

# THAT TURKISH DEBT

## Dewey Hesitates About Making Political Statements.

### BOERS AND BRITISH FIGHT.

Special to the Guard.  
LONDON, April 21.—Generals Chermide and Rundell met the Boers near Dewdrop. The fight with artillery lasted till dark, the Boer guns being temporarily silenced.

### MEIHUEN ATTACKED.

Special to the Guard.  
LONDON, April 21.—General Meihuen's forces, which were ordered to return to Swartzkopfontein Bashof, were attacked by the Boers while on route.

The opposing forces both sustained some loss. The British escaped.

### MORE DEWEY FOOLISHNESS

Special to the Guard.  
WASHINGTON, April 21.—It comes from reliable sources that Admiral Dewey is not satisfied with the sensation his advent into the presidential race created.

The admiral is hesitating about issuing a statement embodying his views on the political questions that interest the people.

### THE PHILIPPINE PLAGUE.

Special to the Guard.  
MANILA, April 21.—Fourteen deaths from the plague occurred in Quiapo market during the past week.

The total deaths to date from the plague is 119. Of these 66 were natives. The spread of the disease has been suppressed elsewhere.

### THE SULTAN MUST PAY.

Special to the Guard.  
WASHINGTON, April 21.—The report is current in semi-official circles that unless the sultan acts at once as to the payment of claims of American missionaries the Turkish minister will be given his passports.

### THE SULTAN NOT WORRIED

Special to the Guard.  
CONSTANTINOPLE, April 21.—The United States minister had a long conference with the sultan today. The sultan disclaims any knowledge of the existence of strained relations between Turkey and the United States.

### Uncle Currin, of Cottage Grove.

COTTAGE GROVE, Or., April 20.—"Uncle Billy" Currin, the oldest settler of this end of the valley, died at his home near here this evening. He came to this place in 1849, and has resided here ever since. "Uncle Billy" has been an honored citizen, and his word was always as good as his note. He had no political aspirations, though always allied with the democratic party. He was born in Virginia in 1819, and was unmarried. He leaves a large farm and other valuable property to relatives.

### New Postmaster at Trent

Washington, April 20.—John A. Briggs was today appointed postmaster at Trent, Oregon, vice Maud Harper resigned.

EGENE NEEDS ONE.—Albany Democrat: An effort just started to organize a social club in the city somewhat after that of the Ithaca Club, of Salem, is meeting with a good deal of encouragement and it is thought one will be started with a membership of at least seventy-five, at \$20 initiation fee. No arrangements have yet been made for a place, but it will need a suite of rooms extensive enough for bowling alley, billiard table, etc. But no card room will be permitted, nor liquors. It is intended to make it of a high moral order. Some of the best men of the city have signed their names for it.

A GOOD IDEA.—Brownsville Times: "Eugene papers are urging upon the citizens the advantages to be gained by having a first-class creamery established in that city. Why not send a delegation down to Brownsville and take a look at our new creamery. We will guarantee that when they return home it won't be long before the creamery will be forthcoming."

A LARGE AUDIENCE.—Hon E R Skipworth spoke one and one-half hours to a large audience at Saginaw last night on the political issues of the day. He was well and enthusiastically received. Mr. S. came home on the early morning train.

## Court House Items

Mortgage release..... \$1,200 00  
REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.

Clara Sand Luther Barnes, lot 3 block 2, Chesher's addition; \$325.  
Jas Paroni and wife to H M Paroni, 78 acres in tp 19 s r 1 w; \$1500.  
Theresa Bolin to Marian D Bolin, 59.11 acres in tp 19 s r 2 w; \$145.  
John W Stone and wife to Joseph H Stone, land in tp 19 s r 2 w; \$1000.  
Morton L Rose and wife to Eugene Loan & Savings Bank, 60x165 feet in Eugene; \$500.

Sarah A Staver to Frances E Habig-horst, 193.76 acres in tp 16 s r 2 w; \$4000.  
G U Snapp and wife to Jas H and S E McFarland, land; quitclaim.  
William A Weist and wife to Carl Kroeger, land in tp 20 s r 3 w; \$1500.  
Henry Giltry and wife to Geo L Gilfrey, 346 69 acres in tp 19 s r 2 w; \$3120 21.

