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STORM ABATES BUT DAMAGE IS STILL GROWING

MIDDLE STATES GRIPPED IN TERRIFIC STORM AND DROP OF MERCURY

SEA WINDS CAUSE DISASTER

Chicago Center of Storm That Covers Several States With Snow and Sleet—Damage in Chicago Is a Half Million—Tennessee and Kentucky in Scope of Extensive Storm

VAST AREA STORM-BOUND

Washington, Nov. 10.—Practically the entire country east of the Mississippi and from Florida to Maine, is storm-bound. A high wind, driving snow, prevails. General weather forecasters are unable to promise immediate relief, asserting the storm will probably pass to sea by way the New England coast in 36 hours.

Chicago, Nov. 10.—Though not entirely subsided, the storm that has been sweeping the middle west for the last 36 hours has somewhat decreased in violence. In ten states the wind raged, snow fell and the mercury dropped several degrees.

In Chicago it is estimated that half a million in damage was done, mostly along the lake front. Ohio and Pennsylvania were buried in sleet and snow and the wind was high. The air was nipping in New York, Indiana and Michigan, where a blizzard raged.

Maryland, West Virginia, Tennessee and Kentucky were within the storm belt. Telegraphic and telephone communication was crippled and the trains were late.

Liners arriving at Boston and New York reported a terrific gale, and mountainous seas. Casualties are feared.

During the height of the blizzard, Antonia Ziuhys and an unidentified man were blown over the bridge and into the Chicago river and drowned.

Michigan Losses Heavy
Detroit, Nov. 10.—The loss in Michigan alone from the blizzard last night is fixed at a half million. Crops and shipping suffered heavily. There was especially heavy winds at Port Huron where terrific wind prevailed.

LINER IN GRIEF

Storm-Swept Vessel Can't Be Reached By Calumet Life Savers

Calumet, Mich., Nov. 10.—A futile attempt has been made by the Eagle Harbor life saving crew to reach a large unidentified lake liner aground off Manitou island in Lake Superior. A fifty-mile gale prevented the life savers from reaching the ship and it is believed she is being pounded to pieces on the rocks.

Plumber Visits Portland

J. G. Durst, one of La Grande's progressive plumbers, returned this morning from a business trip to Portland, where he went to lay in new supplies and inspect new ideas in his line of work. While there he made it a point to go through several of the newest buildings to glean new ideas. Durst was at one time offered the job of plumbing inspector for the city of Portland.

THE GOLF FIEND DRIVES THE CHILDREN OUT OF THEIR SAND PILE.



—Fox in New York Evening Sun.

FALL SEEDING OF PEAS IS PLANNED

EXPERIMENT PLOT SEEDED

PRELIMINARY STEPS TAKEN BY OREGON PACKING CO.

On Success of Venture Depends Big Canning Industry

Experiments that if successful unquestionably mean the creation of an extensive canning industry in this valley are now under way in the Grand Ronde valley.

Dave Clark made a trip through the valley in the interest of the Balfour-Guthrie company of Portland last week. Incidentally he also talked over the fruit situation with farmers and fruit growers of the valley and has the information to give out that the Oregon Packing company, which he represents, has shipped the trial seed of peas, announcement of which was made in the Observer some time ago. It is the object of the company to sow one-fourth of an acre of the La Grande Investment company's land in the neighborhood of Alicel, to peas this fall to determine whether or not the seed will not during the winter season. In the beginning of spring another sowing will be made and every two weeks thereafter during the spring and summer growing season. If the fall sowing proves a success it will enable the company to calculate on about six weeks of pea harvesting, which would mean several months more of canning. No particular variety of peas is required for the experiment and it is safe to assume that peas will grow prolifically in the valley. The fall sowing has not been tried and the test is being made for that purpose. Mr. Robinson, representing the company, was in the city last week and had nothing definite to say on the scheme, further than that if the trial proves successful the company will purchase in the neighborhood of 1000 acres for the raising of peas. This means that a cannery will be built in this section which will create a definite market for the products of all kinds that are put on themar ket in canned weeks of ppeapp phparvestingshrd form. The Willame'te valley has not proved a successful place on account of the extreme moisture and it is thought the Grande Ronde valley may

Students Build Home

WALLOWA MANUAL TRAINING CLASS AMBITIOUS

PAY TO BUY TOOLS

By Building a Residence, Students Equip Their Own School Better

Wallowa, Ore., Nov. 10.—The new bungalow which is being built for Wm. H. Petridge by the manual training class is nearing completion. The class is making the expenses of installing the course by working and intend before the year is over to have earned enough to pay for the tools and the cost of the course. Only work of a practical nature is being taught the pupils.

Fifty dollars' worth of books have been received by the school library this week at the Wallowa high school. These will be added to the already large library. Also four new sewing machines have been added to the domestic science department.

SOMMER GRILL READY

Final Completion at Hand and Will Be Opened By Tomorrow

By this evening, or possibly tomorrow, the Sommer grill will be thrown open to the public. Two additional rooms have been fitted up so that the Sommer dining room and the grill are to be used jointly or separately. The hours will be from 6:30 a. m. until 2 p. m. and from 5:30 until 1 a. m. Manager Good hopes to open the new establishment this evening, but may find it necessary to wait the morrow before the new food dispensary is finally ready.

R. W. Logan in The Dalles

Ray Logan went to the Dalles this morning on business that will keep him out of the city for a number of days.

take precedence in this respect. It is also suggested that many farmers of the valley experiment on their own accord and thus aid in settling not only for the company but for themselves the proposition now on trial.

