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WEATHER
Rain. Max., 51; min., 45.
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THIS MINING DISTRICT IS FIRST IN ORE

Josephine County Awarded First Honors for Mine Run of Gold Ores—Grants Pass Sent 5000 Pound Exhibit to Convention.

SISKIYOU COUNTY IS FIRST IN SPECIMEN ROCK

Various Mines From Southern Oregon District Represented at Spokane.

GRANTS PASS, Ore., Feb. 17.—Telegraphic messages to Grants Pass today from the Northwest Mining convention, in session at Spokane, report that Josephine county, Oregon, was awarded first honors for mine run of gold ores. Grants Pass sent 5000 pounds of ore to the northwest convention, various mines being represented by from 200 to 500 pounds of ore each. The Spokane Mining Men's club today wired Grants Pass thanking this city for making the big display of ore.

Siskiyou county, Cal., won first prize on display of specimen rock.

COLVIG SPEAKS FOR SELF, NOT FOR CLUB

"In opposing the good roads bills, I wish it understood that I am speaking for myself only and not for the Commercial club," states President Colvig of the Medford Commercial club.

"I have no fault to find with the Mail Tribune's editorial criticism of my position," he continued, "save where it is intimated that I opposed mining or mining operations. This is false. No one does more to promote mining and exhibit our mining resources than myself."

TROOPS GUARDING MEXICAN CONSULATE

EL PASO, Tex., Feb. 17.—United States troops today are guarding the Mexican consulate here as the result of a demonstration against Consul Blorente because the latter insisted upon the release of the American soldiers who inadvertently invaded Mexico on Thursday.

Leon Martinez is under arrest, charged with inciting the riot. It is charged that he and his wife led a mob, which attacked the consulate late last night.

8200 CARS THIS YEAR AT YAKIMA

NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., Feb. 17.—A total fruit crop of 8200 cars is the outlook for the Yakima valley harvest if the weather remains propitious. There will be 4,000,000 packages of apples, or 6200 cars. Peaches ought to total 1350 cars, pears 400 and the smaller fruits enough to make the grand total mentioned above.

To box this fruit 25,000,000 feet of lumber will be required. For labor in picking, grading and packing the enormous sum of $1,500,000 will be required.

EMPRESS MAY HAVE KILLED SELF

PEKIN, Feb. 17.—Reports that the empress dowager, broken hearted by the success of the republicans, had committed suicide, were spread throughout the city today and caused great excitement. No confirmation of the report could be obtained and it is generally doubted.

FLAYS INITIATIVE

GEORGE W. WICKERSHAM
PHOTO BY MORANS

WICKERSHAM, FOR PRESIDENT, FLAYS POPULAR LAWS

Attorney General Declares All Progressive Policies Are "Insensate"—Sarcastically Refers to Initiative and Referendum.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Feb. 17.—Progressive policies—and particularly those for judicial reform—were called "insensate" in a speech indorsed by President Taft which Attorney General George W. Wickersham delivered before the City club here this afternoon in the direct interest of Taft's renomination.

Wickersham sarcastically referred to the initiative and referendum "postal card lawmaking" and declared that popular legislation and direct primaries destroyed the dignity of office, resulting in "driving from the field that class of men formerly thought most desirable—those whom the office seeks, not those seeking office."

Wickersham said in part:

"There has been much nonsense concerning the so-called usurpation of power by the federal judiciary in pronouncing laws of state legislatures or of congress unconstitutional. The very nature of our written constitution implies that the representatives of the people can exercise only the powers conferred upon them in the constitution, and the judiciary must necessarily adjudge void any act not authorized by the constitution.

"This does not suppose superiority of the judiciary to the legislative power. It only supposes that the power of the people is superior to both; and that where the will of the legislature stands in opposition to the will of power declared in the constitution the judges ought to be governors by the latter.

"I am in entire sympathy with the reasons that led to the enactment of laws providing for the nomination of candidates by direct election, but systems by which the laws are made by postal card and by popular petition tend to destroy the dignity of office, so as to make it unattractive even to those who might otherwise subject themselves to the scramble of a primary in order to reach a field of public usefulness."

Wickersham, in concluding, recommended better salaries and longer terms as a means of attracting better judges to the bench.

SAYS TAFT IS MAKING GAINS

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 17.—"The opposition to the renomination of President Taft is diminishing," was the news Secretary of the Treasury MacVeagh brought to Washington today when he returned from a political junket.

