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THE WEATHER

Fair tonight, light frost, except near coast; westerly winds.

THIRD YEAR.

MEDFORD, OR., WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1, 1908.

NO. 11

WASSON CANYON SPRINGS FOR CITY'S WATER SUPPLY

ADMIRAL ARRIVES ASHORE

Fighting Bob Forced to Leave Fleet on Account of Illness--Reaches San Diego Enroute to Springs

SAN DIEGO, Cal., April 1.—The flagship Connecticut, with Admiral R. D. Evans on board, arrived off Coronado early today and shortly before noon the admiral was taken off by the tender Yankton, which arrived yesterday and brought to this city, where a private car is at his disposal. The admiral plainly showed the effects of illness. He leaves this afternoon for San Luis Obispo to receive treatment at the mineral hot springs.

Regrets Leaving Fleet. To the Associated Press, Admiral Evans said that he regretted having to leave the fleet, but the orders of his physicians were so imperative that he could no longer ignore their advice. He expressed the hope that he would soon be able to arrange to visit the fleet. The Connecticut returns to Magdalena Bay immediately. Rear-Admiral Thomas is temporarily in command of the fleet.

Evans was accompanied ashore by his son, Lieutenant Frank Taylor Evans, of the battleship Louisiana; Lieutenant C. R. Train, his flag lieutenant, and by Past Assistant Surgeon McDonald.

The admiral was greeted by a considerable crowd on the dock, and assisted into a car. The Connecticut left Magdalena Bay early Monday morning, making the run to San Diego, 620 miles, in a little more than 48 hours. Congratulated by Teddy.

Evans received today a long letter of congratulations and recommendation from President Roosevelt. In the warmest terms the president spoke of the achievements of the fleet on the cruise to the Pacific and gave the admiral full share of credit, and expressed the hope of a speedy restoration of Evans' health.

Captain Royal R. Ingersoll, chief of staff to Evans, who was also a passenger on the Connecticut, left this afternoon for the east, on account of the illness of his son. Admiral Evans' car was attached to the regular north-bound train this afternoon and he will arrive at San Luis Obispo tonight.

NEARLY ALL WOMEN LIARS WHEN THEY GO TO COURT

UTICA, N. Y., April 1.—Judge James K. O'Connor is convinced that nearly all women who go into court to testify become liars before they leave the witness stand, even assuming they are of undoubted veracity before they are called upon to testify.

"It is my experience," said Magistrate O'Connor, during the progress of a case, "that most women who come into court to testify, depart absolute liars. Women will come before this judicial bench with pious expressions on their faces, place their hands on their bibs, swear to tell the whole truth and nothing but the truth, and then go right ahead and swear to things that other people know to be absolutely false.

"It is very easy for women to lie, especially when they are giving evidence in court. They do it day after day without hesitancy."

PLANS TO TAKE GOLD FROM ROGUE RIVER BED

Frank Gilman, son of Dudley T. Gilman, log sealer for the Eugene Lumber company, is the inventor of a scheme by which he proposes to take gold from the bottom of the Rogue river. His machine is like the upturned hull of a boat, consisting of an inner and an outer shell from which the water is siphoned by a long pipe with its lower end running down stream. It is anchored in midstream and the workmen work inside the hull, panning out the gold. It is proving practicable.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 1.—T. Wang Chang and Ming Wan Chun, the Koreans who were elected to kill Stevens for what they believe his treachery to the hermit kingdom, were today charged with murder. A movement is on foot among the Japs to erect a monument to Stevens, who was greatly admired by them. The plan is in a tentative state, and whether the monument will be erected in San Francisco, Tokio or Seoul is not determined.

BENSON'S LAND CASE ON TRIAL

Fraud Case Against Californian Who Operated in Oregon Begins at the Capital after Long Delay

WASHINGTON, April 1.—The trial of the land-fraud cases against Frederick A. Hyde, John A. Benson, Henry P. Dimond and Joost H. Schneider, involving the alleged conspiracy to defraud the United States out of valuable lands in several western states began here today before Justice Stafford in the criminal court. Upwards of 200 witnesses from 14 states in the west are here for the trial.

