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ROUNDUP BIGGER THAN LAST YEAR

KEEN LOCAL INTEREST TAKEN IN WILD WEST EVENTS.

Fifty Thousand People Saw the Exhibition, Fully 30,000 Attending Saturday.

The Pendleton Roundup is a big show. It was bigger than ever this year and that local interest was keenly evident from the fact that large crowds of Athena people attended the exhibitions.

The railroads handled the transportation problem to the best of their ability. The early train Saturday morning was equipped with an extra coach through the courtesy of Agent Mathers, who secured it for those going from Athena.

It is estimated that 50,000 people saw the Roundup exhibitions, 30,000 attending Saturday. The events were thrilling and exciting, particularly so to the Eastern people.

Athena was well represented in the events, interest here centering in the relay races. Fay LeGrow's string, ridden by D. Young, won the three days race. W. R. Taylor was in the thick of the events, all the time pushing the program along.

L. W. Minor of Wallawa, was crowned king of all broncho busters when in his final ride on "Angel," a terrific plunger, he kept his equilibrium with perfect ease, and with his sharp spurs raking the animal fore and aft, defied the horse to do its worst.

It was a great exhibition by a great buckaroo and the choice of the judges found popularity with 20,000 spectators, popularity that voiced itself in one mighty cheer when the new made champion of the world, seated in the magnificent \$350 prize saddle he had won, dashed round the track at the conclusion of the performance.

Bert Kelly of Pine Creek, Or., champion at the 1910 Roundup, came near claiming the title again, qualifying for the finals and winning second place by riding "Long Tom," the worst of the bad ones, straight up. Art Acord of California, captured third money, his performance on the back of "Speedball" winning the place.

Tillie Baldwin, a comely little girl, wife of Johnny Baldwin of Texas, wears the crown which attaches to the title of champion lady broncho buster of the world, winning that honor for the second time in a year from Bertha Blanchett, the pride of Arizona cowgirls.

Blauch McGaughey was made champion of the northwest when she succeeded in staying on the back of "Sitting Bull," the outlaw who on Friday eliminated Bertha Dukes by throwing her in two jumps. Hazel Walker of California was second in the event.

Art Acord, though only third in the ranks of broncho busters, is without a peer in bulldozing a steer. He established his title as best in the world when after a fearful tussle he brought his long horn to earth in just 55 seconds.

Bertha Blanchett and Jason Stanley each defended a title won last year and each retained it for another 12 months. By their feats each won a beautiful trophy as a permanent possession, the former acquiring a silver cup and the latter a diamond medal on a watch fob. The events in which they are still champions are cowgirls' relay race and the pony express race.

Connected with the thrilling events were several accidents which injected the spice of excitement into the daring feats of the exhibitions of Western range life. Dick Parker had a leg broken during the wild horse race and James Hutcherson was severely injured when a wild horse knocked him down and kicked him. Minor accidents were numerous. Two lady riders were thrown in the races Saturday and Miss Lazinka, a relay rider,

suffered injuries Thursday that incapacitated her for participating in the races of the two last days.

OBITUARY.

The funeral service of the late Charles Welsh Barger was held in the Christian church at 12 noon, September 28. A large number of friends from the surrounding country were in attendance. The deceased was born near Adams, Oregon, April 7th, 1836. Here he received his early education. J. B. Saylor of Milton, was for a time his instructor and speaks highly of the character of the deceased. On January, 1st, 1912, Mr. Barger was united in wedlock with Miss Clara Stafford. The union proved a happy one, and they had built a new home with every modern convenience, preparing for a long, happy useful life; when disease, that remorseless tyrant of human flesh, laid hold upon his vitals. Then a short but courageous battle began. All through the long summer he suffered from internal trouble, but it was not until the harvest was well on that the malady became acute; although even then he did not quit the field but manfully attended to his duties as engineer of the outfit, often being forced to rest through sheer exhaustion. Up to within two weeks of his death he persisted in managing the affairs of his ranch. All was done that loving hearts and human skill could do to prolong his life, but as the days wore on it was evident to physicians and friends alike that the end was near; and it came about 6 a. m. September 27th. After the funeral service the body was taken to Walla Walla and on the following day was laid to rest beside the sleeping dust of his father, lamented by a wife, a mother, a sister, two brothers and a host of friends.

A. Mackenzie Meldrum.

PASS UP RHODES OFFER

Only One Boy in State Will Take Advantage of Scholarship.

A chance to live three years in Europe, with \$1500 of Cecil Rhodes' money to spend each year, apparently makes small appeal to the young men of Oregon. A Rhodes scholarship at Oxford University is to be granted as the prize for an examination to be held October 15 and 16, and everything is in readiness except the rush of applicants, which failed to materialize.