"The most influential republicans of the west are forming Taft clubs," he continued, "and the movement for the president's renomination is spreading fast."

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal.—The fashionable Fairmont hotel has raised the ban on cigarette smoking by women. Matrons and maids, 100 strong, gathered in the hotel parlors last night to enjoy their after dinner cigarettes.

WOULD CHECK COURT POWER TO REVIEW LAW

Ben Lindsey and His Associates in the Direct Legislation League of Colorado Propose Drastic Reform in Colorado State Constitution.

LAW PREVENTS COURT FROM KILLING INITIATIVE LAWS

Only State Supreme Court Can Declare Law Unconstitutional and That Power Is Checked.

DENVER, Colo., Feb. 17.—Drastic reform of the Colorado state constitution, especially in the powers of the courts to review the laws, is prominent in an amendment to the state constitution which today is being prepared by Judge Ben Lindsey and his associates in the Direct Legislation league.

The amendment removes the power to declare any law unconstitutional from all courts except the state supreme court. Even it cannot declare any law invalid except under certain conditions. Laws passed by the legislature cannot be questioned after nine months. Within that time the attorney general or any citizen may bring an original proceeding in the supreme court to determine their constitutionality. Existing laws may be contested within one year and after that no court is to be empowered to touch them. City or county ordinances shall be unquestionable after six months if not tested before the expiration of that time.

The vote of five of the seven supreme court judges shall be required to declare any law unconstitutional.

The proposed amendment prevents the supreme court or any court declaring unconstitutional any law passed by means of the initiative and referendum.

STOKES SUFFERS "DEATH BLOW"

NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—W. E. D. Stokes, the millionaire horseman who was the target for Lillian Graham and Ethel Conrad in a sensational shooting affray in the girls' apartments, is convinced today that he is dying as a result of a mysterious injury inflicted upon him by a jiu jitsu expert. After the shooting Stokes was attacked by a Japanese servant, who believed he had attempted to kill the girls. One of them struck him over the left kidney and the organ has been causing him intense pain ever since.

Stokes consulted with many jiu jitsu experts and says he learned the Japanese have a subtle means of attack, known as the "death blow," which results fatally months after it is inflicted. The millionaire is satisfied that he is a victim of the "death blow."

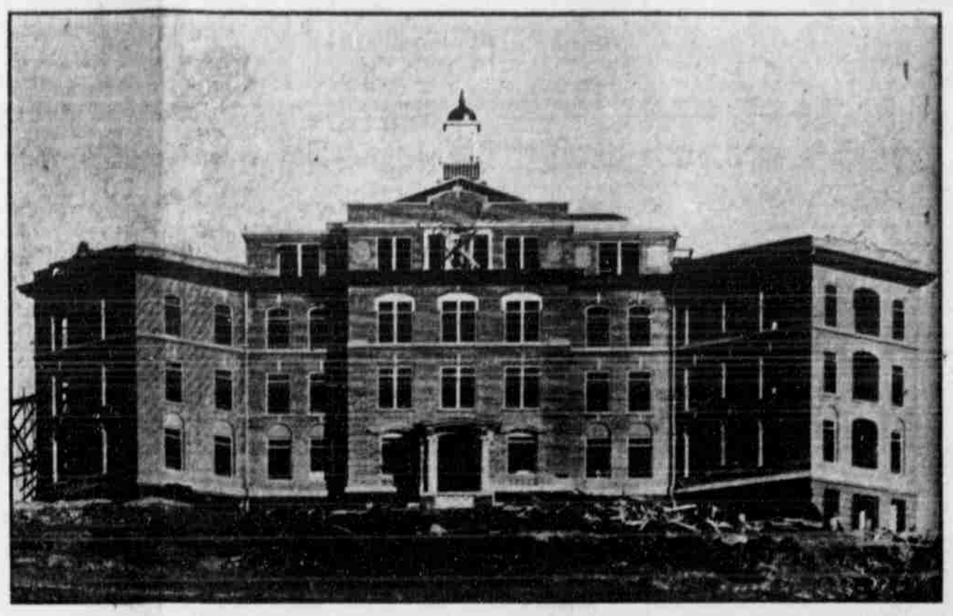
JACKSONVILLE NAMES CITY CANDIDATES

Nominations were made at Jacksonville Friday evening for city officers to be elected March 5. Dr. T. T. Shaw was nominated to succeed himself as mayor; Fred J. Fick, W. I. McIntyre, Emil Butt and Louis Ulrich were nominated as councilmen; S. C. Whittington, city recorder, and Jas. Cronemiller, treasurer.

