



PENDLETON SECURES EASTERN OREGON BRANCH INSANE ASYLUM

STATE BOARD PICKS OLIVER-CARPENTER TRACT

Superior Climatic Conditions and Transportation Facilities Win Out Over Claims of Union and Baker.

Asylum Will Be Located Just West of this City—Dr. J. A. Plamondon of Athens, Named as Superintendent and Will Take Charge of Work at Once—Will Furnish Estimates and Make Arrangements for Opening Institution—State Officials Feel That Good Business Deal Has Been Made—Fertile Farm Land Secured at Nominal Figure—Baker Paper Cries "Politics" and Alleges Selection Not Made On Merit.

Salem, Ore., Dec. 27, 1910. W. L. Thompson, Pendleton, Oregon, Oliver and Carpenter tracts selected asylum site. Dr. Plamondon appointed superintendent.

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The above message received last evening at the American National bank brought the first official news that Pendleton had been selected for the location of the eastern Oregon branch of the insane asylum. A few minutes later East Oregonian bulletins were being scattered about the city giving the first news to the citizens.

Selection Pleases Officials. Salem, Ore., Dec. 28.—It is generally felt here among state officials that the state board made a good proposition when it selected the Oliver-Carpenter tract west of Pendleton for the site of the eastern Oregon branch of the state hospital for the insane. It is understood the state got \$30 acres of land for approximately \$100 per acre. About one-half of this is bottom land and is already under cultivation.

Dr. J. D. Plamondon of Athens, was appointed superintendent of the branch asylum and it is expected that he will take charge of the work immediately. He will be compelled to prepare estimates and otherwise arrange for the opening of the institution.

Baker and Union both bid for the location but they were eliminated by the board. Much Rejoicing Here. There is much rejoicing in the city today over the decision of the board. Among the men who have been active in the work toward landing the asylum, the opinion is prevalent that the investigators could not get away from the superior combination of climate and soil which this section of eastern Oregon offered. There is a great cry from Baker City and Union to the effect that politics and politics alone decided the matter but local men declare the statistics which had been prepared here was the great factor in the selection.

Everything is going ahead rapidly for the beginning of operations which will result in the establishment of the big institution. The abstract to title is all completed and will be submitted soon to Judge James A. Fee, who has been appointed to represent the state land board. This morning affidavits were made by a number of persons to the effect that the water from the Umatilla river had been used on the Oliver place since 1883.

The Oliver-Carpenter tract is an ideal site for the location of the asylum. It consists of 224 acres, 175 of which is hill land and the remainder in the bottom. Three good residences are located on it and there are ten acres of the best apple orchard in the county. These facts, together with the fertility of the soil and its adaptability to all kinds of farming, the water right which goes with it, the fall in the river which would develop considerable power and the proximity to the railroad were the principal points which made the site more acceptable than the others offered near here.

The purchase price was \$32,200, \$6,700 of which will be paid to H. E. Carpenter and the remainder to R. L. Oliver. According to Lee Teutsch who has been interested in the sale of the property, the improvements on the two places are worth fully \$12,000.

As the money for the establishing of the asylum is available, it is probable that work will soon be commenced in preparation for the erection of the buildings. Governor Bowerman, when he was here, declared that

EIGHT KILLED BY AN EXPLOSION

El Paso, Tex., Dec. 28.—Eight persons were killed today by a gas explosion at the El Paso smelting works. The plant is the second largest in the world and is located five miles from this city. It is owned by the American Smelting company.

once the selection of a site was decided, it would be but a little while until operations were begun as the asylum at Salem was in a badly overcrowded condition.

Baker Is Sore

The following is a portion of an article published in the Baker Herald, a day before the selection of the site was determined upon by the board and is taken locally as indicating that the people of Baker city realized that in a contest of merit neither Baker nor Union stood any show with Pendleton:

"The eastern Oregon branch of the insane asylum will be located at Pendleton. That is the decision of Acting Governor Bowerman as announced to certain individuals in Pendleton when he was there last week inspecting the sites. This information was brought to Baker by citizens who have been in Pendleton and who have learned the real facts of the case there. The governor made the announcement when he was there inspecting the sites but asked that it be kept under cover until his official decision should be announced.

