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TAFT URGES SANE REFORM METHODS

PRESIDENT, AT G. A. R. REUNION, SCORES "NOSTRUMS" OF THEORISTS.

EVILS OF WEALTH TO BE PUT DOWN

Fight, He Declares, May Take Long Time, But It Will Not Involve Violence—Good Work Started.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Aug. 23.—On the eve of his 40-day "swing around the circle" on which Republican leaders expect him to define the issues for the campaign of 1912, President Taft announced himself unalterably opposed to the "nostroms" of reform which he declared, demagogues and theoretical extremists had advanced for the solution of the problem of concentrated wealth in this country.

The President spoke to the veterans of the Grand Army of the Republic, and he found in the struggle which they went through fifty years ago and the one which, he said, now confronted this Nation, a striking analogy, although the struggle of today, he declared, would be bloodless.

Remedies Worse Than Ills.
"Higher aims for the betterment of society, these new evils growing out of the concentration of wealth and these combinations, which, properly controlled, are a great good in the reduction of the cost of production," said the President, "have invited from the active-minded of today suggestions of remedies that are so extreme that the medicine, to many of us, seems worse than the disease."
"Those of us who are charged with the responsibility and sobered with the difficulties find ourselves in the middle of the road, resisting the tendency to socialism on the one hand and the inertia of reactionary contentment with present evils, and ambition for greater concentration of financial power on the other; but we are gradually solving the problem."

May Be Long Fight.
"The present does not bring difficulties so great as you had to meet and overcome in '61. It may be a longer fight, because it will not involve violence or the shedding of blood; but it must and will be solved peacefully and by the earnest effort of the level-headed."

"The message that you bear, with your experience and your success, to those of us struggling now with the problem is that, however dark at times the situation seems, so long as we retain in this country a God-fearing, sober, intelligent people, we can count in the long run upon their working out safely and sanely the problems set before them, no matter how many mistakes in the form of 'nostroms' they may have been led into by the speciousness, of half-baked theories of progress, no matter how often they may have been defeated in their purpose by the temporary success of undue and corrupt influence of concentrated wealth."

PARIS MISSING PAINTING MYSTERY IS UNSOLVED.
PARIS, Aug. 23.—The mystery of the disappearance from the Louvre of Leonardo da Vinci's great painting, "Mona Lisa," called by the French "La Joconde," appears more impenetrable than ever tonight.

The only thing definitely established by today's investigation is that the picture disappeared between the hours of 7 and 8:30 o'clock Monday morning. Whether it is still in the Louvre or has been taken away, it is impossible to determine.

Under the direction of M. Lefevre, Prefect of Police, the search is being continued by the pick of the Paris detective force.

COUPLE IN 'AUTO HOUSE' TRAVEL OVER STATE

J. E. Spencer and wife, of Seattle, arrived in this city Wednesday after a trip through Oregon in what they call a "house automobile." The body of the machine contains a sleeping room, and everything necessary for light housekeeping. The couple started on the trip the first of August and expect to return to Seattle September 1.

"Our object in making the trip was to find a farm which suited us," said Mrs. Spencer. "We like the country around Oregon City and will either settle here or near Albany. We have had a delightful time and have seen the country more thoroughly than would have been possible traveling any other way than by auto. We have had some trouble with tires, but otherwise the machine has kept in perfect condition. The little house which my husband built on the machine is as convenient as it is possible to make a structure of this kind, and we have enjoyed the unique way of living and traveling."

WIFE MARRIED 37 YEARS SUES.

Mrs. Christena A. Blum Alleges Husband Deserted Her.

Christena A. Blum is the plaintiff in a divorce suit filed in the Circuit Court, the defendant being F. W. Blum. They were married in Denmark on June 19, 1874. There were five children born to them. Mrs. Blum says her husband deserted her, and she has refused to live with her. She is represented by E. L. McDougall.

THE OUTLET

PERPETRATED BY WALT McDUGALL



HARRY CLARK JAILED ON CHARGE OF THEFT

Harry Clark, who has caused the Oregon City police more trouble than all the other lawbreakers in the city together, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of housebreaking by Chief of Police Shaw. Clark is part Indian, and all his trouble is due to his fondness for alcohol. He has been arrested at least ten times in the past year, and has served several jail sentences.

