

# La Grande Evening Observer

VOL. X

LA GRANDE, UNION COUNTY, OREGON.

THURSDAY, JUNE 22, 1911.

NUMBER 206

## KING GEORGE AND QUEEN MARY CROWNED WITH LACK OF EXPECTED ENTHUSIASM

### Lord Kitchner's Iron Hand Spoils Freedom of Voice; Only Slight Incidents Occur to Mar Smoothness of Event.

London, June 22.—Before assembled nobility of his realm and representatives of foreign nations all over the world, George V was crowned at 12:37 in Westminster abbey today and 15 minutes later Queen Mary was crowned. Not the slightest hitch marred the proceedings, despite the overcast skies and occasional flurries of rain millions jammed the line of procession. While enthusiasm was shown it was not the same spontaneous outburst that greeted Edward. Sixty-five thousand troops guarded the march.

The first section of the procession, including visiting royalties and envoys, left Buckingham palace at 9:30 a. m. The second section, including the Prince of Wales, and members of the British royal family, left at 10 a. m. The king's procession started at 10:35. After the coronation, the royal procession left the abbey at 2:03.

During the ceremonies King George was bathed with nervous perspiration. Mary seemed cool and assured. The archbishop of Canterbury showed a little nervousness when he placed the crown on the king. The people gave a big demonstration when the party left the abbey for Buckingham palace again.

#### Enthusiasm Lacking.

London, June 22.—Lord Kitchner threw a wet blanket over the whole coronation festivities. "I am deeply disappointed over the comparative lack of enthusiasm over the crowning," King George is reported to have summed up his chagrin with the above remark. No doubt Kitchner's iron discipline who had charge of the troops along the route, kept the thousands from witnessing and marred free expressions of opinion by the crowds. It is believed he will not be so popular with the majesties hereafter.

#### Lord Kitchner Stumbles.

Only a little incident marred the ceremonies in the abbey when Lord Kitchner stumbled over a page and nearly measured his length on the floor. It caused a titter among the notables. One of the most serious mishaps of the day occurred at Trafalgar square just before their majesties arrived. The police were clearing a way for the procession and spectators resisted and the police were driven back until reinforcements arrived. When the crowd pressed back several were seriously injured in the clash.

All along the route of the pageant during the return trip there was much confusion. It had been reported there was plenty of room along certain parts of the route and hundreds of thousands of spectators crowded toward the spots. In every block spectators and soldiers collapsed under the terrific pressure and ambulances were busy carrying away those who fell.

To the orthodoxly-minded the ceremony was an awe-inspiring display of the pomp of militarism, of ecclesiastical solemnity and of medieval magnificence. To the cynic it was an almost pathetically childish exhibition of delight in tinsel and spangles. The radical saw in it a positively wicked waste of millions, in a country where fully one-third of the population is on the brink of pauperization and one-twentieth is literally starving.

The average Briton is strictly orthodox, however. Before dawn the people began swarming by hundreds of thousands into the streets through which the royal procession was to pass, between Buckingham palace and

Westminster Abbey. The foot and mounted police who shepherded them seemed numberless. Lining the thoroughfares are marching in the procession were nearly 60,000 soldiers under command of Field Marshall Viscount Kitchner. To some extent the tremendous military display was, indeed, necessitated by the shortness of the route and the consequent congestion of the crowd to an extent, which, orderly as Londoners usually are, would have rendered the ordinary "thin red line" powerless to control it.

Immediately the abby doors were opened, hours before the actual ceremony, those privileged persons possessing tickets of admission began taking their seats, and as the ancient edifice filled, the eye was dazzled by the sparkling of the women's jewels and the brilliance of the uniforms worn by the men.

Peers and peeresses were in full robes of scarlet and ermine and carried their coronets ready to put on the moment the crown was placed on King George's head. Coronets, gems, chains, orders and medals scintillated in the subdued light and showed up even more plainly beside the occasional plainer costume of some one of less exalted rank than the nobility on the members of parliament in black court dress, foreign officers in weird and wonderful colors, eastern potentates in flowing robes and turbans of every hue and shade under the sun made up the balance of the gorgeous assembly.

