

PRESIDENT TAFT LEARNING MUCH CONCERNING AFFAIRS IN PANAMA CANAL ZONE

Panama, Nov. 16.—President Taft's visit is bearing fruit in the matter of first hand information, which will help him to deal with the problems involved in the construction, maintenance and control of the Panama canal.

The president heard the delegations of mechanics and laborers, asking for increased wages, based on increases in the United States, but it is doubtful if higher wages will be paid in the zone.

REWARDS OFFERED FOR ARREST OF FIRE FIENDS

Government Will Pay Liberally for Information Leading to Guilty Persons

The following is a circular letter received by The Guard today from James Wilson, secretary of agriculture, and is of timely interest in account of the many forest fires in this part of the state last summer.

Hereafter, during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1911, unless otherwise ordered, and thereafter, provided Congress shall make the necessary appropriation or authorize the payment thereof, the department of agriculture will pay the following rewards:

First.—Not exceeding \$250, and not less than \$50, for information leading to the arrest and conviction of any person, in the United States court, on the charge of willfully and maliciously setting on fire, or causing to be set on fire, any timber, underbrush, or grass upon the lands of the United States within a national forest.

Second.—Not exceeding \$100, and not less than \$25, for information leading to the arrest and conviction of any person, on the charge of building a fire on the lands of the United States within a national forest, in or near any forest timber or any inflammable material, and leaving said fire before the same has been totally extinguished.

Third.—All officers and employees of the department of agriculture are barred from receiving reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of any person or persons committing either of the above offenses.

Fourth.—The department of agriculture reserves the right to refuse payment of any claim for reward when, in its opinion, there has been collusion and improper methods have been used to secure the arrests and convictions thereunder, and to allow only one reward where several persons have been convicted of the same offense or where one person has been convicted of several offenses, unless the circumstances entitle the claimant to a reward on each conviction.

These rewards will be paid to the person or persons giving the information leading to such arrests and convictions upon presentation to the department of agriculture of satisfactory documentary evidence thereof, subject to the necessary appropriation, as aforesaid, or otherwise, as may be provided by law.

Applications for reward, made in pursuance of this notice, should be forwarded to the Forester, Washington, D. C.

Fifty Years Ago Today. Nov. 16.

Intense excitement in New Orleans over the election of Lincoln and the secession talk in South Carolina.

Stock quotations (Friday): Erie, 31; New York Central, 73; Pacific Mail, 79; Panama Railroad, 114 1/2; Illinois Central, 60 1/2; Chicago and Rock Island, 54 1/2. Decline of 5 to 10 points and more in these stocks since the election of Lincoln as president on the 6th. Panic in foreign bills of exchange in Wall street and wild rumors of bank failures.

Twenty-five Years Ago Today.

Louis Riel, leader of the insurrection in Manitoba, who had been twice reprieved, hanged at Regina for the crime of high treason against the queen of Great Britain.

WRESTLERS LEAVE WITHOUT PAYING THEIR BILLS

Busch and Snyder Fail to Take in Enough Money to Pay Their Expenses

Carl Busch and Fred Snyder, who pulled off an alleged wrestling match at the O. N. G. armory last night, are reported to have left the city without paying a number of their bills, including the hall rent. The match was attended by about 25 men last night, and the money taken in at the door was insufficient to pay the hall rent, let alone the other expenses incurred by the few days' stay in the city of the wrestlers. The crowd did not get their money's worth last night, for Snyder got sick after a few minutes of exercise and had to quit. One man says there was no wrestling to it at all. It was like a big dog playing with a little pup. Those who had paid their good money to see a wrestling match were given checks at the door as they passed out with the information that they would be admitted free to the next match by presenting the checks. The next match will not be held for the reason that Busch and Snyder have both left the city. This morning Busch was seen to be lugging his wrestling mat down a back street toward the depot, and he left for the north on the noon train. It is said that Snyder left last night or early this morning. The Military Club is out with the information that they would be admitted free to the next match by presenting the checks. The next match will not be held for the reason that Busch and Snyder have both left the city. This morning Busch was seen to be lugging his wrestling mat down a back street toward the depot, and he left for the north on the noon train. It is said that Snyder left last night or early this morning. The Military Club is out with the information that they would be admitted free to the next match by presenting the checks.

TWO TRAINMEN WERE KILLED IN TRAIN COLLISION

Fayette, Ida., Nov. 16.—In a collision of two freight trains on the Oregon Short Line, four miles west of here, Fireman James Frye and brakeman William Lynhorst were killed. Traffic will be tied up until night.

