

ENTHUSIASM FOR A SHIP SUBSIDY

Meeting of the Friends of a Strong Merchant Marine Is Held.

MANY SPEAK IN FAVOR

Assistant Secretary Newberry Makes Principal Address, Pointing Out the Need and Using Present Cruise of Fleet as Lesson.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 21.—United States Senators, high Government officers, and representatives of many business interests gathered here today in the interest of the ship subsidy.

The convention was, in a degree, the beginning of a campaign of education, but the greatest efforts of the league will be directed against Congress this winter in the interest of the United States mail subsidy for ocean steamships.

Ex-Governor Herrick presided and Truman H. Newberry, Assistant Secretary of the Navy, spoke in favor of subsidy.

Referring to a report of Admiral Dewey in 1895 that on the basis of strength of 25 battleships, the Navy would require from the merchant marine in a serious war, approximately 100 vessels and many tugs.

Fleet's Cruise Shows Need of Ships. The present cruise of the United States battleship fleet, the speaker said, is giving a sharp and unwelcome proof on this point.

"Never," said Mr. Newberry, "has the need of American merchant marine been so real. The deficiency in its relation to the Navy cannot long continue without inviting calamity.

"People Do Not Understand Question" William S. Green, of Massachusetts, chairman of the merchant marine committee in the House of Representatives, said.

"There is a great sentiment against ship subsidy in the Central Western states, simply because the people of that district do not understand the question. This must be a lack of education.

"Others Speak in Favor." Congressman Green said he was going to exert his every effort to have his committee in Congress report favorably upon the subsidy.

"We have wasted our opportunities," he said, "and have wasted our time in talking about trade following the flag. Japan has taught us a valuable lesson.

"We are willing to subsidize our rivers and harbors and our railways, but not our merchant marine upon the high seas. I do not believe the people of this country are content to spend \$100,000,000 a year in the building of a great navy without providing for an auxiliary fleet.

"It is my hope that when the great Panama Canal is completed, the first vessel to pass through will be a National ship built in our own shipyards and bearing the name of M. A. Hanna, and I would like to see Theodore Roosevelt standing on the deck under the Stars and Stripes when the boat makes the trip through the canal which will unite our two oceans."

DRAINING OF TULE LAKE IS UNIQUE

Underground Channel Formed by Nature Widened With Little Labor.

LOCALITY IS HISTORIC

Many Events Connected With This Region—Thought That This New Outlet Can Be Used Permanently for a Drainage.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., Dec. 21.—(Special.)—Tule Lake is rapidly being lowered by the flow of water through the underground opening near Scorpion Point, discovered a few weeks ago.

"It is not due to over-speculation or inflated prices, for there has not been any extravagance in either respect; it is not due to a conspiracy of rich men to bankrupt themselves and the whole country for political purposes.

Senator Foraker paid a strong compliment to the late Senator Hanna and in closing said: "I continue to believe that the surest and best way to restore our merchant marine is by a return to discriminating duties, and I continue to believe that when we shall have done this our flag soon will be flying over all the oceans."

BIG FIRE IN BALTIMORE

Millinery, Clothing and Furniture Stores Burn. BALTIMORE, Dec. 21.—A fire of threatening proportions broke out about 2:30 o'clock this morning in the five-story building at 325 West Baltimore street and was not checked until damage of nearly a quarter of a million dollars had been done.

The building was occupied by the wholesale millinery establishment of Wilensig Bros. & Co., the Baltimore Overall Company and Robinson, Van Alenstien & Co., cabinet-makers.

The damage to buildings Nos. 325 and 327, exclusive of stock, will probably amount to between \$50,000 and \$100,000.

HAT ORDERS.

Suppose you give Him an order for a stylish hat? Chester, Stetson, Denny and Knapp—Felt de Luxe, \$3 to \$1.30. Opera and silk hats, too. Hewitt, Bradley & Co., 24 Washington street.

DRAINING OF TULE LAKE IS UNIQUE

Underground Channel Formed by Nature Widened With Little Labor.

