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## GHOST APPEARS TO BEAT WILSON

EX-PRINCETON HEAD SAID PARTY SHOULD BE RID OF BRYAN.

### COLONEL WATTERSON ENTERS FIGHT

Other Speeches Quoted Showing That Democratic Candidate Has Not Always "Talked Regular."

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13.—Confronted by the defection of important Democratic supporters, with a letter in his own hand-writing in which William Jennings Bryan is placed, in effect, in the political nuisance class, said to be hanging over him and with the denunciation of himself by Grover Cleveland rising like a ghost from the past, Woodrow Wilson, governor of New Jersey, is having trouble with his Presidential boom. This boom, say well-informed politicians, never can survive so many backsets. They say that it is on the verge of collapse.

Not the least of the untoward circumstances that are contributing to the woes of Mr. Wilson—perhaps the most important of them all—is the letter concerning Bryan. The three prominent Democrats who have threatened to desert him if he were not already done so, are Colonel George Harvey, editor of Harpers' Weekly, Colonel Henry Watterson, editor of the Louisville Courier-Journal, and James C. Hemphill, for years editor of the Charleston News and Courier.

As to the Bryan letters, it is predicted that as a result of them the Nebraska statesman, who has spoken kind words of Wilson in the past may find it highly inexpedient to continue his friendly relations or to make any further promise of support.

The letter has been kept more or less a secret. At the most, only a general idea of its contents has been made known. It was written by Governor Wilson in 1905 to Adrian H. Joline, of New York. There is a good deal of uncertainty about some parts of it, and as to other parts there is lack of agreement as to verbiage, but there seems to be little doubt that the following sentence occurred substantially as given:

"Cannot we devise some dignified way of getting Mr. Bryan out of the Democratic party and getting rid of him for all time?"

There was an effort recently on the part of the friends of the New Jersey governor to discount the effect of the Bryan letter. It was declared to be "past history." Past history or not, it is possible that Mr. Bryan does not like it even now. When Colonel Bryan was asked only the other day what he thought about the letter, he considered a while and then snapped out:

"Mr. Wilson's letter ought to make friends for him among those who seem to be interested chiefly in digging it up."

## VEREIN SOCIETY HAS BEST MASQUE BALL

Busch's Hall was crowded to its capacity last evening, the occasion being the annual masquerade ball of the German Verein Society. The floor was reserved for maskers until 10:30 o'clock. An orchestra of seven pieces composed mostly of members of the Philharmonic Society of this city, furnished the latest dance music. A lunch was served by the ladies.

