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City Aquiver Over Final Reports To Be Read Tonight

TWO THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED STILL NEEDED

NO REPORTS MADE AT NOON BUT WILL COME AT 8 THIS EVENING.

LAST LUNCHEON ENJOYED

Dunham Wright of Medical Springs Enjoys Visit With Old Cronies at Luncheon—Last Stretch of Campaign at Hand and all Boosters to Meet Tonight at Eight o'clock to Hear the Report.

VICTORY HANGS IN BALANCE

According to an announcement made by "General" I. B. Rhodes at the noon hour today, La Grande's campaign hangs in the balance. With a rough draft of what subscriptions have been raised but not reported at noon, he ventured the guess that \$2500 is the sum needed this afternoon to put the campaign through. To get this amount is the task at hand.

Interest akin to a national election returns night will prevail this evening at the I. O. O. F. hall when the final returns of the Y. M. C. A. campaign will come in. There was no reports this noon as usual, all money collected since yesterday noon being held in abeyance until tonight at 8 o'clock. The solicitors are not the only people to be present tonight by any means for every person interested in the success of the campaign is urged to be there and hear the results. Of course all who have a campaign at heart cannot get in the building at one time, hence those who come early will get the privilege of seeing the final reports added to totals in such a way that the outcome may be determined.

The fund is short of what it ought to be this evening. Only the hardest part of work as the campaign is reaching the tape, can possibly put the proposition into victory, and there are scores of people in La Grande who can give and haven't give, that we it to themselves and to the city hunt out the committees or headquarters and make contributions tonight. If sufficient money hasn't been raised by 8 o'clock tonight, the solicitors will be sent out again to make a more thorough campaign until 10 o'clock. It is very likely that some people will be rolled out of this evening to receive requests for donations, or probably added subscriptions.

Determination is stamped on every face in the fight this evening and no matter how far off the fund may be at 8 o'clock, it will be game death the cause is lost.

Fraternal Orders Give. Following the fraternal contributions of the Masonic order yesterday \$100 and the Eastern Star, \$25, the Modern Woodman of America today

L. S. KELSEY KILLED WHEN AUTOMOBILE TURNS TURTLE

Mrs. Richard Slater and Daughter Also Very Critically Injured

North Powder, May 16.—(Special)—While running his 30-h.p. Case car at a rate of 40 miles an hour en route to Baker with a party of North Powder people, L. S. Kelsey, wealthy rancher of the Powder valley and prominent merchant of North Powder, met instant death yesterday afternoon three miles east of Haines. Very serious, but probably not fatal injuries were sustained by Mrs. Richard Slater and daughter Nellie, both of North Powder, and it was only after hours of anxiety that it became apparent that the lady and her child will recover. Mr. Slater, also in the car, and Mrs. L. S. Clark, of North Powder, figured in the accident, but the latter escaped all injury and the former was but slightly hurt. The car was smashed to pieces.

The fatal accident happened when Mr. Kelsey attempted to take a turn in the road three miles east of Haines going at a speed of 40 miles an hour. The machine skidded into a fence and turned completely over twice. The driver was dead when Mr. Clark extricated himself from the debris.

Harvey McCully of Haines rescued the injured and rushed them to the Baker hospital where early this morning they regained consciousness. It was believed for several hours that both Mrs. Slater and the daughter would die. They are better today according to reports from Baker.

Mrs. Kelsey wife of the wealthy merchant, was visiting her daughter in Union yesterday and was called home last evening. All North Powder is grieved over the affair. The victim was popular, industrious, and a credit to the community at all times.

The remains were shipped to North Powder this morning on No. 17.

Injured Girl Critically Ill. Baker, May 16.—The Democrat said this morning: The accident

happened about 2 o'clock a quarter of a mile from the Thomas Taylor ranch, three miles from Haines and ten miles from this city. Mr. Slater, although rendered temporarily unconscious, was soon all right.

