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EXTENSIVE CHANGES IN O-W MANAGEMENT BECOME EFFECTIVE ON JULY FIRST

Twenty-five Officials and Employees Coming—Men With Families Locate—New Offices Created

Intricate and complicated details pertaining to the bringing of a complete group of division headquarters to La Grande to govern the O-W between Huntington and Umatilla, that make of this city the biggest railroad center for its size in the Northwest and second to Portland only in the state, are being shaped and ferreted out and put into tangible shape today by Assistant General Manager M. J. Buckley and the new superintendent of this division, William Bollons, of the O-W. The matter of office rooms has not been decided today but Mr. Buckley and Mr. Bollons have been in consultation with J. E. Foley during the day and it is possible that the new Foley building will house the new officials.

Brings 25 All Told.

The actual number of new men, officials and subordinates will number 25, estimate the two officials; and many of these, especially the officials and chief clerks are men with families. Some local stenographers and accountants may be used to fill out the ranks after it has been determined how many regular employees who were left jobless in Seattle by the elimination of the superintendent's office there, fail to come here. Many of the Seattle employees thus effected were married men and with property in Seattle and will likely join other companies in Seattle rather than move. For the present it will not be known just how many new faces will be needed in these minor positions but 15 of the chief clerks and subordinates will be here within 15 days. It may not be possible to muster the entire crew of 15 until later in the month. While Mr. Bollons takes office tomorrow, affairs are still unsettled and undetermined but the men will tackle the re-organization immediately and get into smooth, running order at the earliest date.

New Offices Created.

The change brings several new offices into being and supplies these offices with experienced men. H. L. Lyon, a man with a family, comes here to fill a new office, that of division engineer. J. H. Best, also a married man becomes division storekeeper with headquarters here. S. C. Smith comes with a family and will make La Grande his home and will be supervisor of bridges and buildings, this division. T. M. Stott becomes chief clerk to Superintendent Bollons and is already here. W. H. Loucks becomes chief time keeper, and brings a family here.

while O. B. Wood is the new accountant and H. J. Menig will be his assistant.

With changes made at Seattle, comes no change for Assistant Superintendent Coykendall, reported last week. He remains in his office at Portland affirms Mr. Bollons today, and does not go back to the passenger run as reported.

These are but a portion of the chief subordinates whom Mr. Bollons will have under him, and as stated previously, the rank and file of office force will be supplied from time to time during the month as their individual cases are reached.

"We had in mind from the first," said M. J. Buckley today, "the bringing of the force in the Seattle office abolished by this series of changes, but we find some would rather stay there than come here and they are locating with other railroads. As soon as possible we will try to recruit these minor offices from the ranks of La Grande's commercial and high school circles."

Mr. Buckley will remain in La Grande for a day or so assisting in the re-organization.

That in the neighborhood of 12 families will be brought here by the enlargement of the O-W, official state is indicated by the number of families already headed for La Grande by this change.

Big Battle Fought.

Sofia, June 30.—A terrible battle between the Bulgarians and Greeks is in progress near Lefteria, according to dispatches. It is unknown which were the aggressors. It is stated the Bulgarians advanced, routing the Greeks at the point of bayonets and a hand to hand encounter. It is also reported that a battle is in progress between the Bulgarians and Servians.

McLoughlin Defeats Irishman.

London, June 30.—Maurice E. McLoughlin, the San Francisco American tennis champion, defeated in the finals for competition in the Davis Trophy, defeating J. C. Parks, the Irish Scotch champion, in three straight sets.

Historic Castle Burned.

Glasgow, June 30.—The Ballinquin Castle, valued at half a million, was today almost completely destroyed by fire. Militant suffragettes are suspected of the deprivation.

held yesterday in all the churches of Portland, the real organization of the conference came today when Rev. Henry Collin Minton of Trenton, N. J., called the immense gathering to order and the speeches of welcome were made.

A feature of the meeting will be a Fourth of July parade in which 75,000 will march. Following the parade, representatives of all the foreign nations sending delegates to the conference will deliver patriotic orations.

Among the foreign speakers are: Robert J. Patterson of Belfast, Ireland; John Lamond of Edinburgh, Scotland; Dr. Charles Marie d'Aubigne of Paris; Monsieur de Rougemont of Neuchatel, Switzerland; Signor Davide Besio, Royal Army of Italy; Rome; Professor Theophil Mann, Frankfurt-on-Main, Germany; Dr. Edward Cverdrup, Christiana, Norway; President Armenag, Haigazion, Konia, Turkey; Ng Poon Chew, Canton, China; Dr. J. Sagunoshin Motoda, Tokio, Japan; Dr. J. A. McDonald, Toronto, Canada; Kwang Yuen Lee, Korea; William Hay, New Zealand. These men expect to tour the United States on lecture trips following the close of the eight day gathering.

Wednesday's sectional conferences and the chairman will be public education, Dr. William Foster, of Portland; prison reform, Governor Oswald West, of Oregon; Bishop Charles Scadding, head of the Oregon diocese of the Episcopal church; social purity, Dr. S. A. Stewart, of Seattle.

