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DANGER OF OUTBREAKS ALARMING

GREAT STIR AT WASHINGTON
LEADS VERIFICATION TO
THE RUMOR.

HUERTA GROWING BITTER

Officials at Vera Cruz Admit Dangers
of Outbreaks Against Americans at
Any Moment—Bryan Reticent In
Discussing Momentous Questions
Now Before the Administration.

Washington, Nov. 6.—Disquieting news is believed to have reached the administration today. Immediately after reaching his office, Secretary Bryan rushed to the president carrying a bundle of dispatches received during the night. A long conference followed. Bryan, when asked if it was true that Huerta told Charge d'Affairs O'Shaughnessy that he must continue in office because no successor was elected, Bryan returned on reply. It is persistently rumored that Huerta has secretly defied the United States, and that Uncle Sam has found it out. Bryan refused to discuss the report that William Bayard Hale, who investigated conditions in Mexico for the president, is in communication with Carranza the rebel leader. That the administration has already received the preliminary reports of the rebels' strength, is known. Lind at Vera Cruz and O'Shaughnessy in Mexico City, are reporting to the state department that anti-American feeling is growing worse. It is believed that outbreaks will result as Huerta is developing a serious bitterness against Wilson for insisting on retirement. It is believed the whole matter will be laid before congress shortly.

Excitement at Vera Cruz.
Vera Cruz, Nov. 6.—Admiral Fletcher, commanding the American naval forces today denied short leave for officers and sailors. Intense excitement prevails as the result of Lind's confirmation of reports that Wilson has notified Huerta he must retire. Anti-American outbreak is feared. There are seven American warships here.

Interference Is Denied.
Paris, Nov. 6.—The foreign office officially denied today that Huerta has asked the French government to mediate between Mexico and the United States.

COOK FOUND GUILTY.
Assault and Battery Case Follows Elgin Assault Case.

The trial of J. A. Cook, of Elgin, charged with ill-treating his wife, terminated this morning with a verdict for the state. The jury did not remain out very long as the evidence seemed complete enough to satisfy the jurymen without a great deal of arguing. Sentence will be pronounced later.

State of Oregon vs. Mills, is the case being tried by the court this afternoon. It is like its immediate predecessor, one of assault and battery. Owing to continued illness of the district attorney, the state is being represented by Attorney R. J. Greene.

Unofficial Totals Show Four Measures Carried By Large Margins Tuesday

Portland, Nov. 6.—Practically complete unofficial returns from Tuesday's election shows the workmen's compensation act passed by a majority of 35, 232, the university repair measure by a majority of 18,049, by 12,199, the county attorney measure by 15,027 and the sterilization measure was defeated by 8,484.

FRED TAYLOR'S HOME IN OGDEN SUFFERS FROM BLACKHANDERS

Word was received this afternoon by Fred G. Taylor, the Amalgamated Sugar company official of Ogden, who is spending a few days here, that his home in Ogden was damaged a day or two ago by a black hand gang that attempted to dynamite the LeRoy Eccles home, adjoining that of Mr. Taylor's. The Eccles home was quite badly wrecked, but shattered windows and a badly scared family were the chief results to the Taylor home. Blackhand letters have been frequently sent to the Eccles family of late. Mr. Taylor has feared that the relatives would be injured by the gangs that infest Ogden and Salt Lake this fall.

MEACHAM LUMBERMAN IS HURT

Jack Henchey, employed by the Casey Lumber company, was brought to the city hospital this morning on a stretcher, from Meacham, suffering from injuries sustained through the rolling of a log over his body. Attendants who accompanied him to this place were of the opinion that none of the bones were broken, but that his hip sustained severe bruises that will keep him in bed for a number of weeks. An examination at the hospital will be made to ascertain the exact extent of the injury, and if necessary he will be put under the X-ray to determine the exact nature.

MERCHANTS TO CLOSE STORES TO ATTEND TOMORROW'S GAME

Merchants of La Grande have shown their loyalty to the high school football team, and decreed that neither Baker nor Pendleton business men can display any greater love for their school team, by agreeing to close up their stores and marts tomorrow afternoon from 2:30 until after the game is over. This is a new venture in La Grande and was partially made possible because the game is to be played on Friday. The game with Baker tomorrow afternoon is the one big game of the year here. The high school students are highly elated at the loyalty shown by the businessmen and are going to make things as pleasant for the merchants tomorrow as possible.