"Some people seek to justify Bowerman's decision by comparing the climate of Pendleton with that of Baker and Union. At this time of the year the winter along the Umatilla is quite mild. There is no snow and it is not cold enough to freeze. As Bowerman comes up from the valley he would naturally prefer Pendleton because of the warm weather.

"But such excuses will not be taken in good faith. Bowerman has lived in eastern Oregon long enough to be familiar with the climatic conditions of Baker, Union and Pendleton and knows that from a climatic and health standpoint, Baker is far superior to the other two towns.

A Political Deal. "Those who are familiar with the political conditions in connection with the location of the asylum believe that Bowerman was merely playing the game for all he could get. He is a shrewd politician and was so indebted to Pendleton politicians, according to reports, that he practically had to bow to their will.

"It is commonly reported among politicians that W. J. Furnish of Pendleton furnished the necessary money for Jay Bowerman to make his campaign for governor at the last election. This may or may not be true, but it is the report that is whispered about among the men who are

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MILITIA RESCUES NEGRO FROM MOB

Clarksburg, W. Va., Dec. 28.—Escorted by a company of militia William Furby, a negro, was brought to the Moundsville penitentiary today. He was rescued from a mob by the militia after having spent the greater part of the night locked in the vaults of the Wells Fargo express company at a railway station in Weston to prevent a lynching. He is accused of attacking Florence Anglin, a white girl.

The Anglin girl says Furby attacked her while she was returning from the dairy on her father's farm last Saturday night.

While she struggled, he dragged her fully 200 yards, and following the attacks he was in the alleged act of strangling her when a railroad flagman came running to her rescue. The negro ran to a horse tied nearby and made off, but the animal fell, throwing the rider. His shoulder was dislocated and he was captured.

WIFE OF FOUNDER OF SEATTLE DYING

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 28.—Mrs. A. A. Denny, one of the first white women to come to Puget Sound in 1851, is dying at her home in this city. She has been ill for several months. She is the widow of Arthur Denny, one of the founders of Seattle.

JAPS PLAN TO MINE HARBOR OF MANILA

WOULD BLOW UP WARSHIPS IN EVENT OF RUMORED WAR

Alleged Conspiracy Said to Have Been Discovered—Explosives and Maps Reported Found in Japanese Houses by Military Authorities.

Manila, P. I., Dec. 28.—The alleged discovery of a conspiracy among Japanese to place mines in Manila harbor and blow up the American war ships in case of war between the two countries is persistently rumored in military circles today.

Although General Duval has said that the search of Japanese homes for explosives was unsuccessful, it is reported that explosives were found and also maps showing that Japanese spies had a thorough working knowledge of the harbor and fortifications and had planned carefully where and how to place submarine bombs in the harbor. This is causing much excitement in military circles as it is reported that Duval has threatened to court-martial any officer who tells the alleged facts.

The story leaked from civil authorities who aided in the search.

According to a current report today papers have been discovered that identify the Japanese secret agents in the Philippines. It is reported that acting on this information a number of arrests have already been made secretly. Reports say the Japanese have been smuggling explosives into the city for months.

If it is understood a careful search of the principal Japanese colonies is being planned by army officers. It is believed the military authorities are attempting to cover up Japanese activity in the island and at the same time are weeding out spies.

Denied at Washington.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 28.—War department officials denied that official advice concerning the discovery of an alleged plot of the Japanese to mine Manila harbor had been received. The army officers, however, are of the opinion that the Japanese have been working secretly in the islands since the war with Russia.

The particulars as far as they can be learned indicate that the Japanese plotted placing the mines near the naval anchorage. These were to be connected with shore batteries. Military men privately admit the proposition is serious.