8 Rigdon to Camp 271 W of W. 2 acres of land in tp 18 s r 3 w; \$66.66.  
PROBATE COURT.  
Estate of Mary F Baker, deceased; June 4, 1900, set for final hearing.  
Guardianship of P D Purkerson, a minor. Appraisers W T Bailey, I M Francis and Wiley Francis reported property and money to the value of \$900.  
Estate of Mary F Baker, deceased; final account. Total debts \$502.70; total credits \$466.88; balance on hand \$55.83.

Guardianship of Marshal G Pettis, a minor; inventory filed.  
MARRIAGE LICENSE.  
County Clerk Lee today issued a marriage license to L W Wilcox and Ada V Holt. Miss Holt's mother gives her written consent to the union.

MINE LOCATIONS.  
San claim, Blue River, by Charley Holcomb and Henry Volcomb.  
Monument claim, Blue River, by A L Woodruff and T D Condon, locators.  
Monument claim, Lane county, by A L Woodruff and T S Cornelius, locators.  
LeFord claim, Blue River; Mrs Mary Miller, locator.

A Pretty Informal Wedding Occurred at the residence of Rev. G. A. Blair, in Portland, Wednesday, evening, April 18, at 7 o'clock.

Miss Emma Withers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. P. Withers, of this place, was united in marriage with Mr. Newton L. Cornelius, of Helena, Montana, by Rev. G. A. Blair in the presence of a few intimate friends. After spending a short time in Portland, Eugene, Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius will go to Montana to reside. The bride belongs to one of the oldest and most highly respected pioneer families of the state and is a very estimable young lady. Their large circle of friends here wish them a long and happy journey through life.

Now answering your question, will say that the Citizens' platform, upon which I was nominated, pledges the candidates for representatives, if elected to vote for the submission of the constitutional amendment known as the initiative and referendum to the people. I accepted the nomination on that platform, and if elected, shall vote to submit the said amendment to the voters of the state. The State Democratic platform also declares for the submission of that amendment. I voted in the convention for that platform.

Very truly yours,  
E. R. SKIPWORTH.

Mrs. J. W. White is very sick with pneumonia.

C Marx has placed new and artistic chandeliers for electric lights in his barber shop.

Wolt Sanders is having two cottages erected on his property at the corner of Tenth and Olive streets.

J B Ray is reported very much improved today and strong hopes are entertained for his recovery.

Junction held a teacher's institute today. State Superintendent Ackerman and County Superintendent Miller are present.

Jacksonville Times: H. Strahler, of South Atlantic, and J. B. Rhinehart arrived from San Francisco a few days ago and are inspecting the principal mining properties of Southern Oregon in the interest of capitalists.

Junction Times: Hon E R Skipworth, candidate for representative on the citizen's ticket, was billed for an address in this city Tuesday evening. The date had not been properly advertised and as the audience promised to be quite small the speaking was postponed for two weeks.

PORTLAND, Or., April 15, 1900.  
Hon. H. R. KINCAID.—My Dear Friend: Allow me to congratulate the people of Lane county in having a candidate to vote for for the important office of county judge who is honest, able and under all circumstances will do his duty regardless of fear or favor. They have such a man in the person of H. R. Kincaid. I earnestly hope you may be elected. Yours truly,  
D. F. THOMPSON.

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# MOHAWK BRANCH.

## Iron for the McKenzie Bridge Already Received.

### SIXTY JAPS COMING.

Special to the Guard.  
SPRINGFIELD, Or., April 21.—The first installment of the steel bridge for the McKenzie river arrived at Springfield yesterday, consisting of three car loads. The balance of the bridge will follow rapidly. The piers are nearly completed and in 10 days active work will begin on putting the bridge together. The bridge has been removed from the Central Pacific railroad, being shipped from Corrineya station, 20 miles west of Ogden, Utah. Archie Mason, the contractor, received another carload of horses today.

It is reported that he expects to receive 60 Japanese, to arrive by this evening's train, to be turned loose on construction work.

### YOUNGEST OREGON VOLUNTEER.

Claim Put in for Loris M. Johnson, Son of Late President Johnson.

