

CHAMP CLARK MAKES CHARACTERISTIC SPEECH IN HOUSE TODAY

Washington, Feb. 23.—Representative Champ Clark, of Missouri, occupied the attention of the house today for over an hour in an address on the president's recent special message to congress on the financial disturbance of last fall and the tariff question. His characteristic talk aroused the interest of the house to a high degree. In opening Clark asserted that a reasonable view should be taken on matters concerning the president, but that it had not been done, as a rule. "He is such a belligerent personality," he declared, "that his slightest word is a challenge to combat." Individually he wished the president well until March 4, 1909, when he hoped he would quit forever, "for no president will be elected to a third term until the republic is on its last legs."

PRIZE LETTERS BY EUGENE PUBLIC SCHOOL PUPILS

The following letters from school children to friends East were chosen as prize winners by the Board of Governors.

Fourth Grade—First Prize

Eugene, Or., Jan. 28, 1908.
DEAR AUNT—
I thought you would like to know something about this busy little city of Eugene, which is often called the city of homes.

It has ten churches and eight schools, but best of all, we have no saloons.
We are having the most beautiful flowers, roses, pinks and violets. One of my friends picked ripe strawberries on January 22d. In our garden the lettuce is large enough to eat.

We have not had one flake of snow this winter, and the lilies on the hills are in bloom. The shade trees in Eugene are beautiful.
We have a public library, an all-night street car system and an old people's home.

Eugene is surrounded by low hills and is situated on the west side of the Willamette river, which furnishes abundant water power.
If you wish to know more about Eugene, write to the Eugene Commercial Club for literature. If you do not expect to come please hand this letter to some one else.

Second Prize

Eugene, Or., Jan. 27, 1908.
My dear friend—
While you are freezing and looking out on a drift of snow, we are gazing on a bed of flowers.
Eugene is called "The City of Homes," and is situated on the west side of the Willamette river and in the beautiful Willamette Valley.

Eugene has fine schools, churches, buildings and a beautiful Carnegie library.
Daisies, pansies, roses, and other kinds of flowers bloom all the year round, and strawberries are ripe in January. The robins, bluebirds and various other kinds of birds live here the year round.

Eugene has a warm, moist climate, no mosquitoes and no saloons.
If you are thinking of coming, please write to the Eugene Commercial Club for literature. If not, please hand this letter to some one else.

Sixth Grade—1st Prize

Eugene, Or., Jan. 28, 1908.
Dear Cousin Florence—
I will write you a few lines about Eugene. We are living in one of the prettiest cities on the coast. Eugene is an important educational center, the home of the State University, a Divinity school, three public and one high school, with ten fine churches. It is a city of fine homes, surrounded by beautiful shade trees, also beautiful yards with flowers in bloom every month of the year.

We are still using vegetables from the garden, which might seem strange to our eastern friends.
We have a beautiful climate with no winds or hard storms. We would be glad to have you come and see our beautiful city and test our fine climate. If you want any further information about our country, write to the Eugene Commercial Club.

Second Prize

Eugene, Or., Jan. 28, 1908.
Dear Sir—
I feel sorry for you poor folks in Indiana this beautiful spring morning, that is, spring morning in Oregon. The birds, especially the larks, robins and black birds, are singing merrily while the flowers are blooming profusely. The roses and violets have been blooming all winter, and now the daffodils and crocuses are showing their colors, and I almost forgot to say that the "Oregon Hen" keeps up a cheerful cackle meanwhile.

We shall soon expect a visit from you, with a view to locating. You will remember that when you were here, we took you to the station in the "One Hoss Shay," but now we can furnish you with street cars and paved streets. We don't promise to furnish you with a great number of stock people, but you will probably find enough to keep the wolf from your door and not freeze your ears and toes in going to visit them. I have never experienced the Indiana winter, but from what I have heard, I imagine that if I were there, I wouldn't want to wear a white dress to school as I did this morning. It

GERMANS OF LANE COUNTY FORM ORGANIZATION

WILL BOOST FOR EUGENE AND LANE COUNTY AND WORK FOR UNIVERSITY OF OREGON APPROPRIATION—MEETING HELD IN EUGENE THURSDAY NIGHT WITH GOOD ATTENDANCE

Thursday evening a number of enterprising German citizens of Eugene and Lane county organized a society which was named the Eugene German Aid Society. Its objects are as follows:

1. The upholding and cultivation of the German language and the friendly relations between the German speaking people of Eugene and those in other parts of Oregon and particularly in Lane county.
2. To take part in boosting Eugene and Lane county among the Germans of this country, and especially in endeavoring to secure the support of the Germans of the state of Oregon in favor of the appropriation for our State University.
3. To assist Germans coming from elsewhere by giving them all possible information, advice or needed pecuniary assistance.

