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LITTLE STORY OF REAL LIFE

Tale of How Eastern Men Became Interested in Local Property--Purchase of Ranch and Prosperity

A general breakdown, resulting from close application to business, a physician's orders to get away from it all, a hunting trip into southern Oregon and a stop over in Medford with a sequel in the purchase of orchard lands in the Rogue River valley and the taking of thousands of dollars in fruit from the soil, making the vacation a profitable one, are some of the details of a little story of real life. A. C. Randall is the central figure, though equally prominent with him is associated E. J. Skewis and George E. Hilsenger of Minneapolis, his partners in the deal.

The story opens up in Minneapolis. Mr. Randall, connected with a large commission business, has by too close application to business, broken his health to such an extent that his physician orders a complete rest, which can only be found in a hunting or camping trip. A resolve is made and the end of October one finds him on his way to the west.

Looking for Fruit Land Chapter two first deals of the wandering of E. J. Skewis, an attorney in Minneapolis who has become interested in fruit through a cursory study of booster literature. It tells of visits to the fruit lands of the west from the Mexican to the Canadian land. It relates how Mr. Skewis, a student by habit looks into the fruit districts of Yakima, Wenatchee, Hood River, Idaho, Southern California, and finally of the Rogue River valley, which to him proves the most wonderful of all. Colorado alone he determines to come west he writes him to join him in a hunt in southern Oregon and on the way to visit the fruit districts of Colorado.

Chapter three pictures Randall and Skewis on their hunting trip east of the mountains which hem in the beautiful Rogue River valley. Randall arrives with the news that nothing in Colorado appeals to him. But Skewis is enthusiastic over the Rogue River valley and the end of the chapter finds the two in Medford determined to look more closely into the opportunities presented.

Chapter four is full of descriptions of fruit, of what the land has produced and what it will produce. It tells how the two determine to purchase and only await the chance to get hold of property which they deem suitable.

Visit to Pellott Place. Chapter five deals with their first visit to a place near Talent known as the Pellott ranch. Here is found an apple orchard, splendid land and the only artesian well in the valley. The two decide to buy, but the price being a little stronger than they wish to go, they decide to leave George E. Hilsenger take a third interest in the property. This is satisfactorily accomplished and the three purchase the place.

Chapter six tells of the work the young men undertake to get the orchard in shape and of their reward when off of 15 acres in 1908 they take 5000 boxes of splendid apples. Ten carloads of fruit in all journey to the market. Other land is purchased and trees put out until the men have many acres in pears and apples.

The final chapters of the story have not as yet been written, but will no doubt tell of many dollars made--of money doubled--of orchards yielding crops which exceed the wildest dreams of the young men. And the best part of the story is that it is true.

Messrs. Randall, Skewis and Hilsenger have been fortunate. They have taken an immense crop of apples off of their property this year and will do so in the future. The orchard is kept in splendid shape; the artesian well gives plenty of water for irrigation purposes, and their fruit shows the result. Yellow Newtowns of a size that a box will only accommodate 80 apples are found, though the most run 128 to the bush, the best commercial size.

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SIRENS ARE CALLING MEN

Returning of Prosperity Seems Fact--Appeal Issued for 1000 Men--Roads Working Overtime

PITTSBURG, Pa., Nov. 9.—Every coke worker in the Connellsville region employed; an appeal for 1000 men; employees of the Pennsylvania road put on time and a half; work ordered resumed on the model city of Canliquip and that an announcement that ten glass plants in Pennsylvania, Ohio, West Virginia, Maryland and Indiana will be put in operation within two weeks, were the prosperity features today.

The shortage of coke workers was caused by the failure of foreigners who went home at the beginning of the panic to return to fill their old positions. The railroad men are working overtime repairing rolling stock, and the work on the new model town, where a \$15,000,000 steel plant will be erected, was ordered by the Jones & Laughlin Steel company.

