

## \$43,000.00 COME FROM SEATTLE FINANCIERS

IMBLER AND HUNTER ORCHARDS BRING BIG SUMS IN SALE CONSUMED TODAY.

## BUYERS SEEK STILL MORE

Orchardmen Formerly Interested at Wenatchee Find Things to Their Liking Here and Buy Two Big Orchard Tracts—Hunter Estate Orchard Brings Total of \$22,000—Buyers Well Satisfied.

Two fruit holdings in the Grande Ronde valley were sold today to Seattle parties when the Dewey tract of 70 acres, adjoining the Laidlaw tract in Imbler and the Hunter estate orchard consisting of 55 acres, were sold to J. H. Richardson and E. S. Given, both of Seattle. The Hunter tract brought \$22,000 and the Dewey tract \$21,000, representing a total of \$43,000 brought into the Grande Ronde valley in one day. The Imbler tract is composed of three and four year old stuff while the Hunter tract is now in bearing.

After devoting much time and attention to fruit growing in the much-touted Wenatchee district Mr. Richardson came here and after a study of conditions found things so much to his liking that he and Mr. Given not only invested heavily but are in the field for still more. About two more tracts will be taken over by these two men giving them extensive local orchard holdings.

The deals were not closed on speculative plans. The men, experience and tried orchard growers, will hold the property and cultivate it along the most scientific orchard lines. Just where and how much more they will buy is not yet decided.

The fact that Wenatchee did not hold the men, once interested there, is a significant fact and throws a testimonial to Grande Ronde orchards that is not only weighty but significant in every way. Mr. Richardson was in Wenatchee so long that he was fully conversant with every detail of the apple industry in that fertile valley; yet he saw such prospects and such fruit in this section that he found it a financial venture of sound foundation to come here and invest.

The Dewey deal was closed between the two parties but the Hunter estate went through the hands of George H. Currey, the real estate man.

### Arbor Day Observed in the West.

Chicago, April 21.—In accordance with the proclamation issued some time ago by Governor Deneen, Arbor day was observed today throughout the state in a befitting manner. In all the public schools and colleges the day was observed by the planting of trees in the school yards or in the parks and some of the teachers delivered addresses upon the subject of the conservation of the natural resources of the country in general and of trees in particular.

Pierre, S. D., April 21.—Throughout the state of South Dakota, even in many of the smallest communities, Arbor day was observed today by the

planting of trees and shrubs in parks and public grounds, in school yards and around the houses of the citizens. The proclamation of Governor Vessey, setting aside today for the observance of Arbor Day, laid particular stress upon the necessity for the planting and protection of trees and the citizens responded to his appeal with unusual zeal.

### MRS. SCOTT WINS FIGHT.

Daughters of the Revolution Select Former President After Fight.

Washington, April 21.—Re-election of Mrs. Matthew Scott of Illinois as president general of the Daughters of the American Revolution, by a small majority is conceded by Miss Poe, press agent for Mrs. William Story of New York, her opponent. The struggle between the two has been bitter, commencing even long before the convention convened.

### To Honor Memory of Houston.

Huntsville, Texas, April 19.—The Society of the Daughters of the Texas Republic began its annual convention here today with delegates in attendance from all over the state. Mrs. Rebecca J. Fisher of Austin is presiding. The visitors will remain here to participate in the exercises at the unveiling of the monument over the grave of San Houston in the Huntsville cemetery. The unveiling is to take place Friday, which will be the anniversary of the battle of San Jacinto.

### Arrest Spokane Census Padders.

Spokane, April 21.—Three secret indictments were returned this morning by the federal grand jury, which has been investigating the padding of Spokane's census. It is believed they were directed against three enumerators. Judge Rudkin issued bench warrants and deputies started to hunt for the men.

### Seattle Fire Chief Accused.

Seattle, April 21.—Mayor Dilling today asked for the resignation of Fire Chief Boyle appointed but recalled by Mayor Gill. Charges are made that the chief disregarded the civil service and made appointments and promotions to pay Gill's political debts.

## AFRICA A BONE OF DISPUTE

### FRANCE AND SPAIN LIKELY TO BECOME INVOLVED.

European War Clouds Looming Up—Germany Back of It All.

Madrid, April 21.—Apprehension of the gravest kind that Europe may be involved in war through clashing of French and Spanish claims in Morocco is felt here. France is known to be seriously considering sending an army to Gates of Fez and Spain is thereby compelled to oppose such an encroachment.

Danger of an European war grows out of Germany's attitude. Germany practically blocked the last French attempt for African aggression, and now it is believed here that England is backing France.

