

Great Chief Peo Forgives His Ancient Ministerial Foe Tribesmen Weep When They See Wreck of Demented Indian

Chief Peo of the Umatilla, who has just been brought home from Canton, S. D., asylum for insane, to die among his people. The photo, taken when Peo was just past his prime, is copyright (1890) by Lee Moorhouse, Pendleton, Or.

(Special to The Journal.)
Pendleton, Or., March 4.—After seven years spent in the asylum at Canton, S. D., Peo, chief of the Umatillas, is back among his people to spend his last years. Cured of the violent madness which was his when taken to the asylum but still mentally weak at times, he was brought back a week ago by Dr. Hummer, superintendent of the Canton institution, and upon their promise to care for him until death shall close a notable career, was placed in the custody of his two children, Mrs. Charles Van Peit and Mildred Peo.

The chief who comes back as from the dead is only in name the chief who ruled in other days. His form, once like the pine of his native mountains, is now bent and broken. The face, the rugged lines of which once indicated the strength of the personality which was feared and respected, is now blanched and haggard. His hair, formerly the blackness of the raven, now falls white over his shoulders and his whole appearance tells the truth that he is but the shell of his former self.

Flower the Main of Peo.
To all but the recent settlers in this county, Chief Peo is no stranger. It was about 13 years ago that the sun of Peo's power began to set. It was then Rev. J. M. Cornelison, Presbyterian missionary at Tutuilla, a young man just out of college, entered upon his work of Christianizing the redmen of this county. He was at once thrown into a fight with Peo for his very existence as a missionary among the Indians.

The chief of the Umatillas had secured control of hundreds of acres of rich farming land on the reservation and it is charged that in handling these lands he cared mostly to enrich himself. Cornelison grasped the situation soon after his arrival and, knowing that the land under Peo's management properly belonged in the jurisdiction of the church, undertook to wrest them from the influential chieftain.

A bitter hatred of the white minister developed in the heart of the red ruler and he used all of his great power to discredit the missionary and his work, but the latter pursued his purpose with all the zeal of his faith and gradually the old chief saw his influence undermined and his lands slip from him.

Then he gave free rein to his unquenchable thirst for liquor and his life from that time forms one of the countless pathetic tales of the debauching power of whiskey upon the native American. Fully one day about eight years ago, he was placed under arrest for disorderly conduct while intoxicated. Enough of the spirit of his ancestors was still left so that when the officer attempted to lead him to jail, he put up a determined resistance. In the scuffle, the officer's club frac-



tured the Indian's skull, and this blow, together with some poisonous liquor which he had drunk, brought about his mental affliction.
A week ago Sunday he was taken among his people for the first time in seven years. Many of them had gathered in the mission house at Tutuilla where Rev. Mr. Cornelison was conducting the regular services of the day, and Peo with bowed head and halting step was led up the aisle to a front seat. At sight of the great change in their former leader, many of his people burst into tears, and when in response to an invitation, he arose to speak to his tribesmen, his voice, once so strong and resonant, quavered, not one among all the throng but was visibly affected.
His message indicated that a still greater change than shown in his outward form had been effected in their chief during the seven years and they were all made glad. Yet their gladness was naught compared with that of their teacher, for turning to where Rev. Mr. Cornelison, his enemy of other days, was seated, he pointed his bony, shaking finger at him and said solemnly, "What this man say is good."

2000 TEACHERS TO MEET AT SPOKANE

Big Convention Will Consider Plans to Broaden School Work.

(Special to The Journal.)
Spokane, Wash., March 4.—Two thousand delegates from Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Montana will attend the fourteenth annual sessions of the Inland Empire Teachers' association in Spokane, April 3 to 6, according to advices received by Wayne P. Smith of Wallace, Idaho, chairman of the executive committee. The convention will be preceded by the formal dedication of the Lewis and Clark high school, costing \$500,000, April 1 to 3, in addition to which the annual meeting of superintendents of schools in Washington will be held April 2 to 4, and a meeting of the state board of education, April 5.
Among the speakers at the convention will be Dr. G. Stanley Hall, president of Clark university, Worcester, Mass.; Dr. A. E. Winship, editor of the Journal of Education, Boston; Arthur H. Chamberlain, Los Angeles, editor of the Sierra Educational News, and chairman of the international committee of the American School Peace League; Edward E. Krehbiel of the Leland Stan-

BENTON FRUIT MEN ORGANIZE; 300 IN

More Than 150 Acres Berries May Be Planted by Members This Year.

