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The Weather
OREGON: Fair Tonight and Thursday except probably rain west portion. Local: No rainfall; northerly winds; clear; maximum, 99; minimum, 64; river, 6.8 and rising.

MARION COUNTY KLAN TICKET ANNOUNCED

CANDIDATES BALK AT KLAN ENDORSEMENT

"Favored Ones" Doubtful Regarding Honors Conferred by Ticket; None Repudiate Favor.

Announcement of the Ku Klux Klan ticket for Marion county this morning caused more than the perceptible stir in the ranks of candidates, especially those "favored" with endorsement, and aspirants for office have been scurrying hither and thither in feverish haste, seeking to determine the amount of "kick" that may be obtained in the little yellow sheet.

No Repudiations
By their own admissions, repeatedly expressed to solicitous friends, none of the "favored" few sought the honor imposed upon them, and a few appeared to have doubts as to the real friendship thus expressed toward their campaigns.

Significantly, none of them saw fit to repudiate the endorsements, and the only expressions of opinion that could be secured read as follows:

George Griffith, endorsed for the nomination as state senator. "If I am nominated and elected state senator for Marion county, I will represent all of the people of the county to the best of my ability. I am not the candidate of any faction, nor have I sought the endorsement of any faction, but I have sought the support of all citizens upon the same basis."

Mrs. Fannie Kay Bishop, endorsed for the nomination as representative from Marion county. "My announcement was made in the belief that I could render the people of Marion county a service in public office such as they would desire of their representative. I have not sought the endorsement or entered into alliance with any organization, but desire to go to the legislature, if I am nominated and elected, free from any pledges except to all of the people of Marion county."

Zadoc J. Riggs, another of the aspirants for a seat in the lower house whose name graced the ticket, refused to make any statement, and the other candidates endorsed could not be reached this afternoon.

Senator Louis Lachmund has not recovered sufficiently from his recent operation to talk politics or see visitors, but Mrs. Lachmund stated that the endorsement was a complete surprise, and the first knowledge they had of it was when the yellow ticket was left on their doorstep.

YELLOW TICKET IN POLK; MOORE HANDS 'EM OUT

Under the direction of Floyd D. Moore, county clerk of Polk county, whom political opponents in the republican party charge with aspiring to the control of the party organization in that county, 600 yellow tickets bearing the Ku Klux Klan endorsement of candidates for the nomination for state officers are being distributed in Polk county today. Mr. Moore received the yellow slips from Portland this morning. Evidently the Klan intends to play a silent part, if any, in the contests for nomination to county offices in Polk. For the yellow ticket contain only recommendations for candidates for state offices, and are the same as have been distributed in all parts of the state.

A. C. Heyman, county agent of Lane county, reports that he has distributed 1242 quarts of poisoned grain thus far this season in an attempt to overcome the squirrel pest.

CHINESE LEGATION QUILTS TOKIO, FAILING TO NOTIFY JAPAN

Tokio, May 17.—(By Associated Press)—The entire staff of the Chinese legation left Tokyo today without notifying the foreign office, declaring their departure was due to the failure of Peking to supply funds for Chinese students here and refusal of Japanese banks to make further advances on ground of lack of security.

ANCE TO SEND SPECIAL MISSION UPON WAR DEBT

Paris, May 17.—(By Associated Press)—The French government has informed the American war debt funding commission that it is ready to send a special mission to the United States to confer regarding the payment of the French debt.

Finance Minister De Lasteyrie recommended to the cabinet today that a special mission headed by Jean Parmentier, administrator of the ministry of finance, be sent to the United States to confer with the debt funding commission. Premier Poincare accordingly handed a note to Ambassador Herrick to this effect.

M. Parmentier will, it is stated, make full and frank statement of the situation of France's finances and then ask the debt funding commission for a specific declaration of what it expects from France.

The French budget for 1923 make no provision for the payment of either interest or principal on the French debt.

U. S. TO APPROVE FRENCH MANDATE FOR SYRIAN LANDS

Geneva, May 17.—(By Associated Press)—The United States and France are about to reach an agreement on the French mandate for Syria according to information reaching the secretariat of the league of nations. It is understood the American government's approval is subject to certain conditions which apparently will be met.

No country has been more liberal than Great Britain in dealing with religious feeling in its territories, declared Lord Balfour, and in no country had Catholics received fairer treatment than in England. All Great Britain would do in Palestine would be done in the full noonday sun of public opinion.

Palestine, continued Lord Balfour, would be no financial asset to Great Britain. Furthermore the country needed money. To make it self-supporting and the delay over the mandate was seriously embarrassing the administration by discouraging those who might desire to extend loans.

