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ROUMANIANS DRIVEN BACK

STRUGGLE AT HERMANSTADT
RESULTS VICTORIOUSLY
FOR TEUTON FORCES

RAINS HINDER TROOPS ALONG WESTERN FRONT

Soldiers Fight Waist-Deep in Water
—Germans Repulse Roumanians
and Drive Scattered Remnants into
Wilderness About Famous Red
Tower Pass, Now Teuton's.

Berlin, Sept. 30.—Teutons have severely defeated Roumanians near Hermanstadt from where they drove the Roumanians southward, and annihilated a portion of the enemy's first army. Remnants have fled to mountain wilderness.

Germans have seized the famous Red Tower pass and cut off Roumanians' retreat.

Germans repulsed strong British attacks on the western front.

Rains Fall on Battlefield
London, Sept. 30.—British defeated German counter attacks on the Hessian trenches last night, and fighting is severe despite heavy rains. Soldiers fought in waist-deep water. Elsewhere bad weather has delayed operations.

German Budget Considered
Berlin, Sept. 30.—The German budget commission is in secret session and upon its decisions rests the future military operations. Anti-Hollweg factions want more explicit statements regarding his plan to punish Britains.

Psychologist Lectures Tonight.
Dr. Miller a Los Angeles psychologist and vocational adviser, lectures tonight at the Y. M. C. A. The lecture is free. Mr. Miller appeared both at Baker and Union, before coming here. The lecture is illustrated by good views.

GOVERNOR'S FAMILY HURT

Ohio's Executive Taxi Hit by Street Car—Three Sustain Hurts

Delaware, Ohio, Sept. 30.—Governor Frank Willis, wife and daughter were injured today when their taxicab was hit by a street car. Governor Willis suffered a sprained wrist and Mrs. Willis deep scalp wounds. The daughter was bruised.

Open Gambling Charges in Baker.
Baker, Sept. 30.—Complaints including four of Baker's former saloons, the Mint, the Oasis, the Club and the Log Cabin, charging violation of the gambling law, were filed today by District Attorney Godwin. 16 individuals being specified. Of these six appeared before Justice F. L. Hubbard this afternoon and waived preliminary examination. J. W. Buckley, Mike Hoff and William Kent, proprietors of the Mine, the Log Cabin and the Oasis, together with Al Vaughn and Tom Spence, were allowed to go on their own recognizance, while J. D. Pipes gave bail in the sum of \$100, all being bound over to the grand jury.

Morgan On Tour.
New York, Sept. 30.—J. P. Morgan sailed today for Liverpool aboard the liner New York. He announced it was mostly a pleasure trip, but Wall Street, however, believes Morgan is arranging for a tremendous loan.

La Grande Student in Politics.
University of Oregon, Eugene, Sept. 30.—Interest in National politics by the students of the university is being manifested in the organization of a Hughes' Club. Within a few days it is expected to have the permanent officers at work and a request on its way to the National headquarters for affiliation with the National organization.

Hughes Has Traveled 20,000 Miles: Wilson Invites Young

EIGHT-DAY REST TO BE TAKEN
BY CANDIDATE—ADDRESSED
1,500,000 SINCE AUGUST FIRST.
OVERWORK AND STRAIN HAVE
LEFT THEIR MARKS.

Cornell, N. Y., Sept. 30.—Governor Hughes has completed the 20,000th mile on his tour. He has addressed 1,500,000 since August 5th. He is greatly fatigued and dark circles are forming under his eyes, and his voice is cracked.

Mr. Hughes returns to New York after the Buffalo meeting tonight and resumes his campaign October 8th.

PIANOS, NOT FURNITURE, COME.
Typographical Error Leads to Misunderstanding by the Public.

G. M. Richey is receiving a carload of pianos—not furniture—as was announced yesterday wholly through a typographical error. Mr. Richey has no intention of entering the furniture business.

Recent Arrival at Union Visits.
J. D. Muir, who recently purchased a farm near Union, is in the city today on business. Mr. Muir came to this section from Idaho Falls.

PHILLIES NOW LEAD LEAGUE

Brooklyn, Sept. 30.—Philadelphia went into the lead of the National league today by beating Brooklyn previous leaders, in the morning game. The score was 7-2.

STUDENTS HELP THEMSELVES.

