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GEER DIDN'T CARRY HOME COUNTIES

As Candidate for Governor T. T. Geer Lost Union and Marion by Large Vote.

WEAKNESS SHOWN WHERE HE WAS BEST KNOWN.

Official Returns From Primary Election of 1906 Not Favorable for Mr. Geer—Dr. James Withycombe Carried Both Union and Marion Counties and Ellis Received Almost Three to Geer's One in Umatilla, His Home County.

In the congressional campaign now on in the second or eastern Oregon district, the official vote in the primaries of 1906 will prove interesting in the light of the boast made by T. T. Geer that he has never been "turned down" by the people.

In his advertisements of himself in the Pendleton Tribune, Mr. Geer claims to have been upon every quarter section of ground in eastern Oregon and to know more people than any other candidate in the field and yet in the primaries of 1906 Mr. Geer as a candidate for governor, did not carry either of his home counties, Union or Marion, and in Umatilla county received but little more than one-third of the vote cast for W. R. Ellis at that time.

An abstract from the official vote of the primaries of 1906 is as follows:

For Governor.
Marion county, (Geer's home),
Withycombe 1734
Marion county, (Geer's home),
Geer 1209
Union county, (Geer's former home), Geer 332
Union county, (Geer's former home), Withycombe 497

Governor and Congressman.
Umatilla, Geer for governor, 383
Umatilla, Ellis for congress, 1207
Union, Geer for governor, 332
Union, Ellis for congress, 506
Mr. Geer had lived in Union county 11 years, and in the Willamette valley, principally in Marion county, all the remainder of his life at that time, and it is significant that he did not carry either of the counties in which he was best known and where he should have been extremely strong.

On the other hand, both Umatilla and Union counties gave Congressman Ellis an overwhelming vote.

This official record from the primary election is the best evidence given in regard to the esteem in which the different candidates are held in the communities where they are known.

Had Unwelcome Belfellow.
Richmond, Va., April 3.—One of the most novel suits ever filed in the Virginia courts is that of Mrs. Maud M. Baker, a young Richmond society woman, against the Atlantic Coast Line railroad and the Pullman company. The young matron seeks to recover \$12,000 damages for nervous prostration induced by a travelling experience when a drunken man fell into her berth, greatly frightening her.

Cut Out Mule's Tongue.
Victor, Colo., April 3.—Fred Brock, a Rosemont teamster, is serving a term in jail here for cutting out the tongue of a mule. Brock alleges that the animal exhibited the malicious proclivities of the comic section mule, Maud, and that he mutilated her to secure revenge. The mule was shot by neighbors.

POPULISTS HAVE HAD ENOUGH OF FUSION ENTANGLEMENT

St. Louis, April 3.—The populist party has had enough of fusion. In the platform adopted today they declared for the old middle-of-the-road policy and independence from all fusion entanglements.

The platform declares for the abolition of national banks and the issue of money direct from the government to the people.

THIRTY-TWO SAILORS DROWNED IN COLLISION.

Plymouth, Eng., April 3.—According to an official report filed today 32 sailors were drowned and 25 rescued as the result of a collision between the British destroyer Tiger and the cruiser Berwick during maneuvers off the Isle of Wight. After fighting death all night four sailors were rescued today while another died of injuries sustained during the collision. At least 33 deaths have resulted from the accident. Misjudgment of distance caused the collision.

FANCY STOCK INCINERATED.

Forty-Four Head Blooded Horses in Barn Burned by Night Riders. Lexington, April 3.—Fire of mysterious origin burned 44 head of thoroughbred horses at James B. Higgins' famous farm late last night. The Higgins farm also produced tobacco which was sold out of pool and it is thought that the fire might have been caused by night riders. The loss was estimated at \$50,000.

MILK FAMINE AVERTED.

Drivers Agree on Raise of \$1 Per Week in Chicago.

Chicago, April 3.—The threatened milk famine in Chicago was averted today when the employers met the demands of the men by giving them \$1 a week, the raise to be based upon the rate of wages now in force. The drivers' original demand was \$5 per week raise.

WHITES FEAR A BLOODY MASSACRE

CLAMOR FOR LANDING OF TROOPS AT HAYTL.

Declare Blacks Are Becoming More Unbearable and Insolent Every Day—Fear Massacre Unless a Foreign Demonstration Is Made—Body of Well Known Post Found Riddled With Bullets.

Port Au Prince, April 3.—The white residents are clamoring for the landing of the marines from the warships in the harbor. American, German and French business men insist that the danger is greater than is generally thought by the representatives of the governments here.