SUICIDE RATE IS HIGH IN CAPITAL OF AUSTRIA

VIENNA, Feb. 17.—In the annual roll of suicides, Vienna still stands at the top of the list of the big cities of Europe. There have been 1416 suicides or attempted suicides here in the last year. The list includes seven children under 14 years of age. They ended their lives because of unfavorable school reports and fear of punishment at home.

New Hospital Which Is to Be Dedicated Tomorrow



Sunday, February 18, will mark an important event in the city, the dedication of the new $150,000 Sacred Heart hospital, which has just been completed. The public is cordially invited to attend the ceremonies Sunday. A number of prominent business men in the city will take part in the afternoon's program. The dedication services will be conducted by Archbishop Christie of Portland.

EGYPT'S THRONE CENTER OF FIGHT

Wives of Khedive Are Carrying on Bitter Struggle for Control—Lord Kitchener Takes a Hand in the Game.

CAIRO, Egypt, Feb. 17.—A fierce fight for the Egyptian throne is going on behind the scenes between the khedivah and the khedive's first wife and consort and the ex-Austrian princess, now known as Princess Zubeida, the khedive's second but favorite wife. So serious has become the situation that Lord Kitchener, the British agent general and real ruler of Europe, has felt it incumbent upon him to intervene.

England has no intention of permitting the reins of Egyptian government to fall into the hands of a woman who by nationality is hostile to British expansion. The British authorities suspect that Austria and Germany are not altogether disinterested onlookers in the princess' anti-khedivah plottings, and as the princess has tremendous influence with her husband, England recognizes her as a dangerous opponent.

DAIRIES WILL BE INSPECTED

Chief Deputy E. T. Judd of the State Dairy and Food Commission Here to Make an Investigation of Local Conditions.

With the arrival of Chief Deputy E. T. Judd, of the state dairy and food commission, local dairies and markets are due for a general inspection, and cleaning up, if their condition does not meet with the approval of Mr. Judd.

Mr. Judd will be asked to give instructions on up-to-date methods of caring for dairies and food products. In addition to dairy inspection, he will investigate conditions in hotels, meat markets, groceries and bakeries.

ENGLAND CLOSELY WATCHING POLITICS IN AMERICA

LONDON, Feb. 17.—The British public is taking an unusually bright inteerst in the political situation in the United tates. The papers are printing dispatches from their American correspondents.

Such papers as the Times, Telegram, Post and Standard give the situation prominence in the editorial columns. The Times says it would seem as though Roosevlt is to be put in office if the efforts of the advance wing are to count. Also, it says, it does look as though Roosevelt will refuse the nomination if it comes to him.

CENTRAL SELLING AGENCY FAILS

Resolutions, However, Are Adopted Recommending That Permanent Committees Be Appointed to Consider Matter.

Efforts to unite the big four fruit districts of the northwest, Rogue River, Hood River, Yakima and Wenatchee and form a common selling agency, either by the purchase of the Northwestern Fruit exchange or other plan, has failed for this year.

Manager K. S. Miller of the Rogue River Fruit and Produce association returned Saturday from Portland, where he attended a joint conference of these associations. He reports the adoption of the following resolution:

"Whereas, The committees from Rogue River Cashmere and Hood River are unanimously in favor of the co-operation of the large fruit sections of the northwest, and

"Whereas, The tonnage represented at this meeting is only a small portion of the entire output of the northwest; therefore be it

"Resolved, That the committees give this information to the various organizations which they represent and recommend that permanent committees be immediately apopinted from Rogue River, Hood River, Wenatchee and Yakima to further consider this question and that these committees be urged to take up this important work at the earliest convenient date."

"MONEY TRUST" IS DENOUNCED

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 17.—Comparing the "money trust" to the Black Hand and similar organizations, and protesting strongly against the Aldrich banking plan for the concentration of the money power and the private issue of legal tender, Congressman Henry, of Texas, today woke up the house with a red hot speech.

"It is high time," said Henry, "that this house should inquire into the Black Hand methods of the financial Mafia. No effective legislation is possible to control the ramifications of currency legislation, trusts and corporations, until congress understands methods of the insidious and almost supreme money power. Should we not know something of the depty of villainy into which this financial Mafia will descend before we re-write our currency laws—before we swallow the Aldrich plan?"

