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East Oregonian

WEATHER FORECAST.
Tonight and Wednesday, partly cloudy with showers.

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WAR AND COUNTRY OF BOER PEOPLE

Both Graphically Described by Natives of Africa and Participants in the War.

INSTRUCTIVE AND VERY INTERESTING LECTURE.

Joubert and O'Donnell Declare That the Boer Cause is Not Forever Lost. Nor by Any Means Abandoned—They Aver That England Lost twice as Many Men as the Combined Forces of the Boers, and That the Transvaal Will Yet Be Independent.

Gen. G. D. Joubert and Capt. W. S. O'Donnell, two veterans of the Boer war, gave a most interesting lecture at the Frazer last night, to an enthusiastic audience.

The speakers treated of the war during all its three years of horror, and from their talk it is easy to be seen that the Boer republic is not a thing altogether of the past, and that when the time comes for their next attempt to regain their liberty the old veterans who are yet young enough to get into the field will be found fighting side by side with as many of the young generation as may be left from the concentration camps of the British, striving to regain the liberty which they have "lost, yet three times won."

Both speakers were in command of troops, and told in graphic manner of their experiences. They both contended that the Boer cause is not lost; that the fight was given up for a time only because the methods of the British were exterminating the women and children of the Boers, and not the army. The surrender was made that these could be saved, what were left of them, and not that the Boers could fight no longer. At the close of the war there were 148,000 British forces in the field against 40,000 Boers, and still the war was not at an end.

The conflict started with 47,000 Boers in the field and when it closed the South African people had lost 7,000 men in killed and missing against, in round numbers, 100,000 of the British. The greatest loss of the Boers was in the women and children who were starved in the camps, 22,000 of them having perished in those places during the war.

As to the colonizing of the Northwest, it is held by the lecturers that while the Boers would come here and would live in this country while the conservative party is in power in England, still their love would be with the land of their birth and where their ancestors have suffered and died for the cause of liberty. Every inch of the ground is made sacred to them by the blood and tears of their kinsmen, and they will no more forget it than they will the injustice of England and her brutality. The old home will ever remain dear to them, and when the time comes for the fourth effort for liberty they will flock once more to the standard of their fathers.

Some very good views are shown of the battles and other features of the war, and the entertainment in total was one very instructive to the audience.

NEW PAPER FOR LA GRANDE.

Scriber Faction Feels the Need of an Organ for the Coming Campaign.

La Grande, March 22.—It is heretofore rumored here that the Baker City Herald, backed by the Scriber faction of the republican party, of Union county, will start a new paper here, in time to fight out the coming campaign. The La Grande Observer is a church faction paper and the Chronicle is a democratic paper and is the Scriber faction is the stronger of the two republican factions, it has decided that it must have an organ. The owners of the Herald have looked over the field, and if one of them, such a move would be made, and the paper purchased converted into a Scriber organ.

Mitchell Will Not Run.

Indianapolis, Ind., March 22.—Replying to continued suggestions that he be the candidate for vice-president of the one party or another, John Mitchell this morning said: "I am not a candidate for any political office, appointive or elective, and would not accept a nomination if offered by either party at any time."

CHAUNCEY DEWEY ACQUITTED.

End of a Desperate Cattleman's Feud in Western Kansas.

Norton, Kan., March 22.—Chauncey Dewey and his two cowboys, Clyde Wilson and William J. McBride were acquitted tonight of the charge of murdering Burchard Berry by a jury which had considered the case 28 hours.

Chauncey Dewey, a young millionaire ranchman, went to Cheyenne county Kansas, early in 1900, to manage the Dewey ranch. He became involved in trouble with the Berry family, who were also prominent cattlemen. The trivial misunderstandings grew into serious differences, which culminated in the killing of Burchard Berry in June, 1903, at the home of Alpheus Berry during a fight in which Dewey and 10 of his cowboys were pitted against all of the Berrys.

Dewey and his cowboys went to the Berry ranch to get a tank that Dewey had bought in at sheriff's sale. When the Deweys started to take the tank away the Berry boys rode up and a battle took place between the two factions, in which Burchard, Daniel and Alpheus Berry were killed.

Tasmanian Regulars Disbanded. Hobart, Tasmania, March 22.—Owing to numerous manifestations of mutiny over pay grievances, the Fourth British Tasmanian forces have been disbanded.

Train in River. Oil City, Pa., March 22.—The train for the Allegheny Valley railroad is reported to be in the river east of Sandy Hundry, 60 miles south. Doctors have been sent.

