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WITH WILSON ELECTED CONGRESS HOLDS ATTENTION

HUGHES LEADS IN MINNESOTA, NEW HAMPSHIRE, WILSON IN CALIFORNIA, NEW MEXICO

HOUSE POWER WITH 5 MEN

PROH. SOCIALIST, PROTECTIONIST AND PROGRESSIVES CONTROL HOUSE

SPLIT VOTE EXIGENCY MUST BE CONSIDERED

Gain in House by Republicans Large
—New Mexico in Doubtful Column
—Soldier Vote Expected to Be for Wilson—New Hampshire Lining Up For Mr. Hughes.

New York, Nov. 10.—(United Press)—Woodrow Wilson has apparently been elected without the heretofore supposedly indispensable states of New York, Indiana and Illinois. He won without the aid of Bosses Murphy, Tom Taggart and Roger Sullivan.

California voters cut Gov. Hughes.

"Freeze Out" Costly.
Johnson, the Republican senatorial candidate, ran 300,000 ahead of Hughes. Regular Republican tactics in California in attempting to "freeze out" the Progressives, probably is responsible.

Three states are still doubtful—Minnesota, New Mexico and New Hampshire with a total electoral vote of nineteen, which is insufficient to elect Hughes unless he gains five of the California votes on a split there.

Congress Doubtful
Republican headquarters have refused to concede a defeat. Chairman Willcox has determined to demand a recount on doubtful states.

He declared American people are entitled to know beyond a question whether Wilson was really elected or not.

Wilson holds a safe majority in the Senate but the House is doubtful. Socialist, Independent, Progressive, and Protectionist congressmen may hold the balance of power. Republicans claimed control of the lower house, 217 to 213, but Democrats claimed control by the same figures.

New York, Nov. 10.—(United Press)—With Wilson elected, popular interest has shifted to the congressional fight. The five men probably holding the balance of power are Randall, Prohibitionist, of California; Martin, Protectionist, of Louisiana; London, Socialist, of New York; Schall, Progressive, of Minnesota and Fuller, Independent, of Massachusetts. They have the power to elect a speaker and control the house.

Hughes probably carries Minnesota and New Hampshire, according to latest figures. New Mexico is doubtful. Wilson's lead is unbeatable.

Republican's Gain Big

Latest returns indicate Democrats have 216 congressmen and Republicans 214, but the balance of power rests with five independents. The present House includes 229 Democrats and 197 Republicans. Neither

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Wilson Gets Vote Of Lady Aged 95

Young and middleaged individuals who thought they were wrought up over the most sensational presidential election in history, just think they were. The one person who really had the keenest interest in the outcome was Mrs. L. J. McKennon, better known as "Grandma" McKennon. She is 95 years of age, and voted her first ballot for president last Tuesday. Her sons, and her sons' sons have voted the Democratic ticket. Grandma was very anxious to be guided by the action of her offspring and she too voted for Mr. Wilson on this her first presidential election—but that was not enough; she wanted to have her candidate win. This morning when told her desires had been gratified, she gave voice to a real political cheer.

Grandma McKennon voted the state ticket two years ago, but she wanted to experience all the thrills of a presidential election and now her long desired ambition has been fulfilled.

ADAMSON LAW TEST STARTS.

Louisville, Nov. (United Press)—The Louisville and Nashville railway has filed a Federal court suit to test the Adamson law.

WARNICK'S LEAD IS 67

Official Count Will Show Where Errors Crept in to the Extent of 50

When the official count of the Union county vote is made Lee Warnick will be shown to have won the sheriff's race by 67 instead of 17. Mr. Williamson and the county clerk late today checked over the official tally sheets and three errors in the unofficial tables developed. Two of these reduced each one's lead five, and another gave Warnick 50 more than he had originally been given. The official vote will be: Warnick 2565, Williamson 2478.

State May Go Dry.

Portland, Nov. 10.—(Special)—The state of Oregon will likely go dry on the face of late returns. This morning the majority in favor of leaving the law as it is was rapidly dwindling with more "dry" precincts to be heard from.

Mr. Newlin Makes Plain Statement

Public and Himself Put to Great Expense on Account of Technicalities, He Says.

La Grande, Nov. 10.—To the Editor (Observer)—I am weary of the repeated reports that are being printed of the "Newlin Trial Postponed," and the taxpayers have reason to be tired also.

Case after case has been brought in which I have been the defendant for the alleged illegal sale of alcohol. Nothing has ever come of any of them except the odium which the prosecuting attorney has been able to throw on me through the press in a fall down of one kind or another that "the Newlin trial has been postponed." Once because the district attorney had made a mistake "for the first time during his term of office." Another time because Judge Knowles "for the first time since Colonel R. Eberhard has been district attorney" found it necessary to issue a bench warrant. Why did not the district attorney hold this witness when he had him if he thought he was going to run away, as Judge Knowles advised him to do?

