

SCUTARI IS DOOMED TO FALL QUICKLY

EARLIER ANNOUNCEMENTS OF ITS CAPTURE PREMATURE

GREEKS ARE STEADILY ADVANCING INTO TURKEY

Captured One Town Without a Shot Being Fired, the Turkish Government Having Failed to Tell the Commander of the Fort War Had Been Declared.

Belgrade, Oct. 29.—With little effective resistance by the Turks, the Serbian forces are today converging on Viesk, Macedonia, southeast of Uskup. Dispatches state that there will be a steady advance southward into Turkish territory.

Didn't Know of War. Athens, Oct. 29.—The principal force of the Greek army is advancing steadily into Turkey along the road to Salonika. It is reported that on account of the fact that the Turkish government failed to tell the Turkish commander at Kalamaka that war had been finally begun, the place was taken by the Greeks almost without a shot being fired.

Scutari Has Not Fallen. Budapest, Oct. 29.—Dispatches from Cetinje today state that the Montenegrin forces are shelling Scutari from the heights above the city, indicating that the earlier announcements that Scutari had fallen were premature. Dispatches state that all supplies of the Turks have been cut off and the city will soon fall.

PEEBLER BABE DIES. Child Lives But a Half Hour—Funeral Held Today.

Ladd Canyon, Oct. 29.—(Special)—The infant son which was born to Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Peebler Saturday, October 26th, has died and was buried today. The little one departed from life about one half hour after birth. The bereaved have the sympathy of all in their hour of trouble. Mrs. Peebler's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Johnson, are here from Cove and will remain several days.

Looks Like Sing Sing. New York, Oct. 29.—Sheriff Harburger announced this afternoon that Police Lieutenant Becker will be sent to Sing Sing immediately after being sentenced tomorrow unless the court prevents.

PENDLETON COMES FRIDAY

Inaugurating a movement popular elsewhere, the high school football management will play its only really decisive home game Friday, and on November 1st, Pendleton comes here in the big elimination contest. The winner will determine the championship of Eastern Oregon in the Baker game to follow. Elsewhere in the state, big games are played on Friday that business men, bankers, clerks and who not can attend. Pendleton and La Grande, since the latter has rejuvenated her line, will put up a masterly exhibition of the game, and as the other big game of the year is played at Baker, La Grande had best attend this game in a body.

Inning For Ghosts near MASQUERADE PARTY TO BE THE RENDEZVOUS.

MASKS IN DEMAND

Week of Spooks Will See Chief Parade at Elks Hall.

Weird, uncanny, hobgoblin-spook masks have become a much sought-after article of trade this week in La Grande in view of the coming masquerade dancing party to be given by the local Elks to the members, their wives and sweethearts Thursday night. Those "on the inside" of the big event say that grotesque is going to be a weak adjective to apply to the gowns and costumes that will be displayed when the masqueraders walk out on the floor Thursday evening, and local dealers say that any masks or costumes that smack of Halloween have been bought up with great rapidity the past few days. The day which the ball is to commemorate affords rare and varied opportunities for varieties of dress, and if there will be a more ghostly, gruesome, horrible, spooky, freezing, caution nerve racking stalk of spectres and skeletons than will be paraded and heard and seen and felt anywhere in the world it will be a wonder. Refreshments are to follow.

ARCHDEACON IS COMING NOV. 10

DIVINE CLASSIFIED AS MODERN CHRYSOSOM.

Ranked High as Literary Scholar and Biblical Student.

"Chrysostom" means golden-mouthed and was applied to an ancient church father who was noted for his eloquence and oratorical gifts. Archdeacon Webber who will be the chief preacher at the coming mission to be held in St. Peter's church November 10 to 17, is possessed of much of the old bishop's ability in this respect. Archdeacon Webber has held missions in all parts of this country, in cities large and small, and in lands beyond the seas; and wherever he has given them, his addresses have aroused great enthusiasm and have exerted a permanent influence for good upon all who have heard them. Possessed of a wonderfully magnetic personality, a voice of unusual range and power, a learning which gives him rank as a literary and historical scholar, a fund of practical and artistic illustrations gathered through many years of study and wide travel, a character which gives moral force to all his teaching, a knowledge of the bible which marks him as a master bible student.

NOTABLES MAY COME.

