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ATHENA'S PICNIC BEGIN'S FRIDAY

Two Days' Fun and Frivolity for Wheat Town—Caledonians to Be Supreme.

LARGE CROWDS EXPECTED FROM SURROUNDING TOWNS

Preparations Made for Most Successful Celebrations Ever Participated in by Umatilla County Scouts—Extensive Program Prepared for Both Days—Music and Dancing As Well as Old Time Sports Dear to the Heart of Every Clansman Will Be Features of the Great Event—Many Prizes.

Two days of jollity, fun and enthusiasm are in store for Athena this week, while the Caledonian picnic is in progress Friday and Saturday. The picnic will begin tomorrow forenoon, the first part of the program to be given at 11 o'clock and from that hour until midnight Saturday night the merry making will proceed. Large crowds from every part of the county will attend the picnic and especially will every loyal Scot be present. Pendleton will send a large delegation tomorrow morning and Walla Walla will also furnish a goodly number of visitors.

Athena has made every preparation for the event and it promises to be the most successful picnic ever held by the Umatilla county society. Following is the program in full: Program, Friday, 11 a. m. Selection, Bag Pipes. Pipers McDonald and McKinley. J. D. Plamondon, Mayor of Athena. Vocal Solo. Miss Lytle. Scotch Reel—Potage Sisters. Misses King and D'Arcy. Recitation. Jack Coleman. Vocal Solo. Prof. A. Epping, Portland. Address. Attorney S. F. Wilson. Selection on bag pipe Piper McDonald. 1:30 p. m.

Selection, Bag Pipes. Pipers McDonald and McKinley. Vocal Solo. Miss Mae McKinnon. Sword Dance. D'Arcy and King. Double Quartette—Old Folks at Home. Misses Zurcher, Makin, K. Paxton, A. Paxton, Messrs. Mitchell Hooper, Stagg, Romey.

Address. Hon. George E. Shepard of Portland. Vocal Duet. Misses Jackson and Mackin. Sailors' Hornpipe. D'Arcy and King. Vocal Solo. Miss L. Stanton. Address. Hon. George E. Cameron. Comic Song. Frank Hennessey. Selection. Mr. Jack Coleman. Schon Trues. Miss Jeanie Best. Vocal Solo. Miss Ethel Lytle. Highland Fling. Four Children. Vocal Duet. Misses Katie and Alpha Paxton. 8:00 p. m.

Entertainment at Apera house, admission 50 cents.

Saturday, 10:30 a. m. Music, Bag Pipes. McDonald and McKinley. Scotch Reel. Miss Stanton, Miss Potage, Hon. George Cameron, A. B. McEwen. Vocal Solo. Mrs. Stanton. Sailors' Hornpipe. D'Arcy and King. Vocal Solo. Prof. A. Epping. Address. Mr. Jack Coleman. Monologue. Mr. Jack Coleman. Sword Dance—Potage Sisters. 1:30 p. m.

Bag Pipe. McDonald and McKinley. Vocal Solo. Miss Ethel Lytle. Addresses—By Members of Political Parties. Joint Debate. Jos. N. Scott, Thomas Mahoney. Shon Trues. Miss Jeanie Best. Scotch Reel. Vocal Solo. Prof. A. Epping. Selection. Mr. Jack Coleman. Solo. Miss Stanton. 3:30 p. m.

Scotch games and foot races. 5:00 p. m. Running Race, Trotting Race.

REPUBLICAN ORATORY IS TURNED LOOSE

The county campaign was formally opened by the republican candidates at Umatilla, Hermiston and Echo today and from now until the close of the campaign meetings will be held and oratory will be plentiful throughout the county. The entire party of county candidates left on the Portland local train for Umatilla this forenoon, and today addressed the citizens of that place and met the people from the surrounding country. This afternoon Hermiston was visited and tonight a meeting

ONE MAN KILLED IN SOUTHERN PACIFIC WRECK.

