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DEFENDING THE CANAL POLICY

Fairbanks Opens Argument in Favor of Pending Treaty With Panama.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS

TO THE WORLD'S FAIR.

to Reimburse Colombia for Loss of Territory, Which is Expected to Gain Democratic Votes for the Canal Treaty.

Washington, Feb. 2.—In the senate Fairbanks warily defended administration on the canal.

believed the majority of the people had been inspired by politics through the subject ought to be decided upon the high ground of national duty and honor. He said Colombia with attempting to buy America and the French company, making mention of the perfectly natural right to there being no other course.

World's Fair Loan.

senate committee on appropriations today decided to report the deficiency bill, including the loan to the St. Louis exposition \$4,600,000 to be repaid from the gate receipts.

To Reimburse Colombia.

for the payment of \$5,000,000 and \$10,000,000 to have, it is said, reached within 10 days. For this the republicans are said to be proposing a proposition from the president to use his peace between Colombia and pay Colombia the loss of territory. The republicans will then vote for the treaty.

New Philippine Governor.

Feb. 2.—Wright, as governor of the islands, were named with imposing ceremony. Three thousand troops were

Inaugural address Wright

his intention of adhering to the policy of the Taft administration, and urged increased friendship with the natives, and asked the welfare of all Americans for the islands than their personal gain.

FARMERS' EXCHANGE.

Propose to Back-fire the Trusts.

Feb. 2.—Delegates from the Dakotas, Iowa, Nebraska and other states met today at the opening of the conference of the Farmers' Exchange. The organization of the exchange is composed of farm-ers throughout the country accomplished at a meeting in Chicago recently, and the conference is for the purpose of completing the organization of a plan of work. The organization aims to control the market for farm produce, and to claim that the markets are manipulated by others than the farmers, and that the farmers receive the worst of the transaction.

Machine Shops on Fire.

Feb. 2.—The machine shops of the Pacific and Columbia & Puget Sound railway, caught fire this morning. The engine department was called to prevent spreading. Work saved several thousand dollars worth of valuable machinery. Companies were badly damaged. Loss, \$10,000. But the system the entire system would have been de-

STOCKHOLDERS.

Large Number Have Gathered Together at Mitchell, S. D.

Mitchell, S. D., Feb. 2.—The opening of three conventions today has attracted to Mitchell one of the largest crowds ever entertained by the city. The State Butter Makers' Association, State Livestock Breeders' and State Poultry Breeders' are all holding forth in annual session and the three together have attracted upwards of 500 visitors from all parts of the state.

The poultry association is conducting a state poultry show in conjunction with its meeting and the stockbreeders are holding a sale of fancy bred stock, both of which have added interest to the triple gathering. For each of the gatherings an interesting program has been arranged and many noted agricultural and dairy authorities will be heard during the week.

CATHOLIC PRIEST AT IROQUOIS FIRE

FAME FATHER MULDOON HAS REACHED THE POPE.

He Was One of the First in the Burning Theater and Gave Absolution to the Dying at the Risk of His Life—Fell in the Harness of His Holy Office.

Rome, Feb. 2.—The pope today conferred with Goettl, prefect of propaganda, regarding the best way to recognize the heroism of Bishop Muldoon at the Iroquois fire. The pope is especially anxious to recognize the bishop because of the groundless attack on him when he was a candidate for the archbishopric of Chicago.

Muldoon was one of the first on the scene and made his way to the galleries, where he pronounced absolution to the dying until nearly overcome by smoke and refused to leave his post until dragged away by the police, when he continued administration in an adjoining restaurant until he dropped from fatigue.

NEW NIGHT POLICE.

H. A. Thompson Succeeds Ethan Houser on "The Force."

Ethan Houser, who has been the night policeman for nearly a month, has resigned and Marshal Carney has appointed H. A. Thompson to serve in his place. Mr. Thompson's appointment will be placed before the council Wednesday night, when it will doubtless be confirmed.

Mr. Houser took the position induced by the higher wages paid by the department, but found the night work not to his liking, and when his former employer offered to raise the wages in his old position to what he was receiving on the police force, he resigned to resume work in the meat market.

Mr. Thompson, who takes the place on the force left vacant by the resignation of Mr. Houser, is an old resident, and has been employed for some time by the Gray's Harbor Lumber Company. He is well known in the city, and will make a good officer.