Albany and Dallas colleges notified President Campbell of the state University, who is chairman of the Oregon High school scholarship committee, that they would send no candidates this year, and the students at Eugene and the other university towns seem in no hurry to enter the contest.

The deadlock was finally broken by George Stewart, Jr., a student of McMinville college, who placed his name at the head of the list.

The fact that Oxford requires some knowledge of Greek of its students keeps out many young men who might otherwise be candidates.

For Railroad Commissioner.

E. P. (Pat) Mahaffey of Portland has announced his candidacy for the office of railroad commissioner. Mr. Mahaffey is an old railroad man, and has the endorsement of the Order of Railway Conductors, of which he is a prominent member.

Caustics by Reflection.

It is found that in concave spherical mirrors the reflected rays only come to a definite focus in the point when the angular aperture of the mirror does not exceed 8 or 10 degrees. With a larger aperture the rays reflected near the edge cut the axis of the mirror at a point nearer its surface than those from points immediately around the center. This being so and the curve of the mirror being continuous, a corresponding curve of successive focal points is formed in space and can be rendered visible by the rays falling on a reflecting surface, such as a sheet of white paper or a tablecloth. The napkin ring is a cylinder and possesses the properties of the spherical mirror along one diameter. The rays falling upon portions more remote from the center line are brought to a different focus from those falling nearer the center, and this produces the peculiar heart shaped reflection. These figures are known as "caustics by reflection" and can be well observed by allowing the light of a candle to fall on the inside of a cup or tumbler partly filled with milk.

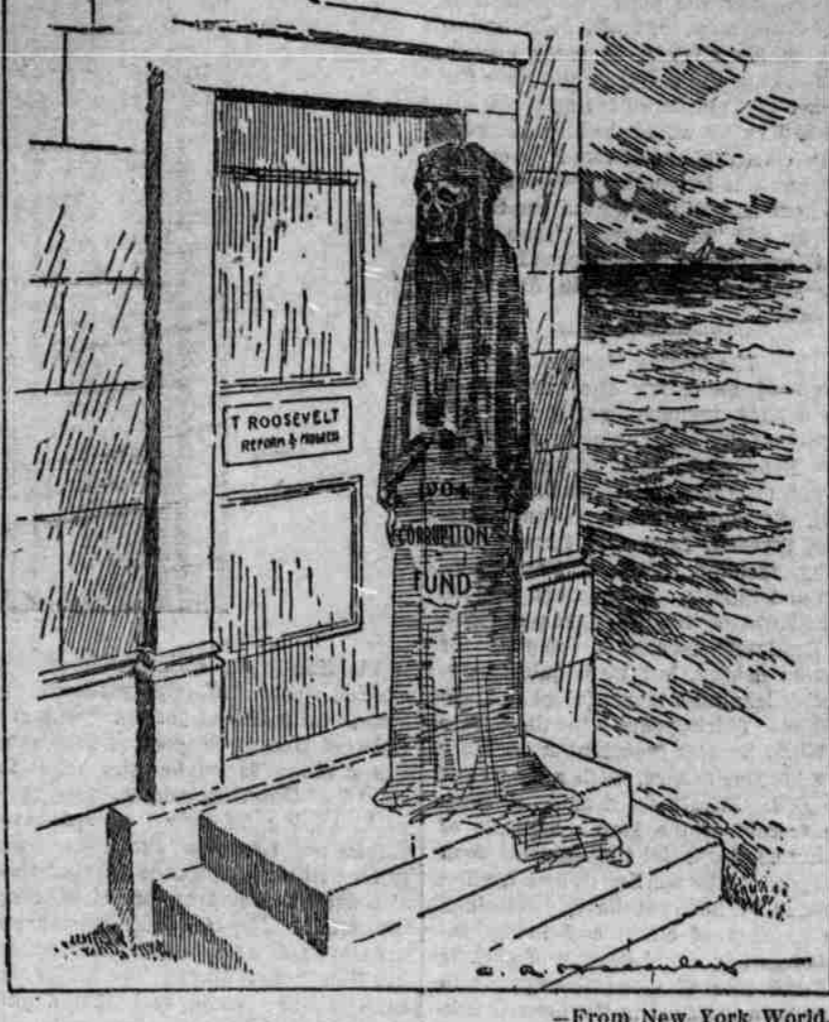
Weighing the Atmosphere.

