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VILLA ASPIRES TO BE LEADER OF REBEL ARMY

Popular Feeling Leaves Carranza In Danger Of Removal

ANTI-HUERTA DEMONSTRATIONS CAUSE ARRESTS

If Villa Isn't Made Commander He Will March On Mexico City Alone

Douglas, Ariz., Nov. 18.—Intercene war even among the rebels is brewing in Mexico. Rumor that General Villa will try to supplant Carranza as head of the constitutional forces in the field, and should he fail, will move on Mexico City independently with the command that captured Juarez, is current in constitutional circles today. It is said that Carranza lost prestige by his apparent failure to induce President Wilson to lift the embargo on arms. Villa is popular as the result of the capture of Juarez.

Mexico City, Nov. 18.—Many more arrests in connection with the reported anti-Huerta plot are being made today. As was the case last night, a number of prominent men are among those taken into custody, while it is confirmed that a big party of prisoners were brought from Manzanillo and locked up charged with participation in the pro Carranza demonstration. It is not known definitely that any of them are foreigners. Some Americans may be among them.

With enough members of the senate now at the capital to constitute a quorum, it seems certain that congress will meet Thursday as was scheduled.

IRISHMAN IS BREWMASER

Big Market for Barley Found in the Local Brewery

Beer consumption in La Grande for the year has had a natural growth. About 5000 barrels were put on the market, which represents about \$40,000 in business. Most of the beer made here in La Grande was consumed in the valley towns and a small quantity was shipped out. This industry created a market for about 5500 bushels of barley, which represents an outlay of about \$3000 in money to the farmers of the immediate section. Over 4000 pounds of hops were used in the manufacture of the beverage. Other products to the extent of some \$2000 or more were used in the making of beer. In wages the brewery paid in the neighborhood of \$6000 for the year and in repairs to machinery about \$4000 more.

One of the peculiar features of the brewing business in La Grande is the fact that an Irishman is brewmaster, Earl Bradley by name. It is the common understanding that only the Germans can make wholesome beer, but though the head of the local brewery is a German from the fatherland, he has confided in the ability of a fellow from the Emerald Isle the making of what is commonly conceded to be the German's chief drink. It is only a presumption that the Irish have one on the Germans in this instance for the man must know his business to be the head of the La Grande brewery.

The owner and head of the concern in question learned the trade in Kammstadt, Wuertemberg, Germany, a section that produces the best brewers in the world. He has been in the business twenty-eight years and knows as much about other lines of business as he does of the brewing business. Julius Roesch came to La Grande some twenty-six years ago and engaged in the brewery business from his arrival in the city. Three fires failed to daunt the courage of the staunch German and the present plant, valued at \$40,000, is the result of his untiring industry and thrift. When he first came here he was chief of everything he did. That is to say, he did his own cooking and housekeeping and tended his own bar in addition to making beer. In other words, Julius Roesch was the head and shoulders of all the Roesch industries. Through successful investments and close application to business he has built up a business that stands today as a mark of the genius and ability of the founder.

More Rooms Still Needed

BIG CONVENTION OF TEACHERS OPENS TUESDAY

NO REVERSES SEEN

So Far as Known Every Speaker on Program Will Be Here

Rooms are still needed to insure shelter for the 500 or more school teachers and educators who are coming to La Grande a week from today to attend the annual convention of the Eastern Oregon division of the State Teachers' association. City School Superintendent John Girdler and Secretary Williamson of the commercial club, handling the matter of accommodations, are listing rooms regularly, but there is still demand for more rooms. Either one of these gentlemen should be notified by citizens who can spare a room or two for the visitors. The teachers come expecting to pay for their accommodations.

County School Superintendent Ivanhoe is back in her office again after a short illness, which slightly incapacitated her for the strenuous duties before her the coming week as secretary of the convention, but is today unable to pick a flaw in the arrangements anywhere. It appears that without a single exception the program of speakers set down some time ago will be here to participate.

The convention opens next Tuesday.

