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GREAT NAVAL BATTLE IS PENDING OFF FORMOSA

Rojestvensky's Combined Fleets Off For the Open Sea--Collision With Admiral Togo Hourly Expected.

St. Petersburg, May 17.—It is believed here that Rojestvensky has at last made a dash for the Pacific with his combined fleets and that he will take his course north of the island of Luzon, off the Philippines. It is certain that the Russian Admiral has orders to fight, the Admiralty being anxious to make a final test of strength with the Japanese if necessity occurs.

That Rojestvensky shortly will hazard all on a sea fight is the general belief of navy officers here. He could not hope to return to the West, it is pointed out, even if the Russian policy contemplated averting the sacrifice of his ships. Rojestvensky's return without a fight would be equivalent to resignation of his commission.

The Russian bureaucrats, military experts say, must still be ignorant of actual conditions in the far east, and for that reason, it is believed, strong pressure has been brought to bear on Admiral Rojestvensky in dispatches from his government, to accept battle or even force it. A minority of the experts incline to the belief that the Russian Admiralty has not ordered Rojestvensky to abandon his policy of delay.

FLETCHER WANTS \$10,000 DAMAGES WHIP YOUR WIFE, GET WHIPPED, TOO

Eugene, May 17.—John Fletcher, who was shot in the face by John Branton near Cottage Grove one night in March while the two were going from Cottage Grove to Branton's farm, Branton's arrest following the deed, has begun suit in the circuit court against his assailant for \$10,000 damages. Fletcher's complaint recites as follows: "That on or about March 5, 1905, near Cottage Grove, Oregon, the defendant purposely and maliciously shot and wounded the plaintiff with a pistol, powder and ball, said ball striking the plaintiff in the face breaking his nose and tearing out and totally destroying the plaintiff's left eye, causing him great bodily pain and mental anguish. That by reason of said injury the plaintiff's face is permanently disfigured, his health impaired and his ability to earn a livelihood greatly lessened and impaired. That said injury was inflicted on the plaintiff by the defendant without fault or neglect of the plaintiff. That reason of defendant's said wrongful act the plaintiff is damaged in the sum of \$10,000."

Fletcher also asks for a judgment for the costs and disbursements in the suit. John M. and Geo. A. Pipes are his attorneys.

A fund is being raised in Astoria for the purpose of providing ammunition with which to shoot the seals at the mouth of the Columbia to prevent their destroying the salmon when the next run commences.

McGINN LEADS FOR THE BENCH

Portland, May 16.—That Henry E. McGinn is the foremost candidate for the Federal Judgeship for the District of Oregon to succeed the late Charles B. Bellinger is the outlook at this time. Powerful influences are behind Judge McGinn's candidacy, and it is the belief of his friends that his chances of appointment at the hands of President Roosevelt are gilt-edged. In behalf of Judge McGinn is being urged his reputation as a lawyer, of ability and long experience, his non-connection with any of the active political factions and line-ups of the present time, and his reputation for integrity as an attorney before the Multnomah courts and those of the state for a long period of years.

The Multnomah Circuit Bench has endorsed Judge McGinn. This carries with it the recommendation of Circuit Judges Frazer, Cleland, Sears and George. The latter judge has made an application for an endorsement of Judge McGinn. This is a strong help to Judge McGinn's candidacy, and it is the general belief of those who are interested in the contest that the endorsement of the Multnomah bar will go to McGinn. Accompanying the endorsement of the bench is a strong personal letter by Judge Alfred F. Sears, attesting the qualifications of Judge McGinn, and penned as president of the Oregon State Bar Association.

Judge Lowell, of Pendleton, is looked upon by some as the next likely candidate. William D. Fenton denies his reputed candidacy, while Judge H. Carey says that while he would be proud to be appointed to a station of this kind, he will make no "unseemly scramble for an office of the dignity of United States District Judge. If it were given to me I would say thank you, but I shall make no effort to secure the place. The President knows me and my qualification," said Judge Carey this morning.

GRAND EXCURSION TO PORTLAND FAIR

H. P. Nadeau, traveling representative of the Lewis and Clark fair, is in Roseburg today arranging for a big excursion from this city to Portland on June 12, Roseburg and Cottage Grove day at the great Exposition. A special rate of less than half fare for the round trip will be arranged and announced later.