France is expected to ask the approval of the league at the special meeting to be held not later than June 15 at which the British mandate for Palestine is to be discussed.

MOTOR SHIP OZMO SLOWLY SINKING
Marshallfield, Or., May 17.—With water steadily rising and close to the motor controlling the vessel's wireless, the motor ship Ozmo, which is adrift off Port Orford, Or., after striking a rock early today, was sinking this afternoon with half of her crew in lifeboats and the rest, including the captain, still on board, waiting for help from the Bandon and life boats from the Bandon and Cape Blanco stations, according to messages received by the navy radio station here.

PINCHOT WINS PENNSYLVANIA NOMINATION

Old Guard Forces Handed Severe Jolt by Success of Progressive Administration forces.

Philadelphia, May 17.—Gifford Pinchot "has apparently won the republican nomination for governor on the face of unofficial returns," W. Harry Banker, secretary of the state republican committee, declared in a statement issued this afternoon. "Unless Allegheny county gives a larger majority than my advice indicate there is no doubt that Pinchot carried the state," the statement said.

Returns from 6175 of the 7534 districts in the state received shortly after Secretary Baker made his announcement had reduced Mr. Alter's majority to 11,696. The vote was Alter 443,390; Pinchot 431,594.

Pinchot Goes Fishing.
Expressing confidence that he had won the nomination, Mr. Pinchot planned to leave Philadelphia today to go fishing. With Mrs. Pinchot he was to leave this afternoon for their home at Milford, Pike county. Mr. Pinchot said he had received word from his campaign leaders in Allegheny county that the Alter majority there would not exceed 32,000.

"I don't want to wait and hear the results," Mr. Pinchot said. "I'm confident I have won the nomination."

Latest returns showed that Pinchot was leading in 61 of the 67 counties in the state.

Wharton Pepper Nominated.
In the only other important contest in the republican ranks, George Wharton Pepper of Philadelphia, incumbent by appointment of the governor, won by a substantial majority over Congressman-at-large William J. Burke of Pittsburgh for the nomination for United States senator to fill the unexpired term of the late Boies Penrose.

Apparently only one woman captured a republican nomination for the state legislature. She was Miss Helen Grimes of Knoxville, Allegheny county. Six women were named by the democrats for the legislature and two for representatives in congress. The congressional nominees were Ellen Davis in the second district and Jane E. Leonard in the 27th.

The democratic vote was unusually light.

ATTITUDE OF U. S. AT HAGUE MISCONSTRUED
Washington, May 17.—French sources at Geneva, prior to issuance of the economic conference of an invitation to the United States to participate in The Hague meeting sent a "feeler" to develop the American attitude toward such participation, it was learned today.

The American reply, it was explained, was sympathetic in character but not an acceptance, although apparently construed at Geneva as forecasting participation by the United States. This it was said, was the only explanation that could be assigned in official quarters here for the confusion in European capitals which has followed American declaration of the formal invitation.

A Personal Plea For a Friend

By GEORGE PUTNAM
This is a disinterested personal appeal in behalf of a sick man written by one who is of opposite political faith, inspired by sympathy for the stricken and a desire to assist the afflicted.

For some ten weeks Louis Lachmund has been suffering the tortures of the damned from an infection of the right arm which resulted in blood poisoning. From wrist to shoulder his arm is gashed and scarred with numerous wounds left by the surgeons' knife. For weeks at a time his arm has been enveloped in hot compresses. Of sleep there has been little. Of pain much. Only those who have experienced blood-poisoning are aware of the agony it entails. He is now in the hospital, his arm having been slashed to the bone from wrist to elbow in a final effort to remove the infection.

Unable to Campaign
Louis Lachmund is a candidate for reelection to the state senate, but unable to do anything to for.

CRISIS REACHED IN CONTROVERSY OVER TANCA-ARICA

Washington, May 17.—(By Associated Press)—The Chilean-Peruvian conference today was brought suddenly face to face with what many diplomatic observers regarded as its severest test.

The recognized crucial issue of the entire controversy, involving the validity of the Ancon treaty provision for a plebiscite in Tanco-Arica, came to the fore unexpectedly through the decision of Chile to propose immediate discussion of a method by which that provision could be fulfilled.

Peru's plenipotentiaries, manifestly disappointed at the direction thus given to the negotiations at the very outset, reversed comment.

The purpose of the Washington negotiations was defined in President Harding's invitation as to discuss controversies arising out "of the provisions of the treaty."

