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GREAT LEAGUE SESSION

Intense Interest Awakened at the Independence Meeting Monday

Independence June 12.—The second Development Convention of Western Oregon was opened at this city today, and the attendance was larger than at Salem or Portland, and the interest was intense.

The Development Convention met at 4 p. m. It was called to order by Secretary Walter Lyon, who introduced Mayor Messner for the address of welcome, which was responded to by President E. Hofer. He referred to the work of the League for Good Roads, and for improving the transportation situation in Oregon.

Hon. B. F. Jones, of Toledo, delivered a masterly address in favor of opening Yaquina bay. He made an eloquent plea for an open harbor for Western Oregon. His remarks were loudly applauded.

His paper was discussed by several speakers, and such interest was taken that it was resolved to spend part of the second day in planning for an open harbor campaign.

At the Park.
After adjournment a clambake and barbecue was served at the city park to about 1000 people. It was a great success. The clams were brought fresh from Yaquina Bay by Hon. B. F. Jones, of Lincoln county, who was the gustatorial hero of the occasion. At 9 o'clock all repaired to the opera house again for the

Evening Program.
Miss Sadie Craven sang a beautiful solo, and was recalled. She has a rich contralto voice, and gives promise of becoming a great singer.

Rev. Elayer, of the First M. E. church, was introduced, and spoke on the kind of men who were needed to develop a country like this, the man who gets there, who does things, who achieves success.

W. P. Elmore, the mayor of Brownsville, was introduced and spoke in a

very happy manner to the immense audience that packed the opera house. Miss Almira Kimberlin sang a solo, and was given a recall, to which she responded very graciously.

Hon. Ike Bingham was next called out for a short speech, and captured the crowd.

Miss Helen Cooper sang a solo in a remarkable lady's baritone voice. She has the deepest intonation ever heard in one so young on the Pacific coast.

W. L. Tooz, of Woodburn, was introduced, and spoke of the struggle from poverty to greatness, and pleased the audience very much. Homer Davenport had now arrived, and the audience was delighted at the sight of him. He gave a number of reminiscences of his boyhood days that pleased everybody. He brought in the old Silverton brass band, in which he beat the snare drum. The Uncle Jake McClains story, when the band went to Portland in honor of Cleveland's first election. He entertained them in a charming manner, and held the audience to a finish.

The Autos Here.
There was an unusual attendance of autocrats. The big 12-seat car run by Manager Baldwin, of the Salem Suburban Automobile Co., made regular trips and carried a great many passengers. The ride is swift, but not disagreeable, and Mr. Davies, the chauffeur, is a competent man, who has mastered the difficult parts of the road.

Great interest is shown in the proposed automobile road from Salem to Newport via Falls City, and the Siletz reservation. It has easy grades and beautiful scenery. Frank Butler, of Falls City, an old surveyor, says it has nothing more than eight per cent grades. He is an enthusiastic supporter of the enterprise, and the distance was only 68 miles.

RUSSIA ACCEPTS THE NOTE

President Roosevelt's Peace Proposition Accepted—Japanese Repulse Attack

Washington, June 13.—The President has received Ambassador Meyer's cable dispatch conveying the formal acceptance by the Russian government of Roosevelt's peace proposition, and confirming the oral communication made by Count Cassini yesterday.

Jews Excluded.
London, June 13.—A dispatch from St. Petersburg states that the functions of the proposed representative assembly has been definitely decided upon. Jews will be entirely excluded from taking part in the election of representatives, who will be selected through the Zemstvos.

Russians Repulsed.
Tokio, June 13.—Marshal Oyama reports that on June 11th some six columns of Russian troops attacked his force in the vicinity of Yingkeehing Erashilpae Shufang Tai, and that all the attacks were repulsed.

Leaves for Washington.
London, June 13.—A report from St. Petersburg states that M. Witte, president of the council of ministers, will leave immediately for Washington, in connection with peace negotiations.

BEEF TRUST INQUIRY

Chicago, June 13.—The beef trust inquiry was resumed by the federal grand jury today. Two prominent Iowa stockmen testified that since the railroads had been compelled to obey the law, requiring livestock to be watered every 24 hours, the roads have broken off their pact with the beef trust. Under the former law the roads retarded shipments at the instance of the trust, in order to regulate the market through daily receipts. Edward G. Davis, representing the South Water street commission men, presented new evidence gathered from the fruit growers against the Armour private car line.

