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HUGHES RALLY SUCCESS; BIG CROWD OUT

THREE AVENUES OF ATTACK
MADE BY SEN. PILES TO
AUDIENCE OF 500.

WILSON'S EARLY LABOR VIEWS READ TO CROWD

America Kept Out of War With Eu-
rope Because Europe Couldn't Fight
U. S. Declared Speaker—Not Kept
Out of Mexican War—Tariff At-
tacked—Reserve Act Explained.

In the neighborhood of 500 people last evening listened to ex-Senator Samuel Piles of Seattle attack the democratic administration from three important angles in support of Governor Hughes for President. The tariff, the Federal Reserve act and the war question were chosen as the avenues down which the attack on the administration should be made. The evening's successful meeting was opened by J. C. Henry, chairman of the Hughes Alliance, making a preliminary speech and introducing A. W. Pearly as another preliminary speaker.

When Colon R. Eberhard had introduced the speaker of the evening, incidentally setting a record for brevity of introduction, the Seattle lawyer outlined the speech and began what is generally recognized as one of the most forceful political addresses heard here in years. Vociferous applause greeted him often.

A. W. Pearly, of the O.-W. spoke briefly in an introductory way, reading the statement made by Mr. Wilson when he was president of Princeton to the effect that he was vigorously an Open Shop supporter, and that the laboring man gave as little as he could for his pay and that as long as these conditions continued big business would suffer, or words to that effect. Immediately afterwards he read the statement of the leading labor journal in 1910 which said that Governor Hughes, then appointed to the supreme bench, had been the best friend labor ever had in the governor's chair at Albany, and produced labor comment on the labor laws passed in all time in that state, and which otherwise heaped encomiums upon Mr. Hughes as a "friend of labor."

Following Mr. Pearly's brief remarks, Colon R. Eberhard, secretary of the County Central committee introduced the speaker of the evening. His voice was rusty and he spoke with some difficulty and for that reason confined himself to three chief phases of the campaign already mentioned.

Treating the tariff he remarked: The United States had the greatest foreign trade of any nation on the globe before the democratic party went into office. Our domestic trade surpassed our entire foreign trade and there was \$150,000,000 in our treasury not wrung from the people by taxes for everyday necessities. Now we are confronted with necessity for a bond issue. Democrats were using the Republican Payne-Aldrich tariff while whipping the Underwood tariff into shape and had excess of exports over imports amounting to over four hundred million.

After the war the United States will face the keenest industrial conflict in history.

Reserve Act History Traced.
Of the Federal Reserve act, Mr. Piles was exhaustive. He went back to the financial stress of three weeks' duration in 1907; told of the passage of the Vreeland-Aldrich act empowering the treasury department to provide \$500,000,000 currency in time of stress; told of the creation of the Monetary commission under republican orders, and of its travels abroad to gather data for a comprehensive currency bill with elasticity. "Then," the speaker declared "democrats drafted an administration bill that passed the house but met a storm of disapproval from everywhere, and the senate—republicans and democrats alike—revamped it, and passed a bill which contained the meat of the Monetary commission data gathered by republican orders, and put the heart of Vreeland-Aldrich bill, drafted and passed by republicans, into the administration measure. Now that the bill of which the democrats claim so much is in force, we find only the comparatively small sum \$100,000,000 borrowed from it, but great sums of National bank money tied up in it."

Broken Promises Cited
Incidentally Mr. Piles said broken

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Inez M. Boissevain Here October 10th

New York Feminist, of Remarkable
Beauty, to Visit Oregon and May
Speak at La Grande.

Inez Milholland Boissevain, striking beauty of New York, feminist, lawyer and labor worker, whose marriage not long ago came as a surprise because of her feminist views, and who is attributed with having proposed to Count Boissevain, will be in La Grande, October 10th. She will be a passenger on No. 17 that morning, unless present plans are upset, and while not booked to make a rear-platform speech here as she is at The Dalles and Pendleton on those dates, she will no doubt be seen and heard if club women of La Grande press the matter. She is campaigning for the National Woman's party. The lady's fame as a beauty and feminist, has spread throughout the country in recent years to a degree attained by no other woman, probably. On the night of the 10th she addresses a banquet in Portland.

