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PAYETTE HAS BEST CHANCES TO GET HONORS

NEXT CONVENTION TOWN APPEARS TO BE PAYETTE, IDAHO.

GOODING IS SECOND BEST

Final Vote to Be Taken Late This Afternoon Though Payette is Unquestionably Leading in the Race—Gooding Willing to Take It If Payette Backs Out—Two Sessions.

Either Payette or Gooding will be the next meeting place of the annual conference of the Methodist church. The final selection is being made this afternoon but at 4 o'clock the matter was still undecided. There is little doubt but that Payette will be the town—if she loses it will probably be because she withdraws for the Gooding contingent is inclined to let it go to Payette's if that town makes a strenuous effort for it at the final vote. The final vote will come at a special meeting late this afternoon.

On the whole there was little strife early in the week over the next conference site. Payette, through Rev. Howarth, had been in the field more or less prominently from the start, but for a time this morning, Payette was doubtful among making a serious contention for the honors at the final test. Gooding, too, was rather inclined to want it, advancing the ground that several important meetings are to be held at the college town next year anyway. These two towns were most prominently mentioned this afternoon when the matter was scheduled to come up but went over until this afternoon in a special meeting resolution. Gooding held the position that she would not seriously make an effort for the honors unless Payette should withdraw entirely from the field. Telegrams between Payette and Rev. Howarth were numerous this morning touching on the matter.

The last day of business was a busy one. Dr. W. W. Van Dusen addressed the early portion of the morning session. Mr. Van Dusen is now with the Book concern but is a pioneer of the true type, having once been presiding elder of his entire section of the northwest.

E. E. Crabtree, during the forenoon, was received into the full membership. Bishop Luccock in his happy way, addressed the class of admission briefly.

The report of the college commission was read by Weltsie Martin, pastor of the First Baptist church. This report showed good progress in the work of the Gooding college for the year.

O. P. Christian, superintendent of the Idaho Children's Home, addressed the conference and Miss Hammers, who is connected with the home finding society at Boise, was introduced and spoke briefly.

Vice President Todd of Willamette university, spoke briefly just at noon. Walter Skipworth, connected with the Sunday school board, was introduced and spoke briefly.

Mr. Hancher, of New York, and a member of the general board of education, is here today and takes the place of Dr. Homan, of Salem, who cannot come.

At noon the ministers and their wives, posed for pictures. A hurried luncheon was taken and then the conference did something it hasn't done this week, went into business sessions in the afternoon. This was entirely to select a meeting place but other small matters came up for consideration. The sessions today were the last of a business way and hereafter the meetings will be principally devotional and instructive.

ANDERSON IN STUTZ VICTOR IN ELGIN RACE

DE PALMA, BIG FAVORITE, IS BEATEN BY BLACK HORSE ENTRY WITH STUTZ.

THROWS OUTDO RECORDS

Racers Get Away at 11 o'clock for Big Road Race for the Elgin Trophy Today—French Car Is Looked Upon as Certain to Win the Event Today—Militia Patrols Course Carefully.

Elgin, Ills., Aug. 30.—Dope sheets were punctured full of holes this afternoon when Anderson in a Stutz car beat De Palma in a Mercer, winning against great odds. The Frenchman had been picked to win but Anderson won in good time.

DePalma Was Favorite. Elgin, Ills., Aug. 30.—Ralph DePalma, piloting the famous Mercer No 16, in which the Frenchman, Jules Goux, drove to victory in the 500-mile International sweepstakes event at Indianapolis on Memorial day, was a big favorite over a field of noted drivers who swept over the starting line at 11 a. m. today in the big event of the Elgin road race meeting—the race for the coveted Elgin national trophy.

De Palma is double the favorite because the veteran drivers, De Palma and Joe Dawson shared the honors of yesterday's road race for the Coburn trophy. De Palma won the 302-mile grind in 4:31:56, but Dawson was only slightly behind, negotiating the distance in 4:39:52.

Today's crowd, fully fifty per cent larger than that which witnessed the Chicago Automobile club trophy race yesterday, broke into wild applause when DePalma piloted his "mount" down the course in front of the grandstand an hour before the starting bomb was set off. There were cheers for Mulford, who won the first Elgin classic three years ago and cheers for the others who tore past the stands in the warming up of the clacking, sputtering engines. But DePalma's boast that he would "set a new record for the course or break something" brought him the largest measure of applause.

