

WHEN GENERAL BAKER DIED. Looking Backward Fifty Years in Oregon.

WAS LINCOLN'S CLOSE FRIEND

Brilliant, Daring and Dashing Oregon Senator.

More than six months had passed away since Gen. Anderson compelled to lower the flag on Sumter's walls, and yet there had been no victories for the union forces.

At the same time Gen. E. D. Baker, United States senator from Oregon, crossed the river about four miles higher up, but instead of intruding and waiting until more troops had arrived, he pushed forward, and meeting a greatly superior force of the enemy was quickly defeated and killed, and a large part of his force surrendered to the rebels.

Gen. Baker was a born leader of men, and his life's history reads like a romance. He was born in London in 1811, and when four years of age his parents moved to Philadelphia, and in 1820 they moved to Illinois.

When the war with Mexico broke out in 1846 he raised a regiment in Illinois and was with Gen. Scott during the siege of Vera Cruz and was in the command of a brigade at the battle of Cerro Gordo. When the war was over he returned to Springfield, where he found that Mr. Lincoln had been elected to congress in his place.

In 1852 he emigrated with his family to San Francisco and resumed the practice of law. His fame as an advocate and lawyer had preceded him and he at once established an extensive practice. He identified himself with the free soil movement and became a leader in the party that opposed the extension of slavery.

On the 16th of September, 1859, Senator Broderick, the chief of the Douglas Democracy in California, fell in a duel with Judge Terry, an ultra pro-slavery Democrat. Col. Baker was a close personal friend of Senator Broderick and he was chosen to deliver an oration over the remains of his prostrate body. His great oration on this occasion was widely published and was pronounced one of the most brilliant and thrilling oratories ever uttered by man.

Shortly after the death of Senator Broderick, General Baker removed to Oregon, in which state he thought he saw an opportunity to realize the ambition of his life by obtaining a seat in the senate of the United States, and he at once took a prominent part in the political issues of the day.

COMPLETE CONTROL OF ROADS FORESEEN

Supreme Court Opinion Enlarges Scope of Interstate Commerce Commission.

Washington.—Complete control of all the railroads of the country by the Interstate Commerce Commission and virtual elimination of the state commissions from such control is foreshadowed in an opinion handed down by the Supreme Court of the United States.

In its opinion, the court held that compliance with the Federal law is compulsory on all railroads engaged in the transportation of persons or freight from one state to another.

The determination of this mooted question was laid down in an opinion read by Justice Vandevanter in a case instituted by the government against the Southern Railway. The point at issue was whether the Federal act applied in the case of a shipment from one point in Alabama to another point in the same state, the shipment being in an improperly equipped car.

Boats Collide on Puget Sound.

Seattle.—During a dense fog at midnight, the steamship Iroquois, out-bound from Seattle with passengers for Victoria, struck the freight steamer Multnomah, from Tacoma for Seattle, and out her in two. The Multnomah was sunk in very deep water. All the persons on board were saved. Fifteen head of cattle went down with the Multnomah. The Iroquois proceeded, apparently undamaged.

TAFT IS GUEST OF HONOR

Pittsburg Celebrates Navigation Centennial. The celebration of the centennial of steam navigation on the local rivers was held Tuesday with President Taft the guest of honor.

The feature of the celebration was the river parade of about 100 boats, led by the New Orleans, a replica of the famous steam-propelled boat built in 1811 under the direction of Nicholas J. Roosevelt, uncle of Theodore Roosevelt. The boat will be christened by Mrs. Alice Roosevelt-Longworth.

Rate Advances Held Up.

Washington.—Material advances in the freight rates on the heavy traffic in apples in carloads recently proposed by the Western trunk lines and individually by the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific, effective November 1, were suspended by the Interstate Commerce Commission until February 28, pending further investigation.

SUIT TO BREAK UP STEEL TRUST BEGUN

Trenton, N. J.—A bill has been filed by the government in the United States court here asking for the dissolution of the United States Steel corporation and its subsidiaries. The suit is the most sweeping anti-trust action ever begun by the government. Dissolution of the parent combine and dissolution of all its subsidiary companies is asked. Thirty-seven subsidiary companies are named.

Pacific Fleet to China.

Los Angeles, Cal.—Their stay in Los Angeles harbor cut to three scant days, the floating fortresses of the Pacific fleet will be rushed from this port to Honolulu or Guam, where Admiral Chaney Thomas will await orders for a dash to Chinese waters to protect American interests or to join the foreign fleets in a movement of intervention.

Starts Much Trouble

If all people knew that neglect of constipation would result in severe indigestion, yellow jaundice or virtual liver trouble they would soon take Dr. King's New Life Pills, and end it. It's the out-gate way. Best for biliousness, headache, dyspepsia, chills and debility. 35c at all drug stores.