SLAV ARMY ON THE MOVE AGAIN

HARD DRIVE AT TEUTON LINES
COMMENCES IN CAUCASUS
DISTRICT.Roumanians Suffer Severely Along
the Danube—Action in the West
Not Unusual.

Petrograd, Oct. 5.—Russians have suddenly resumed the Caucasus offensive and are advancing on a wide front. The Black Sea fleet is co-operating. They captured Turkish fortified positions near Karaburnum, while Russians captured many prisoners on the Austro-German front. Russo-Roumanians have continued the Dobrudja offensive, taking 13 cannons.

Marching Columns Attacked
London, Oct. 5.—Gen. Haig has reported British artillery shelled marching German columns north of the Schwaben Redoubt and inflicted many casualties and demoralized the enemy. British infantry raided a trench near Vimy and repulsed a German attack near Saint Eloi. French captured nine cannons near Morval.

Roumanians Suffer Severely
Sofia, Oct. 5.—The war office has reported Bulgarians destroyed 15,000 Roumanians in Bulgaria near Riarigovo. Roumanians were driven back against the Danube river and trapped. Bulgarian cannons smashed the Roumanian transports carrying troops across the river and Roumanians abandoned large quantities of munitions. Thousands of prisoners surrendered.

Berlin Reviews the Day.
Berlin, Oct. 5.—Roumanians are retreating at two sectors on the Transylvanian front. They gained near Orsova.

It is admitted allies gained north of the Somme but Germans heavily defeated British at one point. French captured trenches near Rancourt and British took a position near Lesars.

PROMINENT MACCABEE IN CITY

Many Visiting Members Present to
Greet Distinguished Lodge Woman

La Grande Review, No. 27, Ladies of the Maccabees, are out in full force today with a reception for Mrs. Margaret E. Herrin, of Portland, state deputy commander who is here on an official visit. The affair is in reality a sort of convocation of the Lady Maccabees of Eastern Oregon. There are representatives in attendance from Baker, Walla Walla and other points. The order of business today included a banquet at noon and there will also be a meeting and a feast this evening at which time new work of the order will be exemplified by Mrs. Herrin.

Many visitors from elsewhere expected to be present are not here on account of an error in the announcement of the date of meeting.

PRISONER DRINKS POISON

Portland Man, Captured After Get-
away Attempts to End His Life

Portland, Oct. 5.—P. G. Wilson swallowed poison in the county jail corridor today. He was sentenced to serve one year on a statutory offense today and after entering the jail, Wilson snatched a small bottle from his pocket and swallowed the contents. He fell in convulsions, but surgeons said his life may be saved.

County Court Adjourns.

The October term of county court will adjourn this evening after a two days' session. There was nothing out of the ordinary matters to claim the attention of the court at this meeting.

OLD PRIESTS AND FIREMEN FIRE VICTIMS

CHRISTIAN COLLEGE AT ST.
LOUIS DESTROYED WITH
MANY VICTIMS BURNED

THREE FEEBLE MEMBERS OF COLLEGE DIE FIRST

Fire Department Caught By Crumb-
lin Walls—Two of 10 Removed But
Are Dying—Entire Building a Mass
of Flames Within an Hour—Smoke
Hinders Rescue Work.

St. Louis, Oct. 5.—The Christian Brother's college has burned and Brother Clement, 78, and one aged attendant perished.

The fire started at 7:30 o'clock and spread rapidly. The whole building was a mass of flames within an hour. Many narrow escapes were recorded. Smoke prevented firemen reaching the dormitories where the old priests slept.

Ten Firemen Caught
The College walls collapsed at noon. Ten firemen were buried alive, but two were removed though both are dying.

Several Firemen Rescued.
Rescuers later saved several firemen caught under the debris. All were injured but Chief Henderson said four are still missing. Rescuers located three corpses.

