

VALLEY RECORD.

The People's Paper.

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Roseburg Review.

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Here we have the typical imperialist idea as it exists in America today. An "American" editor gloats over the death of a free republic as another chapter in the "salvation of the nations."

It is such utterances as this that show the tendency of the times—how completely the advocates of the gold standard, trust control and forcible conquest are imbued with monarchial ideas. In a few years no doubt this same class of "American" will be advocating a form of government here similar to that of England, and denouncing—as they do now—all who oppose it as traitors to the stars and stripes.

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WAR IN THE TRANSVAAL.

Boer and British engage in deadly conflict.

The long-threatened war between the British and Boers has broken out. The British are rushing troops to South Africa and the Boers are closing in on points occupied by the British. All communication has been cut by the Boers and just what progress, if any, is being made is not known at present. The English authorities expect reverses at first owing to being largely outnumbered and unprepared to lose a few towns.

The following are the latest dispatches:

LADYSMITH, October 18.—The British forces came into contact with the enemy in the neighborhood of Acton Homes and Bester's station, about 16 miles out, this morning. The firing began about 10 o'clock.

It is stated that the enemy's scouts are almost in touch with the outposts at Glencoe. The Boers are working around both sides with the idea of getting south of Ladysmith and attacking in force with the co-operation of Commandant General Joubert.

At Glencoe the British patrol covered a wide area in order to prevent outflanking and were subjected to a hot fire in persistent skirmishing. General Sir George Stewart White is quite prepared to offer battle and the camp is pleased at the prospects of striking a definite blow.

CAPE TOWN, October 20.—Evening dispatches dated Mafeking, Saturday night, and carried by dispatch riders via Kuruman and Damesburg's Knoll to Beaufort West, state that General Baden Powell inflicted a tremendous blow on the Boers nine miles of Mafeking.

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It is announced at Austin, Tex., on reliable authority that the Carnegie steel company has secured an option on the extensive deposit of high-grade iron ore known as Iron Mountain, situated in Llano county, Texas, the proposed purchase price being \$750,000. The option expires February 1.

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