Domestic Science Instructor Finds Pupils Capable Generals

Miss Nioma Kirtley spent two days in Enterprise this week judging domestic science exhibits at the fair there, and during her absence she left various departments in charge of specified students. On her return Friday morning she found that the students had acquitted themselves nobly. The school cafeteria, which daily feeds a number of students on cost basis, had served an average of 25 people, and given satisfaction. Miss Sarah Salisbury was in charge of that department. Miss Marie Love, Miss Phyllis Majors, Miss Helen Poston and Avis Vinake had charge of the grade work and they did splendid service. Miss Kirtley is much pleased as the results of the experiment, and so reported to Superintendent McCullough.

'Save Chinese Pheasant Hens' Appeal Meets With Much Favor

Sportsmen throughout Union county are subscribing in great numbers to a voluntary pledge not to kill female China Pheasants during the 10 days beginning tomorrow that hunters may kill four roosters and one female in one day. The reason for subscribing to such a pledge is that Chinas were late in developing this year and if females are shot now, it will very seriously impair the sport for next year. For many years Grande Ronde valley was denied this sport and must be careful or it will slip again. While the law does not forbid killing one hen in a day or two for a week sportsmen who are sportsmen and realize the condition, will avoid killing hens. There are roosters enough to go round.

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The federal duck law also becomes operative tomorrow morning. The state law has raised itself 15 days ago but those who preferred not to flit with trouble and Uncle Sam waited until tomorrow when Uncle Sam says shoot if you want to—but not before sunrise.

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PRESIDENT NAMES PEACE, PROSPERITY, BUSINESS PREPAREDNESS AND EIGHT-HOUR LAW AS CHIEF THEMES FOR DISCUSSION HENCEFORTH.

Asbury Park, Sept. 30.—President Wilson today addressed representatives of the Young Men's League of Democratic clubs. He is asking Young Americans to vote for Democrats.

Asbury Park, Sept. 29.—Four great issues—peace, prosperity, business preparedness and the eight-hour law—will be enunciated by President Wilson in his forthcoming trip westward in support of his candidacy for reelection. These issues are the ones which he believes the voters will either support or reject his administration. Mrs. Wilson will accompany him at all places on the trip.

Young Mother Death Victim

Mrs. O. A. Rietan, aged 28 died at the family home, 905 Lake street—near the Palmer mill—yesterday afternoon. She had not been well for some time having been subject to attacks of kidney trouble. Her death came after a brief but severe illness following the birth of twins, one of which, Arnold, survives her. The other succumbed after a faint struggle for life two weeks ago.

She leaves a husband and another child, a daughter, Margaret, and a sister Marie Magnuson, in this country and many friends and relatives both in Norway and America.

The funeral will take place at the Lutheran church tomorrow (Sunday) afternoon at 2 o'clock. The casket will not be opened at the church but will be this evening between 8 and 9 o'clock at the Bohnenkamp chapel, where the body now lies.

NEW BARN AT COVE BURNED.

Hay and Farm Implements Burned in Fire of Unknown Origin.
Cove, Sept. 30. (Special).—The new William Haefner barn was completely destroyed by fire of unknown origin this morning. Hay valued at \$1000 a hay rack and wagon were also lost, but some of the harness, and a cow and horse were removed by neighbors. There was no insurance.

Returned From Wallowa County Fair.
Ralph W. Allen, director of the branch experiment station at Hermiston, was in La Grande yesterday evening from Enterprise where he was engaged as one of the judges at the Wallowa county fair. Mr. Allen was a former classmate of Paul Spillman, county agriculturalist for this county.

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NATION'S CROP OF APPLES IS BELOW NORMAL

CONDITIONS IN THE GRANDE
RONDE MORE MARKED THAN
GENERAL STATUS.

CONDITION PARTLY DUE TO UP-ROOTED ORCHARDS

Government Survey of Apple Crop
Identical to Those at Home—Last
Few Weeks Have Helped the Crop
Wonderfully.

The local forecast on apple production in Grande Ronde for this season ranges about the same as that for the whole United States; that is, there is a decrease, with the percentage of shortage somewhat larger than in other sections.

The decline in the output is ascribable to two reasons. A large portion of orchards near La Grande, totalling between a quarter and a third of the original area have been pulled up since last year. The main cause of the shortage, however, is due principally to the dry weather during the latter part of the growing season. The effect has been a reduction in size, although the quality and coloring is rapidly coming out as the gathering season approaches. The closest estimates place the output in May Park and Fruitdale at between 60 and 75 per cent of a full crop. Imbler, Cove and Union stand about alike with reports of something better than half a crop of the normal seasons. But there is great variance between individual orchards in all the apple localities and this is especially noticeable in the district north of La Grande, where, in fact, there has been the greatest acreage of orchard area stripped of the trees and turned back to other uses. One of the best appearing orchards in Fruitdale is the twenty acre tract belonging to C. H. Finn, which will have an estimated output of between 10,000 and 15,000 boxes. There are other promising crops here and there, but the general output may be safely placed at the least at 25 per cent short. But a much smaller percentage than that will go into the cull class.