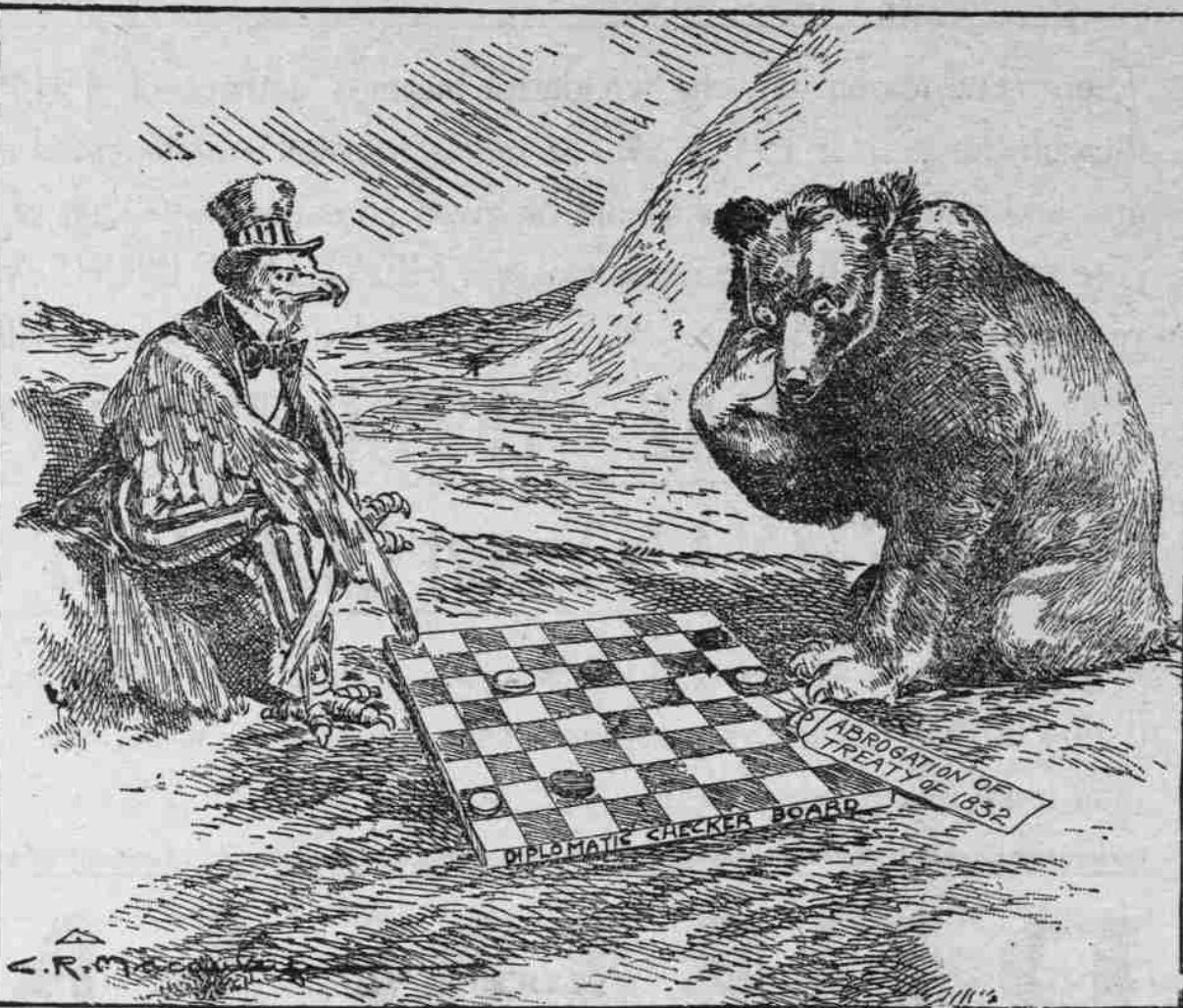
The committees were as follows: Reception, Gustave Schroeder, F. Busch, E. Mueller, D. M. Kiessner, R. Sells; door, C. Hartman, Peter Winkel and William Schwartz; floor, Peter Kloostera, William Kruger, C. Hartman and H. W. Strebler. The costumes were unique, and the ball was called the most successful ever given by the society.

## Public Demonstration

of the Vacuum Clothes Washer every day at 2:30 except Sunday. Wednesday and Saturday evenings at 7:30 o'clock. 401 Main street.

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## YOUR MOVE, MR. BEAR.



## BILLIARD PLAYERS GIFTED SAYS EXPERT

CLEVELAND, O., Jan. 13.—Billiards is one game that stands still. Lew Shaw, the world's champion twenty-five years ago and for over twenty years a fancy billiard shot, says the only new thing in the game since he started is a new name once in a while.

Shaw is in Cleveland this week for the fiftieth time. He is headed across the country for the fiftieth time. He's been traveling ever since he learned to handle a cue.

"Jake Schaefer was a greater billiard player than Willie Hoppe and so was Frank Ives," said Shaw. "Hoppe defeated Schaefer when the latter was an old man. Billiard players are scarce only a short time. They are at top form a year or two and then go back."

"It would be a lot harder to find a billiard champion than a 'white hope.' Only one man in a million ever becomes a good billiard shot. A champion can be taught. Billiard players are gifted and those who do not handle a cue naturally will not become good players no matter how much they practice."