In every case I am compelled to employ a lawyer and the public is compelled to pay the court costs usually excessive and frequently unnecessary and even silly as seen below.

In the case reported yesterday in which McDonald is the witness for the state for whom a bench warrant was issued, and which incidentally gives District Attorney Eberhard the opportunity of explaining how I am guilty but luck is against the prosecutor because the state's witness (a very material one of course) cannot be brought into court. This same case was called a couple of weeks ago. McDonald was in court then. It was found that there was a defect in the indictment. My attorney offered to waive the technicalities and asked that the trial proceed. No, that wouldn't do. The matter must be re-

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TWO MEN GET CALLS TO BE COMMISSIONER

MASS MEETING IN CITY HALL ATTENDED BY ABOUT 30 LA GRANDE CITIZENS

JULIUS ROESCH AND S. R. HAWORTH NAMED

Speakers Point Out Meeting Is Simply to Interest Desirable Candidates for the City Commissionership—Petition Route Must Be Used Any Way—Others Discussed.

Julius Roesch and S. R. Haworth, who is the retiring city commissioner, were last night informally suggested as suitable candidates for the office of city commissioner to be elected next month. About 30 men were assembled in the city hall when J. G. Snodgrass called the meeting to order. Mr. Snodgrass officiated as president of the Commercial club until he turned the meeting over to the citizens present, setting out that the Commercial club had no interest in politics but had been prevailed upon to call this meeting. With these words of explanation he left the citizens to their own organization. However he was nominated and elected chairman for the evening as an individual, and R. J. Green was chosen secretary for the occasion.

Fred J. Holmes discussed the purpose of the meeting setting out that anything done there was in no wise official—that every candidate on the ticket went thereby virtue of petition and not convention; that it was desirable that people with business ability and acumen be named; that it was a job few people desired because of the much work and little pay feature, but that some one had to do it; that this discussion in no wise barred anyone else.

Tom Loftus then nominated Julius Roesch. J. K. Fitzgerald nominated S. R. Haworth and the meeting adjourned without further presentation of names. However before adjournment was taken, Mr. Holmes spoke again citing the fact that George Gilbert of Cherry's New Laundry has been discussed for the office, as have also Dr. H. S. Brown and George Hopkins—but their names were not presented for the reason no one present had authority from these men to do so.

J. D. McKennon, present city commissioner spoke saying he had no intention of naming a candidate and had no intention of trying to dictate who should be named.

HOW THE STATES VOTED ON PRESIDENT

For Hughes:		Florida	6
Connecticut	7	Georgia	14
Delaware	3	Idaho	4
Illinois	23	Kansas	10
Indiana	15	Kentucky	13
Iowa	13	Louisiana	10
Maine	6	Maryland	10
Massachusetts	18	Mississippi	8
Michigan	15	Missouri	18
Minnesota	12	Montana	4
New Hampshire	4	Nevada	3
New Jersey	14	North Carolina	12
New York	45	North Dakota	5
Oregon	5	Ohio	24
Pennsylvania	38	Oklahoma	10
Rhode Island	5	South Carolina	9
South Dakota	5	Tennessee	12
Vermont	4	Texas	20
Wisconsin	13	Utah	8
West Virginia	8	Virginia	12
Total	259	Washington	7
For Wilson:		Wyoming	3
Arizona	3	Total	269
Alabama	12	In Doubt.	
Arkansas	9	New Mexico	3
California	13	Total	3
Colorado	6		

NORTH SECOND STREET NEEDS TRACK BRIDGE

GEORGE PALMER SETS FORTH REASONS WHY RAILROAD COMPANY OFFER IS FAIR

DANGER OF LOSING SHOPS POINTED OUT

Head of George Palmer Lumber Company Calls Attention of City Government to Pressing Need of Accepting Railroad's Offer Deemed by Him To Be a Fair One.

La Grande, Oregon, Nov. 8.—(To the Editor)—As one deeply interested in the welfare of our city and the safety of its citizens, the writer desires to call attention to the condition of the Railroad company's crossing at Second street; giving expression to his views and opinions for the above reason and also because he is compelled to cross the tracks four times regularly each day to and from his place of business, aside from the numerous special trips he is required to make. However, setting to one side the dangers and annoyance he personally frequently meets in making the crossing (notwithstanding the fact that the railroad people in the course of their duties are very courteous and obliging) he is most vitally interested in a safe crossing for the employees and teams of the George Palmer Lumber company, who are obliged to make this crossing many, many times during the course of each day, and what applies to them applies as well to the general public, the citizens of our city, the farmers on the outskirts of the city and the visitors to our city.

It is his understanding that the Railroad company have made a proposition to the city that they will erect and complete a viaduct including the approaches, and that they will maintain for all time that portion of the viaduct that extends over their property, leaving only the approaches to be maintained by the city. If this understanding is correct it would seem a mighty good proposition for the city to accept.

