



## FULTON IS TRUE TO THE PEOPLES INTERESTS

Opposed to the Iniquitous Forest Reserve Policy, By Which Oregon's Progress and Development is Retarded.

In an interview at Salem the other day, United States Senator Chas. W. Fulton said: "I have been trying to get the press of the state to appreciate the danger to the state's future through the forest reserve policy of the government, but it has seemed a difficult thing to have them arrive at a realization of what it means to the state. I fought the proposition in Congress last year and shall continue to do so as long as I am in the Senate from Oregon. As the matter stands now, one fifth of the lands in the state of Oregon are tied up so that they will do no good to the state nor permit of development. I consider the action of the government as an outrage, and that the people of Oregon should protest energetically against it must soon be evident to them."

Asked about the proposed "revision" of the tariff, the Senator said: "I am opposed to that and think all the Pacific Coast states should unite and fight the proposal. The people of Oregon are interested in the protective tariff and demand its maintenance. Wool men and agriculturalists and manufacturers are all united in interest in this matter, and it will not be a easy matter to secure revision of the tariff. I am afraid, said he, "that this agitation may result like the silver agitation in the Democratic party did, in a disruption of the party temporarily. It can be temporarily only, however, for the Republican party cannot get away from the tariff."

## AT THE BIG CALAPOOIA DITCH

Wednesday Messrs F. J. Blakely, F. B. Waite, E. A. Cason and the writer visited the Irrigation Company's ditch and went over the entire works. The construction force, in charge of Milo Summers, is completing the first two miles and work will soon be commenced on the last mile, which will take them to the site of the power plant. This work will be completed by August 1. The main ditch will supply water for 10,000 acres of land and will extend the entire length of Sutherland Valley. This land will be platted into 40 acre tracts and only one 40 will be sold to a single individual, and according to terms of contract, must be improved.

Thousands of acres are being successfully irrigated in Jackson and Josephine counties. Letters from fruit growers in Medford, Grants Pass and other Southern Oregon cities state that owners of even less than 40 acre tracts are making small fortunes every year. One man says he often sells \$9 worth of apples from one tree, and that with water \$30 to the tree could be easily realized.

The Calapooia Investment Company has expended thousands of dollars in Oakland since work commenced on this ditch and will continue to do so for several months to come. Therefore this commendable enterprise should receive the hearty co-operation of all.

We hope Brothers Wimberly and Connor, of Roseburg, may enjoy a trip with these accomplished gentlemen. They will find plenty to write about, plenty to eat, fragrant Havanna cigars and plenty of good water coursing down the mountain side, fed by living springs.—Oakland Owl.

## NATIONAL GOOD ROADS CONVENTION

The National Good Roads Convention will meet at the Exposition grounds at Portland June 21-24. It is hoped that the several road supervisors in the county and others interested in good roads will be present.

The proceedings of the convention will include addresses and discussions upon the scientific, ethical and economic phases of the subject and its relation to industrial progress and development. National engineers and expert road builders will exemplify modern methods of constructing earth, gravel, macadam, brick and other kinds of roads. Legislation pertaining to national and state co-operation and supervision; financial ways and means; the use of convicts and other detail of the subject will receive practical consideration.

An object lesson road will be constructed as a special exhibit, showing in detail the process of road building, from the foundation grade to the finished road. It will demonstrate the application and use of the various kinds of road material and the operation of the latest improved road making machinery.

### Cost to Visit the Fair.

A five day and ten day visit to the Exposition at Portland, to include all expenses, and see everything to be seen, can be made for \$15.00. Round trip railroad fare from Roseburg, \$6.00 total; \$21.00; ten day visit, \$25.00 R. R. fare \$6.00 total \$31. Full information may be obtained on application at South Pacific Ticket Office, Roseburg. m29f

## A SMELTER FOR GRANTS PASS

The Blanchard Improved Pattern to Be Established in Southern Oregon.

Grants Pass is to become the mining center of Southern Oregon, a fact assured by the announcement that a smelter of the Blanchard Improved type will be erected at that place at an early date. Mr. Blanchard was formerly of Roseburg and perfected his smelter invention while at this place. He arrived at this place Saturday from Spokane en route to Grants Pass to superintend the building and "blowing in" of this new smelter. He has just recovered from a long serious illness, which has caused delay in his smelter operations near Spokane.

The New Smelter. Portland, May 25.—There has been signed in Portland a contract with the Improved Mineral Smelter Company, for a smelter to be established at Grants Pass. The plant will be a 50-ton capacity smelter, but will answer the needs of Southern Oregon mining district for some time to come. Funds for the installation of the plant were subscribed by private parties, all residents of Grants Pass.

