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PIONEER REUNION

Will be Held at Olalla Again This Year, Sept. 6, 7 and 8.

OLALLA FOREST FIRES.

Considerable Damage to Timber and Settlers—Man Injured.

Asher Ireland, a prominent farmer of the Olalla vicinity, spent Tuesday and Wednesday in Roseburg, and informed the Plaindealer that quite extensive preparations are being made by the citizens of that part of Douglas county to make the Fourth Annual Reunion or Pioneer Encampment on the historic Olalla Indian battle ground the desired success and, in point of interest, even superior to former like gatherings at that place.

He says work is being pushed by the executive committee to have the excellent camp grounds, race course and all preliminaries ready by the opening day, it having been decided to devote three days to the occasion this year, Sept. 6th, 7th and 8th. The speakers' stand is being remodelled, a bicycle track in shape of a figure eight is a half mile long. The race track for saddle horses and ponies is about four hundred yards long and straight. The camp ground on the shaded banks of the historic Olalla creek, within a stone's throw of the memorable struggle between the early pioneer settlers of that community and the native red men, is a charming and romantic place to enjoy an outing and the interesting daily program at the Reunion. Plenty of good hay will be there and will be sold reasonably, and a good restaurant will feed the hungry. Some features of the first day will be the annual address, to be delivered by an eloquent native son, Hon. Geo. M. Brown, of Roseburg. Band music, singing and a splendid basket dinner will follow. The afternoon will be given over to a foot race in which pioneers will compete for the purse; other foot races, bicycle races and horse races will follow, a baseball game to close the afternoon's sports.

On the second day Circuit Judge J. W. Hamilton will deliver an address, and a tug-of-war, horseback riding, contest for most graceful lady rider, pony races and baseball will be the amusement features. On the last day it is hoped that Congressman Binger Hermann will be able to attend and deliver an address, while a pressing invitation has been extended to Senator John H. Mitchell to attend and address the pioneers and native sons and daughters. A good musical program has been provided for each day and every effort will be put forth to provide entertainment for the visitors, as well as to provide for their comfort. There will be dancing at the pavilion every evening from 8 to 11:30 o'clock, with a musical concert at the speakers' stand during same hours. Taps at midnight.

The officiating officers chosen to preside during the Encampment are, Col. J. G. Day, president; S. S. Bolsinger, chief marshal. Col. W. H. Taylor will deliver the address of welcome.

FOREST FIRES HAS SPENT ITS FURY. Mr. Ireland stated that for several days the forest fires of that vicinity were very menacing, especially to homesteaders and farmers residing along the foothills, but aside from the destruction of considerable good timber, the only loss of personal property was the barn, hay, harness and wagon of Henry Aubin. The fire has at last spent its fury and is practically under control.

OLD MAN INJURED. While felling a large ash tree on his homestead, late last week, the tree struck another tree and glanced to one side, striking L. Mel Hyde, breaking his leg in two places below the knee. The old man was alone, his wife having gone to spend the day with a neighbor, and his only hope of securing assistance was by watching an unfrequented nearby mountain road for a chance passerby. After some lonely hours of suffering, S. R. Brislin and son happened along that way with a load of lumber and were hailed by the old gentleman, who was on the verge of collapsing. He had carefully set and bandaged his broken limb with strips of his clothing, and refused medical attendance. Owing to his advanced age and eccentricity in refusing the services of a physician, he is likely to be laid up for some time.

Czar's Manifesto to His People.

ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 23.—The manifesto of Emperor Nicholas on the occasion of the birth of an heir to the throne, the text of which is published this morning, is a very lengthy document. It abolishes corporal punishment among the rural classes and for the first offenses among sea and land forces; remits arrears owing to the state for purchases of land and other direct imposts; remits fines imposed upon rural and urban communes of inland which refused to submit to military conscription; remits fines imposed on Jewish communes in cases of Jews avoiding military services. Provides for the general reduction of sentences for common law offenses, and a general amnesty in case of political offenses except those in which murder is committed.

Briggs Mine Located in Two States.