BANTAMS TO CONTEST

Butte, Mont., June 13.—The usual long list of sporting events is being pulled off at Butte today in celebration of Miners' Day. Probably the most important event on the day's program is the fight slated to take place before the Silver Bow Athletic Club late this afternoon between Jimmy Walsh, the Boston bantam, and Owen Moran, the clever little English fighter. The articles call for a twenty-round contest at 116 pounds, the bantam weight limit.

Investigation Completed.
New York, June 13.—Insurance Commissioner Hendricks has completed his investigation of the Equitable and left town. The report will be made public Thursday. Rumor is current that Hyde is a heavy participator in the Ryan syndicate which brought the Hyde stock. It is not expected there will be any serious opposition by the minority to conduct the affairs by the Ryan regime.

Chicago Markets.
Chicago, June 13.—Wheat, 86¢@87; corn 53¢@53½; oats 31¢@30½.

THE NAVY GETTING DEFEATED

Big Guns in the Forts Putting the Boats Out of Commission

Washington, June 13.—A telephone message from Fort Monroe says that at 3 o'clock this morning the battleships and two other vessels of Admiral Dickins' fleet, which appeared off the fort were "sunk" by a vigorous fire of the coast artillery guns. According to the report the smaller vessels of the fleet were sent up the Potomac as scouts, the heavier vessels making a demonstration against Fort Monroe.

Wait Until Dark.
At 10 o'clock this morning a small naval vessel was sighted from Fort Hunt, but quickly disappeared. The day is bright and clear, and artillery officers are of the opinion that it would be almost suicidal for Admiral Dickins to attack until dusk, although they are prepared for any contingency.

THE JUDGE OVERRULED DEMURRER

Portland, June 13.—Judge DeHaven this morning overruled the demurrer of the defense and sustained the indictment, under the federal statutes, in receiving money while the senator was a member of the firm of Mitchell & Tanner, from Frederick A. Krebs, for expediting claims to land patents. The trial was set for Tuesday, June 20th. The jury panel is now being drawn, in the presence of the attorneys for the defense, who were accorded this unusual privilege upon request.

Judge DeHaven, in overruling the demurrer said: "The objections urged against the indictment are as to form, and it is open to criticism, yet I think it substantially charged the offense described in the statute." Senator Thurston, on behalf of Mitchell, filed an exception. Mitchell was then called on to make his plea through his attorney, and pleaded not guilty.

17th ANNUAL SESSION

Pine Bluff, Ark., June 13.—The Arkansas Sunday school association is holding its seventh annual convention here with practically every county in the state well represented. Three days will be taken up with convention proceedings. In addition to reports and other routine business the program provides for practical talks by a number of eminent Sunday school workers, those from outside the state including Sorrells Rhodes, D. D., of Philadelphia, and C. D. Meigs, of Dallas.

67.25 Miles an Hour.
Chicago, June 13.—The Lake Shore special, making a test run from Buffalo to Chicago for the purpose of securing a basis for establishing a fast train from New York to Chicago in competition with the Pennsylvania 18-hour flyer, completed the run of 527 miles yesterday in 470 minutes, making a new record.

Oil Companies on Rock.
St. Louis, June 13.—Attorney General Hadley has begun taking testimony in the investigation of the Standard, Waters, Pierce and Republic Oil Companies, charged with combining to the restraint of trade.

A ROLLING STONE GATHERS NO MOSS, BUT AS HOOKER'S RED CROSS DRUG STORE DON'T WANT TO BE A MOSSBACK, IT WILL CLOSE WEDNESDAY NEXT, AND ITS EMPLOYEES WILL HELP SWELL THE CROWD THAT "HITS THE TRAIL."

LOST DRAFT AND HANGS HIMSELF

Los Angeles Man Who Was to Wed Soon Commits Suicide

Lima, Ohio, June 13.—William Pifer, aged 28, of Los Angeles, who came here to wed an old sweetheart, hung himself last night, because he lost a draft for a small fortune he had made in the West. The bank refused to issue a duplicate. The wedding was set for next Saturday.

VETERANS ARE KILLED

Louisville, June 13.—A special east-bound passenger train on the Southern railroad, bound from St. Louis to Louisville was wrecked a mile west of Golden Gate, Ill. today. The fireman and engineer were killed, and a number of passengers are reported killed and injured. The train was composed of 11 coaches, and was bringing veterans to the confederate reunion.