Invitations Sent to Bryan and Wilson for Next Summer's Assembly

John Collier, personal friends to William Jennings Bryan, has written a letter for the Chautauqua association to the Commoner in an effort to bring the Nebraskan to La Grande next summer when the next Chautauqua is to be held. Mr. Bryan will attend the World's Christian Citizenship congress in Portland about that time and it is probable he will pass through La Grande, in which event he may possibly stop. At the same time Dr. W. D. McMillan has written to Woodrow Wilson who will attend the Portland conference.

SALEM BANK BLOWN UP, KILLING THREE PERSONS

Explosion of Boiler In the Basement Wrecks Building; 4 Men Taken From Ruins Will Probably Die.

Salem, Oct. 29.—The Salem Bank & Trust company's building was blown up shortly after noon today by the explosion of a boiler in the basement. President East of the bank received injuries from which he will die, and two other men also received fatal injuries. Several other persons were seriously hurt.

The explosion occurred at 12:10 when there were several persons in the building. The explosion jarred the entire block and debris was scattered for hundreds of feet, entirely blocking the street in front of the building.

Four men were taken from the ruins of the building and it is believed that they will die from their injuries. One man was hurled through a window with both his arms blown off, and his recovery is not expected. Otto Muelhaup, an employee of the

printing office in the building, was fatally hurt. L. H. Roberts, a director of the bank, was badly cut.

ELGIN LINE FINISHED.

General Manager Harmon in City to Inspect Work Done on Project.

With the 21 miles of high power electric lines strung from La Grande to Elgin finished, and the company awaiting only the transformers before turning juice over the circuit, F. A. Harmon, general manager of the Eastern Oregon Light & Power company, was in La Grande today to inspect the works. A delayed shipment of transformers is holding up the final finishing touch to the project which will carry electric power to Alice, Imbler and Elgin.

Big Time on Oct. 31st.

The Elks are going to have a great society event on Oct. 31st. The best arranged masquerade ball in the history of the lodge will be the feature and there never has been so much interest shown. It will be a night to drive your cares away.

per service with daily telegraphic report as the Observer has done for years and years; if they will meet the heavy expense, employ a number of people who make homes in La Grande and add to the citizenship, then the Observer has no fault to find, and welcomes them. But on the other hand, if they come into the field with a sky rocket flash, get out and try to influence local capital into buying stock in a concern that has never produced a dollar for dividends or interest, as is being attempted now by strangers, the Observer has considerable complaint. This paper pays its debts, is a going concern, has the respect of the business people for doing business on business principles and we would certainly not be treating this community fairly if we kept silent when a shoe-string, stock selling bunch of individuals entered this city misrepresenting conditions in an attempt to get a little easy money. We will likely have more to say as the time rolls by.

WOODEN LEGGED MAN MURDERS YOUNG WOMAN FOR HER CASH

Chicago, Oct. 29.—The body of Miss Sophia Singer, member of a wealthy family of Cantonville, Md., was found this morning in a rooming house with the limbs tied with a rope and a towel stuffed in the mouth. She had been murdered some time during the night and blood spots led from the girl's room to the room of Charles Conway, a wooden legged professional high diver. The missing man is now being sought. Robbery was the motive of the crime, as \$45 in cash and \$1,000 worth of diamonds were stolen from the girl. Mrs. Julian McCarty, owner of the rooming house, retained counsel and tonight with William R. Warren, a

Auto Truck On Big Trip

COUNCILMEN PRESENT TO SEE HILL-CLIMBING STUNTS.

SPEED TEST IS HARD

Climb to Rock Quarry in This City Becomes Monotonous Test.

Thorough testouts for the new La Grande auto fire truck were given today when the machine was taken to Elgin over roads made slippery and "greasy" by last night's rain. The long run to Elgin was but preliminary to the climb of Fish Trap hill, a long winding climb out of Elgin on the Wallowa road. Fire Chief Joe Jones accompanied the expert who is here testing the machine, on the Elgin trip, and all the councilmen save F. L. Lilley went down on the train to be present at the big climb up the hill from Elgin.

The Elgin trip will be a severe test and the hill-climbing no less severe, but the machine has been up to the John Mars rock quarry so often that it has no more attraction for the onlookers. Yesterday the auto carried a group of men up the hill when August J. Stange was being initiated to the mysteries of the car. Mr. Stange has recently returned from a hunting trip and some friends dumped him forcibly into the truck and with bells pealing, siren whistling, Mr. Stange was given a real joy ride.