DISEASED ASIATICS IN CALIFORNIA ILLEGALLY

Sacramento, Cal., Dec. 28.—That hundreds of Asiatics, mostly Hindus, are illegally in California and that the state has failed to provide funds to permit the employment of physicians to search out the diseased ones and have them deported, was the assertion today of a prominent member of the state board of health. The federal government is willing to aid in the deportation of the undesirable aliens if only a report by state officials can be secured.

The principal ailments of the Hindus here is hook-worm and trachoma.

ACTOR-AVIATOR CHOOSES PATH OF LOST BIRDMAN

Dover, England, Dec. 28.—Robert Lorraine, the actor-aviator, flew from Shepper Island in the North Sea today in an effort to win the DeForest prize for the longest flight from England's shores to France or Belgium. Lorraine took the course flown by Cecil Grace, the English aviator believed to have been drowned in the channel last week while attempting the same flight. The machine must be English built to win the \$20,000 and the aviator must be a native Englishman.

BANK PRESIDENT PROPHESES PROSPERITY

New York, N. Y., Dec. 28.—Unusual prosperity is predicted for 1911 by Orison Howard Cheney, state superintendent of banks, based on the condition of the banking business of New York state. He is preparing a report showing the condition of the state banks. He says when banks are prosperous other business will flourish also.

CITY OFFICIALS UNDER ARREST

Hammond, Ind., Dec. 28.—Nine city officials of the town of Gary, Indiana, a new city built by the United States Steel corporation, were called into court today for arraignment on indictments charging election frauds. Mayor Thomas Knott and Chief of Police Martin were among the accused.

The indictments charge they altered the returns of the November elections. It is expected they will be released on bail.

REVOLUTION IS DUE IN HONDURAS

TWO THOUSAND REBELS PREPARE TO ATTACK CITY

Federal Officials Admit Outbreak Which Has Been Threatened For Some Time Is About to Occur—American Adventurer Leads Rebels—Gunboat Rushed to Scene.

Puerto Cortez, Honduras, Dec. 28.—That two thousand rebel troops have gathered ready to attack Tegucigalpa is reported here today. Federal officials say the revolution which has threatened for months will start soon. Preparations to repel the attack on the city are being made and troops are being mobilized.

The rebel army has been drilled for several weeks near Cape Gracias. Lee Christmas, the American adventurer who played an important part in the former revolutionary movement and who has led armies in Honduras and Nicaragua, will share the command of revolutionists with former President Bonilla who started the trouble.

Gunboat for American Interest.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 28.—The United States gun-boat Yorktown arrived at Amapala, Honduras today. She was sent to investigate the conditions and protect American interests in the event a revolutionary outbreak occurs.

Americans Lashed.

New Orleans, Dec. 28.—A special dispatch to the Picayune from Puerto Cortez, Honduras, says William Barber of Kentucky, and two other Americans, were seized by Honduran police and soldiers, thrown into jail and brutally lashed with whips, afterwards deported on the Honduran gunboat Taumbula to Guatemalan territory and landed penniless in the forests.

According to an affidavit made by Barber and corroborated by witnesses the dispatch says he was taken by police to Puerto Cortez while walking along the street and ordered to go with two other Americans also in custody and bury a dead Honduran pauper.

Refusing to do as he was told, Barber, who was foreman of a bridge gang on the Honduran railroad, was taken to jail surrounded by soldiers with fixed bayonets, beaten over the head with clubs and lashed with whips. The other two Americans being treated likewise and the three were then taken to the Taumbula and transported to Guatemalan territory and set down in woods without food or money.

WANT TEACHERS FOR THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS

Washington, Dec. 28.—A special examination for teachers in the industrial schools of the Philippines is being held today in all parts of the country under the direction of the United States civil service commission. Teachers in carpentry and forging and machine shop practice are in great demand, according to the commission.

GOVERNMENT PREPARING TO DEFEND AUSTRALIA

Melbourne, Australia, Dec. 28.—Active preparations for the government's establishment of defense forces on the southern footing in a short time are under way. It was announced today that the government is planning to train at least 100,000 boys, between the ages of fourteen and twenty, in the military art, probably beginning in July. The government will soon order the equipment and clothing necessary for the new departure.

