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WESTON FILLED WITH PIONEERS

Annual Reunion of Early Settlers Inaugurated Propitiously.

SPLENDID PROGRAMS RENDERED DURING DAY

Large Crowd in Attendance on First Day of Two Days' Pioneer Picnic—Weston Throws Open Doors to Guests—Judge Lowell Makes Address During Afternoon—Business Houses are Closed.

(Staff Correspondence.) Weston, Ore., May 27.—Notwithstanding the damp morning and the threatening weather, the present annual reunion of the Umatilla county Pioneers' association is proving to be one of the most successful ever held. The afternoon has turned off fine, the crowd in attendance is large and enthusiastic, the programs are exceptionally interesting and Weston is proving herself a charming hostess.

The features of the morning program were the Hallelujah chorus by the pupils of the Weston high school, the vocal solo by Clarke Wood and the reading by Jack Keefe. The music is being furnished by the Ladies band of Weston, which is composed of 14 pieces. Each selection rendered by this unique organization has been heartily cheered.

The feature of the afternoon program is the address now being delivered by Judge Stephen A. Lowell of Pendleton. Notwithstanding the great strain to which the speaker has been subjected by his numerous addresses during the past few weeks, he is in fine voice and is holding the large audience to the closest attention.

Athletic sports of various kinds will follow the literary program and these will be concluded by the baseball game between the Weston and Athena league teams. Tomorrow afternoon the game will be between the Pendleton and Weston teams.

This evening there will be a program in the opera house. Though every town in the county is represented at the celebration, the largest crowds are from Pendleton and Athena. The latter town is here en masse, the stores and other places of business having been closed for the occasion. A large number of Pendletonians came up this morning on the train and still others have been arriving all day by auto. It is expected that the crowd in attendance tomorrow will be even larger than today.

ANOTHER MOVE IN THE SWITZLER ISLAND CASE

Defeated in the federal court in his fight to regain possession of the Little Switzler or Dave Beavert island in the Columbia river, John B. Switzler today filed a suit in the circuit court against F. E. Earnhart who is now in possession of the island. This tract of land which contains about 80 acres of alfalfa, a small orchard and a few houses was purchased by Switzler from Beavert in 1893 for the sum of \$700. He alleges that he simply purchased the improvements, intending to ultimately get possession by homesteading it. He says the improvements made by himself will amount to \$2,000. It was a little more than a year ago that the island was "jumped" by Earnhart. But the suit filed yesterday Switzler seeks to enjoin Earnhart from harvesting the crop of alfalfa which is now ready.

REPORTS FROM BLUEFIELDS ARE VERY CONFLICTING

New Orleans, May 27.—The real situation today in Bluefields is doubtful. Messages received from Bluefields say Madriz's troops were successful, while others declare Estrada was successful and compelled Madriz to retreat. Messages telling of Estrada's success were sent from the wireless station at Bluefields which Estrada controls. Others came from the stations which Madriz possesses. Private messages say a desperate battle was fought. It is generally believed Estrada won.

TAFT DENIES SOUTH TREATED HIM INHOSPITABLY

Washington, May 27.—President Taft made public a letter to Congressman Tawney, repudiating Tawney's statement in a clause yesterday during the debate on the civil sundry bill that somewhere in the south during Taft's swing around the circle he would have been charged for board. Tawney's statements were made while discussing the proposed \$25,000 appropriation for the president's traveling expenses. Taft complimented the hospitality of the southern people and said that the criticisms of the south grieved him deeply.

CHICAGO WHEAT MARKET ALMOST IN A PANIC

Chicago, May 27.—The smashing of prices is driving the smaller brokers to make sacrifice sales and the defeat of Patten by his inveterate trade enemy, J. Ogden Armour, caused the wheat market to open today in a condition bordering on a panic. Floor selling orders tumbled in from all portions of the country and forced May options down 3-4 to 11 1-4 cents under yesterday's close.

It later became evident that bears had possession of the market and bear leaders predicted a drop of ten cents a bushel before a halt would come in the buying. Patten and the leading bull operators, are credited with doing the bulk of the selling. It is believed the bulls are minimizing their loss by selling.