More Tracks Necessary.
There is one thing very evident, and that is that the Railroad company cannot continue to do business indefinitely on two tracks, as they are now attempting to do, and it is only a question of time when more tracks will be necessary, and the danger that always exists at any and all crossings will be very much greater than at the present time and the crossing very much more disagreeable. The writer un-

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Ten Thousand Dollar Damage Case Begun

Servian Brings Suit Against Palmer Lumber Company—Portland Lawyers Take Part in Legal Battle.

Suit to collect \$10,000 from the George Palmer Lumber company was begun in circuit court today. Ely Mirich, a Servian, employed as a laborer in construction of the Vincent branch line, is the complainant. He was working on the road bed, prying a rock with a crowbar when a rock fell from above and struck the bar, it in turn striking the arm and necessitating removal of a part of the elbow. The case began this morning but adjourned soon until 1:30 this afternoon.

C. H. Finn of La Grande, and Sen. Eckwall & Reken of Portland, represented by the senior member, were on hand to represent the mill company and Graham, Bickell and Cooper of Portland with Ivanhoe & Marker of La Grande represent the interests of Mr. Mirich.

War Bulletins

Petrograd, Nov. 10.—(United Press)—Roumanians have developed a strong offensive in Predesl and enveloped the Germans' left flank. The battle is continuing.

Berlin, Nov. 10.—(United Press)—British and French have started a powerful new offensive south of Bapaume.

London, Nov. 10.—(United Press)—The German casualty list says 1,000,000 Germans have been killed in war.

OFFICIAL TABULATION STARTED

Justices of the Peace and County Clerk Check Over the Count

A. C. Williams of La Grande, and U. F. Weiss of Elgin, acting with County Clerk Wright, are today checking up the vote cast in Union county Tuesday. It is likely that the work will be completed by tomorrow noon. Anna Alexander and Hattie McMurray are clerks to the board.

Quits Piano Business In La Grande

F. F. Theroux, Who Has Been Representing Eilers' Piano House Will Sell Out.

It is with regret that the many friends of F. F. Theroux will hear that he has decided to leave La Grande. Since coming here Mr. Theroux has been very successful and has proved beyond doubt he understands his business thoroughly. Mr. Theroux issued the following statement this morning: "It was my intention in coming here to make this my permanent home and I am more than satisfied with the business I have done. However other matters have arisen, which, added to the fact that my wife could not stand the altitude here, make it imperative that I shall leave here very soon. In fact the business I am about to embark in is of such importance, that I am willing if necessary to suffer a loss, for in so doing I will be the gainer in the end."

When I learned positively that I would leave here I took the matter up with Eilers Music house, whose pianos I have been handling, and tried to get them to take over all the stock, making them an offer which would have entailed a loss of nearly \$1000. Instead of accepting this offer Eilers Music House made me a proposition by which they were willing to cut the price on every piano of theirs in this territory—a reduction so liberal that I decided to put on a sale here that would be irresistible to intending piano purchasers.

Now, ordinarily the profits on pianos are large, as there are so few sold and the expense is so great, but in this sale I will consider myself fortunate if I can come out even. In fact I expect some loss. Now I want it understood I sell almost exclusively the highest priced and most exclusive standard makes of pianos. Instruments that are seldom reduced but as advertised elsewhere, even these will be greatly reduced. I really believe this is the first time in history that such low prices have been made on

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CREAM RATE HEARING ON

EASTERN OREGON CREAMERIES CARRY FIGHT TO PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

MICKLE CHARGES RATE FIXING IN BIG CITIES

Commissioner Miller Presides at Hearing Which Brings State, Express and Other Officials As Well as Eastern Oregon Creamerymen Into Testimony—Hearing Over.

Conflict raging between country and big-city creameries in Oregon for several years came to a focus today in this city before the Public Service commission of Oregon when representatives of the express companies, the creameries in Portland, and country creameries of Union and Walla Walla county argued their respective cases before Commissioner Miller. The whole question of butter fat and butter rates was torn open and discussed from many angles.

J. D. Mickle, re-elected Food & Dairy Commissioner of Oregon was present and, when asked by the commission to express his opinion on the question "Is the big-city creamery of more benefit to the producer and consumer than the inland creamery?" said emphatically that it was the inland, or country creamery that was the friend of the producer and the friend of the consumer.

Mr. Mickle pointed the commission to the fact that the stiffest kind of competition between Portland and Seattle creameries and the Eastern Oregon creameries now existed; that for the good of the whole creamery industry there should be an equitable adjustment of rates as between the raw and finished product. He wanted neither higher nor lower rates but equitable rates.

Where Prices Come From
The state official said emphatically that the big creameries in Portland, Seattle, and San Francisco establish the prices and the inland creamery

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Toot! Toot! Blows the Whistle. Your Paper Has Arrived

All The Observer carrier boys have been provided with whistles so that the subscriber will know just when his paper is left at his door. The boys will sound the whistle when the paper is delivered and the householder will be saved the necessity of running to the door about paper time to see if her paper has come.