Portland, May 21.—Express messenger Edward Cummins was instantly killed and three other employees were badly injured in the wreck of the second section of Southern Pacific train No. 16, near Pinole, Cal., at 9:40 last night. The train left Oakland mole for this city at 8:50 and was running at a high rate of speed when the wreck, which was caused by a broken rail, occurred. The injured are Fireman Cody and Engineer Ward, both of whom it is thought will die; Express Messenger Birmingham and Baggage man Rodehor.

NEW BUILDING STILL IN DOUBT

FATE OF OMNIBUS BILL NOT YET DETERMINED.

Referred to Secretary of Treasury and May Share Same Fate as Currency Measure—Pendleton's \$70,000 Appropriation Held Up With Others—Associated Reports It as Passed.

The fate of the omnibus federal building bill in which an appropriation of \$70,000 for a federal building in this city is included, is still uncertain and it looks now as though it might not become a law at this session although its friends are doing everything in their power to secure its passage through the senate. The East Oregonian received the following dispatch from the Washington correspondent of the United Press this afternoon regarding the fate of the bill: "The omnibus federal building bill has been sent to the secretary of the treasury for his opinion on its merits. Every effort is being made to pass the bill if within human power, at this session, but both it and the currency bill appear to be in danger of not passing at this session."

However, the Associated Press sent out a different story regarding at least a portion of the omnibus bill, a special to the Walla Walla Union of this morning reading as follows: "The senate today passed the omnibus public building bill inserting not only the numerous amendments suggested by the senate committee on public buildings and grounds, but also a few proposed by individual senators. As passed, the bill carries a total of about \$35,000,000 of which \$5,000,000 is for building contracts. The larger appropriations for new buildings added by the senate included: Riverside, Cal., \$125,000; Everett, and Walla Walla, Wash., \$140,000. The limit of cost fixed for the sub-treasury building in San Francisco was increased from \$375,900 to \$625,000. The senate amendment providing for a new office building for the department of state and justice to be used jointly was retained, the ultimate cost of which is limited to \$2,500,000 and it is hinted that if this item is not retained the bill may be allowed to fall. The amendment appropriating \$400,000 for purchase of an embassy building in Paris to be used as an office and residence also was accepted by the senate."

Two at Port Townsend. Port Townsend, Wash., May 21.—The battleships Illinois and Kearsarge dropped anchor here today as the Atlantic fleet passed. The arrival was greeted by a salute from the forts.

Albany Next Year. Salem, May 21.—Albany, Ore., was selected as the next meeting place of the grand lodge L. O. O. F., this morning, at the grand lodge meeting.

Chester Is Sane. Tacoma, May 21.—In the Chester Thompson sanity hearing today, Dr. E. M. Brown, alienist, testified that Thompson was sane at the present time.

SIXTY KILLED IN TRAIN WRECK

One of Worst Railroad Disasters in History of Holland Early This Morning.

MANY ARE DEAD AND HUNDREDS WOUNDED

Two Passenger Trains Running at a High Rate of Speed Crash Together—Wreckage Piled in Heaps—Dead and Dying Buried Beneath the Debris and Hours Required to Effect a Rescue—Mistaken Signals at a Crossing Responsible for Disaster—Three Coaches Smashed to Kindling Wood.

Antwerp, Holland, May 21.—In one of the worst railroad disasters that ever occurred in this country, at least 60 passengers were killed and 100 seriously hurt in a collision between two passenger trains this morning. The trains were running at a high rate of speed when the crash occurred. At the town of Contich, six miles south of Antwerp, the two trains met. They came together with a great force, piling up the wreckage in great heaps. One train was bound for Brussels and the other for Lierre. Three coaches of the latter train were smashed into kindling wood. Mistaken signals at the crossing are thought to have caused the disaster, though a misplaced switch was the direct cause of the wreck. So badly entangled were the passengers that it was several hours before the rescuers could get in efficient work.

