

OREGON PIONEERS OPEN 47TH REUNION

800 Delegates Gather in Municipal Auditorium.

HISTORIC DAYS ARE RECALLED

Survivors of Whitman Massacre Among Those Present.

BOUNTEOUS DINNER SERVED

Afternoon Programme Presided Over by Mrs. Rebecca J. Barger, Queen Mother of Oregon.

Rev. A. J. Hunsacker of Yamhill county, who came to this state in 1847, was last night elected president of the Oregon Pioneer association at its meeting in the auditorium. C. H. Canfield, 1852, of Oregon City, was made vice-president, while George H. Himes, 1853, was re-elected secretary for his 23d consecutive year. William Ladd was chosen to act as treasurer. The board of directors will include John W. Baker, 1852, of Multnomah county; Miss Ella Chamberlain, 1857, and G. D. Chittwood, 1852, of Clackamas county.

At the last bend of the river, far from the mountain sources where the stream rushed onward like an unbroken colt, the current is serene and smiling. Vistas of ocean lie beyond the bend. The course runs strong and still and sure, straight to the evening sun.

Who was it said that age is beautiful? So many sages, in so many years, have voiced that sentiment that its source is lost. It remains as the fact. And that is why, when artists turn to the wood for poses, they do not choose the sapling, dancing in the wind, but rather the rugged oak that spread its shade so long ago that even the vanished tribes remembered.

Former Times Recalled.

The 47th annual reunion of the Oregon Pioneer association met in the Portland auditorium yesterday. Throughout the day the municipal auditorium was filled with laughing folk—the kindly faced seniors of their state. In all the books that have been written of the west, and of the Oregon country in particular, not one holds so rich a trove of fact and recollected romance as that which poured onward yesterday. In the casual greetings and reminiscence of the 800 delegates.

The Whitman massacre? So long ago that was that the tale of the books seem dim and far away. Yet there were present at yesterday's reunion many who recall it well, and at least three who passed from the terror of that savage raid to captivity with the tribesmen.

The long trails of the plains, when the oxen lumbered into the perilous prairie, swollen fords where the struggling stock was swept away in the crossing, the stormy passage around Cape Horn, are realisms to most of the men and women who were Portland's honored guests at the reunion.

Reasons Being Jex.

And happiness never came in such a tide as when the comrades and playmates of those days, after scores of years, came face to face again and slipped past the barriers of time to the joyful gates of remembrance.

"Why, bless my stars, this can't be Alice."

"Oh, yes it is!"

There never was a more comprehensive survey of the reasons why pioneers delight to assemble, in the one big first family of Oregon, than that which was given by the little old lady who courtseyed right and left, with now and then the reward of an old acquaintance answering her smile.

"I allus like to come to these meetings," she explained, "cause I meet the ones I knew ever so long ago."

So long ago, indeed, that those who sought might have the privilege of doffing hat and bowing to the daughter of Joe Meek, that famous frontier character, first United States marshal of Oregon, who solved the historic riddle at Champoug on May 2, 1845, when he cast the first ballot for American civil government west of the Rocky mountains and fixed forever the status of the young commonwealth.

Pioneers See History Made.

And Joe Meek's daughter is Mrs. Olive Riley, ready for many a reunion to come, her 77 years veying her not at all. Of all Oregon's residents none is more closely identified with the first chapter of the state than is the pioneer woman whose volatile and eccentric father, a character of note in the days when characters were many and soon forgotten, crossed the plains in 1829 to play his role in the winning of the Oregon country.

First among the pioneers present, in point of residence, were two who were born in the new land—white children who came with the stock to play-grounds where the papoose had been the dusky little sovereign since the time of the sabertooth.

They were Mrs. Jacob Kamm of Portland, born at the Spaulding mission, near Lewiston, in 1816, and Cyrus H. Walker of Albany, born at the Whitman mission in 1828.

Whitman Massacre Remembered.

One cannot hear the warwhoop in the movies, and if you could it wouldn't bring the pallor of terror. And

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OREGON OPENS FIGHT FOR EQUITABLE RATES

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION COMPLAINS TO WASHINGTON.

Commerce Commission Asked to Remove Advantages Given Puget Sound Over Oregon Ports.