Wisconsin G. A. E.
La Cross, Wis., June 13.—All trains arriving this morning are pouring scores of G. A. R. Veterans and members of affiliated societies into this city. They come to attend the annual encampment of the veterans' organization of Wisconsin, which will be in progress for two days. General Blackmar, of Boston, commander-in-chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, is the guest of honor.

Sick With Yellow Fever.
Washington, June 13.—Seven new cases of yellow fever on the Isthmus of Panama are reported by Governor Magoon. One death is announced. In each case the men were employed in the open air, where they did not have the benefit of mosquito bars, etc.

THE GRAND JURY IS PROBING

Trying to Find Out Criminal Practice of the Striking Teamsters

Chicago, June 13.—Robert Campbell, of the Peabody Commercial Co., appeared as a witness before the grand jury investigation of the alleged criminal practices of labor leaders in connection with the teamsters' strike. It is understood Campbell was asked to throw light on the alleged use of \$30,000 to prevent a strike of the teamsters against a down-town office building when the unions tried to force the buildings to use coal instead of gas. Joseph Bigrobaki, Chicago agent of a St. Louis brewing concern was questioned as to the possibility of the teamsters' strike having been called at the instance of Chicago brewers, to harm St. Louis brewing interests. Joseph Lapham, of the Lapham Brick Company, testified that before he was able to secure a settlement of the strike against his concern he was forced to pay the men whom he took back full wages for the time they lost while on strike. J. S. Field, of the Knickerbocker Ice Company, testified that in settling the strike against his company no money was used.

CHINESE BOYCOTT

Tien Tsin, June 13.—The Chinese guilds are quietly determined to carry on their plan of boycotting American goods, and the solution is daily becoming more gloomy for American manufacturers. Native newspapers are refusing advertisements of American affairs.

BUSTER BROWN BLUE RIBBON SHOES

MADE BY The Brown Shoe Co. ST. LOUIS

We Shoe BUSTER BROWN AND ALL The OTHER Boys

Barnes' Cash Store
C. T. Barnes, Prop.
WE COMBINE HIGHEST QUALITY WITH LOWEST CASH PRICES.
Our store will remain closed all day tomorrow---Salem day at the Lewis and Clark Fair

Fudge Fudge
and
STAND CARMELS
At
Zinn's
472-480 STATE 330 COURT.

Jos. Meyers & Sons
SALEM'S GREATEST STORE
THE "WHITE CORNER"

STORE CLOSED
All Day Tomorrow - Salem Day at Fair

BARGAINS FOR TODAY
Do your shopping today for your Lewis and Clark trip. You'll find bargains throughout this great store. Everything wanted and needed in wearing apparel for this grand occasion.

REMEMBER THIS STORE CLOSING AT 6 P. M.

Ladies' New Skirts at Sweeping Reductions.
Make your selection today from our entire line of new **SILK, MOHAIR, PANAMA, ETAMINE AND CLOTH SKIRTS** for less than regular

Ladies' Suits Best styles of this season's fashioning. Materials are silk and Mohair. \$17.50, \$18.50 and \$20.00 suits reduced to \$12.35	Men's Suits It does not matter to us what price you pay for a garment. We cannot afford to sell you anything made of poor cloth, the linings of inferior quality, the making slighted in any way. We do not offer you anything but reliable, strictly dependable clothing of the newest styles and patterns. Ready-to-put-on and wear. \$7.50 to \$25.00
\$22.50, \$25.00 and \$27.50 suits reduced to \$15.00	New Shoes NEW ARRIVALS FOR MEN Patent Corona Colt, Bitcher Cut, Balmoral, Tuedo, Chicago and Modern Lasts. Newest styles of known quality. \$3.50 and \$4.00
\$28.50, \$30.00 and \$35.00 suits reduced to \$17.50	Ladies' Shoes Since adding the Pingree Shoe we have taken a giant stride forward in the shoe business. Widths from AAA to EE. Price, kid or patent. \$3.50
New Parasols New showing of the proper styles in summer shades, with or without embroidery or fancy edge. Your outfit is not complete without one. \$1.50 to \$5.00	Thursday Only SPECIAL SALE NO. 232 Special buy of new designs EMBROIDERIES Worth regular 15c yard. Thursday only, instead of Wednesday. 8 1-3c yd