They assert that the blacks are daily becoming bolder and more insolent and that a massacre will certainly occur unless there is a foreign demonstration.

Executions without the formality of court-martial continue despite the promise to M. Carrieton that they would cease. Today the body of Aresen Chevry, the poet and writer, was found hanging to a tree riddled with bullets. He was suspected of being favorable to the cause of General Firmin, the revolutionist.

The white laborers at Genives have barricaded themselves in the warehouse and say if trouble breaks out they will do some fighting on their own accord.

Ran Amuck With Pistol.

Terra Haute, Ind., April 3.—Harry G. McDonald, after being found guilty of arson in circuit court here last evening, drew a pistol and began shooting right and left, instantly killing William E. Dwyer and seriously injuring another man before he was captured and disarmed. When the verdict announcing him guilty of dynamiting a church building and store at Sanford, Indiana, a year ago, was read in court, McDonald rushed at the crowd and began firing and before he was subdued by officers was himself seriously wounded.

Charles H. Walworth and his son, Norvel, were found guilty of second degree murder by a jury at Jacksonville, Ore. They were charged with killing James F. Mankins in December, 1907.

LABORING MEN TO SUPPORT FRIENDS

John Mitchell Declares That Workingmen Will Be Independent With Votes.

NO LONGER FEAR MUG-WAMP COGNOMEN

Former President of Mine Workers Refuses Offer of Appointment As Commissioner to Investigate Condition of Labor in Panama—Says New Paper Will Demand All of His Attention—Congress Cannot Finish Work Before June 1.

Washington, April 3.—Ex-President Mitchell of the United Mine Workers, conferred with the president today. It is said he declined the appointment as commissioner to investigate the condition of labor in Panama because of plans to establish a paper in Indianapolis.

"The laboring man will vote regardless of party affiliations," declared Mitchell today. "They are no longer afraid of being called mug-wamps and will support the ticket best calculated to give them the legislation they desire. They are studying the personalities of the candidates rather than creeds and will support the candidate most friendly."

Congress Good for Two More Months.

Washington, April 3.—It is now believed that congress will not adjourn until June 1. Speaker Cannon declares that if hard work is done adjournment may take place at an earlier date, but it is not believed this is hardly possible.

At present five appropriation bills remain to be reported and others are in various stages. The only one that has become a law is urgent, the deficiency bill.

More Bribery Charges.

Washington, April 3.—The story of an alleged attempt to bribe Charles Berry, an officer of a brass concern at Bridgeport, Conn., with a contract for \$100,000 to urge legislation favoring the Electric Boat company, was a feature in today's hearing of the Lilley congressional committee.

The charge was made in an affidavit by John C. Lake of Rutherford, N. J., vice president of the Lake Torpedo Boat company, which was submitted by Lilley.

Lake says he was told by Ferry that an officer of the Fall River Ship Building company had asked the latter to use his influence with a certain congressman from Connecticut to induce him to discontinue his efforts in behalf of the Lake company and to work for legislation favorable to the Electric Boat company. If this could be accomplished the Ferry company, states the affidavit, was to get \$100,000 by the shipbuilding concern.

Washington, April 3.—Panama has appealed to the United States to assist in untangling the trouble which has resulted from the invasion of Juizado by Colombian troops. The Panama government is greatly excited over the action of the Colombians which they declare is without justification, and assert they will take steps themselves shortly unless the United States interferes. Colombia has offered no explanation of the move.

EXPERIMENTS WITH APPLES.

State College of Washington to Grow New Varieties.

A system of cooperative fruit experiments will be put in operation this spring, by the state college department of horticulture, through which is expected the introduction of a large number of new varieties of apples in the various fruit-growing regions of Washington, says a Pullman correspondent. As stated by Professor W. S. Thornber, in charge of the work, the method of experimentation is as follows:

"From the eight hundred varieties of apples on the experiment farm, we selected 65 of the best for use in the cooperative work. We shall send two varieties each of all the varieties, to 10 fruitgrowers in Washington, representative sections of the state being selected.

Each man who receives and plants these trees in his orchard will furnish with a plan of his orchard, showing the location of the trees received from us, so that in case he loses his records, we will still be able to find the trees, examine them, and see how they have done.

When this data is collected and compiled, the station will be in possession of exact information concerning the adaptability of any one of the 65 varieties, to the region in which it was tried.

Kidso, Wash., has a new commercial club with a hundred members and elegant new quarters.

FIGHTING BOB'S REWARD ENOUGH

Politicians Can Bury Vice-Admiral Commission in Stoke Hole of Hell.

DEMONSTRATION BY THE PEOPLE BEATS ANY TITLE.