WASHINGTON, June 19.—The public service commission of Oregon today attacked artificial advantages alleged to have been given Pacific and Puget Sound ports in the state of Washington over Portland and other Oregon cities, especially in the matter of freight to Alaska and the Columbia River basin.

The interstate commerce commission was asked in a complaint against the director-general and a number of railroads to review virtually the entire rate structure in that territory.

Presumably the plea of the Oregon public service commission is to the point brought out in the complaint filed with the interstate commerce commission in the Portland rate case, which is set for hearing before commissioners who are to come to Portland and conduct the case July 21. It is set forth in that complaint that Portland is entitled to enjoy the same rates as Seattle on Alaska trade, since Seattle has the same rates on shipments passing through Portland from points in the Columbia river basin, and also by virtue of other similar existing rates that establish such precedent depriving Portland of natural advantages.

SMALLEST FOOT IS SOUGHT

Gold Slipper Awaits Actress Who Wins in Contest.

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LONDON, June 19.—(Special Cable.)—Miss Daphne Clouston, "Toy Bells," playing at the London Hippodrome, challenges the claim of Miss Frances White, a Portland, Or., girl, who has arrived here from New York and joined the cast of "Hello, America," at the Palace theater, to her claim of possession of the smallest feet of any actress.

Miss Pollard intends to make a solemn test of her feet as against those of Miss White and settle the matter once for all—unless there are other candidates.

The argument has had amazing developments. The London Daily Mail is offering a slipper of 18-carat gold for the theatrical lady with the smallest foot. The slipper will be conveyed to various London and provincial theaters and bestowed on the actress of adult years who, like Clouston, finds the "Gold Slippers" a member of the Grosvenor and Laurillard management suggests that a French or American woman will win the golden slipper. It is remarked that Fanny Ward has a very small foot and so, too, has Gaby Deslys. The Evening News suggests a new Cinderella may be found in the Russian ballet at the Alhambra.

REFERENDUMS ARE UPHELD

Ratifying Legislative Acts on Amendments Rests With Voters.

COLUMBUS, O., June 19.—Right of Ohio voters to prove or disprove the action of the state legislature in ratifying the federal constitutional amendment was upheld today by Judge E. B. Dillon of the Franklin county common pleas court. The decision, unless reversed by higher courts, will permit a referendum to be held on both the federal prohibition and woman suffrage amendments which the legislature has ratified.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., June 19.—Referendum petitions filed with the secretary of state against the prohibition ratification resolution and the Harris enforcement act passed by the California legislature contain slightly more than 30,000 names, it was announced today. Only 24,424 names are necessary to have the referendum measure placed on the ballot at the next election.

MATLOCK ESTATE \$25,000

Daughters Get \$2000 Each, Equal Interest in Home, Widow Rest.

PENDLETON, Or., June 19.—(Special.)—Twenty-five thousand dollars is the estimate of the value of the property left by the late W. N. Matlock of this city, according to the petition for the probate of his will, filed today.

His two daughters, Hazel Privett and Lulu Estes, receive \$2000 each and an equal interest in the home property. Mrs. Matlock is to receive the remainder.

MATE ON VESSEL IS SHOT

Bullet Wounds Found on Head of Man Near Hoquiam.

HOQUIAM, Wash., June 19.—(Special.)—The first mate of the steamer Agatista, which left Hoquiam this afternoon, was found in his room in a dying condition after the vessel had proceeded 10 miles down the harbor. Bullet wounds were found on his head.

Officers tonight said the slayer was seen taking refuge in a Hoquiam saw-mill.

MAN GASSED IN WELL DIES

John Hodgins Succumbs to Fumes Generated by Dynamite Blast.

LA GRANDE, Or., June 19.—(Special.)—Gassed by fumes generated by dynamite exploded in a well, John Hodgins of Telocast died here today.

Hodgins descended into the well almost immediately after the blast, and was overcome by the fumes. Though alive when removed from the bottom of the bore, he died soon afterwards.

LABOR FROWNS ON PARTISAN POLITICS

Proposal to Form Political Party Is Rejected

NEW PROGRAMME PLANNED

"Declaration of Independence" Written for Workers.

