

FINAL DETAILS NEARING FINIS

LACK OF TRAIN FACILITIES ONLY QUESTION UNSOLVED.

PERFECT CLIMATIC CONDITIONS PROMISED CITY

Final Arrangements Nearing Completion and City Will Attire Itself in Festive Gown Between Tonight and Monday Afternoon.—Train Service Program Is Knocked Awry.

Final train arrangements completed late this afternoon for the Tuesday celebration — Leave Elgin 7 o'clock (correct). Leave Union station at 8 and Union Junction at 8:20. This alleviates the problem existing during the forenoon.

Weather wanes lean to the balmy sunshine-corner for early next week and reports from weather observers predict a return to old time July climatic conditions when the natal day arrives. Enthused by these reports, committees having in charge the Fourth of July celebration here next Tuesday are tightening their belts for a final spurt of attention to details from which will radiate the most elaborate entertainment yet attempted in the city of La Grande. Between tonight and Monday afternoon La Grande will shed its commercial dress and gown itself in robes of festal hue so that Tuesday's dawn can find the city in tip top shape for its celebrations.

The final arrangements have not been without their miscalculations for the O-W. has suddenly announced that it cannot supply the coaches that are needed to adequately meet the demand and the one special train to be sent out to Elgin will perchance have to do double duty. Elgin's delegation will be the first to arrive on the scene Tuesday morning. The train will leave the north end metropolis on the stroke of 7:30 o'clock and will bring the intermediate towns' representation here by 9 o'clock at the latest. The probabilities are that No. 17 will bring the Union chowd, which will have to be effected by strapping the passengers on the hand rails, and later in the day return the Union crowd by a special train facility. This is not definitely worked out yet, having only become a problem this forenoon. The program will be carried out in toto as announced, and the big day's festivities will be added to at the latest moment instead of subtracted from as is usually the condition of similar celebrations.

The renown of the celebration has been scattered to the remotest corners of Union and Wallowa county and if Jupiter Pluvius will only be good and considerate La Grande will establish a new precedent in natal day observance.

Iowa Has "Commerce Counsel"

Des Moines, Iowa, July 1.—Iowa's first "commerce counsel" entered upon the duties of his newly created office today, marking the most advanced step that probably has been taken anywhere in this country toward securing state control of public utilities.

The new official is Judge J. H. Henderson of Indianola. He will have as his special duties the defending of the people's rights, and under the new law he may institute prosecutions against any public utility corporation to compel that corporation to furnish the commodity which it dispenses at a reasonable cost.

Devils Lake Chautauqua.

Devils Lake, N. D., July 1.—The annual summer assembly of the North Dakota Chautauqua association opened here today, to continue for two weeks. Prominent educators and divines from several states are on the program for addresses.

Moran is Peevish.
San Francisco, July 1.—Peeved over Wolgast's talk of what he would do to Moran, on July 4, the Britisher today turned out a few hot roasts to the champion. He declared he had a punch and was a better boxer, and that he has licked men whom Wolgast could hardly stand up to. The odds are same today as yesterday.

COCAINE AGENT JAILED.

Portland Druggist Fined and Sentenced to Jail for Illicit Sales.

Portland, July 1.—Guilty of selling cocaine to boys, Solomon Miller, a southern Portland druggist, was today sentenced to 90 days in jail and fined \$200 in the municipal court. A half dozen witnesses testified that cocaine was sold over Miller's counter like "bars of soap" to small boys.

Viral Epidemic Located

Auburn, N. Y., July 1.—Asiatic cholera has appeared here. Thomas W. O'Riardi, an Italian immigrant, who arrived here three weeks ago, died today at a lodging house, of a few days' illness. The police immediately surrounded the house, and the dead man's effects were burned. The state board of health was notified and those exposed were strictly quarantined.

ATWOOD SAILS OVER BROADWAY

NEW RECORDS ESTABLISHED BY AVIATOR YESTERDAY.

Sky Scrapers of New York Beneath Fling Machine for Hours.

New York, July 1.—Aviator Harry Atwood who yesterday broke all American records for passenger-carrying cross-country flight, left New London this morning at 7:30 with Edward Fleet as his mechanic. He arrived at 116th street New York at 9:30. Lower Manhattan at 10:15; skimmed over the roofs of the skyscrapers and circled the Singer tower; crossed Long Island Sound, and landed safely on Governor's Island at 10:25.

Atwoods is the first man who ever flew over Broadway. He coolly maneuvered above the sky scrapers for the crowds below. He was in the air two hours and 55 minutes. It is estimated he flew 135 miles.

New Naval Station Dedicated.

Chicago, Ill., July 1.—America's newest and greatest naval training station, located on Lake Michigan, 30 miles north of Chicago, was formally opened today. The station was built by the navy department in the belief that the great lakes district can furnish a large number of desirable seamen for the rapidly growing navy and that when it gets under way it will assist in a large measure in the solution of the problem of how to secure enough recruits to man the new battleships and other vessels of the navy.

