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LORIMER'S LASALLE STREET BANK CLOSED BY EXAMINER

Chicago, Ill., June 12.—The La Salle Trust and Savings bank, generally known as Wm. Lorimer's bank—(Lorimer lost his seat in the Senate on charges of corruption) which bank is one of the largest state institutions in Chicago, closed its doors. Its affairs have been placed in the hands of the state auditor. Bank Examiner Harkin is responsible for the bank's closing.

Immediately after the closing of the doors, an excited crowd of depositors jammed La Salle street and clamored for admittance. A man on the twelfth floor of the bank building, deliberately kicked out a large pane of glass. The glass fell among the crowd gathered in front of the door, and a dozen or more persons were cut and otherwise injured in the scramble to avoid the falling pieces. The police were unable to find the man.

Bank Examiner Harkin also closed the Illinois State bank, and the Broadway State bank, two smaller institutions affiliated with the La Salle Street bank. Lorimer is president of the La Salle Savings and Trust com-

pany bank. Harkin said the deposits of the three banks totaled \$4,648,000.

Bannon in North Powder.

James Bannon, traveling agent for a Portland candy house, left this morning for North Powder and Haines and Baker, after a successful business trip to La Grande.

Mrs. Shumard Goes East.

Mrs. Frank Shumard left last night for her home in New York state. She will first stop off in Cincinnati to visit with Mr. and Mrs. Shumard, who live a short distance from that city, and will then proceed to head old home. She expects to be gone most of the summer.

Officials Return.

Assistant Superintendent J. F. Corbett, Ed Thomas and several other employees who went to Portland to participate in the Safety First meeting, returned this noon. Other members from here stayed over to witness today's performances of the Rose festival.

WALLOWA IS VERY ACTIVE

PEOPLE TALKING NEW SAW MILLS AND MINES.

Believed Jackson-Duvall Lumber Co. Ready to Begin Work.

In speaking of the future for Wallowa county Giles and J. B. Plass, of Wallowa, stated today that there never has been a time when activity looked so certain in that county as at present.

"The Jackson-Duvall Lumber Company will in all probability begin work this summer, they said. "This company is one of the large timber owners of the county and it is understood they are ready to mill their holdings. Just where they will locate their plant has not been determined but some of the good towns in Wallowa county will get the institution and it will help the entire county. The Wilson Basin mines are reported to be showing very well and the copper in the Peacock and Contract mines near Lostine is attracting attention. As a whole the county is in fine shape and we cannot help but believe this is a year when there will be something doing in the upper country."

FISHER BUYS COVE RANCH

229 ACRES OF COVE'S FINE LAND CHANGES HANDS.

Fisher Ranch Now Consists of 400 Acres of Excellent Land.

A deal has just been closed whereby Julius Fisher buys the Harvey Dahlstrom ranch in the Cove district. This ranch consists of 229 acres of choice land and is rated as one of the best tracts in the Grande Ronde valley. The tract joins Mr. Fisher's ranch and the combination now makes him a farm of 400 acres.

"I have faith in Grande Ronde valley land," said Mr. Fisher today when asked about his late deal in real estate. "I have noticed as the years have passed that a good ranch is an asset of value regardless of the condition of the country. Like many others I believe in sticking reasonably close to the soil."

OUTSIDE MAN TO BE JUDGE

STATE HIGHWAY ASSOCIATION IS CONFERRED WITH.

About Ten Miles of Road Undergoing the Drag Process.

At the last meeting of the Commercial club a committee was appointed to confer with the state highway commissioner relative to the appointment and selection of a judge for the awarding and distribution of the prizes in October for the best mile of road within a radius of eight miles from the city of La Grande. The judge is to be an outside man, who does not know the men or the farms along which the roads have been dragged, and who will, therefore, be able to judge impartially of the work done.

Recently County Judge Henry had 25 road drags constructed and the demand for them is growing. Judge Henry is of the opinion that the instruments will remake the county roads and save the county many thousands of dollars.