U. S. COURTS ARE SCORED

"Powers Which Even Monarchs and Kaisers Dare Not Exercise," Said to Be Used Against People.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., June 19.—A comprehensive reconstruction programme designed "to bring to all people a brighter life, greater liberty and a larger degree of happiness," was adopted by the American Federation of Labor at today's session of its annual convention.

The suggestion that American organized labor form a political party was rejected unanimously by the convention.

Radicals and conservatives united in approving a report embodying reconstruction recommendations devised by the federation's executive council. The report tonight was termed by labor leaders "a new declaration of independence for the workers of America."

Labor Conscious of Rights.

"Developments in our social, industrial and political relations, by reason of the necessities of war, have been as varied in nature as they have been grave in character," said the report.

"One of the most pronounced and far-reaching results is the realization of workers' rights, duties and responsibilities in the structure of society, industry and government.

"Conscious, as never heretofore, of its power, labor no longer will rest content under a system which treats workers as a commodity or article of commerce. Workers have reached the status and have come to that determination which demands treatment of equality with all other men and women in modern society. They now insist on full value and full compensation for services rendered on a basis that will enable all to enjoy the higher things in life, rather than merely exist near the line beyond which we find human misery, which spells human bankruptcy."

Many Demands Made.

"The reconstruction programme in brief suggests remedies against unemployment; demands living wages; commands labor's right to fix its own working hours; demands protection of women and children in industry; favors co-operative institutions of farmers and

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DEMOCRAT AGHAST AT WILSON'S LONG STAY

PRESIDENT WARNED TO HURRY HOME AND CLEAN HOUSE.

Spread of Anarchy Laid to Official Family Blanders; Burleson Cited as Glaring Example.

WASHINGTON, June 19.—Representative Gallivan, democrat, of Massachusetts, in an attack today on the administration of Postmaster-General Burleson, declared it would be a great relief to the people of the United States if President Wilson would hurry home and clean house in his official family.

"If he will do this," Mr. Gallivan added, "it will do more than anything else to check the spread of radicalism and anarchy and make unnecessary a special appropriation of half a million dollars urged by the attorney-general to prevent crime by anarchists."

The spirit of unrest among the toilers of the country, Mr. Gallivan said, was breaking out in the most violent form of anarchy in many places. The men most directly responsible, he charged, were "the misguided officials in the city of Washington clothed with war authority which had turned their heads."

"While the president has been in Europe," he said, "some of these officials seem to have gone mad in their lust for power and have blindly blundered in the administration of their departments in such a manner as to aggravate the spirit of unrest."

Mr. Gallivan asserted that Mr. Burleson forced a strike among telegraph operators and then "got from under" by turning the operation back to private hands, and destroyed all hope of government ownership of public utilities.

CAR OF WHEAT TAKES FIRE

Fear Felt That \$20,000 Load of Grain Is Ruined.

HOOD RIVER, Or., June 19.—(Special.)—The crew of an O.-W. R. & N. freight train, "outbound" between Mosier and this city last night, discovered a carload of wheat ablaze. On reaching here the volunteer fire department was called, but when the local fire fighters reached the scene the train had been split and the car backed under a water tank and drenched.

The extent of the damage was not determined but it is feared that the load of approximately 10,000 bushels, valued at more than \$20,000, was ruined by smoke.

PLUMB PLAN IS FAVORED

Joint Operation of Railroads Held Solution of Problem.

DENVER, June 19.—Governor Henry J. Allen of Kansas, today told the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers at their triennial convention here, that if government ownership of railroads should be rejected, the Plumb plan for joint operation of roads by employes and railroad officials would be the fairest solution of the railway problem as far as the general public is concerned.

Touching on bolshevism and industrial unrest, the governor told the delegates bolshevism was not to be feared in the United States.

HUNS WILL SUBMIT, IS WEIMAR REPORT

Germans Are Expected to Sign Peace Pact.

MORE TIME MAY BE ASKED

Change in Personnel of Delegation Also Possible.

FOCH READY TO ADVANCE

Solid Front From Rhine to Danube Forming to Meet Any Possible Contingency.

PARIS, June 19.—(By the Associated Press.)—Advices received in American peace conference circles in Paris from Weimar indicate that there may be a change in the personnel of the German peace delegation and that a short extension of the time limit for signing the peace treaty may be requested by the Germans, but that the Germans will sign the treaty.