Plants to Be Reopened. The glass plants to be opened within two weeks are the property of the National Glass company, now in the hands of a receiver. All have been idle for months, and the bondholders will endeavor to purchase the plants at trustees' sale tomorrow.

The National Glass company was the enterprise of Whitney Stephenson and company, a brokerage company, which failed several months ago. While the firm owned glass plants, they did not operate them, leasing them to underlying concerns. The company has outstanding bonds of \$25,000,000, of which \$600,000 are first mortgage and the rest general.

Three of the plants are up-to-date and ready for immediate operation. They are located at Cambridge, Ohio; Dunkirk, Ind.; and Jeannette, Pa. Others which need only a few repairs are located at Cumberland, Mr. Fairmont, W. Va.; Rochester, Pa.; Wellsburg, W. Pa.; Lancaster, O.; two at Bridgeport.

WORLD SAYS TED IS FIT TO WEAR PLATT'S OLD TOGA

Does Not Regard Him as Fit Man for the Presidency, but Says He Will Be Valuable as a Member of the United States Senate.

NEW YORK, Nov. 9.—The New York World today endorses President Roosevelt for the senate to succeed Thomas C. Platt, whose term expires this winter. The endorsement is made after the World says that it would prefer men of integrity and ability.

The World makes it clear that the paper withdraws no word of criticism it has offered regarding the Roosevelt administration and Roosevelt politics. It withdraws nothing that it has had to say about the president's methods and manner of discharging his duties, saying:

"We do not regard him as fit to be president. He lacks balance and poise, dignity and sense of proportion. He lacks sense of responsibility. He lacks judgment and nearly all the elements, except energy and determination, which go to make an administrator of the first rank."

The World then declares that Roosevelt has gained a wonderful fond of experience. It states that he is invaluable to the nation and should not be lost. In closing, the World refers to Roosevelt's familiarity with foreign affairs and points to the value his services would be in the senate.

Elmer A. Hicks visited the county seat on Sunday. He reports much activity at the city's rock quarry.

PLEDGES AID FOR GOOD ROADS

Klamath in Line for Crater Lake Project--Enthusiasm Aroused by Judge Scott of Salem

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., Nov. 9.—Good roads for Klamath county and good roads for all southeastern Oregon was the keynote of the splendid gathering of citizens of Klamath and Lake counties, that met in Klamath Falls Saturday. The occasion was the session of the Crater Lake road commission and the good roads convention called under auspices of the Klamath chamber of commerce. Judge J. H. Scott of Salem, president of the Oregon Good Roads association, was the speaker of the day, but the enthusiasm which he radiates on the issue of good roads, found hearty response among the citizens of Klamath county.

Lakeview Well Represented. While the convention was called entirely as a local affair, it developed into a southeastern Oregon congress. Judge B. Dailley of Lakeview, county judge of Lake county; F. C. Cronmiller, receiver of the land office at Lakeview; H. C. McKendree and W. H. Shirk head of the delegation from Lake county, driving the distance of 110 miles in order to be present. These gentlemen arrived Friday in time to participate in the farmers' institute and also to be at the good roads conference of the following day.

Several members of the Crater Lake road commission were unable to attend. Judge George T. Baldwin and Judge H. L. Benson, the Klamath members of that body, were leaders in bringing about the session at this place and Will G. Steel, secretary of the commission, came from Portland to be here for the occasion.

Boost for Lakeview Road. In conjunction with plans for the Klamath county portion of the great interstate road which it is proposed shall find a route via Crater Lake and Klamath Falls, the citizens of this entire county have become interested in having built also a first-class highway between Klamath Falls and Lakeview. This would materially assist in development of the interior section of southeastern Oregon and insure to Klamath Falls the position of gateway city to that vast territory. Inauguration of a new freight line, sending by wagon freight commodities from the terminals of the building to Klamath Falls, stock for mercantile houses of Lakeview, awakened the idea of such splendid roads that the traffic will continue to go this way from Portland jobs and wholesalers instead of coming over the narrow gauge road from Reno, thence by a long haul to Lakeview and where high rates are said to be necessary for moving the tonnage.