The much mooted point as to whether the famous Briggs discovery is in Oregon or California, surveys have shown, E. T. Staples, who has bonded and is developing the property, that the ledge runs from southeast to northeast and that the property is partly in Oregon and partly in California. When he and his companions are gathered about the dinner table in their camp one of them is seated across the line in California, while the other three are eating in Oregon. The Wounded Buck claim, which is a continuation of the Briggs discovery, is almost wholly over the state line.

SLAUGHTER SHEEP

By the Hundreds With Rifles out in Crook County.

HERDER OVERPOWERED

And Left Bound and Blindfolded as a Silent Witness to Affair.

ANTELOPE, Or., Aug. 23.—Mob law reigns supreme on the ranges of Central Oregon, and as an added evidence to the Silver Lake slaughters of last spring, over 1000 thoroughbred sheep belonging to Morrow & Keenan, of Willow Creek, Crook county, were killed last Friday evening at Little Summit Prairie, 40 miles east of Prineville. This fact was announced last evening by telephone message from young Keenan, a son of one of the owners of the massacred sheep, who has been acting as camp tender for the four bands owned by his company and grazed in the Little Summit region.

Young Keenan states that while the herder was alone and occupied with the care of his flock during the late afternoon, he was accosted by three unmasked horsemen, who departed after a short conversation. Almost immediately following their disappearance a band of about 20 horsemen, with faces blackened, emerged from the timber unobserved until they had approached within a short distance of him, when a command to throw up his hands was given and complied with, after which he was bound hand and foot and blindfolded by means of a grain sack being tied over his head.

Leaving him near a tree, and behind it for protection from the bullets, a general fusillade with Winchester was commenced by the mob, which lasted nearly two hours, or until sundown, by which time the entire band had either been killed or scattered in every direction.

WITNESS HIDES IN THICKET.

Young Keenan had heard the firing in the meantime, and crawled through the underbrush to a safe distance, from where he was an eye witness to the work of the mob. He made no attempt at retaliation, although it is understood that both he and his herder were armed with the latest automatic rapid-firing Colt's pistols. No clue has been obtained of the guilty parties, and owing to existing conditions in that section, apprehension and conviction is considered almost an impossibility.

LATEST WAR NEWS.

Port Arthur is Tottering—Russians Lose Another Battleship.

CHEFOO, Aug. 24.—It is reported here that the Japanese armored cruisers Nishin and Kasuga have bombarded and silenced the Russian forts east of Gold Hill at the entrance to Port Arthur. These forts are among the most formidable outer guards of the central works.

RUSSIAN BATTLESHIP BLOWN UP.

LONDON, Aug. 24.—The Japanese legation today issued a report from the commander of the Japanese torpedo boat destroyer Asashio, which stated that while the Russian battleship Sebastopol was bombarding the Japanese land position on the outer harbor of Port Arthur yesterday she struck a mine.

The battleship immediately listed until her bows became submerged. Assistance went to her and she was towed inside the harbor. Her damages, owing to the depth of her draught forward, are supposed to have been heavy.

STOESSEL'S FAREWELL.

MOSCOW, Aug. 23.—"Farewell forever; Port Arthur will be my tomb." Thus Gen. Stoessel, commanding the Port Arthur garrison, ends a telegram to one of his intimate friends here.

SIEGE NEARING AN END.

CHEFOO, Aug. 24.—Scarcely a building in Port Arthur remains undamaged. The town hall, which was used as a magazine, has been destroyed.

Four large warships, unable to fight are at Port Arthur. Only one ship, a vessel with two masts and two funnels, has guns on board.

The fire of the forts not captured by the Japanese, together with the effect of land mines, is given as the reason why the Japanese have not as yet conquered the Russian stronghold.



COMMANDERS OF JAPAN'S FOUR ARMIES IN MANCHURIA. The mikado's immense fighting machine, which is slowly grinding out the fate of Europe and Port Arthur, is commanded by four able and experienced generals—Naruki, of the First Army, with 122,000 men; Oku, the Second Army, with 80,000 men; Nodzu, of the Third Army, with 85,000 men; and Nogi, with a part of Oku's army and new recruits, probably about 50,000 men.

AMERICAN MINING CONGRESS

In Session at Portland and Many Delegates are in Attendance—El Paso Next Year.