PARIS, June 19.—(Havas.)—Marshal Foch is forming one front against the Germans from the Rhine to the Danube, L'intransigent says it is informed, and will henceforth extend his command over the Czech-Slovakia, Roumanian and Polish armies.

PARIS, June 19.—The peace treaty as delivered to the German delegates June 16 with the revisions and corrections made since the original draft was formulated embodied in it, will be published tomorrow in London and Paris.

Airplane Carries Document.

An airplane left the airfield at Buc, near Paris, today, bearing 45 copies of the revised document to London.

BERLIN, June 19.—The German national assembly will make its final decision on the peace treaty Saturday, according to private advices received here from Weimar. In all probability, it is said, the assembly will decide to order that a plebiscite be taken.

BERLIN, June 19.—(By the Associated Press.)—The German peace delegation is one in backing up Count von Brockdorff-Rantzau in his opposition to signing the peace conditions, according to the correspondents of Berlin newspapers at Weimar.

A memorial prepared by the delegates demands rejection of the terms. The "hostile" tenor of the reply, it is argued in the memorial, simplifies such action and it is said, unless Count von Brockdorff-Rantzau succeeds in persuading the cabinet to his view, he and the entire delegation will withdraw and he will resign from the cabinet as foreign minister.

The correspondent of the Lokal Anzeiger.

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ORLANDO QUITS WHEN ITALY REFUSES FAITH

CABINET RESIGNS AFTER DEPUTIES VOTE NO CONFIDENCE.

Government by Big Majority Frowns on Foreign Policy of Premier. King Ponders Resignations.

ROME, June 19.—(By the Associated Press.)—The Italian government resigned this evening following an adverse vote against it in the chamber of deputies.

Premier Orlando, in announcing his resignation and that of the cabinet, said King Victor Emanuel had reserved decision as to acceptance.

The chamber of deputies had by a vote of 259 to 70 rejected Premier Orlando's motion in favor of discussing in secret session the question of confidence which related to the foreign policy of the government.

STENCH BOMB IS BLAMED

Lord Northcliffe Holds Chicago Attack Cause of Illness.

CHICAGO, June 19.—Lord Northcliffe, London publisher, blames an incident at a Chicago banquet, two years ago, for the throat affection which caused him to undergo an operation recently, James Keeley, former Chicago publisher, said today.

Viscount Northcliffe recalled a "stench bomb" had been placed in the banquet hall and noxious fumes emitted, irritating his throat. The "bomb" presumably was placed by a pro-German, Mr. Keeley said.

LONDON, June 19.—Viscount Northcliffe, who underwent an operation yesterday, was progressing satisfactorily today, according to his physicians.

CASH LEFT TO EMPLOYES

Late Michael Earles Bequeaths Large Amounts to Trained Men.

SEATTLE, Wash., June 19.—Trusted employes were well remembered in the will of the late Michael Earles, pioneer lumberman, filed for probate today and disposing of an estate estimated to be worth more than \$1,000,000. T. L. Harrington, his private secretary, and William J. Hillier, Bellingham, another employe, received \$20,000 and \$10,000 worth of stock, respectively, in the Puget Sound Saw Mills & Shingle company.

Bulk of the estate was left to Mrs. Earles and two daughters.

PORTLAND YOUTH DROWNS

Eugene Cameron Is Victim of Strange Accident.

COEUR D'ALENE, Idaho, June 19.—(Special.)—Eugene Cameron, age 19, son of Mrs. Minnie Cameron of Portland, and a pupil at the Lyon school for boys at Meia Bay, eight miles south of this city, was drowned this afternoon.

According to Dr. D. D. Drennan the boy was swimming with a number of other pupils of the school, when he was seized with an epileptic fit, falling into two feet of water. The cause of death, according to Dr. Drennan, is problematical.

FOREST SERVICE MAN SHOT

Clint Bartmes, Back From Army, Is Accidentally Killed.

LA GRANDE, June 19.—(Special.)—Clint Bartmes, 21 years old, who recently returned from army service, was found shot dead, apparently by accident, in the stable yard at the home of his father on a ranch up the Grand Ronde river.