Stenographers Have High Ideals.

New York, Dec. 28.—The New York State Association of Stenographers opened its annual convention here today under the direction of President William C. Booth. The association has under consideration a plan to standardize stenograph in this state the same as in the profession of certified public accountants.

Observe Messina Anniversary.

Rome, Dec. 28.—Special masses were said in all the churches of Rome today in memory of the hundreds who perished in the earthquake by which the city of Messina was destroyed today. It is the second anniversary of the disaster.

VOTERS BY HUNDREDS PLEADING GUILTY

West Union, Ohio, Dec. 28.—West Union's hotels are overflowed today with citizens of Adams county waiting for a chance to plead guilty to the charge of selling their votes. Wagon loads of indicted voters poured into the city during the day. As fast as their cases are called they pleaded guilty, were disfranchised for five years and given a small fine. It is expected the grand jury now in session will return 150 more indictments before tonight. Already 750 have been indicted.

ROUNDUP PARK IS SELECTED

Matlock Tract in West Pendleton to Be Permanent Home of Big Celebration.

MORE EXPENSIVE LOCATION CHOSEN BY COMMITTEE

Proximity of Ground to Heart of City Responsible for Decision—Two Blocks Nearer Main Street Than Last Year—Meeting of Stockholders Called to Ratify Recommendations of Directors—Celebration Will Never Be Speculative.

That the Matlock tract in the west end of the city is the most desirable one for the Roundup park despite the greater expenditure of money involved in its selection was the verdict of the board of control and directors of the association at a meeting held last night. The merits of the two sites offered, the one by W. F. Matlock and the other by the city, were discussed at length and when finally a vote was taken, an endorsement was made of the former. This action does not necessarily mean that the Matlock site will be selected as the stockholders will have the final voice in the matter, but they will probably act upon the recommendation of the directors. A meeting of the stockholders has been called for Friday evening and all are requested to be present.

The selection of the Matlock site will mean expenditure of practically \$5000 more than would be necessary were the city tract chosen as the latter would be donated provisionally. However, the majority of the men at the meeting last night were of the opinion that this extra \$5000 would be made up in two years by virtue of the Matlock tract being closer in and more accessible. The Matlock tract is 10 blocks from Main street while the city site is 22 blocks distant. Another point in favor of the former was its superior availability for an athletic park in which to hold all outdoor contests.

The Matlock grounds consist of considerably more than that piece included within the four fences during the last Roundup. It comprises 17 acres which is over three times as much ground as used last fall, extending from two blocks this side of the east fence to the railroad "Y" on the west and reaches across the river in the millrace, taking in the island in the channel. This will probably be more ground than is necessary and several lots could be sold from it if advisable.

The directors have decided to attempt to raise \$15,000 in the city with which to purchase the ground and construct the stadium and they think that this amount can be easily secured.

Another provision that will be made is that the Round-up will never be put upon a speculative basis. Measures will be adopted to prevent any few persons from acquiring control of the stock. The title will be placed in the name of the city and in case the association should be dissolved the property and all improvements would all revert to the city for park purposes.

FRENCH AVIATORS KILLED IN ACCIDENT

Paris, Dec. 28.—Marquis Marie Paulia and Alexander Laffon, chief pilot of the Antoinette school of aviation, were crushed to death today under an aeroplane just after they had taken to the air for a speed flight from Paris to Brussels, trying for a \$20,000 prize offered for the fastest passenger flight over this course.

The crushed bodies of the famous French aviators were viewed by hundreds in the morgue this afternoon, soon after the news had spread that they had been killed in an aeroplane accident while attempting to fly from Paris to Brussels. Laffon's body was horribly crushed. His wife, who witnessed the fall, is prostrated. The machine turned over twice in falling and struck on top of the passengers.

