

PLAY LONE HAND

Will Uncle Sam in Eastern Trouble
Russia Thought to be Bluffing
Her Assurances Very Vague

London, April 25—Up to a late hour this afternoon the foreign office refused further information concerning the Eastern crisis. This unusual reticence is construed as showing the extreme delicacy of the situation.

Despite the refusal of the foreign office to give out information it is rumored that plans for a joint protest by Great Britain, Japan and the United States are being formulated with the greatest rapidity, and that some action will be taken within the next 48 hours.

There is a strong belief in government circles that Russia in her demands on China relative to Manchuria, is trying to perpetrate a bluff, to see how strong the Anglo-Japanese alliance is. It is believed that Russia will make a display of force in an endeavor to cause England to break from the new alliance but if the alliance resists with a counter demonstration it is believed Russia will back down.

Washington, April 25—Secretary Hay has sent to President Roosevelt a complete statement of the case and its bearings upon American interests. No reply has yet been received and it is apparent that the matter is looked upon as one so important that it should be given the most careful consideration.

Stories that a joint protest will be made by Japan, England and the United States are unworthy of consideration, as the United States will play a lone hand.

Hay has received a note from the Russian Ambassador reiterating Russia's previous declaration of good will toward the United States and reasserting that her policy in Asia is one far from calculated to work harm to this country. Its tenor, like that of all forerunning Russian notes regarding Manchuria, is so extremely general as to throw no light upon Russia's intentions.

Congressional Matters

(Oregonian Sunday April 26)

If Democrats are going to elect Reams to Congress their candidate must get more votes in the First District than did Chamberlain in the race for Governor last June. Furnish carried the district against Chamberlain by a plurality of 1194 votes.

Hermann is regarded by Republicans as a much better vote-getter than Furnish. Many Democrats who see that Hermann will carry Marion and Douglas, two counties which lined up for Chamberlain, believe that their party is comforted by a Republican plurality which cannot be beaten, if Republicans will turn out and vote.

United States Senator Fulton was in Portland and estimated that Hermann would carry the district by a plurality

between 4000 and 5000. "Hermann should get 2000 or 3000 more votes in the district than did Furnish," said Senator Fulton.

Cut Rates

A rate war has been declared by shippers engaged in the coasting trade. The Dollar Steamship Company has announced a cut in the rates on merchandise carried from San Francisco to Gray's Harbor. The prevailing rate hitherto has been \$2 a ton, and the vessels of the Dollar Line will hereafter carry freight to the northern port for \$1 a ton. The reason given for the cut in rates is that rival firms are reducing rates on the coast.

The companies now having steamers on the Gray's Harbor run are the Polard Steamship Company and Sudden & Christianson. The officers of the Polard Steamship Company say that they will meet the reduction and may go even lower.

STATE AND GENERAL NEWS.

To referendum a law will cost from \$30,000 to \$40,000.

A large vein of good coal has been discovered and opened at Wilhoit Springs by F. C. Barston.

Pacific University has won her second oratorical contest, which took place on Saturday at Forest Grove. Governor Chamberlain will not go on the stump. He says he is governor of all the people.

Ex-Governor Geer will go on the stump for Hermann.

Forest Grove has a Civic Improvement society which is accomplishing much in a quiet way in making some city improvements.

Mrs. Adams, of Glad Tidings, Clackamas County, was terribly injured in a runaway in Woodburn Saturday morning. She has just arrived in Woodburn and was in her buggy driving, when a gravel train passed and frightened her horse. The animal whirled around, and Mrs. Adams was thrown out, her head being caught in the wheels. She was cut so badly on the forehead, the sides and the top of her head, that the whole scalp could be raised. Both ears were nearly torn off.

Log drivers at La Grande have struck for an advance in wages.

Jeff Jackson a crazy man of Baker City ran amuck in Baker City last Wednesday. He had a gun. He has not been captured yet.

The gold output for Jackson county will reach \$2,000,000 for the past year.

Stodard Brothers saw mill at Baker City burned Friday. Loss \$10,000. The fire was caused from a spark from an engine on the Sumpter valley railroad.

H. S. Gum was arrested at Sumpter Tuesday, charged with threatening to kill Jo Nat Hudson, a lawyer. Gum was placed under bonds to keep the peace.

It seems the nefarious fire fiend who is trying to burn down Portland is meeting with quite a success. He counts his fires by the score and the losses now foot up to over \$1,000,000.

The Harriman railroad syndicates has paid its portion for the Lewis & Clark Fair. The amount is \$30,000.

The Lane County Electrical Company are going to build a new office building at Eugene.

J. L. Beaver and Mr. Beebe of Springfield, are putting up a new sawmill near Pleasant Hill with a capacity of 10,000 feet per day.