The case has been on the docket here and in California for the past four years, the trial having been postponed from time to time. An appropriation of \$60,000 was made by congress at the present session to cover the cost of the trial. It is believed that the trial will continue for at least three months. It is alleged the quartet operated through fictitious persons and acquired school lands in Oregon and California by false entries, forged signatures and by entries later transferred with the help of information from subsidized clerks in the general land office.

FARMER KILLS HIMSELF AFTER ROW WITH WIFE

GRANTS PASS, Or., April 1.—Under strange circumstances William Messenger, a farmer and highly respected citizen, met death on his farm, seven miles south of town, Wednesday night, about 7 o'clock. From what can be learned of the circumstances, it seems that he and his wife had a slight quarrel over his driving on some flower beds in the yard. After this incident, Messenger put his team in the barn, did his chores and sat down by the fire, waiting for his evening meal to be prepared. His wife noticed that he was still out of humor, but did not suspect that anything serious would happen. Without attracting the attention of the family, Messenger took a rifle from the wall, stepped outside and what followed remains somewhat obscure. But upon hearing the report of a gun, his wife ran to the scene and found her husband lying from the effects of a gunshot wound. Relatives of the dead man believe that some enemy took advantage of him, but the coroner's inquest reveals a suicide. He left a wife and two children.

AMERICA LEADS IN TRADE WITH JAPANESE

TOKYO, April 1.—Trade reports which have been gazzetted show America leads with a total of 211,000,000 yen. Of this amount, imports were 80,000,000 and exports 131,000,000 yen. China is next to America with a total of 141,000,000, England next with 128,000,000. The total Japanese trade for the year amounted to 926,000,000 yen. The balance this year is somewhat unfavorable to Japan.

CHARGES AGAINST DAY RULED OUT OF CHURCH

NEW YORK, April 1.—The charges preferred against Chancellor Day of Syracuse University by Rev. A. Cady of Brandon, Vt., were ruled out of court by Bishop David P. Moore at the opening of the 109th session of the New York Methodist Episcopal conference today. Bishop Moore said that he regarded the complaint against Day as a direct attack upon free speech and free press.

THREE KILLED IN BOILER EXPLOSION AT EVERETT

EVERETT, Wash., April 1.—An explosion of a boiler in the shingle mill of Harman & Emmons, near here, today killed three men, two probably fatally. The dead are: O. A. Garmon, T. R. Ambuhl and Edward Olson. The cause has not been ascertained.

The land contest case of John Rhoten vs. Joseph Pope was tried before United States Commissioner Bliton Wednesday. Charles Peim is attorney for the contestant and Gus Newbury for the contestee.

SOURCE LIES IN MELTING SNOWS OF MOUNT PITT

FINDS MEDFORD LEADS COUNTRY

Dr. Ray Returns From Extended Trip--Northwest Most Prosperous Section of Nation.

Dr. C. E. Ray, president of the Rogue River Electric company, has returned from an extended trip, during which he visited San Francisco, Chicago, New York and other financial centers. He returns with more enthusiasm for Medford and the Rogue River valley than ever.

"The northwest is more prosperous than any other part of the country," said Dr. Ray, "and this region is among the most prosperous on the coast. The east was hard hit by the October panic and is recovering slowly. It will be some time before things are back at their normal basis. The farther west you go the better times are."

Medford is being well advertised in the east. Both in Chicago and New York the railroad is distributing pamphlets concerning this region and otherwise doing much to bring it to the attention of people. I found the country becoming better known and many people talking about it."

