

HOME COMING OF FAIRBANKS

RECEIVED IN HIS HOME CITY BY THE MAYOR, GOVERNOR OF STATE AND OTHERS.

INDIANAPOLIS, June 25.—The welcome extended Senator Fairbanks today by the people of Indiana return from the republican national convention in Chicago, where he was nominated for Vice President, was very flattering and extremely gratifying to the senator. Fair-sized crowds were waiting at all points where the train was scheduled to stop, and the Vice Presidential candidate given the closest attention while he was speaking. Senator Fairbanks scarcely referred to politics in the speeches he made during the trip, as the demonstrations in most instances were non-partisan in nature. Senator Fairbanks reached his home city at 7:30 o'clock tonight, the approach of the special train bearing his party being announced by hundreds of steam whistles and by the ringing of bells.

When the train stopped 10,000 people cheered and waved a welcome. In the crowd were several hundred prominent people of the city representing all political parties and including the mayor of the city and governor of the state.

BLACK AND WHITE JOINED.

SPokane, Wash., June 25.—Miss Mary Havens, a comely girl, was married in this city Tuesday afternoon to Edward S. Jones, a colored waiter, employed at the Hotel Spokane. The ceremony was performed by Justice of the Peace F. D. Hinkle, at his office in the City Hall.

SOLD SOME PRUNES.

An Oregon Farmer Who Carried His Wares to Market.

SALEM, June 24.—Wm. McGilchrist, one of the successful prune growers of the Liberty district returned yesterday, from a five months' trip in his native country, Scotland. The object of his visit after 13 years absence, was to see his many relatives and friends and to introduce Oregon prunes to that market. Mr. McGilchrist took with him a car load of choice Italian and had an extra car shipped to him after his arrival there. He reached Glasgow in the poorest season of the year, for selling fruit, February. All the dealers were well stocked up, and several car loads of California prunes were shipped in after arrival. First of all he had to get the jobs and small dealers to give priority to Oregon prunes above others produced. He came in competition with French, German, Bosnian, Turkish and Italian fruits, and is proud to say that the Oregon product beats them all. To make the story short, Mr. McGilchrist sold his prunes and could have sold more and he realized on them what would not above the 2 1/2 cent basis while the price here at present, is on a 1 1/2 cent basis.

He first distributed samples among the retailers, and asked them to have some of their best customers test them. Then he instructed them where to call for the Oregon fruit. As orders came in, the jobbers began to buy and he soon had the vendors of all other fruits on the run. All who got this fruit, wanted more of it, and declared it to be the best of the kind they had ever had. Mr. McGilchrist is very much encouraged with his first fruit trip, and hopes to be able in the future to enlarge it to market in his native country for the Oregon prunes. What he took with him were sold in Glasgow, Edinburgh and a few were shipped to Belfast. He feels confident that if this experiment is followed up, it will pay the Oregon growers. When we consider that it takes half the prunes to pay the freight and duty on them, it will be readily understood that it has required good salesmanship to make the profits that Mr. McGilchrist has been able to realize. It took one car load to pay expenses, landed in Scotland, and out of the other, Mr. McGilchrist secured more than enough money to return to Oregon with more money than he could have got out of both at home. He returns home better pleased with Oregon than ever, and no longer is skeptical about Oregon prunes. He believes them to be ahead of anything in their line grown anywhere in the world.

A Fine Residence.

Among the many cozy and modern homes now under course of construction in this city none are being finished up in a more up-to-date and elegant style and design than the new home of Mr. and Mrs. Will Dyingier, just west of that enterprising gentleman's large wood work factory and planing mill. The foundation is composed of brick and cement, 24 barrels of the latter being used in the basement alone. The staircase, doors, and in fact all of the interior wood work is manufactured from select hard and soft woods, the staircase, hall and parlor being finished in antique oak, while the kitchen and dining hall are finished in alder and select yellow fir. Nearly all of the doors are made in two sections, one side being oak and the other side select fir. The patent fireplace and furnace combined, with its elegant mantel is simply grand. The home is equipped with both front and back stairs, stovewood hoist from the basement to the second and third floors, bathroom, incased pressure water tank and refrigerator, glass-enclosed china cupboard and book cases, ten commodious and conveniently arranged rooms and numerous wardrobes. The stair window is large and oval in design and includes some of the most expensive glass squares and ovals to be found in the city, while all of the windows are of the latest design. The residence while one of ordinary dimensions is elegant in design, workmanship and finish and will cost completed about \$4,000.

State Must Repay Money.

Attorney-General Crawford rendered an opinion to the state land board Friday afternoon; holding that the state must repay the money received from the purchasers of school land where the title failed, and the state could not convey the land by a good and sufficient title. The opinion is very exhaustive and comprehensive, covering every point of the question involved, and will govern the board in dealing with the claimants. The number affected is small.

How About Your Summer Vacation?

