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LAST DAY OF FAIR THE BEST ONE

CLOSING HOURS WILL PRODUCE FEATURES SUPERIOR TO ALL OTHERS UP TO DATE

One big feature after another is piling itself on the closing hours of the county fair and tonight, on the eve of the end, there are so many attractive numbers on the card that the fair promoters know scarcely where to turn.

A monster parade of stock this morning ushered in the final features. It was a neighing prancing, stylish, vain galaxy of glossy horseflesh that constituted the morning's parade. Over thirty stallions, the best in the land, brood mares, draft horses, colts—these and more were in the line. Headed by the band, the parade swung around from Fourth to Adams, and then a line of spectators saw a phanton of shetlands in harness and loose, the classy and snappy single horse carriages, heavy draft teams hitched to wagons, and the blue ribbon and near ribbon winners, following in a long string. It was as pretty an exhibit of horseflesh as has ever been seen in La Grande.

Parade Tonight.

Tonight at 7:30 La Grande will see more automobiles in one string than has ever been its pleasure before. The parade committee has a bunch of fireworks that will go off with a pyrotechnic display, and there will be gala night all around. This is the first attempt at a night parade and it is going to be a "hummer."

Baby Show Tomorrow.

Mrs. A. L. Richardson who is Queen of the babies tomorrow, announces this afternoon that they baby show will be unusually popular. The business houses close at 6 o'clock for the express purpose of seeing the city's

APPLE HONORS AWARDED TO CONKEY

MAYPARK ORCHARDIST CAPTURES FAT PURSE.

His Box of Jonathans Will Go to National Apple Show This Fall.

C. H. Conkey, one of the leading orchardists of Maypark, captures the sweepstakes in the national apple show exhibit contest at the county fair, taking the first and only prize, a purse of \$50, with a box of Jonathans. Aside from winning the local honors, Mr. Conkey wins the distinction of having his apples sent to Spokane where the National Apple show is to be held, and to the Chicago exhibit later on. The prize was posted by the Thronson Fruit company, under auspices of the commercial club and has been one of the warmest races in the fruit exhibit line.

Ben S. Kelley, the Lewison apple buyer, awarded the prize. In speaking of the merits of the exhibits, Mr. Kelley said, "I have seldom, if ever, seen a more splendid line of exhibits than characterized the entire apple exhibit at your fair. However, the entries in the Spokane contest was especially good and it was only after hours of study and consideration that I made the awards. I wish to say how-

young arrayed in best bib and tucker for the occasion.

The concerts yesterday and the big union meeting last evening were Sunday treats that many enjoyed. They were well arranged and well carried out.

The attendance up-to-date has been extremely promising, but the managers believe that tomorrow afternoon will see the greatest record yet. Arrangements for closing the fair with a larger attendance than it opened with, or marked any day of the week, are being carried out, and as the town is to be closed tomorrow, it is apparent such will be the case. "Nothing is too good for the fair 'is La Grande's slogan. 'Get in the band wagon and see things move,' is the advice from the promoters and managers.

ever that "Dad" Welton of Island City and B. F. Bell of Cove each had exhibits in the one-box contest that were exceptionally good and Mr. Welton especially is deserving of special mention."

Mr. Kelley has handled apples for many years and is thoroughly posted on the merits of all the commercial fruit in the northwest, and his compliments to local orchard products, bears with it more than passing weight.

ENGINEER INJURED.

Meagre Reports from Payette Say Fast Mail Struck Freight Train.

In meagre reports from Payette, Idaho, this morning it is learned that Number 9, the fast mail last evening struck a freight train at Payette, and that the engineer was seriously injured. He was knocked unconscious but it is not known whether or not he was fatally injured. It seems the freight had cleared the main line all right, but the switch was not set properly and some object had thrown the connections on the block so that the mail train rammied into the rear end of the freight.

Gambling a Serious Vice.

Seattle, Oct. 10—More than a score of members of the Purity league who are touring the West investigating vice conditions and the slave traffic spoke at a special meeting in the churches yesterday. Mrs. A. B. Sim, who styles herself as a reformed whist player, declared that the society gambling between women is doing more injury than all the whiskey consumed.

WALLOWA PROSPEROUS.

Money Being Attracted to Building Real Estate in Wallowa County.

C. F. Daniels, cashier of the Farmers & Stockmen's National bank of Wallowa, was in the city yesterday, stopping at the Foley. Mr. McDaniels, speaking of his home town, said that as far as business was concerned, Wallowa was an exceptionally good point and now that they have a large established payroll, a vast amount of capital would be interested in new buildings. There is already a big demand for home property. He went on to Baker City this morning on business and will return home tomorrow. The fair was highly complimented by Mr. McDaniels.