(Special to The Journal.)
Corvallis, Or., March 4.—The Benton County Fruitgrowers association was organized, a constitution and by-laws adopted and directors of the institution named at Corvallis Saturday, with 300 members. Special trains were run on the C. & E. and the P. E. & E. railroads to accommodate the stockholders, who came from remote parts of the county. It is estimated that 175 of the stockholders were present at the called meeting, the others being represented by proxies.
It is the purpose of this association to market the products of its members. Perishable fruits will be graded and shipped to the markets as fresh fruit, or put into cans at the local cannery. From the number of plants ordered it is estimated that more than 150 acres of loganberries, red raspberries and gooseberries will be planted by members of this association this year.
Some of the subjects to be discussed relate to improving the condition of the rural schools, the chief tendencies in education, physical and manual training, progress in the teaching of home economics, achievements in art education and the introduction of agriculture into the public schools.
The officers of the association are: President, C. A. Duniway, University of Montana, Missoula; vice presidents, Norman F. Coleman, Whitman college, Walla Walla; Grace K. Shepard, state superintendent of public instruction, Idaho; E. E. Bragg, La Grande, Or.; secretary, Paul S. Filer, Spokane; treasurer, May Trumper, county superintendent of schools, Kalspel, Mont.; executive committee, W. P. Wayne, Wallace, Idaho; Phillip Soulen, Moscow, Idaho; Ida M. Pattee, Spokane; chairman membership committee, Bruce E. Millikin, Wallace, Idaho; chairman local executive committee, Bruce M. Watson, Spokane.

SYNOPSIS OF THE ANNUAL STATEMENT OF THE COLUMBIAN NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE CO.

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On the 31st day of December, 1911, made to the insurance commissioner of the State of Oregon, pursuant to law:

CAPITAL	
Amount of capital paid up.....	\$1,000,000.00
INCOME	
Premiums received during the year.....	1,732,612.88
Interest, dividends and rents received during the year.....	811,837.98
Income from other sources received during the year.....	1,176,165.74
Total income.....	\$3,612,596.53
DISBURSEMENTS	
Paid for losses, endowments, annuities and surrender values.....	609,186.96
Dividends paid to policy holders during the year.....	16,444.81
Dividends paid on capital stock during the year.....	70,000.00
Commissions, salaries and other expenses paid during the year.....	386,547.44
Taxes, licenses and fees paid during the year.....	24,838.26
Amount of all other expenditures.....	452,989.73
Total expenditures.....	\$1,498,846.00
ASSETS	
Market value of real estate owned.....	40,187.78
Market value of stocks and bonds owned.....	3,758,312.50
Loans on mortgages and collateral, etc.....	1,871,317.52
Premium notes and policy loans.....	932,376.53
Cash in banks and on hand.....	674,541.13
Net uncollectible and reserved.....	2,150,215.00
Other assets (net).....	95,331.13
Total assets.....	\$7,447,585.33
Total assets admitted in Oregon.....	\$7,447,585.33
LIABILITIES	
Net reserve.....	\$5,776,940.20
Total policy claims.....	110,108.78
All other liabilities (including unearned premium, 1,000,000 and surplus, \$455,917.52).....	1,560,536.35
Total liabilities.....	\$7,447,585.33
Total insurance in force Dec. 31, 1911.....	\$51,025,951.99
BUSINESS IN OREGON FOR THE YEAR	
Total risks written during the year.....	\$99,566.00
Gross premiums received during the year.....	14,238.54
Premiums returned during the year.....	2,422.48
Losses paid during the year, accident and health.....	2,262.63
Losses incurred during the year, accident and health.....	2,262.63
Total amount of risks outstanding in Oregon December 31, 1911, life.....	\$47,616.00

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THOUGH 70, CAPT. LEEPER BEGINS PIONEER'S LABOR

(Special to The Journal.)
White Salmon, Wash., March 4.—With all the enthusiasm of youth, Captain W. M. Leeper, 70 years old, is developing a large orchard, personally superintending the clearing and planting of 60 acres last summer and fall, and intending to work out 40 acres more this summer. Instead of retiring he is beginning it all over again out here in the woods of Washington. So enthusiastic is he over the work that he took in the short course in horticulture at Corvallis, and was the oldest boy in the class.