President Wilson was given a place on the program for Saturday night, his topic being "The Moral Implications of the Right of Suffrage," but he cannot attend.

Aside from the topics mentioned, other speakers from the whole country will discuss minor problems affecting the individual, the community and the nation. Dr. Samuel X. Zane Batten, of Philadelphia, will report on a plan of action Wednesday afternoon which is expected to embody the conference's recommendation on the solution of many present day social evils.

Practically all of the speakers arrived today. Some of the foreigners who will not appear on the program until later in the week are expected

MERCURY AT 100; CHICAGO SUFFERS MUCH

LITTLE CHANCE FOR RELIEF IN SIGHT AS THE MERCURY RISES.

HEAT VICTIMS INCREASE

Between Thirty-five and Forty-five Dead From Heat and Drowning the Past Few Days Around Chicago—Beach Resorts Claiming Many From Drowning—Mercury Passed 100.

Chicago, June 30.—The thermometer is rising this afternoon and is expected to pass the hundred mark before night. It is the hottest day recorded this season. Thirty-five dead besides a score of drownings is the record for 24 hours near here. Any relief from the heat is not predicted before Tuesday night.

Chicago, June 30.—The heat which enveloped the middle west, dealing death and prostration to scores, continues unabated. Little hope of relief is held out by the local government forecasts.

The death list of the middle northwest is now forty-five. Twenty-two are dead in the congested district, twenty-three from drowning at the beach resorts. Three are reported dead in Milwaukee and eight at Pittsburg. Showers broke the heat wave in Minnesota and the Dakotas.

tomorrow and Wednesday.

The first world's conference was held three years ago in Philadelphia, where the real work of the recent movement was outlined and commissions named to investigate and carry on the work thus mapped out.

Japs In Mass Meeting at Tokyo Against California Land Law.



This shows that the Japs are in earnest in their protest against the anti-alien land law in California. It is the picture of an indoor mass meeting held at Tokyo to record the indignation of the people against the discrimination shown in the Pacific coast state. Such meetings were held in most of the big cities of Japan and proved a fertile field for the Jingoists to sow seeds of discontent among the populace. Following the reply of Japan to the note of the United States regarding the California matter, in which Japan reiterated her stand, further public protest meetings were planned.

"District" Evacuated

DENIZENS OF UNDER WORLD TO LEAVE TODAY.

ORDERS CARRIED OUT

After a Score of Years La Grande Is Without Restricted District.

The lights are out. The piano is stilled, and a calm rests over the red light district of La Grande such as has never before been known for twenty years.

This morning on No. 17 a delegation of the painted ladies bid farewell to La Grande—quit the town—and journeyed to the Willamette valley.

Where once the din of song, and clanking of glasses rent the night air, henceforth can be heard nothing but the belching of a switch engine in the nearby roundhouse, or the ravings of some disappointed lover who came to town not knowing of the exodus.

This morning's excursion to the lowlands was due to a proclamation issued by Mayor M. K. Hall several days ago giving July 1st as the closing day for the red light section. As soon as the official mandate had been promulgated through the public press the landladies began preparations for a final farewell and this morning all stakes were pulled.

Non-resident property owners will probably hold some regret at the action of Mayor Hall for the old frame shacks were commanding enormous rents. According to best information these houses rented from in the neighborhood of \$100 per month down to \$60.00.

End of an Epoch.

In discussing the situation today many citizens were positive in their statements that this is the end of the "district." While it is admitted the social problem still remains unsolved, and a number continue in the belief that public houses are necessary evils, yet all agree that they are gone forever.

"I have seen the frontier days pass; I have seen the bad man, the knife man and the gun man go; wide open gambling stayed for years and years but it also finally went. And now the painted ladies have gone. It is a matter of giving way before the steady onward push of civilization." These were the remarks of one man who has lived in La Grande for many, many years.

CONLEY TURNS ON ACCUSERS

WILL GO TO PORTLAND WITH A FIGHT.

Goes to Portland Determined to Fight His Case.

In an interview with the governor of Idaho, A. B. Conley of La Grande, stated a few days ago that he was tired of this continued turmoil which had been going on for some time regarding himself and that he would go to Portland at once and fight the matter out.

Eversince Mr. Conley was first pursued with the charges he has remained silent until now. He could have fought the case in Idaho had he chosen and his advisors urged upon him the certainty of winning it there, but he is determined now to bring the whole matter to a final close once and for all.

This decision of Mr. Conley is well received in La Grande and Union county for Mr. Conley's children and other relatives comprise some of the best citizens in this valley all of whom stand high in the business world here. For many months this case, only one side of it having ever been put before the public, has been food for the newspapers of the northwest to feed upon, and it is now believed that Mr. Conley will bring it to a final test.

Dissolution Is Endorsed.