Eugene, Or., April 20.—(To the Editor Oregonian)—In the Oregonian, it has been stated that Willis D. Sloan was the youngest enlisted man of the Second Oregon Volunteers. I think, however, that Loris Milkoff Johnson, son of the late President J W Johnson, of the University of Oregon, can lay claim to that honor, as he is seven months younger, having been born August 16, 1882.

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Believing that a county fair is needed and will meet with the approval of the majority of the citizens of Lane county, the GUARD will gladly devote its columns to the organization of an agricultural society and discussion of the best means to attain the same.

### Need of Advertising.

The constant calls being made upon citizens, real estate men and newspapers for detailed and specific information regarding Lane county, its resources, its climate, its educational advantages, its lumber, its mines, its farms, and all else, brings forth the patent fact that we are sadly deficient in any up-to-date literature which will intelligently give all this information.

Every day the need of a business-like board of trade is apparent, and the time has come when such an organization is not only needed, but its assistance will be some compulsory if Eugene is to accomplish those things which all will concede we should do, Organize, and organize right, and organize at once.

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# COUNTY FAIR.

## Such a Feature Would Find General Approval.

### SHOULD BE CONSIDERED NOW.

Every spring the question of organizing an agricultural society in Lane county is discussed in a disinterested way and then forgotten until the succeeding spring, when it is partially revived. No one questions the feasibility of such an organization or the good to be accomplished from such an organization, but the enthusiasm essential to perfecting an association has been so far lacking. Some day it will come, and people will wonder why it was not carried into effect long before.

It may be possible that this spring is the one in which the association will see its birth, and next fall will witness a county fair, where the people can gather with their products, take three or four days rest from the arduous tasks of the harvest time, compare methods of husbandry, and in various ways improve individual methods of work and enjoy themselves. At least a meeting should be held to discuss the matter, and see if the time is ripe for the enterprise.

A county fair should not contain within its premises only those things which are necessarily instructive and educational, but also diversions and amusements which will insure a pleasant time, beside the other things of advantage. Racing, games, good bands, inspiring music will add to the attractiveness of the displays in the pavilion, stock stalls and poultry coops. The people want something of this kind and will support it if organized, one only has to point to the success of the annual exhibition of the Willamette Poultry Association in this city, and the Sislaw fair, held annually at Loran.

The spacious and roomy park, two miles from this city, owned by Eli Bangs, contains a good pavilion, a fine five lights track, a lake for boating, excellent appointments for camping, plenty of stalls for animals and nearly everything else needed for the organization. Mr Bangs is a progressive citizen and will assist in every possible way by extending the use of this ideal place for the fairs, and the people of the county could with good grace take advantage of his generosity, being assured that a more slightly or convenient place could not be found in the entire county.

### WISHES THE PARTY SUCCESS.

Letter From Ex-Secretary of State Kincaid to Hon. Wm. Smith.

Baker City Democrat.  
Among the many letters of congratulation received by Hon. Wm. Smith on his nomination for congress in the Second district, is the following from ex-Secretary of State Harrison R. Kincaid:  
"EUGENE, Ore., April 16, 1900.  
"Hon. Wm. Smith.  
"My Dear Sir:—I take pleasure in congratulating you on your nomination to represent the Second congressional district of Oregon in congress, and sincerely hope that you will be elected. If ever there was a time when the people should unite and rescue the lawmaking and executive power from the clutches of the class of desperadoes who are sucking the life blood out of the common people, it is now. Wishing you success in June and Bryan in November, I am  
"Yours, very truly,  
"H. R. KINCAID."

BLUE RIVER MINES.—Brownsville Times: "W. E. Warner has returned from the Blue River mines, where he has been looking after his claim. He gives good reports of the mines and thinks the district has a bright future before it. Those who own mines there, and many prospectors, are now going into the district and a busy season is the general verdict. A Portland company is putting a small mill on their claims. It is a new patent and its ability to separate the gold from the quartz is creating considerable interest."

AFTER \$ \$ \$.—Today's Albany Herald: Dr T W Harris, of Eugene, chairman of the republican congressional committee of the first district, is in the city, having come up from Salem last night in company with the secretary of the committee, C B Winn, of this city.