Militiamen experienced difficulty today in handling the immense throng of spectators who began pouring into Elgin before daybreak by train, automobile and horse-drawn vehicles from Chicago and from a score of Middle Western cities and towns. Parking facilities for the vehicles were barely sufficient and hundreds of automobiles and carriages had to be banked far back in the fields surrounding the course, while their occupants

sought vantage points on foot. When the first of a series of bombs were set off at 10:30 warning that the course must be cleared, crowds of late arrivals still were seeking places along the track and officials had a hard time drawing the police lines.

Mulford is the most dangerous competitor for the honor place in today's classic meet by reason of his knowledge of almost every inch of the course.

There were 28 starters in that event.

THINKS EXPLOSIVE IS CANDY.

Led Mistakes Nitro-glycerine for a Stick of Candy—Face Mangled.

Lincoln, Neb., Aug. 30.—Thinking a small nitro-glycerine torpedo which he had found in a sand pile, was a stick of candy, Edward Thornberg, aged five, bit into the explosive. His face was horribly mangled in the following explosion. He is not expected to recover.

DREW CAMINETTI'S FATE IS IN HANDS OF LOLA NORRIS

San Francisco, Aug. 30.—It is up to Lola Norris today whether or not Drew Caminetti goes to the penitentiary, under conviction for white slavery. Thus far the testimony adduced has not sealed his fate with the jury, in fact, the odds seem slightly in

BULL MOOSERS GATHER FOR 1ST ANNIVERSARY

YEAR OLD PARTY HOLDS CONCLAVE AT CHICAGO TODAY AND TONIGHT.

G. O. P. TIES SEVERED

No Hope to Join Forces With Republican Party Think Leaders Who Assembled at Chicago Today—Big Adoo Over Arriving Delegations, Brass Bands Meeting Visitors.

Chicago, Aug. 30.—The first birthday of the Progressive party is being held here today and this evening with thousands of Bull Moosers from Illinois and adjacent states, brimming with the same enthusiasm that greeted Colonel Roosevelt's "confession of faith," one year ago today. The Colonel's absence in the southwest detracted slightly from interest in the gathering but progressive leaders expected 100,000 to join in the celebration by this evening. When a meeting is to be held in Riverside park. Miss Jane Adams, James R. Garfield, of Ohio; Henry J. Allen, of Kansas, and Charles E. Morrison, of Chicago are to be the speakers.

A lively discussion of ways and means and a program for 1916 at progressive headquarters bristled with determination against any proposition to reunite with the old guard republican machine. Speakers unanimously declared that any suggestion of reuniting with the G. O. P. has been put away for all time. Delegations arriving today from Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa and Indiana were met at the trains and escorted to headquarters by bands. An automobile parade to Riverview park this afternoon was one of many features on the program. Senator Walter Clyde Jones, of the Illinois State legislature was to preside at a banquet in the park casino preceding the open air meeting.

Man Apparently Intoxicated, Crashes Into McDonald Vehicle.

Mrs. P. A. McDonald, 1602 Second street, is still suffering severe pain as a result of an accident which occurred Thursday evening while Mr. and Mrs. McDonald were returning from their ranch in the valley.

About 8:30 in the evening when near the Ike Shaffer ranch, a buggy and single horse, driven by a man named Shaunnessy, struck the McDonald carriage on the left side. The horse was running and when the impact came, one shaft from the buggy struck Mrs. McDonald in the breast breaking three ribs. Just how badly she is injured cannot yet be determined. One of the McDonald horses was injured.

That Shaunnessy was intoxicated there seems to be little doubt, for the people of Island City say it is his habit to come to that place, take on several drinks and then drive his horse on the run along the county highways. He is a hired man for Mr. Otto of Summerville.

Immediately following the accident Mr. McDonald telephoned from a nearby ranch house and the Kiddies of Island City hastened to the scene in their machine and conveyed the injured woman to La Grande. Physicians met them at Island and temporary relief was given until they reached the McDonald home.

In the buggy of Shaunnessy was found a sack of bottled beer. Just what charge will be lodged against the reckless driver by the prosecuting attorney, is not now known, but it is quite certain that the state's authorities will not permit so flagrant an act to pass unnoticed by the law.

his favor for a disagreement on all four counts. This is the opinion of those who have followed the case closely here. Miss Norris is to take the stand Tuesday when the trial resumes. Her father, too, will testify then. It is on this day that Caminetti will face the guns.

