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CORPORATIONS MUST KEEP HANDS OFF

Governor Hughes Draws a Lesson From The Life of Washington--Special Interest Censured.

CHICAGO, Feb. 22.—Washington's birthday was celebrated at Chicago as usual under the auspices of the Union League club. The chief orator of the day was Governor Charles E. Hughes of New York...

We venerate Washington because in supreme test he vindicated manhood. The standards of liberty were unsullied in his hands. We must all take to heart the lesson of his life...

There is no legislative road to character. If the spirit of Washington could permeate our public and private life we should neither seek nor need governmental panacea...

The country is morally sound. Its standards of business were higher. The business men of the country are for the most part honest men, representing fairly the moral standards of the people...

Confidence Is Essential. Pessimists and cynics cannot develop this country. We must have confidence in the stability of our institutions...

We have only begun to develop the commerce of this country. This is no time for discouragement or halting, but for appreciation of American opportunity and for that intelligent and united effort by which alone we can avail of it...

To support this confidence and to gain these ends we must have a settled governmental policy. And it must be a right policy. It must be a policy consistent with the genius of our institutions...

Must Safeguard Rights. Wherever there are public rights in forces, the hands, in mines, in water power, these must be safeguarded, and protected from spoliation...

A Consistent Policy. It must be a policy consistent with our constitutional limitations and distribution of benefits. By making our institutions work in the way in which they were intended to work...

SAVED FROM DROWNING TO DIE ON RAIL

Two Men Lose Lives After Having Escaped Death in Icy Waters of Monongahela

PITTSBURGH, Feb. 22.—Saved from drowning in the icy waters of the Monongahela at Elizabeth, only to be run down and killed by a train on reaching the shore was the fate last night of K. W. Draper and F. B. Garrett, government employes at lock No. 3, C. E. Stoner, who rescued the men from drowning, was also hit by the train and probably fatally injured.

Draper fell into the river. Garrett plunged after him and eventually Stone rescued both men by the aid of a boat-hook. Then all three started to walk along the Pittsburg Virginia & Charleston track to Elizabeth to get dry clothes...

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR CONVENTION AT EUGENE

EUGENE, Or., Feb. 22.—The second day of the state Endeavor convention proved a most profitable one, and this the third one, seems to be another valuable one.

After the visit yesterday afternoon to the University of Oregon campus there was a reception for delegates and the evening sermon was delivered by Rev. W. H. Foulkes, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Portland...

This morning a patriotic address was delivered before the convention by President P. L. Campbell of the University of Oregon, following which the convention was split up into groups for the discussion of Christian Endeavor problems. The business session is being held this afternoon.

Attempt to Wreck Train

SEDALIA, Feb. 22.—An attempt was made last night to wreck the fast east-bound passenger train on the Missouri Pacific near Ottorville. The motive was evidently robbery. A rail was removed and an extra freight from St. Louis which preceded the passenger train was wrecked, injuring three of the crew.

each jurisdiction that full consideration and necessary remedial action by which wrongs, both national and local, may be completely redressed.

Special interests must keep their hands off the government in city, state and nation. The common welfare must be the supreme law. The lobbies which have been maintained in legislative halls, the efforts to prevent administration by securing the service for particular interests of those who pose as the servants of the people, the corruption of the sole means by which the people can express their will, have been the most serious protest for assaults upon our institutions...

Wherever there are public rights in forces, the hands, in mines, in water power, these must be safeguarded, and protected from spoliation. Wherever the public grants a privilege it must be upon consideration of the common benefit and under conditions which secure to the public a proper return for the grant. We must guard our ranges, our coal deposits, our public lands, our forest treasures by suitable restrictions. No selfish interest must be permitted to seize with covetous hands the public domain.

It must also be taken to be a settled policy that there shall be complete effective and just supervision of our railroads. I do not believe in arbitrary action with regard to these important concerns either by congress or by state legislatures or by commissions. The railroads are not the enemies but the appropriate exercise of the powers of

WINNER DECIDED TONIGHT

FINALE OF GREATEST CONTEST IN HISTORY OF SOUTHERN OREGON NEWSPAPERS WHEN NAMES OF WINNERS ARE ANNOUNCED

NO MORE working for prizes, no more hunting for votes. The contest is closed. The curtain is rung down on as successful and interesting a contest as the state has ever seen. Entire satisfaction is the feeling which prevails among the contestants, and loud is their praise for the manner in which their efforts have been met. Rivalry, it is true, has played a large part in the contest, but not unfriendly rivalry. Friend has worked against friend in the struggle, and today the same amicable feeling exists as it did prior to the contest. One will be fortunate where another fails, but the loser will rejoice with the winner in her success. Such is the spirit of generosity and broad-mindedness which has marked the whole affair from start to finish.