HORTICULTURISTS TO HEAR PROFESSOR LEWIS TALK

There will be an important meeting of the Rogue River Horticultural association Saturday, April 4, at the Commercial club room. Professor Lewis of the Oregon Agricultural college will be present and will give a talk on "Soil Culture." This discussion will be very timely. Many of our orchard owners are newcomers not yet fully acquainted with the conditions of the soils of the valley. These are especially invited to be present Saturday, whether members of the association or not. If they wish to secure membership they may do so upon the payment of \$1 annual dues. This money is used to secure speakers of reports and specialists along horticultural lines. All members should also be present. The meeting is called for 2:30 sharp. Annual dues are now payable and should be attended to promptly in order that speakers may be secured for succeeding meetings.

FISHING SCHOONER RAMMED, CUT IN TWO AND SUNK

SEATTLE, April 1.—The steam schooner Lydia was cut in two by the steamship Chipewna of the Puget Sound Navigation company, early this morning, and Wilson Spinning at Ballard and Thomas Hicks of Seattle drowned. Eight men, including the captain of the Lydia, were rescued by the Chipewna's lifeboats. The accident occurred off Point No Point. The Lydia had returned from the halibut grounds after a two weeks' fishing trip. The Chipewna looked claims that no lights were displayed on the Lydia, but this is denied. The Lydia was struck amidships, going down almost immediately to the bottom, carrying Spinning and Hicks to the bottom in their berths.

PRINCE DE SAGAN SEEKS ANNA GOULD'S HAND

NEW YORK, April 1.—Prince Helle de Sagan is a suitor for the hand of Miss Anna Gould. This is announced by the prince himself in a statement in which he says that Miss Gould will sail for France soon after her departure on April 18. The prince's announcement is consistent with the circulation of reports that Miss Gould has quarreled with her family, which has her determination to marry de Sagan. Miss Gould is quoted as saying that she "will no longer be oppressed and ruled by her family."

EVANS' FLAGSHIP STILL AT MAGDALENA BAY

SAN FRANCISCO, April 1.—According to reports from the Commodore and wireless stations of this city, Rear Admiral Evans' flagship Connecticut, which was expected here tomorrow, is still at Magdalena Bay last night. By now she was coming here for medical treatment.

LONDON, April 1.—On the strike of the midnight hour, the British volunteer army became a thing of the past. It has been in existence 49 years.

Water Committee Makes Its Report--Chemical Analysis Shows Water Purest Possible--Supplies from Various Sources.

After two months of investigation, the city council water committee, composed of Councilmen Marriek, Workman and Effert, made its report Wednesday morning, deciding in favor of Wasson Canyon Springs, a stream that has its source in the melting snows of Mt. Pitt and tumbles down its rocky bed for miles, discharging its waters into the north fork of the Little Butte. Chemical analysis shows the water to be of the purest—as pure as that of Big Butte springs, and purer than that at Little Butte. Its quantity is ample for a city many times the size of Medford, and the terms of proposed purchase guarantee the city against loss by lawsuits and water-right litigation.

It is proposed to purchase the springs and water rights at a cost of \$25,000 from Mr. Henley, who puts up an indemnity bond to protect the city. It is estimated that the total cost to the city will be under \$300,000, for which bonds are to be voted Friday, April 3. It will take approximately 20 miles of pipe to bring the water to the city, about half the distance that it would require from Big Butte Springs. Pipe is estimated roughly to cost from \$5000 to \$10,000 a mile, leaving sufficient to construct the city reservoir and other essentials.

THE ANALYSIS OF THE WATER AS MADE BY CHEMIST C. E. BRADLEY OF THE CORVALLIS AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE IS AS FOLLOWS:

Corvallis, Or., March 31, 1908. Mr. T. W. Osgood, Medford, Or.: Dear Sir—The samples of water have been analyzed with the following results:

Table with 2 columns: Name of substance and Amount per Million. Includes items like Free ammonia, Albuminoid ammonia, Nitrites, Chlorine, Total solids, etc.

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WAGNER CREEK.

The minimum flow of Wagner Creek is about 2 second feet, which is insufficient for this city's future needs. The entire flow of the stream is produced by rains which are at present in operation. Such rains covering the greater portion of the basin of said stream, were observed in the city last 14th inst.

