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PREACHER CONFESSES MURDERING YOUNG GIRL HE RUINED

HISTORICAL SOCIETY FORMS

Organizes on One Hundredth Anniversary of White Man's Coming.

ELLIOTT MAKES ADDRESS

Walla Walla Historian Recalls Movements of Men Who First Found Umatilla Valley While Searching for Opening to Pacific Coast.

It was just 100 years ago today that the first white men set eyes upon the broad acres in the Umatilla valley, for it was on January 6, 1812, according to all existing data, that the Wilson Price Hunt party reached the top of the mountains that separate Union and Umatilla counties and looked down upon the land that was destined to become the greatest wheat land in the country.

Judge Stephen A. Lowell is presiding over the meeting and Hon. T. C. Elliott, the prominent Walla Walla historian, made the principal address, his discourse being an account of the earliest travelers on the Oregon trail.

Wilson Price Hunt was the first traveler over the Oregon Trail from Shoshone Falls to the Pacific ocean. He was the senior officer of the Pacific Fur company in their Astoria enterprise, and although not himself experienced in field expeditions from his business life at St. Louis he had a working knowledge of the fur trade of the Missouri, which had been carried on for years prior to 1810.

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WEST EXTENSION HEARING JAN. 24

Washington, Jan. 6.—Secretary of the Interior Fisher, in conference yesterday with Senator Chamberlain, said that government engineers would hold hearings on the West Umatilla project January 24, at Pendleton and Horniston, provided that date proved acceptable to the people there.

IT WAS R. J. SLATER, NOT JUDGE FEE WHO APPEARED IN COURT FOR BYERS COMPANY

It was R. J. Slater, not Judge J. A. Fee who appeared for the Byers company in the United States court at Portland when the demurrer to the Caldwell suit was overruled and Caldwell thrown out of court without his knowledge.

In a phone interview yesterday Clerk Cannon of the federal court in Portland informed this paper that Judge Fee appeared and informed the court that the plaintiff did not wish to argue the demurrer.

It is evident, however, that the clerk was mistaken or confused as to the identity of the two local lawyers.

MANCHUS IN TERROR AS REBELS APPROACH

Seven Hundred Slain in Terrific Fight at Hankow.

Imperialists Capture Troops Who Mutinied—United States Will Probably Send a Force.

Peking, Jan. 6.—Terrified reports that 30,000 rebels are advancing on Peking from Nanking, Manchu princes today summoned Premier Yuan, who assured them, saying that he had dispatched that the imperial army is to menace Nanking, the rebel capital, and that this would stop the rebel advance.

It is unknown whether the rebels really intend to attack Peking or are merely feinting to bring the Manchus to surrender.

Seven hundred are reported to have been killed in a battle at Hankow yesterday and more fighting today is expected there.

Considerable fighting is reported from the vicinity of Lan Chow, between the 3000 imperialists who were rushed to put down the mutiny there and the former Manchu soldiers. The imperialists succeeded in capturing them.

The question of peace and war apparently rests on whether Wu can induce Premier Yuan to visit Nanking and discuss peace terms.

Troops Ready at Manila.

Manila, Jan. 6.—Troops here are ready for immediate orders to sail for China. It is believed the fifteenth infantry will be sent, if any. Thirty five hundred men will be held in reserve here and 1500 will probably be sent.

Sailing Date Undecided

Washington, Jan. 16.—When advised that the Fifteenth infantry is prepared to embark at Manila for China, state department officials said today that it is unknown when the troops will be ordered to sail. They said they would decide when they heard from Minister Calhoun at Peking.

U. S. Troops to China.

Washington, Jan. 5.—Secretary Knox and First Assistant Huntington Wilson today held a lengthy conference it is believed, in reference to the reported movement to send American troops to China. It is believed the war department will immediately requested to send troops from Manila.

