the state University.

International Motor Boat Race.

Alexandria Bay, N. Y., Aug. 25.—With the United States represented by Mr. Burnham's famous "Dixie," Canada by Mr. E. Mackay Edgar's "Maple Leaf III" and England by the Duke of Westminster's Wolseley-Saunders hydroplane and Mr. Hanbury's "Zigarella," some exciting sport is confidently anticipated in the series of international motor boat races commenced here today.

The course of thirty-two miles, part in American and part in British waters, will be negotiated daily for the next three days. There will also be minor boat races and aquatic events to entertain the large concourse of visitors.

ELKS EXCURSION CANCELLED

ELKS WILL NOT JOURNEY WALLAWA THIS WEEK

Several Things Stand in the Way of the Trip and It is Called Off.

The Elks' excursion to Wallowa county next Sunday has been cancelled. This action was taken for several reasons. The weather is growing too chilly for picnics on the lake shore and the critical illness of George Kreiger at Hot Lake, is also another element standing in the way of the trip. All things considered, it was thought best to defer the trip to another year, though it is yet possible that the journey will be taken this fall sometime.

Wildest West Ever Known.

Cheyenne Wyo., Aug. 25.—The calm that precedes a storm was broken today by the arrival of the first bunches of cowboys, cattle kings, miners, Indians, and tenderfoot who will take part in the wildest "wild west" celebration that the history of this section knows of. Beginning tomorrow Cheyenne will turn herself loose and the annual frontier celebration, "bigger and better and grander than ever," will be on in full blast. What is more "full blast" in Cheyenne means something more than a pink tea, a Chautauqua or a Sunday school picnic, especially in view of the fact, as set forth with great detail in the small bills, the gorgeous and glittering culmination on Saturday is to be a veritable pyrotechnic by one whom all Americans delight to honor, referring, ladies and gentlemen, to that ringoingest of rough riders, the fifteenth of nimods' Colonel Roosevelt.

Browne Bribery Case.

Chicago, Aug. 25.—State Representative Link, an important witness in the trial of Browne, accused of bribery, testified today that Browne asked him to vote for Lorimer the day Lorimer was elected to the senate. Afterwards Browne made him a present of a thousand dollars, he said.