Shaw won the championship twenty-five years ago by defeating Jake Schaefer. They played in the White House before President Arthur. Shaw won 500 to 457. Then he began to tour the country as an exhibition player.

## FIREMEN TO GIVE BIG CHICKEN DINNER

The men of Cataract Hose Company No. 2 are objects of suspicion to every good looking chicken in Clackamas county these days. In fact there's likely to be some strong cackling at Lazelle's Poultry Show in the armory a few days later for several hungry looking men have been seen poking round the local chicken coops, and more than one rooster seems destined to lose several members of its family in the very near future.

To judge by the preparations the company is making, every man attending the chicken dinner Monday, January 22, is more of a stoker than he is a fireman. He will sure have to stoke some to get away with the oodles and oodles of chicken that's bound to find its way to his plate. And all for four bits? Of course the chickens are at some about it all! Who wouldn't be? But the chickens will get it in the neck just the same—they always do.

Outside the four-bit proposition there's only one thing to do, and that is to notify the company at least four days before that you intend to be present. During dinner the Cataract Quartet will sing "I love you chicken, but oh! you refreshments." The song will be illustrated by the real thing. And then some. After dinner there will be some happenings worth talking about for the company has arranged for a dandy time. Also for refreshments. More good time. More refreshments.

If you're a fireman and want to get next, give four days' notice and your little old four-bits and you're on.

## 'I'M SURE I'M SANE' SAYS HARRY K. THAW

NEW YORK, Jan. 13.—In an interview published here today, Harry K. Thaw, for whose release his mother and counsel are said to be making one more effort with hope of success, is quoted at length in emphatic defense of his sanity.

"I wouldn't harm Dr. Flint or anyone else if set free," the slayer of Stanford White is said to have exclaimed in reference to the state alienist, who is opposed to Thaw's release. Thaw says that he expects his counsel will soon bring the case before a "fair-minded" jury.

## JOSEPH A. TAGGART.

New Representative From Second Kansas District.



## MRS. GRACE J. FRENCH DIES AT THE DALLES

Mrs. Grace J. French, who died at The Dalles, January 8, at the age of thirty-three years, was the second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Graves, of Oregon City. Mrs. French was born near Silverton, January 29, 1879. She moved with her parents while in infancy to this city in 1890, where she lived until her marriage to E. W. French, of The Dalles, in 1904. She leaves a husband and four little children, the children being George, age seven years; Vera, five years; Erma, four years, and Fay, two years.

Mrs. French was a member of the Methodist church at The Dalles, where she was loved and highly respected by all who know her. She was kind and patient in her last illness.

Besides her father and mother, of this city, she leaves five sisters, Mrs. Wesley Howard, of Oregon City; Mrs. C. L. Jackson, of Soldier, Idaho; Miss Graves, of Kelso, Wash.; Mrs. Charles Gates, of Oregon City; Crystal Graves, three brothers, Ermer, Jack and Ellis Graves, all of this city.

## RETAINING WALL OF CHURCH IS MENACED

The recent snow and the heavy rain fall caused a caving on the property owned by the St. Paul's Episcopal church fronting the Willamette River. Tons of earth fell against the wall that is under construction by Harry Jones for the new Episcopal church. It is not thought that the wall was damaged but will take some time to get the earth out. The damage will amount to \$500, and the church will suffer the loss. As soon as the weather is favorable the task of hauling the earth from the hole will be commenced.

The cement wall recently constructed by the city near the suspension bridge between Sixth and Seventh streets has also been greatly damaged. To keep the wall from falling over braces have been used.

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## EVANGELIST HOLDS AUDIENCE SPELLBOUND

The largest crowd last week to hear Evangelist J. Bruce Evans, assembled Saturday night at the Baptist church. Everybody had noticed the signs "Some Doing" on the advertising cards. Certainly no one who attended was disappointed. Mr. Evans lives up to his motto. The evangelist believes in calling a spade not an agricultural implement. Mr. Evans often races across the platform, running his hands through his hair illustrating a point. Saturday night he had his audience laughing and weeping at his will. A large choir is assisting in making the meetings attractive. Mr. Evans uses one of his own hymns as a specialty nightly—having the women whistle and the men sing.