SUFFRAGETTE DIES OF ALLEGED ILL TREATMENT

London, Eng., Dec. 28.—As a result of alleged hardships she said she was forced to endure in prison where she was sent for participating in the recent suffragette raid, Mrs. Clark, sister of Mrs. Pankhurst, the suffragette leader, died today at Brighton, her home. Previous to her death she told of how the officers fed her coarse food and were cruel and gave her no comforts. When she was released her health was impaired and she became ill.

FRUIT SHIPPER WINS DECISION

Famous Umatilla County Test Case Decided by Supreme Court Against Railroad.

CONSTITUTIONALITY OF NEW LAW UPHELD

O. R. & N. Must Pay Damages for Failure to Deliver Cars for Fruit Shipments—Absence of cars Caused Loss of Fruit—Existence of Railroad Commission Attacked by Railroad in Defending Suit—Case Tried in Pendleton.

F. V. Martin, surviving partner of the firm of Riggs & Co., and Riggs & Martin of Milton is awarded judgment by the supreme court for \$2758.25 and \$500 attorney's fees in addition against the Oregon Railway & Navigation company for failure of that railroad corporation to deliver cars at Milton as provided by the railroad commission act of this state, enacted in 1907. The firms in whose behalf the action was brought by Mr. Martin were dealers in fresh fruits, bought and sold in Idaho and Oregon. The case was tried in Pendleton more than a year ago and was the first to be brought under the new law. It was therefore regarded as a test.

In this case the supreme court upholds article 26 of the railroad act, which was attacked in this case by the Oregon Railway & Navigation company's attorneys, and which is one of the most important and most essential provisions of the entire enactment and makes it obligatory upon railroads to deliver cars within a certain number of days after the order is filed in writing by shipper. The number of days allowed for delivery depends upon the number of cars ordered.

In this case Mr. Martin was able to prove considerable damage by failure of the company to deliver the cars according to law. An important point was determined in this case relative to the jurisdiction of the railroad laws of this case because the shipment for which cars were wanted was interstate and the corporation's attorneys argued that only federal laws applied but the supreme court held that the Oregon railroad act did not conflict in any particular with the interstate commerce law, but merely covered matters not covered by the federal laws and was therefore properly within its constituted powers.

The order of the lower court for Umatilla county, H. J. Bean presiding, was affirmed. The opinion was written by Associate Justice Slater.

MILLIONAIRE ARRESTED ON FUGITIVE CHARGE

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 28.—B. H. Bibb, a millionaire lumberman of San Francisco, has been arrested as a fugitive from justice according to Assistant District Attorney Cotton who so informed Judge Lawler today when Bibb's case was called in the superior court. Bibb is charged with having sold a piece of real estate twice. He failed to answer the case six weeks ago when called into court. Since then he was arrested in Washington, D. C.

SENATOR GORE EXPECTS TO SPEND LIFE IN SENATE

Washington, D. C., Dec. 28.—Senator Gore, of Oklahoma, moved by the printed stories that he intended resigning today definitely declared he would not retire and that he expected to spend the rest of his life in the senate fighting graft and grafters. The senator said since his charges of fraud in connection with the Indian lands he had been the target "for vitriolic abuse and fake charges." And the resignation story is part of the scheme to embarrass him, he says.

LORIMER WHITEWASH WILL CAUSE FIGHT IN SENATE

Washington, Dec. 28.—Senators interviewed today believe that the whitewashing of Lorimer in the recent bribery scandal is due to cause a fight in the senate.

Many senators, among them Beveridge, is reported to be spending his vacation studying the testimony taken by the committee preparatory to the clash. Beveridge said today he has not decided whether he would submit a minority report.

Senator Frazier, of Tennessee, is also expected to take exception to the report clearing Lorimer.

Kansas Auctioneers Meet.

Larned, Kans., Dec. 28.—The auctioneers of the state met here today in their annual convention. The meeting will be an important one because of resolutions to be framed covering laws which the auctioneers would like passed in their interest in the state legislature.