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal.—"I had one helluva time blowing it out; don't light it again." This was the first intelligible sentence from Peter Silverino, who was found nearly dead after blowing out the gas in his room.

NAME YUAN SHI KAI A WASHINGTON

Without a Dissenting Vote Former Premier Is Urged by Republicans to Hasten South and Assume Office.

NANKING, Feb. 17.—Dubbing him a second Washington, the national Chinese assembly today telegraphed Yuan Shi Kai, its unanimously chosen president, to hasten south to confer with the leaders of the republican party with a view to speedy installation of the new order throughout the empire.

The telegram was submitted to the assembly and was ordered forwarded without a word of dissent.

HAWLEY FILES FOR ANOTHER TERM

SALEM, Ore., Feb. 17.—Congressman Willis C. Hawley filed today for the republican nomination for reelection from the first congressional district. He is the only candidate who has filed for that office.

"I will during my term of office," says Mr. Hawley's platform, "faithfully serve all interests of Oregon and her people, including continuing my work, successfully undertaken, of securing appropriations for rivers, harbors and public buildings, extending postal facilities and rural free delivery with better pay for employes; adequate relief for veterans; national assistance in promoting development of our agricultural and horticultural resources, and for good roads; aiding settlers and miners on public domain; opening to development all natural resources and agricultural land within the state; a tariff revision by schedules on the basis of equalizing the difference between labor and manufacture here and abroad; direct election of senators, having already voted for such a constitutional amendment."

WATER SUPPLY FAILS

The city's water supply failed shortly after noon today as far as the main line from Butte creek is concerned and it may be 24 hours before the line is in working order again, so it behooves all who use water to store a certain amount tonight before the pressure goes off the city mains.

While there is water in the reservoir this is being reserved for use in case of fire.

It is believed that high water carried away the dam at the intake.

NEW RAINFALL RECORD MADE 12 HOUR PERIOD

Precitation Last Night Totaled 1.15 Inches, Which Is Greatest Rainfall Recorded by Local Weather Bureau During Twelve Hours.

LOCAL STREAMS RISING RAPIDLY; SNOW GOES

During Present Storm 1.89 Inches of Rain Falls—Still Shy on Average.

Rogue river has raised 12 feet during the present storm and is still rising. The water at Gold Ray today registered 14.6. Normal is 2.6. To date no damage has been done.

Bear creek continues to rise this afternoon.

With a precipitation of 1.15 inches of rain Friday night between the hours of 5 p. m. and 5 a. m., all records for a 12 hour period in southern Oregon are broken, according to officials of the local United States weather bureau. This precipitation brings the total for the storm to 1.89 and for the season to 10.87. This is still 2.31 inches shy of the average.

Continued rain is predicted for tonight and Sunday.

The heavy rainfall Friday night brought up all of the local streams to their highest point this year. Bear creek set a new mark for itself this season, as did Rogue river. Little Butte creek was so high that the Pacific & Eastern would not put the large engine ordinarily used over the structure there, but sent out the "one spot" or small engine for the train.

Rogue river is the highest it has been this season, but is doing no damage.

According to reports from the orchard districts of the valley the rain failed to do any damage but was most beneficial.

The heavy downpour took a great portion of the snow off the mountains and this is responsible for the rapid rise in the streams.

The high water in the Rogue today carried away the temporary fish ladders at the Ament dam.

High water is also supposed to have damaged the city's intake on Little Butte creek, the water supply having failed today. Crews have been sent out to repair this damage.

GIMLET PIERCES WOMAN'S EYE

Mrs. A. L. Ingraham of Sams Valley Undergoing Treatment for Painful Injury—Gimlet Slips and Strikes Her Eyeball.

Mrs. A. L. Ingraham of Sams valley is undergoing treatment as the result of a peculiar accident recently. Her eye was badly damaged when it came in contact with a gimlet she was using.

Mrs. Ingraham was boring through a shelf with the gimlet having a loaded handle, when the instrument slipped and pierced the eyeball, also carrying a splinter into her eye.

Little Change in Stocks.

NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—At the opening of the short session of the stock market today Canadian Pacific gained a point. This was the only important change when trading began, other active stocks varying only small fractions from yesterday's close. Later Union Pacific was boosted ¾ and Reading and United States Steel ½. The leaders reached their highest figures of the season with the demand arising principally from the shorts who desired to even up on the week.