BEARCATS TO PLAY NORTH PACIFIC TEAM

Tomorrow afternoon the Bearcats will meet the North Pacific college sluggers on Sweetland field, the game to be called at 3:30 o'clock. The Portland team have in Quisenberry an excellent pitcher and with this added to the ability of the team at large to handle the stick in an understanding manner makes them a hard bunch with whom to cross bats.

The Bearcats after the rest from last week's heavy schedule are all in fine condition and are determined to make up for the defeat handed them last Saturday by the Lindfield college nine. Ashby's arm is rid of its soreness caused by his pitching in all three games last week and in all probability will be Bohler's choice for the mound. With warm weather the game ought to develop into more or less of a pitcher's battle.

BAN PLACED UPON USE OF DANDELIONS IN MAKING OF WINE
Newark, N. J., May 17.—Dandelions are not fruit and hence cannot be legally used in the manufacture of wine for family use. Dandelion wine addicts are responsible for this ruling of the federal prohibition commissioner, made public today by Collector of Internal Revenue Ferguson. Inquiries by those who feared dandelions might not be one of the fruit wines permissible for householders to use on permit, caused him to send the query to Washington. Collector Ferguson said.

RUSSIANS TO ATTEND MEET AT THE HAGUE

Proposal of Powers Accepted by Tchitcherine—Presence of Wrangel—Deplore Recommendation.

Genoa, May 17.—(By Associated Press)—Russia has accepted the proposals of the powers for the meeting at The Hague to discuss the Russian situation, it was announced this afternoon.

M. Tchitcherine, the Russian foreign minister, said he thought the frontier truce should include the soviet republics, declaring he would take it in that sense. He desired to have the truce broadened, in order to include aggression by bands. Referring to the bands of General Wrangel, former anti-bolshevik leader in South Russia, now in the Balkans, he asked that they be removed to more distant countries.

When the Russian delegate asked that the troops of General Wrangel be removed to a more distant country than the Balkans, Mr. Lloyd-George protested. "Where will you banish them? Certainly not to our country."

Protests Exclusion.
M. Tchitcherine repeated his protest against the exclusion of Germany. He concluded by reserving the right to suggest certain amendments to the proposals.

Prime Minister Lloyd-George delivering an address advising against recriminations on the part of various governments and deploring the tendency of various powers, who claimed they possessed all the virtues and the others all the vices. He made it clear that the conference would not comply with M. Tchitcherine's request that Germany be admitted to The Hague meeting.

French Supported.
The French delegation has received word from Paris that French public opinion entirely endorses the government's stand on the negotiations with the bolsheviks and especially France's initiative in approaching the United States.

MASONS OFFICIALLY REPUDIATE KLAN AND ITS ACTIVITIES

Official denial by the Masonic bodies of Oregon of charges that Masons are backing or tolerating a movement which incites religious bigotry and racial discrimination. The statement was made yesterday in a formal communication to all lodges in the state signed by Frank S. Baillie of Portland, grand master of the grand Masonic lodge of Oregon.

While the Ku Klux Klan is not mentioned in the communication the reference is regarded as clearly meaning that organization.

The letter follows: To All Grand Officers, to the Masters and Wardens of all constituent lodges and for the benefit of whom it may concern: Ominous and forbidding rumors, provoking dissension and strife, falsely intimate that the Masonic fraternity, as such, is officially aligned in silent acquiescence and approval of a movement inciting religious bigotry and racial discrimination.

These new alignments in political matters fostering such sinister appeals to prejudice and discord beget a menace to our American institutions which every Mason should condemn and suppress. Your grand master takes this occasion to record his positive disapproval of all such acts as unbefitting to and foreign to the spirit of the Masonic fraternity.

ABOUT 2000 CHICKENS KILLED IN COLLISION BUT 4000 ESCAPE

Peekskill, N. Y., May 17.—2000 chickens and their attendant, P. A. Marshall of Lincoln, N. B., were killed today when two freight trains collided on a curve here. Traffic on the New York Central was tied up for about two and a half hours.

About 4000 chickens escaped. Residents organized a big hunt. The tracks were carpeted with feathers.

SMITH ENDORSED BY BUTTEVILLE FARMERS' ASS'N

Endorsement of Jim E. Smith, candidate for county commissioner, by the Farmers' & Hop Growers' Fire Relief association of Butteville, Marion county, which has a total membership of 5000, was announced this morning.

