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MILITIA NOW HOME WILL BE MUSTERED OUT

SECRETARY OF WAR SENDING MEN BACK TO NORMAL GUARDSMEN AGAIN.

ORDERS SURPRISE MEN NOW AT CLACKAMAF CAMP

Horses and Other Equipment Badly Needed On the Border Brought to Camp Withycombe—Soldiers There Continue Their Regular Routine Despite Orders.

Washington, Sept. 7.—Secretary of War Baker has ordered militia organizations now at home from the border to muster out as soon as practical and return to a normal status of national guardsmen.

Camp Withycombe, Sept. 7.—Guardsmen continued their routine today despite Secretary Baker's mustering-out orders. Colonel Cleland McLaughlin is unable to predict when the order will be effective. Plans for "school boy soldiers" education classes have not been abandoned.

That the Oregon regiment now at Clackamas should be mustered out at this time has not been the belief of men close to the regiment's affairs. For instance, this morning Recruiting Captain Lee M. Clark, in La Grande, received a letter from Acting Adjutant General Walter Wilson among other things reciting that the regiment has a big supply of horses and mules with it at Clackamas and at the same time the government is in great need of mounts at the border. The regiment brought home a full equipment of wagons, mounted machine guns, great deal of clothing and ordnance, so that it is really now in possession of many items the government needs at the front and not needed by a regiment soon to be mustered out. A straw vote showed 90 per cent in favor of return to the border. But the war department may have other things in mind, and if the orders from Washington today apply to the Oregon regiment, it appears that the conclusions reached by the officers and men of the company, based on facts cited above are all wrong.

The adjutant general also says recruiting since the regiment's return has not fallen off and the station will continue in La Grande for the present at least.

NEW DISTRICT SOUGHT.

Large Number of Clover Creek People Visit County Court.

For the purpose of giving testimony and advising the boundary board, a large number of Wolf creek people are in town today appearing before County Judge Ivy who with County Superintendent Ivanhoe is the school boundary board. A proposition of creating a new district is up. Several important matters are before the court at the regular September term.

Primaries to Entertain.

The primary department of the Methodist Sunday school, which of course includes all the little tots, are going to give an ice cream social to-morrow afternoon and evening on the church lawn. They are particularly anxious to have their parents out to see what they can do, and incidentally will turn away no strangers that may wander that way. Try and see if they will.

Petitions for County Division.

With nearly 1400 names petitions for an election for county division will be presented to the Crook county court next week.

FISH COMING TOMORROW MORNING.

A carload of steel head and rainbow trout will reach La Grande on No. 4 at 5:30 Friday morning and members of the Wing, Fin & Fleetfoot club are out recruiting automobiles to handle the carload. La Grande has the reputation of getting these fish cans to the streams with the greatest dispatch of any city in the state, and it is up to the members of the sportsmen's association to maintain that enviable laurel. The fish will go to the various streams of the county.

STUDENTS LEAVE FOR SCHOOL LIFE

FIRST BIG DELEGATION LEFT LAST NIGHT.

Rest of the Week End, and Next Week, Departing Time of Many Others.

College students, present and prospective, are packing their trunks preliminary to another school year's work. One of the first delegations left last night.

Last evening Stella Bodmer and Helen Pierce left for Reed college in Portland; Lucile Pierce went to Monmouth normal; Jerry Hopkins went to Culver Military academy; Jeanette Wheatley, a senior, returned to Oregon as did Fred Kiddle. Carol Curry returns soon to San Jose normal, and will be joined later, it is expected, by Marjorie Smith.

The Oregon contingent will probably include: Alice Hill who has already gone to Eugene, Miss Wheatley, Mr. Kiddle, Neta, Hunter, Helen Curry, a senior, who returns tomorrow night, Russell Ralston, Jimmie Stoddard, Colon Steward, a freshman and probably Eddie Moon, a freshman. Several others seriously contemplating matriculating in Oregon and will decide within a day or two.