WATERWORKS BOND CARRIED

Cottage Grove, May 16.—The mains of the city waterworks are so small that they are unable to carry a sufficient supply of water for the needs of the city. The question of rebonding the town for \$20,000 to replace the present four-inch mains with ten-inch mains was voted on today and was carried by a large majority.

KLAMATH PROJECT FINALLY ASSURED

Washington, D. C., May 16.—The secretary of the Interior today authorized the purchase of the Klamath Canal Company's canal and other property in the Klamath basin for \$150,000, the latest price they named. This clears the way for the Government to take up and construct the Klamath project in Oregon and California. All other obstacles have been removed by legislation or otherwise. The board of Engineers has examined the project and has pronounced it feasible, and the secretary of the Interior has directed that work be commenced as soon as plans can be completed and the contracts awarded. He has allotted \$1,000,000 from the reclamation fund to commence construction, and directed that this money be expended in construction of the first unit. The whole project will cost \$4,400,000, and money enough to complete it will be set aside later on. There is not enough in funds now to pay for 1. The \$1,000,000 set aside today will probably all be expended in Oregon. Construction of the Klamath project will not interfere with the Malheur project, for which \$2,500,000 has heretofore been allotted.

It is now estimated it will cost \$18.00 per acre to put water on the land under the Klamath project.

Charles S. Hampton, of Douglas county, Oregon, writes: "Almost every rancher in this section of the country has recognized or soon will, the necessity of goats to keep down sweet brier and other shrubs in their pastures. The demand for goats seems to be increasing and they are replacing small bands of sheep formerly kept but which were killed off by vermin or sold."—Rural Northwest.

"BILL" BRADLEY WON'T COME HOME, OR RATHER STAY HOME

Is Sought by United States Marshals and Bloodhounds, But as Usual "Bill" Wasn't At Home.

Again the notorious Douglas County mountaineer, "Bill" Bradley, has come to notice, not through any late sensational criminal act, but simply from the fact that Uncle Sam, learning of the inability of the civil authorities to take "Bill" and punish him for the many crimes and offenses laid at his isolated cabin door, has at last enlisted the services of federal officers to take him dead or alive, with his boots on or off as the case may be, but as is related in the popular song, when officers call at his low thatched domicile, "Bill Bradley won't come home." And despite the vigilance and careful search of the federal officers last week Bill Bradley is still enjoying his freedom in the wilds of the Cascades between Douglas and Klamath counties.

Early last week a tall, dark-complexioned man, wearing a white hat, corduroy trousers and a buckskin shirt, and leading two vicious-looking bloodhounds, made his appearance in this city. At a local livery stable he made arrangements for three saddle horses and a stall in which to keep the dogs. He announced that his name was Johnson, and that he expected to go up the North Umpqua River for a short time to hunt.

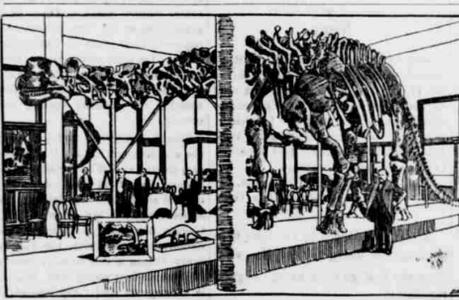
Last Wednesday Mr. Johnson was joined here by Deputy United States Marshal Blowers, and together they started for the headwaters of the North Umpqua, where they expected to arrest a well known hunter named William Bradley, who has been charged with divers crimes, offenses, killing deer out of season or something of that kind. Bradley bears the reputation of being a man who takes good care of himself, and people expected to hear of "something dropping" when the bloodhounds were turned loose, and have awaited news of the conflict anxiously.

Yesterday two very tired and jaded hounds, ridden by two very tired and disgruntled deputy United States Marshals, and followed by two weary and footsore bloodhounds, returned to Roseburg. The officers reported that upon arriving at Bradley's cabin, 80 miles from here, they discovered that Bradley had been absent for the past two weeks, and that the scent was so cold that the hounds were unable to take it up. Mr. Johnson and his hounds boarded the southbound local last evening for Medford and Mr. Blowers returned to Portland on the night train.

