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WEALTH IS SAFE SAYS GENE DEBS

Takes Rap at Administration Which He Says is Composed of Representatives of Money Power

GIRARD, Kan., March 11.—Eugene V. Debs, the candidate of the socialist party in the recent presidential campaign, declared today that the new administration was composed exclusively of wealthy representatives of the money power.

WILL OF ROBERT D. HUME DIVIDES NEARLY \$500,000

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., March 11.—The will of Robert D. Hume of San Francisco and Wedderburn, Ore., who died in January at his home at the mouth of the Rogue river, disposes of between \$400,000 and \$500,000 as follows:

To the widow is left the San Francisco home at 944 Chestnut street, and all the personal property of the testator therein. In addition she is given all of the personal property in the Piedmont home, which stands in her name, together with all stocks and bonds of which she was vested at the time of his death, and \$20,000 in cash.

To Mrs. Harriet Neal, R. D. Atkinson and Mabel Langevin of Oakland, Telen T. Hume and Edith Hume, nieces, of St. Helena, and Robert Hume, a nephew, he leaves \$5000 each each. The balance of the estate, after paying these legacies, is lumped and divided as follows:

Joseph W. Hume, San Francisco, 7 per cent; John S. Hume of Wedderburn, 7 per cent; W. R. Hume and C. C. Hume of Piedmont, 7 per cent each; Herbert Hume, Wedderburn, 5 per cent; Anna Kendall, Portland, 5 per cent; Anna Craig, Berkeley, 7 per cent; Florence Vial, Portland, 7 per cent; Lillie Atkinson, Mabel Langevin, Della Weathorpe, Oakland, 5 per cent each; C. P. Hume and Helen T. Hume, 5 per cent each; Mary A. Hume, Wedderburn, 16 per cent.

There are no bequests to charity in the document, which was drawn at Wedderburn two years ago.

PLEASANT PARTY IN HONOR OF MR. AND MRS. MANNING

Last evening an informal gathering of friends was held in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas P. Manning of Cleveland, O., at the home of the parents of Mrs. Manning in West Medford on the Jacksonville road. The affair was a send-off to this newly married couple, who return to Cleveland the latter part of this week, where Mr. Manning is employed in a railroad office. Vocal and instrumental music was a prominent feature of the evening, in which Mrs. T. P. Manning (nee Bond) and Morris Bond took a prominent part. A substantial lunch was served. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Manning, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Garnett, Misses Agnes and Mabel Peil, Oswald Meissner, Miss Anna Bond, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Lorimer, Morris Bond, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Bond, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Edward Bond, Jr., F. C. Cook and Mr. and Mrs. William A. Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. Manning will visit California on their way east.

SECOND ANNUAL HORSE SHOW TO BE HELD IN SALEM SOON

SALEM, Ore., March 11.—The second annual horse show is to be held here on April 5. The plans are developing rapidly. The board of trade has voted \$500 for the use of the show committee.

NEW SCHOOL BUILDING; NO FIRE PROTECTION

SCHOOL, Ore., March 11.—At the school election Monday a \$20,000 bond issue was authorized for the construction of an additional school building but the taxpayers refused to provide fire protection for the present school building.

A bond issue of \$2000 was authorized for that purpose. The bonds will be sold to residents of the school districts and not to brokerage concerns. The vote was light, only about 200 votes being cast.

Talk with Dr. Page should you desire Orchard tracts or business property.

WATER FOR NORTH END OF VALLEY

Plans Completed for Extensive Irrigation System—12 Inch Main to be Laid to Central Point

Colonel Frank Ray, president of the Central Water and Power company, left for the east Thursday after completing arrangements to install an irrigation system that will cover the entire north end of the Rogue river valley.

WOMEN OF WOODCRAFT ARE STRUGGLING FOR GROWTH

Camp Divided Into Two Parts and Work Is Being Planned for Battle Royal to Increase Membership.

Mary E. Hollywood, special organizer for the Women of Woodcraft, is in Medford and has instituted a great struggle on the part of the members of Chrysanthomum circle, No. 84, for new members. The camp has been divided into two sections and each will work to secure the greatest number of members.

A special initiation fee of \$3 has been made for the contest and this rate will last only until April 30, when the full rate will be in force again. A special meeting will be held Saturday afternoon at 2:30.