In speaking of the results so far obtained through the use of the drag on some of the worst roads of the valley, D. M. Clark, secretary of the commercial club, who travels the roads almost daily stated:

"The road from Hunt's Grade to the slough has become a piece of the best road in the county. This is being dragged by Jack Smith and Geo. Puckett and is proof enough that the drag is all that is claimed for it, and will in time give us high ways second to none in the state.

"I estimate that 10 miles of road are now being dragged within a radius of 10 miles from the city. Men have seen the advantage of a few hours work after a heavy rain, and have taken to the idea nobly. They are beginning to take pride in their road and feel that if the other man who lives adjacent will just do the same, so that they will have continuous good roads the effort will pay for itself many times over.

"Some roads that were heretofore impassable have become some of the best thoroughfares of the county. Look what that is going to mean to travel, the speed and the convenience of farmers who have heavy loads to haul."

Waldruft Baby Better.

The young child of Mr. and Mrs. Carey Waldruft, which has been quite ill with dysentery, is reported to be some better this morning. For a time on Sunday and several days after, its little life was despaired of.



RENE LA MONTAGNE

LARRY WATERBURY

DEVEREUX MILBURN

Walrus Tooth Gavel is Sent

LOCAL ELKS LODGE RECEIVES HANDSOME GIFT.

CARVED FROM THE TUSK

Lou Reyburn and Orval Lemons, of La Grande, Make Donation.

To open an Elks lodge with a gavel made from the tusk of a Walrus is not common among Elk lodges of the country, yet that is what Exalted Ruler Donohue of No. 433 will do just as soon as the lodge decides when to begin working under the new gavel received from Lou Reyburn and Orval Lemons from far off Alaska. These members of No. 433 are journeying in the northland, and never forgetting the home lodge, purchased a handsomely designed gavel made from the Walrus tusk and forwarded it to this lodge with their compliments. It is very pretty and shows a great deal of handwork on the part of the natives of Alaska. In the communication that accompanied the gavel the boys stated they were getting along fine in the strange country, that they now could appreciate a Totem pole and would soon be able to talk the language of the northlanders.

MERCHANTS SEE FILM.

Forenoon Matinee Run at Arcade Today, Showing Portland Film.

Manager Gardiner of the Arcade theatre this morning entertained a group of businessmen at the Arcade when he ran for their special benefit, the film staged in Portland and produced there when the La Grande theatre party was given last winter. The film introduces many of the principal businessmen and wholesalers of Portland, shows the principal streets and buildings and is in every way an interesting picture. Many of the actors who figure in a display of Portland's way of handling outside customers that come to town, are well known people.

Cove Coming Sunday.

Cove and La Grande will tangle with each other for the first time since the league was formed, next Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock on the local diamond.

ALASKA SHIPMENT OF CATTLE INDICATES SPLENDID SUCCESS

Oregon and Washington cattle, horses and sheep taken into Alaska by Sharkey, McKennon & Co., of this city, will reach Fairbanks in fully as good shape as they left Seattle last Saturday, according to a letter received by J. D. McKennon this morning from his son Raymond, who is with a big shipment into interior Alaska. The group of eight Oregonians and Washingtonians, left Seattle last Saturday with a car of horses, one of sheep and three of big steers all for the Fairbanks trade.

The American polo team which the English challengers meet tomorrow at New York.

Cigar Makers Oppose "Drys"

LA GRANDE MANUFACTURERS GO ON RECORD ON THE ISSUE.

ARE READY TO ORGANIZE

Believe in Regulation But Not in Prohibition of Liquors.

La Grande's cigar manufacturers have expressed themselves on the "wet" and "dry" campaign and are in favor of regulation of the sale of liquors rather than prohibition. At a meeting recently held they endorsed the Baker Cigar Makers' Union action when that union voted to organize to oppose prohibition.

Speaking of the attitude of the local cigarmakers, Charles Hackman said today: "I, along with others in my business, believe the dry people are wrong in their stand. Regulated liquor selling is the only way countries much older than ours have seen to handle it successfully."

Dr. Zimmerman to Visit Orient.

