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CONQUEST OF THE VALLEY STARTS AT COVE

UNION HORSEMEN RIDE WITHOUT RED CROSS OR HOSPITAL CORPS.

ARE DUE HERE TOMORROW

Announcing Their Direction of March by Bugle, Brigade of Thirty Attract Marked Attention at Every Farm-house and Hamlet—First Stop at Cove—Luncheon at Imbler; Reach Reach Elgin Tonight.

BANQUET AWAITS RIDERS.

The Union delegation will reach La Grande about noon tomorrow—their approach will be heralded by bugle calls. The publicity spreaders and boosters will be guests of honor at a Commercial club luncheon at the Foley grill, immediately after their arrival here.

Cove, May 22.—(Special)—Triumph in their crusade for publicity as regards the coming horse show at Union, and conquering Grande Ronde valley with much ado and plenty of pomp 30 horsemen comprising a horse show brigade, advertising the Union horse show, reached this place about 10 o'clock this morning and were off for Imbler after meeting with Cove people.

The calvalcade make a big stir through the rural districts. Heralds on horse proceed the brigade, bugling like veterans and every farmer housewife and farm hand drops work to see the conquerers pass. In the lead is the Levy four-in-hand Shetlands and kings over all are George Benson and Will Vogel who not alone establish the base of alignment but establish the pace, canter, slow trot, gallop and walk, just as they decree. The rank and file just as told, too, regardless of personal feelings in the matter. The first lap was slow, but from Cove orders read for forced marching to Imbler to partake of lunch. The last spasm of the 40-mile ride will land the horsemen in Elgin tonight and tomorrow about noon they will reach La Grande. In the party are:

Geo. W. Benson, Will Vogel, Robert Withycombe, George N. Schbird, Harry Cooper, W. B. Gassett, Ralph Hutchinson, John Spain, Willis Phillips, G. W. Delay, C. B. Orai, J. H. Chase, W. J. Townley, J. A. Benson, Guy Church, Herbert Hall, B. J. Ersland, H. J. Lucas, Will McCurrey, M. S. Levy, J. W. Spencer, Harvey Duke, Lester Hempsey, Frank Bidwell, W. B. Perregeaux, William Wilson, Frank Wittman, Stanley Shaw, Bense Cochran and Harry Wolfe.

The hospital and red cross societies were left at home, for the riders deemed themselves equal to the taxing test though many of them are not expert horsemen by any means and others have not been near a saddle for years.

Accident at Iowa School House.

Imler, May 22.—(Special)—In the forced march between Cove and Imbler today, one of the mounts stumbled just before reaching the Iowa school house and "turned turtle" literally. The animal turned a somersault, and threw the rider, Ralph Hutchinson, into an adjacent ditch, but merely jarred him severely. The horse lay as though dead, but it was only stunned by the fall and when the excitement of the spill was over it was found that neither horse nor man were injured beyond a few injuries.

It was two o'clock when the horsemen reached here.

Stimson Takes Oath.

Washington, May 22.—Mr. Stimson took the oath as secretary of war today.

WAR MINISTER CRUSHED BY MONOPLANE

PREMIER OF FRANCE ALSO TERRIBLY HURT WHEN MACHINE RUNS AMUCK AT ISSY.

WHOLE NATION MOURNING

Party of Government Officials Struck by Panicky Aviator at Issy Field Yesterday—Premier Monis Terribly Lacerated and Cut—Machine About to Get Under Way for Paris-Madrid Flight.

Paris, May 22.—Arrangements are being made today for a state funeral for War Minister Berteaux, who was killed yesterday when Aviator Trains' monoplane, in the start of the Paris-Madrid race, became uncontrollable, and struck a government party. Owing to the national mourning the state visit of King Peter of Serbia is indefinitely postponed.

Premier Nearly Killed.

Despite a compound fracture of the right leg, a broken nose and abdominal injuries it is believed today that Premier Monis, who was also injured yesterday on the aviation field at Issy by a falling monoplane which killed Minister of War Henri Berteaux, will recover. It will take weeks possibly, and he will resign to be succeeded by Former Premier Clemenceau.

Fully 200,000, gathered to watch the start of the Paris-Madrid race, witnessed the accident. It is generally believed poor management is responsible.

When Aviator Trains' monoplane swooped down it was impossible for the party to duck. Many other were hurt.

DIAZ OUTLINES HIS FLIGHT

WILL RESIGN AND LEAVE MEXICO AT ONCE.

Madero Not Pacifying the Rebels—Peace Today Is Uncertain.

Mexico City, May 22.—It was semi-officially announced here today that Diaz resigns next Wednesday and will leave immediately on the French steamer Espagne at Vera Cruz for Europe. He will stop en route at Havana to confer with General Reyes.

Madero Not Satisfactory.

Los Angeles, May 22.—Appointment of Madero as president of Mexico will not restore peace if the Los Angeles revolutionary junta can help it. Representing the Mexican liberal party which is conducting the Lower California, Sinaloa and Southern Mexico, members of the junta today sent to the printers a draft of appeal to all members of the liberal party and to socialists throughout the world to aid in continuing the fighting. They assert that Madero is advancing himself politically and that the present revolt means simply a change of presidents, but not economic liberty of the people.