PROSECUTION STATES CASE

EVIDENCE INTRODUCED IN FINAL TRIAL MRS. BOTKIN

Court Orders the Room Cleared of Women Spectators Who Act Unseemly — Mrs. Botkin Danced the Cancon on the Chiffonier—First Witness for State is Defendant's Brother.

San Francisco, March 22.—District Attorney Byington made the statement for the state in the Botkin case. When he referred to the orgie in the flat occupied by John Dunning, (whose wife was one woman poisoned) and Mrs. Botkin, during which Mrs. Botkin danced the cancon on the chiffonier, a number of women, who composed the largest part of the spectators in the court room, laughed aloud. Twenty of them were immediately expelled by order of the court.

The first important witness was Harry Pennington, brother of Mrs. Botkin. He testified to taking the package of candy out of the Pennington box in the Dover postoffice and carrying it home.

CATHOLICS WANT INDEMNITY.

Problem That Arises From Disposition of the Friars.

Rome, March 22.—The pope has ordered Archbishop Guidi, the apostolic delegate to the Philippines, to investigate the claims that America should pay indemnity to the families of Filipino priests alleged to have been maltreated and killed by American soldiers during the forcible dispossession of the friars of their lands.

Oregon Ore Exhibit Shipped.

Baker City, March 22.—The Oregon ore exhibit to the St. Louis exposition, was shipped from this city last night. It consisted of 198 cases and required a car to transport it to the fair. It was gathered largely from Eastern Oregon, although some of the best specimens came from the mines of Josephine, Jackson and Douglas counties.

Contract Signed Up.

Indianapolis, March 22.—The mining contract for the Central district, covering the working conditions of 177,000 miners for the next two years, was signed by the operators and miners this morning.

Gold in Tibet.

St. Petersburg, March 22.—The Novoste declares the real secret of the British Tibetan expedition is the discovery of immensely rich gold deposits in Tibet, second only to California.

Leading Merchant Dead.

San Francisco, March 22.—Adam Grant, one of the best known merchants on the Pacific Coast, and a member of the wholesale dry goods house of Murphy, Grant & Co., died this morning of old age.

Parliamentary Election.

Dublin, March 22.—Waldron, nationalist, was elected to parliament today over Matheson, unionist.

FAMINE AND FISCAL CRISIS CONFRONT THE GOVERNMENT

Necessities of Life Being Distributed at Government Expense—6,000 Soldiers in Hospital.

St. Petersburg, March 22.—The government has ordered trains to distribute the necessities of life along the trans-Siberian railroad, and thus put a stop to the rise in prices.

One result of the war has been a tremendous revival in the leather trade, but other trades suffer heavy losses. At Odessa the financial crisis is severe. At Warsaw, the clothing trade is paralyzed. Despite these conditions the public response to the request for contributions to the war fund has been remarkable.

Kuropatkin Arrived. Irkutsk, March 22.—General Kuropatkin arrived last night and left for Lake Baikal this morning.

Troops Arriving Daily. Harbin, March 22.—In the last 40 days about 20,000 troops have arrived. Twelve thousand were dispatched to New Chwang, Port Arthur and Mukden, and two thousand to Vladivostok. The greater part of the remainder are in hospital.

Of 33 military trains arriving since the outbreak, but half brought munitions and provisions. It is hoped that next week troops will arrive at the rate of 1,000 daily. There is still great disorder at Harbin Junction, where fortifications are being made.

Port Arthur Fallen ??? London, March 22.—A sensational Tokio report to the effect that Port Arthur has been taken, is given no credence today. The ice around Lia Tung peninsula has not broken up, hence it would be impossible for the Japanese to land a force there sufficient to prove a serious menace in Port Arthur's rear. Without this land attack it is impossible to reduce the fort.

Graft in Japan. Tokio, March 22.—The proposal for the government to create a tobacco monopoly is creating a political stir. It is alleged certain members of the diet agreed to support the movement to increase compensation to be paid manufacturers for a share in the increase secured.

SITUATION UNCHANGED.

No Prospects of a Settlement at Sacramento.

Sacramento, March 22.—The situation in the labor difficulties is practically unchanged. The non-union carpenters are still working, but construction work on all large structures in the city has stopped.

The open shop policy was inaugurated this morning, but the Citizens' Alliance is not crowding the inviting of union men to go to work on the old terms, and do not propose to extend the open shop to other trades, at least at present. The building Trades Council says it will not call the other trades out unless the open shop is forced on them.

SACRAMENTO RISING.