PORTLAND, Aug. 22.—President J. H. Richards, of Idaho, dropped the manganite gavel that called to order in the Army the seventh annual session of the American Mining Congress at 10 o'clock this forenoon, in the presence of about 1500 people. Many of the delegations from throughout the United States have not yet arrived and the attendance is conservatively estimated for the later sessions of the week at from 2000 to 2500.

George H. Himes, secretary of the Oregon Historical Society, presented President Richards with the manganite gavel, made of manzanita, cut by David Lennox in Rich Gulch, Jackson County, Southern Oregon, the first mining district of the state. It is handed with gold from the placers of the gulch bearing the engraved history of the gavel, date of the Portland session and its presentation.

Welcoming addresses of Governor Chamberlain and Mayor Williams, responses by Hon. J. T. Small, of Maine; Prof. J. T. Talmage, of Utah; Zach Lamm Cobb, of Texas, and Joseph T. Coranof, of Alaska, and the announcement of the committees on resolutions and credentials, constituted the business of the official programme for the forenoon. Proceedings of the seventh annual session of the American Mining Congress were opened with a prayer by Rev. Father McDevitt, presided by canon remarks from the clergyman upon the importance of having the blessing of Providence to make any great effort successful. B. B. Beckman, in an address distinguished for rhetorical beauty and historical value, presented President Richards with a handsome gavel.

Tone of the responses by state delegates indicated the extent to which the problem of selection of permanent headquarters is to dominate the proceedings. It was also made apparent that the organization is now striving in a well-directed effort toward creation of a department of mining and metallurgy as a cabinet department of the Government.

TUESDAY'S SESSION.

Features of today's session of the American Mining Congress were addressed by F. H. Newell, Senator John H. Mitchell and Maurice D. Leebey, and the criticism just before the noon adjournment of the lack of interest manifested by citizens of Portland, and resentment that the time of the organization was taken up with announcements of trips in and about the city, with the cost of transportation for such journeys. At the forenoon session the entire programme arranged for the day by the committee was carried out, and the programme for the afternoon session was not made known until the convention reassembled at 2 o'clock, including addresses by Frank V. Drake, Colonel John S. Crawford, Orlov T. Brown and John Daggett.

In the discussion precipitated this morning Senator Mitchell urged that Portland citizens should evince their interest by attending the session to be held at 8 o'clock tonight, and also welcome the mining men by their presence.

SALT LAKE OFFERS SITE.

The heavy artillery of Salt Lake City opened up Tuesday morning in the American Mining Congress in the fight which is to be waged over the permanent location of the headquarters of the Congress. A telegram from the President of the City Council of Salt Lake City was received by A. J. Davis, a member of the Utah delegation, which in a measure explains itself: "The City Council tonight unanimously authorized the Mayor and City Recorder to execute a deed to the American Mining Congress for a site to erect a building if the headquarters are located here." It was a glad, "F. J. Hewlett, President of the City Council."

BOHEMIA-COTTAGE GROVE TAKES LEAD.

That the camps of Central-Western Oregon are awake to the opportunity presented to get in touch with the mining industry of the country and some of the men who own and operate mines elsewhere is evidenced by the splendid exhibit made at the Convention Hall, and by the representative character of

the men composing their delegations in attendance.

The Bohemia-Cottage Grove delegation to the American Mining Congress has a larger attendance than any other district in Oregon, if not the largest representation from any section in the United States.

Following this forenoon's session, the delegation met and elected Mr. A. B. Wood, manager of the Oregon & Southwestern Railway, chairman, and F. J. Hard, secretary.

After some discussion it was decided the western portion of Oregon was entitled to a representative on the Board of Directors of the American Mining Congress, and by motion F. J. Hard was the unanimous choice as their candidate for that position. Mr. Hard is one of the progressive mining men of the West, and no better selection can be made than by electing him to that position.

Those composing the delegation are: I. P. Pape, G. G. Warner, Henry Johnson, F. Jordan, J. I. Jones, W. H. Shane, F. B. Phillips, F. J. Hard, T. K. Campbell, A. D. LeRoy, W. W. Oglesby, W. B. Root, Alex Lundberg, Frank Wheeler, Louis LeRoy, J. Curran and A. B. Wood.

WEDNESDAY'S SESSION.