Newport on the Yaquina Bay is the ideal seaside resort of the North Pacific Coast. Round trip tickets at greatly reduced rates on sale from all Southern Pacific points in Oregon, on and after June 1st. Ask Agents for further information and a handsomely illustrated souvenir booklet, or write to Edwin Stone, Manager C & E R. R., Albany Ore., or W. E. Coman, G. P. A., S. P. Co., Portland.

Thrown From a Wagon.

Mr. George K. Babcock was thrown from his wagon and severely bruised. He applied Chamberlain's Pain Balm freely and says it is the best liniment he ever used. Mr. Babcock is a well known citizen of North Plain, Conn. There is nothing equal to Pain Balm for sprains and bruises. It will effect a cure in one third the time required by any treatment. For sale by A. C. Marsters Co.

RAILROAD WOOD DESTROYED.

ABOUT 65 CORDS BURNED NEAR YONCALLA SUNDAY, TRACK DAMAGED, TRAIN DELAYED.

A two hours delay of the south bound passenger train No. 11, was occasioned Sunday evening at Yoncalla by the burning of 65 cords of railroad wood which was rickety on the side of the railroad track, about one mile from that city, at which point about fifty feet of track was burned and twisted out of shape. The wood was the property of H. Schusso and represented a hard season's work. It had not yet been received by the railroad company, and at \$3 a cord represents a loss of \$195. The fire undoubtedly originated from a spark from the engine of Sunday's north bound passenger train, and as to whether or not the company is responsible for the loss the PLAINDEALER is unable to state.

DESPERATE DASH AND FIERCE NAVAL BATTLE.

TOKYO, June 25.—According to reports received here this morning the most desperate naval engagement of the war has been fought, the Russians defeated and the Russian Port Arthur situation thereby rendered almost absolutely hopeless.

The Russians sustained the loss of a battleship of the first class, being one of the Peresviet type, and the total disabling of the battleship Sevastopol.

A cruiser of the Diana type was so badly damaged that she could not re-enter the harbor under her own steam.

A dispatch received here says that the naval fight was the result of a desperate dash for the south made by 16 Russian war vessels in a brilliant endeavor to escape the harassed port. The dash was made just at dusk Thursday night. So rapid was the movement that the Russian fleet was clear of the harbor before the Japanese realized that such a desperate move was contemplated.

WANTED WATER, STRUCK OIL.

Crude Petroleum Oozes from a Spring-field Well

Merritt Huntley in quest of water on his place caused a well to be sunk at Springfield, Lane county, last week. Down to 28 feet it was dug but from that point Mr. Huntley secured the service of a drill. When a depth of 32 feet all told had been reached black sand was encountered and oil oozed from the crevices. Work was stopped and the water was baled out in the hopes that its flavor and general appearance would improve, but to no purpose. From a barrel of liquid four lard pails of crude petroleum were skimmed off. Walter Ross of this city applied a blotter to the mixture and after exposing it to the air a few moments touched a match to the paper and it burned and spluttered, throwing off heavy fumes of petroleum.

Water of the well is rendered unfit for use and Mr. Huntley feels very much chagrined over the fact that the trouble and expense of sinking for water has come to naught. However, the find may be the means of greatly enriching him.—Eugene Register.

Willamette Valley Chautauque Association.

The Willamette Valley Chautauque Association will meet at Gladstone Park near Oregon City, July 13th to 24th, 1904, inclusive. The Southern Pacific Company will make reduced rates on the Certificate plan for this occasion. Call on any Southern Pac Agent for advertising matter.

Pay and Get a Nice Nap.

For the next thirty days to all who pay us two dollars on subscription, we will present them a nice map of Oregon and a map of the world. The value of the map is one dollar.

DILLARD WILL CELEBRATE

THE RIDDLE BAND WILL FURNISH MUSIC FOR THE OCCASION—GOOD PROGRAM.

There will be a grand celebration and picnic dinner at Dillard, on Monday, July 4th, 1904. The Riddle brass band will furnish music for the occasion. The program will consist of speaking, singing, foot races for big, little, old and young, bicycle, boat, swimming and sack races, two base ball games and other sports to numerous to mention. Come everybody and bring well filled baskets and have a good old time celebration. All are invited.

COMMITTEE.

FIRE AT ST. LOUIS

Oregon Building Barely Saved from Destruction.

Fire Friday morning burned the Hoo Hoo house at the World's Fair grounds, entailing a loss of \$100,000, on which there was an insurance of \$20,000. The "House of Hoo Hoo" was erected by stock subscribed for by the Lumbermen's association and the members of the Hoo Hoo society at a total cost of \$100,000. The building was designed for a club house for lumbermen and Hoo Hooes visiting the exposition, and was lavishly furnished throughout. Its loss takes from the fair one of the most noticeable attractions and one which has been patronized in particular by foreign visitors who were thus enabled to study in a practical way American woods and American lumberwork. The famed building was located near the Oregon building which also came near being destroyed.