HOWARD ELLIOTT PRESIDENT OF SHOW

Spokane, Nov. 16.—The management of the National Apple Show has selected Howard Elliott, president of the Northern Pacific Railroad, to be president of the apple show for the coming year. It is his third term as head of the organization.

DEPTHS OF OCEAN IN STATE OF UPHEAVAL

London, Nov. 16.—Scientists report that the depths of the Pacific ocean are in a state of great upheaval. Heavy shocks have been recorded in the last two days, apparently occurring in regions north of New Zealand.

GOLD BULLION COMES FROM ALASKA

Seattle, Nov. 16.—The steamship Olympia, from Valdez, last night brought \$500,000 in gold bullion.

ton, D. C. but a claim will not be entertained unless presented within three months from the date of conviction of an offender. In order that all the claimants for reward may have an opportunity to present their claims within the prescribed limit, the department will not take action for three months from date of conviction of an offender.

Monetary Board to Rush Plans At Meeting In New York.



The members of the monetary board have at last decided to get busy and make some report to the public on what progress has been made in deciding various questions of some interest to the people. This board has been in session for a long time, and as a result of death, the defeat of some members and the retiring of others Chairman Aldrich has asked the remaining members to meet in New York Nov. 10 and go over the work so far accomplished. Then a report will be made to the public and the question of whether we are to still have green and yellow bills or blue and pink ones will be settled.

UNIVERSITY FILES ANNUAL REPORT AT SALEM

Tells of Amount of Disbursements for New Buildings and Maintenance

Salem, Or., Nov. 16.—According to a report of the board of regents of the University of Oregon, filed with the executive offices, this school expended \$33,889 for various tracts of land; \$6,733.56 for new engineering hall; \$27,389.91 for the new men's gymnasium, and \$5176.72 for equipment for same; \$4758.35 for the women's gymnasium; \$184,973.82 for payroll; \$350,364.25 for disbursements of the regular university, and \$45,627.90 is shown as maintenance on hand September 30, 1910.

During 1909 and 1910 there were 28 counties in Oregon represented by students and 21 states other than Oregon. There are 492 courses, including 305 in the college of literature, science and arts; 73 in the engineering department; 24 in the summer school; 12 in the college of law; 51 in the school of medicine; nine in the department of music and 18 in the correspondence school.

TOLSTOI'S CONDITION CONSIDERED CRITICAL

Astapova, Nov. 16.—The illness of Count Tolstoi is diagnosed as creeping inflammation of the lungs. His condition is critical, but not hopeless.

RIVER SEINE FALLS SLIGHTLY TODAY

Paris, Nov. 16.—The river Seine, which overflowed its banks at many points and has done considerable damage in the lower parts of the city, fell slightly today.

The formation of the coast line of Prince Edward Island is peculiarly favorable to the accumulation of seaweed and an important industry has sprung up of drying and exporting it for a variety of uses.

TOWN SHOT UP TO REVENGE LEADER'S FALL

Bootleggers Give Battle to Officers at Oil City, Louisiana

Shreveport, La., Nov. 16.—Following the shooting this afternoon of Thomas Hickey, alleged leader of a gang of bootleggers, by Deputy Sheriff Kelley at Oil City, twenty miles north of here, Hickey's sympathizers gathered in large numbers and began shooting up the town. Officers were rushed to Oil City in automobiles from Shreveport.

CATHOLIC SOCIETIES ELECT OFFICERS IN NEW ORLEANS

New Orleans, Nov. 16.—The following were elected officers of the American Federation of Catholic Societies today: Edward Feeney, of Brooklyn, president; Anthony Matre, of St. Louis, secretary; C. H. Schulte, of Detroit, Mich., treasurer; Anthony Kuhns, of Hays, Neb., marshal; Joseph Read, of Willow, S. D., color bearer.

The convention adopted a resolution condemning the "barbarous interception of the so-called republic of Portugal."

THE WHEAT MARKETS

Tacoma, Nov. 16.—Milling bluestem, 79; club, 76; red Russian, 74; export bluestem, 78; forty-fold, 76; club, 75; red Russian, 73.

Portland, Nov. 16.—Track prices—club, 77-78; bluestem, 80-81; red Russian, 75; valley, 80; forty-fold, 78-79.

Chicago, Nov. 16.—December, 90 5-8; May, 96 1-2; July, 93 3-8.

The English Anti-Suffrage Society has just published an appeal for a \$500,000 fund to be devoted to fighting the growing suffrage party.

