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THE STATE'S THRESHERMEN GATHER MANY INTERESTING ADDRESSES

ALL SECTIONS OF THE STATE REPRESENTED--AT LEAST 300 DELEGATES IN ATTENDANCE

More Than 1300 of Oregon's Citizens Own or Are Interested in Threshing Machines and Business and More Than \$6,000,000 Is Invested in Threshing Machinery in the State—Delegates Given Luncheon by Board of Trade, Which Is Served at the Asylum—Condon Wants Next Convention.

With a splendid attendance and an elaborate program of speeches, the Oregon State Threshers' association opened its third semi-annual convention in the representative chamber at the capitol building this afternoon. The convention will be in session until tomorrow afternoon and it is expected by this evening the attendance will be swelled to 300 delegates. With the convening of the convention this morning it could boast of being represented by delegations from practically every section in the state.

Many Speeches Made.
Dr. R. N. Avison, pastor of the First Methodist church of this city, opened the convention with prayer. Then followed an address of welcome by Marshall N. Dana, of the Oregon Journal, who in the absence of Governor West represented him. This was followed by a response by William H. Fletcher, president of the association. The delegates then listened to an eloquent address of welcome by F. S. Deckbach, on behalf of the Salem Board of Trade, and a happy response by John W. Minnick, vice-president of the association.

LOS ANGELES WOMEN VOTE ON PROHIBITION

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 7.—The first real test of women's attitude toward prohibition came in the prohibition election here, when the amendment was defeated by over three to one. The latest available figures give prohibition 29,913 and against 83,111.

The fight was waged for and against the adoption of an ordinance drafted by Attorney Newton Newby, executive commissioner of the Good Government League. This is the first prohibition election in which the women of California have voted since they were granted the franchise. The women's political organizations formed to work for suffrage and afterwards to continue to educate the newly enfranchised women in their duties, declared strongly against the prohibition ordinance, and worked against it.

ANOTHER REVOLUTION FOR RUSSIA

St. Petersburg, Dec. 7.—An inspired article in the Ultra-Rasv. Novyevremya gives warning that the Russian revolutionaries are preparing for a fresh upheaval in 1912, which is to take the form of a gigantic peasant rebellion.

The revolutionary propagandists, the newspaper declares, have gone about the country telling the peasants that the Czar has promised to give them all the land to celebrate the victory of Russian arms over Napoleon. The author of the article is the notorious Mienszykoff, who concludes with a tirade against the Jews, who, he says, are the chief cause of the unrest.

In progressive circles it is affirmed that the article was intended to prepare the public mind for a number of reactionary measures, one of which is to make it a criminal offense for members of the orthodox churches to become Protestants or Roman Catholics.

the secretary, Carl R. Gray, president of the Oregon Electric was introduced, and spoke at length, taking for his subject, "Your Future Possibilities." John F. Carroll, managing editor of the Portland Telegram, followed with a talk on "Parcel Post and Good Roads."

Geo. F. Major, of Chicago, who is connected with the Fairbanks, Morse company, delivered an interesting address on the subject, "Adapting the gas tractor to present day conditions." D. O. Lively, vice president of the Portland Union stock yards, was the next speaker, and took for his subject, "How to Increase Your Bank Account." "How Threshermen Will Use Electricity," was the subject of an interesting address delivered by W. T. Buchanan, publicity manager of the Portland, Railway, Light & Power company.

This evening the delegates will listen to a lecture by Professor Calvin C. Thomason on "Old and New Farm Implements."

At the noon hour the delegates sat down to lunch at the asylum. It was given by the board of trade.

Interested in Consolidation.

The chief topic of interest during the forenoon which was devoted by the delegates to registering was the news of the increase of the capital stock of the Rumely company to \$22,000,000 and the taking over of the company of the Advance Company, of Battle Creek, Michigan, and the Gaar-Scott company, of Richmond, Indiana. Six millions it is estimated, was paid for the Advance stock, and an amount greater, it is estimated was paid for the Gaar-Scott company. The consolidation makes the Rumely company the third largest manufacturing company of farm implements in the world, the International Harvester company, being first, and the John Deere company second.

After Convention.

Determined to win for Condon the next convention the people of that thriving little town in eastern Oregon, has sent a strong delegation to the convention and they had hardly stepped from the train before they began work along that line. The delegation consists of Geo. Duesek, president of the First National Bank, of Condon, and president of the "Tri-county Fair association"; Dr. Boyd, and William Campbell, of Condon Commercial club.

Delegates Attending.