Among the O. A. C. students who either return or go as new collegians are included in the following:

Inez Knowles, Ethel Wright, Runa Bacon, Zoe Golden, Charlotte Jones, Mina Ash, Gilbert Hunter, Earl Reynolds, Victor Eckley, Melvin Larsen, Arthur Huff, Ralph Russell and "Fat" Kiddle. Dick Werner and Dutton who have been working on ranches in the vicinity will leave Saturday or early next week. Walter Young and Moody Eckley, of Fruitdale will enter the freshman year.

MRS. CATT ENTHUSED.

Says Women Will Be Given Vote the World Over After War.

Atlantic City, Sept. 7.—Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, president of the National Women's Suffrage association addressed the organization's convention today and declared "a mighty wave of democracy will sweep the world after the war bringing enfranchisement to women of America and Europe."

Will Look After Flax Experiment. A meeting of the emergency board will be held in Salem Monday to authorize the creating of a deficiency to take care of the flax experiment.

ENGLISH RETAIN CONTROL OF THE BIG LINZE WOOD

Several Thousand Roumanian Troops Trapped and Captured.

London, Sept. 7.—Germans last night attacked Linze wood which the British captured yesterday, but were driven back repeatedly, leaving their wounded. General Haig reported this morning. The English had captured part of the woods the day before and took all of it yesterday and unless the Germans come back stronger today than they did yesterday the desirable point will continue throughout the day in English hands.

British took many prisoners in the battle around Linze. The French war office has announced the French captured 1500 yards of German first-line positions between Vaux Chaptre and Chenots wood, Northeast of Verdun, where they took 250 prisoners and ten machine guns.

The Allies' steady advance threatens Coblentz, the main support of the German Somme army.

The new French advance has brought the first lines closer. Petrograd has announced Russian artillery is shelling the Galician city Halitz, 66 miles southeast of Lemberg and which is the keystone to Austro-German defenses. It is admitted Roumanians evacuated Tutrakan on the Danube, 33 miles south of Bucharest, under pressure of a superior enemy force.

OX-TEAM MEEKER, NOW IN AN AUTOMOBILE, REACHES CITY

Ezra Meeker, with his auto-prairie schooner, en route from Washington, D. C. to Olympia arrived in La Grande at noon today and was welcomed by a large number of friends who knew him in past days, when he was on a similar mission with his ox team outfit. With his driver he is traversing the route of his proposed national highway, the bill for which he has been boosting in the national capital and in the interests of which project he is making the trip. He is traveling through here over the route of the old Oregon trail and expressed appreciation of the marking of the highway through Union county.

Ezra Meeker, who marked the permanent movement in La Grande for the Oregon trail, is a unique character. Close to the 90th mile stone in life's journey, he enjoys excellent health and is just as good a booster for good roads as he was when he made his celebrated transcontinental trip by ox team on the same mission as his present one. At one time he was one of the wealthiest hop growers in the Puyallup valley, and because of his interest in the national highway and his picturesque means of going about helping the cause along he is distinctly unique.

SUGAR CUT BY SIX-BIT SLICE

SACCHARINE QUOTATIONS FALL WITH CRASH.

Retail Price on Cash Basis Now \$7.45 in La Grande—40 Cents More on Time.

Seventy-five cents per cental was the cut made on La Grande sugar prices this morning, in conformity with the drop taken at Portland yesterday which was announced in the Observer last evening. This places the local saccharine quotations at \$7.45 for cash. The 30-day figures are the usual 40 cents more than that.

More room has been acquired by K. Dyal for his store on Fir street. His furniture business has been growing to the point where more facilities were needed and he has leased a new room giving him more frontage than he had previously.

ALICEL SCHOOL TO OPEN.

Pupils Urged To Be Present on First Day, September 11.

A note from Prof. P. E. Christenson, principal of the Alicel school, states that the school will open Monday, September 11. Parents and pupils will please notice the date. It is urged for the child's sake that he be sent to school from the very beginning and attend regularly for the full time. Even a week's loss is difficult to regain, besides adding discouragement to the child.