St. Paul, June 30.—Bearing the endorsement of the President and attorney general the Southern-Union Pacific merger dissolution plan was presented to the United States district court today. It provides for the sale of thirty-eight million of the Southern Pacific stock to the Pennsylvania railroad and the acceptance by the Union Pacific of forty-two million of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad stock in return.

MARKED FAVOR BESTOWED UPON OPENING HOURS

FIRST-DAY SESSION IS FAVORED WITH HIGH GRADE NUMBERS.

CAMPERS IGNORE SHOWER

Day Stands Out as Exceptionally Good From All Viewpoints—The Campers Satisfied, Weather is Favorable and Natural Conditions at Their Best—Today's Remaining Program Good.

Auspicious in every way—program of the highest merit in every detail, weather excellent, park conditions very favorable and the citizens of La Grande giving hearty support; thus in epitome can be truthfully worded the opening of the fourth annual chautauqua at Riverside park yesterday. The gates were thrown open on a curious crowd for hundreds have not seen the splendid improvements that have been made since the gates were closed on the last chautauqua.

During the night a heavy rain fell but has not dampened interest in the big, white tented city or the program carried out there.

Tonight Sierras render the final program and tomorrow is W. C. T. U. day, followed by a very entertaining lecture tomorrow evening. Dr. Nathan Evans of Pendleton will deliver a lecture tomorrow afternoon on "What Next?" Mrs. Schrader, Dr. Fyke, and a quartet will furnish the music for W. C. T. U. day.

Dr. E. B. Fyke, the Sierra quartet, Ng Poon Chew of Canton, China, and again the Sierra quartet, in the order enumerated, were the attractions for the opening day and so perfect was every number and every word spoken that there has been nothing but the highest praise from a every mouth.

Art Class Forms.

The domestic science and art department under the direction of Mrs. Ellen B. Brooks, held their first class this morning. Mrs. Brooks is at the head of this department at O. A. C. and those wishing to join the class are assured of the best. As yet the exact line of work to be followed can not be outlined here, for Mrs. Brooks wishes to consult those in attendance as to what the most popular line of work will be. It is certain that the work will follow along the lines of practical household problems such as shopping, in all its various departments. Mrs. Brooks has brought from the college some very interesting chemical experiments upon fabrics, which she will use in these lessons. At all times and in all parts of the lessons practical illustrations will be given.

Persons wishing to join this class are urged to send in their names to and bring active work as soon as possible in order to get the best out of the short period.

Latest reports from the class held this morning are very encouraging to the chautauqua officials and also to the members of the class. Mrs. Brooks gave a talk "Why it costs so much to live", a subject of interest to every shopper, dealing with the correct selection of fabrics. She showed, by illustration and by actual chemical tests, how to tell just how much "pure linen" is the real linen just how much "all wool" is real wool and so on down the line she dealt with the various dress "truffs" in a practical way which was of money value to all present. Tomorrow morning Mrs. Brooks will give a lecture and by a practical illustration show how to cut and fit a dress correctly from a pattern.

It has been announced late this morning that the Domestic Art corner will be given free of charge. The chautauqua board thinks this is such a great opportunity that it should be placed within the reach of all and have therefore decided to give it free of any charges.

Politics Interest Women.

Interesting work lies before the political economy class in which the newly-made suffragettes will be told all the simple ins and outs of voting, and the simpler laws as well. This class meets in the afternoon and promises to be one of the big attractions of the side attractions.

Despite the showers the campers are in fine spirits and are expressing regrets for the towns people.

DANGEROUS ACT PAINFUL

YOUNG ISLAND CITY MAN HURT BY TRAIN.

Attempts to Crawl Through Freight Train and Meets Injuries.

By the narrowest margin, L. D. Crouter, aged 20, who is a bookkeeper at Island City, escaped probable death or loss of one limb yesterday morning when he attempted to climb over the couplings of a freight train. He tried to hurry his arrival in La Grande from Island City by climbing between the cars of a freight train at the Fir street crossing and carelessly placed his knee on the coupling in doing so. The slack was suddenly taken in and the knee and leg frightfully bruised. It was reported immediately after the accident that the bones of the knee had been crushed, but surgical examination proved otherwise and while Mr. Crouter may be detained at the Grady-Ronde hospital some little time, it is believed the knee and other bruises will heal hastily. His escape was of the narrowest margin and the young man's friends and relations will be delighted to hear the bruises will not likely have any serious consequence.

CONFERENCE IS UNDER WAY

GREAT STADIUM FILLS WITH VISITORS.

Program During the Week Presents Many Great Personages.

Portland, Ore., June 30.—The single standard, more rigid prosecution of white slave law violators, and suppression of the social evil in every city and hamlet in the world are the object of the second World's Christian Citizenship Conference which today formally convened in the great stadium of the Multnomah Athletic club. Delegates from a score of nations and communicants of all religions were in attendance today and will discuss in the greatest detail and in plain language plans for stamping out the social evil, and for bringing the church into closer relationship with the citizen. At the section meetings, which will continue until July 6, the delegates will discuss the relationship of low wages to the social evil. Following great meetings