All the opium joints in La Grande were raided Wednesday night.

Governor Chamberlain has appointed M. E. Biggs, a well known attorney at Prineville, to succeed W. A. Booth as County Judge of Crook County. Both Biggs and Booth are Democrats.

Dr. J. S. Herndon, of Ashland, has been appointed a regent of the Ashland

Normal School. He succeeds Judge Orr whose term has expired.

J. W. Ingles, candidate for Congress on the Socialist ticket, and M. W. Wilkes of Berkeley, Cal., opened the Socialist campaign in Roseburg Wednesday.

Two children of Edward Chipman, foreman of the Reed mine, near Ballard's Landing was drowned in the Snake River Monday.

It has been decided by the Attorney General that Malitia men are exempt from road tax.

Rupert L. Jones, a foreman on the S. P. has sued the company in the circuit court at Roseburg for \$15,000 damages sustained from injuries in an accident at Myrtle Creek, Jan. 9, 1902. Jones right arm was broken and he received internal injuries which he alleges will futher incapacitate him from work. The negligence alleged is a defective roadbed and track. A. M. Crawford and J. T. Long are his attorneys.

CIRCUIT COURT MATTERS

Preliminary Action Taken on Cases Pending For This Term.

April Term 1903

At the preliminary sessions of the circuit court held at the county seat, action was taken in several cases, as indicated by the following docket entries:

1421—David Morse, Jr. to I Hacker. Assignment, A E Seaman, att'y. Report of sale of real property filed.

1479—W H S Hyde vs J P Maxton, et al, suit for partition, D L Watson, att'y for pl't'f. Continued.

1522—Katherine West to A D Morse, assignment, J M Upton atty for assignee. Continued.

1708—Tenbrook Bros to J T Hall, assignment, J T Hall, atty. Final report filed.

1758—T S Stillwell to A D Morse assignment, atty, J M Upton. Continued.

1806—Virginia Kruse vs Alice Kruse et al, suit for partition. On motion to confirm, J W Bennett, atty for pl't'f. Sale confirmed.

1949—W E Baines vs C B R & E R R & N Co, action at law, J W Bennett & A J Sherwood attys for pl't'f, J S Coke atty for defts. Deft given leave to file second amended answer.

1982—John Snyder vs Lucian Gignac, action at law, A E Seaman, atty for pl't'f. Continued.

2032—Margaret Cardell vs E W Cardell et al, suit for partition. Hall & Hall atty for pl't'f. Continued.

2033—F Timmerman vs W G Webster et al suit to foreclose mortgage on motion to confirm J W Bennett atty for pl't'f. Sale confirmed.

2034—John Bear vs A Markievitch, suit for injunction and damages J W Bennett atty for pl't'f, Hall & Hall atty for deft. Referees report filed.

2041—Julian Ringuo vs Oregon Coal & Navigation Co, action for damages, M Henri Labbe, E B Watson & A J Sherwood atty for pl't'f, J W Bennett & J S Coke atty for deft. Continued.

2045—Frank Lingren vs Chas Lingren action at law on motion to confirm, J W Bennett atty for pl't'f. Sale confirmed.

2047—Florence Sheridan et al vs Empire City a municipal corporation; suit to quiet title, J W Bennett and C F McKnight atty for pl't'f, Hall & Hall atty for deft. Referees report filed. On motion to file amended answer.

2050—Mary A Mehl, et al, vs Frank Tension, action for possession of real property, J. M. Upton, atty for pl't'f; Hall & Hall atty, for deft. Settled and dismissed.

2051—Thos. H. Walker vs E B Burns action at law, A E Seaman, atty for pl't'f, Hall & Hall atty's for deft. Set for trial Monday.

2052—Frank Tension vs Mary A. Mehl et al, cross bill in equity, Hall & Hall atty's for pl't'f. Dismissed.

2058—Thos E. Ryan vs George Quigley,

action at law E B Seabrook and M L Pipes, atty's for pl't'f. C. F. McKnight atty for deft. Dismissed.

2054—Noah A Kendall vs Matilda H Kendall, suit for divorce, W C Chase, atty for pl't'f; A J Sherwood, atty for deft. Dismissed on motion of plaintiff.

2055—C C Pratt, claimant and respondent, vs Fannie Hougard, executrix of estate of A C Hougard, deceased appellant, appeal from county court, J S Coke and E L C Farrin, atty for pl't'f; W U Douglas, atty for deft. Dismissed.

2056—Adam Pershaker vs George Ross action at law, A J Sherwood, atty for pl't'f. Dismissed.

2057—Gustaf Nyland vs Alfred Hagland and Helma Hagland, action at law, W U Douglas, atty for pl't'f. Dismissed on motion of plaintiff.