CONSTITUTION GIVEN BY IMPERIAL EDICT

Manchu Dynasty Yields to Demands of People and Promises Reforms.

Pekin.—The demand of the National Assembly for a complete constitutional government has been acceded to by the throne. An imperial edict was issued, apologizing for the past neglect of the throne and granting an immediate constitution with a cabinet from which nobles shall be excluded.

A second edict grants pardon to political offenders connected with the revolution of 1898 and subsequent revolutions and those compelled to join in the present rebellion.

The throne promises to organize a cabinet without nobles forthwith. The Manchu Prince, Shih-Hsu, president of the assembly, is permitted to resign, the Chinese, Li Chia Chu succeeding him. The Manchu, Kuei Chun, Minister of Constabulary, has been removed and the Chinese, Chao Ping Chun, succeeds him.

The lines around Peking are tightening. While there is no great panic among the higher classes and the foreigners, there has been a perceptible tension everywhere. The legation quarter is preparing for emergencies and in some cases temporary fortifications have been erected of bags of sand.

Pekin.—The Chinese revolutionists received their first setback in their successful uprising against the Manchu dynasty when the Imperial troops recaptured the city of Hankow after an all-day fight. The casualties of the Imperialists amounted to about 200 while the rebels lost 450. The Imperialists marched into Hankow.

Fola La Follette is Bride.

Washington.—Miss Fola La Follette was married Sunday afternoon at the residence of her father, Senator La Follette, of Wisconsin, to George Middleton, a New York playwright.

RED HATS FOR AMERICANS

Archbishops Farley, O'Connor and Monsignor Falconio Selected.

Rome.—The Pope will create a large number of cardinals at the consistory to be held November 27. Most Rev. John M. Farley, Archbishop of New York, and Most Rev. William H. O'Connell, Archbishop of Boston, are among those who will receive the red hat. Monsignor Diomedeo Falconio, apostolic delegate at Washington, also will be elevated, according to the announcement.

The selection of the new cardinals is the subject of interesting comment, owing chiefly to the recognition the United States has received. Three red hats have been granted to that country. Monsignor Falconio is an American citizen and Cardinal Gibbons and Archbishops Farley and O'Connell will bring the number of American prelates up to four.

MEXICO AGAIN HAS GENERAL UPRISING

Mexico City.—Torn with dissension, her capital surrounded by bands of armed rebels who threaten to burn and loot the city; her president-elect accused of fostering and financing the revolt in order that he may obtain the glory of quelling it; her provisional government disrupted by internal disturbances and threats of external war, Mexico faces another crisis.

Following the open accusation by several Mexican journals that Francisco Madero was back of the Zapata rebellion, the De La Barra government added authenticity to the rumor when it openly accused Madero of making false promises to the rebels in order that they might prolong the revolt until early in November, when Madero will take office and, it is alleged, "put down" the rebellion for his own personal glory.

DARROW LOSES POINT

Bordwell Disallows Challenges Made by Defense of J. B. McNamara.

Los Angeles.—The defense in the McNamara case lost an important point when Judge Bordwell ruled directly against two challenges interposed by them against opinionated foremen. Not only were the challenges disallowed by Judge Bordwell, but he peremptorily refused to permit Darrow to either argue against the ruling or to further question the two men.

As the result of the decision of Judge Bordwell, the defense is considering renewing its motion for a change of judge and when this is refused, as expected, making a motion for a change of venue.

A Father's Vengeance

would have fallen on any one who attacked the son of Peter Bondy, of South Rockwood, Mich., but he was powerless before attacks of kidney trouble. "Doctors could not help him," he wrote, "so at last we gave him Electric Bitters and he improved wonderfully from taking six bottles. It is the best kidney medicine I ever saw." Backache, tired feeling, nervousness, loss of appetite, worn of kidney trouble and that may end in dropsy, diabetes or Bright's disease. Beware. Take Electric Bitters and be safe. Every bottle guaranteed. 50c at all drug stores.



Judge Walter Bordwell, who is presiding at the trial of James B. McNamara at Los Angeles.

Brief News of the Week.

If newspaper reports may be credited, a Japanese scientist has discovered a new and effective treatment for leprosy.

A 15-story clubhouse, costing \$2,500,000, was dedicated in New York by the "mother lodge" of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

"Until the enfranchisement of women, we call upon all women to oppose the idea of a uniform divorce law," reads a section of the platform adopted by the woman's suffrage party of New York at its third annual convention.

The crusade against the high cost of living in Indianapolis reached a climax when delegates from union labor organizations and representatives from the unorganized workers met to discuss methods for lowering food prices.

Advices from Constantinople say that the reports of recent battles with Italian losses at Tripoli have ended for the present any chance for mediation. The Turkish government has swung over to the idea of continuing the war.

