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LARGE CENTRAL OREGON AREA IS RICH IN GOLD

EXPERTS FIND ALASKA RICHES CAN'T COMPARE

DESCHUTES, CROOKED AND SQUAW RIVERS EMBRACED IN GOLD AREA.

MILLS TO BE BUILT DURING THE WINTER

Portland and Nebraska Men announce Locations of Claims Covering Area Many Miles Square—Think All Other Industries of the Interior Will Be Dwarfed in Comparison.

Portland, Jan. 9.—Gold has been discovered in Central Oregon along the Deschutes, Crooked and Squaw rivers.

J. B. Rossman, Thomas Har, C. F. Peck, Alfred Whitney, W. H. Bard and C. W. Clapp of Portland, and C. W. Lyman of Lincoln, Nebraska, have completed a long investigation which they declare proves Oregon is richer in gold than Alaska.

Clapp, who is a mineralogist, declared gold mining in Central Oregon will dwarf every other industry.

The men are preparing to build a mill on the Deschutes near Terrebonne which will be in operation in four months. They expect to build others.

Locations covering an area 20x40 miles have been filed with Clark, the clerk of Jefferson county.

San Francisco to Open Auditorium.

San Francisco, Jan. 9.—San Francisco's new municipal auditorium will be opened tonight. A grand fancy ball will be the first gathering under its roof.

The auditorium is generally classed as one of the 1915 exposition buildings. It was, in fact, built jointly by the exposition company and the city. Unlike the buildings on the exposition grounds, however, it is a permanent structure, forming part of the magnificent group of civic center edifices now in course of erection.

Its cost was \$2,000,000 and it is larger by 6,000 square feet than New York's Madison Square Garden.

The city authorities and the exposition company will cooperate in making the dedication the most brilliant function of the kind ever held on the Pacific coast.

Ex-Governor Hodges to Talk.

Topeka, Kan., Jan. 9.—Former Governor Hodges intends within a few days to take the platform in the interests of national prohibition. He says he has accepted in a tentative way all the requests for his service and will probably speak first at Raleigh, W. Va., about January 13, going to North Carolina in February. He is billed to speak in Denver, January 20 and will answer other calls from New Mexico, Mississippi, Missouri and Nebraska.

Marines Leave for Exposition.

San Diego, Cal., Jan. 9.—A regiment of United States marines, commanded by Mayor John T. Meyers, will leave tomorrow for San Francisco, where the men will go into camp on the grounds of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, to remain throughout the exposition period.

Taft and Knox Are Golf Guests.

Atlantic City, N. J., Jan. 9.—The long and short of it in golf is expected to be present today at the opening of the Seaview Golf club when ex-President William H. Taft and the former Secretary of State, Philander C. Knox will be among the guests.

GLARRY PAVEMENTS CAUSE MANY FALLS

AUTOMOBILE TIPS OVER WHILE ROUNDING CURVE ON WAY TO TRAIN.

LADIES IN THE PARTY FORCED TO GO AFOOT

Horses and Pedestrians Slip and Slide About Streets.

Last night's rain and subsequent freeze left La Grande's pavements and sidewalks akin to glarry ice this morning. For an hour or two until the principal streets were sanded down, horses tumbled over as fast as they could get up when they got close to a curb where the pavement is at an angle.

The W. L. Clifford car upset at Spring and Fourth early this morning when Mr. Clifford was taking two ladies to the early train. In making the turn the car skidded and struck the curb, throwing it over on its side. None of the party was hurt, but the ladies had to make the trip to the depot afoot. Later on the car was hauled to a garage where "mechanical attention" repaired a broken wheel.

Going was almost impossible for horses still the main streets were sanded down. Street Superintendent Hendricks had an emergency supply of sand on hand and hauled out wagon loads of it, providing passage along the center of the street and at intersections.

Pedestrians fell right and left. In one instance an early morning trip to the business section resulted in a half dozen falls.

Bon Ton Under New Management.

The Bon Ton restaurant, formerly the White House, is opened for business this week under the new management after a complete house cleaning and renovating. This eating house promises to increase its popularity under the new ownership and is starting out with a greatly improved service.

