

WAGNER'S BAND IS GIVEN PRAISE BY PROF. GOODRICH

Contest at Multnomah Field Called Off; Only 3 Bands Enter Preliminary Contest; Crowd Entertained.

The eagerly awaited band contest that was to have been held at Multnomah field last night as a feature of the Elks grand reunion was called off late in the afternoon, and at 8 o'clock, when the big grandstand was filled with people it was announced from the field through a megaphone that the contest had been declared off by the committee.

Three bands only entered the preliminary contest at the Oaks Wednesday afternoon, the Fifth Regiment National Guard band from San Francisco, Wagner's band and the Kallispell, Mont., band. The judges, Luigi Ruzzi, Frederick W. Goodrich, Charles Duerke and John Hayley scored the three bands on the playing of the dedication benediction from the opera "Les Huguenots," and the "Dance of the Hours," giving Wagner's band 100 points, the Kallispell band 72 points and the Fifth Infantry band 60 points.

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The very first contest settled the question of merit, and we would have reached no other conclusion but to give Wagner's band first prize and the Kallispell second. They were so extremely superior from all points of view in concert work that no further comparison was necessary, and we submitted a report to that effect yesterday to the commission, this report eliminating the Fifth Infantry band from further contests.

Wagner's band appeared at Multnomah field last night and played two heavy numbers, a fantasia from "Lohengrin," by Wagner, and Tschakowsky's famous overture, "1812," the number selected by the judges as the best piece for the final contest. Both numbers were splendidly played and elicited a veritable ovation from the thousands in the grandstand and on the field.

The Kallispell band was busy serenading in the downtown district, having been informed that they had been disqualified and so did not appear to compete.

The Fifth Infantry band was present and followed Wagner's band with several pleasing concert numbers and entertained the crowd for an hour or more.

The Silverton band, too, was on the field playing ragtime marches during the waits.

About 100 members of the local association of musicians met at 11 o'clock last night and escorted the visiting association bands to the union depot. The big massed band started from Multnomah hotel, where the visiting musicians were staying, and led the parade through the court of honor and down Sixth street to the depot, followed by thousands of merry making Elks and friends.

CRUISE HAS TO STOP IN CRATER LAKE FOREST

Medford, Or., July 12.—As a result of congress failing to pass the appropriation bills of the forestry department, the reconnaissance crew of 10 men is idle and the work of cruising the heavy timber in the Crater Lake national forest is halted indefinitely.

Preparations for the protection of the timber of southern Oregon are practically completed and with 35 fire wardens and guards in the field at this time, with 20 more to be added August 1, making a total of 55, Supervisor M. L. Erickson of the Crater national forest looks for a year in which the fire loss will be reduced to a minimum.

Pendleton, Or., July 11.—A little bone button may be the means of convicting Columbia George of the brutal murder of A. Te-Me-At, an aged squaw, last Saturday. The button was found at the scene of the struggle and still attached to it a piece of pink flannel.

Miners Will Flock to Yreka.—Medford, Or., July 12.—Fully 100 miners and mine owners of this city are planning to attend the mining congress to be held in Yreka at the fourth semi-annual meeting of the mining men of southern Oregon and northern California.

CAMPAIGN FUND INQUIRY DRAGS ON

Lack of Information Gives Committee Hard Problem to Solve.

(United Press Pressed Wire.) Washington, July 12.—Baffled in its search for details of the enormous campaign collections in 1904 and 1908, through the defective memories of both the Republican and Democratic national managers and their testimony that all records had been destroyed, the special senate investigating committee today faced a dilemma.

The committee decided to continue its hunt for information as to the 1904 campaign before beginning on the presidential race of 1908. George R. Sheldon, who was treasurer of the national Republican committee in 1904, will be called shortly. While no definite arrangements have yet been made, it was understood Postmaster General Frank

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