HETTY GREEN'S SON WILL MANAGE HER AFFAIRS

New York, May 27.—That Colonel E. H. Green, son of Hetty Green, will abandon his business interests in Texas and come here to help his mother attend her affairs was admitted today by his relatives. His mother is 75 years old and falling in health. Green is president of the Texas-Midland railroad.

GATES TO SECURE HIS DEAREST AMBITION

Galveston, May 27.—The ambition of John W. Gates to found a University at Port Arthur, his home town, is about to be realized. Gates offered to add double the amount of any fund the Methodist general conference might raise. The conference has decided to raise \$125,000.

BLOOD FLOWS IN IRISH CAMPAIGN

FOLLOWERS OF DIFFERENT FACTIONS HAVE CLASH

Riot is Precipitated When One Party Attempts to Make Speech—One Dead and Hundred are Injured.

New Market, Ireland, May 27.—One man is dead, a dozen seriously wounded and several hundred injured as a result of a clash between the followers of William, leader of the United Irish league, and John Redmond, head of the nationalist faction. The fight began last night when the nationalists attempted to speak here. This is one of the O'Brien strongholds. Fists were used first, and then a riot began. The infuriated combatants wrecked several houses before the police were called. The authorities used clubs and the mobs dispersed. There will be further trouble unless Redmond recalls his speakers which he probably will not do.

Prison for Debt

Hamilton, Bermuda, May 27.—Imprisonment for debt, theoretically abolished throughout John Bull's vast empire, continues to be enforced in this little colony. At the present time, one John Robinson, a driver, languishes in Hamilton goal because he was unable to pay a grocery bill of about fifty dollars.

When called before the "worshipful" police magistrate—as that official is dignified in this colony—Robinson pleaded irregularity of work and consequent lack of funds as his reason for his inability to pay his debts. Judge Appleby sentenced him to six weeks in prison. Many similar cases have come up in the local courts and the system of imprisonment for poor people unable to pay their debt is firmly established here.

Living Costs too Much

Aberdeen, Wash., May 27.—Twenty-seven students of Stanford University California, arriving here yesterday and today to take places of strikers in a saw mill, and to work in construction camps of the Union Pacific and Chicago, Milwaukee and Puget Sound railroads are going to quit because of the high cost of living in Washington. They say they were told that their wages would be \$3 per day and that board and room would be \$15 a month. They claim the facts were misrepresented as to price of board and lodging.

Sealing Treaty

Victoria, B. C., May 26.—Negotiations for a sealing treaty between the United States, Canada, Russia and Japan, are reported her to be practically completed. Private information received here today is that the United States will compensate Victoria sealing schooner owners, and Canada will receive a percentage of profit from the Pribyl of seal herds. Under the treaty pelagic sealing will be stopped in the North Pacific ocean for a long term of years, and the interested nations will enact laws making it an offense for a vessel to be cleared for sealing. The United States did this many years ago.

Reunion of Veterans

New York, May 27.—Veterans of the Ninth regiment, the Eighty-third and Ninth New York volunteers, and the Ninth coast artillery will hold their reunion at the Hotel Cumberland this evening.

BALLINGER IS SCORED HARD

Attorneys Brandeis and Pepper Denounce Secretary in Their Arguments.

CHARACTERIZES HIM AS IRRESOLUTE AND UNETHICAL

Attorneys for Glavis and Pinchot "Take Hot Shots at Secretary of Interior in Closing Arguments—Say as Public Officer He Has Been Tried and Found Wanting—Brandeis Says He Grew Strongly Ethical After He Became Public Officer.

Washington, May 27.—A keen, critical analysis of Secretary Ballinger, whom he characterizes as "irresolute, shift, unethical and a public officer tried and found wanting," was the summing up of his case by Attorney Brandeis before the committee today. Brandeis dealt in facts, summed up his case coldly, and unemotionally described the Cunningham claims and their history, and said these showed Ballinger unfit for office. The attorney paid a tribute to the zeal of Glavis and Kerby, who did a duty to the American people, although Ballinger and Land Commissioner Bennett regarded them as traitors. Brandeis declared the investigation was a struggle for conservation and for a democracy. He declared Glavis' cause was the cause of the people.

