

WEATHER REPORT.

Probably fair tonight with light frost Wednesday; fair and warmer.



Take your store news to the people and the people will bring their patronage to your store.

ALL READY FOR BIG EXCURSION

Special Train of Eight Coaches Will Carry Hundreds to Hermiston Tomorrow.

PROSPECTS BRIGHT FOR WEATHER AND CROWDS

Train, Leaves at Eight—Opportunity to View Reservoir Dam, Headgates, Canals, Pipe Lines and Entire Project—Hermiston People Spare No Efforts to Make Event Enjoyable—Formal Opening of Floodgates—Exercises and Ball Game in the Afternoon—Addresses by Prominent Citizens and Government Engineers—Extensive and Interesting Program Arranged.

Tomorrow morning at 8 o'clock the Hermiston excursion will leave this city, the special train of eight coaches to be attached to the regular Portland local, leaving at that hour.

The prospects this evening are that an immense crowd will go to Hermiston and a most interesting and profitable event is promised. The people of Hermiston will do everything in their power to make the day pleasant for the visitors and every one will be given an opportunity to view the reservoir, dam, headgates, canals, pipe line and other interesting features of the project.

The people of Hermiston have arranged an elaborate program which will furnish entertainment to the visitors and which will make the event one long to be remembered. On the arrival of the train at Hermiston the teams will leave for the reservoir carrying the visitors to the dam where the formal opening of the monster headgates will take place on the arrival of the crowd at the dam.

On the return from the dam the exercises of the day will be held in the new M. E. church at Hermiston, where the address of the day will be delivered by Judge S. A. Lowell of this city.

D. C. Henny, engineer in charge of reclamation work in Oregon, Washington and California, will also speak, and Engineer John T. Whistler, father of the Umatilla project, will also give an interesting talk on the practical features of the project.

During the afternoon, H. M. Cake, candidate for United States senator, will deliver an address to the excursionists and other political addresses will be made during the afternoon, perhaps.

The excursion train will leave Hermiston at 6:30 on the return trip, arriving at this city about 7:30.

The day promises to be one of the most interesting and pleasant events of the season and hundreds are going from this city and surrounding country to view the immense project formally opened.

The following is the program arranged by the Hermiston people: Train from Pendleton, trip to dam, arrive at dam, formal opening of the headgate, call of bugle for return to Hermiston, arrive at Hermiston, lunch, speaking, Hon. S. A. Lowell, orator of day; ball game, Hermiston vs. Pilot Rock; Sports, 4:30 p. m.

List of prizes: Obstacle race, first prize, \$2; second, \$1; boys' pony race, under 15 years, first, \$2; second, \$1; 100-yard dash, first, \$5; second, \$2.50. Egg race, girls under 12 years, first, \$1; second, 50 cents. Horse race, free for all, first, \$10; second, \$5; bronco busting, first \$25; second, \$10.

Excursion Leaves at 8 O'Clock. The Hermiston excursion train will leave this city tomorrow morning promptly at 8 o'clock, the coaches to be attached to the regular Portland local leaving at that time. The circulars sent out from Hermiston give the leaving time at 7 o'clock, but this is a mistake. The train will not leave until 8 o'clock and returning will leave Hermiston at 6:30. Those who expect to go on the excursion will remember the hour of the departure of the train.

Can Accommodate 800. L. D. Lay, who is associated with A. C. Crawford, the Hermiston "land

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH READY TO UNITE.

Kansas City, Mo., May 26.—The general assembly of the Presbyterian church adopted a resolution this morning announcing that the Presbyterians are ready to co-operate with any church in an effort to unite with any church of the Protestant faith. This important step means that some if not all Protestant churches will be in unity soon.

The committee on co-operation and union declares there is no doubt that such a plan would meet the approval of the Methodist, Episcopal, Reformed Presbyterians, Methodist Protestants, Moravians and the reformed churches of the United States.

EVELYN WITHDRAWS SUIT FOR DIVORCE.

New York, May 26.—Counsel for Thaw applied for a withdrawal of her suit to annul her marriage to Harry, yesterday adjudged insane.

He gave no reason for the sudden change of attitude but it is reported the step is an effort by Evelyn to gain control of Thaw's estate.

With the withdrawal of the suit Evelyn becomes the wife of the insane man and it is reported the lawyers are preparing to bring action to have her appointed a committee to take charge of his personal property. Later an attempt will be made to gain control of the whole estate in Pittsburgh.

OIL AT COOS BAY.

Marshfield, Ore., May 26.—Oil has been discovered on Coos Bay, large quantities are being taken. Machinery for development has been shipped from Frisco.

Gas has been found in many places, the strongest on South inlet four miles from Marshfield, where machinery will be installed. The first gusher was opened near Bandon.

BRYAN SPRINGS A SENSATION

NEBRASKAN MAKES PROPOSITION TO TAFT.