Peace Not Perfect.

El Paso, May 22.—The first day of peace between the federals and insurgents here was disquieting and filled with incidents which portends that further trouble is not unlikely. Many telegrams were received by Madero expressing complaints of the rebel leaders at the proposed peace and it is probable that Chihuahua will be occupied in order to satisfy the fire brands. Hourly reports tell of a number of interior towns falling into the rebels' hands.

HEAT SUFFERING RELIEVED.

Chicago, May 22.—One woman dead, a half dozen persons are injured, telephone and telegraph lines are out, and thousands of dollars worth of property damaged is the toll today to a freakish electrical rain storm which hit Chicago and ended the heat wave, which has caused a dozen deaths here.

It rained without warning, and drenched thousands of refugees from heat in the parks.

Mrs. W. F. Caldwell was killed by lightning which struck her flat.

SCHOONER'S CREW LOST.

Accident South of Rogue River May Have Cost Seven Lives.

Marshfield, Ore., May 22.—Six of the crew of the gasoline schooner Wascare have been rescued from an island south of Rogue river where the schooner drifted after striking sunken rocks. She carried 13 men and the whereabouts of seven are still unknown. A search is now on. The schooner was from San Francisco, en route to Bandon for lumber.

WILSON DISAPPOINTS SPOKANE

Porter Refuses to Awaken Sleeping New Jersey Governor at Station.

Spokane, May 22.—Governor Wilson who was scheduled to deliver a 15-minute address here this morning, when the train pulled in failed for the porter refused to awaken him. As a result 150 prominent citizens were disappointed and the democratic committee was disgruntled.

"Grandfather" Clause Unlawful.

Oklahoma City, May 22.—The United States circuit court here today declared the "grandfather" clause amendment which barred 40,000 negroes from participation in the election was unconstitutional. The measure was passed by the democrats.

POLITICAL HEADS WILL FALL

ANOTHER PROGRESSIVE WILL BE GIVEN PORTFOLIO.

La Follette Thinking of Racing Independently for President.

Washington, May 22.—As the outcome of a reported plan by President Taft to placate the progressives and through them capture the nomination in 1912, insurgents here today predict the early resignation of another member of the cabinet and the appointment of a progressive in his place. It is said a new man will either replace Knox, MacVeach, or Nagle.

Senator La Follette plainly shows that he does not like the turn of events and fears Taft's plan may result in the failure of the Republican Progressive league to capture the 1912 convention. It is even rumored that La Follette may make the race independently if Taft is re-nominated.

Oklahoma Bankers Meet.

Oklahoma City, Okla., May 22.—The Oklahoma Bankers' association began its annual convention in this city today with a good attendance. Features of the initial session this morning were the annual address of President J. B. Ferguson of Enid and an address by George B. Harrison, Jr., president of the New England National bank of Kansas City.

Iowa Liquor Dealers.

Davenport, Ia., May 22.—The Iowa Liquor Dealers' association met in annual convention here today and will remain in session until Thursday. J. J. Klein of Council Bluffs is presiding. Among those in attendance are several officers of the national organization of liquor dealers.

SATURDAY NIGHT ENDS THE CONTEST

SUBSCRIPTIONS MUST BE IN BEFORE THAT TIME

TO HELP CONTESTANTS

To Win the Trips To the Portland Rose Festival, to San Francisco and to Win the Valuable Scholarships.

From present indications the two young ladies at Joseph have won the two companion trips offered for the most votes turned in between May 8 and May 20. However, there is another day to receive envelopes from out of town contestants and their friends. But, to be counted on these prizes, the envelopes must bear postmark of May 20.

A similar plan will be adopted for closing the contest for the other prizes next Saturday night.

The contest closes on May 27. Candidates and their friends everywhere may work up to the last minute in any part of the Observer's field.

Just so the envelopes containing subscriptions bear postmark of May 27 and reach the Observer by 6 p. m. May 29, the votes will be counted for the candidates intended. This gives all candidates, whatever their distance from La Grande, the same chance to work to gather subscriptions.

Candidates who send in big bunches of subscriptions on the last day would better speak to the postmaster about the importance of stamping the letters as soon as they are posted with the date of March 27. In addition, it will be a safeguard to write upon the back of such envelopes the following sentence: "This envelope containing votes was posted March 27." Then have one or more responsible people sign their names under the sentence. Thus will there be indisputable proof that the votes were mailed in time to be counted.

A safer way still is to send subscriptions in just as fast as they are gathered. Contestants who are wise will do this.

From present indications several candidates have been holding back votes and will surprise their rivals at the end by turning in large bunches of subscriptions. Several candidates who now think they are safe within the prize row may find themselves completely crowded out when these reserves of votes are sent in. The only way any candidate can be sure of her position is to strive for votes with might and main every day this week week and until the closing hour next Saturday night.

No higher values in votes will be placed upon subscriptions than those which have prevailed throughout the contest. So that a subscription may as well be put in one day as another.