Following are the officers elected: President, Emil Koppe; vice president, M. Schneider; secretary, J. A. Scherzinger; treasurer, F. G. G. Schmidt.
The society numbers already 32 members and every day more are added to the list, as every German seems highly interested in the timely platform of the society. The organizers expect to enroll not less than 100 members from Eugene, Springfield and surrounding country and invite every German to join. Applications are received by the secretary, J. A. Scherzinger, at the Model Grocery.

EVANS' GREAT FLEET NOW IN PACIFIC

Valparaiso, Feb. 14.—The American fleet of battleships arrived here late this afternoon. The day was beautiful and the spectacle of sixteen great war craft forging along over the blue water was magnificent. Valparaiso is filled with people who have come to witness the naval review. The greatest enthusiasm prevails.

President Montt and other high officials of the Republic came out from the shore to greet the battleships and almost the entire Chilean navy exchanged salutes with them. The president was on board the training ship General Baquedano, and took a position well out in the harbor. Around the Baquedano the fleet swung at a speed of four knots, firing the presidential salute as they passed in review. It required one hour for the fleet to pass. Then the Baquedano lifted anchor and escorted the fleet well out to sea.

JUDGE'S ORDER SHUTS OFF THEIR LIGHT AND POWER

El Centro, Cal., Feb. 13.—The injunction order issued by Judge Wellborn, of the United States circuit court, closing the canal of the Holton Power Company, has arrived at a territory 25 miles long and 12 miles wide of power to operate all kinds of machinery for manufacturing purposes, as well as depriving 15,000 people of ice, and obliging the use of candles in thousands of homes.
At a mass meeting of citizens, held under candle light, the facts and conditions were summarized in a lengthy resolution which was telegraphed to Judge Wellborn.

CANT MAIL LIQUOR INTO "DRY" PLACES

Washington, Feb. 13.—The senate today discussed the law governing the reserves of National banks, that subject having been brought up by Rayner, who reverted to a controversy over statements made in the senate yesterday when the Aldrich currency bill was under consideration. The criminal code bill also was a subject for discussion during a couple of hours, Clay and others securing the substitution of the old law instead of the proposed revised sections, which will effectually prevent intoxicating liquors being sent through the mails into "dry" states or counties.

MARRIED

At 3:30 o'clock this afternoon at the Christian parsonage, in Eugene, John F. Smith and Miss Freda Castleman, both of Fall Creek, Rev. J. S. McCallum officiating.

At her home at 455 East Eleventh street, Eugene, February 14, at 11:10 p. m., of chronic bronchitis, Mrs. Sarah E. Eads, wife of J. C. Eads, after an illness of eight months' duration. She was aged 55 years. Besides her husband she leaves two daughters, Mrs. F. C. Stevens and Miss Ethel Eads, both of Eugene, and a brother, C. H. Turner, of Palouse, Wash. Mrs. Eads was a member of the Christian church. The funeral will be held at 2 p. m. Sunday with interment in the Masonic cemetery. Dr. E. C. Sanderson, dean of the Eugene Divinity School, will conduct the services.

The winners of the above letters are as follows:
Fourth grade—Claire Warner, first prize; Beatrice Pogue, second prize; Sixth grade—Frances Gardner; first prize; Esther C. Humphrey, second prize; Eighth grade—John Abel, first prize; Lola Stewart, second prize.