PORTLAND, Aug. 24.—This morning's session of the mining congress was largely devoted to a spirited debate on two resolutions, each of which had been adversely reported from the committee on resolutions and brought to a fight on the floor. The first was a resolution favoring the appeal to the national congress to give Alaska one representative in congress. The resolution was adopted. The second debate was on an adverse report covering the resolution asking for an alteration of the government method of a hearing to decide whether lands are entitled to be filed on as mineral land, and asking that they be investigated by the same procedure as now governs that in an appeal for patents on land. So successful were the advocates of the measure that the resolution was referred back to the committee for further consideration. As a result of the caucus last night it is now almost certain that El Paso will get the next convention and Salt Lake will be chosen as permanent headquarters of the mining congress.

NOTES.

The Board of directors were given power to name the convention city. A resolution was passed urging Congress to create a department of Mines and Mining. Conservation of forests is favored, by the delegates. Salt Lake City offers \$30,000 site for permanent headquarters.

Senator J. H. Mitchell spoke on Portland's claims for a Government assay office.

Oregon Girls are Swimmers.

PORTLAND, Aug. 23.—Only last week a young Miss of 15 summers swam the half mile wide river, across and back again, at Portland. While conceding that she is to be congratulated by many of us who lack the accomplishment we have many Oregon girls who can perform such feats. 'Twas only yesterday that Miss Graves of St. Johns, swam the Willamette at a point about half a mile below that place, where it is at least a mile and a quarter wide. She was swimming a race with Mr. Hardy, of Vancouver, and would have won had he not been taller. She being small in stature, had to swim longer than he to enable her to "let down" and walk out. Notwithstanding the distance, she did not seem to be tired at all, and backed Mr. Hardy down with a proposition to swim back. When they were about half across a steamer passed them, and the way Miss Graves, with only nose and toes above water, enjoyed those swells was a just cause for envy.

William McKnight, a well known resident of Gold Hill and Footh Creek, where he has resided and mined for a number of years, was drowned in the waters of Rogue river, Sunday afternoon, while fishing in the stream at Dowden falls, between Gold Hill and the Hay dam.

LOCAL OPTION LAW

Will be Tested at Once in the County of Multnomah.

IS IT CONSTITUTIONAL?

Case Will be Fought out in the Courts Before Election.

Constitutionality of the local option law will be tested in the courts, and a bill of complaint will be filed soon by persons interested in defeating the law, says the Oregonian. It will take the form of a suit to enjoin County Clerk Fields from submitting the question to the voters at the election in November whether liquors shall be sold in Multnomah county, as petitioned for by I. H. Amos and 527 others, principally members of the prohibition party. The petition demands that the clerk shall place on the ballot the question of prohibition to be answered by the voters yes or no.

The attorneys who are preparing the injunction suit do not desire at this time to state what points they will make against the constitutionality of the law, any more than to say that it will be attacked from all sides. The matter of testing the law has been under consideration since the election in June.

Joins on Maurice Abraham.

Maurice Abraham, president of the Pacific North West Sportsmen's Association and all around good fellow, came near paying for some dead cow meat while on a trip in the mountains south of Eugene a few days ago. There were seven in the party, all told, four of them from Portland: Al Guist, W. F. Lipman, Dick Carlon and Abrahams. Two weeks ago the party left for Eugene and went to Salt creek, about 60 miles from Eugene, where they joined Mr. Lipman, who had been camping out for a couple of months.

It was in the early morning that Abrahams nearly sacrificed an innocent bovine. With another member of his party he was warily creeping along a trail. They spied something white in the bushes. It looked like the tail of a deer, and the hunters were all attention. Abrahams aimed for what he thought was the right spot and fired. Imagine his surprise to see a cow coming charging out of the brush. What he had really seen was the horns of the animal. The bovine was uninjured.

STRIKE SITUATION.

Judge Grants Injunction Against Chicago City Officials.

CHICAGO, Aug. 24.—Judge Brentano this morning granted the application of the packers for an injunction restraining the city enforcing the order for evacuation of the stock yards building used for housing the strike-breakers. He said the injunction was granted in the interests of peace and business interests, and good order. If the men were required to leave the yards every night riots would result. President Donnelly returned from St. Louis today and declared the prospect for winning the strike was bright and based his hopes on the demoralized condition of the packers' business and the heavy losses they are sustaining. He said they were compelled to sell meat away below cost and are being cut into tremendously by the independent packers. In St. Louis the packers are fairly giving the meat away. In New York they are compelled to sell away below cost. Chicago is the only place where they have maintained prices.