Falling timber killed Lieutenant Buddie and Louie Noleen, 35, was killed when trapped by the flames. He jumped a fifth floor window. The exact number of dead is unknown.

LAFKY CASE IS NON-SUITED

No Longer Defendant in the Howland
Suit Against City.

F. J. Lafky is no longer defendant in the L. D. Howland suit against the city for \$1250 for engineering fees for building the Beaver creek dam last year. This morning Judge Knowles non-suited Mr. Lafky's end of the case but instructed the trial to proceed so far as the city itself was concerned, and held in his ruling that a city employee is not liable so long as he has not overreached his authority in giving orders. Mr. Lafky as city manager employed Mr. Howland.

Motions for non-suit came last evening when the plaintiff rested his case. Attorney Slater for the city moved a non-suit and Attorney Green, counsel for Mr. Lafky, moved for a separate non-suit. This morning these were disposed of as stated. The complainant was allowed to introduce certain new testimony this morning and then the city's case was begun.

Printers and Publishers Meet.

Cincinnati, O., Oct. 5.—One thousand newspaper publishers and printers, members of Ohio, Kentucky, West Virginia, Indiana and Tennessee press associations, are here today attending a printers' congress which will continue until Saturday. Chairman Edward N. Hurley of the Federal Trade commission is to address the congress tomorrow night.

GAS FRANCHISE READY TO GO TO FINAL PASSAGE VOTE

To all appearances the new gas franchise ordinance will pass as originally introduced. Last evening was the time limit for opponents to appear in complaint thereof, and there being none in writing or in verbal form, the city commission read it the first and second time and it is now up to the committee or amendment. Should it be amended it will lay over 20 more days, in that the people have a voice under the charter in the wording of the ordinance.

Several vital matters came before the commission last evening. The question of delinquent assessments and interest thereon was discussed. It is a very vital matter that delinquents take action to relieve the city's predicament in meeting overdue interest, an item that runs into several thousand. The budget time is near and there really is a serious problem extant. It is to the individuals' own interest that they arise to the situation and look after delinquents to avoid disastrous results. City Treasurer Collier has been instructed to collect the overdue assessments and interests, and because of the seriousness of the

matter the administration must push collections, although very loath to apply the screws. Co-operation on the part of all is admitted to be a remedy toward the end.

Another matter that came up was the viaduct question at North Second. William Bollons, O.-W. superintendent submitted an official proposal to the effect that the company commence construction at once of the viaduct, and that the city pay for the approaches and care for damaged property. The proposal was rejected. Commissioner McKennon claiming the city should pay no part of the viaduct. But the refusal is not final as the commissioners will investigate further and hold further conferences. The commission meets again tonight to take up the heating plant question for the city hall.

Various reports were read, salaries paid and bills perused. The report of the audit for the city from January to August this year, was filed by Auditor C. P. Newlin. Various minor discrepancies and errors in bookkeeping were found, but otherwise all accounts were straight and correct.

TWO MEN HURT DAY'S TOLL OF AUTO MISHAPS

JANITOR AT LA GRANDE NA-
TIONAL SUFFERS BROKEN
JAW BONE IN COLLISION

A. V. ANDREWS RUN OVER BY HIS OWN AUTOMOBILE

Two Painful Accidents, One of Them
Quite Serious, Result on Streets
During the Day—Milton Pomeroy
in Hospital in Serious Condition—
Andrews Convalescent.

One jawbone broken in two places, one collar bone cracked, one ear lacerated and a sum total of many other bruises, constitute some of the lasting earmarks of two peculiar accidents on La Grande streets today, both of which were entirely accidental, but at least one of which has a quite serious aspect.