The high school this year will offer first, second and third year English; first, second and third year mathematics; mediaeval and modern history; physiology the first semester, botany the second semester.

BROKEN HAND HEALING.

Mrs. J. E. Reynolds Undergoes Painful Accident by Fall.

A broken hand resulted from a fall which Mrs. J. E. Reynolds experienced at her home on Second street a few days ago. She had been to the barn on an errand when she slipped and fell, hitting her hands on the walk in such a way that the left one suffered a bad fracture. It is healing now but has caused Mrs. Reynolds a great deal of pain. It is still interfering seriously with her enjoyment of the races nevertheless. Her friends will be glad to know that the trouble will not likely leave any serious after effects.

I. N. SULLIVAN OF IDAHO, HAS BEEN DEFEATED

NOTED JUDGE FEELS BOOMERANG FOR COURT CONTEMPT ON EDITOR.

PROGRESSIVES REMEMBER COURT'S FAMOUS ORDER

Because the Supreme Court in 1913 Sentenced Boise Editor to Jail for Printing Colonel Roosevelt's Attack on the Court, Idaho Punishes Judge Sullivan.

Boise, Sept. 7.—Late returns have indicated Isaac N. Sullivan has been defeated for nomination as justice of the state supreme court.

Progressives fought Sullivan on account of the 1913 contempt case wherein the publisher and editor of the Boise Capital News was sentenced to jail for printing Col. Roosevelt's attack on the Idaho supreme court after the court had barred the Progressive electors from the ballot.

TRAGEDY AT BAKER.

Woman Killed and Her Murderer Later Is a Suicide.

Baker, Sept. 7.—Shooting and instantly killing Mrs. Mary E. Davis at the O. K. rooming house on Center street about 11 o'clock last evening, Harvey Shoemaker then turned his 32 calibre revolver on himself and took his own life. The only witness to the tragedy was George Howard, who, according to his story, saw Shoemaker kill Mrs. Davis but did not see the suicide. He immediately notified the police.

Shoemaker's body was on the floor of the lodging house office near the door of the back room used as a sitting room, where the body of Mrs. Davis lay on the floor. Mrs. Davis was shot through the left breast, the bullet presumably striking her heart. Shoemaker had shot himself through the body, but evidently thought the wound would not be fatal, so fired a second shot through his head. There were four empty shells in the gun, but whether or not a fourth shot was fired is unknown, for no witness has yet been found who heard any shots except Howard and the little granddaughter and nephew of Mrs. Davis, who were the only people in the house.

Howard told the officers that he was sitting in the room with Mrs. Davis and had been talking with her for some time. According to him, Shoemaker came into the place, passed through the office and knocked at the door. Mrs. Davis answered and opening the door slightly, told Shoemaker he could not come in. The latter attempted to force the door open and Howard sprang to Mrs. Davis' assistance. Before he reached her, she says, Shoemaker forced the door open and shot at Mrs. Davis, who fell to the floor. Howard then made a hasty exit, going through a back window of the room, taking sash, screen and everything else with him.

Shoemaker was about 38 years of age and Mrs. Davis probably about 40.

Portland Man Nominated.

Washington, Sept. 7.—President Wilson has nominated Charles E. Mahaffey of Portland to be solicitor of the interior department.

CAR SHORTAGE SERIOUS

Complaint Is To Be Prepared Against the Southern Pacific

Salem, Sept. 7.—The state public service commission has asked Attorney General Brown to prepare a complaint against the Southern Pacific on account of the failure to furnish cars for Oregon shippers and especially the lumbermen. The complaint may be ready tonight. The commission plans a sweeping investigation and may report the facts to the interstate commission.

Ferry Car in Trouble.

Milwaukee, Sept. 7.—A Perre Marquette car Ferry foundered near Point Gale. She carried 50 passengers and crew. Coast guards have rushed to the scene. Only slight danger is reported.