The endorsement of the organization is signed by 10 of the most prominent and active farmers in Marion county and follows: "We, the undersigned directors and officers of the Farmers' & Hop Growers' Fire Relief association of Butteville, Marion county, Oregon, wish to state to the voters of Marion county that in voting for Jim E. Smith for commissioner you will make no mistake, as we have been personally acquainted with him for a good many years, and he being an associate member of the board of directors of the Hop Growers' Fire Relief association, we have had an opportunity to observe him at close range and we are glad to say that we have found him at all times to be a thorough business man, thoroughly analyzing every question or problem before making his decision. This, in our estimation, is the reason why he has made a wonderful success in his affairs, and why, if elected, he will look after the business affairs of the county in the same business like manner, without fear or favor.

This is one case of the office seeking the man, not the man seeking the office, for seldom can men of his caliber be induced to accept this office on account of the remuneration which is attached to it, and we feel that his friends from all parts of the county must have used unusual effort to get him to allow his name to be used as a candidate, and under those conditions we feel that in placing an (X) opposite his name you will be voting for your best interests. (Signed)

JAS. P. FELLER, Pres.
JOHN MURRAY.
W. R. M'KAY.
FRANK G. KUENSTING.
C. J. ESPY, Treas.
J. C. MURPHY.
JAMES SCHWAB.
FRED GEARIN.

\$6,000,000 SPENT ROOSEVELT ROAD

Approximately \$5,954,000 of state highway money has already been expended in the territory to be covered by the Roosevelt highway or tributary thereto, Governor Olcott points out in a letter to Fred C. Baker, secretary of the Roosevelt Memorial Coast Highway association, in reply to a letter from Baker. Work is constantly going on along that route and will continue to go on, the Governor explains.

"As I understand the situation," the governor writes, "the commission feels that Congressional action might be very timely indeed and to keep the \$2,500,000 intact pending Congressional action might seriously interfere with highway development work in the very country that otherwise might be benefited at some distant future time by the construction of the Roosevelt highway."

FRATERNAL ORDERS USED AS MASK TO HIDE REAL BACKERS

Slate Circulated As Recommendation of Twelve Patriot Societies Without Sanction of Lodges Falsely Reported As Having Shared In Preparation

Marion County Ku Klux Ticket
State
Governor—Chas. Hall
State Treasurer—O. P. Hoff
Labor Commissioner—Wm. A. Dalziel
Public Service Commissioner—J. R. Thiehoff
County
Senators—Geo. Griffith, Louis Lachmund
Representatives—Fannie Kay Bishop, Lloyd T. Reynolds,
Zadoc J. Riggs, C. H. Taylor
County Commissioner—A. R. Siegmund

Masked in the guise of an endorsement by twelve patriotic societies in the county, compiled by a committee comprised of one delegate from each of the societies, the Marion County Ticket of Ku Klux Klan, the "Yellow Ticket," made its appearance here today.

Greeted by the candidates endorsed on its face with real or feigned surprise, as the case may actually be, the slip received an uncertain welcome at the hands of its nominees.

Written In Portland
Although written in the Portland office of the "Federated Patriotic Societies," state headquarters for the Klan presided over by "Exalted Cyclops" Gifford, the ticket is being circulated as an endorsement of candidates selected by delegates representing 12 societies in Marion county, and is being promptly denied by representative Shriners, Knights of Pythias, Odd Fellows, and Scottish Rite Masons, whose organizations are being represented as having had a hand in the framing of the slate.

Lodgemen Deny Implication
If these organizations were represented on the committee of 12 which sponsored the ticket, it was by individual members of the fraternities, acting on their own initiative and without authorization on the part of the lodges, prominent members of those organizations declared today.

It is entirely possible that members of these orders sat as members of the "committee of 12" in considering the endorsements, according to the same sources, but if they did so it was without authority and the use of the names of these fraternities as sponsors for the ticket is unwarranted.

Klan Actually Behind Ticket
Actual endorsement of the ticket is that of the Ku Klux Klan, Orangemen and the A. P. A., twelve members of which orders have been holding regular secret meetings in the office of County Surveyor Herrick, in the court house, according to reports being investigated by the district attorney. Of what other organizations these twelve may be members is not definitely known.

The "Yellow Tickets" printed in Portland, made their appearance in Salem bright and early this morning, and throughout the day Klansmen and affiliated campaigners were busy circulating them throughout the city. Placed in downtown restaurants and other public places, the little yellow slips were snatched up rapidly by curio collectors. Tickets folded into sample ballots were distributed throughout the residence districts in a house to house campaign.

In its state office recommendations the ticket varies from the state ticket of the Klan in only one particular—it carries the recommendation for the nomination of John L. Rand as justice of the supreme court. No recommendations are made in reference to the democratic ballot.

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