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REORGANIZE PROHIBITION CAMPAIGN

Anti-Saloon League Divides State Into Districts and Assesses Each for Funds for Salaries and Warfare

State Superintendent J. R. Knodell of the Anti-Saloon league spoke to two audiences at the Baptist church Wednesday. The afternoon meeting was more of a conference of workers in the cause of dryness than a mass meeting. The evening meeting was well attended. Mr. Knodell stated that the recent prohibition campaign in Jackson county cost \$1000.

Mr. Knodell is an interesting speaker, an organizer of more than ordinary ability, a shrewd politician and a good business man. He spoke in the afternoon meeting of the reorganization of the league, and told of the prohibition victories in the state, and plans for state prohibition.

Oregon will be divided into three districts—eastern, central and southern. Each county in the various groups will report to district headquarters, which report to state. The present county organization, consisting of a central committee working through precinct committeemen, is to be maintained.

Districts to Raise Coin. Each district is to raise a certain amount of money annually, apportioned according to population among the counties. The southern Oregon district will raise approximately \$5000 annually, of which \$1250 is to be secured in Jackson county.

A vote of thanks was given to Chairman the Rev. Ward W. McHenry of Ashland, and the members of the prohibition central committee, including H. C. Garnett, A. C. Calvey, A. M. Jackson, Rev. Shields and others.

Judge Hanna Grilled. At the evening meeting the Medford charter was discussed, and Mr. Knodell held that the supreme court would reverse Judge Hanna's decision upon the ground of righteousness. He grilled Judge Hanna severely by innuendo, being careful not to mention his name. He said that certain judges had been in the habit for 40 years of absorbing liquor themselves, so that all their ideas and judgments were colored by the sparkle of the wine in the glass.

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LONG LEGAL BATTLE OVER LAND TITLE ENDED
UKIAH, Cal., June 25.—By a decision handed down by the supreme court, one of the longest and bitterest legal battles in the history of the state has been practically ended and attorneys for both sides are today making arrangements for the final trial of the case according to directions given in the decision.

SAN FRANCISCO LIVELY MEN ALL BID THE SAME
SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., June 25.—The lively men today are rejoicing over a novel situation in the city. When the board of supervisors opened bids for the furnishing of rigs to the city, there were found to have been 15 bidders with the same price. After considerable discussion in which charges of collusion were made it was decided that the price was fair and an order was passed granting the contract to all of them and stipulating that the business be divided.

BRAYAN NOMINATION CINCHED, SAY SUPPORTERS
DENVER, Col., June 25.—Supporters of William J. Bryan in his contest for a third nomination on the democratic ticket today declared that they were sure of at least 750 votes for him on the first ballot and that they probably will have 800.

EXPLOSION KILLS SIX IN CHICAGO

Many Lives Endangered by Bad Fire, Caused by Explosion in Basement of Large Tenement Building.

CHICAGO, June 25.—One man, one woman and four children were burned to death and eight girls and two men were seriously burned today in a fire following an explosion of chemicals in the big factory of the Fabst Chemical company.

The explosion occurred in a room where many women and men were at work. A fire started immediately after the explosion and the burning chemicals set the dresses of eight girls afire.

An unknown man was found lying from horns in the lower portion of the building. His features were almost unrecognizable. He had been caught in the midst of a pile of exploding chemicals and was unable to escape.

Bursting packages of chemicals were thrown in every direction by the first explosion, which occurred in the mixing room of the chemical factory which occupied the basement, which was followed immediately by several others in rapid succession. Simultaneously with the explosion a fire broke out, fed by inflammable chemicals, and all the employees in the basement had a hard time reaching the ground alive.

In the lodging house on the upper floors there was great confusion. Cut off from escape by stairs or elevators by the fierce fire below, which, combined with the explosion, had wrecked the entire lower portion of the building, the families in the upper floors were panic-stricken. Mrs. Nolan and her children were crushed to death in the mad rush for the windows. Despairing of escape through the windows, the crowd turned to the roof, from where they were rescued by firemen with ladders.

Prisoner John Dossy was badly burned while he was running up a ladder to the windows of the third floor to rescue some children. Six of the injured are not expected to live, and firemen are searching the ruins for more bodies.