LOCALITY IS HISTORIC

Many Events Connected With This Region—Thought That This New Outlet Can Be Used Permanently for a Drainage.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., Dec. 21.—(Special.)—Tule Lake is rapidly being lowered by the flow of water through the underground opening near Scorpion Point, discovered a few weeks ago.

"It is not due to over-speculation or inflated prices, for there has not been any extravagance in either respect; it is not due to a conspiracy of rich men to bankrupt themselves and the whole country for political purposes.

Senator Foraker paid a strong compliment to the late Senator Hanna and in closing said: "I continue to believe that the surest and best way to restore our merchant marine is by a return to discriminating duties, and I continue to believe that when we shall have done this our flag soon will be flying over all the oceans."

BIG FIRE IN BALTIMORE

Millinery, Clothing and Furniture Stores Burn. BALTIMORE, Dec. 21.—A fire of threatening proportions broke out about 2:30 o'clock this morning in the five-story building at 325 West Baltimore street and was not checked until damage of nearly a quarter of a million dollars had been done.

The building was occupied by the wholesale millinery establishment of Wilensig Bros. & Co., the Baltimore Overall Company and Robinson, Van Alenstien & Co., cabinet-makers.

The damage to buildings Nos. 325 and 327, exclusive of stock, will probably amount to between \$50,000 and \$100,000.

HAT ORDERS.

Suppose you give Him an order for a stylish hat? Chester, Stetson, Denny and Knapp—Felt de Luxe, \$3 to \$1.30. Opera and silk hats, too. Hewitt, Bradley & Co., 24 Washington street.

CONTRARY TO ALL PRINCIPLES IN THE HISTORY OF RETAIL MERCHANDISING We are sacrificing every article in our entire establishment during the great holiday rush, when all other houses are demanding their full profits. These Monday quotations need no further argument.

COATS 100 long Coats in fancy mixtures, broadcloth, fitted loose and semi-fitted. Values up to \$35.00. Monday \$12.50



About 30 Suits, values up to \$27.50, mostly black. \$15.00 EVENING COATS In chiffon, broadcloth and velvet; the cream of our fine Coats. Values up to \$75.00. Monday \$32.50



FUR TIES We have selected about 50 Ties in squirrel, river mink, and French ermine; \$6.50 and \$8.50 vals. Monday \$2.50 All high-class Fur, mink, lynx, etc. HALF PRICE.

KIMONOS Long and short Silk Kimonos; values up to \$7.50. Monday \$3.95

HOSE Silk Plated Stockings 75c Values \$39 Cents



BAGS Shopping Bags; vals. up to \$3.00. \$1.25

BELTS Fancy silk and elastic Belts; values up to \$5.00. \$1.95

GLOVES Black cashmerette silk-lined Gloves; regular 75c values. \$35 Cents

Hose Supporters Liberty Supporters; 50c values. \$19 Cents

WAISTS Tailored linen Waists, \$2.75 vals. \$1.15

SUEDE GLOVES Black and White \$3.00 values, Monday only \$1.25 None fitted.

Monday After Dinner 6 to 7 P. M. Long Flannelette Kimonos, \$3.50-\$4.50 vals., 1 hour only. \$1.75

Caracal and crushed velvet Jackets, values up to \$40.00; 7 to 8 P. M. \$10.00

Holiday Extra Special 8 to 9 P. M. Umbrellas; values up to \$5.00; one hour only \$1.95

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL J. M. ACHESON CO. FIFTH AND ALDER STS.

Bad Blaze at Detroit.

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 21.—Fire early today gutted the six-story brick building at the corner of Jefferson and Woodward avenues, occupied by Edward D. George, fur dealer, and D. E. Kellogg, wholesale milliner. The total loss is estimated at about \$100,000, divided as follows: Edward D. George, \$100,000; D. E. Kellogg, \$20,000; and W. N. Carpenter Estate, owners of the building, \$30,000.

Situation Is Unique.

It is without exception the most peculiar situation that has arisen in connection with any of the Government irrigation projects, and even more interesting from an engineering standpoint than the opening of a tremendous flow of water from unknown source in the great tunnel of the Uncompaghe project in Colorado.