TILL AFTER LENT.

Postponement of "Bibi, the Comedy of Toys."

"Bibi, the Comedy of Toys," which was to have been presented at an early date by a number of young people under the direction of the ladies of the Parish Aid, has been postponed for a time owing to the proximity of Lent. There are some hard scores in the music, which could not receive sufficient drill in the time left before the piece should have been presented, and it is therefore thought best to postpone it until after the Lenten season was over. The persons who are in the cast are fast learning their parts, and it will be but a short time when the practice is again taken up until the ladies will be able to present it to the public.

K. OF P. AT ADAMS.

Will Organize With Seventeen Charter Members.

On Friday next the Knights of Pythias will institute a lodge at Adams with a charter membership of 25 or more. Seventeen have already signified their intention of joining the order that night, and the ceremonies will be made a great event. The members of the lodge here are making arrangements for a special car Friday evening. It is thought that about 25 people will go from here. J. W. Maloney will have charge of the ceremonies at Adams, and will induct the new officers into their duties.

Mrs. Julie Flynn, of Chicago, is dead at the age of 100. She was active and energetic, and had the use of her mental faculties until two days before her death.

WAR BELIEVED TO BE CERTAIN

This is the View Berlin Takes of the Situation on Strength of Latest Advices.

TRANS SIBERIAN ROAD CLOSED TO COMMERCE.

Fifty Thousand Reinforcements for Vladivostock During Present Month—Japanese Are Hiking Out of Territory Traversed by Russian Railroads—Korean Minister Recalled From Peking—Japan Increasing Her Demands on Russia.

Berlin, Feb. 2.—The Schlessene Zeitung, a conservative newspaper, asserts today that war between Japan and Russia is certain, and an early outbreak is imminent. The paper adds that at a recent council where the czar presided, orders were issued to stop all traffic over the trans-Siberian railroad from Moscow eastward save trains for military uses. Goods awaiting dispatch at Moscow were returned to the sender. The paper states these facts created excitement on the St. Petersburg bourse.

Because of the Zeitung's high reputation for veracity, business circles of Berlin are alarmed. The foreign office has no notice of a crisis and the railway managers say they have received no intimation of a stoppage of trains carrying Siberian traffic.

War Preparations.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 2.—Fifty thousand additional Russian troops are expected to strengthen Vladivostock garrison during February. Orders for a mobilization of reserves throughout the far east are also expected.

Dispatches here are to the effect that Japanese are intriguing to create disturbances in Korea in order to have an excuse for intervening. Japanese in alarm are leaving the country traversed by the eastern Chinese railroad.

Sinister News.

Paris, Feb. 2.—News are received here this afternoon of the sinister import that Japan has increased her demands on Russia.

Korean Minister Recalled.

Peking, Feb. 2.—Disquieting news regarding conditions in Korea continue to be received by the Korean legation. The Korean minister has been recalled and will leave Peking in a few days.

TO IMPROVE RIVER.

Congress Asked to Appropriate \$50,000 for Salmon River.

Lewiston, Feb. 2.—Copies of petitions addressed to congress and asking for an appropriation of \$50,000 to improve the Salmon river, have been received in Lewiston from Salmon City, where the movement has been started.

Similar petitions are now being circulated in Lemhi and Idaho counties. The benefits to result to a vast country by the improvement are cited in detail in the petition.

MAY LOSE AN EYE.

Taking a Daughter to Portland in Hopes of Saving It.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Williams, of Mountain Home, were in the city yesterday while on their way to Portland, where they are taking their daughter to receive treatment for an accident to her eye. Some days ago, while chopping a piece of beefsteak, a small piece of bone flew from it and lodged in the young lady's eye, working clear into the interior.

Mr. and Mrs. Williams brought the sufferer to Pendleton, where they were advised that the member would have to be taken out. Wishing to save the eye, it was decided to go to Portland in hopes of finding some one who would undertake to do it.

T. C. TAYLOR IS APPOINTED RECEIVER

Portland, Feb. 2.—(Special to the East Oregonian.)—On the application of the creditors, Judge Bellinger, of the United States court, today appointed T. C. Taylor, of Pendleton, receiver of the C. B. Wade estate until such a time as the creditors of the estate shall appoint trustees to handle the business. As the matter has stood since the

KING'S SPEECH IN PARLIAMENT

Edward Files His Opinion on the Issues of the Day at the Opening of Parliament.