Everything is in readiness for the game tomorrow. The local team takes a short signal practice this evening and then rests for the game. The Baker team arrives tomorrow morning. No member of the home squad is sure of the outcome but is determined to fight to a finish and will round out their training for the game with a short talk by Coach Reynolds this evening. The new field is in fine shape and no amount of rain can make it muddy on account of the sod and sawdust. It is located directly behind the gymnasium.

Conkey has his kicking toe working like an eight-day clock and the ends and back field are throwing forward passes as if they had hurled the pigskin all their lives. Red tags admit to the grounds and the school board and student body hopes to sell a great

BAKER STRIKE SETTLED.
Baker, Nov. 6.—(Special)—The Sumpter Valley strike precipitated yesterday was satisfactorily settled last evening and the trains are running again.

MARTIAL LAW ORDERED AS A LAST RESORT

INDIANAPOLIS IN HANDS OF SOLDIERS THIS EVENING, TROUBLE BREWS.

MERCHANTS DEMAND PEACE

Three Thousand Militiamen Assembled at Indianapolis to Control Situation—Martial Law to Be Declared as Soon as the Soldiers Reach the City From surrounding cities.

Indianapolis, Nov. 6.—Governor Ralston has called out 3000 state militia to combat the street car strike troubles and Indianapolis will be under martial law this evening some time. None of the militiamen are allowed to appear on Indianapolis streets, however, until all are on the ground and for that reason the martial law order was not put into effect this forenoon. Trouble is expected the moment the militia arrives. Local militiamen in many cases refuse to report for duty.

The city authorities admit they can't control the situation and business men say their sales have fallen off tremendously since the strike. The arriving militia is held in trains pending the word to leave and take possession of the city.

CORKINS WALLOWA ATTORNEY.
Governor West today appointed O. M. Corkins, ex-county judge of Wallowa county, county attorney for Wallowa county.

FIRE AT NORTH POWDER.

Children Playing With Matches Lead to Destruction of Home.
North Powder, Nov. 6.—(Special)—Matches in the hands of children claimed serious toll at North Powder yesterday when the home of B. A. Webb was destroyed by a fire originating in curtains ignited by matches in the hands of children playing in the room. The flames had gained such headway in the furniture and fixtures of the home there was no way to save the structure. The home was comfortable and the loss quite severe. A room in the North Powder hotel was ruined by a fire yesterday, but was extinguished before the hotel proper caught fire.

CONLEY HOME DESTROYED.

Fire Razes Old Conley Home Recently Built Over Extensively.
Fire of an origin as yet unknown, yesterday destroyed the Abe Conley residence a short distance from Cove. The place is known as the old Conley ranch home, occupied by A. B. Conley for many years but it has recently been rebuilt so that it was practically new and the loss is fully \$3000 with some insurance. Much of the property was saved, except that in the kitchen and in the cellar, which adds to the loss materially. The fire started in an ice house nearby and jumped to the roof of the home and destroyed that building completely.

Densler Sells Interests.
Fred Densler, who up to a few days ago owned half interest in the Foley hotel bar, has sold his interest to Pat A. Foley, manager of the hotel, who now becomes sole owner of the same. When questioned what he would do in the future Mr. Densler declared that he did not know at this time but asserted that he would remain in La Grande.

Camp Spot Seen Again

TREKKER IN LA GRANDE AFTER 63 YEARS.

Deer Were Plentiful Then

Fairview, Oregon, Resident Tries to Locate Old Oregon Trail

D. S. Dunbar, of Fairview, Ore., arrived in La Grande this morning en route to Joseph. He was called there by wire on account of the serious illness of his son D. O. Dunbar, who is not expected to live. The young man was formerly in the employ of the Portland street car service and there contracted a severe case of diabetes from which he has never recovered. During his stay at Joseph he has had charge of the electric light station at that place and has made an enviable reputation for himself.