Birth Record.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. G. W. O'Neil of this city at Walla Walla yesterday a son.

MANUEL HEADED FOR ENGLAND.

Deposed King and Queen Mother to Live in English Asylum.

Gibraltar, Oct. 10—Don Manuel and Queen Mother, Amelle, of Portugal, have been offered an asylum in England and will depart immediately. It is reported Manuel is on the verge of a physical breakdown and is being treated by specialists who boarded the royal yacht.

CLERK RESIGNS JOB.

H. A. Corpe Will Take New Position This Week in Near Future.

H. A. Corpe has resigned his position as clerk and secretary of the Merchant's Protective association and will take a position as show manager for a Damon and Pythias company in the interest of the K. of P. lodge. He expects to have his resignation take effect this week.

BIG REWARD OFFERED FOR ARREST OF PERSON SCATTERING POISON IN PATH OF CHILDREN

Brutal carelessness is marking the fiendish effort of some individual in La Grande to poison dogs and as a result scores of small children have been allowed to run neck and neck with death by poisoning, according to discoveries made today in East La Grande, when "Ned" the house dog belonging to Dr. and Mrs. A. L. Richardson and another valuable dog belonging to Mr. and Mrs. Martin were killed through the agency of strychnine. The dog poisoning campaign has been rife in East La Grande for some time, and several dogs have been killed and others saved after timely application of antidotes. The crisis has been reached today however when it was found that pieces of bologna saturated with strychnine had been thrown broadcast in the back yards of three families between Seventh and Eighth streets and O and Pennsylvania avenues. A score of small children use this block as their playground and how it is that none of them have in their childish innocence neglected to eat the meat with its deadly contents is a mystery that is unexplainable. The parents of the children were alarmed to a degree that bordered on the frantic when it was learned how near they had been to the fatal stucco.

Big Reward Offered.

Incensed and grieved, Dr. Richardson today offered a standing reward of \$200 to the person or persons securing the arrest and conviction of the fiend who has been spreading terror in that neighborhood. The dastardly practice has been going on for about two weeks. It was believed the spread had ceased a few days ago but it has evidently been resumed again. Others besides Dr. Richardson are extremely indignant and the perpetrator will be run down if such a thing is possible.

PORTLAND TAKES BOTH GAMES SUNDAY

PORTLAND WINS WHILE OAKLAND LOSES ONE OF TWO.

Grip on Flag Tightened by Beavers in Double Header Game Sunday.

Portland, Oct. 10—By winning a double-header from Sacramento yesterday in Portland, the Beavers strengthened their grip on the 1910 pennant, for Oakland lost one and won one. The scores for yesterday when all teams played double headers were:

Sacramento, 0-0; Portland 4-1; Los Angeles 4-2; San Francisco, 0-7. Vergon, 6-2; Oakland 2-4.

Greek on Trial.

Circuit court today is taken up with the trial of Peereopolis, the Greek, accused of robbing the Greek restaurant on Depot street.

REGISTRATIONS CLOSE SOON.

All Voters Will be Given Last Opportunity October Sixteenth.

According to a decision handed down by Attorney General Crawford to County Clerk Ed. Wright, the registrations books are to be closed at 5 o'clock on the afternoon the 16th of this month to be closed for two years unless a special election of some sort is called. Only about 100 have registered since the books were reopened at the close of the primaries according to county clerk's books, consequently the books really close on the 15th as the 16th is on Sunday, near they had been to the Atal staff.

CHILDERS MAKES PAYMENT.

Total of \$1,000 Has Been Paid Into the Treasury.

Today Sheriff F. P. Childers paid to the county treasurer \$500 on the deficit of county funds caused by the earlier failure. The original amount due was \$4800. Of this \$2640 has been paid in dividends from the bank receiver, leaving \$2160 to be paid by Childers. He has made two payments of \$500 each which cuts the total amount due the county down to \$1160. There is in cash in this fund about \$60 on hand which practically leaves a balance of \$1,000.

PLAN WHIRLWIND CAMPAIGN IN LA GRANDE

OLD-FASHIONED ENTHUSIASM HAS BROKEN OUT WITH COMING OF STANDARD BEARER.

MANY SPEECHES PLANNED

Day Will be Replete with Political Speeches and Receptions—Large Committee of Prominent Republicans to Meet the Governor at Depot—Plans for Several Speeches are Formulated by Local Republicans.

Jay B-o-w-e-r-m-a-n, better known as just plain Jay, the acting governor and the peoples' choice for standard bearer for the Republican party is planning a whirlwind speech-tour of La Grande and vicinity tomorrow. He passed through La Grande this morning on his way to Ontario and will double back tomorrow morning and will make speeches in rapid succession during the day and evening. While Oswald West the Democratic candidate is also to be here, the local Republican central committee is arranging a schedule that will not conflict with West. Bowerman will visit the fair, he will speak several places and there is going to be an old-fashioned rally tomorrow night if the preliminaries can be worked out in time.