WOMAN GETS 6,000,000 NAMES FOR PEACE LIST

London, Jan. 6.—With 6,000,000 signatures to a woman's peace petition to be presented at the next Hague conference in 1914 or 1915, Miss Anna B. Eckstein, principal of a school of languages in Boston, has arrived in London after a tour of America, Germany, Denmark, Switzerland, Austria, Sweden, France, Belgium and Holland. More than 1,000,000 trade unionists of Great Britain have signed the petition. Miss Eckstein says she will have 100,000,000 signatures by 1914.

Transit House Burns.

Chicago, Jan. 6.—The Transit house at the Union Stock Yards, for 40 years one of the most widely known hotels in the west, was reduced to ruins today in a fire which cost one life, for a time trapped many persons and for hours threatened the stock yards with a general conflagration. So rapidly did the flames sweep through the building, a five story structure of brick and wood, that guests were forced to flee down fire escapes and in many instances were dragged from the burning building by firemen. Peter Ritchie, a bell boy, of Algonquin, Ill., was the sole victim.

BRITISH SHIPPERS CRY AGAINST 'FREE' CANAL

London Jan. 6.—Great indignation is expressed here by British shipping people at the suggestion that a preference should be given American vessels passing through the Panama canal. The proposition is regarded with incredulity by the leading shippers who declare that such a policy would be a breach of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty.

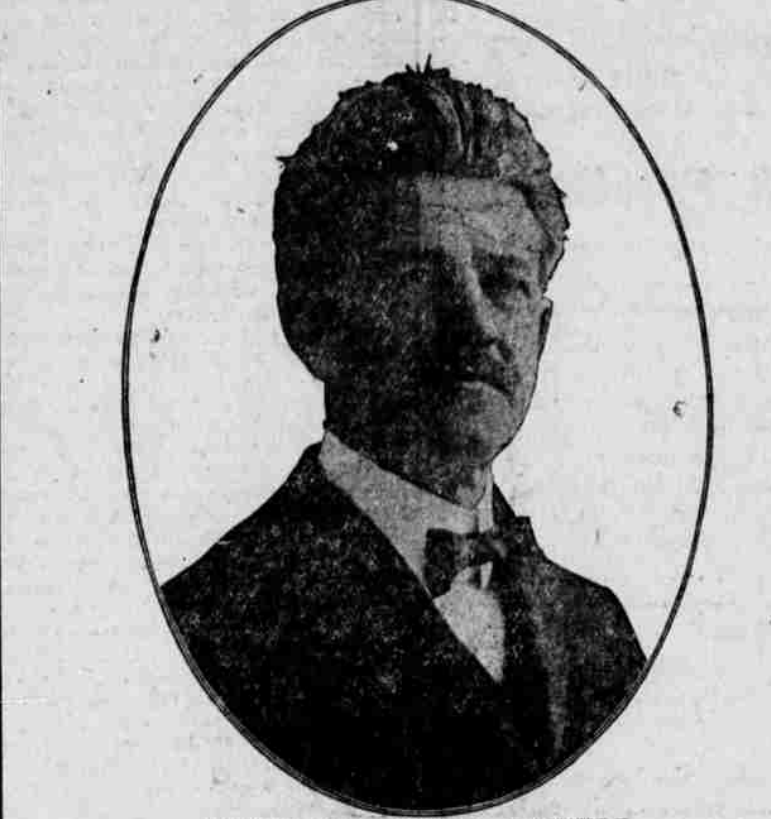
PACIFIC COAST PLUMBING TRUST IS ENJOINED

Los Angeles, Jan. 6.—Federal District Judge Owen Welborn today issued an injunction in favor of the government against the so-called Pacific Coast Plumbing trust. The defendants consented. The combination for years has controlled the plumbing business on the coast.

INDEPENDENT MOOSE CANNOT INCORPORATE

Sacramento, Calif., Jan. 6.—The secretary of state today turned down articles of incorporation for the Independent Order of Moose of the World, organized at Los Angeles on the ground that the name was too much like the name of an existing order.

"PROGRESSIVE, BUT NOT A RADICAL"



JUDGE STEPHEN A. LOWELL, Pendleton's Candidate for United States Senator Announces Splendid Platform.