Palatte Artesian Wells.

Medford, Or., Feb. 22, 1908. (Continued on Page 4.)

THOUSANDS OF MINERS STRIKE

Failure to Sign Wage Scale Causes Suspension of Work in Bituminous Fields

INDIANAPOLIS, April 1.—Bituminous coal miners, numbering 250,000, are idle today on account of the failure of the United Mineworkers of America and the coal operators to agree upon a wage scale, to go into effect today. District meetings are being held in an effort to reach an agreement in the different states, and it is believed the strike will be of short duration. Central Pennsylvania and the Indiana mines are in operation, the miners agreeing to work pending the outcome of negotiations.

PITTSBURGH, April 1.—About 40,000 miners in the Pittsburgh district are idle as the result of failure to reach an agreement on wages. It is believed the present suspension will not be for longer than 30 days.

PEORIA, April 1.—When 8000 miners in this district reported for work today they found the mines closed and the operators preparing for spring vacations.

GREATEST ORGANIZERS BUSY IN PORTLAND

Edward Bailey and J. L. Eighote, Pacific coast organizers of W. H. Hearst's independence party, are doing some energetic work in Portland preliminary to establishing that political organization in Oregon. Reports are being collected daily and an extensive correspondence with prospective converts in the other cities of the state will be followed by some vigorous missionary work. When the principles of the new political party have been advertised and sufficient interest has been aroused throughout the state, it is proposed to call a mass meeting for the double purpose of selecting delegates to the national convention, which will probably be held in Chicago in July, and nominating candidates for assistant electors for the November election. It is proposed to hold this mass meeting early in the summer.

MURDERED IN CEMETERY: HEAD NEARLY SEVERED

ARLINGTON, Mass., April 1.—Two boys found the body of a woman in a pit at St. Paul's cemetery. The throat was cut and there were other evidences of murder. The woman had been dead but a few hours. The head was nearly severed. It is believed that the woman was a resident of Cambridge or Somerville. There was no trace of any weapon, but evidences of a struggle were on the ground. She was about 25 years of age and of slight build. No crime was heard.

JACKSONVILLE ITEMS

Mrs. John Devlin of Wash spent the day in town Tuesday. Attorney Peter Applegate, who has been spending the past two months at his home on Elk creek, returned the day of the week. Mr. and Mrs. James Buckley of Rock Island returned living in town Tuesday.

ACCIDENT ON MISSOURI DURING TARGET PRACTICE

WASHINGTON, April 1.—During target practice Saturday at Magdalena Bay a 150-pound shell, the muzzle of one of the twelve howitzer guns of the (artillery) battery blew off. The fragment was a shrapnel and it did not injure any one in the target. No one was injured. After a delay the practice was continued.

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CONVICTS MANKIN'S SLAYERS

Jury Finds Walsworth, Father and Son Guilty of Second Degree Murder--Will Appeal Case.

Tuesday night at 10 p. m. the jury in the Walsworth case brought in a verdict of murder in the second degree. The verdict was a surprise to many who had attended the trial and there were many who looked for an acquittal of either one or both the defendants.

The trial was a remarkably fair one and throughout the seven days of its pendency there was but little of the jangling that usually characterizes such cases.

State's Strong Showing. The state, under the able representation of the Roames brothers, made a remarkably strong showing and closed with a line of rebuttal proving many threats of violence on the part of the Walsworths of a most damaging character.

A crowded courtroom listened to the arguments of the attorneys, which for dramatic effect and eloquence were of surprising quality. E. E. Kelly and R. G. Smith both made strong pleas in behalf of the defendants and it is doubtful if a more eloquent plea than that made by R. G. Smith was ever heard in the Jackson county court house. He brought tears to the eyes of spectators and jurors.