Challenges War Secretary to Join With Him in Urging Congress to Compel Publication of Campaign Contributions—Republicans Cry "Play to the Galleries," While Democrats Call it Wise Move and Proof of Sincerity.

Washington, May 26.—Bryan sprung the first sensation of the presidential campaign when he sent a message today to Taft, suggesting that they join in urging congress to pass a bill compelling the publication of campaign expenses.

Democratic leaders look upon the move as one of great wisdom and say it proves he is sincere in his determination to conduct the campaign without the aid of the great corporate influence.

The Taft men don't make open criticism, but they are understood to believe it is a "play to the galleries."

Taft Answers Commoner. Washington, May 26.—Taft replied to Bryan today, saying he had already taken up the matter of publishing campaign expenses. He quoted a confidential letter sent to Senator Burrows, chairman of the committee on privileges and elections, April 30, saying he believed it would greatly tend to abolish corruption from politics if published.

He also tells Bryan he has publicly announced the hope that the bill pending would be passed, since writing to Burrows.

Henny's Chauffeur Fined. Oakland, May 25.—Henny's chauffeur was fined \$10 for speeding to catch the ferry with Henny and wife. When he protested Henny shouted "Quit complaining, the officers did their duty."

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ROASTS JEROME TO A FINISH

Franklin Pearce Declares His Continuance in Office Would Be a Calamity.

IS DISGRACE TO COUNTRY AND STATE

Attorney Says Few Men Had Better Prospects and That Many Expected Him to Be President—Promised to Follow Trail of Crime Into Offices of Captains of Finance, But Instead Is On Terms of Intimacy With the Hobbers—Shakes Dice With Sons of Ryan and Declares He Does Not Regret It.

Elizabethtown, N. Y., May 26.—"No graver calamity could befall the country than the continuance in office of Jerome, whose corruptness equals the ancient Roman courts," declared Attorney Franklin Pearce this morning, who on behalf of the minority stockholders of the metropolitan Street Railway, is asking the governor to remove Jerome.

"Few men had as bright prospects as Jerome. Many expected him to be president, but now he is a disgrace to the state and country."

"He promised to follow the trail of crime into the offices of the captains of finance, but instead we find him on terms of friendship with the malefactors of great wealth against whom evidence had been placed in his hands but against whom he never acted. He served as a protector to criminals instead of a prosecutor."

"He not only failed to do his duty but worked against the interests of the people he swore to protect and we find him throwing dice for drinks with Ryan's sons and brazenly saying he doesn't regret it."

C. E. S. WOOD TALKS. Portland Anarchist Attacks Y. M. C. A. Because Hall Was Denied Emma Goldman.

Portland, Ore., May 26.—Dr. C. E. S. Wood, a noted anarchist scientist, called the members of the Y. M. C. A. "easy Christians" in an address here yesterday.

He severely arraigned the organization for its refusal to rent their hall to Emma Goldman.

Wood in introducing Emma Goldman declared he believed young men joined the organization because it is so easy to be a Christian now. He said he believed that even the directors would not belong in days when there was burning at the stake.

RACING AGAINST TRAINS. San Francisco, May 26.—Fernando Nelson left Vallejo, Calif., in an automobile for Portland at 3 o'clock this morning to establish a speed record.

He expects to reach Portland at 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon, making the trip from Frisco to Portland in 36 hours, one hour faster than the trains.

POPE PRAISES TEDDY. Admires Fight Made by President on Predatory Wealth.

Rome, May 26.—Pope Pius today expressed admiration for Roosevelt for the fearless fight against predatory wealth and declared that America should be appreciative. The occasion was a brief address during the visit of the New York and Brooklyn pilgrims to the vatican.

The pope received the visitors several minutes. He asked many questions on the industrial and political conditions in America.

Child Sealed to Death. Sumpter, Ore., May 26.—The funeral of the 2-year-old infant boy of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Stark took place yesterday. The child died from falling into a vat of scalding water at the family home, at the Columbia mine. At the time of the accident it was not thought the little fellow was seriously injured and the announcement of his death was a surprise.

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200,000 POUNDS OF WOOL SOLD

Nine Clips Change Hands at Pilot Rock This Morning. Prices Better.

13-3-8 CENTS IS BEST PRICE OFFERED THUS FAR.

Choice Foothill Wool Is Offered to Buyers—Lowest Bid Is 10-1-4—All But One Grower Accepts Price Offered—Warner Takes His Under Consideration—Nearly All Wool Offered at Pendleton Sale Is Finally Disposed of—Sheepmen Loath to Accept Low Figures, But Finally Give In—J. E. Smith Livestock Company Holds 160,000 Pounds.

At the wool sale, held at Pilot Rock this morning, nine clips, aggregating over 200,000 pounds of wool, were sold at prices ranging from 10-1-4 cents to 13-3-8. The following were the sales in detail:

Herbert Boylen, 12,918 pounds, 12 cents. Bought by Greene.