### Yesterday's Ball Scores.

Los Angeles 7, Portland 4; Sacramento 0, San Francisco 6; Oakland 0, Vernon 7. Victoria 1, Tacoma 8.

## DIAZ APOLOGIZES FOR CURT NOTE SENT TO TAFT; JUAREZ SCENE OF BATTLE THIS EVENING

ident Taft yesterday that gave offense here. Last night he told President Taft that Mexico desired no intervention and the note did not intend to be offensive. The Mexican reply to Taft's demands is expected hourly. It is believed a part of Diaz's answer was intended for home consumption and that it was inserted with the full intention of withdrawing it as soon as the Mexican people had time to digest the independent "play" of Diaz.

Washington, April 21.—In telegrams to the state department today the Mexican foreign office withdrew portions of President Diaz's curt reply to Pres-

## SEVERAL NEW CANDIDATES ENTER THE OBSERVER CONTEST

Prizes So Numerous That There is Assurance There Will be Enough to Go Around Among Those Who Really Are Entering.

### CONTEST DISTRICT NO. 1

This district comprises the city of La Grande. The four ladies residing in La Grande who at the end of the contest have received the most votes will be the guests of the Observer at the Portland Rose Festival.

HUFF, RUBY, Seventh and L streets	16,224
MARTIN, ERMA, 1201 Fourth street	7,000
STEPHENSON, MILDRED, Care Star Theatre	2,500
NUTTER, MRS. B. B., 1708 1-2 Sixth St.	1,157
COTNER, EVA, 2,008 Oak street	1,122
WILLIAMS, MRS. Fred W., Box 804	1,004
GARRICK, NELL, Care Isis theatre	1,001
PRICE, NELL, Care Telephone Office	1,001
DAVIS, ADA, 1313 X avenue	1,001
SNOW, ALICE, 1410 Z avenue	1,001
COMBS, FRANKIE, 1201 D avenue	1,001

### CONTEST DISTRICT NO. 2

This district comprises all of Union county except La Grande. The four ladies of this district who, at the end of the contest, have received the most votes will be the guests of the Observer at the Portland Rose Festival.

WILSON, EVA, Union	17,711
ROBERTSON, ZELLA, R. F. D. No. 2, La Grande	9,252
KELLY, BESS, Cove	8,502
VAN HOUSEN, HAZEL, Alicel	7,001
CARBINE, JENNIE, R. F. D. No. 1, La Grande	7,000
KEEFER, STELLA, Imbler	1,151
RUSSELL, BETHEL, Elgin	1,097
ARNOLD, MABEL, Elgin	1,001
SMITH, BESSIE, Elgin	1,001
VAN DE VANTER, MRS., Medical Springs Stage Line, Union	1,001
CHATTIN, VIOLET, Summerville	1,001
WOODELL, ETTA, R. F. D., No. 1, Summerville	1,001
HART RUTH, Hilgard	1,001
HERFORD, BELL, Telocaset	1,001

### CONTEST DISTRICT NO. 3

This district comprises all of Wallowa county and Pine and Eagle valleys. The three ladies of this district who, at the end of the contest, have received the most votes will be the guests of the Observer at the Portland Rose Festival.

BROCK, NETTIE, Flora	3,001
EVANS, MINNIE L., Wallowa	1,001

### PRIZES REGARDLESS OF DISTRICTS.

The three candidate who, at the end of the contest have more votes than any of their rivals, may, at the expense of the Observer, extend their trips on to San Francisco.

The four candidates who range next in standing, regardless of districts, will be entertained at the Hotel Gearhart, Gearhart Park, By-the-Sea.

All winning candidates will be given side trips to all points of interest in and about Portland; and will be taken to the leading places of amusement and recreation.

Instead of taking a trip, any winning candidate may have music lessons to the value of \$50 or a scholarship in Whitman college; in the Baker City business college or choice of several other colleges. In lieu of the San Francisco trips scholarships valued at \$100 will be arranged for, in case exchange is desired.

Several changes occur in the score list today, resulting in several changes in the relative position of the candidates.

Miss Eva Wilson of Union, who entered the contest "just for the fun and the experience" goes to the lead in her district and even leads the entire con-

test. Miss reports come from throughout this country.

Berger, the socialist congressman today presented a petition signed by 30,000 American citizens, to the house, demanding the troops on the border be recalled. Berger said the petition was proof. "The bloody character of Diaz's government was understood and the justice of the uprising appreciated by a majority of Americans."