FACTORY SITE TO BE RE-SOLD

EIGHTY ACRES TO BE RESOLD IN SMALL TRACTS

J. A. Russell and Bush & Black Have Now Taken Over Entire Tract

One of the biggest real estate deals that has been consummated in a year or more is the purchase of the sugar factory site by J. A. Russell of the La Grande Meat company. The deal has just been closed and the land will be on the market in ten days or so. It is the purpose of the owner to sell the whole piece in one and five acre tracts at very reasonable terms. The warehouse and barn and the office building will remain standing for the present. Nine acres of the original tract were bought by Black & Bush some time ago and the present deal disposes of all of the land included in the so-called sugar factory site.

In speaking of the deal Mr. Russell said this morning: "I intend to sell the land at very reasonable figures, at so much down and so much per year. This will enable young men to buy the tracts and invest their money here in La Grande instead of going out of the city to find attractive property. I am going to make the terms within easy reach of the average young man so that payments will not work a hardship. In this way they will be enabled to get a start and remain in the city where we need them. In a few days I will be in a position to take investors to the property and make deals."

Show Troupe Leaves

The Basco & Brown comedy company left this morning for Union, where they will play a one night stand. From there they go to Boise for a four weeks engagement. They report their stay in La Grande as very successful from a financial point of view.

Michigan Lady Visits Relatives

Miss Hilda Tufleson of Cadilack, Mich., arrived last evening and is to spend the winter with her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Tufleson.

HUERTA NOT GIVEN UP AS HOPELESS YET

ADMINISTRATION STILL IN OFFICIAL TOUCH WITH DICTATOR IT IS ASSERTED

INTERVIEWS GLEAN FACTS

Weekly Interview With President Wilson Throws Light on the Mexican Situation—Administration Has Not Closed Its Doors to Dictator, and Has Not Recognized Rebels

Washington, Nov. 10.—Huerta has not defied the administration nor the administration hasn't closed its door finally to the Huerta government, nor has it thrown the doors open to Carranza, the rebel leader. These statements were made plain at the executive offices today. As far as the United States is concerned, there is not now a Mexican policy, but it is admitted that the situation is grave, but the president is said to still harbor a faint hope that diplomatic pressure will bring the dictator to terms.

Newspaper correspondents to whom the president gave his weekly reception today, learned definitely from him that he is not preparing a message to congress recommending recognition of the rebel belligerency. Neither has Lind made a final report from Mexico to the president. The president, it is announced, doesn't intend to submit the situation to congress this week. In the meantime he is hoping events will make it unnecessary to do it at all.

London Officials Advised

London, Nov. 10.—Ambassador Page has handed the foreign minister here a note from President Wilson saying the United States has not recognized Huerta and will not under any circumstances.

Mexicans to Meet Soon

Washington, Nov. 10.—Mexican Charge d' Affaires Allara has announced the Mexican congress will convene in Mexico City November 23 and resume its legislative power which Huerta recently took upon himself. It is said to be expected that the congress will invalidate the last election, call a new one and proceed with its purpose of pacification.

Walla Wallans Locate Here

Mrs. L. A. Roberts and children of Walla Walla arrived in La Grande today enroute to Summerville, where they will join their husband and father and make their future home.

GIRLS FIGHT REFORM ORDER AS AN ENEMY

MEETING OF WORKING GIRLS THIS MORNING HEARS SENTIMENT

INTERVIEWS GLEAN FACTS

Every Working Girl in Attendance at Remonstrance Meeting Voices Objection to the Law—Enormous Petition to Go to Portland This Evening and Be Acted on Later

Working girls of La Grande today emphatically went on record as absolutely opposed to the 6 o'clock clause of the minimum wage law. A large number of working girls, representing a great many lines of trade which employs women and girls, held a meeting in the council rooms this forenoon to take some action and to obtain sentiment for or against the minimum wage law.

The session was brief. Without argument or without debate the girls unanimously went on record as opposed to the clause that is expected to become a law shortly, forbidding girls or women to work after 6 o'clock in the evening. Resolutions adopted by the business men last Saturday and outlined in the Observer Saturday evening were very heartily re-endorsed by the working girls. Like the merchants, of course, they do not oppose the minimum wage law insofar as it pertains to the minimum wage of \$8.64 for any working girl, nor do they oppose the limitation of hours to eight for each day. The girls asserted that their positions are at stake, and that the clause which has already been ordered into effect in Portland—but temporarily enjoined—and which is later to become effective over the state unless remonstrances are so effective as to prevent it—will absolutely drive a large number of La Grande working girls out of employment.

Meeting Tomorrow Night

The industrial commission holds a meeting in Portland tomorrow night to consider many phases of the law, but telephone communication with the secretary in Portland today reveals the fact that it is not certain that final action will be taken on the 6 o'clock phase tomorrow evening. The petition drafted by the business men Saturday, and today endorsed by the girls, will be forwarded tonight to reach Portland.

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RITUAL MURDER CASE FAILS

Kieff, Russia, Nov. 10.—Mendel Beilis is acquitted. The jury returned a verdict tonight acquitting him of the murder of 12-year-old Andre I. Muschnisky, said by the prosecution to have been a victim of a religious ceremonial calling for human sacrifice. The case has attracted nearly as much attention throughout the world as did the Dreyfus case, and it is believed to be the forerunner of a general Jewish oppression period.

The whole case was framed by Russians to attract unfavorable attention to the Jews, it is freely admitted, and because of its preposterousness, failed

to accomplish what it was intended to do.

SIXTEEN-HOUR LAW VALID

Washington, Nov. 10.—By declaring valid the federal "Hours of Service law," prohibiting railroad men from working trainmen more than sixteen hours consecutively, the supreme court has confirmed the conviction of the Missouri, Kansas & Texas railroad for alleged violations of the act.