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TAFT CONFIDENT OF HIS ELECTION

PRESIDENT DECLARES THAT STRENGTH OF DEMOCRATS IS WANING

REPUBLICAN PARTY IS DOMINANT

Combined Efforts of Wilson and "Third Termers" Not Sufficient to Defeat Organization Lincoln Served

NEW YORK, Sept. 24.—President Taft, in a prepared interview issued tonight, declared that his recent claims of strength were entitled to respect. He repeated that he believed he would be elected, and gave his reasons for denying that he had been over sanguine.

He analyzed the political situation as he saw it, maintaining that the regular Republicans would carry the solid East and hold enough of the Central and Western states to win.

The President made these statements at the home of his brother, Henry W. Taft, where he went on his arrival from Washington late today and received several friends and political associates.

"When I declared a few weeks ago," says the President, "that I felt reasonably sure of my own re-election in November and of the success of the Republican party, I was regarded by some as entirely over sanguine and unaware of the situation. Today, however, after a number of indications that the Republican party is still the dominant party and that the expected growth of Democratic strength has failed to materialize my original declaration is shown to be entitled to respect.

"The Republicans necessarily will have a reduced majority over 1908, because of the presence of three tickets in the field, but the Democratic party will suffer also. The combined strength of the third-term party will not be enough to change the ultimate results."

JUDGE G. E. HAYES' SISTER IS DEAD

Mrs. Permelia A. Millem, wife of C. Millem, of Mount Tabor, and sister of Judge Gordon E. Hayes, of this city, died at Sellwood Hospital at 10:30 o'clock Tuesday morning, having been ill three months. Through all her suffering Mrs. Millem displayed rare courage and quietly waited for the end. She was a lovable character and her many friends in Clackamas County, where she was born and reared, are bereaved. After living in this county thirty years she moved to Mount Tabor where she has since resided. Mrs. Millem was born seven miles west of Oregon City in 1854. She was a representative of one of the honored pioneer families, her father, Captain H. E. Hayes, and her mother, Mrs. Sarah L. Hayes, a noted writer and one of the best known women in the state, having located in this county in 1849. Mrs. Millem's parents were New Englanders, both having been born in Hartford, Conn. Her mother died in Salem in 1896.

Mrs. Millem is survived by her father, who lives in Portland; a brother, Gordon E. Hayes, of this city; a sister, Mrs. Fannie L. Shipley, of Portland and a son, Elmer Millem, of Mount Tabor.

The funeral services will be conducted Thursday morning at the home in Mount Tabor, and the interment will be in the cemetery at Stafford, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

WILSON'S MAN IS LEADING FOR SENATOR

NEWARK, N. Y., Sept. 24.—Returns from 42 out of the 179 election districts in the state in today's primaries for the Democratic nomination for United States Senator give Hughes 107, Smith 587, McDermott 35 and Wescott 14.

Hughes is the man whom Governor Wilson favored and Smith is the former Newark "boss" against whom the Governor waged a vigorous campaign, resulting in his defeat for the Senate when he was candidate in 1911.

MRS. RITENOUR SUES FOR DIVORCE DECREE

Alleging cruel treatment, Mamie J. Frey Tuesday filed suit for divorce against E. W. Frey. They were married May 26, 1907, at North Yakima, Wash. The plaintiff alleges that her husband while intoxicated, choked her, and that he frequently associated with other women. She says he abandoned her August 19, 1912. Matilda Ritenour, through her attorney, Gilbert L. Hedges, filed suit for a divorce against Frank Ritenour. They were married in Oregon City June 27, 1910. The plaintiff says her husband has not supported her, and that in order to live she has been compelled to borrow money from neighbors. She asks the custody of their child.

DR. FORD OUTLINES PLANS FOR YEAR

CONFERENCE SENDS CLERGYMAN BACK TO OREGON CITY CHURCH

WILL NOT "ENGAGE IN POLITICS"

High Tribute Is Paid to Municipality and its People—Great Work Is Being Planned By Minister

Dr. T. B. Ford, who was assigned at the Ashland Conference to the pastorate of the First Methodist church of this city made the following statement Tuesday evening to a reporter for the Morning Enterprise:

"I have just returned from Ashland where the session of the Oregon Conference was held. It was one of the greatest sessions we ever had. The spirit was splendid. The administration of Bishop R. J. Cooke, the new resident Bishop of the Northwest, with his residence in Portland, gave great satisfaction. His addresses before the conference, and to the Laymen's Association were of a high order. His sermon Sunday in the Chautauqua tabernacle was one of the greatest sermons the conference has ever heard. It ranked with the sermons of Bishops Foster and Fowler, and made a profound impression upon preachers and people.