SEES REPUBLICAN VICTORY.



Charles D. Hilles, chairman of the Republican National Committee, sees a republican victory in the national election in 1916. A gain of eight states over the election of 1912 has been made, he said. He named them—New York, Maine, New Jersey, Ohio, Montana, Nevada, West Virginia and Washington.

Slide at Bonneville.

A land slide at Bonneville last night has been responsible for the delay of train service from the West this morning. Passenger train No. 6, due at 11:25 this morning is marked up for 4 o'clock this afternoon. No. 4 due here early this morning got by before the slide took place and arrived here on schedule time.

MISS ANNE MORGAN, DAUGHTER OF FINANCIER, AND MRS. ASTOR, TITANIC WIDOW, HELP FRENCH SOLDIERS.



MISS ANNE MORGAN.

MRS. JOHN JACOB ASTOR.

Miss Anne Morgan, daughter of the financier, and Mrs. John Jacob Astor, wife of the rich New Yorker who went down on the Titanic nearly three years ago, are at work to help the French soldiers in the field. This photograph, which is the latest taken of either woman, shows them in the rooms of the Lafayette Fund, a creation of New York society women who have sympathy for the French soldiers. They are collecting clothing and other necessities for the men in the field.

COMMERCIAL CLUB ASKS LEGISLATURE TO LET UP

Resolutions asking the state representatives and senators from this district to refrain from hampering legislation against the railroads of the state, were passed at a meeting of the commercial club directors last evening. The financial situation in railroad life is peculiarly felt in La Grande and the club expressed an opinion that is generally throughout the state—let the roads rest a bit. In addition to acting on the railroad question, the club directors took up the matter of committees to handle the next big jinx which the commercial club members are to participate in January 18. D. M. Clark, secretary, James G. Snodgrass, A. A. Wenzel and Harry Pattison were named the committee to arrange for the "blowout."

WHOLE WESTERN BATTLEFRONT AGAIN ENGAGED IN BATTLES

Paris, Jan. 9.—Resumption of fighting along practically the whole western battle front is announced in an official communication. South of Ypres it is stated the French artillery has demolished a row of German trenches, and silenced mine throwers in that district.

Several German batteries are said to have been silenced between Arras and Aims. Soissons is reported to have been bombed by Germans in revenge for the failure to retake positions which the French have won, and the palace of justice has been destroyed.

Eastern Fighting Resumed.

Petrograd, Jan. 9.—Following a lull due to unfavorable weather, fighting along the Vistula has been renewed on an extensive scale. Germans are sacrificing thousands of men in efforts to take the Russians in outer positions. The most desperate encounters are between Sukha and Mogheley.

Alsace Advantage Swings.

Paris, Jan. 9.—Fresh gains by the Allies in Soissons are reported. It is said fresh fighting in Alsace has

broken out with violence, the advantage swinging from one to the other.

It is known the Kaiser has withdrawn men from the west to meet the Czar but the Allies haven't found the spot thus weakened.

BROKERAGE FAILS.

Company Bankrupt but Market Shows No Effect of It.

New York, Jan. 9.—Following admission by stock exchange officials that the brokerage firm of Stringer & Co., were unable to meet their obligations, G. F. Stringer junior member of the firm shot himself dead in his office today. The failure is the first since the stock market opened. The company was composed of father and son. The failure didn't effect the stock market.

Examinations Next Week.

The eighth grade examinations will be held throughout the schools of the county and in the state as well, January 14 and 15.

SEATTLE BOXING MATCH FATAL TO YOUNG BOXER

WHEAT PRICES ON A TOBOGGAN TODAY

DANGER OF AN EMBARGO ON EXPORTATION HALTS INCREASED PRICE.

MAY AND JULY WHEAT IS SINKING RAPIDLY

Buyers Show Reluctance, Too, in Holding Stuff Over Sunday.

Chicago, Jan. 9.—Wheat has receded sharply.

Reluctance of traders in carrying their holdings over Sunday, and the possibility that congress will pass an embargo act on the exportation of wheat to prevent a shortage in this country, are believed to be responsible for the depression.