If we are to believe both legend and history the first attempt to weigh air was that made by Aristotle, the great Greek philosopher of the fifth century. He first weighed an empty gaskin bag and then inflated it and again put it in the balance and because he found no difference in weight under the two conditions announced to the world that air was a substance wholly without weight. With modern laboratory apparatus, most any high school scholar can demonstrate the fact that a flask of ten cubic inches capacity weighs fully three grains more when filled with air than it does after being placed under the exhaust of an air pump. The numerous experiments that have been made on the weight of air warrant the scientists in announcing that the weight of the whole terrestrial atmosphere is about equal to that of a solid copper ball sixty-two miles in diameter.

Her Role.

He—They say Miss Lulu is very much in request for dinner parties. She—So I have heard. She is a regular dinner belle.

HIS PAST.



It will be remembered that it was in 1904 that Roosevelt wrote the celebrated "My Dear Mr. Harriman" letter, saying "you and I are practical men" and asking the millionaire magnate to the White House, and after a conference that Mr. Harriman raised \$240,000, which was used in the campaign; and that it was also in this campaign Perkins contributed toward Roosevelt's campaign insurance company money belonging to women and children.

The Power of a Voice.

Stories abound to illustrate the power possessed by great speakers and actors to stir the emotions by the tones of the voice. It is said of the elder Booth that he brought tears to the eyes of a company upon one occasion by the way in which he uttered the opening words, "Our Father," of the Lord's Prayer.

A Scotch Test.

Auchtermuchty is the happy town which every Scot, proud of his unpronounceable tongue, uses as a shibboleth to test the linguistic skill of the stranger. If you cannot say "Auchtermuchty" you are still an uneducated barbarian. The meaning of the word happens to be as monstrous as its sound. "The high ground of the wild sow" is not a name one would choose for a garden city. People, however, are found to flock to it as a summer resort, and as it has a lover's pool the town has probably attractions more real than its name. In the early part of the last century Auchtermuchty went bankrupt and was deprived of all its property except the jail and one or two other assets of an equally necessary character. It is now rich, peaceful and radical.

The Earth and Man Compared.

If it were possible for a man to construct a globe 800 feet in height—much less than twice the height of the Washington monument—and to place upon any portion of its surface an atom one four thousand three hundred and eighty-four of an inch in diameter and one one hundred and twenty-eighth of an inch in height, it would correctly denote the proportions man bears to the gigantic globe upon which he stands.

Prehistoric Anecdotes.

Eve had a new gown made of her usual fig leaves.

"Why don't you make a costume of those beautiful violets?" inquired Adam.

"Poor wash goods," replied Eve. "You know that violets are shrinking flowers."—Pittsburgh Post.

Bringing the Paradox Home.

"Pa, what's a paradox?"

"It is when the impossible happens."

"Then we had a paradox here this evening. Ma said you couldn't possibly be expected home before midnight, because you had an excuse for staying downtown."—Chicago Record-Herald.

Attached.

"How do you like me for a traveling companion?" asked the detective as he handcuffed his prisoner to himself.

"Oh, I'm very much attached to you," replied the prisoner promptly.

The Usual Result.

Little Willie—Pa, I'll be awful glad when I get old enough to do as I please. Pa—Naturally, my son, and when you reach that age you'll probably get married and not do it.

Man is a spirit and bound by invisible bonds to all men.—Thomas Carlyle

Fate of Alcibiades.

The brilliant, witty and dissolute Alcibiades had one of the most extensive experiences in exile that ever fell to the lot of man. While in command of the Sicilian army he was recalled to stand trial for the destruction of the busts of Heracles, an outrage that had taken place just before his departure. Knowing that his death had been determined on, he escaped to Sparta, where, by adopting the manners of the people, in strange contrast to his former style of luxury, he became immensely popular. He engaged in military operations against the Athenians and succeeded so well as to excite the envy of the Spartan leaders, who expelled him, whereupon he went to Persia and lived there with a magnificence that astonished the Persians themselves. He was recalled to Athens with the same capriciousness that marked his ostracism and was appointed commander in chief of all the Athenian forces; but, falling in an important expedition, he was again sent into exile and was finally assassinated in Persia.

A Fashion That Failed.

Charles II. attempted to put down the mutability of fashion—in masculine costume. On Oct. 5, 1666, as Pepps records, the king declared in council "his resolution of setting a fashion in clothes, which he will never alter. It will be a vest. I know not just how, but it is to teach the nobility thrift and will do good." Six days later Pepps sees the Duke of York try on the new "vest," which is again declared to be like the laws of the Medes and Persians. It was "a long cassock close to the body, of black cloth and plaited with white silk under it, and a coat over it, and the legs ruffled with black ribbon like a pigeon's leg." But Louis XIV. maliciously dressed all his footmen in this costume, and so did French noblemen, with the result that the English court very soon discarded the "unalterable" costume.

Opaque Windows.