Following are the members of the two teams:

Elizabeth Selbo, captain; Mary Angie, Sarah Andrews, Jennie Bellinger, Hattie Biden, Sylvia Birdall, Eliza Corwin, Lucy Elwood, Mary Griffin, Edward Gurney, Addie Hart, Katie Lindley, Clara Meeker, Emma Morrison, Maud Hoekings, Loretta Binaburger, Laseinda Glover, Kate Stoen, Janet Sample, Bell Shearer, Florence Taylor, Ella Wortman.

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GOVERNOR STANDS IN WAY OF NORMAL LEGISLATION

TRADES SHOE BUSINESS FOR FRUIT RANCH McDonald Trades for 300 Acre Farm—Price Sells to Ray for \$30,000—Mims' Place May Sell

C. W. McDonald, a shoe merchant of this city, has sold his store establishment in the purchase of A. H. Duffield's 300-acre ranch on Foot's creek near the Champlin mining property. The consideration was some \$14,500. Of this amount Mr. McDonald pays \$7000 in cash and \$7500 the transfer of his store.

The name of the new store will be Duffield & Son. W. K. Price has sold his 300-acre ranch near Tolo to Colonel Frank H. Ray, the consideration being \$30,000. This land comprises some of the finest bottom land near Tolo. It will be improved under the general plan of Colonel Ray in that section, where he is planning several hundred acres of fruit.

A deal is on the whole of 87 acres owned by Colonel George P. Mims near Central Point is to become the property of Mr. English. The price agreed upon is \$17,500. This ranch, the "Seven Oaks," adjoins McDonald's ranch and Colonel Tom Valle's "Coddlan" ranch on the north.

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GREAT EFFORTS WILL BE MADE ON PART OF SCHOOLS' FRIENDS

Parents Was Assured Before the Solons Together That They Would Not Consider Any New Legislation—May Be Released From Pledge.

SALEM, Ore., March 11.—It is apparent that a great effort is to be made to urge the legislature, when it convenes in special session here on next Monday, to adopt some measure for the aid of the three normal schools.

The voters affected by the loss of the normals—Ashland, Weston and Monmouth—are such to send a big lobby to Salem. Governor Benson still stands in the way of any normal school legislation. He has the pledge of the members of each house of the legislature to consider any new legislation. It may be that they will be released from this pledge by him in regard to the normal legislation if proper pressure is brought to bear.

E. V. Carter of Ashland went north to Portland Wednesday evening, to be detained by Dr. H. C. Baumpis of the American museum of natural history to be 3,000,000 years old, but just been discovered by the museum.

The specimen is so well preserved that the greater part of the skin of the head, body and legs may be seen. It was found near Lake Creek, Wyoming.

Found in 1891, it is four thousand years old," said Dr. Baumpis, "and is considered to be responsible for the mammoths found buried in the frozen tundras of Siberia and Alaska, but even the mammoths, tens of thousands of years old, are only creatures of yesterday compared with the antiquity of this dinosaur mummy."

OREGON STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY MEETS

THE DALLES, Ore., March 11.—The regular quarterly meeting of the Oregon state board of pharmacy which went in session here Tuesday morning came to a close this afternoon. The annual election of officers was held this morning with the following result: George C. Bickley of The Dalles, president; Claude J. Busby of Oregon City, secretary; F. C. Peetz of Portland, treasurer.

Besides the officers the new members of the board are F. H. Caldwell of Newberg and Kittie W. Rowland of Salem.

COSTUMES OF CENTURIES AGO TO BE INDORSED

CHICAGO, March 11.—The annual session of the dressmakers' convention, which begins here tomorrow, will be dignified by important subjects dealing the dressmaker's gown and kindred styles and including costumes of the 17th, 18th, 19th and 20th centuries.

The "right line," it is announced, "will be the dress of the 18th century, which means that there will be no such thing as a writhed line."

EDITOR TO FOLLOW PATRONS TO MEDFORD

PORTLAND, Ore., March 11.—All the subscribers have moved to Oregon. I decided to follow them. I am now in Medford and will be in charge of the Oregonian from here.

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ALLEN SAYS TWO PHONES ARE NUISANCE

Owner of Hollywood Orchard Tells of His Experience in Salt Lake City and Elsewhere

A. C. Allen, owner of the Hollywood orchards, is most positive in his views regarding a double telephone system, having lived in Salt Lake City, where he was engaged in business for a number of years, he has a thorough understanding of what the dual system means. Not only, according to Mr. Allen, is the monthly expense doubled, but the greatest inconvenience results from the operation of two systems in the same city.

