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Fair tonight with heavy frost; Sunday fair and warmer.

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LA FOLLETTE, PRESIDENTIAL POSSIBILITY, CITY'S GUEST TODAY

SENATOR LA FOLLETTE SEES AID FOR SELF IN T. R. DELEGATES

Declares That Roosevelt-Taft Division Means His Own Nomination

ILLINOIS RESULT NOT A PROGRESSIVE VICTORY

Declares Certain Interests In That State Would Rather See Former President Nominated Than Present Chief Executive---Pays Respects to Opponents.

"I won't be wearing crepe on my hat if Roosevelt wins in Pennsylvania," remarked Senator Robert La Follette this morning to an East Oregonian reporter and a small audience of visitors at the Hotel Pendleton. "A few more instructed delegations for Roosevelt like that from Illinois and he and Taft will enter the convention with forces equal. Such a division can mean only one thing—the election of your humble servant."

"I have now thirty-six delegates pledged to me and every one of them has an element of iron in his system. They are the uncompromising kind and will fight for me to the last ditch. If neither Taft nor Roosevelt is nominated upon the first few ballots, their delegates will begin to switch and with pieces of each other's shins and hair beneath their fingernails, it is hardly likely they will get together on either the president or ex-president. They will rather at my standard and nominate me."

Referring to the recent election in Illinois he declared he was not a bit discouraged over the outcome. "I was advised not to enter the primaries unless I could conduct a personal campaign," he said, "but, despite the fact that I was unable to tour the state, I decided to place my name on the ballot because I felt that there were many who would like to vote for me. As a result, I got something like forty thousand votes and every one of them was backed by a true progressive heart. I do not consider Roosevelt's victory there a progressive victory for Illinois is not a progressive state. Opposition to Taft combined with the fact that certain interests there would rather see Roosevelt in the presidential chair than any other man accounts for his big majority."

"I shall pay my respects to both Mr. Taft and Mr. Roosevelt this afternoon," he went on, "but my attacks upon them will be courteous. I am not conducting my campaign with any bitterness. I leave that to my opponents and their bitterness is growing so great that never could one

ROBT. LA FOLLETTE



U. S. Senator from Wisconsin and Progressive Candidate for Republican Presidential Nomination, Who Passed Today in Pendleton.

side support the other. Something of the feeling which is entering into their contest is manifest by the fact that the militia was called upon the other day in order to prevent a physical clash at the polls."

Regarding his speech before Pendleton people this afternoon, he declared he did not know what he would say until he got started. "I never make set speeches," he said, "I just get up and start talking and there is no much in me that I want to tell the people that I ever about a good deal."

THOMAS M'CUSKER, OREGON MANAGER OF LA FOLLETTE CAMPAIGN, CONFIDENT OF VICTORY

Expressing confidence that Senator La Follette will carry Oregon in the coming primary election despite the fact that the progressive vote will be divided, Thomas M'Cusker, Oregon manager for La Follette, talked freely this morning of the campaign. He says there is bitter opposition to Roosevelt from Taft forces, while the progressives are unwilling to forgive the colonel for breaking into the race and dividing the progressive strength when La Follette's candidacy was meeting with splendid success.

M'Cusker is open in expressing the sentiment that President Taft cannot be re-elected even if re-nominated. Avowed Taft men are freely admitting this and the interests are bringing their energies to bring about the defeat of Woodrow Wilson for the democratic nomination so as to place a conservative democrat in the running.

Favors Jonathan Bourne.
The La Follette manager is an ardent supporter of Jonathan Bourne for the senatorship but declares he has no war to make upon Judge S. A. Lowell. The Pendleton man is his second choice for the republican nomination and expresses the belief that should Ben Selling be nominated by the republicans he will be defeated in the election by Dr. Harry Lane, probable democratic nominee.

"If Selling is nominated for the senatorship it will be a hard blow at the corrupt practices act," says M'Cusker. "He has expended thousands of dollars promoting his candidacy and the attorney general has

ruled that he has broken the law directly. Senator Bourne has spent less than the amount allowed by law in promoting his candidacy."

La Follette's Itinerary.
While here today Mr. M'Cusker conferred with Senator La Follette regarding the senator's itinerary in Oregon and an announcement as to the same was made.

From Pendleton the senator goes to La Grande on train No. 13 this evening. He speaks in La Grande at 9 o'clock. Tonight the party leaves La Grande for Portland on train No. 5, arriving in Portland at 12:45 tomorrow. Leaving Portland tomorrow evening the senator will start upon a strenuous tour of the Willamette valley and southern Oregon. On Monday he will speak in Eugene, Albany and Corvallis, reaching Portland in time for a big meeting in the evening of that day. Wednesday a meeting will be held at Roseburg and from Roseburg a jump will be made to Medford, speaking at Jacksonville en route. The trip from Medford to Ashland will be made by motor and a jump then made to Grants Pass for a closing meeting Thursday night.

After closing his campaign in Oregon Senator La Follette will take up a four days' campaign in Washington, speaking in western Washington towns and Spokane. He will then be for California to address the voters in that state.