# Commissioner's Court.

In the matter of the petition of the Booth-Kelly Lumber Co for road through their own premises. J F Youst, M B Wood and Irwin Smith appointed viewers and C M Collier surveyor.

Tax sale certificate No 319, ordered cancelled on account of error in assessment.

The Mohawk road: John H Millhorn, W Thompson and C M Schofield appointed viewers and C M Collier Collier, surveyor.

Voting places changed and established:  
Chesher precinct—Fountain school house.  
Five Rivers precinct—School house.  
Bohemia precinct—Stock & Harlow's mine.  
Fairmount—Clem's store.  
North Eugene No 2—Griffin's ware house, Seventh street.  
South Eugene No 1—Hose house on Eleventh street.  
South Eugene No 2—Cherry's building, Eighth street.

H M Prindel was appointed justice of the peace for Five Rivers precinct.  
Court canvassed the following claims for scalp bounty and found the following valid:  
John Gibbs, 1 panther ..... 2 00  
R B Kelsey, 1 wildcat ..... 2 00  
Dexter Corte, 4 wildcat ..... 8 00  
James E Larimer, 1 wildcat ..... 2 00  
A B Farrer, 1 wildcat ..... 2 00  
A C McClane, 20 wildcats and 2 cougars ..... 44 00  
Mark McClane, 10 wildcats ..... 20 00  
James Neal, 1 wildcat ..... 2 00  
Clifford Grousebeck 7 wildcats ..... 14 00  
Albert J Ward, 2 wildcats ..... 4 00  
J D Richey, 1 coyote scalp ..... 2 00  
James Teeters, 1 wildcat ..... 2 00  
Isaac Higgins, 1 wildcat ..... 2 00  
Wm T Fellos, 1 cougar ..... 2 00  
Herry Damewood, 1 cougar ..... 2 00  
F A Peplot, 1 wildcat ..... 2 00  
John Gibson, 1 panther ..... 2 00  
Joseph Acheson, 1 wildcat ..... 2 00  
J R Holbrook, 1 wildcat ..... 2 00  
N Crusan, 1 cougar ..... 2 00  
John A Powell, 1 coyote ..... 2 00  
J W Robbins, 1 coyote ..... 2 00  
B F Gulley, 1 wild cat ..... 2 00  
Geo E Hebert, 7 wild cats ..... 14 00  
W D Taylor, 1 wild cat ..... 2 00  
Grover Walker, 1 wild cat ..... 2 00  
W J Yale, 6 wild cats and 1 cougar ..... 14 00  
Sam Farmer, 1 wild cat ..... 2 00  
J R Holbrook, 1 gray or timber wolf ..... 2 00  
W S Walker, 1 wild cat ..... 2 00  
J W Fountain, 1 cougar ..... 2 00  
Wm Templeton, 4 wild cats ..... 8 00  
Ralph Hammitt, 1 coyote ..... 2 00  
E U Lee, stamps, etc. .... 9 28  
W W Withers, sheriff, board of prisoners ..... 55 37  
Geo Wall, M D, medical services ..... 5 00  
E O Potter, judge, stamps, etc. .... 2 45  
J M Howe, bailiff ..... 12 50  
F Slakter, pauper supplies ..... 5 00  
Frank Stewart, deputy sheriff ..... 1 25  
A C Jennings, inquest soldier Mury ..... 3 00  
A C Jennings, inquest soldier Barker ..... 10 00

Burned in Their Home.

William and Walter Cannon, sons of G. W. Cannon, and nephew of Mrs. S. Handsaker, were burned to death in their home near Henneville, Calif., March 23. The former suffered death in the terrible flames, while the latter made his exit, but died three days after. Walter buried his only child two weeks before his own death, leaving a loving wife to mourn their sad taking off. The sons were the main support of their aged parents. Full particulars are expected soon.

### Citizens' Executive Committee.

The Lane county citizens' convention authorized Chairman Wilkins to appoint an executive committee of five, himself to form one of the number. Chairman Wilkins now announces the appointment of the following persons as members of that committee:  
J J Walton, I E Stevens, A J Zumbait, V L Holt and F M Wilkins.