Brandeis scored Ballinger for being strangely unethical in the attitude he took as secretary of the interior in regard to the Cunningham cases. He said, "Under the potent influence of the claimants when Ballinger resigned his commission he forgot the rules of professional ethics. He forgot the rules of the interior department over which he has presided, by which rules he was debarred from practicing before it for two years. But when he became secretary after serving the Cunningham claimants, he drew strange ethical distinctions. He had felt at liberty to serve the Cunningham claimants, but on becoming secretary he felt barred from representing the people."

"Some of the harpies ready to pounce," was the way Brandeis described the Morgan-Guggenheim syndicate, and influential secretary-makers such as Charles W. Sweeney, C. J. Smith and others interested in Alaskan coal lands.

Pepper is Peppery. In summing up before the committee Attorney Pepper for Pinchot bitterly arraigned Ballinger. He said "He is the kind of a man from whom the president ought to be mercifully delivered. Ballinger has proven unfaithful to the public whose property he endangered and to the president whom he deceived."

Pepper declared the policy of power site protection was given a staggering blow when Ballinger took office. He declared that as an official, Ballinger had injured the cause of conservation and the reclamation service.

HILL ROADS PUTTING IN PHONES ALONG LINES

Wenatchee, Wash., May 27.—The Great Northern today inaugurated a telephone system for train dispatching between Spokane and Puget Sound, marking the beginning of the end of telegraphers on the Hill roads. Phones were also started today between Spokane and Leavenworth. Phones between Spokane and Troy, Montana, will be ready inside of a week and then the railroad will have 2200 miles of phones.

Many men are presidential possibilities, but some are longer shots than others.

CONGRESS MAY PROBE SCANDAL

Public Investigation of Guggenheim Affair May Result From Charges.

ALLEGED SYNDICATE PAID FOR FEDERAL OFFICERS

Charges of Alaskan Delegate at Subcommittee Investigation, if Sustained, Will Probably Result in Congressional Probing—Photo of Letter Presented Which Purports to Show Witnesses in Murder Trial Were Paid For.

Washington, D. C., May 27.—The direct charges of Alaskan Delegate Guggenheim before the subcommittee of the senate judiciary committee that the Morgan-Guggenheim syndicate caused the appointment of T. R. Lyons as federal district judge, and the nomination of John Ruskard as United States district attorney, and Herbert Faulkner, as United States marshal, if sustained today, promises to start a congressional movement for open investigation of the affair. Every political act of the syndicate would be probed publicly. Judge Lyons is one of the attorneys who defended Edward Hassey on his trial for murder. Hassey was a deputy federal marshal, an employee of the Guggenheim interests whose trial was an outgrowth of a battle between citizens of Valdez, and Guggenheim men, when two men were killed in a fight over the possession of a railroad grade in 1907.

Delegate Wickersham presented before the sub-committee a photograph of a letter signed by John Carson, the Guggenheim attorney who with Lyons acted in Hassey's defense. The letter was addressed to Capt. D. H. Jarvis, treasurer of the Guggenheim company at Seattle. It purported to contain an expense account of M. B. Morrissey, an alleged employee of the Guggenheims who "took care" of the witnesses for the defense in Hassey's case, and who entertained the jury men. The letter contains an itemized account.

CHURCH DEMANDS HAVE NOT STOPPED FIGHT YET

San Francisco, May 27.—Sheriff Finn, of San Francisco county said today he would not take any action at the present time toward interfering with the Jeffries-Johnson fight following the demand by the church federation in Los Angeles that he give assurances that he will prevent the fight.

Calls for Tenders

Vancouver, B. C., May 26.—Announcement was made today that the Canadian Northern railway, which recently made a contract for the continuation of its line from Edmonton to the coast, is calling for tenders for the construction of the first 60 miles of its line in British Columbia. This will be eastward from Port Mann, opposite New Westminster on the banks of the Fraser river. The line will follow the south bank of the river.

Endeavor Convention

Nashville, Tenn., May 27.—Speeches of welcome and the annual address of the president occupied the initial session this morning of the Tennessee state convention of Christian societies. Bishop Carter will speak tonight and other prominent churchmen will be held tomorrow and Sunday.

Curtis Not Yet Afloat

New York, May 27.—Continued bad weather today caused Curtis to postpone his flight from Albany to New York for the World's prize.

