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PENDLETON BOY FOR NAVAL CREW

Herbert Roesch Appointed to Annapolis by Congressman Williamson.

REASON FOR REJECTION OF BAKER CITY APPOINTEE.

Mr. Williamson Explains His Non-Appearence During the Campaign, and Calls Attention to the Irrigation Appropriation for Malheur County. He Regards an Eastern Oregon Judicial District as Certain, and the Open River Assured.

Congressman Ex-officio and Elect J. N. Williamson, the man whose home is in the heart of the people of Eastern Oregon...

Mr. Williamson was found on the depot platform this morning with a little girl in one hand, a badly chafed ear in the other, and a body-guard consisting of Tom Thompson, J. A. Fee, Lee Moorhouse, E. P. Marshall and various and several others of the republican camp surrounding him.

"Now," he said, "I do wish that had something good to tell you about irrigation, or something of that kind. I am able to tell you that there is \$2,000,000 set aside out of the irrigation fund for Malheur county, but I do not suppose that appeals to you so greatly. There are lots of things about to happen and in line, but they are not news yet."

Pendleton Boy to Annapolis. "Oh yes," he broke in as he brightened up, "I have got some news that will be of interest to Pendleton, and that is the object of my visit today. I came to appoint a Pendleton boy to Annapolis. It is Herbert Roesch, and he had to be there to take his examination on the 21st. I came up here to see him in order to get him started East one day earlier. He will leave this evening for Annapolis."

The Baker City boy, William Gutwinc, the son of William Gutwinc of Baker City, failed in his examination, and I had to appoint someone else. Now I had to be sure and get it straight about his failure, for it is of course a tender subject with him, and due to causes that he could not control. It is a very bright young man, passed one of the best mental examinations and a good physical examination, but fell down on account of defective teeth. Out of more than 20 who failed, three failed on account of their teeth alone, and one was one of them. He is a fine young fellow, however, and I intend to give him all credit for the brilliant mental examination he passed. Roesch is at a disadvantage, too, for he goes this evening with no money to treat himself, but I trust he will come out all right."

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"I am going out to Prineville and put on my overalls and enjoy myself for a time before going back to Washington. I don't know how my business is getting along, and am going out to round things up a little."

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JAPANESE LOSE TWO LARGE TRANSPORTS.

Russians Also Destroy Landing Facilities Near Lung Wang Tung—War in the Interior of Manchuria Wages to the Disadvantage of the Russians, Who Lose Several Towns and Important Outposts—Situation is Critical for Both.

London, June 16.—Reuter's Tokio correspondent sends a report via Coire that three Russian warships which engaged Japanese cruisers on the island of Tushima Wednesday and Thursday, were captured by Admiral Kamimura.

Another dispatch timed at 3 this morning, states that a Japanese scout ship followed the Russian vessels, probably merely to keep in touch with their location, which it succeeded in doing till night. Should the transports have been captured, the Vladivostok squadron must no longer be considered in the war.

Japanese Transports Captured. Tokio, June 16.—The transport Hio Maru, which today returned from Moll, reports that at 11:20 Wednesday morning she encountered a Russian squadron 20 miles west of Shimashima. The Hio Maru fled, signaling to the other transports the news of their danger. The three transports escaped, but the Hio Maru saw the Hachi Maru and Sado Maru surrounded by Russian ships. Their fate is not known, but it is feared the loss of life was heavy.

Heavy Russian Losses. London, June 16.—Reuter's Tokio correspondent says that in the fight at Telisha Fouchou, the Russians lost 500 killed, 300 taken prisoners and 14 guns. The Japanese casualties are placed at 1000.

Russian Losses at Wafang Tien. St. Petersburg, June 16.—Kuropatin reports that in an engagement June 14, at Wafang Tien, north of Port Arthur, with a Japanese force of 20,000 men, the Russian losses included Colonel Khostonov, first Siberian regiment; Second Lieutenant Nachobinski, adjutant of the same regiment; and General Gernross, Captain Krinsky, of the general staff, and 20 officers whose names are unknown, were also killed or wounded. Thirty-two soldiers of which the First Siberian lost 12 officers, 200 men, and the First Brigade of artillery six officers and 50 men.