\$4000 WAS PRICE ON HORACE G. M'KINLEY'S HEAD

Horace G. McKinley who has arisen to public notoriety through his land-gobbling operations in Oregon, and who is now supposed to be on his way across the Pacific as the guest of the United States, occupied some space in the columns of the Tientsin Critic a few weeks ago, when he was captured and placed under arrest. In the issue of January 9, under the headline of "Re-capture of Horace G. McKinley," the Critic gives the following account of the pursuit and apprehension of the fugitive:

"Horace G. McKinley, who escaped from the Chinese authorities at Mukden on November 11, and who was retaken at Kharbin on Friday last, arrived in Tientsin on the 26th in custody of Vice American Consul Marvin, and is being held in the jail of the British consulate-general, where he will remain until arrangements have been made for his departure for America. He is expected to leave in a few days, probably under the escort of Robert Stevenson, the United States marshal there.

"McKinley is not only wanted as a witness, but is himself implicated in the noted Oregon land frauds, involving a United States senator, several congressmen and other men of note. Over 100 indictments have been issued, the cases now being up for trial.

"There being no extradition treaty between the United States and China, the American government sought to establish a precedent in McKinley's case, to ascertain whether or not China would co-operate in extraditing any criminals and adventurers who sought refuge in her territory, without a treaty.

"Had McKinley made good his escape it would undoubtedly have defeated this first attempt.

"As China was desirous of showing that she was in sympathy with the movement, and that her co-operation could be relied upon, and also because the provincial authorities suspected their subordinates of assisting in his escape, a special effort was made to effect his capture. They offered a reward of \$4000 for his apprehension, which has since been paid, the informer turning out to be one of McKinley's confederates.

"He was captured at Kharbin railroad station just as he was about to board the train. He would have undoubtedly got away if his confederate had not given him away at the last moment.

"McKinley is a quiet and unassuming man, and during his residence has conducted himself in a steady and well-conducted manner. He made a large number of friends and was generous to a fault, it is said. He put more than one man on his feet where others had refused help. During the greater part of the past two years he has resided in Tientsin, having been employed as manager of the Winter Gardens, and then on their closing went up into Manchuria."

DIVIDENDS FOR STOCKHOLDERS OF HARRIMAN ROADS

New York, Feb. 13.—The directors of the Union Pacific declared a quarterly dividend of 2 1/2 per cent on common and a semi-annual dividend of 10 cents on preferred stock. The dividends are the same as those of the last previous quarter.
The directors of the S. P. & Co. declared a quarterly dividend of 1 1/2 per cent on common stock.

EUGENE HIGH STILL PURSUED BY HOODOO

The Eugene high school basketball players are pursued by a hoodoo that they cannot shake off. They were beaten again last night by the crack team of the Portland high school, the score being 23 to 21. The game was hard fought all the way through. At the end of the first half Portland was in the lead by two points, but in the second half Eugene led their opponents until the last moment, when Portland made a spurt and when time was called the score was a tie. Then came the struggle for the winning points. Eight minutes elapsed before a single point was made, when finally Captain Word, of the Portland team, made a beautiful basket with one hand and the game was won.
After the game the visitors were given a dance by the local high school students.

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TRANSFERS OF LANE COUNTY REAL ESTATE