Rugg Bros., 24,019 pounds, 12-1-8 cents, bought by Livingstone.

Donald Ross, 35,187 pounds, 11-1-4 cents, bought by Abbott.

C. W. Mathews, 18,444 pounds, 12-3-4 cents, bought by Cummings.

A. A. Cole, 35,144 pounds, 10-1-4 cents, bought by Greene.

Knotts Bros., 29,415 pounds, 12 cents, bought by Brigham.

L. L. Mann, 10,354 pounds, 13-3-8 cents, bought by Cummings.

U. G. Horn, 15,519 pounds, 13-3-8 cents, bought by Greene.

Waucep & Hubbard, 18,815 pounds, 12-7-8 cents, bought by Brigham.

The clip of A. B. Warner, 12,121 pounds, was also offered this morning, but the bid had not been accepted up to noon.

Complete Local Sales. When the first Pendleton sale was brought to a close last night practically all the wool offered here yesterday had been disposed of. Though at first the growers were loth to accept the prices offered, many of them decided late in the day to let go.

Among those who refused to sell were the J. E. Smith company, Joa Cunha and William Slusher. The Smith company sold 60,000 pounds of Pilot Rock wool, but rejected a bid of 10-1-4 cents on 158,000 pounds of Barnhart wool. Cunha was offered 12 cents for his splendid clip, but refused to accept. The Cunha clip of 81,000 pounds and that of Slusher, 120,000 pounds, have not yet been touched.

The low bids on wool from the Echo country were due to the fact that the wool of that section has more sand than that of the remainder of the county.

The following is a complete list of sales consummated here yesterday: Andrew Rust, 40,000 pounds, to Livingston, 13-1-8.

John Wynn, 16,268 pounds to Brigham, 12-3-4.

M. McCracken, 16,915 pounds, to Cunha for 10-3-4.

R. N. Stanfield, 172,800 pounds to Green for 8-5.

Charles Ely, 16,681 pounds to Green for 12-1-4.

Pat Doherty, 28,400 pounds, to De-four for 13-1-4.

J. E. Smith company, 60,667 pounds Pilot Rock wool, Ellery, 13-1-4.

Joe Conley, 17,000 pounds to Green, 6-4.

D. Goodman, 20,000 pounds to Green, 9-4.

Austin Grey, 110,000 pounds to Burke, 8-3-8.

FLOOD'S DEATH LIST GROWS LARGER HOURLY.

Dallas, Texas, May 26.—The death list from the flood is increasing hourly, more than 100 lives are believed to have been lost. One thousand people are homeless. The property loss is estimated at \$25,000,000.

The Trinity river passed all records last night, when it is believed the crest of the flood had passed, a continued rise taking everything before it. It is believed that many who refused to leave their homes last night, thinking the worst was over, have perished.

It was hoped that the flood would begin to recede last evening.

Fort Worth, May 26.—No definite estimate of the number of dead from the flood here can be made. Millions in property has been destroyed and the worst of the flood has not yet arrived.

DAUGHTER OF "PARHAMITE" COMMITS SUICIDE. Haunted by Visions of Father Writhing in Sea of Brimstone.

Chicago, May 26.—Pretty Florence Ferrian, aged 20, committed suicide this morning because her father refused to abandon the fanatical religion of the "Parhamites."

She was continually haunted by dreams of her father writhing in a sea of brimstone. Fearing insanity, she begged her parent to drop the religion.

Upon his refusal she drank wood alcohol and jumped into Lake Michigan.

Miss Ferrian was an acquaintance of Chester Brown, who was electrocuted for the murder of "Billy" Brown.

Nelson in Vaudeville. Seattle, May 26.—Batting Nelson will appear in vaudeville here for four days, boxing with Guy Buckles of Omaha. Afterwards he will go south to train for Gans.

LEVEE PLANS ARE PERFECTED

WILL EXTEND WING DAM AND ADD TO WEST END

Proposed Plan of Levee Improvement Will be Submitted to Council Tomorrow Night—Upper End to be Protected With 500-Foot Addition to Wing Dam—To Extend Lower End 1000 Feet to Island.

It is now planned by the levee committee of the council to add another 500 feet to the present 200 foot wing wall at the upper end of the Byers' mill race and to eventually extend the wing wall until it reaches the railroad bridges. Also the levee will be extended 1000 feet at the lower end.

According to Mayor Murphy it would be poor policy for the city to spend any more money in repairing the old levee above the railroad tracks and so the policy will be to extend the wing wall until it reaches the bridges and there connects with the lower levee. But it will be impossible to build more than 500 feet of the wall this summer.

