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## WEST SENDS GIRL ENVOY, NOT TROOPS

PRIVATE SECRETARY WILL GO  
TO COPPERFIELD TO CLOSE  
SALOONS AND MAKE  
TOWN "BE GOOD."

## CARTE-BLANCHE ORDERS GIVEN TO MISS HOBBS

Instead of Sending Militia to Unruly  
Town of Copperfield in Baker  
County, Governor Will Dispatch His  
Girl Secretary With Full Power  
to Act in the Matter.

Salem, Dec. 30.—Governor West is  
not going to send the militia to Cop-  
perfield to settle the difficulties which  
citizens find with the running of  
saloons, but he is going to send his  
private secretary, Miss F. Hobbs. He  
declared today she would be able to  
cope with the difficulty although the  
citizens have declared the lives and  
property are endangered through the  
lawlessness at this time.

Miss Hobbs will go tomorrow and  
with carte-blanche instructions to  
close the saloons and obtain the resig-  
nation of the saloonkeeper officials  
of the town.

## Chicago Gets Bath-House.

Chicago, Dec. 30.—Chicago will  
have a swimming hole de luxe in op-  
eration when the mercury begins its  
first climb next summer. The beach  
commission of the city council today  
agreed upon plans for a bathing beach  
to cost \$330,000 with a frontage of  
738 feet and built along the north  
shore, already popular with bathers.

Plans for construction of the new  
beach were made after the commission  
visited Atlantic City and several other  
eastern summer resorts. The main  
bath houses will be of brick, stone  
Palladian and concrete. There will be a pavil-  
ion, a broad promenade, a kinder-  
garten for the youngsters and a nur-  
sery where mothers may leave their  
babies while they romp in the lake.

The commission will recommend  
that persons not in bathing costume  
be barred from the sand and com-  
pelled to remain on the promenade.  
A space will be roped off for the ex-  
clusive use of women bathers and  
the remainder of the beach left open  
for mixed bathing. The commission  
proposed that the city make the  
nominal charge of 10 cents for adult  
bathers and 5 cents for children under  
15 years to make the beach self-  
sustaining.

## Going to Catalina Island.

Mrs. Langston of Enterprise, ac-  
companied her parents, Mr. and Mrs.  
Haas to La Grande, from where they  
leave today for San Diego, California,  
to spend the winter. From there they  
will go to Catalina Island. Mrs.  
Langston returned home today on the  
branch.

## SCHOOLS OPEN TO PUPILS OF ANY COLOR AND RACE

Salem, Dec. 30.—School districts  
have authority to provide sepa-  
rate schools for white and colored  
children, but must admit to the same  
school all children regardless of color.  
This is taken to mean that where  
a school exists and no separate school  
has been provided for children other

## FEDERAL OFFICERS SHOOT MEN WHO REFUSE TO FIGHT BACK ATTACKING FORCE OF REBELS

Presidio, Texas, Dec. 30.—Mexicans  
are pressing Inaga garrison hard and  
it seems certain they will take the  
town. The rank and file of the de-  
fenders are mutinous and they want-  
ed to surrender but their officers could  
make them fight only by a threat of  
killing them. In fact they did kill  
a number of the regulars.  
The rebel attack began last evening

and lasted three hours. Finally re-  
pulsed, the rebels slept on the field  
until daylight and then resumed the  
fighting. Many were killed in the  
garrison and it is believed the num-  
ber of rebels reaches 4,000 and the  
garrison strength is about the same.  
Fight Under Way Today.  
El Paso, Dec. 30.—General Scott,  
commanding the United States troops

at Fort Bliss, received the following  
from Presidio today:  
"The engagement is still progress-  
ing on three sides of Ojunga. Gen-  
erals Rrodeguez and Sebastian Car-  
ranza arrived during the night but it  
is not believed the man body of Gen-  
eral Ortigas' rebel army will come up  
to Ojunga. The garrison appears to  
be hemmed in."

## FLAWS LISTED BY OFFICIALS

MANAGER AND ATTORNEY PICK  
OUT FAULTS.

Various Amendments to Be Grouped  
For One Bond Election.

City Manager F. J. Lafky and City  
Attorney John S. Hodgins are perus-  
ing with much diligence the present  
city charter in a hunt for all minor  
discrepancies, to be codified and pre-  
sented to the people at the proposed  
charter amendment election. There  
are several minor changes necessary  
and more are coming to light as con-  
ditions bring them forth. For in-  
stance, Municipal Judge Eakin was  
out of town for a few days last week  
and there was no charter provision  
for a temporary judge. When Man-  
ager Lafky is out of town for any  
cause, who shall be the manager?  
These are but a few minor discrep-  
ancies that must be rectified along with  
the change for preparation of a  
budget and the passage of the levy  
ordinance. Under the present  
charter these come at widely separate  
dates, whereas they should be unified  
and acted on simultaneously. Fur-  
thermore, the prime subject to come  
up for consideration by the voters  
when these amendments are put to a  
vote, will be the floating of debt-  
reducing bonds. To get the city on a  
cash basis by the floating of these  
bonds is admitted to be the only  
solution of the financial problem, and  
the sooner it is carried out the sooner  
will La Grande's finances assume the  
arrangement needed. All these vari-  
ous amendments will be acted upon  
at one time to reduce the expense,  
and the date for the election is prob-  
ably not far hence.