The plant covers 182 acres of ground and includes 39 buildings. Its total cost was \$3,500,000. The staff will include 15 officers, from the rank of rear admiral down, and, all told, 100 instructors and officers will be employed to direct the training of the 1,600 to 2,000 men who will be comprised in each six months' quota.

CHRISTIAN CANDIDATE OUT.

Turner Again Chosen to Head That Ticket for the Presidency.

Decatur, Ill., July 1.—The candidacy of Daniel Turner for president of the United States on the United Christian ticket was formally launched today.

This is the third time he has been chosen as the standard bearer of his party.

DIVORCE ASKED BY MRS. SHONTS

SECRECY VEILS CAUSE AND PROCEEDINGS CONDUCTED QUIETLY

PROCEEDINGS STARTED ADMITS HER ATTORNEY

Engineer Who Started Panama Canal and Now President of Interborough Railway Is to Be Sued for Divorce by His Wife Who Seeks Only Separation and Not Absolute Divorce.

Paris, July 1.—Theodore Shonts, the erstwhile engineer, of New York, a close friend of J. P. Morgan, and formerly chief engineer of the Panama canal, and now president of the Interborough Metropolitan street railway company, of New York, will be sued for divorce.

Mrs. Shonts' attorney S. G. Archibald, admitted today she had instituted proceedings under the New York law. He said she would not seek absolute divorce but at present only a legal separation permissible in New York. He refused to reveal the nature of the suit or the grounds. Mrs. Shonts is at present staying with her daughter, Duchess de Chaulness, now here.

The secrecy veiling the initial proceeding indicates the whole trial will progress behind closed doors. Mr. and Mrs. Shonts are both high in society and the "400" crowd is agog to know the purpose or cause behind the proceedings.

ALLEGED CATTLE RUSTLERS ARE NABBED NEAR LA GRANDE; SUSPICION IS STRONG

Will Hunter, Jr., now of Union and formerly located at Summerville where his aged mother, Mrs. William Hunter still resides, and where other relatives live, and another young man thought to be named Lund, are in the hands of Sheriff Childers at Union this afternoon on the charge of cattle rustling. They were arrested on the foothill road near the McCall ranch this noon, following discovery of a story that the two men got away with nine cattle from the Ed Miller ranch at Union and sold them this morning to the La Grande Meat company of this city. Paul Rhor of the meat company paid the two young men in a check this morning for nine heaves and soon afterwards the authorities were apprised of cattle rustling alleged to have taken place at Union. Within an hour it became definitely known that the Miller herd had been robbed of nine head of cattle and suspicion fell on Hunter and Lund. Their arrest followed and though no word has been received from here this afternoon from the sheriff who is at Union, presumably running down any story that Hunter may have told him, it is firmly believed here that the cattle stolen at Union were sold here today by Hunter and his partner. There is nothing specific against them as yet, at least nothing has been made public here this afternoon.

Hunter has been accused of similar acts before. He was freed by a circuit court jury about five years ago on a charge of horse stealing when C. R. Hibberg was a complaining witness. Local police have had frequent occasions to investigate his actions.

Of late years he has been living at Union. He is about 25 years of age. It is believed that a question put to Hunter last Saturday by J. H. Russel

ROBBERS LEAVE CRIMSON TRAIL

BULLETS SING WHILE BANDITS RANSACK VALUABLE MAILS.

CONDUCTOR FIRES AT BANDITS AND IS FELLE

One May Die and Others Seriously Hurt in Battle With Posse Robbing Pennsylvania and Erie — Express Not Stolen—Poses in Hot Pursuit and Battle Expected Hourly.

Erie, Pa., July 1.—Following up a trail of blood leading in the forest five miles from here where 12 masked bandits boldly held up the fast mail of the Philadelphia Erie last night, the poses are today hotly pursuing and a battle is hourly expected. The red trail is believed due to a bullet fired by Conductor Rooney, who shortly before he was felled by a rock hurled by a bandit, shot into the hand.

Other victims were Carl Anderson, a salesman who was hurled down the embankment, and who will probably die; William Hart, an express messenger, shot in the leg; C. Bleck, a mail clerk, shot in the arm; Abe Carey, the engineer, back injured.

While shooting steadily the robbers rifled the mail car and robbed the passengers, but got nothing from the express car.

Much loot was secured, it is believed

Feather Law Effective
New York, July 1.—That 15,000 girls will be thrown out of employment and a \$10,000,000 industry destroyed by the Shea bill for bird protection which goes into effect today, is the declaration of business men. Under the act only the plumage of ostriches and chickens can be used in the feather industry.

SEE TRIAL EXCITED.

Prosecutor Receives Notice of Attempt to Assassinate Him.

Chicago, July 1.—Assistant States Attorney Butler, attending the trial today, was informed by a letter from a Chicago police officer that he had been notified and special constables are protecting him.