While the fair matters have taken precedence over everything else, there is a sudden awakening of politics and tomorrow will mark the most energetic day in the history of politics in La Grande for many years. The band will play, the speakers will "spooch, the people will cheer and for a brief day and night at least, La Grande is going to repeat one of its old-fashioned political rallies.

Since the memorial speech in Salem Friday night, Bowerman's forces have doubled in numbers almost. Everywhere he goes the people are flocking to him en masse, and with the whirlwind speeches which he is making, is swinging the doubtful column over to Jay, solidly. The Republicans in this county are promising a solid front for Bowerman.

The acting governor will be in tow of a large committee of prominent Republicans. He will address employees at the Palmer mill at noon, the Perry mill crew and railroad shops crew sometime during the day. He is to inspect the fair and during the evening the Republicans will hold an informal reception at the fair grounds where the acting governor will be given a chance to meet the public.

The committee, augmented by the central committeemen, which will meet Mr. Bowerman are: J. H. Peare, Claud Mackey, J. A. Matott, J. K. Shlek, J. E. Foley, G. M. Richey, E. E. Grout, C. E. Cochran, J. W. Knowles, David Bay, S. N. Bolton, H. Bodmer, A. Palmer, A. V. Andrews, F. S. Bramwell, L. A. Wright, Ed. Wright, W. J. Church, Bruce Dennis, George Good, Ray W. Logan, A. Roberts, C. T. Bacon, F. S. Ivanhoe, C. D. Goodnaugh, Guy Byrkit, Ed. Rumble Chas. Clements, George T. Cochran, J. T. Scroggin, Colon R. Eberhard, I. R. Snook, J. C. Henry, John Frawley, J. J. Carr, Ed. Thomas, J. Corbett, George Palmer, Joe Le Fèvre, Frank Bay, F. C. Bramwell, Frank Leavitt, J. H. Watson, Hugh McCall and all members of the central committee.

Your Last Chance.

If you haven't registered be sure and do so this week. Only half the voters of La Grande have registered. The registration books will be open every evening of the year of the United States National Bank building from seven to ten. DO IT NOW.

DEATH LIST WILL REACH 1000 IS ESTIMATE

DEAD BROUGHT IN FROM RURAL DISTRICTS BY WAGON LOADS THIS MORNING.

TWO THOUSAND MISSING

Continually Growing as Bodies are Brought In—Sixty Bodies Recovered—Majority of Missing are Thought to be at Isolated Villages Awaiting for Succor.

Winnipeg, Oct. 10—Prairie fires started today near Winnipeg, threatening the city. At noon the fire is within eight miles of the town.

Sprague, Ont., Oct. 10—The town of Longworth began burning this afternoon. Three hundred are fleeing for their lives. The town of Lorette is in the path of the fire. Inhabitants are fleeing toward Winnipeg.

Winnipeg, Oct. 10—Seven towns, Baudette, Schooner, Gracetown, Pitt, Cedar Spur, Swift and Roosevelt have been destroyed by forest fires. Five hundred are missing and the death list will probably total 1000. Lumbermen declare the loss to standing timber will reach millions.

Reports from Rainy river say that the dead are being brought in by wagon loads from outlying districts. Rainy river citizens formed a vigilance committee and fifty men are guarding against activity of thieves and ghouls. There are known to be seventy dead and later reports indicate 2000 are missing. Sixty bodies have been recovered.

A majority of the missing are believed to have taken refuge in isolated villages.

NO HOPE TO GET ENTOMBED MEN OUT

RECUERS DRIVEN BACK BY AFTER DAMP IN MAIN TUNNEL.

Six Americans Among Entombed Who Are Apparently Doomed.

Trinidad, Colo., Oct. 10—Fifty-one miners are in a living tomb today at Starkville with one chance in a million of escaping alive. Scores of workmen are frantically tearing at masonry of the old tunnel in an effort to reach the prisoners in the main shaft. At daybreak the workmen were trying to penetrate the main shaft and were compelled to stop because their lives were imperiled by after damp. Although the men are alive, the machine shop of the Colorado Mine & Fuel company is being transformed into a morgue, while the women and relatives of the entombed men watch preparations dully, hardly comprehending their significance. The explosion occurred Saturday night presumably from fire damp. The men in the two blockaded chambers are approximately two and one half or three miles on the inside. There are six Americans among the doomed. The remainder are all Italians, Mexicans and Poles.