Dr. Geo. Zimmerman left last night for Vancouver, B. C., where he embarked on an English steamer for Australia, where he will spend the summer and investigate prospects. On his return he will take a year's post graduate work in the Los Angeles College of Osteopathy, of which he is a graduate.

BALLOON AND PILOTS SUFFER

Portland, June 12.—A carrier pigeon taken aloft in the balloon entered by the "Million Population Club" arrived this afternoon with a message about its neck. The message brought the information that the aircraft had been struck by lightning and that Captain Berry, the pilot, had been seriously injured.

The message said the balloon had been lost in the woods and asked that aid be rushed. The message gave no location. The balloon "Kansas City III" and "Springfield" have not been heard from. The balloon "Uncle Sam" was wrecked near Oregon City last night. Roscoe Fawcett, sporting editor for the Oregonian ascended in the balloon "Kansas City III."

Portland, June 12.—A message signed by Geo. Y. M. Morrison, Berry's aid, received here late today said: "Balloon struck by lightning. Berry badly hurt. Lost in woods. Come quick." It, too, had no date line. The state of the pigeon which brought the first news indicates it had flown over 100 miles. Searching parties in automobiles have been started in all directions from principal valley points and the forest rangers have been notified.

Intense excitement was let loose when the pigeon, arrived with the message. Tree festival officials forgot their parts in the great program for an instant and things seemed at a standstill for almost an hour. Wire

McNary Leads Again. Salem, June 12.—Positions have changed again for the supreme court nomination. McNary now leads Benson by seven votes, according to apparently authentic reports from persons, who have checked the vote in a number of counties. Owing to an error of 27 votes in Multnomah county, Benson led by seven yesterday.

PEACEMAKERS TO BE JOINED BY CARRANZA

KALEIDOSCOPIC CHANGE OVER YESTERDAY GIVES NEW HOPE OF PEACE.

WIRE TROUBLE CAUSED DELAY OF CHIEF'S REPLY

Tumulty, Authorized by President, Gives Out Statement That Outlook is Very Good; Intimates That President is Officially Informed of Intention to Join.

Washington, June 12.—Secretary to the President, Tumulty, issued the following bulletin on the mediation situation: "The President authorizes me to announce that the Mexican situation, as far as mediation is concerned, presents an outlook which is most encouraging."

Tumulty intimated that the President had been officially advised that Carranza would participate in the peace negotiations. This is another kaleidoscopic change in the situation. Yesterday the mediators were piqued by Carranza's delayed answer, to the invitation to join the conference, and decided to treat the case of the rebels as a closed incident.

It appeared, however, that the delay was caused by wire trouble, over the line on which Carranza and his Washington representatives were conferring. It is learned that Carranza will appoint representative Mexicans now in the United States to negotiate for him at Niagara Falls. That the protocol will be ready for signature by the middle of next week, is predicted by administration officials.

Mr. Hatch Visits Union. O. M. Hatch, local agent for the Singer Sewing Machine company went to Union this noon in the interest of the company.

Pleasant Valley Woman Returns. Mrs. Geo. Auld, mother of Mrs. Daley and Georgie Taylor of this city left for her home in Pleasant Valley, where she will look after her property interests for several days before returning. She was accompanied by her daughter Jean.

Sports Visitors Return. Mrs. Ida Rutledge and daughter, Mina of Sparta, Oregon, left this morning after a visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Fuller. Mrs. Fuller is a daughter.

RIOTING RUNS WILD IN ITALY

SOCIALIST DIRECTORATE CALLS OFF STRIKE.

Florence, Turin, Imola and Other Cities Are Terror Stricken.

Rome, June 12.—Terrific rioting is in progress in many Italian cities through the general strike that was called off on Wednesday by the supreme directorate of the Socialist party, and through Rome's assumption of the responsibility for its continuance. Working classes have risen en masse in response to the call. Several important centers are isolated. Owing to the censorship, and interruption of communication, few details are obtainable. But it is known there has been desperate fighting in Florence, Turin, Imola and elsewhere. Scores have been reported killed and wounded.