Bodies Roasted. Many corpses were so badly roasted they could scarcely be handled as a result of the fire that sprang up in the wreckage. The hospital facilities are inadequate and there is much suffering in consequence.

CLAMOR WILDLY FOR BRYAN.

After Enthusiastic Session Missouri Delegates are Instructed to Vote for the Peevish one. Jefferson City, Mo., May 21.—Vociferously applauding every mention of William J. Bryan's name, the delegates to the democratic state convention yesterday instructed Missouri's delegates to the national convention to vote as a unit for the nomination of the Nebraska for president. The 32 delegates from the congressional districts were selected by the convention delegates at 15 district caucuses whose selections were subject to the convention's approval, and the approval was unanimous.

The convention also re-elected William Rothwell national committeeman, declared for deep waterways and voted down a resolution to disfranchise ignorant negroes. Governor Folk, Senator Stone, Jas. A. Reed, of Kansas City, and David R. Francis of St. Louis, were selected as delegates at large to the national convention.

French Financial Deficit.

Paris, May 21.—Minister of Finance Ceuilleux announces that the budget of 1909 shows an estimated deficit of \$8,000,000, the revenue being estimated at \$794,000,000. In order to make up the shortage it has been decided not to issue short term bonds, but to reform the collections of duties on stock and bond transfers and strictly enforce the existing regulations looking to prevention of the present frequent evasion of duties.

BISHOP NICHOLS CHOSEN.

San Francisco Prelate Is President of Missionary District. Portland, May 21.—Bishop Nichols of San Francisco, was elected president of the eighth district missionary conference of the Episcopal church today. Rev. L. C. Sanford of San Francisco, was elected secretary and M. B. Coffman of Olympia, Wash., treasurer. No selection has yet been made for the meeting place next year. Spokane and Boise are the leading contestants.

Murderer Gives Up.

Astoria, May 21.—Michael Campbell, who shot and killed John McClellan yesterday at, Willme landing, came into Astoria today en route to Cathlamet, the county seat of Wahkiakum county, to give himself up. He claims he shot McClellan in self-defense.

Fleet Enters Sound.

Seattle, May 21.—The Atlantic fleet entered Puget sound at 12:10 this morning, and passed Port Crescent at 5:30.

MAE WOOD IS IN JAIL, PLATT FREE

Court Finds Aged Senator Never Married Girl—Completely Exonerated.

SHE IS ARRESTED ON PERJURY CHARGE

Affidavits Introduced Showing Certificate Was Issued Year After Marriage Is Supposed to Have Been Consummated—Newspaper Men Declares Miss Wood Told Him She Was Not Interested in the Senator's Matrimonial Affairs—Merely Honored Him—No Endearing Terms in Love Letters.

New York, May 21.—Charged with perjury, Mae Wood, the plaintiff in the sensational Wood-Platt case, lies in jail, while the aged senator is cleared of all suspicion of having committed bigamy. The blow that broke the case of Miss Wood was the affidavits that demonstrated that the marriage certificate had not been printed until a year after the ceremony is alleged to have occurred. Judge O'Gorman found for the defense in the Platt case today, exonerating Platt and sustaining his assertion that he was never married to Miss Wood. Miss Wood was committed to jail. More hard blows were struck at the foundation of Mae Wood's contention that she was the wife of Thomas C. Platt when the annulment proceedings were resumed today. Frank Platt related incidents of the payment of \$1000 to her for the return of Platt's letters to her, which it was rumored she intended to publish under the title "Love Letters of a Boss."

"Did you see those letters," inquired Attorney Stanfield for the defendant. "I did." "Did they contain endearing terms such as 'my bride to be' and 'dear little one'?" "They did not."

Frank Hill, a newspaper man, testified that Mae Wood told him one time that Platt's matrimonial affairs did not interest her, that she respected the senator, but had no other feeling for him. When Platt left the stand the defense sprung the greatest surprise of the trial. It was in the shape of the deposition of F. E. Hafeley, a stationer, who averred that he furnished the marriage certificate introduced by the plaintiff. He declared that the certificate could not be printed until at least one year after the alleged marriage.