El Paso, April 21.—The town is on edge today awaiting 3 o'clock when Madero said he would attack the town of Juarez until Diaz abdicates or Navarro surrendered. Rebel battle lines are spread through the hills west and south of Juarez. The opinion is general that a battle will be fought.

American troops are drawing up a double cordon to prevent American citizens getting into the danger zone. The chief source of apprehension that Americans may be hurt, is the fear that rebels may attack Juarez from the Buache side. It is almost certain that bullets would strike El Paso under these circumstances.

Feeling is high here and if any one is hurt, it is probable the American citizens will return the fire.

There is little fear of shells from other directions falling in this city, as most of the firing will be directed at the right and left of the hills toward Juarez. A movement of shells from the hills toward Juarez today marked what is believed to be the beginning of evolution of attack on Juarez. The attack on Juarez at Made this forenoon.

### Relief Co.

Douglas, April 21.—With 500 federals left in Chiapas this forenoon to go overland to the relief of Juarez. Col. Diaz announced that Chiapa's force had gone to Cienzal 10 miles east of this city to engage the rebels. Cienzas reports there are no rebels there.

### Rumor of Attack.

Douglas, April 21.—Disquieting rumors that Agua Prieta again is to be the scene of conflict, disturbed Douglas today. It is reported by couriers from Naco that Juan Cabral and Colonel Ajo are each heading 500 troops preparing to advance on the towns.

## NAME IGNORED TO HELP LOVER

### ST LOUIS WOMAN SACRIFICES HER REPUTATION BY TESTIMONY.

Dr. Haldane Cleminson Has an Ardent Friend at St. Louis.

St. Louis, April 1.—Sacrificing her reputation to prevent the conviction of Dr. Haldane Cleminson, for the murder of his wife, Mrs. Anita Schmidt left here for Chicago today. Cleminson, she said refused to allow her to testify that she was with him on the night he was accused of killing his wife, so it was impossible he committed the crime. Mrs. Schmidt said she met Cleminson during a quarrel with her husband.

### Story Called Frameup.

Chicago, April 21.—Commenting on the St. Louis story by Mrs. Schmidt, Assistant States Attorney Northrup said he believed it was a frame-up but it will not save Cleminson. He is serving a life sentence.

## HOUSE READY TO DECIDE FATE OF MEASURE

RECIPROCITY REACHES THE FINAL STAGE IN THE LOWER HOUSE THIS AFTERNOON.

## UNDERWOOD CLOSES DEBATE

McCall, Republican, Favors the Measure With Heated Debate—Others on Opposition Express Opinions—Underwood Leads in the Fight for the Measure—Say "Interests" Oppose.

Washington, April 21.—The final debate in the house on the reciprocity bill began today. McCall, republican, of Massachusetts, who fathered the measure passed in the house of the last congress, defended Underwood's identical measure today. Daltzell, republican, attacked it. Chairman Underwood occupied the final hour of the debate. The vote on the measure comes this afternoon.

McCall charged the "interests" were using the farmers of the country to defeat the reciprocity.

Underwood in closing charged that protected interests of his district had just shut down work on some corn plants and threw 3,000 men out of work in an effort to make him stop favoring reciprocity.

### SMALL POX IN ALASKA.

Passengers and Mailing Men Vaccinated Despite the Protests.

Seattle, April 21.—On account of small pox at Juneau, Alaska, the government physicians have vaccinated all passengers for Alaska. Mining men and tourists on the Dolphin and Bertha were vaccinated despite protests, before the vessels sailed last night.

### LONGWORTH FOR AMBASSADOR.

Said That Nicholas Is on the List for Berlin Diplomatic Job.

Washington, April 21.—It is reported in official circles that Congressman Nicholas Longworth can have the post of ambassador to Germany, succeeding Jayne Hill, if he wants it. It is reported he is on Taft's list.

### Season Opens in Western League.

Omaha, Neb., April 21.—The championship season of the Western league gets under way today to continue until Oct. 8. A total of 168 games will be played. Denver plays the opening game at Lincoln, Topeka at Wichita, Sioux City at St. Joseph and Des Moines at Omaha. The weaker teams of last year have apparently been strengthened and the managers throughout the circuit predict a close and interesting race for the championship.

### Lodging House Dynamited.

Oakland, Cal., April 21.—An attempt was made this morning to blow up a lodging house on Fifth street by a crude bomb. It exploded, and the porch was partially wrecked. Twenty persons were in the building but none were hurt.

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I nominate \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 District No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_

Only the first nomination blank counts 1000 votes; each subsequent blank 1 vote. Names of people making nomination will not be divulged.

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