Clark was accused by Joseph Andrews, better known as Susap, an Indian, of entering his room and stealing a suit of clothing, an overcoat and a shirt. The chief went to the Indian camp on the hill and found Clark asleep in a tent with a bottle of alcohol beside him. He handcuffed the man, and then awoke him from his stupor. Clark, as usual, showed fight and had to be clubbed into submission. He finally admitted taking the clothing and took the chief to a brush pile where he had hidden the garments. He will be given a hearing in Justice of the Peace Samson's court this morning.

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CLEMENT A. FALLIERES.



Wife Seeks Divorce.
Ruth Lyman has filed a suit against C. M. Lyman to whom she was married at Seattle, December 11, 1907. About November 2, 1909, at Tacoma, Wash., he deserted her, she says. She asks to resume her maiden name of Ruth James. W. N. Shenfield, of Portland, is Mrs. Lyman's attorney.

STANDING OF CANDIDATES IN CONTEST

CANDIDATES IN DISTRICT NO. 1.		
		Votes.
MISS MYRTLE CROSS	Oregon City	44061
MISS ALLIE WARE	Oregon City	33039
MISS LENA STORY	Oregon City	81985
MRS. E. F. ZIMMERMAN	Oregon City	41035
MISS LILLIAN MEYERS	Oregon City	48909
MISS EVA KENT	Oregon City	65554
MISS ELLA WHITE	Oregon City	3526
MISS ROSE JUSTIN	Oregon City	8546
MISS LILLY LONG	Oregon City	3936
MISS ANNA WOODARD	Oregon City	17865
MISS EVA ALLOREDGE	Oregon City	

CANDIDATES IN DISTRICT NO. 2.		
		Votes.
MRS. M. T. MACK	Canby	88062
MISS ADA LAKIN	Milwaukie	28023
MISS FAY BATTORF	West Oregon City	83522
MISS EDNA HUTCHINSON	Canby	7521
MISS MILDRED REAM	Willamette	97661
MISS ADA CARES	Sandy	2525
MISS LILLIAN HOLMES	Sandy	18226
MISS NORA KIMBERLY	Boring	2508
MISS JULIA HOLT	Oak Grove	16430
MISS INEZ KNOX	Boring	27461
MISS ELISIE SHENBORN	Carus	163836
MISS ETHEL CLOSER	Springwater	73666
MISS BLODWIN THOMAS	Beaver Creek	10670
MISS MAY JOHNSON	Clackamas	6742
MISS ETHEL DE BOK	Willamette	66660
MISS ANNIE GARDNER	Melrum	209637
MISS HELEN SMITH	Canemah	61572
MISS HELEN RABICK	Stanford	8060
MRS. DEJIA ROBERTS	Jennings Lodge	2501
MISS ROY COLE	Molalla	37442
MISS VURNA MEAD	Gladstone	11817
MISS HAZEL HUNGATE	Molalla	28215
MISS JESSIE AKINS	Mulino	

CANDIDATES' BALL IS BIG SUCCESS

YOUNG WOMEN IN CONTEST AND FRIENDS HAVE FINE ENTERTAINMENT.

LARGE CROWD AT BUSCH HALL DANCE

Banquet Given Candidates After Ball Is Over—Interest in Merry Race Still Grows.

ROLL OF HONOR.	
District No. 1.	
Miss Lena Story	81,985
Miss Eva Kent	65,554
Miss Lillian Meyers	48,909
Miss Myrtle Cross	44,061
Mrs. E. F. Zimmerman	41,035
District No. 2.	
Miss Helen Smith	209,637
Miss Ethel Closer	163,836
Miss Mildred Ream	97,661
Mrs. M. T. Mack	88,062
Miss Fay Battorf	83,522
Miss B. Thomas	73,666
Miss Annie Gardner	66,660
Miss Helen Rabick	61,572
DOUBLE VOTES TO REMAIN	
IN EFFECT UNTIL AUGUST 24, AT 6 P. M.	