## HIGH SCHOOL JUNIORS HAVE ENTERTAINMENT

The Junior Class of the Oregon City High School entertained Friday evening in the Masonic Hall. The Juniors were the first class to entertain this year.

The hall was prettily decorated with purple and gold streamers, the class colors, pennants and greens. Games were played and an imitation track meet was held, in which the insane Asylum came out a winner. The Bolton High School won the booby trophy—a large cabbage. Refreshments were served in the Live Wire banquet hall, after which toasts were responded to by the following members of the faculty:

Professor Toozee, Mr. Anker, Mr. Forbes, Mr. Pflugstein, Mrs. Cartledge, Miss Porter, Miss Kuns, and Miss Todd and Edith Aldredge, president of the Athletic Association, John Dambach, president of the Junior Class, Gilbert Morris, president of the Senior Class, Kent Wilson, president of the Sophomore Class, Harold Swafford, Evelyn Harding, Leonard Williams, Shelby Shaver, Mary Barbur and Miss Schmidli.

The young people were chaperoned by the faculty.

## OFFICERS INSTALLED BY REBEKAH LODGE

Willamette Rebekah Lodge held its installation of officers at the I. O. O. F. Hall Friday evening, when there was a large attendance. Mrs. Viola Godfrey who is principal in the North School of Corvallis, was in attendance, having come here so as to obtain the honor of past noble grand. Much of the routine business had to be postponed to the next meeting, owing to the lateness of the hour after the installation had been completed. The remainder of the evening following installation of officers was devoted to a social time when a luncheon was served.

Present were Miss Ada Bedwell, district deputy president, assisted by Mrs. S. S. Walker, Mrs. J. J. Cooke, Mrs. May Fairclough, Mrs. Flora Morris, Mrs. F. A. Miles, Mrs. Minnie Stevens, Mrs. Grace Noble, Mrs. S. F. Scripture, Mrs. Martha Hunter, installed the officers, who are as follows: Elective officers: Noble Grand, Miss Myra Osborne; vice-grand, Miss Gertrude Fairclough; recording secretary, Mrs. Jeanette Scott; financial secretary Mrs. J. L. Waldron; treasurer, Mrs. Lizzie Finnegan.

CARD OF THANKS.  
 We wish to extend our sincere thanks to the many friends and neighbors, who so kindly assisted us during our recent bereavement, and for the beautiful floral offerings, also to those who sang at the funeral services.

J. W. M'DUFFIE,  
 MRS. W. L. YALE,  
 J. B. CARTER,  
 MRS. A. CONLON.

## MILLS SHUT DOWN BECAUSE OF FLOOD

PLANTS WILL BE CLOSED DAY OR TWO UNTIL WATER RECEDES.

### WILD REPORT OF BIG DAM BURSTING

Rainfall Of Half An Inch And Snow Melting Have Caused River To Rise Rapidly.

The Willamette Pulp & Paper Company's mill, The Hawley Paper mill, The Crown-Columbia Pulp & Paper Company mill and probably the Oregon City Woolen mills will be closed Monday because of the high water. The river is on a rampage and the mills may be closed two or three days.

At Eugene Saturday night the river was 15.6 feet and falling. At Salem it was 15.6 feet with a rainfall of .03. A report Saturday that a big dam near Salem had broken caused uneasiness here. There is no big dam in the upper river, however, and persons familiar with conditions were not alarmed.

Rainfall averaging half an inch in the Willamette valley during the past thirty-six hours together with the mild temperature which has melted the snows in the higher places tributary to the Willamette, have caused the river to rise very rapidly, according to District Forecaster E. A. Beals, of Portland. He issued a special flood warning Saturday to all interests along the river.