HARVARD-YALE BOAT RACE DRAWS ENORMOUS CROWD--YALE SLIGHT FAVORITE

Even Break in Preliminary Races--Big Event this Afternoon--Cabinet Officers and College Boys Mingle in Enormous Crowd Which Swarms to New London--President's Yacht in Harbor, but He is Obligated to Forego His Plan to Root for Harvard.

NEW LONDON, Conn., June 25.—Harvard and Yale divided honors in the preliminary races, the blue winning the varsity four-oared race and the crimson carrying the honors in the freshman eights. This division gave all the more interest in the big eight-oar contest of the afternoon.

In the four-oared race, the Yale crew got off in the lead by a half a length and gradually forged ahead inch by inch till at the end of the two-mile course they had extended the advantage to a full length. The official time was Yale 10 minutes and 33 seconds, Harvard 10 minutes and 43 seconds.

The Harvard freshmen were grimly determined to retrieve the day for the crimson and got off with a terrific stroke. They took the lead at the start and rowed away from the New Haven crew in the blue shell, winning by two and a half lengths. The official time was Harvard 9 minutes and 38 seconds, Yale 9 minutes and 47 seconds.

NEW LONDON, Conn., June 25.—A spanking breeze which is kicking up the course on the Thames river today threatens to force a postponement of the Yale-Harvard boat race until late in the afternoon.

The Yale eight is the favorite in the big event and a number of large bets were recorded today at 10 to 9 and 5 to 4 on the sons of Eli.

The broad river is filled with yachts of all kinds and there are hundreds of puffing and chugging launches, all decorated in the colors of the competing crews. The sight is the most beautiful ever witnessed here, as there are more boats and a greater profusion of decoration.

All last night and today trains have been bringing thousands of visitors to give this sleepy old New England town its annual awakening, and tickets for the observation trains on both sides of the river are in big demand and hundreds of visitors have gone up the river to get the best positions at the finish line, four miles above the starting point. This is the 42d annual race, Yale has won 23 and Harvard 18. Yale holds the record, having covered the four miles in 1888 in 20 minutes and 10 seconds.

President Roosevelt was absent from the Mayflower, having given up the trip on account of the death of former President Grover Cleveland.

The United States cruisers Olympia and Chicago and the monitor Arkansas entered the harbor this morning. At the same time the Sylph, with Assistant Secretary of the Navy Newberry, came in. The trim little Sylph took up a position of vantage for viewing the race.

There is much disappointment among the Harvard men at the enforced absence of President Roosevelt, to whom they looked for great encouragement.

They had been cheered by the thought that his appearance in the crimson ranks would more than offset the expected presence of Secretary Taft in the blue.

The many friends of Miss Grace Whitehead are today experiencing the surprise which the knowledge of her marriage in Grants Pass last evening occasioned. The groom was Mr. John Norman of Ashland and the wedding of the young couple was not in the least anticipated by friends of either party.

Mr. J. A. Strauss acted in the capacity of best man to the groom and it was at his home in Grants Pass at 10 o'clock last evening that the ceremony took place. Rev. Alexander R. McLean of Grants Pass officiated. Miss Dorothy Plekens was the bridesmaid. The only other person present was M. R. H. Whitehead, father of the bride.

The newly married pair left this morning for Portland and will go from there to Salt Lake City on their wedding trip. When they return they will reside in Ashland, where the groom is employed with the Southern Pacific company.

ARMY VETERAN ROBBED BY FALSB FRIEND
SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., June 25.—Benjamin Franklin Smith, a Grand Army veteran and a prominent merchant of Bellingham, Wash., is today minus \$200 gold watch and \$100 in gold and currency because he put too much faith in a young man with black hair and honest eyes, who proved a good listener when Smith spun yarns.

Smith left Bellingham several days ago for this city, coming by way of Portland. At that city he shared his seat with the young man. The veteran retained his companion far into the night by telling stories of Indian fighting in New Mexico.

The pair arrived in this city last night and the younger man suggested that they take rooms together. The suggestion met with Smith's approval when Smith woke up this morning he found he had been robbed.