Judge S. A. Lowell has just filed with Secretary of State Ben W. Olcott his formal declaration of his candidacy for the United States senatorship to succeed Jonathan Bourne. In compliance with the provisions of the direct primary law he has stated briefly the platform upon which he seeks election. It is as follows: If nominated and elected I will during my term of office favor: Government operation of Alaskan coal fields; conservation of natural resources, with reasonable present use thereof; nation-wide presidential primaries; imprisonment of offenders against anti-trust laws; banking system free from Wall street domination; popular senatorial elections; modernized public land laws; government coasting vessels operated in connection with the Panama canal; reformed court procedure; graduated income tax; equal legislative consideration to labor and capital; moderate, equitable and stable protective tariff; prohibition of alien landholdings; just transportation regulation; development of western harbors; ample navy in Pacific waters; gradual government assumption of express and telegraph business; justice to Oregon in federal appropriations.

GETS \$100 FROM YOUNG LADY WITH FORGED NOTE

J. B. Gerton, Well Known Young Pendleton Man is Implicated on Serious Charge.

The first arrest made by the new chief of police was that of J. B. Gerton, a well known young man of the city, when he took him into custody this morning on the charge of forging the name of J. Roy Raley to a note on which he secured \$100 from Miss Ethel Thompson. Young Gerton was taken before the grand jury which was in session and an indictment will probably be returned against him at the report of the jury this afternoon.

Miss Thompson is an employee of the O. W. R. & N. company and being well acquainted with Gerton advanced him \$100 when he turned over to her a note to which was his name, his mother's and that of Mr. Raley. Knowing that any note which Raley had signed was good, she considered she was making a good investment. However, a few hours later her suspicions were aroused and she communicated with Chief Kearney who, after a brief investigation, confirmed her fears. After a short search, he discovered Gerton and placed him under arrest. He had on his person at the time \$76.46 and declared he had paid off several debts with the balance.

INDIANAPOLIS READY TO RECEIVE ORTIE M'MANIGAL

Indianapolis, Jan. 6.—Two rooms in the federal building today are prepared for the reception of Ortie M'Manigal, the confessed dynamiter, who is en route from Los Angeles. He is expected to arrive here Monday.

COMMITTS SUICIDE

Olympia, Jan. 6.—Having taken an overdose of carbolic acid, laborer, who gave his name as Gus Walker was found asleep on the door step of the Fred Carlson home, south of the city, and brought into Olympia early this morning. He died before noon at the police station. Nothing is known of him and it is believed that he committed suicide.

FLYNN AND JOHNSON TO SIGN AGREEMENT TODAY

Chicago, Jan. 6.—Jim Flynn and Jack Johnson this afternoon will meet to sign fight articles for a championship bout. Each, it is reported, is to put up \$10,000 as evidence of good faith. The date will be decided later.

SUFFERINGS OF POOR IN EAST INCREASES

Temperature Still Falling and Death List Grows

Charities Forced to Close Doors in Faces of Freezing Hordes, as Funds Are Exhausted.

Chicago, Jan. 6.—With the thermometer at 10 degrees below zero this morning, Chicago and the middle west have endured the sixth day of cold with no relief in sight. It is the worst siege in five years here. The condition of the poor is pitiful in the extreme. Many leading charities have been forced to turn the poor away. Train service is demoralized and business is at a standstill. The fire department has been called upon 168 times in twenty-four hours.

50 Below in Canada.

Winnipeg, Man., Jan. 6.—The temperature dropped to 50 degrees below zero at White River on the north shore of Lake Superior. Through the Canadian west, the temperatures range to forty below zero. Many trains are stalled and the engines are going dead.

Four Die in St. Louis.

St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 6.—Four deaths and appalling suffering are a few of the results of a terrific blizzard that swept down on this city early today. The temperature was four below zero at 8 o'clock today and it is predicted that it will drop to 10 below before night. Trains are running 12 hours behind time.