Early in the day A. V. Andrews, prominent merchant and Commercial club member, was run down by his own machine when it plunged ahead while being cranked by Mr. Andrews. At the noon hour Milton E. Pomeroy, janitor at the La Grande National bank, was run down by an automobile driven by J. K. Wright, of the La Grande Investment Co., and seriously injured. The accident appears to have been entirely unavoidable, under the conditions, but nevertheless has a serious aspect. Mr. Pomeroy was hurried to the La Grande hospital by Mr. Wright and D. Fitzgerald, and though he was able to walk to the second floor, it soon developed that his bruises were severe. On the right side of his face, the jawbone suffered a compound fracture and the left side is also fractured. One ear is badly lacerated, he complains of much pain in one hip, though no bones seem broken in that part of the body, and he is, of course, badly bruised up otherwise.

In attempting to avoid a collision with Mr. Pomeroy, who was on his wheel coming down Sixth, Mr. Wright crashed his machine into the curb where it was badly damaged. By the blow Mr. Pomeroy was thrown a considerable distance.

Mr. Wright was running West on O street and lost control of his car, so that he was unable to turn the corner, and neither was he able to avoid the collision with the bicycle rider. The accident happened in a jiffy. Prof. Hampton, Colon R. Eberhard and others were quickly on the scene and assisted in getting the injured man to the hospital.

Cranking Leads To Injury

Soon after A. V. Andrews had reached his place of business in the Toggery this morning he had occasion to drive his car down street. While he was in the act of cranking it, J. J. Carr happened along and both passed the time of day while Mr. Carr went to enter the machine. The gear was on and when the spark caught the car jumped ahead, knocking Mr. Andrews under it. Mr. Carr attempted to stop the little car by seizing the

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Today Last Day To Pay Taxes

Two important matters need the attention of the populace this week—today is the last day to pay taxes, and Saturday is the last day to register.

As to registrations, the books will be open evenings at the Security Land & Savings company tonight and tomorrow night but close at 5 p. m. Saturday. Registrations are brisk but not nearly enough so to get the full unregistered vote on the books unless there is a tremendous eleventh hour rush.

Light Bills Over-rated.

The city's monthly light bill is not \$850 per month as announced recently but in the vicinity of \$660, varying slightly from that figure. The impression that the amount was \$850 per month probably arose from the fact that the annual outlay is a little more than \$8000.

WILSON SPEAKS TO BIG CROWD

HUGHES' AND WILSON'S CAM-
PAIGN CENTER AT NEARBY
POINTS.Women Address Industrial Center in
Chicago—Wilson Defends His Poli-
cies.

Chicago, Oct. 5.—Women supporters of Governor Hughes boosting his stock in Chicago with a special train visitation, and President Wilson out in Omaha receiving ovations constitute the day's chief political news.

WOMEN BOOSTERS IN CHICAGO

**Industrial Centers Hear Street Ad-
dresses by Party Members**
Chicago, Oct. 5.—The Women's Hughes campaign special has arrived here. Delegates paraded in decorated automobiles and lunched with 700 women at the LaSalle hotel. They addressed a street meeting near a big industrial establishment.

The special starts west tomorrow and reaches the Pacific coast next week.

WILSON GREETED AT OMAHA.

**Great Ovation Extended—Goethals
May Study Eight Hour Law.**

Omaha, Oct. 5.—Hundred fifty thousand Nebraskans greeted President Wilson today. A tremendous reception was given him. He addressed the Omaha Commercial club and challenged criticism of his business legislation and defined its purposes. Guests cheered him five minutes.

It is learned Wilson has asked Goethals to be a member of the federal board of investigation of the eight hour day for railroads.

FAST TRAIN IN A WRECK

Pennsylvania Line Passenger and
Freight Come Together

Altoona, Oct. 5.—A fast Pennsylvania train collided with a freight. Two men were killed. Twelve passengers and three trainmen were seriously injured.

CONGRESS NOW ON DOCKS

Marshfield Disaster Not So Severe
—Own Steam Is Available

Seattle, Oct. 5.—The burned steamship Congress has arrived from Marshfield under her own steam. She anchored near the shipyard where repair work was started immediately.

FLOUR JUMPS TO 20 CENTS

Two Dollar Wheat Expected Follow-
ing Great Demand for Cereal.

Portland, Oct. 5.—Flour jumped 20 cents today and makes patent flour \$7.00 a barrel. Another 20-cent jump is expected shortly.