MANY INDIANS TO CELEBRATE FEAST OF THE CORPUS CHRISTI

Between five and six hundred Indians will participate in the celebration of the "Feast of the Corpus Christi" at St. Andrew's Mission, Sunday morning. The celebration will be conducted by Bishop O'Reilly of Baker City and participated in by priests and other officers of the church at the mission and from this city. It will be the great ecclesiastical event of the year for the mission and will probably be witnessed by a large number of people from this city.

Bishop O'Reilly arrived today on the noon train. He was the guest of Father Durgan of St. Mary's church for a few hours, after which he left for the mission. When a short distance from that institution he was met by a procession of Indian student and was escorted with much ceremonial splendor to his destination. Sunday morning at 10:30 the great procession will start. The bishop will carry "The Blessed Sacrament" about the mission grounds, followed by 500 or 600 Indians, including the mission Indian band.

This celebration is called the "feast of flowers" by the Indians for the reason that throughout the progress of the procession, the little Indian children precede the bishop, strewing flowers in his pathway.

The mission is 12 miles southeast of Pendleton, being located at the very foot of the Blue mountains.

ARMY OFFICER'S TRIP PLANNED

Seattle, Wn., May 27.—Brigadier General Marion Maus, commander of the department of the Columbia is enroute to Alaska today aboard the steamer Dolphin with the most arduous trip ever undertaken by an army commander ahead of him. He will make a trip from Fairbanks to Valdez afoot with one guide. He will land at Skaguay and take the railroad to White Horse then a boat to Fairbanks, and expects to make the trip in a month and a half.

CRUEL PUNISHMENT MAKES CONVICTS GO TO WORK

Columbus, Ohio, May 27.—One hundred and forty-seven convicts of the state penitentiary quit striking today and returned to work after Warden Jones had them "hung up," put their arms in handcuffs, and pinned them to hooks above their heads, making them stand on their toes. They struck because their food was poor.

SUGAR CHECKERS CHANGE THEIR PLEAS TO GUILTY

New York, N. Y., May 27.—Withdrawing pleas of not guilty of the charges of fraud in connection with the shortweighting of sugar, three former sugar checkers of the American Sugar Refining company, co-defendants with Charles Helke, the company's secretary, pleaded guilty today and asked the court's mercy. The men are Harry Walker, Jean Hoelker and James Halligan.

SHEEPMEN IN PILOT ROCK LET GO WOOL

NEARLY 100,000 POUNDS ACQUIRED BY BUYERS

80,000 Pounds Sold by Noon at Prices Ranging From 14 to 16 Cents—More Will be Let Go.

Nearly 100,000 pounds of wool has changed hands at Pilot Rock today, according to a telephone message received by the East Oregonian this afternoon from Charles Green, one of the leading buyers. He said that about 80,000 pounds had been sold at that time and that more was to be offered. The prices paid range from 14 to 16 cents. But few of the clips offered for sale this morning were withdrawn by the growers after the bids were opened.

The following clips were sold: Alonzo Knotts 15 7-8 Mill 14 Stanfield 16 Herbert Boylen 14 3-4 One other clip was sold and still others are under consideration.

ABANDON HOPE OF RESCUING SUNKEN CREW

Calais, May 27.—The Pulvose lies in 30 fathoms of water in the English channel. Divers who put chains around the craft for the purpose of later raising it say they heard tapping on the inside of the hull. It is believed, however, that none can live if any are alive owing to the fact that the vessel can not be raised until tomorrow as suitable apparatus will not arrive until tonight. Commander Callot had 26 men in the submarine. Hope of rescuing the imprisoned officers and men of the submarine was abandoned today when Minister Payre telegraphed Premier Briand that considerable water had entered the submarine and that the crew had undoubtedly perished.

SHOT WITHOUT HAVING CHANCE TO SURRENDER

Seattle, May 27.—Without being given a chance to hold up his hands H. R. Castleton, an iron moulder, was shot in the right breast by hold-up men at 40th and Latona streets this morning. The man escaped after seizing a grip which Castleton carried. The wounded man will recover.

Hoppe Adds Another

New York, May 27.—Willie Hoppe added the 18.2 balk line billiard championship to his record last night by defeating Harry P. Cline of Philadelphia the defending champion, 500 to 394. His high runs were 84, 83 and 71 and his average 17.24. Cline's average was 14.16.37 and his high runs 66, 52 and 45. Hoppe now holds both 18.1 and 18.2 titles.