RAILROADS OF COUNTRY NEED THOUSANDS OF MEN

CHICAGO, April 1.—In the next 60 days the railroads of the United States will have to find between 250,000 and 300,000 men to mend their tracks and roadbeds and another large army to go into their shops and repair their cars and their locomotives.

The railroads entering in Chicago alone will, between April 1 and June 1, require more than 100,000 laborers, who will be employed in remodeling the ravages of the winter months, which, with their frosts and their snows, have made many miles of shaly track, and as many more of softened roadbed.

SALEM PLACES HUGE ADVERTISING CONTRACT

SALEM, Or., April 1.—The Salem board of trade has placed the largest order for publicity work ever given by a city of Salem's size, involving an outlay of \$3000 for advertising in a coast magazine for one year, 20,000 colored folders, 20,000 copies of "One Thousand Facts About the Willamette Valley" and 100,000 folders.

DANIEL STAVER NOMINATED BY PROHS FOR CONGRESS

NEWBERG, Or., April 1.—The first district prohibition convention was called in order by E. O. Miller, D. A. Snyder, was elected chairman and C. E. Newhouse secretary.

The nominating committee submitted the name of Daniel Staver of Forest Grove, a retired Congressional minister, which was approved. W. P. Elmore, of Brownsville, who was the principal speaker, paid his respects to Senator Patton, and the other members of the judiciary committee that reported adversely on the Littlefield bill, which was framed with a view of preventing the shipment of liquors into territory that has been voted dry. The nomination of district attorneys was referred to a committee for advisement.

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FAIRBANKS SELECTED BY INDIANA

Home State Declares for Favorite Son as Candidate for Presidency--Hemenway Nominates.

INDIANAPOLIS, April 1.—Indiana republicans went into state convention today to adopt a platform to formally present to the country Charles Warren Fairbanks, their candidate for president.

In presenting the name of Fairbanks, Senator Hemenway said of him: "He has qualities combining to make a great president and Indiana will present his name to the national convention with the proud and patriotic hope that he will be nominated. He stands for the wise policies of Theodore Roosevelt and as president he will maintain them." The speaker said that the democratic party was not justified in feeling hopeful of success, because of the recent financial flurry, and declared: "The present panic primarily was a bankers' panic. It started among high financiers in Wall street, and it has been limited to a great extent to the banks."

The speaker was in favor of tariff revision and said that the people would overwhelmingly favor it.

The following letter from Vice-President Fairbanks to Congressman Overstreet was read:

Washington, March 28, 1908.—My Dear Overstreet: There seems to be an division of opinion among republicans with respect to the questions which are to be embodied in the state platform, except possibly with regard to the time when the tariff should be revised. I venture, therefore, to submit to you, and through you to the committee on resolutions, briefly my views on the subject. The sentiment in favor of a revision of the tariff has so far crystallized as to make it reasonably certain that revision will be undertaken at no distant date. It is morally certain that both of the leading political parties will declare in favor of some form of revision in their national platform. It has been frequently suggested that revision should be undertaken at a special session of congress.

Fairbanks' letter was devoted largely to tariff revision, of which he said he was reasonably certain would be undertaken at no distant date, but that the date was second only in importance to the subject itself, and that it was important that the period of uncertainty be reduced to a minimum. A determined effort will be made by the opposition to control the next house of representatives. If it succeeds, Fairbanks says, the republican senate and democratic house, with diametrically opposite theories, be charged with this tremendously important subject. It was manifest that in such an event that the contest would be protracted and the ultimate result a compromise.

OPERATORS AND MINERS DISCUSS NEW WAGE SCALE

INDIANAPOLIS, April 1.—The joint conference of the Indiana Coal Miners and operators, called for today at Terre Haute, adjourned until tomorrow. President Robert Lewis of the United Mineworkers said today that 42,000 miners in Ohio will drop tools on April 1 and go on strike, and that they will remain out 30 days or longer and not go back until the wage scale had been arranged. On the same date 35,000 men of Southwest (Oklahoma, Kansas, Arkansas and Texas) will also go out.

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