One of the promoters of the idea, Dr. H. E. Williams, of Oberlin, O., was in Portland yesterday on his return from Southern Oregon, where he went to arrange the matter in company with B. A. Williams, a mining man of that place. Colonel Waldo Draper-Morgan, who is prominently identified with the Mountaineer mine, together with other stockholders in that property, are said to have been the principal contributors to the fund for the purchase of the smelter and work on it is to be started immediately. The Southern Oregon district has been endeavoring for years to secure a smelter.

The smelter will be built on the most modern plan, coal being used in the furnace instead of coke, as is usually the case. It is claimed for coal that it forms a carbon dioxide, which is re-used in the furnace, taking the place of the regular oxide in coke, and the result is said to intensify the heat so that it can be held at 3800 degrees Fahrenheit, in which fire clay is useless. The smelter will cost between \$35,000 and \$40,000.

## COMING WITH A GREAT RUSH

Kansas City, Mo., May 25.—The sale of special rate tickets to Portland, Ore., opened so briskly as to astonish local railroad officials. From the number of tickets purchased it is apparent that passenger traffic to the Pacific coast will be heavier than was anticipated. One of the city ticket agents, in speaking of this today, said:

"It indicates that this part of the country is exceptionally prosperous. We had men come in here today from little towns out in Kansas who are going to Portland and will take their whole families with them. This early rush for tickets is not only a big advertisement for the Lewis and Clark Exposition, but a big advertisement for Kansas. Farmers are prosperous and they know of no better way to spend their superfluous coin, apparently, than to visit Oregon."

## A GIANT INDIAN PRIZE FIGHTER

One day late last week a freak of more than ordinary interest passed through Roseburg en route to Portland. We refer to a giant Indian from the Yuma, Arizona reservation, and he stands seven feet high and weighs 445 pounds. He goes by the name of John Middle Sky, and is 29 years old. Middle Sky has been making his appearance for one week in a San Francisco theatre in a one act farce comedy, "The Unknown." He was accompanied by two gentlemen—a manager and pugilist trainer. The manager informed us that they were going to Portland for a day's exhibition, after which they will exhibit him across the continent for six weeks—until they reach Coney Island, N. Y., where he will be put in training for the purpose of getting into shape to fight Jim Jeffers, the world's champion pugilist. Middle Sky attracted the attention of everybody as he promenade the depot grounds from the smoking car. He is large all over and is well proportioned for his weight, in fact quite a good looking freak.

### Water System for Yoncalla.

Yoncalla is going to put in a water system, fed by a spring near that thriving little city. With characteristic enterprise Mayor C. Ross King is selling stock and getting ready to file articles of incorporation. We hear he has sold \$2,000 worth of stock. With a water supply, new brick buildings, Mr. King, mayor; Clyde Beckley, treasurer, and Harry Stearns, a councilman. Well—who said there was anything the matter with Yoncalla?—Owl.

### Holy Roller Divorce

Corvallis, May 25.—A suit for divorce was filed today by Mrs. Maudie Hurt Credfield vs. John H. Credfield, the fallen apostle Holy Roller. Complaint is that the husband was convicted of the crime of adultery and sentenced to a term in the penitentiary.



Carnage at Fort Fisher.

Fort Fisher, the last important fortress of the Confederacy, succumbed on Jan. 15, 1865, to a combined land and naval assault. For three hours Commander Porter had bombarded the fort. At noon the signal was given to the ships to go ashore. Two thousand men landed in small boats. Owing to the heavy musketry fire they found it impossible to advance, and the whole assemblage in bands of 25 to 100 advanced in three divisions with wild yells. Lieutenant Commander Breece led the column. The divisions were led by Lieutenants Commanders Cushman, Parker and T. O. Selfridge, Jr.

The instant the men sprang forward into rifle range 1,000 marksmen opened on them. They fell by scores, but the column went on until it reached an angle where two faces of the fort met. The sailors found themselves in a slaughter pen. The rear ranks broke, soon to be followed by nearly all who could get away. In the charge 300 were killed and wounded. Breece, Parker and Cushman refused to retire and, with about sixty men, clung to the foot of the parapet until the fortress fell. Robley D. Evans, now a rear admiral, was wounded four times in this fight.

Butler's Order Was Obeyed.

General B. F. Butler had a horse that he thought a great deal of. The name of the horse was Almond Eye. An orderly reported that the horse had fallen into a ravine and broken his neck. Butler felt pretty bad, and he thought he would have the horse skinned and stuffed. He called one of the soldiers, an Irishman, and told him to go and skin the horse.

"What! Is Almond Eye dead?" asked the Irishman. "What business of yours is it?" replied General Butler. "Don't ask questions, but do as I tell you at once, my man." Pat went about his business and in a couple of hours returned to the general's headquarters. "Does it take you two hours to skin a horse?" asked the general. "Sure, general, it took me an hour to catch him," said the Irishman. "Catch him?" echoed Butler. "You don't mean that the horse was alive?" "Yes, general, and I couldn't skin him alive very well," replied Pat. "You don't mean to say you killed the horse?" said General Butler. "Sure and I did," said Pat. "You know you told me I was to obey orders without asking questions." General Butler was at a loss for a reply.