Loan May Help Mexico.

New London, Sept. 7.—Extensive financial aid to Mexico without suggesting any benevolence is one of the main problems confronting the American commission.

If Mexico establishes a stable government, the United States government plans to aid her in floating a big loan here.

The commission's second session will be held tomorrow.

THE CORSAIR SETS NEW STATE TROTTING MARK FIRST DAY

FAST BOXING CARD TONIGHT

ELABORATE ENTERTAINMENT PROVIDED CROWDS.

Wrestling of Scientific Sort to Open Festivities at 8:15.

Hand in hand with the entertainment at the race track, comes a special feature of amusement this evening when a program of boxing and wrestling will be carried out under the auspices of the La Grande Racing club at the old Elks' hall. The fun begins with a wrestling match between Vic Eckley and Scott Wheatley, who haven't met before publicly and only rarely have worked together in the gymnasium. Keen rivalry exists. There will be five minutes allotted to each of the two match for two falls or three. In case of equal falls or no falls at the end of 10 minutes of wrestling the bout will go five minutes more. A group of local boxers will take up the time between these bouts as that there will be something every minute. At the head of this string of local boxers who will lead up to the main event, is the railroaders' favorite, Bert Davies. Others who will appear are Abe Johnson, Linx Larson, Lloyd Kindred, Bern Ainsworth and Smith.

Main Bout a Hummer. Then comes the main bout. Ray McCarroll of Butte arrived today noon and Jack Carpenter, the Salt Lake boy who meets him, has been here for some little time. Carpenter is a little lighter but they are approximately of equal weight. They will mill it for 10 rounds. C. D. Emahiser, whom the Racing club directed to handle the bouts, will personally see to it that the men keep moving and that the affair is at all times clean and sportsmanlike. He is to referee. Ladies especially are invited to come out for the program.

The wrestling bouts begin at 8:15 and should be as good an opener as the main bout of 10 rounds will be a curtain act.

Many Women Coming.

Many leading society women have reserved seats for the bouts this evening, taking advantage of a section set aside for them.

New favorites may develop and new stars twinkle ere the week is over but when the opening day of the La Grande race meet came to an end it was The Corsair, a powerful brown stallion owned by Joe Huber of Bozeman, and driven by McKay, and Harold Welcome the Grant Lincoln stallion with Butcher in the sulkey, were the whole show. Each horse earned the favors bestowed upon him.

Half Mile Record Set. In the first place The Corsair traversed the half-mile track in the record time of 2:14 1-4, said to be a state mark for half-mile tracks in this state. Not only that but he toyed with his competitors in the 2:17 trot. While the station antihated space taking his own pace and his own time, D. J. Burke, Amy McKinney, Sweet Bow and Baby Tally were having a battle royal for lesser money—but first place was never in debate after The Corsair hit out in the first heat. His passing the grand stand toward the close of the day was always the signal for an outburst of applause.

Lincoln Horse Game.

Helen Zedo had won two interesting heats in the 2:14 pace before the real fireworks, sure enough horse race of the day was sprung. Harold Welcome, owned by Lincoln formerly of this city and now of Keating, had to content himself with second place in the first two heats, the balance of the field being well distributed. But in the third the beautiful animal forged to the pole ere the first turn and kept it, Helen Zedo fighting him step by step without a break by either animal. Rounding the turn Mabel C., a tailender thereto spurted magnificently to the front pulling second place with Harold Welcome about a head in the lead, and Helen Zedo and Jennie Fitzsimmons so closely bunched that only those under the wire could pick their places. None of the four money-takers were a sulkey length from each other. The grand stand thrilled to the quick as the race proceeded, and gave the best horse race sensation of the entire matinee. (Again the equine world was generously applauded when the little beauty pranced back to his stall after negotiating the feat he did. The La Grande derby, premier running event of the day was a close race between Leo H. and Soon but Jupiter Second was outclassed after the first quarter pole. Penninger shot Leo H. under the wire in the long mill a neck ahead.