The accident was witnessed by a son of Mr. Taylor, who went to the scene, and noting the conditions, mounted a horse and set out for Haines for help. He secured Harvey McCullough, who had just come in from a trip to Rock Creek with his car, and Mr. McCullough proceeded at once to the scene of the accident. He found Mr. Kelsey still alive and able to help himself a little when put into the car. The others were also taken into the car by Mr. McCullough, who made a quick run to the St. Elizabeth hospital. On the way Mr. Kelsey lost consciousness, however, and died before reaching the city. Miss Slater was operated on at once, she suffering from a fractured skull and internal injuries. testimony of the Taylor boy might

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BRUTALITY IS PICTURED

SENATE HEARS EVIDENCE IN MINE HEARING.

Slavery Exists in West Virginia Declare Labor Leaders.

Washington, May 16.—Practical slavery, United States senators were told today by W. R. Farley, organizer of the United Mine Workers, is the real cause for the trouble in West Virginia today. Farley's declarations of bad conditions there were corroborated by "Mather Jones" who detailed various incidents of alleged brutality toward workers by special police employed by the operators and by state troops sent into Pain Creek and Cabin Creek regions to awe the strikers. Farley told the senators that the census bulletin proved the wage cost of producing a ton of coal in West Virginia was forced down to fifty-eight cents, compared with 79 cents in other states. He declared violence in West Virginia the past 15 years was due to operators ignoring this fact.

Farley continued, "There has been no remedy in the courts for the union man who is assaulted. The natural result was the miners were cowed. If the senate investigates the situation such conditions will be revealed as will startle the nation."

STRAWBERRY PRICES HIGH

KENNEWICK CRATE BRINGS \$12.

California and Florida Brands Unpopular on Same Day.

Seattle, May 16.—While California and Florida strawberries are a glut on the market, a crate of Kennewicks, the first grown in Washington, were sold at twelve dollars for a 24 box crate. The bidders in the auction started at \$8.

ARREST OF SUSPICIOUS NIGHT PROWLER ONLY ROBBERY NEWS

Arrest of a stranger, prowling about the rear of the postoffice last night, was the only development during the night, subsequent to the bold robbery of mail sacks the night before when a Jap employe was held up in the rear of the postoffice and registered mail taken. Officer Mc-

DISRUPTION IN MAJORITY RANKS GROWS

MONTANA SENATOR DEFIES PARTY PLEDGES AND IS PROTECTIVE TARIFFITE.

REVOLTERS BEING CHIDED

Free Sugar and Free Wool Debate in Senate Waxing Warm Between the Democrats—Test Vote to be Taken on Public Hearings Question This Afternoon—Warm Debate Between Members.

Washington, May 16.—Democrats in the senate are prepared to resist all attempts to delay a vote on the motion by Senator Penrose to have the public hearings before the finance committee on the tariff bill. The vote is scheduled for 4 o'clock. Adoption of Senator Simmons' motion to refer the bill to the committee without delaying for public hearing is expected.

After Senator Meyers of Montana announced he intends to support protective tariff on sugar and wool despite the attitude of his party, Senator Games of Kentucky resumed his speech expounding the Democratic platform pledges. Turning to Ramsdell of Louisiana, he shouted:

"Do you mean to tell me that you claim allegiance to a party which would send broadcast such pledges with deliberate intention of repudiating them?"

Ramsdell insisted that the speakers sent out to the west by the Democratic campaign bureau were cautioned not to mention free wool or sugar. This James denied, saying "The reason you congressmen were warned was for fear they would repudiate the pledges of their party."

CLEAN UP DAY APPROACHES.

One week from tomorrow is cleanup day in La Grande. The date has been finally set and between now and early next week all details pertaining to the momentous day will be given out. The Boy Scouts will help, and the Neighborhood club will be the principal promoters and generals of the affair however.

Union Levee Breaks; Flood

HUTCHINSON RANCH SUFFERS HEAVILY AGAIN.

Is Second Crop Failure

Levee Along Stream Breaks Washing Out Small Grain.