Little Children of the Poor Taught How to Avoid Danger



Photo by American Press Association.

THIS picture illustrates a splendid educational project. It shows children from the poor districts of New York city being taught all about street cars—how to get on and off without falling, how to avoid being run down and in general how to take care of themselves when playing or walking in the street. The picture was taken during a class object lesson at the American Institute of Safety in New York, an organization for the benefit of the poor in which Andrew Carnegie and other philanthropists are interested. The tots are taught by means of a model street car. They are also taught what kind of street games to play and other things of a practical nature.

CRASH WITH RIG SERIOUS

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LABOR DAY IS TO BE QUIET

MANY PUBLIC OFFICES TO BE CLOSED MONDAY.

Monday is a legal holiday and because of that fact, many city people will get a double holiday. The banks, post office and court house attaches are among those who will be idle for labor day celebration. Many tradesmen and mechanics expect to rest that day though there will be no concerted observance of the day in this city, likely. While there are many railroad brotherhoods, there are few organized unions and for that reason the day usually slips by with little observance of the day.

The post office will be open from 9 until 10 in the forenoon for general and carrier deliveries, but there will be neither rural nor city deliveries for two days.

ROUND TRIP PLANNED.

Elks' Fair People Merchants, Elgin, Union, Cove et al May Go.

To send a delegation of Elks, from all parts of the valley who belong to the La Grande lodge, to send a commercial club contingent to get a county fair crowd in attendance, and to send a big group of business men to the Pendleton round-up on Friday, two weeks hence, is the purpose of a committee of local Elks consisting of Adna Rogers, J. H. Peare and Al Haisner. Tonight the committee will hear from Pendleton as to accommodations there, but this is the only point of any consequence as yet unsettled. It is to be a Union county day, and effort to get Elgin, Union and other towns to join in the delegation to make, not a La Grande day but a Union county day at the round-up is the purpose in view.

DEADLOCK OVER MEXICO ISSUES RE-DEVELOPING

HEADS OF STATE AND EXECUTIVE OFFICE AWAY FROM WASHINGTON TODAY.

AMERICANS LEAVE MEXICO

Outgoing Transports Loaded With Those Anxious to Get Away From Mexican Soil—President Resting, Tumulty and Bryan Going to Their Respective Places of Entertainment.

Washington, Aug. 30.—Another deadlock in the Mexican situation developed today owing to mutual jockeying. The pivotable point is regarding who shall initiate resumption of negotiations. The president has gone to Cornish, N. H., Secretary Bryan and Private Secretary Tumulty are bossing the situation today. Tumulty, the president's private secretary, left this afternoon for his summer home at Avon, and Bryan leaves simultaneously for a lecture tour on a chalet circuit at nearby Maryland cities.

Vera Cruz, Aug. 30.—Eleven Americans sailed from Vera Cruz today on the steamship City Tampico. The American consul received the applications of fifty other Americans who desire to leave. It is reported that John Lind will leave for America next week unless he hears something more definite from Huerta.

Pay Cash Stolen. El Paso, Aug. 30.—Two paymasters in the Mexican army en route to pay the government troops at Chihuahua, escaped on a train with \$200,000. They were pursued and overtaken at Juarez where they were shot.

WILSON BEHIND BUFFET.

Drunken Bartenders Tender Liquor to President Wilson.

Springfield, Mass., Aug. 30.—Owing to the delay caused by a storm, the president's private car travelled from New Haven to Springfield attached to the Sangerbund excursion train today. It was coupled behind the buffet car which was filled with shouting bartenders. When told that the president and party were in the car immediately behind, the manager of the buffet car wanted to send back drinks for the entire party, but the offer was gratefully declined.

Eight Men Killed. Pittsburg, Aug. 30.—Eight men met instant death and six were injured, several probably fatally, by an explosion in a towboat on the Ohio river off Glennfield, near here, today. The details are lacking.

FIRST FRUIT SPECIAL STARTS

YAKIMA SHIPMENT OF 38 CARS PASSES THROUGH HERE.

Will Join Similar Shipments From California at Ogden.

The first appearance of fruit specials, outlined in the Observer a few days ago, passed through La Grande last night on passenger train time. It carried 38 cars of fruit from the Yakima valley, and at Ogden will be joined with special trains coming from the California orchards, and hurried east. It is a new venture that fruitmen believe will largely solve the handling of perishable fruits hereafter.