A gay throng gathered in Busch's Hall last night to do honor to the candidates in The Enterprise Grand Voting Contest.

The crowd was a large one, coming from every part of Clackamas county. Several of the candidates were unable to be present, but there was a good representation.

After the dance the candidates and their friends were entertained by the Contest Management at a banquet at "The Falls," a party of about thirty being all that could remain for the spread.

Those candidates who were unable to be present missed a very enjoyable evening and the contest management wishes to express its regret over your absence.

Notice how the double vote offer has brought the totals up for all the candidates. Miss Smith has passed the 200,000 mark and Miss Closer is running her a close second. Miss Closer deserves special mention for the excellent work she is doing. Living in the more sparsely settled part of the county, subscriptions are few and far between and the total vote she has run up shows that her work has been unremitting and strenuous.

But wait until tomorrow, there will be another story to tell, and don't give up candidates. You are tired after an exciting evening, but the price of success is unremitting endeavor and if some of you knew the real handicaps some of the other candidates have undergone to achieve the success that has come to them you would think your work a snap.

Mrs. Beard's Baby Dies.
The eight-months' old child of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Beard, of Clackamas Heights, died Tuesday of cholera infantum.

RIVER ROAD PICKED FOR BOULEVARD

ENGINEERS TO CONTINUE WORK OF EXAMINING OTHER THOROUGHFARES.

PLANS TO RAISE MONEY CONSIDERED

East Side Capital Highway Association To Meet Again Next Wednesday To Perfect Arrangements.

The Executive Committee, of the East Side Capital Highway Association, at a meeting Wednesday night at the Commercial Club, recommended the River road as the most feasible route for the proposed capital highway from here to Portland. This route was adopted by the association, and it will be recommended to the Capital Highway Commission appointed by Governor West.

It was explained that the River road was not only in the best condition of all the thoroughfares considered for the highway, but it traversed more towns and cities. Among the towns and cities on the road are Milwaukie, Sellwood, Oak Grove, Jennings Lodge, Gladstone and Oregon City.

The association favors the road from New Era to Canby, from Canby to Barlow, from Barlow to Aurora, and from New Era to Oregon City as a part of the route for the thoroughfare. This matter was referred to a committee composed of F. Bryant, C. W. Risley and C. S. Noble, who will examine the roads next Monday and report back to the association as to the most feasible routes. Messrs. Noble and Bryant are engineers. All persons interested in the proposed highway are invited to go on the trip of inspection with the committee. The meeting was attended by A. L. Beattie, C. S. Noble, M. D. Latourrette and M. J. Lazelle, of Oregon City; A. N. Willis and J. F. Kertchem, of Sellwood; Charles W. Risley and H. Scheufler, of Oak Grove; C. P. Morse and W. B. Jennings, of Jennings Lodge; B. T. McBain and W. F. Schooley, of Gladstone; S. O. Dillman, of Mount Pleasant; Carl V. Braun and Grant Crittiser, of New Era; L. B. Gorman, F. Bryant, W. P. Sailor and W. W. White, of Canby.

Means of raising the money for building the highway in the county were discussed by C. W. Risley, A. N. Willis, W. P. Sailor, F. W. White, Carl V. Braun, Grant Crittiser, S. O. Dillman, A. L. Beattie, B. T. McBain, W. F. Schooley and C. P. Morse. Definite action in regard to raising the funds will be taken at the next meeting of the association which will be held next Wednesday night.

LITTLE CHILD IS HOT WATER VICTIM

The eighteen-months' old child of Mr. and Mrs. D. Schraeder, of Naef Station, is recovering from the severe burns received on Saturday morning at 8 o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Schraeder. A large kettle of hot water was on the stove, which was to have been used for the scalding of dressed chickens. The little child accidentally pulled the kettle of hot water over on itself. The parents hastened to this city with the child, and Dr. H. S. Mount dressed the burns. The chest of the little one was terribly scalded. Fortunately little of the water came in contact with the child's face. Its arms were badly burned.