"I have returned to the First church of Oregon City. I count it no mean honor to be pastor of such a church in such a city, with its historical setting, outreaching relations and opportunities.

"I have great respect for the past. I believe in the living, throbbing present. I look into the future, and know that both we that labor, and the institutions we are building will live in the tomorrow according as we build today.

"I am not a stranger in Oregon City. I have some knowledge of conditions here, and a deep sense of responsibility in the business I am engaged in. I take up the work of a Christian citizen, pastor and minister with hopefulness. I have some political opinions, some profound convictions as to the state of our country and political policies, and my party



Dr. T. B. Ford, who has been re-assigned to the pastorate of the First Methodist church in this city.

affiliations, and my preferences for candidates for office, and shall endeavor to exercise my rights and to perform my duties for the public good, but I am not here to engage in politics, nor in partizan discussions, not to be a party to personal struggles for office. I honor the great men who are the standard bearers of the political parties, and am delighted with the abilities of men who appear in their behalf, and am glad to commend any man who makes a strong plea for the man in whom he believes.

"It is my purpose in the future as in the past, here as elsewhere, to keep in touch with men, enterprises and movements, not as a mediator in other men's matters) but as one who desires to know in order to do, and in all things be helpful to all men regardless of their political faith and efforts. It is my business and purpose to be the pastor of my church, to live in the spirit of catholicity fraternal relations with other pastors and churches, to promote good will among all the people, and to be the friend and not the foe of any man.

"I want to see our city prosper in business, in education, socially, morally, and in the Christianity of Christ.

"My plans for my own church are large, and I shall try to execute them with the co-operation of my people, and our friends that these plans reach beyond the boundaries of my own local church. They embrace the best things for the people. I expect to witness great things for the kingdom of this world and of the next. I love all men. I hate all sin. I honor manliness. I despise meanness. I would help all men. I would do good through all evil. In these things I know I have the good will of all people who want to see our city come to its own in all that pertains to our welfare. I am to put my little all into the business of the King and his kingdom.

"I am glad to be back in Oregon City, and here goes for a great year."

IF IT'S TO BE LIKE ANY OTHER LAUNDRY—WELL!



Uncle Sam has decided that paper money needs washing, and so he is going to establish a laundry in the Boston sub-treasury, where 30,000 bills can be washed daily.



Albert J. Beveridge, temporary chairman of the National Progressive Convention and a Roosevelt aid.

FIGHT ON SINGLE TAX STARTS HERE

T. S. ALEXANDER ARRANGES FOR CHARLES H. SHIELDS TO SPEAK

GEORGE THEORY TO BE DISCUSSED

Representative of League Declares Plan, if Adopted, Will Mean Confiscation of Land

Blazing the way for Charles H. Shields, Secretary of the Oregon Equal Taxation League, T. S. Alexander, a well known business man of Portland, arrived here Tuesday.

Mr. Alexander has stolen away from his business interests in Portland to make arrangements for a speaking tour in eastern Oregon for Mr. Shields, who is expected to hold a meeting here on Monday evening, October 7, in Willamette Hall. Mayor Dimick will introduce him.

"I represent," said Mr. Alexander, "an organization of at least 20,000



Cermi A. Thompson, the president's new secretary, succeeding Charles D. Hillis.

MISS LOUISE HOLMES ELECTED LIBRARIAN

Miss Louise Holmes of Portland, was named librarian at a meeting of the directors of the Oregon City Library Tuesday afternoon. Miss Holmes, who succeeds Miss Lenora Stinebaugh, is a graduate of Knox College and the Wisconsin Library School. She has been a member of the Portland Library staff for the past two years and has been highly recommended by the Chief Librarian, Miss Isom. She will take charge of the library early in October. Miss Stinebaugh resigned on account of ill health and will go to Nebraska to recuperate. Work on the Carnegie library, which will be erected in Seventh Street Park, will be started in a few days.



T. S. Alexander, Representative of the Oregon Equal Taxation League, who is here fighting single tax.

REBELS THREATEN AMERICAN TOWN

WASHINGTON, Sept. 24.—General Steever notified the War Department today that the American side of the border was threatened by an attack of the rebels of Boguillas, Mexico. The town has been sacked. General Steever has directed Major Cameron to prevent depredations in the Big Bend district.