"The Willamette river at Portland will rise rapidly for the next three days" says Mr. Beals, "reaching a stage of 14.5 feet Sunday 17 feet Monday, and between 18 and 19 feet Tuesday."

A special report from Jefferson, on the Santiam, which empties into the Willamette between Albany and Salem, gave a stage of 15.3 feet which is a rise of four feet in the last 16 hours. River readings at important stations on the Willamette river were as follows:

Eugene—Flood stage, 10; height in feet, 15.6; change in last 24 hours, rise of 8.7; rainfall in last 24 hours, .45.  
 Harrisburg—Flood stage, 16; height in feet, 12.1; change in last 24 hours, rise of 6.1; rainfall in last 24 hours, 1.10.

Albany—Flood stage, 20; height in feet, 15.8; change in last 24 hours, rise of 3.2; rainfall in last 24 hours, .84.  
 Salem—Flood stage, 30; height in feet, 19.8; change in last 24 hours, rise of 4.8; rainfall in last 24 hours, .09.

Wilsonville—Flood stage, 37; height in feet, 22.4; change in last 24 hours, rise of 1.6; rainfall in last 25 hours, .02.

Portland—Flood stage 15; height in feet, 11.8; change in last 24 hours, rise of 2.8; rainfall in last 24 hours, .37.

The first docks in Portland to be affected by the freshet will be the Ash street dock and the Alaska dock. The other docks which are higher are making preparations to get their freight off and those where it has not already been done can do so at a moment's notice.

The last winter freshet here was January 20, 1911. The last one of any consequence was on March 5, 1910, with a stage of 19.6 feet at Portland.

## MOTT CASE HEARD.

Judge Beattie Saturday took under advisement the controversy over the estate of D. E. Mott who died in June, 1911, leaving an estate valued at \$5,000. Prior to his death he appointed Frank Mott agent to look after his affairs. Mr. Mott is said to have left the bulk of his money to his agent. This Frank Mott denied. Gordon E. Hayes appeared for the heirs.

## Couple Get License. A marriage license was issued Saturday to Tillie Schnell and Leo James Kearns.

## PROGRESS EDITION RAPIDLY GOING

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## CHICAGO HAS ZERO WEATHER 9 DAYS

COAL FAMINE THREATENS AND FUNDS OF CHARITY HAVE BEEN SPENT.

### TRAINS UNABLE TO LEAVE STATION

Suffering In Every Part Of City Intense And Every Effort Is Being Made To Aid Unfortunate.

CHICAGO, Jan. 13.—Chicago is suffering today from its ninth consecutive day of zero weather. Although there have been intervals at a few hours when the mercury climbed above this mark each day at some time zero has been reached and passed, establishing a record for more than twenty years.

At midnight last night the government thermometers showed zero was registered, and at 6 o'clock this morning this mark still stood.

Through the night a fine snow fell, driven by a bitter northwest wind. No relief was held out for the day, the prediction being that the temperature might fall to ten or twelve below.

Each day brings stories of suffering in every part of the city. The funds of charitable organizations have been practically exhausted, and the county is finding it difficult to supply the wants of the poor.

Mayor Harrison said today he would issue an appeal for funds for the aid of the city's poor.

Chicago is on the verge of a coal famine. Dealers said today that if the present cold weather lasts four more days the surplus will be exhausted. Prices in four days have advanced on various grades from 10 cents to \$1 a ton.

Nearly all trains heading the fuel for their own use, have been able to deliver one-fifth as fast as Chicago is burning it. A snow storm which prevailed last night and today has seriously retarded traffic on steam railroads and street railroads.

Nearly all trains have arrived late during the last twenty-four hours and in many cases they have been unable to leave the stations in this city until hours after schedule time.

With the lowest temperatures of the season prevailing in the upper Mississippi Valley states, the plains states and the West Gulf states, zero weather extending as far south as Arkansas and Northern Texas, and the temperature below freezing on the Texas coast, the Weather Bureau at Washington today gave notice that a very cold wave would overspread the Southwestern states during the next thirty-six to forty-eight hours.