HOPES FOR CONTINUATION OF PEACE IN THE FAR EAST

Friendly Tone Toward United States, But Has His Regrets Concerning the Boundary Award—Urges the Development of Cotton-Growing Capabilities of the Empire—"Guy Fawkes Day" Observed According to Old Custom.

London, Feb. 2.—The king opened the last session of the present parliament in a speech today from the throne.

He dwelt at length on the progress of arbitration. The scene in the house of lords was brilliant, the floor and galleries being packed with nobility in full regalia. The king and queen left Buckingham at 1:30 and passed from the robing room at 2. He expressed hope of continued peace between Japan and Russia.

After friendly utterances regarding the United States, the king referred to the Alaskan decision, saying that on some points he favored, while on others he was adverse. Much as the last circumstances is to be deplored, it was nevertheless a matter of congratulation that the misunderstandings which ancient boundary treaties made possible when based on ignorance of geographical facts have in this case been finally removed from the field of controversy.

Colony Cotton.

He referred to the shortage in cotton by urging that the empire take all steps to increase its cultivation in British possessions.

An immense crowd stood outside under a forest of umbrellas in a downpour of rain. Although the pageant was sadly enched, none of the time-honored features were lacking, including the search of the vaults for conspirators.

Minister Choate is ill, confined to his home and unable to attend. America was represented by Secretary White.

BASKET BALL.

Prospects for an Exciting Game at Assembly Hall This Evening.

The members of the Weston basket ball team reached the city this afternoon, and are in good trim for the battle this evening with the boys of the city high school.

Great interest is being taken in the game by the members of the schools and their friends and an exciting time is expected, with a close score. Preliminary to the game between the boys of the schools, a game will be played between the first and second girls' teams of the school. It is expected that Assembly hall will be crowded this evening when the game is called.

For Stay of Execution.

The case of E. L. Smith vs. D. Taylor and A. Nelson is being tried today before the circuit court. It is an action brought by Smith for a stay of execution. In the first place Nelson claimed that he was owed a certain sum of money by Smith, which was denied, but nevertheless a writ of execution was secured and given to the sheriff to serve. The present suit is brought to bring a stay in this proceeding.

Fine Stock Association.

Pullman, Wash., Feb. 2.—The third annual meeting of the Inland Empire Registered Stock Breeders' Association will be held in Pullman February 24 and 25. A large attendance and profitable meeting is expected. The meeting will be held in the new livestock pavilion of the Washington Agricultural College, which will be formally dedicated on this occasion.

MERCHANT TAILORS.

Annual Convention in Session at Atlantic City.

Atlantic City, N. J., Feb. 2.—Delegates numbering several hundred, and representing all the chief cities in the United States, are attending the annual convention of the Merchant Tailors' National Exchange, which opened here today. In his annual address, President Harvey A. Patterson, of New York, reviewed the work of the last year and told of the plans being made for the exchange's exhibit at the St. Louis exposition.

The report of Samuel H. Spring, of Boston, secretary of the association, showed a gratifying increase in membership, and Treasurer Richard C. Notbohm, of Milwaukee, reported a good balance in the treasury. Rochester and several other cities are in the field for next year's convention of the exchange.

DO NOT FORGET THE TIME LIMIT

ALL SEWER CONNECTIONS MUST BE MADE BY JULY 1.

Householders are Dilatory and are Laying up Much Trouble and Expense for Themselves—Danger of Smothering Cesspools Instead of Cleaning Them.

The plumbers and engineers who have been granted licenses to make connections with the sewers, are beginning to get impatient because the people think there is too much time ahead of them to be in any hurry to make the connections to the general system.

The plumbers think that there is enough work ahead to keep them busy until after the time limit of July 1, set by the council, at which time all the houses in the sewer district shall be connected to the system. Providing they were to begin to work now it would take them until after that time to get all of the work done, if they were to put all of their time and men at the work, and yet the people are all waiting until later to begin the work.

Another thing that is agitating the minds of those of a sanitary turn is the practice of the people who have already made the connections, of simply filling in the old cesspools and vaults with earth without cleaning them. This practice, it is claimed by the engineers, is detrimental to the good health of the community. It has come to the pass now that the wells are fast being contaminated by the seepage from these sources, and the water is becoming dangerous to use. It is claimed by them that all other cities, when they put in a sewer system, require the citizens to have the vaults and cesspools pumped out and cleaned before they are filled in by the owners, and it is hinted that the matter will be brought before the city council at an early date, in the interests of the public health.