General Pascual Orozco continues to elude his pursuers and is reported to be in the vicinity of General Trevina's ranch, 110 miles southwest of Del Rio, with 1000 men. It is thought he may be advancing on Piedras Negras.

General Steever reports he now has a continuous patrol from the south corner of New Mexico to a point 30 miles below Ojinaga, and has other troops at Del Rio and Eagle Pass.

HORSE FATALLY HURT IN FALL FROM STREET

A horse belonging to Earl Alphin, the contractor, was fatally injured in a peculiar manner Tuesday afternoon. A man employed by the contractor was driving a team at the edge of an embankment at Twelfth and John Quincy Adams streets where grading is being done when one of the horses fell over the embankment, its back being broken. Another horse was slightly injured. Dr. Eddy, the veterinary surgeon was called and shot the animal that was badly injured. The horse fell about fourteen feet. It was a valuable animal.

WOMAN SENT TO ASYLUM

Barbara Bruce, of Mount Pleasant, was declared to be of unsound mind by County Judge Beatie Tuesday. She was taken to the asylum at Salem. Dr. J. W. Norris was the examining physician. Mrs. Bruce is twenty-two years old.

If you saw it in the Enterprise it's so.

LARGE CROWD HEARS SINGLE TAX SPEAKERS

Single Taxers with oratory, figures arguments and a little invective invaded Oregon City Tuesday evening. H. D. Wagnan and F. E. Coulter, of Portland, were the speakers and J. W. Bengough was the cartoonist. The trio came to Oregon City by trolley car and after arriving here hired an automobile from which they spoke to a large crowd at Seventh and Main Streets. While Messrs. Wagnan and Coulter were making speeches Mr. Bengough drew illustrations with chalk. The speakers used the arguments as given in Mr. George's "Progress and Poverty" and which have been elucidated in Philadelphia by Joseph Fels and in Clackamas County and other places by W. S. U'Ren. They were listened to attentively and part of the crowd was in accord with their political views. No embarrassing questions were asked, and oratory and argument flowed as freely as a mountain stream. It is doubtful however, if any converts were made. The speakers and cartoonist will tour the towns and cities of the valley, going probably as far as Albany.

ELSIE NEUMANN AND HARRY GLIESING WED

Miss Elsie Neumann, formerly of this city, but recently of Portland, and Harry Gliesing, of this city, were married Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, Justice of the Peace Samson officiating.

The bride is the daughter of the late William Neumann, and lived in this city most of her life. The bridegroom came to this city five years ago from Portland and is the son of Harry Gliesing, of Portland, and Mrs. A. J. Lane, of Portland. Mr. and Mrs. Gliesing will make their home in this city, where the former is employed.

TRAMP WEASEL GIVEN HOME IN BIG STORE

A weasel made its appearance in the hardware store of Wilson & Cooke Tuesday morning. It was captured by Mr. Wilson and placed in a cage. A few days before a large lizard was found in the store. The weasel, when placed in the window, attracted a large crowd. Several persons saw the animal when it entered the store. It is probable that it became bewildered on the main thoroughfare, and finding the door of the hardware store open, sought safety there.

COUNTY DIVISION MEN ACCUSED

PAMPHLET IS ALLEGED TO BE VIOLATION OF CORRUPT PRACTICE ACT

LIVE WIRES TO MAKE INVESTIGATION

O. D. Eby and W. A. Shewman Declare that County Fair will be Best One Ever Held in County

Announcement was made at a luncheon of the Live Wires Tuesday by M. D. Latourette, Main Trunk Line, that a pamphlet being circulated by the resident of the Eastern section seeking the creation of Cascade County was a violation of the corrupt practice act. It was declared that the pamphlet did not give the name of author or the place it was published, as provided in the act. William Hammond, of Cross & Hammond, was appointed a committee of one to make an investigation. The proposed division of Clackamas County will be voted upon at the coming state election. It is opposed by residents of all sections, except the eastern, and many of the voters in that section of the county are reported as being against the measure.

O. D. Eby, Secretary of the Clackamas Fair Association, said the fair which would start at Canby today would be the most successful ever conducted by the Association. He told what had been done and described various exhibits. W. A. Shewman, editor of the Western Stock Journal, declared the live stock exhibits were better than ever before.

Grant B. Dimick, Mayor of Oregon City, will have a fine exhibit of swine. Mr. Dimick has erected a building at the fair to display his hogs.