Japs Capture Telisha. Tokio, June 16.—The capture of Telisha, between Kailchou and Seoul, was reported by the Japanese. The Russians lost six guns and many regimental colors.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL OUTING ENDS IN DEATH BY FIRE AND WATER

Ill-Fated Three-Decker Had Not Yet Reached the Limits of the City—1600 People on Board.

MOODY TO SUCCEED KNOX.

Secretary Navy Will Be Attorney General Upon Knox's Resignation. Washington, June 15.—Although Attorney General Knox refuses either to deny or affirm the statement, it is learned from a high source that it is his intention to retire from the cabinet within the next few days or as soon as his appointment as United States senator from the state of Pennsylvania shall be received from Governor Penneyacker. He will be succeeded by Mr. Moody, the present secretary of the navy.

It is said that after a conference with the president Attorney General Knox concluded that his action in retiring at once from the department would be in accordance with the spirit of the constitution, which provides that each state shall have two senators and empowers the governor to appoint in case of vacancy.

MOBBED A NEGRESS.

She Had Nearly Severed a Man's Head From His Body. Lebanon Junction, N. Y., June 15.—A mob of 30 men this morning battered down the jail doors and took Martha Thompson, the negress who killed John Irwin Tuesday, and started to lead her away with a rope. The negress weighs 250 pounds, and is powerful, and broke away, throwing her captors aside. While running, she mob opened fire and killed her. Irwin, the woman's son, the mother, in revenge, nearly severed the man's head with a razor.

OROVILLE FIRE.

Business Part of the Town Nearly Wiped Out. Oroville, Cal., June 15.—Fire broke this morning destroyed a block of stores, causing a loss of \$100,000. The fire started in the Palace restaurant by the explosion of a boiler. Twenty-eight firms are losers. The chamber of commerce quarters, the Mercury, several saloons, groceries, dry goods stores and a number of doctors' offices are among the sufferers.

Land Office to Be Moved.

Portland, June 14.—It is semi-officially announced that the Oregon land office, the oldest land office in the state, will be removed to the city in order to concentrate government business in the federal building, and cut down the expense of renting separate buildings. The land office is in the vicinity of the city, it is barely possible that the Dalles land office will also be merged in the land office in Portland.

Telephone Linemen Strike.

Salt Lake, June 15.—Linemen in the employ of the Rocky Mountain Bell Telephone Company went on strike last evening in consequence of an alleged violation of the agreement made by the company to pay 20 cents an hour. One hundred and fifty men are out and repair work has been suspended.

First Lewiston Cheries.

Lewiston, June 15.—The first carload shipment of Vineland cherries was sent from here direct to Minneapolis yesterday. It consisted of 1000 boxes of Royal Anas, two grades cherries, grown especially for eastern markets. The shipment will sell for 15 cents per pound in Minneapolis.

Fight for Lives of Victims.

Employees and other people on the island did what they could with small boats and auxiliary float. They were pulling ashore scores of people, many of them blackened and burned by the fire.

Under Arrest.

Van Shaick, first Pilot Van Wart, and Second Pilot Edwin N. Leader, were arrested. Capt. Wm. Churchill, commander of the auxiliary float "East Times," witnessed the disaster practically from its inception. When he saw the steamer fire he was off Harlem river, and he took her to assist him in making an investigation into the causes, and allegations that the victims report ineffectual efforts to rescue serviceable cork supports. Supervising Inspector Rodie said that within a few days an exhaustive inquiry will be held. He said the records showed the boat was properly equipped.

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A DESPERATE PLOT IN THE COLUMBUS PENITENTIARY.