STERLING MINE SOLD OFFICES AT ROSEBURG

Portland, May 16.—Sale of the famous Sterling mine in Jackson County was completed today by the owners, H. E. Ankey and Vincent Cook, to Fred J. Blakely and a syndicate of local and Eastern capitalists. The mine was rated as being worth \$300,000, but the actual price paid for it is not known. The new company, which will be known as the Sterling Mine Company, expects to expend \$500,000 in improving the property and enlarging it during the ensuing year. J. D. Heard will be manager of the mine.

The Sterling mine is one of the largest placer mines in the United States, all of the work being done by the hydraulic process. It is rated as a large producer, and the reasons assigned by the owners for its sale is that they want to retire from business. Mr. Ankey also states that he thinks he is too old to continue activity in business.



ARTICULATED SKELETON OF THE BRONTOSAURUS.

The illustration shows the present appearance of the skeleton of the mammoth brontosaurus which was discovered in Wyoming more than seven years ago and is now on exhibition in the Museum of Natural History in New York city. The amphibian was about sixty-eight feet long and probably lived about 12,000,000 years ago. This is the only specimen in existence.

SLUGGERS EMPLOYED IN CHICAGO STRIKE

Chicago, May 16.—Sensational disclosures are crowding in since the arrest of eight men for complicity in the murder of Chas. J. Carlstrom by union labor professional sluggers, for which the sum paid was about \$47. It had been agreed to "educate" him to death for \$15, but the opportunity did not offer at the right time, and there were incidents in the way of carfare, etc., that the carriage makers' union readily paid.

The following persons are now under arrest for the murder: Chas. Gihlooly, naval deserter and professional slugging; Edward Feeley, professional slugging; Mark Loner, professional slugging; Chas. J. Casey, business agent, carriage makers' union.

The four men have been held to the grand jury without bail. The police are actively searching for President Miller, of the carriage makers' union, and Edward Shields, member of the executive board, who have voted the money for the murder of Carlstrom.

Following are the scales of prices for labor slugging: For murder—\$100 to \$500. Knockout where victim is sent to hospital—\$25 to \$100. Leg or arm broken—\$10 to \$15. Eye gouged out—\$10 to \$25. Plain beating, if any bones are broken—\$5 to \$15.

FARE TO LEWIS AND CLARK FAIR

During the Lewis and Clark Exposition the Southern Pacific Company will sell round trip tickets to Portland, limit thirty days, at one and one-third fare for the round trip. For parties of ten or more traveling on one ticket, one fare for the round trip. For organized parties of one hundred or more, individual tickets at one fare for round trip.

Stopover of ten days will be given at Portland on all one way tickets reading through that point during the Exposition. Tickets must be deposited with Joint Agent at Portland and charge of fifty cents will be made for extension of time.

DAVENPORT TO "HIT THE TRAIL"

Homer Davenport is to make a very fine exhibit of Arabian horses, rare pheasants and other interesting things from his New Jersey farm at the Lewis and Clark Exposition. His display will be the most attractive thing on the Pike, and Homer Davenport himself will be the greatest attraction of his show if he will stay at his farm exhibit, and he is not the kind of a man to be too exclusive when he knows that every resident of Oregon, not to mention those of other states, will be anxious to shake hands with him.

GUN LICENSE DUE MONDAY

In a few days, or to be exact, on Monday, May 22, the hunters' license of \$1 will be in force for the State of Oregon. After that time, every man, woman or child who wants to go hunting for game, will be required to pay into the treasury of the county in which he or she may live a license fee of \$1, which will go into the state funds and be used for the enforcement of the game laws. There is one exception. Farmers may hunt on their own property without paying the license.

The bill was filed with the Secretary of State February 22 and as it goes into effect 90 days after being filed, it is to take effect May 22. The license form, which was prepared by Secretary A. E. Gebhardt, of the State Fish and Game Association, has been accepted by Game Warden Baker and will be the form generally used. When folded, it will be about the size of an ordinary envelope, and is made thus in order that it will be a convenient size to carry. This license is good for one year, and must be produced on the demand of any officer. It is good for hunting any place in Oregon. There is a blank for the description of the hunter, giving the height, weight, age, color of eyes and hair, and peculiar marks of identification of the person who takes out the license, and is not transferable. There will probably be no great demand for the license until the pheasant season opens, and latter, when the season for ducks comes on.