## Lincoln at Gettysburg

FOURSCORE and seven years ago our fathers brought forth on this continent a new nation, conceived in liberty and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal. Now we are engaged in a great civil war, testing whether that nation, or any nation so conceived and so dedicated, can long endure. We are met on a great battlefield of that war. We have come to dedicate a portion of that field as a final resting place for those who here gave their lives that that nation might live. It is altogether fitting and proper that we should do this. But in a larger sense we cannot dedicate, we cannot consecrate, we cannot hallow this ground. The brave men, living and dead, who struggled here have consecrated it far above our power to add or detract. The world will little note nor long remember what we say here, but it can never forget what they did here. It is for us the living, rather to be dedicated here to the unfinished work which they who fought here have thus far so nobly advanced. It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us, that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion; that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain; that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom, and that government of the people, by the people and for the people shall not perish from the earth.—Address of President Lincoln at Gettysburg, Nov. 19, 1863.

## The Large Percentage Of Business Incompetents

I AM willing to feed out the 95 per cent of incompetents to Professor Osler in order to save the 5 per cent WHO ARE FITTED TO SURVIVE. Only 5 per cent of the men who embark in business succeed; 95 PER CENT FAIL. I did not make the world; I am not responsible that the 95 per cent, like Richard III, came "half made up" into the world. THEY CANNOT MEET THE COMPETITION, though perhaps they could have done well as college professors.

## EIGHTH GRADE EXAMINATION

Fifty-four Pupils Successful Out of an Eligible Total of 121 in the Douglas County Schools

By County School Superintendent F. B. Hamlin the Plaindealer is informed that fifty-four pupils passed the eighth grade final examinations held in the public schools throughout Douglas County on May 18-19, out of an eligible total of 121. The papers from 87 of these were returned to the county superintendent for marking. Seventeen pupils passed in at least seven studies, which entitles them to finish at the next examination to be held June 8-9, and sixteen pupils failed in three or more studies, making it obligatory for them to take the examination again in its entirety.

The successful pupils will receive diplomas which will enable them to enter the 9th grade of any school in the state without any further examination. The names of those pupils follow.

District No. 1, Oakland, George Sawyer, Prin.—Ester Stearns, Kelley Jones, Veta Goodman, Fred Russell. District No. 4, Roseburg, S. P. Stewart, teacher.—Gladys McCrosen, Ruth Barzee, Jas. Easton, Knafie Pickens, Geo. Wharton, Grace Moore, Ralph Breeden, Gale Sanders, Edith Clements, Elita Dillard, Ruie Crawford (Edenbower school) Clare Crawford, Fred Champagne, Raymond Hewitt, Alice Brumbach, Lillie Smith, Forrest Bartrum.

District No. 6, South Deer Creek, Oscar Houser, teacher.—Chas. Vaughn, District No. 8, Canyonville, H. O. Stone, Prin.—Clifford Boyle, Otto Weaver, Eugene Boyer.

District No. 11, Oak Creek, Mrs. W. F. Price, teacher.—Ida Erickson, Rhoda Watson, Pearl Thornton, John J. Kernan.

District No. 13, Looking Glass, Fannie Colvin, teacher.—Bessie Morgan, Blanche Buell.

District No. 15, Days Creek, Lloyd Marquon, teacher.—Malinda Beale, Frank Dietrich.

District No. 16, Myrtle Creek, Thurman Chaney, Prin.—Vagie Burnett, Minnie Bentley, Virginia Redifer.

District No. 20, Riddle, Fred Goff, teacher.—Chester Redifer, Ethel Seater.

District No. 21, Camas Valley, Elmer Clayton, teacher.—Ruth Scranton, Alice Scranton.

District No. 32, Yoncalla, W. A. Arnold, Prin.—Robert Theil, Jas. Buell, Bonnie Marsters.

District No. 37, Roberts Creek, Geo. A. Crane, teacher.—Grace Dodson. District No. 40, Lower Calapooia, May Winniford, teacher.—Lee Winniford.

District No. 40, Olalia, Mildred Haynes, teacher.—Henry M. Croucher. District No. 50, Cleveland, Lee Cannon, teacher.—Adolph H. Doerner.

District No. 77, Gladvale, Lee Cannon, teacher.—Loretta Snyder, Earl McNulty.

District No. 95, Oak Grove, Ethel Grose, teacher.—John H. Fazole, Elmer Goodman.

District No. 122, Fair Oaks, Harry D. Whitaker, teacher.—Alice Manning. District No. 134, Peel, Bertha Watson, teacher.—Preston Turrell, Ida Turrell.