"The residents of Salt Lake City would make short work of the application of a second company for a telephone franchise," said Mr. Allen in speaking of the matter, "if it should come up again in a special election. Instead of bettering either system, the service is but little better than when it was with one company in operation. It is Really Senseless.

"Nothing more senseless has ever been conceived. A double system is not competition, but 3 per cent of the property owners can afford two phones, and as one phone gives communication with but half of all who have phones, the double system is in reality a half system.

"A man's friends and business associates are continually running into his office in telephone to his friends. For instance, I have a telephone installed at my ranch. If the new company is granted a franchise and put in their service, should I wish to telephone to a business house I must go to my neighbor's phone I must go to my neighbor. Should they wish to call me they must find me some office containing a Bell phone. It is my neighbors used my phone as much as they did their own. It will be here if our people should wish to establish a second system. The merchants will, of course, be compelled to pay for both phones. This they cannot escape so long as the residence phone order their household supplies by telephone; and it is in this work that the telephone renders the greatest service. Anyone can use the service of such a state of affairs, and I cannot comprehend why anyone should advocate two systems.

Service Was Poor.

"I am not defending the Bell Telephone company. Their service has been very poor in the past, but it looks as if they were about to reform their promise made previously from time to time. I believe in giving them a chance.

"The people of Salt Lake City are practically in a snarl against the double system. Had they only realized a few years ago what they have since learned, they would not have been so tolerant.

"No competition does exist; each company will have its regular schedule of prices, to which each will rigidly adhere, and that will end their warfare. The people of Medford should remember that it is a thousand times easier to keep a corporation out than it is to root one that already have their lines installed.

Always a Nuisance.

"Not alone have I been the victim of a double telephone system in Salt Lake City, but in many other places I have found it to be a nuisance and a needless expense. The experience I have met with has been that of all other residents in cities where two phones have been installed. There is no good reason why Medford and the country around it should be made to suffer the experience of other communities. The dual system has failed in the experience of other cities and from the nature of things it will fail here.

"I have not been collected for my views upon the telephone situation by the Pacific Telephone company or other company, but I realize what the dual system means to when placed in operation and I for one care not to be placed under double expense for half a system."

WASHINGTON, March 11.—Senator Depew has offered an amendment to the Constitution in the senate which, if adopted, will change the meeting of congress and the inauguration ceremony from April 4 to the last Wednesday of April.

RUNS AMUCK KILLS FOUR NEIGHBORS

Lonely Farmer Kills All Live Stock on Ranch, Sets Fire to Buildings—Is Raving Maniac

OCEANSIDE, Cal., March 11.—After killing all of his livestock on his ranch and firing his farm buildings, Allen B. Watt, an aged farmer living about four miles from this place, killed four neighbors who rushed to his assistance seeing the fire on his place. Watt was captured later in the day and taken to San Diego, where he occupies a cell babbling and crying, knowing nothing of his crime. What upset his reason no one knows.

WILLIAMSON SAYS THE PEACH CROP IS GOOD

Although there has been considerable crop regarding the damage to the peach crop of Oregon by the severe weather of January, the yield will be fully up to the average, according to Secretary H. M. Williamson of the state board of horticulture.

"I am sure very few peach trees were winter killed this year," Mr. Williamson says, "and from reports received from various peach growing sections I should judge that growers who predicted a failure of the peach crop were more scared than hurt. It is natural to expect peach trees to die in seasons of extreme cold, but the peach trees of the state have never been killed in the winter, and we have only the past to go by in predicting the future.

"The principal peach growing districts in the state are The Dalles and Ashland, and reports from these sections are to the effect that little or no damage has been done to peaches or any other fruit. The Willamette valley does not grow many peaches at best, but the trees heard from in that section are all considered unharmed and capable of bearing the average yield.

"Oregon has never been an exporter of peaches, and a light crop would therefore be better for the grower, though of course worse for the consumer. A surplus would mean cheap prices, as it would not pay to export a less quantity than a carload, and a heavy yield would mean a large proportion of fruit left unsold."