Snow was falling today in practically all districts east of the Rocky Mountains except in the Southeastern states, where there was rain. In the Far West there was a storm of considerable intensity over British Columbia causing rain in the Pacific states and snows in the North Rocky Mountain regions.

## ALLEGED BOY STABBER MUST REPORT WEEKLY

Anton Zuletet, ten years of age, was given a hearing in Judge Beattie's Court Saturday on a charge of trying to stab Elmer Rowan, eleven years of age. The boys quarreled in front of the Barclay schoolhouse and Zuletet went to his home and obtained a butcher knife. He tried to stab the Rowan boy in the face. Judge Beattie continued the case indefinitely and instructed the defendant to report to Policeman Frost once a week.

## To People in the Suburbs and rural districts of Oregon City

Whether you ever cared for high-grade motion pictures or not, THE GRAND, having won the confidence of the people in the city, is out after your patronage because it knows that the public is just beginning to realize the possibilities of motion pictures, and it knows that the class of pictures projected on its screen are of the very highest type. It feels satisfied that you can be pleased and will be pleased if you can spare the time any day to witness one program.

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## STREET WORK IS URGED BY MAYOR

DIMICK SUGGESTS THAT MOLLALA AVENUE BE IMPROVED AT ONCE.

### PERTINENT QUESTIONS ARE ASKED

City's Executive Says Council Is Not With Him, But Urges Harmonious Action In Future.

Mayor Dimick issued the following statement Saturday night:

"I sincerely hope we will get some good results in Oregon City this year, as the future welfare of the city demands better roads and better streets. I would be greatly disappointed if Mollala avenue was neglected for another year, a fully 70 per cent of the city's outside business comes in over that important street. We have other important roads and streets leading into the city that should not be neglected.

"The Council don't seem to be very harmonious, but that don't bother me in the least. They seem to think they should do that which the city charter plainly says I shall do and at the last Council meeting they had Councilman Meyer cocked and primed with written instructions, and when he failed to remember his instructions, he seemed to get me up and read from his manuscript.

"In one of my former letters I asked the following questions and I still insist upon an explanation to each of them, as it is important to every taxpayer in this city:

"First—What good can be accomplished by building a concrete retaining wall between Tenth and Eleventh streets on Monroe the estimated cost of which is approximately \$2,900, in order to save a portion of a lot in a canyon owned by D. C. Latourette, upon which the Eleventh street assessment has not and probably will never be paid, as the lot could not be sold for \$100?

"Second—In Washington street, between Fourteenth and Seventeenth can be filled and the cost of the improvements to the abutting property when no member of the Oregon City Council owns any abutting property thereon, why then do they fill in Main street with gravel and other material and ballast up the street railway's company's tracks and tax none of the improvements to the abutting property and pay \$5,000 therefor when the whole sum comes out of the City Treasurer?

"Third—Why should the city pay \$2,000 on the Abernethy Bridge when the railway company had to erect a bridge in order to keep their cars out of the creek and could have been induced to build the bridge themselves as they are using that part of Main street as a switching yard?

"Fourth—In improving Center street from the north line of Seventh to the north line of Ninth street, when one contractor was paid approximately \$2,500 and the other contractor's bid was approximately \$4,400, and after the lowest bidder received the contract, then pay the contractor more than \$7,000, then I ask the reason therefor.

"Fifth—The Jefferson street contract was let for approximately \$20,000 and the records show that the contractor received \$26,000. I wish to ask why some of these final payments do not fall near the contract price.

I wish to be informed why it was that when a member of the City Council was accused by the Engineer with trying to get on the pay-roll of the city and have the warrants drawn for his salary under an assumed name or by some other hocus pocus, so that the taxpayers would not know he was receiving money that the Mayor and Mr. Holman and a few other of the councilmen did not have the matter investigated in order to show the public.

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