#### Ministry in Line.

Premier H. H. Asquith in his simple cabinet minister's uniform of blue

and white, was followed by Lord Chancellor Ashbourne of Ireland and the Archbishop of York, the latter in a cope of gold and white, touched with crimson damask. Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain Lord Loreburn succeeded this trio, walking alongside the Archbishop of Canterbury in state vestments of cream, blue and gold.

After them a herald and two pursuivants preceded the queen's regalia, three separate noblemen carrying the crown, the ivory rod with the dove and the scepter with the cross, under the escort of the Duke of Devonshire, the majesty's chamberlain and a group of sergeant-at-arms.

Then there was an awed hush as the queen herself, surrounded by her gentlemen-at-arms in scarlet tunics and with nodding plumes and with the bishops of Norwich and Oxford as supporting prelates, moved slowly down the aisle.

Flashing with jewels and wearing the ribbon of the Garter over her dress—a scintillating mass of gold—her majesty made a picture calculated to impress even the beauties occupying the peeresses' seats, though the captious are said to have whispered among themselves that Mary did not really compare with her mother-in-law, Alexandra, on the corresponding occasion nine years ago.

The queen's train was nearly 18 feet long and of rich purple velvet bordered with ermine and emblazoned in gold with the emblems of the United Kingdom, the colonies and other heraldic devices. It was supported by Ladies Mary Dawson, Mabel Ogilvy, Victoria Carrington Elken Butler, Elleen Knox and Dorothy Brown, being the daughters respectively of the Earls of Dartrey, Airlie, Carrington, Lanborough, Ranfurley and Kenmare.

#### Cheers for the Queen.

Except for the anthem pealing from the organ and choir, the great assembly had remained up to this time profoundly silent, standing reverently but as the queen passed the enclosure set apart for their benefit, the boys of

Westminster school exercised their tradition privilege of bursting into cries of "Vivat Regina Maria! Vivat Regina Maria! Vivat! Vivat! Vivat!"

Followed by her attendants, the Queen passed the thrones and took her seat in one of the "chairs of recognition." There was a slight pause, during which the breathless throng seemed oblivious of the anthem and of the clamor of the abbey bells. Then a group of gorgeously dressed state trumpeters appeared in the doorway. Among them was the Richmond Herald in all his glory, supported by the Rouge Dragon and Bluemantle pursuivants.

The "king's procession" was about to enter. After the party of heralds, trumpeters and pursuivants paved the Dukes of Argyll and Roxburgh, side by side. One bore the scepter with the cross, the other St. Edward's staff. Behind walked Lord Grey de Rothyn carrying the "gold spurs."

Next came three great noblemen with sheathed swords, emblematic of punishment, protection and mercy. Field Marshal Lord Roberts carried the first, Field Marshal Lord Wolseley the second and the Duke of Grafton the third—the famous pointless blade, "Curtana."

Following the three swords were the four kings-of-arms.

Then came Lord High Constables the Earl of Erroll and the Duke of Abercorn, of Scotland and Ireland respectively, followed by Lord High Stewards the Earls of Crawford and Shrewsbury of the same two countries. Then appeared the master of today's ceremonies, Henry, Duke of Norfolk, Earl Marshal of England, premier duke and earl of the realm, and bearer of a score of other titles. He wore his Earl Marshal's uniform under his robes and carried his baton of office, while two pages supported his train.

Beside him strode the Duke of Fife, the king's brother-in-law, carrying the Lord High Constable of England's baton and also attended by two pages. Between these dignitaries, but attended by only one page, was the Marquis of Londonderry with the sword of state, ready to be buckled about the monarch's waist just before the placing of the crown upon his head.