ALASKA RUSH IS LIKE OLD KLONDIKE DAYS

SEATTLE, March 11.—Not since the rush ten years ago have so many persons left on one vessel for Alaska parts as departed on the steamship Ohio last night. The Ohio carried about 400 passengers. All first class accommodations being nearly full. The steamship will call at Cordova, Valdez and Sitka, and the passengers, 200 are bound for the interior and will disembark at Valdez to negotiate the trail to Fairbanks.

Those who watched the scene at the dock last night predict one of the best seasons in the history of Alaska.

BREWERS WANT TO STOP PROHIBITION

MILWAUKEE, Wis., March 11.—The spread of the prohibition sentiment, the movement for the elevation of the moral tone of saloons and several other matters of importance are slated for discussion at the annual convention of the Wisconsin and Upper Michigan Brewers' association, which assembled in this city today. Much routine business relating to the affairs of the association also demands attention, and it is probable that the session will continue over tomorrow.

TO DEVELOP THE WEED CEMENT FIELDS

SISSON, Cal., March 11.—Senator Wood, Dr. Tebbe and others will shortly install a plant north of Sisson, to manufacture cement and cement blocks. It is understood that the machinery will arrive soon, and that the plant will be in operation soon enough to furnish the material for the new schoolhouse that is to be finished at Weed rock August 1. A splendid cement rock is found on the company's holdings.

MANY DIE AT POST OF THEIR DUTY

Caving Wall in Gotham Fire Responsible for the Deaths of 17 Firemen—5000 Witness Tragedy

NEW YORK, March 11.—While at their post of duty 17 members of the New York fire department lost their lives today. A huge wall under which they were at work caved in and buried them. Four of the bodies only were recovered.

POPE ISSUES LETTER AGAINST SOCIALISM

MILWAUKEE, Wis., March 11.—Members of the Roman Catholic church who are affiliated with the socialist party must choose between that party and their church. This was broadly intimated by Plev, Father Kubiszewsky of St. Mary's Polish Catholic church on Sunday in an address from the pulpit.

The priest said a circular letter from the pope was the basis for his statement, and similar statements would be made by all Catholic churches in the state. The climax was reached here by the nomination by the socialists of Peter Kaufmann, a member of the Catholic church, for city treasurer. Kaufmann has withdrawn from the ticket, however, and, it is said, will sever his connection with the party.

LUMBER CUT IN HALF, HIDES ON FREE LIST

WASHINGTON, March 11.—A cut of one-half in the duty on lumber and manufactures of lumber is understood to be one of the changes provided by the new tariff bill, which is being prepared in its final revision by the republican members of the house ways and means committee. Another change, according to information from reliable sources, is that hides have been placed on the free list. There has been much contention over the duties on these two articles. It is said Gifford Picheat, chief forester, is preparing figures in a further effort to have lumber admitted free of duty.

ROOSEVELT DREAMS NO FOE IN AFRICAN JUNGLES

OSTENT BAY, March 11.—The Roosevelt expedition, headed by the professor of the University of Chicago, who declared that if the former president carried out his proposed itinerary to Africa, he will not come out alive. Roosevelt laughed when he read that Professor O'Kelly of the Columbian museum, declaring that Roosevelt is as safe in Africa as he is in the United States. He declared he would leave the controversy to be fought out between the professors.

STATE TRADE BOARD DOES SHASTA FRUIT BELT INJUSTICE

ANDERSON, Cal., March 11.—The Anderson board of trade charges the state board of trade with misrepresenting, unintentionally perhaps, the southern part of Shasta county, known as the "prune belt." A citizen returning from San Francisco says that the state board of trade is delivering in the Ferry building every day to colonists from the east literature saying that the fruit belt of the Sacramento valley ends at Red Bluff, Anderson and Cottonwood and this feels singled out, for it is to be remembered that this fruit belt produces one-twelfth of all the prunes of the state, saying nothing about great quantities of Bartlett pears and peaches.

PASSENGER SERVICE ON NEW SNAKE LINE

BAKER CITY, Ore., March 11.—Passenger service on the new Northwestern railroad down Snake river is to be installed April 15. Residents of Eagle and Pine valleys, 40 and 60 miles east of Baker City, are impatient for the event. The new road is complete to the mouth of Powder river, which is about eight miles from Eagle Valley. A short time ago the road issued permits to allow passengers to ride on the work train and there was a great deal of circulating petitions for passenger service. The new mixed train will be a great convenience to the people of the interior.