THREE MEN STEAL BOAT AND ARE CAUGHT TODAY

Rob Bunk and Supply House At Coburg, Caught at Harrisburg by Marshal

After having robbed the Booth-Kelly bunk and supply house at Coburg, stolen a boat and tried to escape detection by going down the river in the boat, three men whose names are unknown to the local officers, were arrested at Harrisburg this afternoon by the city marshal of that town. Sheriff Bown will go down on this evening's train and bring the men to Eugene for trial. He will arrive home with them on the 9:30 local tonight.

The men, who are transients, broke into the bunk and supply house on the river bank some time during the night. They carried away quite a lot of food supplies and other articles and unchaining a boat that was moored to the bank nearby, set off down the river. They evidently stopped somewhere on the way during a part of the night for they did not appear at Harrisburg, only a few miles distant, until this afternoon. The marshal of that place had been notified by Sheriff Bown to look out for the thieves, and his vigilance was rewarded when he saw a strange boat containing three men turning a bend in the river a short distance from Harrisburg. The marshal set out after them in another boat and placed them under arrest. He notified Sheriff Bown by telephone and was directed to hold them in jail there until the sheriff arrives.

UNCLAIMED LETTERS WILL BE KEPT ONLY FIVE DAYS

Hereafter only five days will be allowed for the discovery and delivery of the address of any person to whom any letter shall be sent to the Eugene postoffice. By an order received by Postmaster Page the same rule is made applicable to every office in the United States. No letters shall hereafter be advertised after they have been retained in the postoffice for thirty days awaiting the claimant. They will be bundled up in five days and returned to the dead letter office marked "unclaimed," and if the writer of the letter has failed to place a return address on either the outside or the inside of the envelope, they will never hear from the communication.

Y.M.C.A. REJECTS JAPANESE FOR MEMBER

Social Incompatibility Is Given As the Cause of His Rejection

Honolulu, Nov. 16.—The application of Japanese Vice Consul Mori for membership in the Young Men's Christian Association was rejected by the board of directors. It was decided not to admit a Japanese on the ground that social incompatibility would militate against the usefulness of the organization. The directors offered, however, to assist in the formation of a Japanese branch of the Young Men's Christian Association.

ASHLAND NORMAL THANKS ITS FRIENDS

And Pledges Renewed Effort to Secure State Recognition

"It isn't the fact that you're licked that counts. But how did you fight, and why?"

The following statement was authorized today by the Southern Oregon State Normal Alumni campaign committee, says the Ashland Tidings.

"While this is certainly blue Monday for the alumni of the Southern Oregon State Normal school, there are some things we can be thankful for as the election returns come in, and many favors which deserve our heartfelt appreciation.

"As citizens of Southern Oregon, we cannot help but be proud of the splendid majorities returned by practically every county in the Southern Oregon district, including Lane county on the north and Klamath and Lake on the east. The 2700 majority in Jackson county is a striking testimonial of the friendly feeling which exists throughout the county and also of the fact that the Southern Oregon State Normal school has been truly a state institution, the results of whose good works are too well known to be questioned.

"We certainly appreciate the fact that Josephine county with practically no special work gave us over 500 majority and that the Klamath county vote was four to one in our favor. The returns from Douglas county are not yet at hand, but from the present outlook they will show 300 to 400 majority, while Lane county leads this figure. Coos will also give us a good lead.

"Our campaign was made solely on a three-school basis and there was scarcely a letter or piece of literature which went from the campaign committee without a plea for three normal schools. The Jackson county majority of 1700 for Monmouth and Weston is well worthy of note as showing that we voted as we talked, and indicating the wholly unselfish feeling which exists as to the other fellow's success. We are glad that one normal has pulled through.

"The Alumni association desires to express its hearty appreciation of the good work done by every one of our many friends at home and abroad. The majority against us is not so large but that we have hopes for the future."

Central Committee Thankful F. W. Moore, chairman of the Commercial club normal committee, requests the Tidings to express the thanks of the committee to one and all who assisted, particularly to the Civic Improvement club ladies, in the work in hand. This committee feels, and the public certainly coincides in the view, that it did all that it was possible to do for the cause with the very limited funds available.

DEMOCRATS WIN IN MONTANA

Helena, Nov. 16.—Official counts made today in various close counties of the state insure Democratic control of the next legislature, which will elect a successor to Senator Carter. The official returns give the Democratic fifty-six votes on joint debate. Fifty-two are necessary to elect.

NO TRUTH IN REPORTS OF RIOTING

El Paso, Nov. 16.—There is no truth in the reports of rioting at Juarez or in this vicinity.

RAIN PREDICTED FOR TOMORROW

Oregon—Fair tonight; Thursday, fair in eastern portion, rain in western portion.