Among the delegates attending are: R. N. Morris, Salem; J. B. Turnbull, Junction City; D. F. Eastman, Astoria; Chris Giebelier, Stayton; Fred A. McIntyre, Salem; D. E. Blunston, Salem; Adolph Lester, Corvallis; Wm. J. Buchanan, Jefferson; Phillip S. Bates, Portland; J. C. Stanley, Gresham; J. E. Buchanan, Corvallis; J. W. Pugh, Sheehy; Hieke Oetting, Albany; J. W. Hix, DuPont; J. J. Brookhouse, The Dalles; Otis Taylor, Brownsville; G. O. Graves, Portland; H. S. Johnson, Seilo; J. W. Rhineland, Seilo; O. H. Tommie, Lebanon; J. B. Roth, Albany; Nick Leschy, Albany; Ed. Fausch, Spokane; A. W. Bundy, Geo. Steele, A. W. Lind, Dundart; Geo. Steele, A. W. Lind, Portland; J. S. Green, Portland; A. R. Flint, Seilo; W. F. Buchanan, Portland; Mrs. M. B. Black, Independence; W. A. Campbell, Condon; Geo. Dence, W. A. Campbell, Condon; Geo. B. Duke, Condon; E. T. Dodge, Salem; S. J. Kaufman, P. D. Crouser; Hubbard; S. N. Kaufman, Astoria; E. G. Yoder, Hubbard; Chris Tillar, Parkplace; Carl Grey, president of the Oregon Electric; John Carroll, managing editor of the Telegram; M. Philpott, assistant secretary for the association, and wife and two children; Marshall N. Dana, of the

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Bryan's Mate for Governor

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 7.—Richard Metcalf, William J. Bryan's associate editor of the Commoner, announced today his candidacy for the nomination for the governorship at the primary election. The announcement followed an exchange of cablegrams between Metcalf and Bryan, who is now in the West Indies.

Metcalf's announcement took the form of a letter to the Woodrow Wilson club, of Omaha, and, it is believed, aligns Bryan with Wilson against the Dahlgren crowd, who are supporting Judson Harmon, of Ohio, for the presidential nomination.

TO SETTLE TITLE TO THE LANDS

The Validity of Railroad Title to Granted Lands Unexpectedly Bobs Up and the Question Will Be Settled.

SMALL TRACTS INVOLVED

While the United States Has Brought Suit to Forfeit the Oregon-California Land Grant, It Did Not Include Small Tracts Already Sold This Suit Throws a Cloud on All Lands Sold by the Railroad.

[UNITED PRESS LEARNED WIRE.]

Albany, Or., Dec. 7.—The case of Williams George vs. the Curtis Lumber company, in which the question of the validity of the titles of that part of the Oregon & California land grant not actually attacked in the government suits has been raised for the first time, has been set for trial in the state circuit court here next Monday, and this case has been set for trial beginning Friday morning.

As the decision in this case will be of widespread effect, this trial probably will attract considerable attention. Prominent attorneys from San Francisco and Portland will be here to take part in the trial.

B. D. Townsend, special prosecutor for the government in the big suits for the forfeiture of the grant, has been summoned as a witness for the defendant in this case. A subpoena was served on Mr. Townsend in Portland yesterday. He has raised the question of whether he can be forced to testify in this case because of his official position in a similar case, and it is not known yet whether he will contest the effort to secure his testimony, or appear and testify.

In this case George, who lives in San Francisco is suing the Curtis Lumber company to carry out a contract to buy 160 acres of Lin county timber land. This company refused to take the land it had agreed to buy, because it was a part of the Oregon & California land grant. George asserts the title is good, because of the assurance of the government officials that the owners of that part of this grant, which was sold in tracts of 1600 acres or less, will never be disturbed. The defendant alleges this assurance is not binding on the government, and if the government will its case for forfeiture of the big tracts the small tracts will be subject to the forfeiture, too, and that the titles of the small owners, as well as the large, will be unmarketable.

The defendant set up in its answer a letter from Townsend, in which he admits that the assurance of government officials in this matter are not binding, and it is on this point that the Curtis company wishes to secure his testimony.

If the contention of the defendant in this case is upheld, and Judge Wolverton's decision in the government cases, tried at Portland, is sustained in the higher federal courts, all of the land in the entire grant will be subjected to forfeiture to the

GOVERNMENT WILL USE M'MANIGAL AS A SCOOPNET TO CATCH OTHERS

Stole an Old Picture.

Salt Lake City, Dec. 7.—Police are searching today for an old painting, valued at \$1000, which was stolen from the entrance of the Hotel Lamell and taken from the building, which is less than 100 feet from police headquarters, without detection of the thieves.