Reports received from Rudolph Spreckles, La Follette booster in California, state that he will carry the state.

Mrs. La Follette Makes First Outdoor Speech Tells Local Voters Why She Is a Suffragist Believes Women's Votes Will Uplift Government

Upon the earnest request of the local equal suffrage organization, Mrs. La Follette, wife of the presidential candidate, consented to preface her husband's address this afternoon with a short talk on suffrage and she was enthusiastically received when presented to the great crowd that had assembled in front of the city hall. The points she made were telling ones and many hardshell opponents to the granting of the ballot to women were made to see the question from a different angle as the result of her brief argument.

Mrs. La Follette is an exceptional woman just as her husband is an exceptional man and the audience felt it as she talked. She is country bred, university trained and herself illustrates the ability of woman to take her place by the side of man. She is a student of law—has been admitted to practice in Wisconsin and one of her briefs was declared by the supreme court of that state to be among the best ever presented to that body.

Mrs. La Follette was introduced by Judge Stephen A. Lowell and in doing so he said:

"The cordiality and hospitality which characterizes Umatilla county people and audiences have arranged to give the first twenty minutes of the afternoon to the women and Mrs. La Follette will address you awaiting the coming of her husband. I have been over the state more or less in the past two months in the interest of my own candidacy and I have found that men are giving consideration to the suffrage question and that great numbers

of them heretofore opposing the movement now announce themselves as supporting it. I now have the pleasure of introducing to Umatilla county residents the wife of Senator La Follette of Wisconsin."

"This is my first experience in speaking to an outdoor audience. I haven't the least idea whether you can hear me or not—Can you?"

"Yes," came the answer from the crowd.

"I am not a public speaker; I love to talk; I love to get a little group of women together and talk out this suffrage question informally, but to address a large audience as this seems more formidable. However, your women here have asked it and I am glad to talk to you in the same informal way that I would to a smaller group."

"The one great question always in the home, woman's place is in the home; I believe in the home. I am a real home body. There isn't a woman in America who treasures all the sentiments and associations of the home more than I do and most every one who believes in suffrage has one paramount reason for it."

"Now, I am going to tell you my paramount reason; it is because I do believe in the home that I believe in woman suffrage; histories, civilizations, experiences all show that the happiest homes are where men and women keep together spiritually and intellectually. When one gets far ahead of the other, when they get

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BRITISH WOMEN MAY BE GIVEN BALLOT PRIMARY BATTLES ON IN PENNSYLVANIA

Suffragettes Plan Another Demonstration For Sunday All Presidential Candidates' Followers Claim Victory

London, April 13.—The suffragettes are busy organizing a new campaign to be waged in connection with the general franchise reform measure, aiming to correct many evils of the British electoral system, particularly the plural voting whereby a man may cast as many ballots as there are constituencies in which he holds property.

Although personally opposed to women suffrage, Premier Asquith has promised, if the commons wishes to amend this bill, so as to include women suffrage, he will not interpose party objections.

Plan Demonstration.
London, April 13.—The militant suffragettes today are planning a monster demonstration at Hyde Park tomorrow, against the methods of Holloway prison officials in the treatment of prisoners, both male and female. Feeling against the prison officials is intense and the police fear another window smashing campaign.

Neither Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst, Petrick Lawrence or Mrs. Lawrence will speak at the demonstration, these leaders of suffrage having secured their release from jail by promising to take no active part in future demonstrations.

SUNNY CALIFORNIA UNDER SNOW BLANKET

San Bernardino, Calif., April 13.—Surrounded by snow piled in great banks by the worst blizzard of the season, the family of Henry Dobbins is marooned today at Palmer's ranch, forty miles from civilization and are in acute danger of death by cold and starvation. Reports of the plight of the family, which is composed of Dobbins, his wife and three small children, were brought here by long distance telephone.

Three fishing parties, which entered the Bear Valley region when the trout season opened ten days ago, have not been heard from and are feared they are imprisoned in their camp. Reports from Bear Valley say zero weather prevails and drifts of snow are ten to twenty feet deep in the mountain passes.

Weather Forecast.

Portland, Ore., April 13.—Fair tonight with light frost; Sunday fairer and warmer with westerly winds. Oregon, fair tonight with light frost in west and heavy frost in east portion; Sunday fair and warmer, except near coast.

PRIMARY BATTLES ON IN PENNSYLVANIA

All Presidential Candidates' Followers Claim Victory

Philadelphia, Pa., April 13.—With the campaign managers of President Taft and Colonel Roosevelt both claiming the result to be an overwhelming victory for their man, interest in the voting at the primary election today is at fever heat. At 2 o'clock this afternoon, when the voting started, all indications pointed to the heaviest voting in the history of Pennsylvania.

Roosevelt boomers claimed they would elect at least six of the twelve delegates in Philadelphia.

Sixty-four delegates are to be elected through the state. Twelve others, including delegates at large, will be elected to attend the state convention which meets May 12.

United States Senator Penrose, leader of the Taft forces, declared this afternoon that it is impossible for Roosevelt to elect more than twelve delegates in Pennsylvania. Other Taft leaders, however, declined to endorse this prediction. They admitted their inability to solve the depth of Roosevelt sentiment but predicted that Taft will have a big majority.