Position of the Admiral Plainly Stated in Interview—Overwhelmed by Kindness and Interest American People Are Taking in His Welfare Famous Officer Tells Politicians They Can Do What They Please With the Proposed Vice Admiral Title.

Paso Robles, April 3.—Admiral Evans is confident today, in view of the marked improvement in his condition, that he will be able to rejoin the fleet before his flagship passes through the Golden Gate. "I have never failed to do anything yet that I set my mind upon," he said, "and I won't do so this time."

The admiral is under the care of Surgeons McDonald and Phillips, who state that after Evans has had his first sulphur bath he will respond rapidly to treatment.

Paso Robles, April 3.—In a characteristic interview this morning

Admiral Evans made his position plain in regard to the proposed commission of vice admiral which is being held up by a coterie of statesmen at Washington. The admiral is overwhelmed by the kindness and interest of the American people in his welfare.

"If this is the way the people feel," he said today, "that bunch of politicians in congress who are opposing the proposition to grant me the commission of vice admiral can take their old commission and bury it in the stoke hole of hell. I have all the reward I need in this demonstration from the people whom I love. Nothing any politician can give me would equal it."

BIG STRIKE CAUSED BY POLICE DEMONSTRATION

Rome, April 3.—In retaliation for an attack made by troops on the funeral party of a prominent anarchist, resulting in the death of two men, a general strike has been called here today.

Hundreds of shops are closed and the city is filled with troops to prevent bloodshed. It is expected that all newspapers will suspend publication and remain closed until the government will assure them that no further violence will occur.

Idle Men Are Plentiful.

Chief of Police Farington reports that there were 31 hoboes in the city jail last night, and all were glad of the opportunity to spend the night there, as the weather outside was cold and blustery, says the Eugene Guard. They were crowded in the cells and corridors of the jail like sardines. All of them were turned loose this morning and ordered out of the city. More petty thievery is reported about the city, evidently the work of these transients.

Mrs. Tracy Asks for Divorce.

Iona Tracy has sued Edward D. Tracy for divorce, the complaint being filed here today by Messrs. Bailey & Perry. Mrs. Tracy accuses her husband of being cruel and inhuman towards her; of failing to support her and of having made false charges against her. They were married at Walla Walla March 8, 1894, and the plaintiff asks that she be given her maiden name of Iona Naylor.

Foreign Mail Receipts.

According to the official figures of the postoffice department the receipts from the foreign mail service in 1900 were \$3,467,139.26, the cost was \$2,014,537.96 and the surplus was \$1,452,601.30. From that year up to and including 1907 there was a continuous increase in receipts and supplies. In the last named year the receipts were \$6,579,043.48, the cost was \$2,941,816.67 and the surplus was \$3,637,226.81.

Athena Woman Insane.

Mrs. Lucinda Russel of Athena, is said to be insane and today a complaint was made against her before County Judge Gilliland. She is said to be dangerously violent at times.

According to figures tabulated in Chicago there are at present 345,000 railroad employees out of work, a decrease of 18 per cent of the total number employed last year.

GIRL KILLS SELF TO AID INVALID SISTER.

St. Louis, April 3.—For a year Marie Lehman, 25 years old, counted the days which must pass until she could kill herself and leave her helpless invalid sister with \$1000 insurance money.

A clause in the policy provided that if the holder committed suicide within one year the policy became void, but that the self-destruction after that would be no bar to the collection of the money.

The year expired yesterday and last night the woman killed herself by taking carbolic acid.

WRESTLERS IN CONDITION.

Big Match to Be Puled Off in Chicago Tonight for \$10,000 Purse.

Chicago, April 3.—There certainly can be no cause for complaint on the score of lack of condition by the loser in tonight's match between George Hackenschmidt, the "Russian Lion," and champion of the world, and Frank Gotch, the American champion. Both men are fit.

All information has it that tonight's match is absolutely "on the square." The men will wrestle for a purse of \$10,000 split 60 and 40. The Russian is a two to one favorite, but at that price Gotch looks good to many betters. Ed Smith will referee the match.

GROW BEETS ON SUMMER FALLOW

NO NEED OF GROUND LYING IDLE SAYS SIBBOLOV.

Wheatraisers Can Raise Sugar Beets on Wheat Land Without Improving Soil and Be Well Repaid for Their Labor—Crop Would Easily Yield From \$12 to \$15 Per Acre—Beet Crop Uses Different Soil Force From Wheat.