The Summary: 2:14 pace; three in five, purse \$400. Helen Zedo b. m. Bob Fitzsimmons (Wilbourne) 1 1 3 Harold Welcome b. s. Welcome (Butcher) 2 2 1 Mabel C. b. m. Capt. Brino (McKay) 4 5 2

Jennie Fitzsimmons b. m. Bob Fitzsimmons (Dennis) 3 3 4 Armadilla blk. m. Montana Grattan (Huber) 5 4 5 Time, 2:10 1-4, 2:10 1-4, 2:12. 2:17 trot; three in five, purse \$400. The Corsair br. s. Walnut Hall (McKay) 1 1 1 D. J. Burke b. g. The Corsair (Huber) 2 2 5 Sweet Bow b. m. Bon Voyage (Ivy) 4 3 2 Amy McKinney blk. m. Captain McKinney (Wilbourne) 3 4 4 Baby Lally blk. m. Bonnie McK (Bush) 5 5 3 Time, 2:15 1-4, 2:14 1-4, 2:17. Quarter mile dash; purse \$100. Black Sam first, Rocket Boy second, Tuckey B third. Time 24 flat. La Grande Derby (Mile and a sixteenth); Purse \$200.00. Leo H. first, Soon second, Jupiter Second third. Time 1:52.

SIDELIGHTS ON THE RACES.

A rather peculiar incident wasn't generally noticed yesterday. The Corsair, by Walnut Hall, is the sire of D. J. Burke, the bay gelding who was in the 2:17 trot that The Corsair took so nicely. The Corsair is 11 years old. His get took second place.

As the afternoon progressed the drivers realized that Starter Joe Waddell had lost his patience and that it was best to score with more care. Because of this, the last heats got away on the second or third scoring, whereas the second heat required an even 14. The audience appreciated this and gave the starter the "glad hand" every time he told the drivers what to expect. Drivers will trample on a starter if they have a chance, and Mr. Waddell will retain the popularity of the grand stand by bringing the drivers up standing every heat.

George Young showed his enterprise by hanging out a banner on his refreshment booth saying that his drinks were made from spring water—this because of the disagreeable taste of Beaver creek.

The automobile spaces were only moderately used yesterday but C. D. Emahiser, in whose care they were, exercised good judgment in the handling of the spaces.

The standing room provided about the timers' stand is a treat to those who like to get away from the grand stand. There is no better view of the races anywhere than in this standing space.

There wasn't a breath of wind yes-

BAKERS FIGHT BREAD MAKERS

PORTLAND CAMPAIGN BEGINS TONIGHT.

"Home Made" Bread Campaign Excites Bread Makers.

Portland, Sept. 7.—Bakers of Portland will meet tonight to discuss plans for campaigning against home made bread. Portland housewives intend to fight "the high cost of bread" by home baking.

Bakers are considering "educational advertising." They do not intend to raise bread prices but gradually reduce the size of the five and ten-cent loaves.

BANDITS ARE AMATEURS.

Fail to Crack Train Safe in Six Different Trials.

Douglas, Ariz., Sept. 7.—A second posse started at day break to reinforce Sheriff Wheeler's posse chasing six bandits. They held up the Golden State limited near Apache at midnight. Robbers apparently were amateurs and used six charges of nitroglycerine in a futile attempt to blow the safe.

terday and as the track was firm and smooth, good time was possible. As a general rule there is always an hour or so of wind every afternoon at the fair grounds.

Y. M. C. A. Secretary King staged a pie-eating contest yesterday afternoon which took well with the audience. Leighton won first and Roberts third. A relay race and some sprints for boys occupies attention between acts today.

The band stand on the North end of the grand stand was initiated yesterday. When the soft pedal is on the music, the sound doesn't come up very clearly to the further end of the grand stand.

The special train from Wallawa county arrived at 10:45. A sprinkling of Wallawa people were brought in and some from the North end of the county. The band and a committee of businessmen were out to meet the guests.