Means Impetus to Business. This proposition of a good highway to Lakeview dovetailed well with that for the Crater Lake road, and both when built will combine to afford excellent main highways to nearly all parts of Klamath county as well as through the heart of Lake county. That Lake county citizens want to do business with Oregon is evidenced by their expressions in no uncertain way. Ultimate extension of a branch from Klamath Falls or some other point near by on the new line of the Southern Pacific to serve Lake county and reach Lakeview is generally believed to be the definite plan of the Southern Pacific management. Pending such accomplishment the citizens of that county want it made possible to send their traffic through this gateway. Klamath Falls business men are equally desirous that they be permitted to do so.

Will Be Along the Same Lines as That Offered to Medford--Will Place That Portion of Valley Under Irrigation--Less Water and Lower Price.

Dr. C. R. Ray, for the Condon Water & Power company, will make a proposition to the city council of Central Point, at the next meeting of that body to supply their city with water from Rogue river along the same lines as he offered water to Medford, this city deciding in favor of Fish lake.

The offer will be on a smaller scale than that made to Medford and the cost will be correspondingly lower. However, that part of the proposition of placing the land in that section of the valley under irrigation will be embodied in the new proposition, making the cost of a water supply for that city low and at the same time developing the valley.

The water is to be pumped to Central Point and filtered, thus assuring them a pure water for domestic purposes. That portion of the valley surrounding Central Point only needs irrigation to make it a veritable garden of Eden.

WILL ANNOUNCE THE CONTRIBUTIONS DECEMBER 15

NEW YORK, Nov. 9.—George H. Sheldon, treasurer of the republican national committee, announced today that the contributors would be made public on December 15. He says the list will be in the form of a sworn document, with Sheldon's signature attached.

POSTMASTER OF NEW YORK IS SHOT DOWN ON STREET

Assassin Then Blows Out His Own Brains--Morgan Had Never Seen Man Before to His Knowledge

NEW YORK, Nov. 9.—Ed M. Morgan, postmaster of New York city, was shot down and fatally wounded by an assassin, who accosted him as he was leaving his home near 146th street and Broadway today. The man turned the revolver on himself and blew out his own brains.

The assassin was afterwards identified as Eric H. Mackey, a stenographer employed by the law firm of Hill, Hunt & Botta.

Mackey approached Morgan, who was accompanied by his 12-year-old daughter, as they were about to enter the subway station near Morgan's home. "The man asked: 'Is this Mr. Morgan?'" The postmaster replied in the affirmative and, without another word, Mackey placed a revolver against his victim's abdomen and fired.

The bullet entered Morgan's abdomen on the left side and went out the right side, cutting its way through the vital organs, and it is thought that he cannot possibly live.

A great crowd gathered when the shot was fired, and Morgan was removed to his home not far away, where surgeons were summoned.

The murderer's body was taken to the morgue, where it was identified by a notice from a New York life insurance company that his premium was due. The letter was addressed to 116th street. Mrs. Cogswell, 239 West 116th street.

Operation Performed. An operation was performed on Postmaster Morgan as soon as he was able to stand the shock, and it revealed the fact that the intestines had not been perforated by the bullet. It is stated that he has an excellent chance to recover.

He is a man of hardy constitution and this may pull him through.

A dagger and a slungshot were found with the envelope found on Mackey's body. This shows that the murder was premeditated.

Investigation shows the fact that Mackey was the stenographer for the firm of Hill & Botta. Further investigation concerning the man was absolutely refused by the law firm.