John H. Platt, a lithographer, produced plates bearing out Hafeley's statement.

GREATEST STREET CAR STRIKE IS IMMINENT.

Chicago, May 21.—Unless the Chicago Railways company does not discharge 19 non-union employees, 5000 union men will walk out and tie up every line on the north and west sides of the city. This is the ultimatum delivered to the company by the Amalgamated Association of Street Railway Employees on behalf of the men who demand a strike. W. D. Mahon, president of the International union, has left the delicate situation at Cleveland to come to Chicago and take charge there, for he fears the greatest street car strike in history is about to be precipitated. Mahon believes a walk-out is certain unless the company capitulates.

SUFFRAGETTES DISPERSED.

London, May 21.—A mob of suffragettes invaded Downing street this morning and gathered in front of the offices of Prime Minister Asquith. Before the speakers could make any addresses, however, the police charged and dispersed them. Six arrests were made. It was the intention of the women to make a demonstration before Asquith's offices because he refused to grant their demand for a suffrage bill.

NEW RAILROAD FOR NORTHWEST.

Los Angeles, May 21.—Edwin Gould announced today that the Western Pacific would not only reach San Francisco and Los Angeles, but also invade the Pacific northwest. He predicts that the Pacific coast is going to experience the greatest period of railroad activity ever known in the next few years.

SHEPHERD WILL SPEAK TOMORROW EVENING.

George S. Shepherd, late candidate for congress for the second district, will address the people at the court house Friday evening. The county candidates will also be here tomorrow night and a round of speechmaking will be enjoyed. All of the candidates will make brief addresses and it will be political night in Pendleton. However, the principal address of the evening will be made by Mr. Shepherd, who will tour eastern Oregon counties in the interest of the republican ticket.

WAR DECLARED ON FOOT ROT

REGULATIONS ADOPTED BY STATE SHEEP BOARD

W. H. Steusloff Elected President and Dan P. Smythe Re-elected Secretary—All Sheep Brought Into the State Must Be Dipped—Oregon Flocks Are Practically Free from Scab—Few Cases Reported in Douglas County.

W. H. Steusloff of Salem, is now president of the state board of sheep commissioners, his election having taken place at Salem Wednesday. Dan P. Smythe, who was re-elected as secretary of the board, returned from that city on the early train this morning. This was the second regular annual meeting of the board and the first one since the resignation of President Thomas H. Boylen. A. L. McIntosh was formally installed as a member of the board, he having been recently appointed by Governor Chamberlain to fill the vacancy.

To Fight Foot-Rot.

Smythe says important action was taken by the board in a number of instances. One of these was the adoption of a resolution providing for rules covering the inspection, quarantine treatment and cure of the disease commonly known as foot-rot and other contagious foot and mouth diseases. There have only been a few cases of foot rot discovered in the state, but as this disease is about as disastrous to the wool industry as scab, the board believed it better to take early action toward stamping out and preventing the spread of the disease.

Foreigners Must Be Dipped.

Regulations were also adopted with regard to the introduction of foreign sheep into this state. The rule specifies that all sheep coming into the state either by rail or trails must be quarantined and dipped. Smythe says that according to the showing made to the board scab has been practically eradicated from the flocks of Oregon. Three or four bands were recently reported in Malheur and Lake counties, but these have already been treated.

There are also a few isolated cases in Douglas county and the state sheep inspector was instructed to direct his time and attention toward stamping out the disease in that division of the state. Three or four federal inspectors will also probably be assigned to Douglas county to help in the work of cleaning up its flocks.

Arlington Sale Saturday.