The building contractor let loose some of his most emphatic phrases when he found that the man who had been hired to daub whitening all over the windows had not half done the job.

"That man doesn't seem to understand what the windows in a half finished building are whitened for," he said. "We don't plaster them over with chalk to prevent the public from seeing the unfinished condition of the interior, but to keep the workmen from botching out the glass. Transparent glass looks just about as transparent as air to the man who is moving a wooden or iron beam in a hurry, and he is likely to run the end of it through an expensive window, but when the glass is coated with white it becomes visible, and the workmen hand their material in through the door."—New York Times.

A Dandy in Fiji.

The styles in Fiji may not concern us deeply, and of course we may not copy any of them except in a swimming tank. Still, they have styles. A returning traveler, interviewed in London, says the prevailing mode is two yards of blue jeans combined with a clintz pattern—this for the men. The real pacemakers among the women wear silk pinafores "in town" (meaning Suva), whereas in the country there is no silk and possibly no pinafore.

The beach is the promenade in the Polynesian islands, and there the traveler found the Fijian Berry Wall. He wore trousers and boots, a collar (but no shirt) and a top hat. Naturally, on account of the topper, the observation was made late in the day.—Chicago Post.

Oregonian's Tribute to Bryan.

Bryan's manliness is admired, even by his political enemies. The Oregonian says of him: "How much in earnest is Bryan in his support of Wilson is proved by his subscription of \$1000 to the campaign fund—the first cash subscription he has ever made—and by his giving up \$15,000 worth of lecture contracts to go on the stump at his own expense. The Nebraska oratory will be the more effective, since his hearers know that he seeks no office for himself and is giving his time and money to his party's cause. By this action as well as by the splendid and successful fight against the bosses which he made in the Baltimore convention Bryan is proving himself a far bigger man than he ever was as a candidate. He shines the more in contrast with the man who sacrificed the esteem of his fellow-citizens to aggrandize himself and who descended from the position of idol of his party to become the idol of a mere faction."

SHIPPING WHEAT TO SOUND PORT

PORTLAND TRANSHIPMENTS IN EFFECT AT PRESENT.

Seattle Oriental Shipping Service Places Oregon Metropolitan at Disadvantage.

How Portland would profit by the operation of an oriental steamship line, how Portland is losing from lack of the service, are shown by the movement of the great inland Empire wheat crop to the coast, says the Portland Journal.

Within the last few days 3000 tons of wheat were taken from the North Bank warehouses and transferred to the Northern Pacific for shipment to Seattle, rather than Portland, to be transhipped out of Seattle to the orient because Seattle has oriental service and Portland has not.

Sending the wheat to Seattle was not because the transportation is cheaper. It costs twice as much operating expense to send a freight train out of the inland empire over the mountains to Seattle as it does to send a freight train down the river to Portland. The rate over the mountains is, of course, the same, but it is based on the water grade haul to Portland.

It is known that the Harriman lines are having the same difficulty as the North Bank. Loring the 3000 tons of business makes a difference of about \$27,000 to the railroad. But the 3000 tons is only a drop in the bucket compared to the 60,000 or more tons of wheat which will be shipped to Seattle for transshipment to the orient this year, out of the inland empire, because Portland lacks the oriental service.

It is contended that Portland should not be so illly equipped to handle the business out of her tributary territory and that this city cannot afford to lose the business which is constantly growing greater.

It is asserted that the interests of Portland directly concerned and the public spirited citizens generally should bring to bear an influence that will give this city transportation facilities so that business which should be Portland's shall be handled by Portland instead of being lost to Portland. It is stated that the railroads having spent large sums to build into Portland because of the confidence in business development are ready to furnish the tonnage for the oriental line when the oriental line is organized to come after the business.

ADS. SHOW TIMBER FRAUDS

Entrymen for Land in Oregon Given Illegal Proposition.

A Salem dispatch says: "Men wanted to file on valuable timber claims close to coast; exceptional opportunity. 54 Continental block." This evidently was printed in a Salt Lake paper.

What Attorney General Crawford designates as a "sure-thing swindle" is revealed in a letter received today by the attorney general from J. S. Early of Salt Lake. Mr. Early enclosed the above "want ad." He said he learned the timber was supposed to be in Benton and Polk counties, Oregon.

The proposition, he said, was that he should pay the agents \$100 for locating him and securing title to the land, and that then lumber companies would pay him 60 cents per thousand for the standing timber. He asked the attorney general if there was valuable timber land here to be filed on, and if it could be done in the proposed manner legally.

The attorney general advised him to cling to his \$100 saying the timber land of value was practically all taken and that even if it were not so, the scheme proposed would lay him criminally liable for taking a timber claim practically as a dummy for the benefit of a lumber company.