ELWOOD MOORE NUPTIALS YESTERDAY
In the presence of about 30 friends, Louis Elwood, son of M. Elwood, the jeweler, and Miss Charlotte Moore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Moore, were married last evening at the home of the bride, Rev. Mr. Black of the Seventh Day Adventist church performed the ceremony. The rooms were elaborately decorated and the wedding was as pretty a one as has taken place in Medford for some time.

Mrs. Otto Kraus sang. The bride was given away by her father.

Americans Slain in Island of Negros
MANILA, June 25.—Word was received here yesterday that H. D. Everett, a forester in the employ of the United States government, and T. R. Wakerly, a teacher, had been murdered by the tribes in the island of Negros. According to the advices, the tribesmen are in open revolt and are becoming more bold.

Troops are being rushed to the island to stamp out the rebellion.

FORMER JACKSONVILLE PHYSICIAN IN TROUBLE

EUGENE, Or., June 25.—The coroner's jury in an inquest over the body of Clifford Vickers, 16 years old, who came here recently from Denver and who died suddenly in the office of Dr. George O. DeBar in this city Friday after the physician had given him a treatment of diphtheria antitoxin for asthma, returned a verdict that the boy came to his death through criminal carelessness on the part of the physician. That part of the verdict reads as follows:

"We find that death was caused by criminal carelessness of Dr. George O. DeBar, said Dr. DeBar at the time of giving diphtheria antitoxin knowing the probable fatal consequences. Also, that he further administered this antitoxin without consulting the father of the deceased, of the probable outcome which the hypodermic injection might have with a patient afflicted with asthma, or without calling any other physician in consultation before administering the said antitoxin.

The boy came to Eugene only a few weeks ago with his father, E. T. Vickers, from Denver, in the hope that the change of climate would benefit his health. Getting no better, his father took him to Dr. DeBar Friday, and the doctor administered this treatment. He died within ten minutes after the hypodermic injection.

Dr. DeBar, formerly practiced in Jacksonville and is well remembered by many residents there.

MOST BASHFUL OF MEN IS FINALLY MARRIED

CHICAGO, June 25.—A dispatch to the Tribune from Jerseyville, Ill., says: Daniel Mathews, aged 24, the "most bashful man in Illinois," avoided the altar for the fourth time last night. The Rev. J. H. Jones and 150 guests waited for an hour and a half at the church for him to appear and become the husband of Miss Marie Prazier, but Mathews was elsewhere. Later Daniel said he wanted to be married more than anything else on earth, but that something—be does not know what—prevented him from getting there.

Miss Prazier admitted she was willing to give the bashful man another chance. They will attempt to overcome his timidity today with a private ceremony.

The first time Mathews promised to go before the minister was two years ago, when he was to marry Mrs. Mary Miller at Rosedale, Jersey county. He failed here.

A week later he was again led to the altar in Rosedale to marry the same lady. He ran away and took the first train out of Rosedale for Jerseyville.

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AMERICANS DENOUNCED IN FILIPINO CIRCULAR
MANILA, P. I., June 25.—An inflammatory anti-American circular has been issued here anonymously and distributed. It bears the rabid signature of the old Rationista Society, and denounces the Americans, saying they have brought tyranny instead of liberty, and that their purpose is to rob and enslave the Filipinos. It calls them shameless, dishonest, drunken thieves, attacks the morality of American women and accuses the government of graft.

Pending open revolution, it urges a campaign involving the assassination of individual Americans, burning their homes, willing their animals, and concludes with the wish for "long life to the Filipinos" and "death to the Americans."

CONDITION OF CANDIDATE SHERMAN IMPROVED
CLEVELAND, O., June 25.—At 9 o'clock this morning the doctors attending James S. Sherman, republican candidate for the vice-presidency, announced that their patient had passed a comfortable night and was considerably refreshed. His condition shows general improvement, but it has been agreed that he will not leave the hospital for another week.

OBSEQUIES OF CLEVELAND TO BE SIMPLEST

In Keeping With His Unpretentious Character There Will Be Nothing in the Funeral Service to Indicate His Prominence.