In the La Grande city district—contest district No. 1—the competition for second place has been pretty lively for the last ten days. Three young ladies, all having many friends, have been running almost an even race for the honor mentioned.

Miss Mildred Stephenson, the mu-

LINE-UP OF CANDIDATES

CONTEST DISTRICT NO. 1

This district comprises the city of La Grande. The two 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.....	42,564
STEPHENSON, MILDRED, Care Star Theatre.....	32,886
COTNER, EVA, 2,008 Oak street.....	28,607
MARTIN, IRMA, 1201 Fourth street.....	24,015
COMBS, FRANKIE, 1201 D avenue.....	16,333
NUTTER, MRS. B. B., 1708 1-2 Sixth St.....	10,178
WILLIAMS, MRS. Fred W., Box 804.....	1,174
DAVIS, ADA, 1318 X avenue.....	1,001
SNOW, ALICE, 1410 Z 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.

ROBERTSON, ZELLA, R. F. D. No. 2.....	83,320
HANSEN, AGNES, Perry.....	81,276
VAN HUSEN, HAZEL, Alcei.....	59,565
WILSON, EVA, Union.....	74,949
PEMBLER, FRANKIE, R. F. D. No. 2.....	39,364
CHATTIN, VIOLET, Summerville.....	27,801
CONRAD, NELLIE, R. F. D. No. 1 La Grande.....	13,301
ARNOLD, MABEL, Elgin.....	7,025
WEEKS, BERNIE, North Powder.....	7,000
RUSSELL, BERTHEL, Elgin.....	3,241
KEEFER, STELLA, Imbler.....	1,151
WOODELL, ETTA, R. F. D. No. 1, Summer.....	1,001

CONTEST DISTRICT NO. 3

This district comprises all of Wallawa 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.

EAMES, EDNA, Joseph.....	178,166
ROUP, MARGARET, Joseph.....	173,513
BOSWELL, CECIL, Minam.....	31,030
LYRENMANN, ANNA, Enterprise.....	16,022
EVANS, MINNIE L., Wallawa.....	11,065
WISDOM, BESSIE, Lostine.....	7,518
MAVOR, ALICE, Enterprise.....	6,006
WILEY, GLADYS, Wallawa.....	5,571
BROCK, NETTIE, Flora.....	3,001

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.

sician of the Star theatre, although a comparative stranger in La Grande, is making a fine showing in votes. She is rather too timid in canvassing, but she does manage to conjure up courage to speak to people whom she knows quite well.

Patrons of the theatre who hear her sing and play, can not help but to admire her. Her voice is sweet and her playing, to bring out the life in the moving pictures, is very skillful. Then, too, she is a willing and cheerful musician and good will radiates from her finger tips.

Since the death of her father a year ago Miss Stephenson has supported herself and her mother with her playing and singing. She is the youngest pianist in the northwest-circuit of the Peoples' Amusement company. But, like the true artists, she is not satisfied with herself. She knows that her voice can be improved by training under the best masters. So she entered the contest hoping to win one of the valuable musical scholarships offered by the Observer. She can make use of such a scholarship at the same time that she sings for a living.

A number of railroad men are voting for Miss Irma Martin, who is the daughter of J. H. Martin, the popular storekeeper for the O-W. R. & N. shops. Miss Martin is a charming little gentlewoman and much admired by all those who know her. Miss Martin's friends want to see her take the Portland trip with the Observer girls. But she, too, looks longingly upon one of the scholarships in music, preferably that of Mrs. Jean MacDonald Birnie, with whom she has studied.

Miss Martin recently lost her mother and now she has responsibilities as

her father's housekeeper, so that only in odd moments can she get out to gather subscriptions.

Miss Eva Cotner has been lining up friends for a strong finish since she first went into the contest. She has not neglected an opportunity to either get a promise for votes or get a subscription from everyone she knows. She is so enthusiastic as to her final success that her friends take stock in her and promise her their aid.

Miss Frankie Combs is close on the heels of Miss Cotner and recently she is gaining ground on her rivals in the La Grande contest district.

Miss Ruby Huff of La Grande believes in hard work. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Huff, who have lived in the Grande Ronde valley for 20 years, teach their children that the best things of life are gained by some self denial and hard work. As a result their sons and daughters are successful and creditable members of society.

As soon as Miss Ruby Huff found that she was in the Observer contest she went right to work to gather subscriptions. Where she cannot get a subscription she gets a promise for a subscription before the contest closes. It did not take her shrewd head long to figure out that votes come more rapidly by collecting money from old and new subscribers than by collecting the newspaper coupons. So Miss Huff makes a drive for the subscriptions.

Although she has graduated in the commercial department of the Sisters' academy, Miss Huff aspires to still further scholastic training. If she wins one of the trips to Portland and California, Miss Huff will visit schools and colleges to decide where she will take other studies. Pleasant and courteous in her bearing, firm in her determination to win Miss Huff is making friends everywhere she goes. And, before and after school hours, she makes a general canvass for votes. The result is

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