The crown itself came next. Lord High Steward of England the Earl of Chesterfield bore it gingerly, glittering on its cushion like a single huge gem. On either side of the crown-bearer were the Earl of Lucan, holding the

(Continued on Page 2)

## THREE AMERICANS MURDERED BY MEXICANS AND OTHERS IN DANGER OF SAME END

University Library

San Diego, June 22.—A party of 40 and fifty rebels under Mosby were beaten by a federal force from Escondido within three miles of Tia Juana this forenoon. Observers on the American side could hear the heavy firing but could not see the battle.

San Diego, June 22.—That three Americans were murdered at Alamo and 15 including Mrs. Foster and several women are under restraint there will likely be murdered at any time was the word brought here today by

C. W. Church, Carl Carlson, C. Meyers, and Daniel Bower who arrived today. They walked 200 miles from Alamo without provisions or blankets. They confirmed the report that Dr. A. L. Foster, John Carroll, Patrick Glennon and Constantine Dubois were murdered by Mexican troops.

The men say the prisoners, after their arrest, were being taken to Escondido for that they were shot down and buried by the soldiers at Alamo five miles out.

## SALEM CONVICT ESCAPES DEATH WHEN HE MEETS SHERIFF

Corvallis, Ore., June 22.—Separated by 40 feet Sheriff Gellatly of Benton county shot his gun at Jess Hall, an escaped convict and desperado who eluded a posse yesterday by kidnapping Mail Carrier Huber and forcing him to accompany him until he could get away.

Hall put his hands on his breast, turned a somersault and crawled off

into the brush. The posse is searching but has not yet found him. It is supposed the wounding of Hall occurred near Peak postoffice in the coast range mountain. Hall has new clothing and a gun which he secured.

He was a trusty under the Governor West's policy of giving prisoners more liberty.

## MAN HUNT HAS NARROWED DOWN

Portland, June 22.—Reports today from Southern Oregon towns indicate the hunt for the Shasta limited bandits has narrowed down to a heavily timbered district between Ash and

Loon lake, northern Coos county. The Douglas county posse numbering less than 12 men is working westward from Ash today and the Marshfield deputies northward from Alleghany.

#### BRIDGES HEARING OVER.

Girl Not Led to Admit Damaging Points Against See.

Chicago, June 22.—Folling the state's attempts to trap her into ad-

#### WATER MASTERS.

Hearing Will Be Conducted at North Powder This Week.

Appointment of four new water masters for Eastern Oregon were made yesterday at Salem. William Bradley of Freewater was named for the north end of Umatilla county. The others are Willard Blake of Ione for Gilliam and Morrow counties; George Brewster of Slaters for Crook county; James Sills of Cove for Grande Ronde valley.

The state engineer will go to Ashland September 6, to start adjudication of water claims on Rogue river and tributaries. James T. Chinnock, water commissioner of district No. 1, will hear contest cases on Powder river at North Powder June 24, because Commissioner George Cochran of district No. 2 was attorney for some of the parties involved.

#### MYSTERIOUS ONE WILL TWIRL

Believed Big Excursion Will Bring Fans From Sister Town.

"Mysterious" Mitchell will be seen in La Grande for the first time when next Sunday he comes here with Elgin as their twirler. Mitchell won from La Grande last Sunday and the belief that he can do it again is so strong that Elgin is preparing to bring a delegation of rooters that would do justice to a circus day crowd. "Mysterious" Mitchell has been talked of as much as any player in the Pacific northwest, partially because he is a mystery—no one knows his name or just where he came from.

#### Dr. Karkett Arrives.

Dr. and Mrs. Karkett of Michigan arrived at Hot Lake last evening and after going to Portland on business matters will be in charge of the medical department at Hot Lake.

SOME OF THE PROMINENT PERSONAGES AT LONDON'S CORONATION, INCLUDING TWO OF FEW AMERICAN LADY WITNESSES TO SCENES.



King George V in robes of state as worn today.



Vivien Gould Decles, one of America's few at coronation.



Margaret Drexel Maldstone, wife of Viscount Maldstone and who was recently married to the English nobleman.

missions of improper relations with "Revealer" See, Mildred Bridges, the 17-year-old high priestess of the "absolute faith" cult, today completed her three day ordeal on the stand. She was excused before the morning session was half over.