It is believed the packers can not stand the financial strain much longer. We expect liberal contributions from the miners' federation.

Mrs. Maybrick Returns Home.

New York, Aug. 23.—The steamer Vaderland, with Mrs. Maybrick aboard, docked soon after eight o'clock this morning. A crowd of curious people swarmed the dock and witnessed her arrival without demonstration. The woman walked down the gangplank on the arm of her lawyer, S. V. Hayden, and was hustled into a cab and hastily driven up-town. It is learned that the party will stop over the day at the Fifth Avenue Hotel, and possibly tomorrow leave for Hayden's home at Ellenville, near Kingston, N. Y.

During the voyage she wrote a statement which she gave to the press on her arrival. She expressed the desire not to be interviewed. Her statement expresses her joy and thanksgiving to get back a free woman to her native land,

with frequent expressions of gratitude to her American friends who for years have fought for her liberty. She said her intention was to remain at the home of Hayden till her shattered health was better, and hopes to recover under treatment. "God in his own time will right the wrong that has been done me."

She was dressed in black and white, with a heavy veil. She was fragile as a statue as she appeared on deck this morning and stood apparently in reverie as she watched the statue of Liberty and the tall buildings of the city. Newspaper men watched her from behind the ventilator, but none spoke to her. As the passengers began appearing the woman returned to her stateroom. Lawyer Hayden said after she returned to her stateroom that she said: "This is the happiest hour of my whole life." The custom officers detained her but an instant. She clutched tightly the arm of her escort.

A Great Wheat Country.

A Morrow county man tells a Portland Journal reporter that "it costs but little to produce wheat in that country, as all the work is done by machinery. Six or eight horses attached to gang plows break the ground, and the seed is covered with disc harrows on the same extensive plan. No one walks in doing farm work in that country, as the harvesting is also done by the latest improved machinery."

"Wheat can be raised cheaper in Eastern Oregon than in any other part of the United States. It is estimated that four bushels to the acre will pay for harvesting the crop, consequently the profits come easy. No irrigation is needed, but there is no convenient timber in that country, and the wood is shipped in by rail from the Columbia river to Ione, where slawwood sell for \$3.75 per cord and body for \$4.75."

Plague of Eels at Cottage Grove.

COTTAGE GROVE, Aug. 24.—A queer pestilence, in the shape of eels, has been annoying the city officials for the past few days. Thousands upon thousands of eels are dying and on the city waterfront they lodge in eddies of the river. The odor has become so offensive that boys have been hired to rake them out into running water so they may float away.

A Doggone Libel Suit.

SALEM, August 23.—Attorney M. F. Pogue filed a \$5000 libel suit in the circuit court this evening in behalf of City Marshal D. W. Gibson and against the Capital Journal. The complaint alleges that the Journal falsely accused Gibson of kicking a dog until it died from the injuries inflicted. Gibson asserts that the dog did not die and was not injured by him.

The warehouse of the Ashland Fruit Association is a busy place these days, there being between 3,000 and 4,000 boxes shipped daily. Sunday a refrigerator car, containing 1460 boxes, was sent last week to San Francisco and another heavy shipment followed that city Monday.

The Harvest is Ended.

The past week has been dry, with cool nights and warm afternoons. Pasturage, potatoes and gardens need rain badly, but corn and hops are standing the dry weather better than expected. The grain harvest is drawing to a close, and most of the wheat in Willamette valley and in southern Oregon has been cut and threshed. Fall wheat and barley yields are generally above the average. Spring wheat and oats are below the average in quantity, but above the average in quality.

Hops are doing well and the vines are free from vermin. Picking will begin in the early yards within two weeks. It is hard to judge the size of the crop on account of the increased acreage, but individual yards generally will not produce as abundantly as they did last year.

Corn is doing remarkably well and ears promise to be large and well filled. Without rain soon potatoes will be a poor crop. Apples in some localities have dropped badly but the crop is still good. Peaches, plums and blackberries are plentiful in the market.

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