Delegates to the convention of the Order of Railway Conductors, two thousand strong, with wives and families, were in attendance at the fair grounds, Sunday, May 14th. A sacred concert occurred during the noon hour, at which the assembly retired to the American inn, they were the guests of the fair. Royal Chinook salmon, fresh from the streams of Oregon, was served. The remainder of the menu consisted of salads, cold meats, sandwiches of various sorts, coffee, milk, ice cream and assorted cakes.

HIGH COMPLIMENT FOR THE TWICE-A-WEEK PLAINDEALER

The Oregon Information Bureau at Portland Makes Some Timely Suggestions to Roseburg Citizens.

Portland, May 17.—Editor Plaindealer—We are in receipt of your paper regularly and desire to congratulate you on the splendid issue of the 15th, setting forth the advantages and resources of Douglas County.

This edition should be taken up by the merchants, professional and other men of your city and county, and scattered broad cast throughout the country.

We will be pleased to assist in the distribution of them. If you have any extra copies for distribution we can place to your advantage a considerable quantity, say 250 or more, as our visitors register shows for last month that over 750 persons registered with us, and we assisted in locating 44 people throughout the state.

We suggest that your merchants and others take up the matter of advertising and get out a neat and complete booklet descriptive of the county and use the matter you have if not distributed. The R. R. will bring us any ad matter you may send us, free, if addressed to the Bureau above. Don't send by express unless prepaid.

Truly Yours
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CONDITION OF THE VARIOUS CROPS

The weather during the past week was showery and too cool for crops to make satisfactory advancement. Good rains fell in all sections of the state, those occurring in the western portion being especially copious and timely.

The condition of the grain crop continues satisfactory. There are some complaints of fall wheat turning yellow confined principally to that sown on low land. Rye, oats and barley are doing nicely, while spring wheat has stood well and is very promising. Hops continue uneven and the cool weather has retarded growth. In some portions of Polk county the second training of the vines is in progress. Meadow grass, clover and pastures are growing rapidly.

Alfalfa is backward and a light "dust crop" is indicated. Gardens, potatoes, corn, sugar beets, field onions and beans are growing slowly, and warm, sunny weather is needed before these crops can resume their normal growth. Corn is coming up quite evenly and enough rain has fallen to insure a good healthy stand. Dairy and range stock continue in fine condition.

Reports relative to the fruit crop continue very conflicting. In some localities whole orchards seem to be bare of fruit, while others near by indicate fairly good yields. This is also true of individual trees, some being well set with fruit, while others have none. Peaches, peaches and early cherries have suffered most, however, while other tree fruit promises fair results.

Arrangements are being made for a grand water carnival to be given at Marshfield on the 4th of July.

SUCCESSFUL MEETING AT ROSEBURG NEXT

A very successful convention of the western district of the Oregon C. E. union was held at Cottage Grove Saturday and Sunday. State President Rockwood was present Saturday, and from the time the trains reached the Grove until the convention closed enthusiasm ran high. Much time was given to conference on the best methods of committee work. A splendid junior rally was conducted Sunday afternoon by Mildred Lester of Eugene.

The talk by Rev. H. M. Andrews, missionary from India, Sunday evening was very interesting, bringing out the habits and religious customs of the people.

After electing the following officers the convention adjourned, to meet in Roseburg in the fall of 1906: President, Marian White, Cottage Grove; vice presidents John E. Smith, Roseburg; Elizabeth Brent, Eugene; treasurer, Mary Wetherbee, Eugene; secretary, Lela Carrin, Cottage Grove; press agent, Maudie Hickerling, Drain.

Superintendents—Literature, F. A. Tripp, Eugene; Temperance and Citizenship, the Rev. Holt, Eugene; Devotional, Katherine Hanns, Eugene.

Berries and Produce Wanted

Growers of strawberries, cherries and other small fruits now ripening, are earnestly requested to bring a half gallon of each variety they possess that they may be preserved for Douglas County's exhibit at the Lewis and Clark Exposition, and good samples in every line of production. Leave at Express Office with name of grower and variety attached.

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