SCHUEBELS RETURN FROM LONG AUTO TRIP

Mr. and Mrs. C. Schuebel and daughters, Miss Eula and Miss Roberta, who toured California, have returned to Oregon City. Mr. and Mrs. Schuebel and Roberta left here five weeks ago in their five-passenger machine and were joined at Los Angeles by Eula, who had been spending some time with relatives in Arizona. They visited many of the summer resorts of California and returned on the steamer Beaver.

Mr. Schuebel took with him a camping outfit, expecting to camp along the way, but used this only three times. There was no accident to mar the pleasure of the journey, and only three slight punctures were received, being easily repaired without necessitating a new tire. The trip through the southern part of California was not as pleasant as in the northern part. The weather was extremely warm in the southern part of the state.

Seven acres, one-fourth mile from electric line, 4-room house, barn, chicken house, and yard, good well and fine spring, three and a half acres in garden, fruit and berries; good cow and chickens. Will take \$2,500, half cash, balance to suit the buyer. This is an ideal poultry and garden farm, slopes to the southwest. Come and see it, or call on or address

CYRUS POWELL

OREGON CITY, OR. Stephens Building, Room 11.

2 CRUSHED TO DEATH AS AUTO OVERTURNS

GARY ARRANGES FOR OPENING OF SCHOOLS

County Superintendent of Schools Gary has made preparations for the opening of school, next month. He has written a letter, a copy of which will be sent to each school officer in this county, notifying them of the short time until school will begin, and asking that all the buildings be properly cleaned, aired, and all water supplies looked after.

In part, the letter says, "Feeling the need of better spelling and more accurate and rapid computation, the Clackamas County School League, assisted by the teachers, supervisors and county superintendent, will conduct a spelling and arithmetic contest." A real estate firm, of Oregon City, will give real estate to the value of \$300 to the school making the highest average in the test. The contest will be run on a percentage basis, which will give all the schools an equal chance.

The contest will be a series of five examinations conducted by the teachers, at their respective schools, the questions being uniform and furnished by the county school league. At the close of the five tests the ten highest schools will be given a test by the superintendent, and the one standing highest in this test, will be awarded 50 per cent of the value of the property, which will probably be sold in order to make the division. The school standing second will receive 16 and two-thirds per cent of the value, and six and two-thirds per cent will be given to the best fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth grade, in the county, that stand the highest.

It is the opinion of County Superintendent Gary, that by offering the prizes to the whole school, the pupils will all be encouraged to do harder work than if it was offered to the one best student. In the spelling contest, the percentage system will be used, that is if a student is absent on the day of a test, the words that this student should have spelled will all be counted missed. In this way there will be no chance for the poor spellers to stay out on test day and help boost the average of their school.

Most of the plans have been perfected for this large contest, and it is thought the final test will take place sometime in March, of this school year.

WIFE THREATENED HIS LIFE, SAYS HUSBAND

A. Giorgi has filed a suit for divorce against Victorina Giorgi, to whom he was married at Portland in 1899. About six months after the marriage Giorgi alleges that his wife deserted him without cause. He says that she treated him cruelly and in an inhuman manner; has heaped personal indignities upon him, which has made his life burdensome. He asserts that while he was lying on the bed one day she picked up a water-pitcher and struck him with it, and threatened to kill him, and on another occasion threatened to throw acid in his face; that she repeatedly swore at him and used vile epithets toward him. He also accuses his wife of getting drunk.

DIRECTORS OF FAIR PLAN IMPROVEMENTS

The executive committee of the Clackamas County Fair Association Wednesday completed arrangements for the exhibition to be given at Canby, September 27, 28, 29 and 30. It was decided to build a new road from the railroad to the fair grounds, and to erect a large arch at the entrance. A restaurant will be installed in the grand stand, and the grounds will be laid out in streets. A force of men will begin making the improvements next Monday. More persons have announced their intention of camping on the grounds this year than ever before, and the fair promises to be the most successful ever held. Arrangements have been made for two special trains to be run to the fair daily from Oregon City. The executive committee is composed of J. W. Smith, president; O. D. Eby and M. J. Lazelle.