By adding 1000 feet to the lower end of the levee this summer the bulkhead will be taken across to the island in the river opposite the ball park. When this extension is made the levee will then be complete as no trouble is anticipated from the river below that point.

As the extension will have to be built across the natural course of the river it will be necessary to make the wall very substantial.

The plans of the levee committee will be laid before the council tomorrow night.

WORK ON O. R. & N. WALLOWA BRANCH

Portland, May 26.—Harriman has ordered construction to begin on the Wallowa extension immediately. With the Umatilla Central, the Ilwaco line, the Riparia-Lewiston and the rebuilding of the main line of the O. R. & N., this makes 187 miles of new track for Oregon this year.

A thousand men and several hundred teams will soon be throwing dirt on the Wallowa branch of the O. R. & N., orders having been issued in Portland last evening to resume work on the grade at once.

It is estimated that the grade is now about 75 per cent complete, some of this having been damaged by high waters, however, since work stopped last October. The remainder of the

grade will be rushed to completion and tracklaying will be started soon, it is announced, and it is now thought probable that the line will be finished into Wallowa valley this year.

Land prices in Wallowa valley have greatly advanced during the past two years in anticipation of the completion of the road and great plans are now on foot for the development of the mineral, irrigation and timber resources of the county.

A portion of the extension, west of Elgin is now used as a logging road by the Palmer Lumber company of La Grande. A fine timber belt near the mouth of the Wallowa river, will be tapped by the new branch, the timber to be hauled to the La Grande mills.

CAKE WILL WIN SAYS LOWELL

Pendleton Man Completes Campaign Tour For Republican Candidate For Senate.

THINKS NATIONAL ISSUES WILL DEFEAT CHAMBERLAIN

Republicans Who Voted for Him While Running for Governor Will Not Do So Now—Difference Between State and National Issues—Judge Was as Far South as Ashland—Great Interest in University Appropriation—Sentiment Apparently in Favor of Supporting State School—Army Bill Supported by Thinking Men—Woman Suffrage in Doubt.

"I believe that Cake will carry this state. The nearer we approach election time the more people come to think that national issues are involved. Men who voted for Chamberlain when he was running for office on state issues will not do so now. I believe that Cake will be elected by a majority of 10,000."

Thus spake Judge S. A. Lowell this morning after his return from his campaigning tour in the interests of H. M. Cake and the others who are running upon the republican ticket.

While away Judge Lowell was as far south as Ashland and he spoke there at Medford, Grants Pass, Roseburg, Eugene and at The Dalles. He will leave for Portland the latter part of the week to close the campaign there at a meeting which is to be addressed by Henry E. McGinn and himself.

According to Judge Lowell one of the reasons why he believes that Cake will be elected senator is the fact that the people wish to endorse the Roosevelt administration and they hold that to elect a democrat as senator from Oregon at this time would be a repudiation of the Roosevelt policies.

The U. of O. Appropriation. Great interest is being taken by Judge Lowell in the university appropriation and he says that the sentiment throughout the state is strongly in favor of supporting the appropriation. However, those behind the university are anxious to have the appropriation sustained by the largest majority possible so that future appropriations will not be upheld by a referendum petition.

The Armory Bill. As to the armory bill the judge declares that among those who give the matter thought the armory appropriation is regarded favorably and will be endorsed. This element represents those who realize that in a republic like the United States the country must rely upon its citizen soldiery and such being the case proper encouragement must be given the national guard.

Woman Suffrage. That the equal suffrage amendment to the constitution will be adopted, provided the women of the state desire it is believed by Judge Lowell. According to him hundreds of men are willing to vote for the amendment provided they are shown that the women themselves really wish the right of suffrage.

Fighters Talk. San Francisco, May 25.—Willis Britt says Gans has made "loose talk" when he said he would put Battling Nelson out in the 15th round of a 45-round battle in Frisco July 4. Britt says if Gans meant what he says the negro would be willing to bet he would make good.

No Hope of Arbitration. Cleveland, May 26.—There is little hope of arbitration of the car strike. Incomplete count of the strikers' vote shows an overwhelming majority against arbitration.

LAND FRAUD TRIALS REOPEN TUESDAY

Portland, Ore., May 26.—The Oregon land fraud trials will be reopened Tuesday when Tracy Becker returns from Los Angeles to prosecute J. H. Booth, ex-register of the Roseburg land office, for bribery.

The federal grand jury has been selected to investigate the Umatilla frauds involving 25,000 acres of unallotted Indian lands which prominent persons are accused of having acquired by fraud.

U. S. Attorney McCourt yesterday filed suits to recover 9230 acres in Linn county and D. B. Townsend arrives from Washington this week to file suits to recover 3,000,000 acres of the Oregon-California grant.

This is the land which the railroads have refused to sell according to the terms under which it was granted by the congress of the United States. The three million acres comprise some of the finest timber lands in the northwest. The case will be bitterly fought by the railroads.