PRINCETON, N. J., June 25.—The funeral services of former President Grover Cleveland will be held at 5 o'clock tomorrow afternoon and will be simple, by wish of Mrs. Cleveland in this particular being carefully carried out.

The line of the cortege will be roped on both sides and guarded by special police to prevent the crowd breaking and interrupting the procession.

It has been arranged for the cortege to pass the buildings of Princeton university. Detailed plans as to the services will probably be given out this evening.

Edward Wilson, the sculptor, today is making the death mask of the former president. It shows that he failed greatly since the latest pictures of him were taken. It is feared that the mask will not present a very great likeness to Cleveland as he was known by his friends. The mask will form a part of the collection presented to Princeton university by the late Lawrence Hutten, author.

Messages of sympathy continued to arrive all day.

The following list of pallbearers was announced today: Paul Mortor, former secretary of the navy; Commodore E. C. Benedict of New York; Dr. Henry Van Dyke of Princeton; John Hibben, professor of logic, Princeton; Professor Andrew West, dean of the graduate college at Princeton; President John Finley of the college of the City of New York.

REIGN OF TERROR IN PERSIA

Shah Issues Orders for Wholesale Executions--Foreign Legations Crowded With Refugees.

TEHRAN, June 25.—The shah today ordered the execution of the prisoners captured in the uprising of yesterday and the day before, and wholesale arrests are being made following the order for the death of all participants in the riots.

Early today the shah's troops began the work of arresting prisoners, and in many cases the leaders of the Abuzimans and other political clubs were shot without trials. The Cossacks began the work of arresting at daylight and in some cases the houses of the revolutionists were broken into and leaders taken from their beds to be killed.

The shah is in complete control in the city itself, although he is expecting trouble from the north and south, where troops are mobilizing to assist the revolutionists at the capital.

According to foreigners and disinterested parties, the first shot in the riot around the parliament house was fired by the Abuzimans. The Cossacks had surrounded the parliament buildings and demanded that the revolutionists surrender to them a number of persons whose arrests the shah had ordered. This request was met by shots and bombs and several soldiers were killed before they fired a shot; then artillery was brought up and the parliament houses demolished.

An imperial order issued last night declared that the city of Teheran was in a state of siege. The shah gave orders for the bazars to be closed or that they be demolished, and the shopkeepers timidly opened their doors.

The city is far from quiet today, however, and more serious trouble is expected before night. The British legation is filled with refugees and the Cossacks are again looting the city. Although the shah has given strict orders that no foreigners are to be killed, the general feeling here is that foreigners are unsafe and trouble is looked for. Great Britain and Russia have signified their intention to keep their hands off the row unless the situation becomes more serious.

ST. PETERSBURG, June 25.—Dispatches from Persia today say that the rebels are marching on Teheran from the north of Persia and that the shah has dispatched 5000 soldiers to meet them. The situation in the northern provinces is critical. In the south Prince Zeil-e-Sultan is reported to be gathering an army to march against the shah's troops. The prince is friendly to Great Britain and is at the head of a strong organization.

IMPERSONATED SPECIAL AGENT AND IS IN JAIL

PORTLAND, Or., June 25.—Charged with impersonating a special agent of the interior department, which enabled him to exact various amounts of money from land owners in the interior of the state, M. Thomas has been brought to this city from Prineville and lodged in the county jail. Thomas was indicted by the recent federal grand jury on a charge of representing himself to be a government official. He was arrested Monday at Prineville, the scene of his recent operations, but Deputy United States Marshal Terry.

Thomas' game consisted of representing to purchasers of public land that for a consideration he would hasten all such lands to patent through the general land office so that no question ever would arise as to their ownership. To the purchaser of an unusually large tract of land Thomas is alleged to have called repeatedly and threatened the purchaser that unless his services were employed in perfecting title to the lands Thomas would cause the landbirds all sorts of trouble.

DEPARTURE OF THE PACIFIC FLEET POSTPONED

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., June 25.—The departure of the second division of the Pacific fleet, which was scheduled for today, has been postponed for a week, according to advices from the navy department at Washington, the ships will steam south on July 1.