State and General News.

Still the cry in Western Oregon is for rain, but it would be louder if the temperature were higher.

The Union county fruit crop will be much larger than ever before, owing to big yield and newly bearing trees.

The present Russo-Jap war is becoming costly enough in human life, yet the battles are small affairs in this respect in comparison with some of those in our civil war. At Gettysburg, 45,000 men were killed, wounded or missing, 25,000 at Antietam, 30,000 at Chancellorsville, 33,000 at Chickamauga, 23,000 at Shiloh, 18,000 at Fredericksburg and 23,000 at Stone River.

The Navy Department awarded to the battleship Oregon a trophy for excellence in gunnery in the last annual target practice for which the ships of the navy have been in competition.

It is evident that Uncle Sam will get back promptly the money advanced to the Exposition. The government loses nothing by the transaction, and the Fair saves a heavy interest item.

Cheap ocean rates are bringing a very undesirable class of immigrants to the American shore. This is the season of year when the open door at New York ought to be heavily screened.

The Democratic candidate for governor of Illinois is named Stringer. But it is doubtful if he can string votes enough.

A Lane county woman lost her purse with \$40 in it, and did not miss it till she got part way home, but when she got to Cottage Grove she recovered it from an honest man who had found it.

A man by the name of Wm. Matthews at the Crystal mine in Bohemia, committed suicide by drowning himself in the Oregon Securities Company flume, last week.

Physicians who have just held a convention at Providence, R. I., declared that the diseases which afflict humanity are largely the result of overeating—especially of meats. They also discountenance the habit of candy eating.

Local option is to be applied only to such districts as polled a heavy vote in its favor, if adopted. Dr. G. L. Tuft, principal advocate of the proposed law, stated lately that local optionists will not take any undue advantage of districts which did not appear to want local option. It will not be pushed forward any more rapidly than public sentiment justifies, so Dr. Tuft says.

Come to Oregon

If the people who are living from hand to mouth on a few rocky acres in New England, or working as factory hands, or in stores and sweat shops, and barely existing in the East, knew the real conditions in Oregon there would be a rush to this state unequalled and unprecedented. I do not mean that one can come here and loaf and get along, neither do I mean that shiftless people who wish to shirk are wanted here, but a man who will use some head work and muscle here stands a much better chance to be independent than in the East.

I fell into conversation recently with an Eastern Oregon man who is running for the legislature and who will undoubtedly be elected, as he has the confidence of his neighbors and respect of all who know him.

"Twelve years ago," he said, "I was a farm hand in Illinois. I saw but little prospect of being anything else. Out of my wages of \$15 to \$20 a month on the farm I saw no immediate prospect of saving much toward buying sixty-to-100-dollars-an-acre farm land, so I came west. I went to Wallawa county. I got a job as sheep herder at \$35 a month and grub. There was no chance to spend my money so I saved it. Next year I took a band of sheep on shares. My share amounted to nearly 1000 lambs. Range was good and of course, free, but I took up a homestead well back from settlement. I bought some good ewes and a few bucks. I have 11,000 sheep now and over 4,000 acres of land. My wool will bring a good price if we don't try any political experiments. (Most sheep men are Republicans. They can't forget the drop in wool and mutton during Cleveland's administration.) How long do you suppose it would have taken me as a farm hand in Illinois to get where I am now? Oregon is good enough for me."—Fred Lockley.

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A NEW-BORN INFANT IS SLAIN.

YOUNG COQUILLE HUSBAND NOW OCCUPIES A CELL IN THE COUNTY JAIL.

COQUILLE, Or., June 24.—Earl Steel, about 23 years of age, is behind the bars in the County Jail, held for the murder of his infant child. He was married in April last to Miss Phoebe Simmons, of Coquille City, who yesterday gave birth to a child. Dr. Russell was summoned at the confinement, and he testified before the coroner's inquest as follows:

"A stranger told me Steel was looking for me. Upon finding Steel I asked him what the trouble was, and he replied, 'My wife is ill,' finally telling me she had bowel trouble. On entering the house I found Mrs. Steel in acute labor pains and knew the nature of the trouble. Steel remarked:

"Doctor, you must save her and her little sisters from disgrace. Do it, and no one will know anything about it. If you don't I will."

"I tried to reason with him, and finally he agreed not to do as he intended. While attending the mother he said: 'If you don't I will kill the baby.' Not wanting to be alone, I went to the Courthouse two blocks away for a witness and met Sheriff Gallier. He advised me to see a lawyer. I returned to the house, accompanied by witnesses, telling them on the way that I was almost certain Steel had done away with the baby. Upon entering the house I made a rapid examination of the bed and clothing, and finding the baby missing, I asked the husband what had become of it. He replied it was gone. Upon searching the room I found the baby in a bedroom closet in a sack with its skull crushed. The mother asked me to relieve her suffering, referring to poisoning. She did not want to live."

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