Captain Leeper was brought up in Bloomington, Ill., heard Lincoln make his first Republican speech in that town, and when the war came, enlisted. He saw Lincoln in the rough before his greatness was known. He impressed him as "the most awkward, ungainly, gauntest and laziest man providence ever turned loose. He was as serious as the Sphinx until he began to speak, and then first impressions faded away like fog before sun-hine."

STORY GETS DIVORCE; ACTOR CO-RESPONDENT

(United Press Special Wire.)
New York, March 4.—Alfred Lawrence Story was granted a divorce from Helen Hilton Story, granddaughter of the late Judge Henry Hilton, after the jury had been out one hour and 20 minutes. Story and his wife are prominent in local society. Story is named Stanley Forde, an actor, as co-respondent.
In summing up Attorney Mooney for the husband said:
"Forde played nursemaid to Mrs. Story's baby; Forde cut the grass, brought the vegetables; in fact, Forde kept an apron on most of the time and did all the work around the house. I tell you, gentlemen of the jury, no man shall do chores except for his wife or sweetheart."

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SEASIDE WILL VOTE ON IMPORTANT MEASURES

(Special to The Journal.)
Seaside, Or., March 4.—On Wednesday the city of Seaside adopted its new

charter. On Thursday, at the first meeting of the city council, two initiative petitions were acted upon and ordered put to popular vote at a special election to be held March 17. One of these eliminates the word "now" from a prohibition of bar licenses west of

the Necanicum river except to hotels, "now located" there. The other provides that the water commission, which the charter empowers to issue \$100,000 of bonds and build a water system, must submit the bond proposition, with the plans and specifications for the new

work, to popular vote for approval. The special election on March 17, the water commission is also to be elected. The Federation of Trade Unions in Portland has proclaimed a general strike.

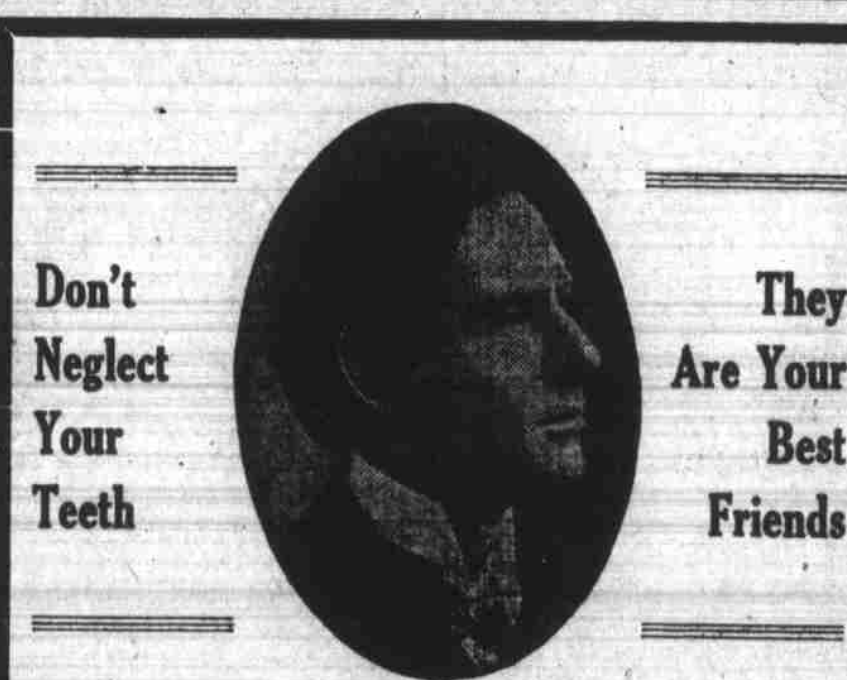
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