Levees in Great Danger in That Vicinity. Sacramento, March 22.—The river is at 26.2 and rising slowly. Most of the tributaries are falling.

All trains are running except on the Marcus and Oroville branches. The high water in the river has broken the piles driven at Edwards Lake and the work of closing the break is abandoned. It is feared the break will be enlarged half a mile on the south end by tonight. The city levee here is perfectly firm.

BRITISH SHIP LOST.

Her Wreckage Found Off West Coast Vancouver Island. Victoria, B. C., March 22.—It is now almost certain the British ship Lamorna is lost, with all aboard, off the west coast. Indians today reported finding great masses of wreckage near Carmanah station, and also report barrels and parts of a ship's outfit and deer skins picked up off Cape Beal. The Indians claim they saw a big ship close to shore Thursday night.

Funeral of the Duke.

London, March 22.—The funeral of the Duke of Cambridge was held in Westminster Abby this morning, amid great ceremony. The interment was made in Kensal Green cemetery.

Presidential Appointments.

Washington, March 22.—The president today nominated Norman Hutchinson, of California, as secretary of the legation at Caracas, and Edward Stockdale, of Hawaii, to be collector of customs in that territory.

MILTON CHURCH AFFAIR.

Rev. Cartwright Declines to Preach Another Year. Milton, March 22.—The Cartwright-Ingle affair, which has been closed to the outside world for the last few days, was given an airing last Sunday in the Christian church.

On Saturday the word was circulated around that Ingle would make a confession and repeat of his acts in the affair and a vote of the members would be taken.

HARTMAN AND PARKES WERE DISMISSED

Portland, March 22.—The indictments against Judge George A. Hartman and Joe S. Parkes, of Pendleton, were dismissed last evening, there being no evidence of any intention of fraud or complicity in the land transactions in which they witnessed the papers.

The investigation into the other cases is progressing slowly. It will require several days to complete the examinations and it is thought now that more witnesses will be summoned from Umatilla county.

EASTERN EARTHQUAKES.

Felt From Massachusetts into Canadian Provinces.

Bangor, Me., March 22.—Professor Knight, the widely known scientist, says there were nine distinct shocks of earthquake this morning, covering a period of two hours. The severest lasted 25 seconds.

Seasick From Earthquake. South Farmington, Mass., March 22.—The feature of this morning's earthquake shock was the seasickness felt by people for an hour after the tremors had passed.

Earth Quakes in Canada. Montreal, March 22.—A slight shock of earthquake was felt in the province of Quebec, and also in New Brunswick this morning.

MESSIAH GOMPERS.

Expected to Show Porto Rico the Straight and Narrow Industrial Way.

New York, March 22.—Samuel Gompers returned from Porto Rico this morning, where he made a close study of labor conditions. It is expected he will make a sensational report. He thinks conditions can be improved 50 per cent in a short time, but just how he will not discuss at this time. In Porto Rico he was hailed as a labor messiah.

Fire at La Grande.

La Grande, March 21.—Fire broke out at midnight in the office of A. G. Enlow, city water superintendent, destroying all the records of the office. Mr. Enlow worked all day yesterday on his annual report, which was destroyed. An investigation has been ordered.

WILL IRRIGATION BE REMEMBERED

EVERY PARTY PLATFORM SHOULD SPEAK OF IT.

Every Party Should Pledge Its Representatives to Work for Irrigation — The Government Should Be Encouraged in Its Work of Reclamation—Umatilla County Should Be Alive to Her Interests.

"I hope that Umatilla county remembers the subject of irrigation in every one of her political platforms this year," said D. C. Brownell, of Umatilla, to the East Oregonian today.

"I see the republicans of Morrow county forgot to mention irrigation in their county platform, although they have a portion of the Echo irrigation tract in their county, and will probably reap as great a benefit as Umatilla county from the government work on this tract.

"The government should be encouraged in every possible manner. The people should remember irrigation, pledge their representatives to the legislature to work for an irrigation law, recommend co-operation with the government in its noble work, and show that the spirit of progress is alive in the West.

"It is not a political question. Every party should be proud to mention this great subject in its platform, and should be proud to elect men to the legislature, pledged to work for this cause. No matter how brief the platform may be, there should be an irrigation plank in it. Prove to the government that Umatilla county is alive to her interests and ready to accomplish what lies now in easy reach, through irrigation."

ANOTHER VACANCY.

Who Will the Governor Appoint to Succeed G. A. Westgate?