Harvesting Soon to Begin.
No regular work of gathering has yet begun further than the taking care of the windfalls, which on account of the calm weather conditions are smaller in quantity than any former season. The regular picking season will begin about the middle of the coming month.

Regardless of the lack of rain there is consistent growth and especial improvement noticeable in the coloring, which is an important consideration in the matter of marketing.

Good Local Demand.
For reasonable varieties, such as Hawleys, Gravensteins, Wealthies and others of this class there is a good local demand at fair prices, ranging from 50c to 75c per box, loose pack. Either from limited supply or for some other reason the local demand is better than in many former seasons and at fairly good prices. Nearly all local orchards which have apples that are just in their prime have little difficulty in disposing of what they have to spare.

As for the general market conditions for commercial apples there is nothing yet by which the outlook may be gauged. But the advance reports of estimates placing the general output below the normal should be one element of encouragement toward a corresponding strengthening in price.

Apple Limb Breaks With Load.
It has been necessary to thin out apples in the orchard of C. H. Finn in Fruitdale on account of the fact that many limbs have been breaking under the weight of fruit. A man for that purpose was set to work this week. The crop of apples in this orchard is about the heaviest of any in this section this year.

National Review Compiled.
Washington, D. C., Sept. 30.—The September forecast of total apple production this year in the United States, as reported by the Bureau of Crop Estimates, U. S. Department of Agriculture, is 67,679,000 barrels of 3 bushels each (agricultural and not commercial basis), as compared with 76,670,000 estimated produced last year, of which not quite 65 per cent were sold. In the past ten years estimated production has exceeded the present forecast five times. Taking the country as a whole, it thus appears that the apple crop will be nearly an average, but 12 per cent smaller than last year's large crop. The crop is larger than last year in the Atlantic Coast States, including New York and Pennsylvania, and in the Pacific Coast States but smaller in practically all the interior states except

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PORTLAND WOMAN SHOOT MOTHER; THEN SUICIDES

DRESSED IN BEST CLOTHES, MURDERESS SNUGGLES IN BESIDE CORPSE AND SLAYS SELF
—FEARED INSANITY, NOTE TO
RELATIVES EXPLAINS

Portland, Sept. 30.—Mrs. Ella Graves, aged 27, this morning shot and killed her mother, Mrs. Minnie E. Graves, and then suicided. The family formerly lived at Astoria.

Wore Her Best Clothes
Mrs. Graves left a note saying she feared insanity and preferred to die.

Her mother was asleep when her daughter entered the bedroom and fired a shot that entered the woman's brain. Prior to committing the crime the younger woman had bathed and donned her best clothes, all fresh. At 6 o'clock she went to her mother's chamber and fired the fatal shot.

Lies Down Beside Corpse
Having disposed of her mother's

life, Mrs. Graves then snuggled down beside the corpse and while in that position blew her own brains out.

Cries Bring Neighbors
The shooting occurred fully an hour before its discovery. R. L. Graves, husband of the murdered woman, heard the shots but attributed them to slamming doors. An hour later he became alarmed and went to investigate. He was compelled to smash in the door and then discovered the tragedy. His cries attracted neighbors. Graves was prostrated.

A farewell note from Mrs. Graves instructed use of her insurance for expenses, and that her sister Eva, who lives at Astoria was to have the rest.

STATE HUMS WITH POLITICS

Portland, Ore., Sept. 30.—Special correspondence.—Politics are seething in the metropolis. The chief interest in the present campaign centers on the Presidential election. The workers of each party are interested in the prospects of Hughes and Wilson chiefly as their own chances for offices are effected. If Hughes wins, with two Democratic United States senators, Ralph E. Williams, the Republican national committeeman, is expected to have much to say about Federal patronage, although Edgar B. Piper, editor of The Oregonian, and Republican Congressman Sinnott, McArthur and Hawley are expected to have a voice in appointments.

At Republican headquarters State Chairman McNary and Vice-Chairman Neuhausen are confident that Hughes will carry Oregon by 30,000.