OREGONIAN SOUNDS EAST

FINDS THAT ILLINOIS IS FOR THE COLONEL.

J. P. Simonson Writes From the East to Local Bull Mooser.

First hand word from Illinois and other Eastern states is contained in a letter from J. P. Simonson who has been transacting business in the East. It follows:

La Salle, Ill., Oct. 21.—Mr. J. E. Silverthorne, La Grande, Ore.—Dear Friend Silverthorne—Just a few lines to let you know I haven't forgot my promise to you to give you an idea how politics stood in this section of the country. My first stop was at Rock Springs, Wyoming. There I talked to twelve men at random or just as I run on to them. Seven were for Roosevelt, three for Wilson and two for Taft. Again at Laramie, Wyoming, I got the same results. At Cheyenne, Woming, I saw 16 men. Nine were for Roosevelt, five for Wilson and two for Taft. At Omaha, Neb., out of twenty men eleven were for Roosevelt, six for Wilson and three for Taft. My next stop was at Des Moines, Iowa. There I saw 26 men, twelve for Roosevelt, eight for Wilson and 6 for Taft. At Burlington, Iowa, I took another straw vote and again out of fourteen votes Roosevelt got eight, Taft three and Wilson three. At Davenport, Iowa, out of 21 votes Roosevelt got nine Taft four and Wilson eight. My next stop was at Spring Valley, Ill., a town of about 10,000 population. There the Republicans were to have a rally on Oct. 21. Prominent speakers from Chicago came. The brass band played three pieces then band and speakers went to the hall and not being able to get an audience the chairman made the announcement that the principal speaker had not arrived and the meeting was adjourned.

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SHERMAN DEATH NOT UNEXPECTED

VICE PRESIDENT OF UNITED STATES IN BAD CONDITION

RESTING WELL AND IS SLIGHTLY BETTER TODAY

Despite Improvements, Physicians Say His Death May Come at Any Moment—Slept From Midnight Until Five O'Clock This Morning and Is Easy Now.

Utica, N. Y., Oct. 29.—Bulletins today indicate that, although there has been some change for the better, the death of Vice President Sherman at any time will not be surprising. No forecast as to the outcome of his illness was obtainable from Dr. Peck, his private physician.

At noon Mr. Sherman was resting easily and the doctors were hopeful. A consultation of prominent physicians was held this afternoon to determine the best method of procedure.

The condition of Mr. Sherman is reported to be better than yesterday. Dr. Fayette H. Peck, Sherman's personal physician, issued the following bulletin this morning: "From midnight until five o'clock this morning Sherman slept quietly. He is now feeling much better and is improved both mentally and physically."

The patient's breathing is much easier this afternoon and the suffering in the region of his kidneys is less acute. He told his wife and family that he felt much better.

At one o'clock this afternoon his physicians issued the following bulletin: "The vice president is asleep and will probably continue in that condition all afternoon. He spent an excellent night. The alarming symptoms disappeared almost entirely last night but returned this morning. His condition is the most serious of any time during his illness but there is no immediate danger."

CHRISTIANSEN SENTENCED

Lecture From Bench Rings With Excellent Advice to Young Men.

Elmer Christiansen was yesterday sentenced to from two to five years in the penitentiary, following conviction for the crime of burglarizing the O.-W. depot at Elgin. "That the evidence in this case was, in my opinion, not sufficient alone to convict you, is my firm conviction," said Circuit Judge Knowles in pronouncing sentence, "and it is your past record that is sending you where you are going." With these statements Judge Knowles precluded a lecture which went straight to the mark and should be published broadcast—a warning to young men who go from slight misdeeds to worse and those who have heard heard Judge Knowles lecture to young men on the last lap of their journey to prison walls admit that none received a truer or kinder, but firm, word-picture of his erring ways than did Christiansen. The prisoner's mother and other relatives were present to hear the sentence pronounced.

May Plead Guilty.

New York, Oct. 29.—The trial of "Red Phil" Davidson alleged murderer of "Big Jack" Selig, will begin tomorrow. It is reported that Justice Goff will accept the plea of second degree murder from Davidson and will send him up for 20 years if the plea is made.