## NRS. W. R. WILLIS APPOINTS ASSISTANTS

Mrs. W. R. Willis, hostess for Douglas county at the Lewis and Clark Fair requests the following ladies to assist her at the Douglas county exhibit during the fair.

Mrs. James Binger Hermann, J. C. Aiken, F. W. Benson, A. J. Bellows, O. P. Coshaw, S. R. Lane, Willis Kramer, A. F. Brown, G. W. Riddle, J. S. Gray, S. D. Evans, J. E. Barker, S. C. Flint, J. C. Fullerton, J. W. Hamilton, W. W. Thackrah, E. J. Strout, M. Josephson, F. W. Waite, F. G. Miceli, A. F. Stearns, John Hall, Sr., H. G. Sonnenmann, Ira Wimberly, W. G. Winston, W. A. Smick, Misses Jeannie Buick, Jennie Arner.

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## 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.

### Celebrated Her 118 Birthday.

There was a note worthy birthday celebrated at Hillsboro, Washington county a few days ago, when Mrs. Mary Ramsey Lemon Wood, believed to be not only the oldest person in Oregon, but one of the oldest in the United States, reached the 118th anniversary of her birth. Mrs. Wood is a pioneer of Oregon having resided in this state for more than a half a century, and is said to be remarkably hale and hearty for one of such advanced years. According to the family records, Mrs. Wood was born in Knoxville, Tenn., in 1787.

## RUSSIAN FLEET ANNIHILATED JAPS WIN GREAT NAVAL VICTORY

Russian Baltic Fleet Sunk or Scattered to the Four Winds—Report Says Togo Entrapped Russians.

New York, May 28.—A special from Tokio dated Sunday, 10 a. m. states that history was made at the entrance to the sea of Japan yesterday and is being made today in the greatest naval contest of modern times. While some of the main results were known in Tokio last night and evening newspapers were permitted to issue extras containing bulletins made public by the imperial navy board, the Tokio government for reasons of national security prohibited the transmission of any news by cable that would indicate results so far achieved, and this censorship applies equally to the ministers of foreign powers.

The world will possibly have to wait another day before it learns even the skeleton of the facts of the stupendous drama which began shortly after daylight yesterday 190 miles southwest of Shimoneseki. It is permitted to say that at 4 o'clock last night the scout ships of Admiral Kataoka reported by wireless the approach of the Russian Baltic squadron from a point north of the Uku island and the southerly entrance to the Straits of Korea.

It is reported that the Baltic fleet sunk an American steamer near Formosa. It is announced that the Japanese fleet found the Baltic fleet at Tsushima yesterday and that subsequently cannonading was heard.

St. Petersburg dispatches state that it is persistently rumored that the fleets of Togo and Rojstevsky are fighting and that the fierce battle has been raging since yesterday morning.

The naval battle, it is thought by experts, will probably be extended into a running fight to Vladivostok. There is no definite knowledge of the result, though St. Petersburg claims victory for Rojstevsky because Japan has suppressed the news.

A special to the World from Tokio states that the Russians entered the straits of Korea yesterday morning in battle array. The heavy fighters of Rojstevsky's squadron, including the six first-class battleships, are in one column, while the swift cruisers are in another.

The fact that movements of the wily Japanese have been screened from the public during the last two weeks leads the naval experts to think that Togo has some trap laid, and they believe that Rojstevsky is rushing headlong into it.

Coincident with the sighting of the Russians comes the news from Tokio that the Korean straits have been closed to commerce. This is done to screen from the enemy the plans of the Japanese and prevent them and other nations getting knowledge of their tactics until the battle is over.

It is the opinion of the experts here that the Japanese will coax the Russians into the straits, where their greater number of ships will cause them to be an encumbrance to themselves and where the smaller Japanese navy can have them at its mercy and pick them off at leisure, once they are within the straits.

### Russian Fleet Annihilated

London, May 29.—A dispatch from Tokio says that Admiral Togo has won a signal victory over the Russian fleet in a two days engagement, resulting in the sinking and scattering to the four winds, the entire Russian Baltic squadron. The Japs report having lost nine torpedo boats and two cruisers.

The battle is said to have been one of the greatest in the history of naval warfare. It is thought this great naval victory for the Japs will have the effect to bring about early peace negotiations as Vladivostok, Russians only prominent eastern port is now at the mercy of the Japanese.

The Oakland Real Estate Company is distributing 3,000 circulars, chiefly in Eastern states. The printed matter is descriptive of Oakland and surrounding country and is likened unto seed cast upon fertile soil, perhaps yielding an hundred fold. Such work is certainly commendable.

Some weeks ago, owing to a misunderstanding between the S. P. Co. and the telephone company, the telephone was removed from the depot. Monday instructions came to Agent Griggs to put it back. This is a pleasant ending to an unpleasant affair.—Bohemian Nugget.

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