All the Prisoners Pending Execution of the Death Sentence Try to Carry Out a Scheme for Release—Guard Brutally Beaten and Bound—The Resulting Alarm Led to the Arrival of Help and Complete Frustration.

PANAMA MONETARY PLAN.

New Republic Will Immitate the Finances of the United States. Washington, June 15.—The Panama junta commission met in Secretary Taft's office today and spent two hours in discussing the currency question.

It was evident from the views expressed by the Panama representatives that they were inclined to adhere strictly to the currency system used in the United States.

The Panama commissioners presented their views at length, and produced a copy of the bill pending before their legislature providing for the establishment of a gold standard in Panama on the same basis as in the United States, except a provision for subsidiary coin in silver at the ratio of 22 to 1 (the same as that obtaining in the Philippines).

Secretary Taft insisted that adequate provision be made for a sufficient reserve fund to maintain the silver on a gold basis if the silver coin was to be used in the canal zone.

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NEHALEM FOREST FIRES.

Forest Grove, Or., June 14.—A terrific fire threatens the Nehalem forests, one of the most heavily wooded sections in the state. The flames are now sweeping over many acres before a high wind, carrying it into splendid lumbering regions.

It originated yesterday from sparks from the broken stack of Hamilton & Son's engine mill. It destroyed the entire plant and adjoining residences and leaped to the surrounding woods.

Nothing but a change of wind or a heavy rain, the latter being improbable, can prevent immense damage.

Walla Walla Man a Victim.

Walla Walla, June 14.—Daniel Geaney, who was injured in the Independence dynamite disaster, is reported to be resting as easily as a babe, according to Mr. Geaney's standing on the platform under which the large amount of dynamite had been placed, and that anyone should have escaped is miraculous. Mr. Geaney had both of his legs broken, the right foot and the ankle being so badly shattered that amputation was necessary. The left leg was broken between the knee and the ankle, but it can be mended. Lawrence Geaney, who arrived in Victor Thursday, found his brother in the Red Cross hospital. He will be brought home as quickly as possible.

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MINERS ROBBED BY STATE MILITIA

Afterwards Deported in Gangs and Unloaded Penniless in the Country.

AT MANY POINTS THEY WERE TREATED KINDLY.

Several Have Worked Their Way Back to Denver, and All Are Determined to Remain in the Mountain Mining Regions—Two Hundred Miners Discharged in Utah Because They Dared Observe Miners' Union Day as Holiday—Incident "Is an Initial Step."

Montez, Col. June 15.—Pledged by layabouts, nearly 100 deported union miners and sympathizers were rushed over the southern boundary of Colorado into New Mexico at daybreak this morning.

Little clemency was used by the soldiers and deputies. William Ketcham, one unionist, was extremely ill on the train all night. He begged to be allowed to remain by the roadside, but the soldiers jabbed him and told the man to continue with his companions.

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MRS. FRENCH WAS ALSO RE-ELECTED TEACHER.

Choice of Several of the Faculty Deferred Until a Future Meeting of Regents—R. Alexander Will Remain President of the Board—Regents Express Satisfaction With French's Administration.

R. Alexander, chairman of the executive committee of the board of regents of the State Normal school at Weston, has returned from Weston where he went to attend the meeting of the annual election of officers and teachers yesterday.

The meeting was shortened and made busy because but a part of the board was able to be present, and those who were there had to hasten back to their business.

French Re-Elected. Robert C. French was re-elected president of the school for the ensuing year, and George A. Peckler was again chosen to act as vice-president of the school. Mrs. R. C. French was re-elected as wife of the faculty, and Miss Marguerite Tonne of Portland, was elected matron of the girls' hall for the coming year. The election of the rest of the faculty was deferred until some subsequent meeting of the board.

J. W. Scriber of La Grande, was re-elected president of the board of regents, and Mrs. Alexander was appointed yesterday by the president, and consists of R. Alexander, chairman, William Blackley and H. M. Saxon of Baker City.

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