BURGLARY.—Junction Times: The gun store of A. L. Coon was burglarized the second time Sunday night. A window in the rear door was broken and the lock was opened from the inside. Two revolvers, a couple of fish reels and numerous other things were taken. Mr. Coon had a gun set for the rear door for some time past but that night the thief, who was no doubt familiar with the premises, met with no armed resistance.

DIFFICULT JOB.—The south smokestack of the cold storage plant, which extends 50 feet into the air, was loosened from the boiler today. The lower joint was cut off, as it was badly worn, and the stack lowered into position. A block was attached to the stack and it was raised straight into space, cut off, and replaced without any trouble.

DEED.—Wednesday, April 18, 1900, the 4 year old son of Mr and Mrs Will McCoy, on Silk creek, just above Cottage Grove.

# CYCLONE DAVIS

## Gifted Orator Preaches Reform of Government.

### POWERFUL, SINCERE AND EFFECTIVE

Daily Guard, April 21

The opening of the campaign for the Citizens ticket in Lane county began today with the speech of J H (Cyclone) Davis, the brilliant epigrammatic orator of the Lone Star state.

The circuit court room of the court house was used, and before the hour of speaking it was taxed to its utmost capacity, quite a large number of ladies being present. At 1:30 o'clock Mr Davis was introduced by Judge J J Walton and proceeded at once to the discussion of the leading political questions.

"By the light of the past can we see to advance into the future," said Mr Davis. "Government such as ours is organized to give and perpetuate to its people certain inalienable rights,—life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, and the movement of governmental functions should tend toward that object."

The imperialistic policy is to grade government to the existing conditions of men as they are ground down, and compel a submission to the same. The true Jeffersonian democratic policy is to defend, protect and build up the people by a strict adherence to the principles of the government founded by our forefathers as a place where life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness is our birthright.

The question of trust or monopoly ownership of lands was handled strongly by the speaker. A monopoly of land never was contemplated as a Divine right, and whether it be a duke, lord, earl, syndicate, monopoly or trust, to concentrate the ownership of land in the hands of a few is against the masses and for the classes. To place the enormous power of wealth in the hands of a few people, creates a power in this republic more potent than that exerted by many kings and potentates.

"Nine syndicates in these United States can purchase nine states in the Union, including Alabama, tomorrow and pay the cash for them."

The military, in case of war, or the federal government has alone the right to build, equip and erect highways, yet this is disregarded. The ownership now vested in private hands is directly opposed to the constitutional intention.

In commerce it is the same. Money is the power. Money buys the machinery in the manufactories, and money owns and controls the men who run the machines whose effort fills the coffers of the few.

Franklin said, "I am constrained to believe that those who have the power to control money, will have the power to control the destiny of the people."

This statement was made at the time Piekney moved to vest in the president and his cabinet the power to regulate money.

The amendment as proposed by Dr. Franklin was, that Congress (the people, not the few) shall have the power to coin money, regulate the value thereof and of foreign coins.

He who has the power to pull the pursestrings of the people has the power to pull the heartstrings of the people.

If thirteen small states could "go it alone," establish a government, build and foster it, and regulate its money acceptably in the commercial world, it is the shame of degeneracy now to say that the United shall ask of Europe permission to coin or not coin money. So rapid has been our growth and vast our advancement that we should be able to dictate our financial and commercial policy by the rights of the constitution which we are supposed to consider.

"I am a plain American citizen," said Mr Davis, "who believes that the Declaration of Independence is just as applicable now as when written, and that the Constitution should be as sacredly regarded now as ever before."

The per capita of circulation in the United States (honest money as well as dishonest) will not pay the interest on our indebtedness. The total of all our commodities will not pay our indebtedness. It only serves to adjust our interest and allow the creditor nations to dictate our prices and still keep us subservient. The value regulations place on us, together with restrictions on coining silver metal equal with gold, keep us still the debtor nation. Fiat money is coined, it is true, but it is not for the people—it is for the banks.

This method will never secure for the people life, liberty and happiness, which our constitution assures its citizens. But it is the law, and the banks secure the issue of the government money-grinding machines, while the people are compelled to barter their commodities for it.

Mr Davis handled every question he presented most ably and forcibly. Throughout the entire speech Mr. Davis was greeted with applause prolonged and sincere, as his telling points were scored rapidly and accurately. He speaks at Cottage Grove tonight.

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