DEAD OF THE NORTHWEST

John S. Wade. CENTRALIA, Wash., Dec. 21.—John S. Wade, a veteran of the Civil War,

died at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. Hesford, in this city, on Friday evening, after a prolonged illness.

Mrs. Mary Allen Houston. JACKSONVILLE, Or., Dec. 21.—(Special.)—Mrs. Mary Allen Houston, who died here two months ago, He leaving two sons and six daughters and two brothers, both of the latter residents of this city.

Anna Catherine Buslach.

CAPE HORN, Wash., Dec. 21.—(Special.)—Anna Catherine Buslach, who died here December 15, was born at Kur Heesen, Germany, January, 1837. She was married in England in 1867, to Carl Henry, to whom was born one son, Louis Henry, a resident of Portland. She was left a widow in 1867. She then returned to Germany and was married in 1871 to Carl Buslach, who survives. In 1876 they emigrated to America, reaching Portland in 1877. They settled at Cape Horn, Wash. The following children survive here: Louis Henry, of Portland; Mary and Philip Buslach, of Cape Horn, Wash.; Augusta

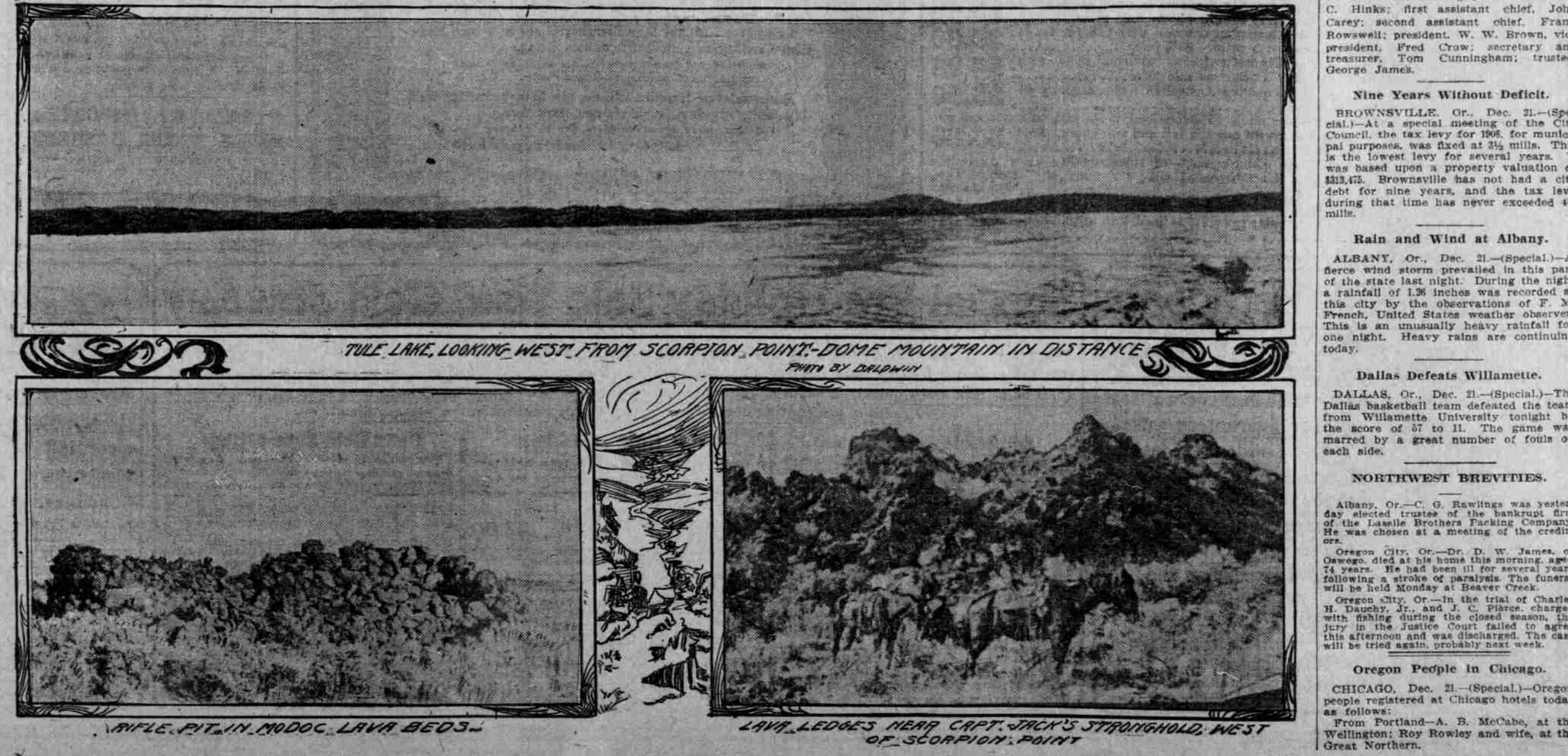
Lincoln Debaters Successful.