D. S. Dunbar, the father, is one of the pioneers of this country. This morning when he was about too depart for Joseph, he tried to rest his eyes upon the spot where he and others pitched camp on their way to the

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MONEY OR DIE CLUB DILEMMA

BUSINESS MEN HEAR SITUATION AND ACT.

First Relief Extended Last Night; Money Still Needed.

The Honor Roll.	
Fred J. Holmes	\$50.00
Evening Observer	25.00
Cherry's New Laundry	25.00
C. R. Harding	5.00
W. H. Reuter (Red Cross Drug store)	12.00
La Grande National Bank	50.00
F. L. Meyers	10.00
La Grande Electrical Company	5.00
C. J. Black	10.00
Bert W. Harris	2.50
Rex Hall by Sherwood	5.00
J. M. Kohl	5.00
Chancey E. Bunting	15.00
J. H. Stevens	5.00
J. G. Snodgrass	10.00
C. D. Putman	10.00
D. Fitzgerald	10.00
E. Polack	10.00
Wenaha Lumber Company	10.00
Press Lewis	20.00
N. W. Frees	5.00
B. F. Wild	5.00
L. J. French	5.00
John H. Rudd	5.00
Newlin Drug Company	10.00
J. T. Williamson	10.00
J. R. Claycombe	5.00
J. D. Slater	10.00
The Club	25.00
E. E. Kirtley	10.00
U. G. Couch	5.00
E. E. Meyers	10.00
William Miller	25.00
U. S. National	50.00
Mt. Emily Timber Company	100.00
H. T. Love	10.00
Cochran & Eberhard	5.00
Blue Mountain Creamery	10.00

Total\$599.00
Coming as the climax to a delightful evening of fun and business, local business men last evening took initial steps to save the Commercial club from automatically going into discard by subscribing liberally toward a fund to keep the craft in running.

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SUBWAY LEMON DROPPED WITH SOUR GRIMACE

COUNCIL SUDDENLY DETERMINES TO FOLD ITS TENT AND HIE TO OBLIVION.

THE BLOW-UP IS SUDDEN

Commissioners Don't Fancy Idea of Taking Hold of Contract That Present Council Has Started But Hasn't Finished—Second Street Job Very Decidedly Up In the Air at Present.

That the new city commissioners are drawing a lemon as the first piece of municipal tangle to unravel, is the opinion of the commissioners themselves today following the sudden determination of the city council to fold up its tent and boldly hie away on November 19. Two councilmen last night resigned, but after deliberation that lasted until midnight, these two, Councilmen Sargent and Haisten, reconsidered their acts and will join with the entire eight councilmen in an orderly evacuation on November 19. The "nubbins" of the situation is today that the commissioners will have to take the reins of government, likely, before the end of the present month instead of waiting until January 1, the date once agreed upon. Under the charter it seems there is room for argument, and the council is firm in its belief that it can turn the government over now, and the commissioners, although objecting, admit they will have to take the job sooner than anticipated.

The lemon which seems to be a hot potato, in the hands of the council, and which must be treated by the commission under the new order of things, is the Second street subway. At present the situation is fully as clear as mud, and despite the fact that the commission will have to take hold of a knotty problem, they do so under protest. They regret the necessity of taking hold of an unfinished problem, which, up to date, has not been satisfactorily handled by the council. One of the commissioners was today free to express his objection to taking hold of the contract that the council started and doesn't seem inclined to finish. The Second street matter, to be frankly stated, is gyrating in the ozone of uncertainty. The specifications adopted have been nullified last night by the passage of an ordinance lowering the subway to 12 feet. The pumping plant sewer controversy is unsettled; Engineer Brandon for the railroad company, said sewer connections could not be reached and ordered in a pumping plant that the city must buy under the contract and also operate. The initial expense for the pump is \$150 and maintenance will be about \$700 a year. The sewer's original expenses will be about \$2000 and maintenance nothing—Engineer Neil has demonstrated that the sewer can be connected with—at Fourth and Jefferson, two blocks away. Which to do, is the problem. The reduced cost in height and straight walls, now suggested, will about offset the added sewer expense it is found.

At any rate the council last evening decided to ask the commissioners to qualify at once and be on hand November 19 to take the "pesky critter" and brand it to their heart's content.

Home Manager Possible.
Because of the sudden necessity of a
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