## On Nine Dollars a Week.

Washington, Dec. 30.—How to be  
happy and healthy—fed and clothed—  
on \$9 a week if you have a family  
of five. Such is the problem which  
social workers have started to solve  
at Neighborhood house, in which Mrs.  
Woodrow Wilson is interested. There  
they have a "model home," and there  
the girls of the poorer sections of  
the nation's capital are taught the  
scientific principles of how to make  
both ends meet on \$9 a week, with  
five in the family.

## Buckley Children Coming.

Frang Buckley and his sister Ruth,  
son and daughter of M. J. Buckley,  
assistant general manager of the  
O.W., will arrive in the city tonight  
to be the guests of their aunt and  
uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Buckley,  
before returning to school at Berkeley  
California.

## THREE CITIES SEND KNIGHTS

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR CONCLAVE  
WILL BE HELD HERE.

Easter Services in 1914 to Be Well  
Attended Is Belief.

Knights Templar in Eastern Ore-  
gon will meet in La Grande for the  
annual Easter services. These im-  
pressive and dignified Easter observ-  
ances oscillate between Baker, La  
Grande and Pendleton, and this year  
it is La Grande that will entertain  
the Knights Templar. Dressed in all  
the elegant regalia that lodge calls  
for, the Knights will come to La  
Grande to participate in the ritual-  
istic ceremonies at a local church,  
listen to the Easter service sermon,  
hold a lodge session in the afternoon  
and later participate in a banquet.

Baker will send in the neighbor-  
hood of 40, Pendleton the same and  
the La Grande lodge will muster a  
straight 75 or 80. J. C. Henry,  
commander of the local lodge, is  
taking steps at once to name commit-  
tees to manage the annual Easter  
gathering which meets this year on  
April 12.

## To Protect Hogs.

Manhattan, Kan., Dec. 30.—In order  
that Kansas may be better prepared  
to fight a sudden outbreak of cholera,  
the state is now erecting a new anti-  
hog cholera serum plant—to be the  
largest and best equipped in the  
world. The present plant has a capac-  
ity of something over one million  
centimeters a month, enough to vac-  
cinate about 20,000 head of hogs. As  
a precaution against a sudden out-  
break of cholera the laboratories  
here, keep constantly in reserve  
enough serum to treat 10,000 hogs.

## Comes In From Imbler.

William Sion, who was in the city  
last night on business, returned this  
morning to his home in Imbler.

## RURAL BLAZE BURNS FRUIT

CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT SENT  
TO PARK DISTRICT.

E. Z. Carbine Loses Valuable Property  
by Packing Shed Fire.

Fire destroyed the storage shed on  
the E. Z. Carbine ranch opposite the  
Riverside Park last night and with it  
a wagon and buggy and a sprayer  
and spraying material. The total  
loss will be in the neighborhood of  
\$1,500 with about \$750 insurance on  
the building and the equipment. It is  
not known how the fire started but  
may have been caused by electric  
wires or from the fire in a stove that  
was used in the packing shed. Mr.  
Carbine stated today that he had fire  
in the stove until 6 o'clock but that  
the fire started about 10:30 P. M.  
He immediately informed the fire de-  
partment, and Chief Benham, Drum  
and O'Neill of the regulars and Carpey  
and other of the volunteer depart-  
ment, responded to the call, although  
outside of the city limits. The loca-  
tion is about a hundred yards beyond  
the Park grounds bridge and on the  
corner of the road that runs into  
Fruitdale.

The distance registered by the in-  
dicator of the fire wagon one and  
seven-tenths miles. The run was  
made in about five minutes.

Owing to the shutting off of the  
water in Park no hose could be at-  
tached to the hydrant located there  
and chemicals and a bucket brigade  
were the only instruments to fight  
the flames. A heavy east wind was  
blowing at the time and there was  
danger that it would cause the hen  
houses near the shed to take fire, but  
the chemicals and the bucket brigade  
did some good work and saved this  
building.

There were about 800 boxes of  
apples, mostly culls in the building,  
and many empty boxes, all of which  
were destroyed.

## ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR OF THE BILLBOARD.



—Donnell in St. Louis Globe-Democrat

## ARMED GUARDS HOPE TO AVERT CALUMET RIOTS

GENERAL ATMOSPHERE TENSE  
AS EVER—RIOTS LIKELY  
AT ANY TIME.

## CORONER INVESTIGATION BRINGS LITTLE OF AID

Strikers Claim They Have Witnessed  
to Prove Alliance Caused the False  
Alarm of Fire to Be Given—Red  
Jacket Citizens Also Fear Out-  
breaks of Violence.