WIFE, SING, CALLS HUSBAND GROUCHY

Iva Cornell has filed a suit for divorce against James A. Cornell through her attorneys, Ed Mendenhall and E. J. Mendenhall. Mrs. Cornell says that her husband treated her cruelly and in an inhuman manner. He was grouch, insolent and impudent toward her and unsociable for days at a time, and at times would accuse her of liking other men, she asserts.

Cornell has told her that she has no sense, she says. Mrs. Cornell says she has had to support herself and son at times.

VICTIMS H. A. CUMMINGS AND L. H. YOUNG

THIRD MAN IS SLIGHTLY INJURED

WHEEL OF BIG TOURING CAR COLLAPSES AT PARKPLACE AND MACHINE AND OCCUPANTS ARE HURLED INTO DITCH.

Two men were killed and another was slightly injured when an automobile, in which they were riding, turned turtle on the Parkplace road, one mile and a quarter from Oregon City, Wednesday afternoon. One of the front wheels of the car ran off the road, and as the driver tried to turn it back on the thoroughfare, it collapsed, throwing the automobile into a ditch three feet deep.

The Dead.
L. H. YOUNG, farmer, fifty-five years old, Damascus, skull crushed and body bruised.
HARRY A. CUMMINGS, automobile demonstrator, thirty-seven years old, Portland, skull and breast crushed.

The Injured.
FREDERICK KUMMER, twenty-one years old, farmer, Damascus, cut on head and face.

The party came to Oregon City in the machine, which belonged to Young, early in the afternoon. Several hours were spent here, and shortly after 6 o'clock they started back to Damascus.

It is declared by persons who saw the party that the machine was going at a rate of more than thirty miles an hour when the accident occurred. Kummer says the speed was not more than fifteen miles an hour. Witnesses of the accident say that the machine and its occupants were almost obscured by the dust that was raised just before the fatal plunge.

Two Caught Under Car.
Paul Fisher, of Gladstone, was the first man to reach the scene of the accident. Kummer, who had been thrown clear of the wreck had regained his feet and was running about in a dazed condition. The other two were pinned under the heavy car. Fisher was soon joined by Perry Richardson and Frank Sowers, of Gladstone, and G. F. Dimick, of Oregon City. Judge Dimick, who was in his automobile several hundred yards behind the other machine, thinks that it was going at a rate of at least twenty-five miles an hour. He says he was looking at the car when it disappeared, and it was several seconds before he realized that the party had been precipitated into the ditch.

Bodies Brought Here.
Coroner Wilson had the bodies removed to the Holman undertaking establishment in this city, and will hold an inquest at 2 o'clock this afternoon. Mrs. Young was notified of her husband's death, and will come to Oregon City this morning. She has eight children. Mr. Young was one of the prominent farmers in the Damascus neighborhood. He was well-to-do.

The family of Mr. Cummings, who had formerly been employed by the Speedwell garage in Portland, were notified, and will take charge of the body today.

Kummer said that the accident was caused by the steering gear having worked loose. The front wheels, he said, had not run true for several minutes, and Young, who was driving the machine, had remarked about it being out of order.

"We were going along at a rate of about fifteen miles an hour," Kummer said, "when the front wheel ran off the road. Young tried his best to get it back, and we were thrown into the ditch. I was sitting on the front seat with Young, who was on the side that careened. I was thrown clear of the wreck, and was on my feet almost immediately after I struck the ground. I did not think at first that I was injured. However, I am only slightly bruised and cut."

Causes Much Excitement.
There was much excitement in this city when the first news of the accident was received, and several other persons were thought to have been killed and injured. Large crowds viewed the bodies at the undertaking establishment, including many friends of the dead men.

Coroner Wilson said that the accident probably was the most serious that had ever happened in an automobile party in this county. That it was due to the recklessness of the driver is generally believed. Mr. Young had driven an automobile for about a year, and was considered an expert at the wheel. Cummings had frequently visited in this city, and was assigned to Oregon City as a demonstrator by the Speedwell garage for several days about two months ago. He was one of the best known chauffeurs in Portland. The machine was a seven-passenger Overland, and had been in use two or three years.

Arrangements for the funeral of