The final counting of the votes, the real end and purpose of the whole contest, takes place tonight. The count will be held at the Medford Opera House. Contestants will be there with their friends eagerly waiting to see who has won, and, altogether, the real object for which the ladies have been working will be the last counting of the votes tonight. An invitation is extended to all interested in contestant or contest to be present tonight, and contestants are especially invited. Do not overlook the place—Medford Opera House—nor the hour—10 o'clock tonight, Saturday.

BANNER BUILDING YEAR OF MEDFORD'S HISTORY IS 1908

All of the City's Contractors Report More Work Than Ever Before—Larger and Better Business Blocks and Residences to Be Erected.

W. D. Haxel, contractor, reports that there is a better outlook for buildings in Medford this spring than in any one year since he has been contracting. He says that there are many buildings contracted for at the present time and that they are much better and more costly buildings than heretofore erected in Medford.

C. W. Snyder states that he has been contracting in Medford for the past four years and that this promises to be the banner year. Mr. Snyder says there is nearly double the amount of contracts placed this year than was ever placed before.

R. W. Gray, contractor, states that this will be the best year in the history of Medford for large and costly buildings and that there will be more money spent in fine business and residence properties than in any one year in Medford's history.

C. E. Collins, contractor, states that there is fully double the amount of money being spent in buildings in Medford than there was last year. Mr. Collins also states that the so-called hard times seemed to have had a good effect, for there were by far more and better buildings to be put up the coming year than last.

Contractor Reinhardt states that he has been rushed to the limit and from appearances there will be more than double the amount of building this year than last. Already there is more building under construction than there was last year. Mr. Reinhardt predicts that the building of this year will surpass that of last.

G. L. Schermerhorn, contractor, states that this year promises more building than any single year in the history of Medford. He says that there is more large contracts being placed now than last year.

AMUSEMENTS

(BY ED ANDREWS.) "The Royal Slave" of last night is a play that deals with intense dramatic events. The company carried their own scenery and as usual was very much hampered on account of lack of room and height of ceiling to hang their curtains; then, too, there was the lack of proper light effects, which can only be obtained by colored globes and a switchboard arranged so that lights may be dimmed.

The dark scenes were too dark and had a full light been used it would have entirely destroyed the desired effect. Then, again, there was a lack of demonstration on the part of the audience, which is very embarrassing to the actor. If an audience wants a good performance they must do their part, at least on the start. Give an actor a good round of applause on his first work and you will get the best there is in him. Students of psychology understand this.

The plot of "The Royal Slave" deals with the erratic Mexican character which in itself would forbid the quieter and more subdued style of action. "The Royal Slave," played by Elton Deane was a strong characterization of a

QUARREL LEADS WIFE TO DENOUNCE HUSBAND AS A MURDERER

Mrs. Frazier Surrenders Her Husband to the Police for a Murder Committed Four Years Ago—Efforts to Secure Details Are Unavailing.

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 22.—Following a heated quarrel, which took place in their room at the Hotel Catalina, Mrs. E. Frazier today denounced her husband as a murderer and surrendered him to the police. She says that Frazier, alias Boyd, committed a murder in Indianapolis four years ago. All efforts to secure details of the crime are unavailing, as neither the woman nor the police are making the facts public.

Shops Will Reopen Monday

SALT LAKE, Feb. 22.—Local shops in Denver and Rio Grande, which closed down February 14, will reopen Monday with more than 350 men.

Robbers Kill Police and Escape

EL PASO, Tex., Feb. 22.—A dispatch reports that two policemen were killed by bullion robbers in Santa Eulalia mining district, Chihuahua. One of the robbers was killed and the others escaped.

The old semi-civilized Aztec. The Countess Inez was indeed well played by Mary Ayre. We have seen this lady in many roles in the past when she was leading lady with the Woodward Stock company. She has an expressive face, a good voice and above all a warm and sympathetic temperament. Revellie Brughart as Don Carlos is a good looking young man, a smooth and graceful actor and looked well in his Mexican attire. Moray Long in his double role of El Capitán and Const. Pedro sustained his part with dignity, although a dignified part is somewhat out of Mr. Morey's line. We have seen him in musical comedy, where he seemed to be more at home, yet we can offer no criticism on his performance last night. R. J. Binder, the American, was a little too American. It would be somewhat difficult for one to decide just what part of this glorious republic he hailed from, but he was repeatedly encored in his work and seemed to please the majority of the audience. Flo Young was Flo Young, and that is saying a good deal. She is a cute little thing from whom you don't expect much histrionic ability; in fact, we should hate to exchange Flo Young for any character she might assume. It would be even a pity to lose Flo Young to gain even a great Ophele or Juliet. Isadora, the daughter, was played by Florence Ellsey, who was very sweet and womanly in her part, never overacting or making one feel that the lover was playing a game of "love's labor lost."