NEW FURNITURE FIRM.

Baker City Man May Open a Branch House, Buying Out Basler.

M. Michaels, of Baker City, was in the city on Saturday last looking over the field in this city with a view of locating here in the furniture business. Mr. Michaels is one of the firm of Michaels Brothers of Baker City, who own the Standard Furniture Company there, and they are desirous of establishing a branch house in this city. Mr. Michaels left Sunday morning for Portland and is expected back in a short time, when he will open further negotiations for a location here.

While here Mr. Michaels interviewed Joseph Basler, and it is likely that in the event of his coming here he will buy the business of Mr. Basler and put in a larger stock of furniture in that room. If he takes the business Mr. Basler will add two stories to his building, all three of which will be used by the new firm. They consider this to be a first-class opening.

DIRECT PRIMARY PETITIONS.

They Must Be in the Hands of the County Clerk This Evening.

The direct primary petitions are meeting with a cordial reception from the people of the county, who seem to be willing in all cases to give them their support. All of the petitions have to be in the hands of the county clerk this evening, that he may certify to the names signed in time to get the petitions filed with the secretary on Friday night, which is the time limit placed by law for their reception by the state department.

Only 353 voters registered in Salem during the month of January, which number is 106 larger than during the same month in 1902.

ROAD PETITION IN CIRCULATION

Attempt to Effect a Cutoff of a Mile and a Half and Avoid Two Tiresome Hills.

LITTLE OPPOSITION HAS DEVELOPED AS YET.

Proposed Change Would Be an Especial Favor to the People of Adams, Athena and Other Northward Points—Will Effect a Perpetual Saving of Time and Concrete Expenses—The Only Deterrent is the Probable Heavy Cost.

There is a petition out among the citizens of this district to the eastward and along Wild Horse creek, asking the county court to grant permission to build a road down Wild Horse into town across the Lee street bridge, making a saving of about a mile and a quarter over the old way, and doing away with the two long and tiresome hills that are now so much in the way of those who have to haul either into the city or out.

Disadvantages of Present Route.

The road as it runs at present goes out to the east of town, crosses the river near the railroad bridge, and thence goes over the hills and onto the Wild Horse grade through Adams and Athena and the other little towns along the creek. After getting out of this city a few miles it is an easy grade, but close in it makes a swing from the creek bed and climbs up a couple of high hills and down again, making a hard route for the farmers who have to haul grain into the city and hay or other produce. These men always have to hitch more horses to their wagons than are necessary on the greater part of the road, so that they will have power to climb these two hills when they get near Pendleton, or so they can get out again with the return load that it is generally the custom to take to the ranches when they start for home.

By making the new road as wished, the builders will cut off from the present road where it crosses the Wild Horse several miles above town, and follow the bed of the stream down the creek to where it empties into the Umatilla river a short distance above the city, when they will follow the river down to the Lee street bridge and so into the city.

Possibly Expensive.

There is but one drawback to the scheme, and that is after the road strikes the river. Here the banks are high and rugged, and it will be necessary for the builders to blast the roadbed from the solid rock for some distance. This will, of course, be expensive, and this expense will be the only thing that will deter the county court from granting the petition. The estimates of the cost vary to a great extent, some of the men interested placing it as high as \$10,000. This amount the court will not consider, but if, on the other hand, it is found that the work can be done for less, it will be given serious consideration.

Fifty or More Petitioners.

The petition will have 50 or more signatures by the time the court meets, as all those who have to haul into the city from that direction will be glad to see the change. The only opposition that has been heard so far is from those who live in the vicinity of the race track, who will be cut off from the country road by the change, as the road branches a short distance above them.

Governor Bailey, of Kansas, will not stand for a renomination. The republican party in that state is riddled with strife and rotten with the record of the past two years.

Senator Clark Sold Out.

Salt Lake, Feb. 2.—It is semi-officially stated that Senator W. A. Clark has transferred his holdings in the San Pedro, Los Angeles & Salt Lake road, now building to the Harriman interests. Construction has practically ceased, and it is believed Harriman will not complete the building. This is at least a temporary final to the much-talked-of Arizona Canyon short line from Utah.