Calumet, Dec. 30.—The strike situ-  
ation if the copper country is not im-  
proved. If anything, it is tenser,  
rioting is feared here. At Red Jacket  
and here several hundred of the Cit-  
izens' alliance committee are patrol-  
ling the streets and preventing the  
strikers from congregating around  
the Houghton county special grand  
jury, which has been reconvened.  
Prosecutor Lucus promised a full in-  
vestigation into the charges that  
Moyer had been beaten and shot by  
members of the Citizens' alliance  
committee. Members of that com-  
mittee declare they had nothing to  
do with the beating or the shooting  
at Red Jacket.

The coroner continued the inquest  
of the panic and a dozen witnesses  
were examined by noon, but the testi-  
mony developed no new important  
facts.

Judge Hillon, representing the  
miners, declared that he would have  
witnesses who would swear that they  
heard a member of the alliance com-  
mittee give the false alarm that re-  
sulted in the loss of 75 lives. He  
added that he was prepared to prove  
that a member of the alliance com-  
mittee had assaulted and shot Moyer  
before deporting him on a train for  
Chicago.

## SCHMIDT JURY STILL OUT.

No Indication of an Agreement Be-  
tween Twelve Men Seen Today.

New York, Dec. 30.—No agreement  
had been reached by the jury in the  
Schmidt case this afternoon. It is  
reported they stood ten to two for  
conviction. An agreement is con-  
sidered extremely unlikely.

## Pendleton Boy Hurt.

Pendleton, Dec. 30.—Presumably  
slipping on the icy roof while doing  
some electrical work, Ralph Koch, a  
well-known young man of the city, a  
son of Charles J. Koch of the Empire  
furniture store, was precipitated from  
the top of the Association block late  
yesterday afternoon and fell to the  
pavement below, sustaining serious  
injuries.

The accident happened about 2:45  
while young Koch, who is employed  
eral belief that his feet slipped on the  
by John L. Vaughan, electrician, was  
on the roof of the business block at  
work. He was leaning over the edge  
to fix some wiring and it is the gen-  
erally surface. He fell the two stories  
and struck on the edge of the con-  
crete sidewalk on his face, with such  
were knocked from his head and one  
force that his facial bones seemed to  
be badly broken. Some of his teeth  
of his arms was broken. His most  
serious injuries, it is feared, are  
internal.

He was hurriedly taken to the office  
of Dr. Boylen across the street and  
from there to the St. Anthony hospi-  
tal.

Young Koch is well-known in the  
city, having lived here for many  
years. He was graduated from the  
Pendleton high school only last spring.

## SIEGEL CHAINS OF DEPARTMENT STORE CLOSED

LACK OF BANKING CREDIT IN  
PAST YEAR LEADS TO  
A RECEIVER.

## FORTY MILLION DOLLAR BUSINESS DONE YEARLY

"Friendly" Proceedings in Circuit  
Court and Curtailed Banking Credit  
Causes Bankruptcy of Big Chain  
of Boston Department Stores—Four  
Million Capitalization.

Boston, Dec. 30.—The Siegel de-  
partment stores went into the hands  
of receivers today as the result of  
"friendly" proceedings instituted by  
the United States circuit court. John  
Shepherd, Jr., and William Marble,  
both of New York were named re-  
ceivers.

The Siegel company firms all went  
into the hands of receivers and in-  
clude the following: Simpson-Craw-  
ford store, Boston; Henry Siegel  
company, Merchants Express com-  
pany, and Henry Siegel company,  
bankers. The Siegel company was  
capitalized at \$2,000,000 and did a  
gross business of \$40,000,000 an-  
nually.

Attorneys Rose and Paskus for  
the Simpson-Crawford company, stated  
the receivers were asked because  
banking credit had been curtailed dur-  
ing the last year.

## HOLIDAY STOPS FILING.

But Little Business in Filing Way at  
Local Land Office This Week.

Business at the local United States  
land office is somewhat at a stand-  
still on account of the holiday season.  
Only a few filings have been made  
during the week. Roscoe C. Duke  
filed on a tract under the enlarged  
homestead act and will cultivate 313  
acres of government land until he  
makes final proof.

Ramey Wall of Hamilton, was also  
among those who filed on a home-  
stead.

## May Dance But on Floor.

Portland, Dec. 30.—Despite  
the fact that Mayor Albee has  
banned the drinking of liquor  
in all grills after 1:15 o'clock  
New Year's morning, the  
patrons, if not too hilarious,  
may dance. The dancing, must  
be done on the floor, however,  
and not on the tables as in times  
gone by.

## WILSON RESTS BETTER TODAY

LESS COMMOTION AND PROGRAM  
IS UNBROKEN.

Executive and Party May Tour the  
Gulf States in Revenue Cutter.

Pass Christian, Miss., Dec. 30.—  
President Wilson spent a part of the  
morning golfing.

He then took an automobile ride and  
slept several hours on his return. Dr.  
Grayson stated that all traces of the  
grippe have disappeared but that all  
side trips planned by the president  
will be cut short. It is said, however,  
that the Wilson party may tour the  
gulf state aboard the revenue cutter  
Winona. The weather continues  
damp and cold.