May wheat closed \$1.38 3-8 and July \$1.24 3-8.

PRESIDENT IS CANDIDATE

Indianapolis Speech Taken to Mean He Will Seek Re-election.

Indianapolis, Jan. 9.—Democrats and Republicans alike generally regard President Wilson's speech last night as an announcement of his candidacy for re-election. Democrats said the single term plank in the Baltimore platform will be brushed aside to clear the track.

Mrs. Hopper Moved.

Mrs. J. Hopper was brought to La Grande last evening by her sons from Nolan, Umatilla county, where she has been critically ill. The trip apparently did her no harm, as she is resting comparatively easy today.

Court to Resume.

Circuit Judge J. W. Knowles will resume court in Enterprise next Monday. It is expected that it will require about a week to complete the work there.

No cases are under way here today.

KING PETER OF SERBIA IN HIS CAPITAL AGAIN.



KING PETER OF SERBIA

King Peter of Serbia who was driven from his capital by the advance of the Austrian army, is again in Belgrade, where the government has resumed its functions. Now the Serbians are confident the Austrians will never again cross the Danube with sufficient force to compel them to evacuate their capital as they did earlier in the war. The Austrians have almost been driven from Serbian soil, and it is likely that King Peter will push the conflict into Bosnia, in an attempt to take the province which Austria grabbed five years ago.

AL. ANDERSON DIES 12 HOURS AFTER THE BLOW

IKE COHEN OF SAN FRANCISCO DEALS DEATH BLOW WITH HARD LEFT HOOK.

ALL PARTIES IN THE BOUT UNDER ARREST

Seattle's First Fatality in a Boxing Ring Mars Fight Scheduled to Go Four Rounds Last Night—Young Man Topples from Chair After Having Been on His Feet Once.

Seattle, Jan. 9.—Al Anderson, of Everett, died at a hospital here today without regaining consciousness 12 hours after he had been sent to the floor with a left hook in the third round of a scheduled four-round fight with Ike Cohen, the San Francisco heavyweight.

This is the first boxing fatality in Seattle. Cohen had knocked Anderson to the floor and then struck him as he was rising. Cohen was declared the winner of the bout.

Anderson partially regained consciousness and went to his dressing room but while lacing his shoe toppled from the chair and was taken to the hospital where he lingered several hours before expiring.

All connected with the match have been arrested and released on bail.

EAGLES ELECT OFFICERS.

Jerry Rusk is New Head of the Order in This City.

Last evening the Eagles installed their new officers in the local lodge. They are:

W. C. Hansen, P. W. P.; J. P. Rusk, W. P.; W. A. Zweifel, W. V. P.; J. H. Stevens, W. C.; L. F. Bellinger, Sec.; C. E. Happersett, Treas.; John Ladd, I. G.; W. C. Haddon, O. G.; O. E. Silverthorn, Trustee; Dr. Graham, Physician.

Villa Receives Gold.

Dallas, Tex., Jan. 9.—Wells Fargo agents here admitted today that gold in \$50,000 shipments had passed through Dallas, consigned to General Villa.

The shipments, he said, were made by a New York banker. The agent refused to confirm the report that \$3,000,000 in gold had been sent to Villa recently.

Students at Short Course.

Corvallis, Jan. 9.—(Special).—Fred A. Young of Fruitdale is enrolled for the winter short course in Mechanical Arts at O. A. C.

John W. Wells of Imbler is enrolled for the winter short course, in agriculture at O. A. C.

The enrollment for the short course at present is about 250 students. This is reported good this early in the year.

Will Have to Recess Barley.

Pendleton, Jan. 8.—T. L. Adkinson was in town today from his ranch on McKay creek attending to some school board business, he being the clerk of that district. According to Mr. Adkinson it seems certain the barley in his section has been frozen out and will have to be recessed but the wheat crop is unharmed.

CLIMATIC DATA.

Climatic data, based on readings for 24 hours ending last night at 6 o'clock:

Maximum, 40; Minimum, 39
Temperature at 12:30 today, 41.