New York Jan. 6.—Shivering at eight degrees above zero here this city is suffering from the coldest day of the year and a blizzard is blowing. Municipal shelters are overcrowded. Unable to care for the shelterless, the department of charities has ordered the steamers Lowell and Brennan moved alongside a pier and hundreds last night slept in the cabins.

TONG WAR BREAKS OUT IN N. Y.; ONE IS KILLED

New York, N. Y., Jan. 6.—Fifty extra police reinforced the Chinatown squad today in anticipation of another battle in the Chinese tong war which was renewed here last night after several months' peace. One tong leader was killed and another is dying in a fight over a slave girl. Seven Chinese are being held as witnesses.

ALL WESTERN SHOPMEN MAY GO OUT ON STRIKE

San Francisco, Cal., Jan. 6.—There is a possibility today of a general strike of shop employes on all railroads west of the Mississippi river. Word has been received from the executive board of the railways department of the American Federation of Labor, to the effect that the move is under consideration. It is being considered in answer to a plea made by striking Harriman lines shopmen who want a sympathetic strike.

WORST SNOW STORM EXPERIENCED IN YEARS SWEEPS DOWN ON PENDLETON

One of the most persistent snow storms Pendleton has experienced in many years is now raging and with approximately a foot of snow upon the ground the storm shows no sign of abating. About four inches of snow fell here last night and another four inches covered the ground during the forenoon.

But while the fall of snow is heavy it is causing no worry on the part of farmers. Prominent ranchers who have been in from the country today say the snow is beneficial. It is now sufficiently deep to thaw out the ground from the previous freeze and the snow blanket will serve as a fine protection for the growing wheat.

Sheepmen and cattlemen, however, are not jubilant over the outlook for the storm means expensive feeding for them. Trains Are Late. Storms farther east have been responsible for continued delayed trains. All westbound trains have been behind schedule for several days. No. 5, the early morning westbound passenger, passed through the city

SLEW HER TO WED HEIRESS

Remorse Sieses Rev. Richeson When Insanity Play is Unsuccessful.

THINKS HE IS STILL GOOD

Expecting No Leniency from Courts, Coward Claims God Is Still Showing Him Mercy—May Get Off With Life Term in Prison.

Boston, Mass., Jan. 6.—Having confessed to murdering his former sweetheart, eighteen-year-old Avis Elnell, Rev. Clarence Virgil Richeson, until his arrest last October pastor of the fashionable Emmanuel Baptist church of Cambridge, a suburb of this city today is not exhibiting the same symptoms of insanity that he has attempted to show for some time past and he is now facing death in the electric chair for his crime, although it is thought possible that the prosecuting attorney may consent to a life prison term.

Murdered to Marry Heiress. Rev. Richeson's confession was made yesterday afternoon in a letter (Continued on page eight.)

STOCK FINE; SNOW DEEP IN SOUTH END

That the stock cattle in the Camas Prairie and John Day country are in splendid condition is the declaration of Edgar F. Averill, deputy game warden, who returned yesterday from a week's horseback trip into the south end of the county. Up until ten days ago, Mr. Averill says there had not been a forkful of hay fed to the cattle, the open winter enabling the animals to graze.

Since snow began falling ten days ago, the farmers have been feeding hay in large quantities, but as this feed is remarkably cheap this year, ranging from \$4.50 to \$5.00 a ton, Mr. Averill declares the farmers are not complaining but on the other hand are rejoicing that the snow is coming so heavily this early in the season. They believe it means that the hardest part of winter will soon be over.

Mr. Averill reports some extremely cold weather in the south end, the thermometer being 14 degrees below zero when he passed through Ukiah. The snow is ten inches deep there and measured twelve inches at Alba while on Yellow Jacket Hill it had reached a depth of twenty inches.

Mr. Averill was accompanied on his southern jaunt by Milton Sullens, special deputy game warden, and the two men went south as far as Ritter, across the north fork of the John Day on ice. The trip was a part of the campaign the game authorities have undertaken to prevent the ruthless slaughter of deer during the winter and the deputy game warden believes he will prevent a repetition of the wholesale killing of the past few years.