Contributions aggregating \$65,000 were granted to six eastern and southern colleges and universities by the general education board of trustees of the Rockefeller fund for education. Applications from 24 institutions were presented.

The mobilization of the Atlantic and Pacific fleets at New York and Los Angeles this week will mark the gathering of the greatest naval force that ever floated in the waters of the western hemisphere. The Atlantic fleet to be reviewed by Secretary of the Navy Meyer will comprise 102 vessels of all classes, with a total displacement of 577,539 tons, and the Pacific fleet 24 vessels of 116,245 tons.

News of Noted Persons.

Charles W. Fairbanks, former vice-president of the United States, is mentioned for the Republican nomination for governor of Indiana.

A sure cure for epidemic spinal meningitis has been found, according to Dr. Simon Flexner, director of the Rockefeller Institute of Medical Research.

Any ordinary man soon will be able to fly safely, according to Orville Wright, following sensational experiments with his automatic control device for aeroplanes.

President Taft has placed an order for another silk hat. This will make the third one he has purchased during his trip. He raises his hat to the crowds so often that it does not last long.

W. M. Sell, of Chicago, head of the Selig Motion Picture Company, was badly wounded; Francis Boggs, manager of the Pacific Coast department of the picture concern, was killed at Los Angeles by a Japanese gardener who, without provocation, suddenly ran amuck.

Saying he spoke officially and with the consent of President Taft, Secretary of the Interior Fisher, speaking before the American Mining Congress, declared that the coal lands comprised in the public domain in Alaska would be available to the public under a leasing system.

The speechmaking tour soon to be undertaken by Senator La Follette in furtherance of his presidential aspirations will last six or eight weeks, and will embrace the Dakotas, Minnesota, Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska, Missouri, Oklahoma, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Mississippi and probably Ohio.

Balked at Cold Steel

"I wouldn't let a doctor cut my foot off," said H. D. Ely, Bantam, Ohio, "although a horrible ulcer had been the plague of my life for four years. Instead I used Doan's Backache Saver, and my foot was soon completely cured." Heals burns, boils, sores, brisies, eczema, pimples, corns. Surest cure. 35c at all drug stores.

The Courier welcome's any man's honest opinion.

Six Per Cent Semi-Annual Interest Coupon Bonds

The Clackamas Southern Railway Company is now offering to our home people its first mortgage 6 per cent semi-annual interest coupon bonds, and as the bonds are limited to ties, rails and equipment, and all other work, such as grading and bridges, are paid for by stock subscriptions, the bonds issued by this company are first class.

These bonds are issued in the following denominations, viz.: \$100, \$500, \$1000.

THE CLACKAMAS SOUTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY offers the following reasons why these bonds should be sold in Oregon:

FIRST—It is an Oregon enterprise and owned by Oregon people.

SECOND—The country traversed by this line is thickly populated and has freight and passenger traffic in sight to make it the best paying road in Oregon for its length.

THIRD—The best business men and farmers in the county are stockholders in this road and authorized the issue of these bonds at the stockholders' meeting by unanimous vote.

FOURTH—These bonds draw 6 per cent interest and the holder gets his interest twice each year.

Call on or Address Clackamas Southern Railway Co. G. B. DIMICK, Secretary

MEN! COME TO PORTLAND AND BE CURED IN FIVE DAYS

Advertisement for Dr. A. G. Smith's medicine for various ailments including varicose veins, blood poisoning, and nervous debility. Includes a portrait of the doctor and a list of symptoms treated.

Advertisement for Heating Stoves by Frank Busch. Features an illustration of a stove and text describing the product's efficiency and availability in Oregon City.

Advertisement for The First National Bank of Oregon City, Oregon, successor to Commercial Bank. Lists services and operating hours.

Advertisement for Young Men Pabst's Okay Specific. Promotes the beverage as a healthful and refreshing drink, available at Jones Drug Company.

Advertisement for Lone Oak Farm, managed by F. M. Blumm. Lists various farm products like hay, straw, and eggs, and mentions the farm's location near Oregon City.

Advertisement for BOSTON Bread at Schrader's Bakery. Promotes fresh bread and other baked goods, located on Main Street.

Advertisement for Sunshine and Scott's Emulsion. Describes the benefits of the emulsion for energy and health, mentioning its use by sailors and others in difficult conditions.

Advertisement for Scott's Emulsion, emphasizing its role as a 'Two Great Creators of Energy' and its effectiveness in restoring vitality and strength.

WANTED.

- Multiple 'WANTED' notices for various items and services, including a Weber wagon, a White Chester pig, a 5-room modern house, and a large fir timber tract.

Advertisement for The First National Bank, listing services and contact information for the Oregon City branch.

Advertisement for Young Men Pabst's Okay Specific, highlighting its reputation and availability at Jones Drug Company.

Advertisement for Lone Oak Farm, detailing the types of farm products available and the farm's location.

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