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SMITH'S FERRY EXCURSION

Nearly 400 Take Scenic Trip

And Spend An Ideal Day Among the Cool Mountain Retreats Along the Upper Payette River.

The excursion to Smith's Ferry was enjoyed by nearly 400 persons last Sunday who could hardly realize that the day had been a hot one in the valley, because of the cool breezes that accompanied them throughout the trip.

The object of the excursion was to acquaint the people of this valley with the superior advantages of the upper Payette valley for the camper, hunter and fisherman to anything else to be found in this section and to most of those who made the trip it was a succession of surprises.

Of the lower valley, with the thousands of acres of fruit all are familiar and some have been to Montour, the new town that is catching the Squaw creek trade, but beyond that it was virgin country for most of them.

The dam of the Black Canyon canal, the electric plant at Horseshoe Bend and a few minor irrigation dams are all that are seen. When you get a few miles above Horseshoe Bend the formation changes and the hills gradually take on the trees and shrubs, the sage and bunch grass disappearing. In the lower stretches the hills have been pastured with sheep, but after the canyon is entered there are no openings until Smith Ferry is reached where there is a valley of several thousand acres of meadow land with pines and firs affording ample shade and the hillsides covered with huckleberries.

There is a drop in the river of 1500 feet from Smith's Ferry to a short distance below where the south fork comes in and one is struck dumb with wonder at the possibilities of power here, lying idle, through the work of the Pinebot ring in withdrawing all power sites from entry in order to give the electric trust a monopoly. The fall in the river is practically 100 feet to the mile and some day this water will be used to furnish the residents of this section with light, heat and power. A municipal plant owned by the cities of Boise, Nampa, Caldwell, Emmett, Ontario, Payette and Weiser, together with the smaller municipalities, could be installed for a small sum and pay for itself in a short time, besides affording the people the advantages of cheap lights, heat and power.

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SECRETARY GARRISON WANTS BIG MILITIA

Portland, Ore.—Taking under advisement with a brief passing comment, the appeal for government aid in securing "40 feet of water at the Columbia bar." Secretary of War Garrison at the banquet here made in his honor, made an urgent plea for awakened responsibility and co-operation on the part of the business men of the country in building up a strong national guard side by side with the standing army of the United States.

"There is a spirit in the west that I want directed toward the larger affairs of the department with which I am identified," said Secretary Garrison. "There is a larger sphere than that of the development of your own resources. Do you realize that in all the continental United States, you have on its feet and fully equipped for action in case of war only 32,000 men? If a quarrel is forced on us, and I am the last man among you that would hope for such a thing, do you realize that we have got to have behind our standing army a trained national guard to stand as a second line, and back of these we must have laws that will enable us to bring into action all of the able volunteers who are willing to bear arms?"

EASTERN FIRM MAKES SOME INQUIRIES ABOUT ALFALFA

George W. Blanton received a letter this week from the Hartford Grain & Hay company, of Hartford, Conn., inquiring about alfalfa hay as follows:

"Please quote us your lowest price on 25 cars of choice, new second cutting alfalfa for shipment in August, September and October, delivered to Boston rate points. We are large handlers and would like to do business with you. In quoting be sure and quote delivered and not f. o. b. stating size of bales, whether 14x18, 17x22 or large 200-lb bales and whether tagged with weights marked on each bale."

Ontario is recognized throughout the world as the center of the alfalfa industry and this letter would indicate this inquiry is from one of the big commission houses of the east.

CALIFORNIA MILITIA CALLED OUT BY RIOT

Four Killed in Strike of Hoppers' in Wheatland Fields.

Sacramento.—A special train carrying five companies of militia has been ordered to leave here for Wheatland Cal., where four men, including the district attorney of Yuba county, were killed in a battle between 400 striking hoppers and a sheriff's posse.

According to reports reaching here from Wheatland, the hop pickers held a meeting at noon Sunday and formulated demands for increased wages. All were employes of the Durst ranch, which is partly within Wheatland.

Durst and Constable Anderson attended the meeting. Durst refused the demand for more pay, the men became abusive. Anderson sought to place a leader under arrest. He was disarmed and beaten but escaped and telephoned Sheriff Voss, of Yuba county, for help.

Voss gathered a posse at Marysville and hastened to Wheatland by automobile from Marysville, the county seat. District Attorney Manwell accompanied him. When the machines reached Wheatland, Voss sought to parley with the rioters. Abusive language was hurled at him and he seized one man and started toward the motor cars. The prisoner's friends leaped at the sheriff and beat him into unconsciousness. The deputies made a charge and a volley of shots was exchanged. Manwell, standing by the automobiles, F. Cunningham, a deputy sheriff and an unnamed deputy were instantly killed.