LATE LOCAL NEWS

H. D. Norton, the Grants Pass lawyer, was in Jacksonville and Medford Thursday on professional business. William Kendall and H. Schrader, who are developing homestead claims in Antelope district, did business in Medford during the week. One of the fastest basketball games of the season will be played next Tuesday evening when the Ashland first team meets the M. H. S. There will be a dance after the game.

ATTEMPT TO BURN HUNDRED DEMOCRATS IN OKLAHOMA HOTEL

Oil Poured in Vacant Rooms and All Set Afire—Convention Delegates Were Asleep in Hostelery—Flames Extinguished Before Great Damage.

OKLAHOMA CITY, Feb. 22.—A dispatch from Muskogee says that a dastardly attempt to burn the Cotes hotel in that city in which 100 delegates to the democratic convention were sleeping was made last night. Oil was poured on the floor of two vacant rooms and set afire. The flames were extinguished before great damage was done.

GOVERNMENT FEARS REVOLUTIONARY OUTBREAK IN LISBON

LISBON, Feb. 22.—The greatest precautions are being observed in Lisbon to insure the maintenance of order. It is evident that the government fears an outbreak of some kind, but up to the present time no disturbances have been reported. The soldiers are being kept in the barracks. All the public buildings, including the Bank of Portugal, are occupied by heavy detachments of the municipal guard. The commerce of the city reflects the secret uneasiness of the people. El Seculo (newspaper) expresses the opinion that everything indicates that the government fears armed revolutionary outbreaks.

To Fight Statement One

Ex-County Judge L. F. Willits of Klamath Falls, formerly of Ashland, will make the fight against Statement No. 1 in the 17th senatorial district. He filed his petition with the secretary of state Monday. Representative George H. Merryman will be his opponent, standing flatly on Statement No. 1.

Episcopal Bishop of Washington Dead

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—Bishop Henry Yates Satterlee, D. D., for the past 12 years Protestant Episcopal bishop of Washington, died yesterday after a short illness of influenza, aged 65 years.

The Greater Medford club will meet at the Commercial club rooms Monday, February 24 at 3 o'clock.

VZRAL BOY CONFESSES TO PERJURY

Youth Admits He Lied At Instance of Prosecution To Hang Fortune-Teller Billik.

CHICAGO, Feb. 22.—Eighteen-year-old Jerry M. Vzal, whose testimony more than any other persons served to convict the Bohemian fortune teller, Herman Billik, of the murder of six members of the Vzal family, has, it is announced, recanted in an affidavit and declares that his testimony was simply perjury. Billik is and was sentenced to hang March 20. The supreme court Thursday affirmed the judgment.

The Vzal boy also declares that two of his relatives also lied. The boy declares that the vital part of the testimony he gave against Billik at the trial was taught him by a high police official, and an assistant state's attorney. He names the men he accuses, and in an affidavit says he told the story because the police official threatened him with the charge of murder unless he did as the police wished him. He declares that he had 40 conferences with the assistant state's attorney and 50 with the inspector of police.

The confession from the boy was obtained by Rev. P. J. O'Callaghan, who has been working in Billik's behalf for several months.

ROSE PLANTING DAY OBSERVED IN PORTLAND

PORTLAND, Feb. 22.—Under a clear sky and Junelike sun, thousands of Portland school children and ten thousands of citizens and visitors participated this afternoon in "rose planting day," preliminary to rose festival to be held the first week in June, when it is expected 50,000 visitors will be guests of the city. Five thousand rose bushes were planted in three of the city park blocks, followed by patriotic exercises and addresses by Governor Chamberlain, Mayor Lane and other officials.

JAPAN'S ACTION IN MANCHURIA CAUSES NO TROUBLE

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—It is stated with positiveness at the state department today that no official reports or protests from any service has been received regarding the Japanese commercial aggressiveness in Manchuria, and from the nature of the situation none is expected. It is asserted that the American government has no intention of addressing Japan or any other power on the subject at this time or when the battleship fleets reaches its destination. In this connection it is explained that the open door policy in the orient, while initiated by this government, is either the announcement of principle to guide our own course rather than the doctrine to be arbitrarily applied and enforced in the orient.

THE BIJOU THEATER. Passion Play. BEAUTIFUL AND SUBLIME. THE LIFE OF CHRIST FROM BIRTH TO ASCENSION. REMEMBER, THE PRICE OF ADMISSION REMAINS THE SAME. TONIGHT Feb. 22. Two Matinees, Two Evening Performances Each Day. Matinee, 3 P. M. and 4 P. M. Evening, 7:15 and 8:15 P. M.