DR. RAY WILL MAKE WATER PROPOSITION TO CENTRAL POINT

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UNCLE JOE WILL AGAIN WIELD SPEAKER'S GAVEL



UNCLE JOE CANNON THE INVINCIBLE

PROBABLY NO FIGHT IN HOUSE

Last Report Is That 231 Republicans Have Been Elected to the House--Enough Are Pledged

CHICAGO, Nov. 9.—Speaker Cannon of the house of representatives met several congressmen from the west today in a discussion of the tariff revision. Cannon was in conference with National Chairman Hitchcock all yesterday and it is this revision was discussed exclusively. The republican national headquarters were closed last night. The last official announcement to be given out was that 231 republicans had been elected to the house of representatives and a large number of these are pledged to support Cannon.

One of the leaders, who has been following the fight against Cannon, said it would not materialize on the floor of the house and that Cannon would be reelected by a unanimous vote of the republicans in the house.

Cannon is expected to leave here tomorrow for the coast for a conference with the house committee on ways and means, and it is thought that the revision of tariff is the topic to be discussed. Cannon said today that he is certain of reelection.

NO PLACE FOR SENATOR FULTON IN NEW CABINET

WASHINGTON, Nov. 9.—All gossip as to the cabinetmaking by Taft dispensed permanently of the report that Senator Fulton of Oregon is slated for secretary of the interior. During the Chicago convention the report was common that the Oregon senator was likely to be made secretary of the department of the interior. The report has been revived within the past few days, but it is conceded Garfield will remain, and the only other available position, that of attorney general, it is believed, has been promised to Frank Kellogg.

It seems to be the conclusion that the chance that any western man may be made secretary of the navy is gone. It had been expected that McTeal of California would be succeeded by some constant man. But the slating of William Jr., for that portfolio, which is now accepted, has as decided, leaves room for no western man in the cabinet.

If the program indicated goes through the cabinet will have no member from west of the Missouri river, and only two men from west of the Mississippi river, Wilson of Iowa, secretary of agriculture, and Kellogg of Minnesota, head of the department of justice.

But Wade Ellis of Ohio may get the attorney generalship, leaving Wilson the only member from west of the Mississippi.

There is reasonably good foundation for the assertion that Metcalf's probable retirement from the cabinet in March will be due in part to his refusal to obey orders from the White House to go out on the stump for Taft. He was assigned to West Virginia, but did not want to engage in campaign work.

CHANCE OFFERED TO SECURE SMALL TRACTS

With the establishment of the new Fruitgrowers Trust & Title company in Medford comes another new enterprise called the Oregon Orchard syndicate.

The latter concern have opened new and spacious offices in the Palm building and have surveyed and platted their "Crestbrook" acreage, calling it Crestbrook orchard tracts, which can now be purchased in ten and twenty-acre lots. "Crestbrook" lies directly south of the old Perkins "Hillcrest" orchard and carries the same soil and growing qualities of "Hillcrest." The syndicate represents local, Seattle and Minneapolis capital and are ready for orchard investments, both large and small. The Hillcrest orchard is a sample of what this soil will do for fruit. This year's crop is estimated at \$35,000.

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PENNSYLVANIA NATIVES MEET

Large Number from Quaker State Meet and Elect Officers--Meet Each Year

The natives of Pennsylvania residing in the Rogue River valley met on Saturday and organized. There was a far greater number of them when they got together than was expected. A preliminary meeting was first held in the Commercial club rooms, that meant the discussion of an elaborate menu at the Emoriek, followed by organization at the Presbyterian church. J. E. Watt was elected president; G. L. Hall, vice president, and W. P. Shields, secretary. A reunion will be held annually in November. Following are those who are members of the organization:

Medford--Rev. W. P. Shields, Ebenezer, Pa.; Mrs. W. P. Shields, Ebenezer, Pa.; Miss Alice M. Elder, Livermore, Pa.; Harry Angle, Bradford county; Thomas Bartholomew, Allegheny county; Mrs. Thomas Bartholomew, Allegheny county; Miss Edith Bartholomew, Allegheny county; Miss Georgia Bartholomew, Allegheny county; H. R. Emerick, Allegheny county; Mont Emerick, Allegheny county; Mrs. Mont Emerick, Allegheny county; J. C. Smith, Montgomery county; Mrs. Joseph Martin, Fulton county; George W. Taylor, Allegheny county; Miss Myrtle Taylor, Allegheny county; W. V. Barnum, Fayette county; Dr. J. O. Bookstaeber, Allegheny county; R. W. Bookstaeber, Allegheny county; Mrs. Etta Stevenson, Indiana county; Mrs. Euna Earhart, Indiana county; W. C. Earhart, Indiana county; Leslie Earhart, Indiana county; Bessie Earhart, Indiana county; S. G. Hillis, Clearfield county; Mrs. S. G. Hillis, Clearfield county; Penrose Hillis, Clearfield county; Sue Hillis, Clearfield county; E. G. Smith, Crawford county; Rev. G. L. Hall, Erie county; J. T. Summerville, Jefferson county; Lee M. Summerville, Clarion county; Lee M. Watt, Beaver county; J. E. Watt, Beaver county; P. G. Lambert, Cambria county; W. H. Taylor, Philadelphia; Louisa Calver, Crawford county; E. W. Cooley, Luzerne county; George R. Morgan, Allegheny county.

Ashland--Robert W. Dunlap, Butler county; J. R. Towner, Bradford county; Zenas Howard, Luzerne county; H. E. Carmichael, Mercer county; L. L. Angle, Bradford; E. H. Coler, Fayette county; Mrs. E. H. Coler, Fayette county.

Central Point--A. N. Jacquemin, Tioga county; Mrs. A. N. Jacquemin, Clearfield; S. B. Adams, Susquehanna county; Lilian A. McKillop, Armstrong county; Mrs. W. P. Twomey, Carbon county; J. G. Frye, Lycoming county.

Grants Pass--J. B. Eberle, Philadelphia; S. W. Phillips, Bedford county.

GOMPERS TO BE REELECTED

Opposition Fails to Crystallize as His Enemies Thought it Would

DENVER, Col., Nov. 9.—The reelection of Samuel Gompers as president of the American Federation of Labor was practically conceded when the 28th annual convention was called to order at 10 o'clock here today.

Opposition to Gompers, based upon his espousal of the cause of William J. Bryan in the recent campaign, has failed to crystallize as his enemies thought it would. There is a strong sentiment in favor of James M. Lynch of the typographical union and John Mitchell of the coal miners for the presidency, but the indications are that there will be little real opposition to Gompers when it comes to an actual vote.

The real work will begin tomorrow and it is stated by leaders that there is going to be no bitter fights. Among the principal questions to be considered will be:

The restriction of child labor; government pension for superannuated workers; a national eight-hour law; more protection for women workers; a postal savings bank; the anti-injunction plank and Asiatic labor.

It is stated that the anti-injunction plank will be enthusiastically endorsed and that Asiatic labor and immigration will be denounced.

BRYAN'S DAUGHTER TO SUE FOR A DIVORCE

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Nov. 9.—The rumor that Mrs. Ruth Bryan Leavitt, daughter of W. J. Bryan, will take immediate steps to secure a divorce is denied by an intimate friend of the Bryan household here today. It was rumored for some time before the Denver convention that the step was contemplated, but the democratic candidate persuaded his daughter to postpone any action until after the election. Leavitt, who is an artist with a studio in Paris, is reported to have closed his affairs and to be on his way to the United States. The two children, Ruth Leavitt, 5 years old, and William Bryan Leavitt, 3, are with their mother.

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY HOLDS INTERESTING SESSION

Rogue River Horticultural society met Saturday afternoon and held a most interesting session. Professor J. P. O'Garra addressed the members on light and gave a most interesting talk. Professor O'Garra intends to remain in Medford for some time for the purpose of assisting local orchard men with their troubles. He is accompanied by his wife.