Have your abstracts made by Lane County Abstract Company.
United States to Matthew L. Tompkins; 160 acres in sec. 10, tp. 20, s. r. 4 w. Patent.
United States to Peter S. Brumby; 162.8 acres in sec. 26, tp. 21, s. r. 2 w. Patent.
W. E. Smith et ux to Marceline Whitaker; lots 1 and 2 in block 1, Harris' ad to Eugene, \$500.
J. H. Baker et al to John Stoneberg; tract in Cottage Grove, \$500.
United States to James E. Yarnall; 160 acres in sec. 18, tp. 16, s. r. 2 w. Patent.
W. Polders et ux to H. L. Chilson; lot 42, Tiltteos Lake Club plat, \$100.
H. D. Wylie et ux to Henry E. Wylie; 22.2 acres in tp. 17, s. r. 3 w. \$2000.
J. Walter Vancroore to J. T. Witter; lot 5 and part of lot 6 in block 27, Springfield, \$900.
Charles Caylor to Eli Bangs; 55.75 acres in sec. 18, tp. 16, s. r. 6 w. United States to Charles Caylor; 55.75 acres in sec. 18, tp. 16, s. r. 6 w. Patent.
Hugh Hampton et ux to George W. Liles; 433.86 acres in sec. 3, 15, 16 and 17, tp. 18, s. r. 5 w. \$9000.
Mrs. Ella Ford Travis to Emma Travis; 5 acres in Eugene, \$1.
Mrs. Ella Ford Travis to Caryle T. Travis; 208 1/2 acres in claim 60, tp. 16, s. r. 5 w. \$1.
LeRoy LaPorte et ux to M. J. Thompson et al; part of lot 4 in Cole's plat of Marcola, \$325.
F. C. Walters et ux to Roland Vaughn; 160 acres in sec. 5, 6, 7 and 8, tp. 18, s. r. 6 w. \$10.
Amos D. Owens et ux to Elbridge A. Wheeler; tract in sec. 11, tp. 20, s. r. 4 w. \$1.
Elbridge A. Wheeler et ux to Amos D. Owens; tract in sec. 11, tp. 20, s. r. 4 w. \$1.
John A. Huddleston et ux to Edward L. Ayers; part of lot 11, Lancaster, \$20.
John V. Jenkins et ux to School District No. 120; 1 acre in claim 44, tp. 18, s. r. 5 w. \$1.
Frank G. Arelhart to A. J. Kaiser; part of lot 6, block 31, Junction City, \$72.25.
John L. Hunter et ux to Jacob J.

Taylor; lot 1, block 3, Shelton's ad to Eugene, \$2000.
James L. Clark et ux to Nettie A. Rossman; lot 3, block 24, College Hill Park, \$100.
Sidney P. Sladden et ux to Robert Cramer; lot 8, block 4, Sladden's 3d ad to Eugene, \$275.
United States to Herbert Beadle; 160 acres in sec. 24, tp. 19, s. r. 6 w. Patent.
Caleb Morton to Laura T. Workman; 13.25 acres in sec. 16 and 21, tp. 18, s. r. 11 w. \$100.
T. G. Hendricks et ux to L. Mickelson; lots 9 and 10 in block 4, Hendricks' ad to Eugene, \$400.
A. N. Striker et ux to J. Moffat; lots 4, 5 and 6 in block 15, College Hill Park ad to Eugene, \$2500.
S. C. Richmond to Hans Larsen et al; 20 acres in sec. 23, tp. 17, s. r. 4 w. \$1.
T. F. Miller to Laura S. Clair; 20 acres in sec. 29, tp. 17, s. r. 4 w. \$1.
Laura S. Clair to Hans Larsen; 20 acres in sec. 29, tp. 17, s. r. 4 w. \$1.
W. W. Moore et ux to M. B. McKinley et ux; lot "J" and part of lot "K" in Potter's survey.
Richard H. Shacklett et ux to Lloyd C. Hughes; lots 6 and 7 in Miller's Little Farms, No. 1, \$100.
W. Polders, trustee, et ux to E. O. Potter; lot 21 in Tiltteos Lake Club, \$100.
Carl Christensen to S. C. Richmond; 20 acres in sec. 29, tp. 17, s. r. 4 w. \$1.
James E. Yarnall to John F. Kelly; 1600 acres in sec. 18, tp. 16, s. r. 2 w. \$1.
J. H. Brown et ux to John W. Veatch; south half of lot 2, block 6, D. G. McFarland's ad to Cottage Grove, \$550.
L. W. Riggs et ux to J. W. Veatch; lot 2 and part of lot 2, block 1, J. H. McFarland's 1st ad to Cottage Grove, \$200.
Frank W. Syphers et ux to Herman H. Drugg; 85 acres in sec. 6, tp. 16, s. r. 7 w. \$800.
United States to Henry E. Owens; 160 acres in sec. 34, tp. 19, s. r. 6 w. Patent.
Ermine Owens et al to James W. Owens; 160 acres in sec. 34, tp. 19, s. r. 6 w. \$400.
Henry E. Owens to James W. Owens; 160 acres in sec. 34, tp. 19, s. r. 6 w. \$200.
Edwin McMurphy to Wenzel Yeager; lot 8, block 4, Purkerson & Quimby's ad to Eugene, \$400.
Edwin McMurphy to Annie Yer-