He was employed in the forest service, and it is believed that his revolver was discharged while he was preparing his horse for the day's work.

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DEMOCRATS AGAIN ELECT DR. MORROW

Committeeman Is Picked Despite Noisy Threats.

CHAMBERLAIN IS SUPPORTED

Newton McCoy, Defeated 24 to 1, to Renew Contest.

MEETING DECLARED 'LEGAL'

Judge Crawford and Senator Garland Laud Oregon Senator for War Record.

The roasting and boosting of Senator Chamberlain; the election of Dr. J. W. Morrow national committeeman in the teeth of dire threats from Newton McCoy; efforts to placate two rival women democrats; a determination to keep campaign money in Oregon instead of sending it to the national headquarters—these and other diverting matters made a sprightly meeting of the democratic state central committee at the Portland hotel yesterday. The friends of Senator Chamberlain took every trick, but none the less, the anti-Chamberlain democrats managed to inject their propaganda via the communiqué of Mr. McCoy.

Federal Officials Attend.

Federal office holders were much in evidence at the meeting, equipped with proxies, among them being United States Marshal Alexander, Collector of Customs Moore and Comptroller Harry. Ex-Governor West had a listful of proxies, ditto State Senator Garland and Judge T. H. Crawford. Other federal officials sat around on the sidelines, interested but voiceless, possibly because of a prompting of caution.

Several ripples of discord ran over the meeting before the McCoy dynamite was set off. In a letter asserting that he is the national committeeman, legally elected by the executive committee, and offering to resign in favor of anyone but Dr. Morrow, Mr. McCoy wrote:

Mr. McCoy Promises Contest.

"If, however, the committee should go through the form of electing Dr. Morrow national committeeman, I will renew my contest for the position before the national committee. Should I fall before the national committee, I will appeal to the voters of the democratic party at the primaries next year."

"I have opposed the election of Dr. Morrow to this office because he is the candidate of Senator Chamberlain. Chamberlain and Morrow's election will be deemed by many people a rebuke to the democratic national administration. Senator Chamberlain, by his opposition to President Wilson's administration, has put himself in such a position before his own party in Oregon and in the nation at large that to support him further would, in the minds of most people, be a rebuke and condemnation of President Wilson's administration and support of Chamberlain will lessen the chances for carrying Oregon for the democratic candidate for president in 1920."

Chamberlain Is Blamed.

"These facts cannot be ignored, and Senator Chamberlain is wholly to blame for the threatened disruption of the democratic party in Oregon."

"I regret that I am compelled to take this course for I have been a personal friend and a supporter of Senator Chamberlain in all his political campaigns for more than 20 years."

A dramatic pause came, and then: "That shouldn't be read into the minutes of any democratic meeting in the state," shouted a listener.

And it was a mere part of the minutes. Senator Garland moved that it be accepted as an ex parte, individual and personal statement of Mr. McCoy, and as such filed with the records. Marshal Alexander demanded that it be made no part of the minutes.

Judge Crawford Disclaims Discord.

Grown gray in the service of the party, Judge Crawford claimed recognition and got it. He said he has been displeased with some of the things Mr. Chamberlain has done, and at the same time some of the persons the Senator criticized, but the judge avowed his admiration for the courage of any man, democrat or republican, who will oppose what he thinks is wrong.

"That letter," continued Judge Crawford, "makes it appear that the administration and Chamberlain are at odds. Mr. McCoy is mistaken. Mr. McCoy and I talked for 15 minutes at Baker, and he had nothing on earth but good words for Chamberlain. He asked me how Chamberlain stands in the state and his chances for re-election, and said: 'I hope he'll be elected. He's a good man, and while he and the present have had some disagreements, he's doing good work for Oregon.'"

Criticism Held Beneficial.

"Chamberlain's criticism of several departments did an immense amount of good and helped the boys at the front. If Dr. Morrow is elected, he will be national committeeman for the party and not for a faction. I wanted to get this off my mind."

Chairman Starkweather also disagreed with Mr. McCoy, whom he voted for in the executive committee for national committeeman, May 25, "McCoy," said the chairman, "would make this a straight fight of Chamberlain and anti-Chamberlain. I don't think this

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