2058—Great Central Railroad company vs Carl E Pelz suit for injunction, J Thornburn Ross E B Seabrook atty for pl't'f, L A Roberts atty for deft. Settled and dismissed.

2059—E O Hall vs Coos Bay Mill & Lumber company action for the recovery of personal property Hall & Hall atty for pl't'f, J W Bennett atty for deft. Settled and dismissed.

2060—Buffalo Pitts Co, a corporation vs H Powell, Matt Nystrum and S B Hermann action at law, Pipes & Tift; and E B Seabrook atty for pl't'f, L A Roberts atty for deft. Demurrer overruled and deft given until Monday morning to answer.

2061—Marie Miller vs Henry Miller suit for divorce, Hall & Hall atty for pl't'f. Default.

2063—Henry Sengstacken vs J T McCormac suit for injunction, J Thornburn Ross and E E Seabrook atty for pl't'f, Hall & Hall and A E Seaman atty for deft. Leave given to withdraw demurrer and file answer. Motion to strike out and motion to elect one of two defenses argued and submitted.

2064—Henry Sengstacken vs Jobithan K Hawkins suit to quiet title J Thornburn Ross and E B Seabrook atty for pl't'f. Default and Decree.

2065—Rogue River Packing & Navigation Co vs Stephen Gallier action at law Hall & Hall atty for pl't'f, A E Seabrook atty for deft. Leave given to withdraw demurrer and file answer.

2067—Fred Holm vs schooner Annie E Smale, action at law Hall & Hall atty for pl't'f. Settled and dismissed.

2068—Noble Bros vs schooner Annie E Smale, action at law, J Thornburn Ross and E B Seabrook atty's for pl't'f. Settled and dismissed.

2069—Harvey T Schweers vs Sarah A Watson suit for partition Sperry & Chase, atty for pl't'f, A J Sherwood and J W Bennett atty's for deft. Motion withdrawn and defendant given until Monday morning to answer.

2070—C H Bannings vs C G A Romander and J B Dully as county treasurer, of Coos county, suit for injunction, Sperry & Chase, attys for pl't'f. A J Sherwood atty for deft. Demurrer argued and submitted.

2071—A J Hamlen, vs W P Bovee, suit for specific performance, Sperry & Chase atty for pl't'f, W Sinclair atty for deft. Demurrer withdrawn and answer to be filed Monday morning.

2074—Lee Crew vs C H Crew, suit for divorce, J M Upton, atty for pl't'f. Default.

2075—Thos D Holland vs Coos Bay Mill & Lumber Co, action at law, to recover money, Hall & Hall atty for pl't'f. Set for trial Monday.

2076—C O Johnson, admr vs Elbert Dyer, L A Roberts atty for pl't'f, J M Upton for deft. Deft given leave to withdraw demurrer and file answer.

2077—C O Johnson, admr vs — Clinton, L A Roberts for pl't'f J M Upton for deft. Deft given leave to withdraw demurrer and file answer.

2078—Dora Herman vs Geo U Holcomb, et al, Hall & Hall for pl't'f. Continued for term.

2079—John Telleison vs H R Reed, J S Coke for pl't'f J M Upton for deft, Deft given leave to withdraw demurrer and file answer.

TIMBER LAND, ACT JUNE 3, 1878 NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

United States Land office, Roseburg, Oregon, Feb. 5, 1903. Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892.

WILLIAM W PRIBBLE, of Mt Monroe St., Portland, county of Multnomah, State of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 4493, for the purchase of the SE 1/4, of Sec. No. 14, Tp 26 S, R 12 west, and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before the Register and Receiver of this office at Roseburg, Oregon, on Monday, the 6 day of July, 1903.

He names as witnesses: Oscar Edwards, of Oakland, Oregon; George Finley, Galen V Kump, of Crawfordville, Oregon; E N Smith, of Myrtle Point, Oregon.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 6 day of July, 1903.

I. T. BRIDGES, Register.

TIMBER LAND, ACT JUNE 3, 1878, NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

United States Land Office, Roseburg, Oregon, Feb. 20, 1903. Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892.

WALTER L. CONDOR, of Marshfield, county of Coos, state of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 4493, for the purchase of the E 1/2 of NE 1/4, NW 1/4 of NE 1/4, Sec. 10, and SW 1/4 of SE 1/4, of Sec. No. 3, Tp. No. 24 South, Range No. 13 West and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before W. U. Douglas, U. S. Commissioner for Oregon at Marshfield, Oregon, on Saturday, the 6th day of May, 1903.

He names as witnesses: Chas Noble, W H Noble, L M Noble, David Mussen, all of Marshfield, Oregon.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 6th day of May, 1903. I. T. BRIDGES, Register.

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