ALBANY, Or., Dec. 21.—(Special.)—Three of the four teams Lincoln County schools entered in the series of debates for the high school championship of the state were successful in the preliminary held last evening. Albany won from Salem, Lebanon from Eugene and Brownsville from Silverton. The only Lincoln County team to meet defeat was that of the Harrisburg High School which was defeated at Junction City. Considering the fact that the Salem and Eugene High Schools, which are among the very strongest in the state, were included in the one defeated, the Lin County High School students have hopes of further glory on the debating rostrum.

Fire Department Elects Officers.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Dec. 21.—(Special.)—The Centralia Volunteer Fire Department has elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Chief, W. C. Hinks; first assistant chief, John Carey; second assistant chief, Frank Rowwell; president, W. W. Brown, vice president, Fred Crow; secretary and treasurer, Tom Cunningham; trustee, George James.

TULE LAKE, WHERE NATURE COMES TO THE AID OF THE GOVERNMENT'S RECLAMATION PROJECT



TULE LAKE, LOOKING WEST FROM SCORPION POINT. DOME MOUNTAIN IN DISTANCE. PHOTO BY DELAWARE. RIFLE PIT IN MODOC LAVA BEDS. LAVA LEDGES NEAR CAPT. JACK'S STRONGHOLD, WEST OF SCORPION POINT.

Nine Years Without Deficit.

BROWNSVILLE, Or., Dec. 21.—(Special.)—At a special meeting of the City Council, the tax levy for 1908, for municipal purposes, was fixed at 3 1/2 mills. This is the lowest levy for several years. It was based upon a property valuation of \$13,475. Brownsville has not had a city debt for nine years, and the tax levy during that time has never exceeded 3/4 mill.

Rain and Wind at Albany.

ALBANY, Or., Dec. 21.—(Special.)—A fierce wind storm prevailed in this part of the state last night. During the night a rainfall of 1 1/2 inches was recorded at this city by the observations of F. M. French, United States weather observer. This is an unusually heavy rainfall for one night. Heavy rains are continuing today.

Dallas Defeats Willamette.

DALLAS, Or., Dec. 21.—(Special.)—The Dallas basketball team defeated the team from Willamette University tonight by the score of 57 to 11. The game was marred by a great number of fouls on each side.

NORTHWEST BREVITIES.

Albany, Or.—C. G. Rawlings was yesterday elected trustee of the bankrupt firm of the Lumber Brothers Lumber Company. He was chosen at a meeting of the creditors.

Oregon City, Or.—Dr. D. W. James, of Oswego, died at his home this morning, aged 74 years. He had been ill for several years following a stroke of paralysis. The funeral will be held Monday at Beaver Creek.

Oregon City, Or.—In the trial of Charles H. Dauchy, Jr., and J. C. Fikre, charged with fishing during the closed season, the jury in the Justice Court several years ago this afternoon and was discharged. The case will be tried again, probably next week.

Oregon People in Chicago.

CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—(Special.)—Oregon people registered at Chicago hotels today as follows: From Portland—A. B. McCabe, at the Wellington; Roy Rowley and wife, at the Great Northern.