FUGITIVE NABBED IN OREGON

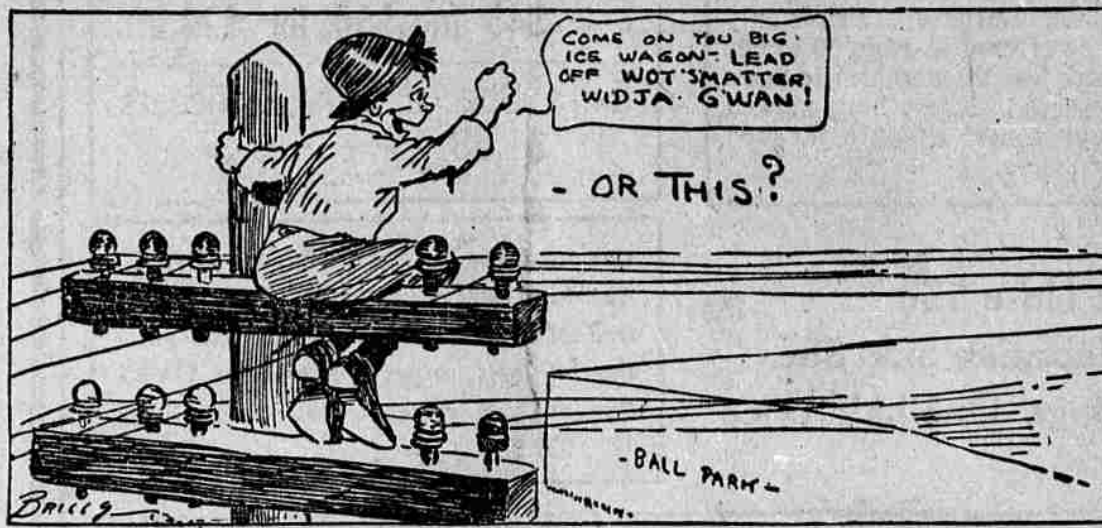
Boise Convict Caught at Huntington Sunday Afternoon

Boise, Nov. 18.—Clarence Roush, the ex-convict who has been hunted during the past week for his attempted murder of Deputy Sheriff Clawson, was captured at Huntington, Or., Sunday afternoon. He was brought back to Boise Sunday night and safely landed in the Ada county jail. Roush was caught by Charles Hug, a railroad detective stationed at Huntington. Officer Hug and Ed Hannon, the Huntington town marshal, immediately brought the prisoner to Boise. The reward of \$200 offered by the Ada county commissioners for the capture of Roush will be claimed by his captor.

Officer Hug picked up his man on the street at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. He had been informed by railroad brakeman that Roush was in town and was on the watch for him. From the description that had been sent out he recognized Roush when he saw him.

School Census Taken

Lowell Williamson has been commissioned by the school board to make the school census of the city. The work will require about three weeks of time and the officials will be then in a position to estimate the population of the city. At present the enrollment in the schools is about 1200, but it is supposed the new census will be materially in excess of that number.



—Briggs in Spokane Spokesman-Review.

Present Term Of Court In Wallowa Has Now Lapsed

Finding it impossible, just before the train left yesterday to keep away from his sick bed, Circuit Judge J. W. Knowles is still in La Grande and the November term of court in Wallowa county lapsed today. A special term will be called as soon as the court can do so. Judge Knowles found it impossible to get a substitute judge though he telephoned even as far as Portland. He is resting quite well today, but the wound on his knee is giving him more trouble than was anticipated.

PROPRIETOR HELD FOR ACT OF HIS EMPLOYE IN SALOON

Pending an appeal to higher courts from a conviction yesterday evening in police court on a charge of selling liquor on Sunday, John Dordan will in all probability be allowed to keep his place of business open. In police court yesterday he was found guilty as charged, it being apparently proved that the swamper who was in the place on Sunday had disposed of a bottle of whiskey. Some discussion as to allowing the place to keep open pending the appeal came up today, but it seems the license, though ordered cancelled, holds good under the bond until the appeal is settled.

M. E. Lake, it was brought out in the testimony, was desirous of obtaining some liquor on Sunday, with Marie Lake objecting. He went to the Dordan saloon, it is said, followed by his son Roy, who on the witness stand said he saw his father obtain the bottle of liquor from the swamper at the saloon and that he had paid for it by placing 50 cents in the swamper's hands and returning in a few minutes for the liquor. The senior Lake admitted obtaining the liquor.

Police Judge Warnick fined Dordan \$150 and pointed out the ordinance whereby Dordan was being prosecuted, automatically forfeited the license. The present licenses expire within a month or so.

The proprietor is held responsible for the acts of his help, but it was shown by evidence that his men were instructed not to violate the law.

ENTERPRISE TO INSTALL SEWER

Enterprise is to have complete sewerage system. This is the information that is given out by those who know. Engineering experts are on the ground now to make the preliminary survey and details for the work will be out for publication in a few days.

RESIDENT PURCHASES HOME

Anna Johnson Buys Zweifel Residence on Washington Avenue

Yesterday afternoon, through the Geo. H. Currey real estate agency, Anna Johnson, who now resides in the western portion of the city, purchased the Nate Zweifel residence on Washington avenue and will immediately occupy the same.