Vessels Must Have Wireless.

Washington, July 1.—Under new regulations of the government which became effective today all ocean-going vessels carrying more than 50 passengers will be liable to a fine of \$500 unless they are equipped with a wireless apparatus capable of transmitting messages to a distance of not less than 100 miles and manned by an operator carrying a certificate issued by the United States or a foreign government.

POSSE STARTS ON NEW CLEW

SECRET DIRECTION TAKEN BY GLENDALE POSSE TODAY.

Believed One Gang Committed Both of Recent Robberies.

Glendale, Ore., July 1.—A posse headed by Sheriff Quite is heading west today in the mountains for the express robbers. They left last night. Quine who has just returned from hunting the Shasta robbers said he believed the robbers were the same as those who robbed the Shasta limited June 16. He would not give out where the posse was bound but intimated he had clues.

Sir Charles Tupper 90 Years Old.

Ottawa, Ont., July 1.—According to the cable dispatches of the past few weeks one of the most honored visitors to the coronation in London has been Sir Charles Tupper, the Canadian statesman, who will tomorrow celebrate the 90th anniversary of his birth. The honors heaped upon the distinguished nonagenarian have been pleasing to all Canadians, whatever their political creed. Sir Charles as the great leader of the confederation movement in the Maritime provinces did much to make the Canada of today possible. In the course of his long public career he held most of the portfolios in the federal ministry, as well as the premiership of Nova Scotia and the office of high commissioner of Canada in London.

OPEN COLUMBIA IS AIM.

Lafferty Heads Resolution Asking for Estimates by Department.

Washington, July 1.—Congressman Lafferty today introduced a resolution asking the war department to furnish an estimate of the cost of opening the Columbia river from the Canadian line to the sea. The resolution also asks \$100,000 to complete the surveys of public lands in Oregon. It is understood Canada is willing to open up the river in their territory providing that the United States does its share.

Schuykill Centennial Celebration.

Pottsville, Pa., July 1.—The elaborate preparation for Schuykill county's centennial celebration were completed today. The celebration will begin with religious exercises tomorrow and continue through the week.

30-INCH PIPE CONTRACT LET

SPOKANE PLANT IS TO EXERT ENERGIES TO FILL BIG ORDER.

CONTRACTOR FINDS PIPE PLANT CAN FILL ORDER

Highest Grade of Pipe in Sufficient Quantities Found at Spokane—Price Advance but Contractor Pays Difference Willingly—Deems Himself Fortunate—City Lucky to Close Deal

Thirty-inch vitrified sewer pipe in sufficient quantities to insure consistent progress of the La Grande \$41,000 sewer project and of such grade as to insure the city's minute inspection, has been promised Contractor George H. Sutherland by the Washington Brick, Lime and Sewer Pipe company of Spokane, following a conference between the contractor and the officials of the company at Spokane. Mr. Sutherland returned this morning and asserts that as a result of his visit he was able to bring the company into an agreement whereby they were to lay special stress on the order for La Grande, giving the very best possible pipe and in such quantities as will be needed. Three carloads a week is the contract amount to be shipped here. Mr. Sutherland states that though the price has advanced he is paying it willingly to get the best the company can produce and at once, too.

"I went through the company's plant and found that the factory run of regular sewer pipe was better by far than the samples sent to La Grande which are merely plumbers' grade," affirmed Mr. Sutherland. "I do not feel that the company took undue advantage of me in raising the price for I understand that sewer pipe has advanced generally since I presented my bid. But that is not a question at issue now but the sole topic with which La Grande is concerned is the nature of pipe and the quantities that are available from these non-standard sewer pipe manufacturers—non standard in length, of course, but not in quality. I find, fortunately, that the company is not rushed with work and can turn out my order in well baked, well glazed and first class pipe."

The contract reads that the pipe will be here by the time the first load is needed. The trench excavator is so large that it has to be dismantled before it will pass through the tunnels of the railroads and therefore Mr. Sutherland will proceed at once to do what hand dug trench sections there may be found and await the arrival of the big machine next week which will be the signal for the sewer construction in dead earnest.

"I am highly elated over the success of my trip," he said today, "and the city of La Grande will get first class pipe. I cannot afford to contract for anything else but good pipe and the makers are responsible to the city, not I."

Compulsory Sick Insurance.

Christiania, July 1.—Norway today put into operation its new compulsory sick insurance law, which entitles workers to free medical attendance, medicine and surgical appliances for themselves and families, also a money allowance when totally incapacitated for work. All workers of 13 years of age receiving pay amounting to less than \$335 a year in the country and \$390 in a town are entitled to the benefits. The expense is borne proportionately by the workers, the employers, the local authorities and the state.

Southern Textile Meeting.

Greenville, S. C., July 1.—Several hundred mill superintendents and overseers attended the annual meeting of the Southern Textile association here today.