From a half to three-quarters of a million pounds of wool will be offered for sale at Arlington, Saturday, according to Smythe. This will be the opening of the selling season in eastern Oregon, and while the secretary of the state board does not believe the price will be up to that of last year, he thinks the greater part of the clip will be sold. He says, however, that if the buyers do not offer a fair price, that the sheepmen of this state will be compelled to do what those of other states are doing, consign their wool. "Local growers, however, would much prefer to sell their fleeces to buyers who are here," he says.

REVOLVER SNAPS; TRAGEDY FOILED

Adams Liveryman Attempts to Murder Wife's Affinity on Streets of Pendleton.

SPECTACULAR SHOOTING EXHIBITION LAST EVENING

Lee Price Follows Adams to Pendleton and Finds in Company With Dossier Green at Rader Furniture Store—Irate Husband Whips Out Gun and Commences to Pull the Trigger, But Cartridges Refuse to Respond to Hammer—Green Immediately Displays Acrobatic Ability.

A most spectacular sprinting exhibition was given by Dossier Green of Adams last evening in front of the East Oregonian building on East Webb street, his speed and agility being accelerated by the snapping of a revolver in the hands of Lee Price, an Adams livery stable man, close behind him. The sprinting stunt of Green was the culmination of long standing trouble between himself and Price and grew out of his attentions to Mrs. Price, the wife of the livery stable man. Price had accused Green of being on intimate terms with Mrs. Price and serious trouble had been experienced in the Price home at Adams over the matter. Mrs. Price had been accused of riding with Green and of allowing him to visit her and associate with her without the knowledge or consent of her husband and finally yesterday morning Mrs. Price declared her intention of securing a divorce from her husband and accordingly came to this city on the 10:45 train. Suspecting that Green was also in the city and in company with his wife, Price also came to this city, arriving on the 4:25 train, and soon after alighting from the train and while walking down Main street toward the East Oregonian corner, he spied his wife and Green at the Rader furniture store across the street, where they were renting a go-cart in which to wheel Mrs. Price's baby. Price stopped opposite the Rader store and called to Green to come across the street as he had something to say to him. Green reluctantly complied with the request, walking slowly toward the injured husband. When Green was only a few feet distant, Price drew a 32-calibre revolver from his pocket and began snapping it directly at Green, who in the meantime was performing some acrobatic stunts which place him in the professional class. Leaping away from Price the frightened lover darted from one side of the street to the other, crouching close to the ground at times and running forward toward Johnson street, covering the distance of two blocks in less time than it takes to tell it and rushed into the arms of Policeman William Scheer at the corner of Johnson and Alta streets, where Price was placed under arrest and disarmed.

It was found that three cartridges in Price's pistol had been snapped and it is evident that his intention to kill the disturber of his home was good, but that the faulty cartridges failed to act and thus prevented another costly murder trial for the county, perhaps. Price was placed under \$25 bonds for disturbing the peace and permitted to go on his own cognizance. Green has left town and none of his friends know his whereabouts today. Mrs. Price is at the Golden Rule hotel in this city undecided as to her future course.

Dr. Roller of Seattle, has accepted a challenge for a wrestling match with Frank Gotch, the world's champion. The event will be pulled off in July. So far neither man has ever been defeated.

EDUCATIONAL FETE FOR EASTERN OREGON

An educational fete, such as has never been witnessed in eastern Oregon before, will be carried out in Sherman county today and tomorrow by County Superintendent Bryant of that county and will culminate in an oratorical and declamatory contest in which all of the county school will take part, tomorrow night at Wasco. An educational train bearing teachers and students will be started tomorrow morning at the southern boundary of Sherman county and will be run during the day, gathering up teachers and friends of education at the different stopping places and in the evening the entire party which enjoyed the excursion during the day will assemble at the little town of Wasco for the climax which will consist of oratorical and declamatory contests, addresses by prominent educators and a delightful musical program. This is the first attempt at an educational fete of this kind in eastern Oregon and its outcome will be watched by educators with unusual interest. President R. C. French of Weston normal went down to Wasco today to join the party and act as one of the judges in the contests tomorrow night.