WRITES ON PANAMA

Lytton Ivanhoe Sends Graphic Description to His Mother

County Superintendent A. E. Ivanhoe received today from her son a detailed description of the Panama canal and the country surrounding it. Mrs. Ivanhoe will deliver this in the form of a paper on her date of the Neighborhood club meeting, after which it will be published in the Evening Observer. Lytton also wrote a poem, which will appear in the Observer tomorrow.

Buying Apples for East

Dave Clark made a trip to Imbler this morning where he is purchasing apples for the eastern markets.

HORSE BUYERS RENEW BUYING

MARKET, ONCE DEPRESSED, NOW LOOKING UP

North Powder Horses in Especial Demand by Fastidious Buyers

North Powder, Ore., Nov. 18.—(Special)—For several weeks the regular horse buyers who make North Powder monthly have not been here, owing to the depressing condition of the horse market. But it is understood the market is brightening and that the buyers have sent word they would soon be back. All through the fall and winter season when conditions are normal these buyers ship from one to four cars of horses a week. They claim the draft stock here is of exceptional quality and most of the stock goes to Canada and Hawaii. The North Powder horse has a reputation for strength, good feet and wind that increases its value and always sells above the market prices.

BARBERS PERFECT UNION

T. Bartholemew Is President of First Local Barbers' Union

T. Bartholemew president, Jolly & Elmer Journeymen Barbers' union in La Grande. The union was perfected last evening at a meeting of those eligible for admission, and with the election of officers and the adoption of by-laws at the next semi-monthly meeting the union will soon be firmly established and launched.

The first officers of the union are: T. Bartholemew, president, Jolly & Ellis shop; James Wells, vice president, Foley shop; D. W. Gibson, financial secretary, Jolly & Ellis shop; J. A. Kase, recording secretary, Fitzgerald shop; Pat Fowle, guard, Club shop; E. T. Johnson, treasurer, Club shop.

The new union will be designated as La Grande local No. 717.

Deputy Marshal Here

D. B. Fuller, deputy U. S. marshal of Portland, passed through the county seat this morning on his way to Alice and Elgin. He will serve papers on persons interested in the case of U. S. vs. J. T. Conway and others. The case is soon to come to trial, and represents alleged fraud through the mails. Elgin people are being subpoenaed to appear at the trial.

TAXPAYERS BOLT AT NEW TAX RULINGS

PUBLIC UTILITIES MAY BE RE- LIEVED OF LARGE TAX AMOUNTS

ALL COUNTIES SUFFERING

County Assessors Disputed and Cor- porations Will Be Taxed on a Basis Which the Tax Commission Deems Correct, Regardless of What the Counties Have Done in Assessments

Realty owners throughout the state of Oregon are up in arms over the pending action of the state tax commission. County assessors, generally, are rushing to Salem with protests against the movement contemplated by the state tax commission, which would revolutionize the method of taxing the state public utilities. Almost without exception the county assessors are backed up by the great masses of taxpayers.

The tax commission threatens to assess the public utilities in Union county on a basis that would mean 53 per cent of the valuation, whereas other property, realty, etc., is now assessed at something like 75 to 100. The commission claims that the assessed valuation as fixed in the different counties is not up to requirements of the law, that in Union county the valuation of real estate is really 53 per cent, whereas the county assessor has run it up to full value as nearly as possible. The commission holds that, in its opinion, the balance of the county having been taxed only 53 per cent it is just that public utilities be taxed on that scale and have perfunctorily set that as a basis. In the various counties the figures vary somewhat, but the plan is the same in all counties.

The result will be if this plan is carried out, that each county will realize much less in taxes from the public service corporations, which the state tax commission solely assesses, than was at first contemplated.

Strain Blames Corporations

Pendleton, Nov. 18.—According to the statement made by Assessor Strain it has been represented to the commission that the property of Umatilla county is now assessed at only 67 cents on the dollar, whereas the law requires a full value assessment. Assessor Strain contends that he has made a 100 per cent assessment as nearly as possible and cites numerous instances where the purchase price of a piece of property had coincided or nearly so with his assessed valuation. Horses, he stated, he is assessing at an average price of \$77 a head, and it is believed that this is an even greater value than sales will show.

Mr. Strain attributes the proposed increase to the action of the O.W. R. & N. company, stating that the company has had men at work for the past year compiling figures to show that the company property is being assessed at higher valuation than other property in the county.

HARVEST FESTIVAL PROMISING

Funds Accumulated in Sale of Tickets to Help Equip Playground

When the Central grade school stages its big harvest festival program on Friday of this week it will be for the purpose of entertaining the parents of the students in that school and to help the playground equipment fund. Movements are afoot to buy playground paraphernalia that the children can have ample opportunities for recreation during recesses. The program, announced in detail in the Observer a few days ago, is of a high order and will be a fitting celebration of harvest festival spirit.