It is reported world markets are bidding for Pacific northwest wheat and the demand is unprecedented. Local dealers predicted two dollar wheat in Chicago and a correspondingly higher price here.

Prison Is Shell Plant.

St. Paul, Minn., Oct. 5.—Lease of the old Minnesota state prison at Stillwater for use as a munitions plant has occasioned expressions of surprise by members of the State Board of Control. Announcement was made that contracts with the Russian government for \$3,000,000 worth of shell casings had been signed by President A. F. Osterlind, of the Osterlind Printing Press & Machinery company, which has leased the old prison, rent and tax free, for eight years to establish a shell manufacturing plant.

The prison was sold to the city of Stillwater recently and the state has no further control in the matter.

CHAMPS REST FOR A VITAL BALL BATTLE

RED SOX HAVE ADVANTAGE OF
POPULAR FAVOR TO WIN ON
THEIR SHOWING.

FINISH OF THE SEASON, RACE RACKED THE NERVES

Pitching Staff Comparison Difficult
but American League Conceded to
Have Best Talent—Brilliant Per-
formers Have Interesting Parts to
Play in Series.

New York, Oct. 5.—Triumphant after their smashing drives down the stretch of the pennant races in the two major leagues, the Boston Red Sox and the Brooklyn Dodgers are resting today, taking a final breath before the opening game of the world's series Saturday in Boston.

Tearing their way through every obstacle, fighting off attack after attack, holding up their heads when it seemed that victory could not be won, these teams have proved their nerve, their unflinching hearts. They do into what promises to be one of the most interesting series ever played between clubs of the American and National leagues after the tightest race since the never-forgotten finish in 1908 when the Cubs and Giants fought down to the last day.

The driving finish, the bitter clashes with rival teams, the nerve-racking, heart-breaking strain of holding a lead by the margin of a few points, all have been surmounted by these two premier baseball clubs. They will go into the series with the admiration and interest of a nation behind them. Wherever there are baseball fans there will be eager watching for the returns of the crowning event of a season.

The Red Sox will go into the series favored to win. Man for man, the team representing the American league stands out as a better organization than its National league rival. The Dodgers have a powerful attack. The Red Sox have a wonderful defense, backed up by a pitching staff that has pulled the club to the top of the league everytime when it seemed they might falter.

It is hard to make a comparison of the pitching staffs, for American league pitching has been conceded to be stronger than the National brand for several years. Also it is held that American league pitchers have to face heavier batting than their brothers in the Tanager circuit. In the past American league hurlers have borne up well under heavy assaults from the older organization and it seems reasonable they will do so this year.

It will be up to Shore, Ruth, Leonard, Foster and Mays to hold down the slugging bats as such wallowers as Casey Stengel, Jake Daubert and Zack Wheat, not to speak of Chief Meyers and some of the smaller tribe who are not considered as top-notchers by National league hurlers in any sense of the word.

Against Marquard, Pfeffer, Coombs, Smith and Cheney the Red Sox hitters, although their batting averages are not so imposing as those of their National league rivals, are expected to manufacture enough records to win a majority of the games. With an infield defense second to none the Red Sox probably will, with the aid of their classy pitching staff, hold Dodger scoring to a minimum.

RAILROAD EXPENSES HUGE

Figures Issued by N. P. Show Average
Daily Expense \$148,780.

St. Paul, Minn., Oct. 5.—For 15 years the average daily expense of operating the 6,000 miles of the Northern Pacific railroad has been \$148,780 or \$53,741,895 a year, according to a statement issued by the road today. An additional \$19,797 daily, or \$7,225,905 yearly, is spent for permanent improvements. Several plans for extensions now in hand are expected to increase the permanent improvement expenditures.

PENDLETON HAS A BIG BLAZE

Pendleton, Oct. 5.—Fire started in the basement of the Schmidt block at six o'clock this morning and sent out dense clouds of smoke from 90 tons of burning coal. Firemen were unable to enter the building. Ninety thousand dollars worth of merchandise was threatened.