MRS. PANKHURST



by American Press Association. Mrs. Pankhurst, the noted militant Suffragette who is causing much trouble in England.

Parcels May Be Refused
Marshfield. — Contractor Bernard, who handles the mail service between Coos and Curry county points and Roseburg, has notified the government that he will not be able to handle the parcel post business during the winter months even at extra pay. In the winter months it is often necessary to transport the mail on packhorses instead of by stage, the roads being too muddy for the latter.

TO BE A CONTINUOUS PERFORMANCE

Managers of Malheur County Fair Determined to Keep Things Moving from Start to Finish.

The Fair directors met with the committee having the amusements in charge for the fair this fall and they outlined a series of races and other entertainments that is going to attract more attention and give more real pleasure than all the entertainments put on at the different fairs held in the past.

The committee is determined to cut out all the waits between events and will have something doing all the time. There will be a specified time for each event and the participants must be ready on the dot or the event will not go and another will be substituted.

The driving association of Payette has joined with the committee and are lending every assistance even going so far as to offer a loving cup for the best three year-old racer, either pacing or trotting. They will also have many events for local horses.

Many novelties are being arranged for, Payette supplying the horses and men for a Roman race and there is going to be a gorgeous parade with fifty of the most beautiful girls in the state in costume, mounted on matched horses. This number is receiving much attention and the girls will have something that will please you.

Director Tachigrl was here this week and stated that there was going to be a much better display from Brogan than last year, when they carried off the pennant. This community display feature has got several of them working hard and there is going to be a difficult task for the

judges to decide which section of the county is entitled to the favors. Ontario will not enter this competition, but it is open to all sections of the county. Nyssa got the prize two years ago, but it is hard to guess the winner for this year.

The directors and officers are working as a unit and are in session every day arranging the details.

Make your plans to come to Ontario for the week, but if you cannot do that the railroad people are going to grant a one and one third fare for the round trip and will run special trains from Brogan, points on the Oregon and Eastern and the Short Line, so that you may come to the fair and get home at a reasonable hour.

Tuttle and Joel Priest were here this week and promised to give any extra service needed.

SHOOT TWO MEN WITH REVOLVER DURING FIGHT

McMinnville.—Walter Rodgers was killed and Frank Wilbur seriously injured, at the hands of James Hutchens, who resides with his mother on her homestead west of McMinnville.

The shooting occurred when James Hutchens and R. L. Healy were driving along on the road leading from what is known as Pea Vine Ridge to McMinnville. They pulled up at a place in the road where most of the ranchers get their mail and have their mail boxes.

Here Hutchens met Wilbur and they were soon in a heated quarrel, over what is not known, but it is generally conceded to be the climax of an old grudge. Some witnesses to the tragedy declare Wilbur struck Hutchens twice and Hutchens pulled his revolver, shooting Wilbur twice in the arm and once in the left shoulder.

Institutes to Be Held

Corvallis.—Plans for holding an extended series of farmers' institutes in fall in Lake, Harney, Klamath and Crook counties are formulated by the extension division of Oregon Agricultural college as a result of the urgent demand for such instruction expressed to A. B. Cordley, dean of agriculture at O. A. C. on his recent trip through Central Oregon with representatives of the Oregon Development League.

First Coast Artillery Wins

Portland.—The first Coast artillery team won the much coveted and hard fought for governor's trophy in the annual Oregon state militia rifle match held at Camp Sherman rifle field, Clackamas. The team scored 1982 out of a possible 1200 and for final honors defeated the third infantry team with a score of 1942.

Alien Sheep Decision Rendered.

Salem.—The attorney general has rendered an opinion to Thomas S. Farrell, deputy district attorney at Lakeview, that the county cannot collect license fees chargeable against foreign sheep brought into the county for feeding if the sheep are removed without the owner ever applying for a license.

CONDEMNNS EXILE OF EDITOR

Governor Condemns Coos Bay Citizens, Officials and Radical I. W. W.'s
Salem, Or.—Declaring that the failure of the authorities to prosecute the leaders of the "mob" that deported Dr. Bailey K. Leach, socialist editor, from Bandon, will subject them to removal from office, Governor West, in a written statement scored the radical element of the I. W. W.'s and leading business men of Bandon.

The governor criticizes Al Powers, of the Smith-Powers Lumber company, declaring if he was the inspiration of the "mob" as reported, "he has proved himself an enemy to society and an outlaw."

AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE TO SEND EDUCATORS TO FAIR

The men in charge of the Agricultural college are alive to the needs of the people of this section and have arranged to send some of their educators to this city during the county fair and they will hold meetings on the fair grounds and discuss subjects of special interest to the people of this section.

If there is any subject which you believe would be of general interest to the people here let the managers of the fair know about it and they will have some man here who is especially posted along that line.

Another year there will be a station in this county for demonstration work and you should do all you can at the fair this year to prove to the representatives of the college that we need a station and will use it.

PRESIDENT HUERTA WILL NOT RESIGN

Show Strong Inclination to Hold Onto the Job and Firmly Resents Any Outside Interference.

Mexico City.—Foreign interference in the conduct of his task of pacification will not be tolerated by Provisional President Huerta. He proposes to stay in the presidency, and will brook no interference on the part of the nationals or foreigners.

This determination was expressed in a statement issued by Dr. Aureliano Urrutio, the Mexican Minister of the Interior, on behalf of the president.

"General Huerta will not resign," Dr. Urrutio said. "Much less will he permit nationals or foreigners to take a hand in a question in which is involved his honor and that of the nation. I will say more—that General Huerta has contracted an obligation with the nation and will promise the entire world to establish peace in the Mexican republic.

This obligation is in the way of being fulfilled. If, when it is realized, our government has been recognized by that of the United States, we shall rejoice. If it is not, we will lament it. We will not, however, change our attitude of defense of national honor and dignity."

Bigger Vancouver Garrison is Likely
Vancouver Barracks, Wash.—That this post will not be abandoned, but instead will be improved and increased in size and importance is the impression gained by officers from Secretary of War Lindley M. Garrison.

VICTORIANO HUERTA



Victoriano Huerta, President of Mexico, whose administration the American Government has not formally recognized.

Bryan Fund is Started.

Austin, Tex.—It is planned by the Democrats of Texas to raise a large fund by popular subscription for the benefit of Secretary of State W. J. Bryan. The money will be paid over to him on the contingency that he agrees to abandon the lecture platform and devote his entire time to the state department. The movement was started in Orange, Tex., and the Democrats in that town have already pledged \$4000 to the fund.

WEISER SHUTS OUT VALE

Idaho Team Wins Pennant

Only Two Vale Players Reach Third During The Game And at no Time Did Losers Have a Chance.

The deciding game of baseball played here last Sunday between Weiser and Vale for the championship of the Idaho-Oregon league proved to be all Weiser and at no time did Vale seem to have even a possible chance.

During the first two innings there was little to choose from between the two teams, only that Weiser seemed to be more steady. In the third, however, a hit, coupled with two errors on the part of the Vale short stop netted two scores for Weiser.

In the seventh Weiser added two more runs, making the score 4 to 0, which ended the run getting of the game.

In the first part of the seventh the Vale fans were hopeful when the first two men up, Rose and Barrett went to first on being hit by pitched balls, but when Higgins pulled down a high drive in right field, and held both runners, their chances began to dwindle and the third sack was as far as Rose could get when the side was retired. Up to the seventh only one player had equalled this performance.

Throughout the game the Vale players were nervous, especially in the infield, and made many errors. Barrett, the pitcher, was largely responsible for this as he was hit so hard at times that it was difficult for the infield to handle the hot ones.

LOGANBERRIES TO BE DRIED

Several prune driers have been engaged during the past few weeks in Polk county drying the crops of loganberries for the first time. This is considered a new method in preparing the excellent fruit for market and the product sells at a high price. Last year only six per cent of the demand for loganberries was filled.

Three methods have been used in caring for the crop—bottling the juice, canning the berries and drying them. Of the three the drying is now found to be by far more profitable. In drying a heat of 140 degrees is attained and the process is slow. The berries, when cooked, after being dried, have been found to retain their flavor perfectly.

COMMITTEES ARE NAMED FOR HOUSE WARMING

At a meeting of the Commercial club a few days ago two committees were appointed to look after the housewarming to be held in the new city hall and the furnishing of the same.

It seems to be the general opinion that it is not advisable at this time to install expensive furniture, but something serviceable and at a later date get something more elaborate.

The rooms are now open, the officers at their desks and the people will be welcome at any time they care to call. When the furniture is installed it will be the city club rooms.

CITY FATHERS HOLD SHORT SESSION MONDAY NIGHT

The city fathers met Monday evening, but the lights were not working more than half time and they adjourned after auditing the bills, granting new licenses to the saloons and receiving reports of the city officials.