That wheatraisers of this county can raise sugar beets upon their land instead of wasting a season by summer fallowing is declared by E. Sibbolov, superintendent of the sugar factory at La Grande, who was in the city yesterday. If the ideas of Mr. Sibbolov are correct farmers are now meeting with an economic loss that is wholly unnecessary. He says that sugar beets may be raised during the summer and the crop harvested and the land gotten into shape for wheat seeding in the fall. By such a course the land may be worked every year and he says that soil will be enriched rather than depleted by the extra crop for the reason that the beets take different substances from the soil than does a wheat crop.

The land lying near the foothills in this county is especially adapted to sugar beet raising according to the La Grande man and he expects to see the day when farmers will make from \$12 to \$15 per acre from a beet crop instead of allowing their land to lie idle every other season.

Mr. Sibbolov stopped off here last evening while on his way to Portland and while here visited B. Jensen, district manager for the National Livestock Insurance company, with whom he was formerly acquainted. He left for Portland on the local train this morning.

Not the Railroad Candidate.

Railroad officials declare that they have no interest in the candidacy of W. H. Hurlburt for railroad commissioner as was stated in the East Oregonian this week. While many of the officials are old friends and associates of Mr. Hurlburt, they are not making any pretense of supporting him as railroad men, but are simply for him on account of personal friendship.

On the stroke of midnight April 1,

England's volunteer army became a thing of the past after an existence of 49 years.

MANY REALTY TRANSFERS IN EAST END

That there is something doing in the realty line in the east end of the county is shown by a bunch of transfers that were sent to the recorder for filing yesterday. In the list of instruments received at the office yesterday there were six warranty deeds from the Milton-Freewater section for which the consideration aggregated nearly \$30,000. All of the transfers were of farm property in the east. The largest transaction was one wherein Mrs. Agnes J. Maloney sold to W. E. Jones 240 acres for the price of \$18,000. The land sold is in sections 25 and 26 of township 6

WALLA WALLA TO GIVE \$200,000

Citizens to Start Fund for Whitman—To Raise Million Dollars.

WOULD MAKE UNIVERSITY YALE OF NORTHWEST

Mass Meeting Last Night of Citizens of City and County Determines to Start Off the Subscriptions for Immense Fund and Will Pledge \$200,000 to Be Raised at Once—New Buildings Projected—Promises of Aid from Other Northwest Cities.

Walla Walla, April 3.—Determined to make Whitman college the "Yale of the Northwest," Walla Walla city and county will raise for the college \$200,000 as a starter in the campaign to raise \$2,000,000 for that school.

New buildings have been projected that will cost \$1,000,000. Promises of large sums have been secured from citizens in Portland, Seattle, Tacoma and Spokane, it is said.

The Walla Walla Union this morning says:

The raising of the fund will be in the hands of an organization to be known as the New Whitman College Development league. Fifteen committees, each headed by an active chairman will have charge of the work, and it is proposed that the world will soon know that Walla Walla is taking the lead in the movement for the greatest institution of learning in the northwest.

The meeting was called by Prof. A. Hendrick, who has charge of the campaign for a New Whitman and it is safe to say that not a single individual who attended the meeting feels the slightest anxiety as to the final result to the efforts now being put forth. One thing was pointed out by a number of the speakers and that was, Walla Walla herself must show her faith in the undertaking before other communities can be expected to show much enthusiasm.

Prof. Hendrick pointed out, from his plans, that the building necessary to carry out undertaking will represent the expenditure of nearly one million dollars. He also stated that if things worked out as he expected there would be some activity on the campus this fall.

BAKER P. M. GETS MORE MONEY

Increased Office Receipts Boosts Salary to \$2600 Per Year.

According to the postoffice department's regulations a postmaster's salary is gauged by the amount of stamped paper sold at his office. The end of the year for figuring up occurs March 31 and William Lachner, the present "p. m." is wearing a smile of prosperity today, says the Baker City Herald.

The total business of the office shows \$29,349.61 taken in for stamps, stamped paper and envelopes. This is sufficient to give Mr. Lachner \$2,600 salary for next year. It is also a source of satisfaction to know that the business of Baker City is increasing.

Commissioner Aitchison Here.

Railroad Commissioner Clyde B. Aitchison is in the city today to discuss wool freight rates in eastern Oregon with Baker and Malheur county sheepmen and to attend to other business for the commission here. He is a candidate for re-election to his present position and is making an earnest campaign for the position, but will not devote any time specially to the matter.

Charles Stetler Sued.

Peter West has sued Charles Stetler for sum of \$150 alleged to be due upon a note given by the defendant to F. W. Gloom and which was transferred to the plaintiff. An attorney's fee of \$50 is also sued for.