The picture is 34 feet in dimensions, is an old Dutch kitchen, painted 100 years ago by Mrs. G. M. Pierce. The theft was reported yesterday afternoon, but the story was bottled up by the police until today when it leaked out.

[UNITED PRESS LEARNED WIRE.]

government. Among the land, the title to which is not directly attacked in the case, but which would come under the same ruling if the defendant's contentions in this case are upheld, is almost half of the town of Mill City, including the entire business section of the town and the big mills of the Curtis Lumber company; a strip of land in the city of Brownsville running to within one block of the main business section of the town, and including stores, lodge halls and small business houses, as well as many residences, and hundreds of acres of improved farming land, besides large areas of timber land in Lin county, and several other Western Oregon counties.

EULALIA UNDULY ULULANT

Paris, Dec. 7.—Infanta Eulalia, aunt of King Alfonso of Spain, whose announced publication of her much discussed book aroused the royal wrath of her young sovereign nephew, is going to Switzerland to continue her writings, fully expecting excommunication by the Roman Catholic church as a result of her rather startling expressions and her views on divorce.

"My book is harmless and never should have caused such an international disturbance," she said to a United Press correspondent today. "In America the work would not be regarded as advanced. This all only goes to show how far behind modern thought the Spanish court lags."

Some of the Infanta's expressions are:

"Divorce offers the advantage of freeing us from considering marriage as an eternal chain, a crushing judgment a prison deliberately chosen to preserve one's livelihood. Should human beings live together for years when their thought and bodies are strangers? Divorce is useful and necessary, and moral. It is inhuman to force a being who for 20 years suffered patiently for the honor of his or her children to pass the rest of his or her days in concubinage and without the right to create a new hearthstone."

GYPSY SMITH BELIEVES A PERSONAL DEVIL

[UNITED PRESS LEARNED WIRE.]
Tacoma, Dec. 7.—That there is a real devil hanging around every man, even before breakfast time, is the defiant assertion of Gypsy Smith, the evangelist here today.

"If there isn't a devil, who is responsible for all the devilment that is done," he the way he clinches his argument.

SAYS HE PAID \$14,000 FOR A GATE CHECK

[UNITED PRESS LEARNED WIRE.]
San Jose, Cal., Dec. 7.—Declaring his father had paid Seventh Day Adventists \$14,000 for a gate check to heaven, A. Merrill is contesting his parent's will in favor of the Loma Linda sanitarium.

GRAND JURY WILL USE STORY AS BASIS OF OPERATIONS WILL GO TO INDIANAPOLIS

Government Is in a Quandary Over the McNamaras, Not Being Able to Use Them as Witnesses, and as They Are Out of Its Jurisdiction So Far As Doing Anything to Commute Their Sentences is Concerned Has No Inducements to Offer to Get Them to Tell as to the Other Persons Implicated.

[UNITED PRESS LEARNED WIRE.]

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 7.—Following a conference between the attorneys for the government held here this morning, it was decided that the first witness would be Ortie E. McManigal. He was taken from the jail by Detective McLaren, who has been his custodian ever since his arrest, and direct to the federal building, where he went before the grand jury at once.

McManigal was to tell the entire story of his alleged operations, and also what both James B. and John J. McNamara had told him of the inner workings of the dynamite conspiracy. His story was to lay the groundwork for the entire structure to be built up by the government which was finally expected to result in wholesale indictments.

So far as the McNamaras were concerned the government is in a decided quandary. Despite the fact that the testimony of neither man would be competent at a trial, Lawler wanted to get them to tell their story, or at least to tell their side of McManigal's allegations. Because of the defiant attitude, however, the government has not fully decided whether to swear them and put them on record as refusing to talk or to dicker with them. Until that point is decided no definite action will be taken in their cases by Lawler.

So far as McManigal is concerned he will occupy for some time the position of "traveling witness," if what District Attorney Fredericks said today is carried out.

"The reports that we will let McManigal go free here and will turn him over to Milwaukee or other cities in the Middle West for prosecution there are unfounded," said Fredericks. "There are certain places where the testimony of McManigal will aid the cause of justice, such as his appearance before the federal grand jury here," said Fredericks.

"But Los Angeles county will retain its claims on him, and his punishment will come here. What that punishment will be is the business of the authorities here."

It is certain that after McManigal is through with his story here he will be taken to Indianapolis to aid in the federal probe there, and later possibly to New York, should he be needed there, but in all his wanderings California will retain its title in him as its prisoner.

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