A keen fight is on between Governor Wilson and Champ Clark also. Wilson claims he will win the democratic nomination, but adherents of Clark disputed this. Clark men claim he will get more than half the state delegates.

TAFT ASSASSINATION FEARED OF GERMAN

Washington, April 13.—Suspected of the intention to assassinate President Taft, a man giving the name of Michael Winter was arrested in the White House today after forcing his way into the private parlors. A clasp knife in his pocket was the only weapon he had.

When questioned the man said he was a German subject, and had vainly asked the German ambassador for a letter of introduction to President Taft.

Reaching the White House he rushed up the steps past the doorkeeper. He was ejected and again repeated the performance. Then he was arrested. Declaring he meant no harm he was taken to an asylum where he was declared harmless.

French Aero Army Man Killed.

Paris, April 13.—Lieutenant Boncourt of the French army, met instant death here today when his monoplane fell 200 feet.

LA FOLLETTE FIRES FIRST GUN IN OREGON CAMPAIGN IN CITY

Large Enthusiastic Crowd of Pendletonians Eagerly Listen to Address

'LEADER OF PROGRESSIVE MOVEMENT' SAYS LOWELL

In Speech; Presidential Candidate Declares Fight He is Making is For Furtherance of Principle Fought For in Revolution.

Before a surging crowd which filled Alta street in front of the city hall from one side to the other, Robert

Marion La Follette, United States senator from Wisconsin and progressive candidate for the republican nomination for president of the United States, this afternoon shortly after 2 o'clock fired the first gun of his personal campaign in Oregon. He was greeted with enthusiasm by both men and women for all, regardless of political faith or personal preference, showed for him a wholesome respect to which his record entitled him. As he proceeded into his speech, eloquently, earnestly and forcefully pointing out the perils and needs of the country, he was frequently interrupted by applause from his hundreds of hearers.

He was introduced to the eager crowd following the short talk made by his wife, by Judge Stephen A. Lowell, who paid him an eloquent tribute. Judge Lowell referred to the present age as of being just as important to history as was the renaissance and reformation, the Cromwellian era, the period of the birth of the American republic and the French revolution. "The leader of the progressive movement which is sweeping the world in Asia is Sun Yat Sen, the Chinese who made possible the new republic, in Europe that prodigy of the Welsh, David Lloyd George, and here in America Senator Robert Marion La Follette."

Today's National League.
New York 2; Brooklyn 5.
Chicago-Cincinnati, postponed—rain.

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LA FOLLETTE DISCUSSES SITUATION WITH SEVERAL PROMINENT PENDLETON CITIZENS

Senator Robert M. La Follette, progressive candidate for the republican nomination for president, arrived in Pendleton early this morning direct from the east and, after resting in his room at the Hotel Pendleton until 11:30 came down into the lobby and until lunch time held a reception, meeting many local citizens and conversing informally upon the subject nearest his heart. La Follette is a short man and this fact occasioned much surprise among those who had never before seen him but they forgot his stature in the bluntness of his mind after hearing him talk for a few minutes.

One of the first to greet the distinguished visitor as he came down the stairs from his room was Judge W. R. Ellis, who as congressman, became well acquainted with him. They conversed together for several moments before Thomas M'Cusker, his Oregon manager, motioned the crowd which had gathered, to approach and meet the senator.

La Follette was most affable as he shook the hands of the local citizens and had a few words with each one he met, making all feel that he took a personal enjoyment in the meeting.

"Paulsen," he said as he shook the hand of P. A. Paulsen, who stopped off here enroute to Baker county, in order to hear the senator. "That sounds like a good Norwegian name and I want to tell you that in my state the Norwegians are the most progressive citizens we have."

"A democrat," he exclaimed laughingly as he grasped the hand of a well known follower of Bryan, "well there are 99,999 good democrats

who have supported me for years in Wisconsin and I'm not going to overlook any in Oregon."

"You say you formerly lived in Wisconsin," he asked another, "well, sir, I'm happy to meet you and I know everybody in your native town."

He was presented to an Indian from the reservation. "Well, I am glad to meet the native Americans," he said. "I served on the Indian committee for many years and I want to tell you that six years ago I saved the Umatilla reservation from the hands of speculators," to which statement the Indian in question acquiesced saying, "La Follette, friend of the Indian."

"A member of the Farmers' Union" he asked of one man. "That is the greatest organization in the United States. I know your president Barrett very intimately and I want to tell you that there is one of the best workers before a congressional committee that I ever knew. He knows how to get results and he gets them too."

To a group of well known wool buyers, he talked frankly telling of the efforts he made toward the securing of a just tariff. "I finally got a compromise bill through," he said, "and the president promptly vetoed it and I guess he would do it again if I got another through."

And so he met men of all classes, merchants, bankers, laborers, lawyers, politicians, newspapermen and farmers and to all his remarks were appropriate to their vocation in life or their interests. He met many and made many friends and it is safe to say that there will be a great many more crosses after his name in April than if he had never come here.