F. M. Swift, one of the promoters of the Clackamas Southern Railway, was elected a member of the Live Wires.

BEST COUNTY FAIR WILL START TODAY

BEAUTIFUL GROUNDS AT CANBY SCENE OF MUCH ACTIVITY TUESDAY

THE CAMPERS HAVE FINE LOCATION

New Electric Lighting System Big Improvement—Merchants to Compete for Commercial Prizes

Everything is in readiness for the opening of the Clackamas County Fair at Canby today, and from all indications this year's fair will be largest and best that has ever been given in the county. Teams commenced arriving on the grounds with campers Monday, the camping place in the grove near the big pavilion being most desirable. Electric lights have been installed in the grove for their convenience and also in other parts of the fair grounds as well as in the buildings. The lights were turned on in the pavilion Monday evening and were a great success.

On the grounds is a merry-go-round with an electric piano, dog and monkey show, two moving picture shows that will change pictures three times a day and various other concessions. There will be plenty of good music, the Redland band, Hubbard band, Oregon City band, Oak Grove girl's band and Canby band having been engaged. There will be music through the day and evening. Among the features of the evening at the fair will be the dancing in the pavilion when the DesLarzes orchestra of this city will furnish the music. This will take place after the contests. This will be the first time that dancing will be among the amusements at the fair.

The fair building Tuesday presented a busy scene when members of the Warner Grange and of the Harding Grange were preparing their exhibits. These organizations will strive to win the prize for the best grange exhibit. Harding grange was awarded first prize last year and Warner grange second prize. Both have a large supply of vegetables, brinns, fancy articles, etc., for the booths. Barlow, which always has an attractive display, will have another attractive display this year. Among the business houses that will compete for the commercial prize will be L. Adams Bannan & Company. The Oregon City Enterprise, which has won first prize the last two years in the commercial booth contest will not enter in the race this year, but will be represented by a booth. The Western Stock Journal, in charge of W. A. Shewman, will have headquarters in this section of the building. Clairmont will have a fine display of fruits and vegetables, and will no doubt carry off one of the prizes.

2 Couples Get Licenses

Licenses to marry were issued Tuesday to Elsie Neumann and Harry Gliesing and Effie M. Tillia and Lawrence Bud.

TAFT WANTS MONEY KEPT IN CIRCULATION

WASHINGTON, Sept. 24.—"I think all the money we have should be in circulation in a system which invites it and does not drive it into socks and safety deposit vaults," said President Taft today, in addressing the American Association of Commercial Executives in session here before he left for New York.

"One of the troubles with us, inherent in the character of our Government, is that Congress and our public men are prone to deal with those things which attract men most easily and favorably—in short, to 'headline' the attention of the general public," said the president.

"It is pretty hard to get the people to pay attention to a banking system but the problem must be solved, and it up to the business men of the country."

Mr. Taft also discussed the budget system of Government finance, which he favors, but which Congress at its last session declined to adopt.

HOMES GIVEN BETTER FIRE PROTECTION

Charles Hannaford, chief of the Oregon City Fire department, has selected the best locations for the new fire houses. The locations selected by Mr. Hannaford show that considerable judgment has been used. The new equipment that will give the maximum of service to the home people of this city. In many towns, not boasting a paid fire service, the business interests served to the frequent disadvantage of the householders more or less remote from the business center. This is not the case in Oregon City. Chief Hannaford has detailed a hose cart, fully equipped to Fifth and Washington streets, one to Fifth and South-end road, and one to Twelfth and Taylor streets. Houses have built for the equipment and absolutely new hose and nozzles have been installed.

THE BOOB

A story of a country boy and a stranded theatrical troupe.

The Missing Finger

A thrilling detective story

Old Wedding Dress

A beautiful study that strikes deep and true.

Too Much Wooing of Handsome Dan

Plenty of cowboys and cowgirls. A peach of a western comedy.

T.R. QUIETS CROWD AS STAND FALLS

TULSA, Okla., Sept. 24.—When Colonel Roosevelt reached Tulsa today he went to the platform of his car to speak, but he was told that another crowd had gathered in the public square. He shouldered his way through the throng to the grandstand. There he talked fifteen minutes and had just stepped from the structure to return to his car when the structure gave way.

A dozen men, most of them army veterans were thrown to the ground. Colonel Roosevelt ran back to give aid. He saw that no one had been seriously hurt and waved the crowd back.

"It's all right," he shouted. Colonel Roosevelt appealed to the Democrats of the south to stand with the Progressive party.

NOTE:

Friday and Saturday we will show

Rip Van Winkle

A Vitagraph feature in two reels