W. F. Matlock has returned from a week's visit to Portland, where he attended the meeting of the Oregon state board of agriculture. The meeting had been called to elect a president in place of George Chandler, of Baker City, whose term as a member of the board had expired, Mr. Matlock being appointed by the governor to fill the vacancy.

W. H. Downing, of Salem, was elected to the office of president, being the oldest member of the board. G. A. Westgate, of Albany, has since resigned from the board, leaving another place for Governor Chamberlain to fill thereon. Just which part of the state will get the appointment is a matter of conjecture. Eastern Oregon has but one representative and is really entitled to more, and it is probable that the governor will see the unbalanced condition of the representation and appoint an Eastern Oregon man.

Another meeting will be held in June.

William R. Hearst's new Boston paper, the "Hearst Boston American and New York Journal," made its first appearance March 21. It was thoroughly characteristic, and comprised 24 pages.

KEY-NOTE OF REPUBLICANS

Sounded by the Missouri State Convention to Elect National Delegates.

SUPERVISOR FEDERAL SUB-TREASURY SPEAKS.

National Convention Will Declare for the Gold Standard, Continuation of the Imperialistic Policy, Adherence to Energetic Disposal of the Canal Question, and Will Make a Magnificent Straddle on the Labor Issue.

Kansas City, Mo., March 22.—Thomas Atkins, in charge of the federal sub-treasury, and republican state chairman, on opening the state convention for the election of delegates to the national convention, outlined the national platform to be protection, sound currency, the early completion of the Isthmian canal, justice to capital and labor alike, guaranteeing capital and labor their inherent lawful rights and will oppose illegal combinations of capital organized for the purpose of fixing rates and stifling competition, and rejoice that the position of the president had been sustained by the supreme court in the Northern Securities case.

CONVENTION APRIL 9.

Republican Central Committee Meets and Fixes Dates.

The republican county committee met this afternoon at 2 o'clock at the court house, to consider the date for the primaries. The basis of representation to the county convention and the state meeting are matters to be settled. It is thought that the representation will be put on about the same basis as that of two years ago.

The committeemen who were expected to be present were: Adams, W. M. Baker; Alba, A. S. Quant; Athena, N. E. L. Barnett; Athona, S. E. R. Cox; Bingham Springs, A. S. Thompson; cottonwood, George Ginn; Echo, J. H. Koontz; Encampment, J. B. Baker; Fulton, J. H. Hancock; Gilliland, George E. Adams; Hogue, Joe Arkel; Heile, B. B. Richards; Juniper, Kenneth Melroe; McKay, H. A. Faxon; Milton, S. Gus Winkler; Milton, N. N. W. Mumford; Mountain, Charles E. Wells; Pilot Rock, William Fobson; Pendleton, John Bryant; Pendleton, N. Thomas Thompson; Pendleton, S. L. G. Fraser; Pendleton, E. F. S. Carl; Prospect, John Dunning; Reservation, J. M. Conditson; Ruddock, E. E. Wilbur; Union, A. B. Cooley; Umatilla, S. A. Saylor; Ukiah, T. P. Gilliland; Valley, Frank K. Wells; Vancycle, J. L. Joy; Vinson, Donald Ross; Weston, O. C. Turner; Weston, E. S. A. Barnes; Willow Springs, Harry Whittaker; Yonkum, B. F. Lane.

The committee fixed the basis of representation to the county convention, at one delegate to every 30 votes cast for supreme judge in 1902, with one delegate at large, which makes the total number of delegates 112.

The primaries will be held on April 2, and the county convention will meet in this city on April 9.

EASTERN OREGON FIRST.

Testimony of a Man Who Has Been a Webfoot Many Years.

Saturday A. Gross, of Brownsville, Or., arrived in Athena. He has come to visit at the home of his son, G. W. Gross. In 1871 Mr. Gross and Tom Kirk came up from Brownsville and settled at Athena.

"My two boys, George and Jeff, started here in Athena without a cent and now they are both well off," said Mr. Gross. "George has considerable town property and a fine 800-acre ranch near Athena, and Jefferson, who now lives at Walla Walla, also owns a large ranch. Though I have been down in Webfoot for the past 11 years, I like Eastern Oregon best. I think Umatilla county is a fine point for any young man who wants to get ahead and is willing to work."

Two Townships Withdraw.

Washington, March 22.—Two townships of land have been withdrawn from settlement on the headwaters of Butter Creek, for the purpose of protecting the sources of water used for irrigating the arid lands of the western portion of Umatilla county.

Two townships have also been withdrawn from The Dalles land district adjoining.