Union, May 16.—(Special)—Big floods are coming down Catherine creek and heavy damages are already reported to crops in the valley. The levee on the Wm. Hutchinson ranch broke and hundreds of acres were flooded. Mr. Hutchinson has had men at work for some time building up levees on his ranch which covers hundreds of acres of the best land in the valley, but the water is worse this year than ever and it broke through and washed out hundreds of acres of grain for Mr. Hutchinson and his tenants. This makes it very hard for them for they lost all their crops last year the same way.

W. J. Townley, who also owns a large ranch along Catherine creek, reports that he has the best of the flood so far. There has not been very much damage so far on his farm. He has men out day and night watching the levees and so far they have been able to cope with the floods.

MORE BOMBS FOUND

Generally Believed that Infernal Machines are Only Warnings.

London, May 16.—Three harmless suffragette bombs were found in various parts of the city today. The impression is growing that the placing of the bombs is simply a notice by militants that they contemplate a serious outbreak. The police guard over a hundred buildings and cabinet officers' homes are doubled in preparation for expected trouble.

STRAT OBTAINS RETRIAL ORDER

FAMOUS PORTLAND VICE SCANDAL CASE DECIDED.

Supreme Court Remands Case Back for a New Trial in Portland.

Salem, Ore., May 16.—Basing its decision on the theory that a technical error committed in the trial of Dr. Harry Strat, of Portland, accused of being a member of the notorious vice clique, was prejudicial to the cause of the defense, the supreme court today remanded the case for a new hearing. Dr. Strat was among those first convicted in the crusade of the authorities to clean the state metropolis of an organized gang of 50 or 60 members regarded as responsible for corrupting many of the youth of the community. The most prominent person thereby gaining unenviable notoriety was E. S. J. McAllister, an attorney, who endeavored to flee the state when he learned that he was to be arrested but was apprehended at Medford. The case of McAllister is also on appeal. Several are serving sentence.

HAWAII GOAL OF 2 CAVALRY COMPANIES

ORDERS TO SAIL NOT TO BE RESCINDED THOUGH WILSON WANTS IT.

HAS NO WARLIKE MEANING

Denied at Presidio that Infantry is to Be Moved, and it is Said that Artillery Will Be Shipped in Accordance With Orders Issued Months Ago—Cabinet Discusses Situation.

Washington, May 16.—It is stated in the war department that orders for two companies of coast artillery to sail for Hawaii about May 24 from San Francisco will not be rescinded on account of President Wilson's stand for no movement of troops or naval vessels. It is explained that the orders for the companies to sail were issued months ago; that they are a part of routine transfers and assignments; that the movement has in no way any connection with the Japanese-California situation.

No Infantry Movements.

San Francisco, May 16.—At the office of Major General Murray at the Presidio, it was stated positively no orders were received for movements of infantry from here or Monterey. The reports circulated are that the sixth and sixteenth infantry at Presidio are under orders to sail immediately for Hawaii. It is also stated the coast artillery to be sent to Hawaii comes from the east.

DEBATE THIS EVENING.

Commission Form of Government to be Theme.

Coach Montgomery of the high school debating department announces this afternoon that the question "Shall La Grande adopt the Commission form of government" will bring forth some strong arguments for and against in view of the fact that the city is soon to vote on the question, urges that as many of the taxpayers as possible attend. The debate will terminate the championship races between classes, and decide the ownership of the gold medals. Aug. J. Stange, Colon R. Eberhardt and T. H. Crawford are to be judges this evening. The admission is a mere pittance and the treat promises to be good.

EIGHT FUNERALS HELD

Victims of Nebraska Cyclone Laid Away in Numbers Today.

Seward, Neb., May 16.—Funerals of the eight killed in the recent tornado are being held and by tomorrow all will have been buried. None of the dozen injured succumbed, and reconstruction of the town is progressing rapidly.

There will be a Y. M. C. A. rally tonight at the corner of Depot and Adams. Band concert and public speaking. Be sure and attend.

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