Salt Lake City has a population of 92,777, according to statistics of the thirteenth census bureau just made public. This is an increase of 29,246 or 73.3 per cent over 53,531 in 1900. The population of Salt Lake county, Utah, is 131,426, compared with 77,725 in 1900.

WORKING ON RIGHT OF WAY FOR S.P. LINE TO WEST

Edwards and Walker Leave for Siuslaw—O'Brien Refuses Eugene Route

Whether or not the Southern Pacific company is making a bluff at building a railroad from Junction City to the mouth of the Siuslaw river, it is evident that it is going as far as securing a right-of-way for the line. Major R. L. Edwards, of San Francisco, who had charge of securing the right-of-way for the company's Natron-Klamath Falls cut-off and made Eugene his headquarters for two or three years while at the work left this city yesterday for the lower Siuslaw country in company with Alf Walker, who has assisted him in his work. The major has given out the information that the purpose of the trip is to begin the work of securing the right-of-way for the proposed road and will begin at or near the mouth of the Siuslaw and work this way. The reason for beginning at that end is thought to be that the exact route from this end of the line has not yet been fully chosen.

The surveyors failed to find a suitable pass over the summit of the mountains on the Lake creek route that they surveyed from Junction City, and they are now working westward from Elmira. They are still a work in the mountainous regions of the Siuslaw country, endeavoring to find a pass by that route. It is not known whether or not they will abandon Junction City as a starting point and select Eugene instead, but it is known they surveyed a line from Junction to Elmira and then turned directly west from there. It is said that there has been no line surveyed from Eugene at all.

Refused Mounce Survey In this connection, publicity of a statement made by J. F. Mounce who has also surveyed a preliminary line for a railroad westward from Eugene, would not be out of place. He is reported as telling a Eugene business man not long since that he offered his survey from Eugene to the Siuslaw country to J. P. O'Brien, general manager of the Harriman lines in the Northwest, but O'Brien absolutely refused to consider the offer with the statement that he would not build the line from Eugene to Junction City as his reason. He is reported as telling a Eugene business man not long since that he offered his survey from Eugene to the Siuslaw country to J. P. O'Brien, general manager of the Harriman lines in the Northwest, but O'Brien absolutely refused to consider the offer with the statement that he would not build the line from Eugene to Junction City as his reason. He is reported as telling a Eugene business man not long since that he offered his survey from Eugene to the Siuslaw country to J. P. O'Brien, general manager of the Harriman lines in the Northwest, but O'Brien absolutely refused to consider the offer with the statement that he would not build the line from Eugene to Junction City as his reason. He is reported as telling a Eugene business man not long since that he offered his survey from Eugene to the Siuslaw country to J. P. O'Brien, general manager of the Harriman lines in the Northwest, but O'Brien absolutely refused to consider the offer with the statement that he would not build the line from Eugene to Junction City as his reason.

TOLSTOI IS IN BAD CONDITION

Noted Author Suffering From Bronchitis and Has Extremely High Fever

Tula, Russia, Nov. 16.—Count Leo Tolstoi is suffering from bronchitis, and owing to high fever is in an extremely weak condition. His daughter, Alexandria, who is nursing him at Astapova, in giving the information, adds that the physician says there is no immediate danger.

Countess Tolstoi, after the shock of her husband's abandonment of home and family, displayed astounding vitality this morning and insisted upon being taken to the count accompanied by her sons and Count Vladimir Tebertkoff, who was formerly Tolstoi's representative in England, she proceeded to Astapova by special train.

ESTATE OF LATE OREGONIAN EDITOR

The value of the estate left by the late Harvey Whitefield Scott \$849,888.49, according to the praesentment just filed in the court clerk's office. Of this amount, the largest single item is that of 2 shares of stock in the Oregonian, priced at \$253,000.

The value of the real property of the estate is, according to the estimate of the appraisers, \$174,000. This consists for the most part buildings and lots in the city, though there are a number of farms in various parts of the county listed by the appraisers.

RELEASED NEGRO WHO PROVED ALIBI

Tulsa, Okla., Nov. 16.—The reputed lynching of a negro at Manford, Okla., is untrue. A negro was arrested for the murder of a farmer, proved an alibi and was released.

FARM PAPER FREE Every subscriber to the Twice-a-Week Guard who pays one year in advance (\$1.50) will receive the Oregon Agriculturist free for one year. This is one of the best farm, fruit and livestock papers in the Northwest and its matter is well selected and thoroughly reliable. It is a splendid paper for the farmer.