Ketchel-Lewis Fight

New York, May 27.—Willie Lewis and Stanley Ketchel are matched for what promises to be an interesting ten-round battle before the National Sporting club tonight. Lewis is confident that he will be able to outpoint the middleweight champion, as he alleges that Ketchel fights just the way that suits him.

Adopts Pinchot Policies

Denver, May 26.—Chief Forester Henry S. Graves, returning to Washington from a trip of inspection in the west, arrived here tonight. "You may say that the policies of Mr. Pinchot have been made mine," he said to interviewers. "I don't care to discuss the Ballinger-Pinchot imbroglio. It covers too wide a range."

J. W. SCRIBER FOUND GUILTY

La Grande Banker Convicted in Federal Court on Several Counts.

WILL GET FROM FIVE TO 15 YEARS IN PEN

Cashier of Defunct Farmers' and Traders' National Bank Found Guilty of Embezzlement, Misapplication of Funds and Forgery—Ten Days' Stay of Sentence to Consider Appeal—Defendant is Unmoved.

Portland, May 27.—J. W. Scriber, cashier of the defunct Farmers and Traders National bank, of La Grande, Oregon, today was found guilty of embezzlement, misapplication of funds and forgery, in the federal court. His penalty will be from 5 to 15 years in the penitentiary. The evidence showed that for five years he had been misapplying funds. A shortage of \$134,000 was uncovered and forged securities aggregating \$90,000 were found in the vaults. The defense took an order for a 10 day's stay of sentence to consider an appeal. Scriber showed no emotion when the verdict was given. He pleaded business and family troubles had caused temporary insanity. The trial lasted three weeks.

Nomination Bill Lost

Albany, N. Y., May 26.—By the decisive vote of 46 to 94, the Cobb compromise direct nominations bill, after having passed the senate today, was defeated in the assembly tonight at the climax of a session of 14 hours. As the legislature will adjourn tomorrow and as Governor Hughes has announced he will veto the Mead-Phillips bill, which has passed both houses, the only hope of direct nomination legislation this year lies in the possibility of an extra session. Leaders of both factions regard this as probable.

Uprising in China

Hong Kong, May 27.—Several regiments of Chinese troops have been sent to patrol Changshan, where an uprising against the "foreign devils" seems imminent. Posters have been distributed setting next Sunday as the date for a general destruction of all white people, missionaries and native Christians. The government officials assert that they may come on Sunday, but several British and French gunboats have been sent to Changshan in case of possible need.

Attorneys General Meet

St. Paul, Minn., May 27.—Legal luminaries from many states are in attendance today at the convention of the National Association of Attorneys-General. The purpose of the organization is to bring about uniformity and other reforms in legal procedure. Fred S. Jackson of Kansas, is president; U. S. Webb of California, vice president, and James Bingham of Indiana, secretary.

Middies vs. Cadets

Annapolis, Md., May 27.—Embryo admirals and future generals will meet on the field of battle at Annapolis tomorrow, when the annual contest for baseball supremacy will be decided. The historic rivalry between the middies and the cadets is again very much in evidence today, and every student is prepared to back his fellows with all his available cash assets.

Episcopal Convention

Des Moines, Ia., May 27.—Arrangements were completed today for the annual convention of the Episcopal churches in Iowa, which will be held in this city Sunday and Monday. The clergy are expected to assemble tomorrow night for the inaugural ceremonies on Sunday, when the sermon will be preached by the Bishop of Toronto, Canada.

Swedes to Celebrate

New York, May 27.—Swedish-Americans all over the country are arriving in the metropolis today, bent on taking part in the quadrennial national song and musical festival of the American Union of Swedish Singers, which begins tomorrow and will continue four days.

Ask New Trial

Seattle, May 26.—Attorneys for Harry Dewey today filed a petition in the superior court for a new trial based on the affidavit of Edward Bush and Harry Crawford who swear that they are guilty of the robbery for which Dewey was convicted and that Dewey was not in their company.

Odd Fellows Attention

All Odd Fellows are notified to meet at the court house Monday morning at 9 o'clock to participate in the Decoration Day exercises. Conveyances will be provided for all those who can go to the cemetery. By order of the committee.