Congressman McArthur is on the ground and making the fight of his life for re-election with chances good. The general impression is that McArthur has made good and he is receiving loyal support from Republicans. A. W. Lafferty is running as a dry, appealing to the Democrats as the man to beat McArthur, and posing as a friend of Wilson's. He is also trying to make capital out of McArthur's vote against the eight-hour law. A new man, J. E. Simmons, is in the race as an Independent and he is not expected to get far. His candidacy will help McArthur.

The joke of the season in politics was the Governor's accusation that Ben. W. Olcott and Senator L. N. Day were in a combination with The Journal to discredit him. Everyone here knows that Senator Day wouldn't try to make a deal with the Journal. And, if he did, the Journal would turn red all over.

Governor Withycombe is expected to be a candidate for governor again. He has been looking after his fences by visiting various parts of the state. The bee is also buzzing about the ears of State Senator Gus C. Mozar and the big vote George J. Cameron got as Republican delegate to Chicago convention, has caused some of the Judge's latent ambitions to rise to the surface. In Democratic circles it is rumored that Dr. C. J. Smith might not be averse to throwing his hat into the ring.

Villa's Location Is Known.
El Paso, Sept. 30.—It is reported Villa is camping on American mining property near Cushihuiachi, where he captured a Carranza garrison. He flogged all who refused to join his forces.

PARENTS ELECT NEW PRESIDENT

Mrs. C. P. Ferrin is president of the newly organized Parent-Teachers' association of the Central school district. Her election took place yesterday evening when a delightful program was rendered to 35 members. Superintendent McCullough, in a very lucid manner, outlined the course of instruction proposed for the grades this year. In addition to the election of a president, the club chose Mrs. Lee Warnick as secretary and Mrs. C. B. Miller as treasurer, and elected Mrs. Violet Morgan and Mrs. Dora B. Schilke as delegates to the state convention at The Dalles Oct. 13-15. The outlook for a successful year's work was declared to be bright and keen interest in the work was evidenced.

Visit of Portland Banker.

Wilfrid P. Jones, Vice-President of the Northwestern National Bank, is in La Grande visiting local bankers and making an annual tour through Eastern Oregon. He will visit the Wallowa country before his return. "Everywhere I go in the Eastern Oregon and Washington country," said Mr. Jones, "I hear stories of increased bank deposits and the great prosperity of the farmers and livestock men. I am delighted with the producing country around La Grande, and can readily understand the soundness and prosperity of the city."

Forty-Hour Devotion Begins.
Beginning tomorrow at the Catholic church there will be the regularly prescribed forty hours of devotion which will continue over three days. Rev. Father Stearns, of Pendleton, arrived this morning to assist Father Discol in this special observance and he will be succeeded the two days following by Father Noy of the same locality.

Calls Enterprise Fair Good.
Col. F. S. Ivanhoe was a visitor to the Wallowa county fair at Enterprise yesterday, and reports that the fair is exceptionally good this year.

PERSONAL MENTION

John Brant, a well-known farmer of North Powder, was a visitor in La Grande last night.

Mrs. Ed. Cross of 1702 Spruce street is confined to her home with a gripple.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Zwifel, 2018 Adams, have returned from a pleasant visit to Eagle Valley.

Mrs. L. Garrick and daughter, Melles, left last night on a trip to Pendleton.

Dr. M. K. Hall arrived home this morning from a hurried business trip to Portland.

W. W. Green, the Durham cattle specialist of Union, was in La Grande this morning on his return from attendance at the Wallowa county fair.

Ed. Myersick and the Buesing Brothers, farmers who live east of La Grande, came back from the state fair today and express great satisfaction, was in La Grande yesterday even-features at Salem.

Miss Mabel Tutt, a niece of Mrs. J. C. Henry, arrived from South Bend, Ind., last night on a visit and will remain for a considerable period at the Judge Henry home on Fourth street.

Ed. Wulf, a prosperous farmer of the Telocast section, came down to La Grande today on business. The trip was made in a new Overland which Mr. Wulf drove down for a try out.

Robert Eakin, municipal judge, left last night for Portland, expecting to continue the trip to Salem to visit his father, Supreme Judge R. Eakin. Attorney H. E. Dixon will officiate as the municipal magistrate during Mr. Eakin's absence.

Aaron Wade, well known Wallowa resident, arrived from Salem this morning after attending the state fair. He brings the usual report of the best state fair that was ever held and that Eastern Oregon received great recognition for the fine showing made.

Rev. S. M. Roberts, pastor of the M. E. church, South, has been busy since his recent appointment to the La Grande charge in getting settled with his family in their new place of abode, but announces that they will after October 1st be "at home" at 1410 Jackson Avenue.