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FRAUD PROBES PROCEED WITH CLEANUP AIMS

GOVERNMENT WILL NOT RELAX
IN ITS PURPOSE TO PUNISH
OFFENDERS.

HUGHES' LEAD DOWN TO 123 IN MINNESOTA NOW

Soldiers' Vote Swings Tide Slightly
to Wilson—Minneapolis Recount
May Change Situation—California
Lead Maintained by Wilson—Of-
ficial Aids.

Washington, Nov. 14.—(United Press)—The department of justice has announced officially an investigation of election frauds will continue, despite the fact that election is passed. The department refused to divulge further details of the alleged violations but said information might assist the malefactors to escape.

Campaign Frauds Alleged Too.
The administration has also announced the Senate investigation of all campaign expenditures will begin at the next session. It is alleged money was improperly used. The committee will force both parties to produce their campaign books.

Official Count Aids Wilson.
San Francisco, Nov. 14.—(United Press)—President Wilson is maintaining his California lead on the face of official returns reported to the United Press at 11:15 this morning. Twenty-one of the fifty-eight counties are completed in official tabulations. Wilson gained 866 over the unofficial plurality.

Minnesota Margin Now 123.
St. Paul, Nov. 14.—(United Press)—With 10 precincts missing, Hughes' Minnesota lead is 123. Wilson is gaining. The state is still doubtful but Republicans claim the edge. Wilson gained slightly by the soldier vote. The official recount in Minneapolis may change the result.

THREE SHOT GUNS EXPLODE
Peculiarly Enough No One Hurt—
Cold Metal Thought Cause.

Art Weagle, deputy sheriff, "Mickey" Riley, city fireman and Chas. Orsi, ex-chief of police, have reasons to believe it is not in the cards for them to hunt on Sunday. Last Sabbath the three went out after rabbits. It was a cold day.

Mr. Weagle and Mr. Riley each shot at different rabbits at one time and each broke his gun by the shot. "Here is an old sewer pipe that won't break," remarked Mr. Orsi as he handed over his pet shot scabbard gun. The next load fired broke it to, and the men had to come home. With the exception of Mr. Orsi's weapon the rest can be repaired. It is believed the cold weather weakened the metal in the guns.

THIEVES BOTHER COVE HOMES
Many Articles, Include Grain and
Wood Taken from Farmers and
Townpeople.

Cove, Nov. 14.—(Special)—Thieves continue to operate in and about Cove. Grain, wood, potatoes are continually being missed. Among the latest to be taken were two grain sacks of white beans from the barn of John Dean a few nights ago.

If You Don't Get Your Paper, Phone Main 13

The Observer is anxious that all its subscribers receive their papers on the day of publication. If you do not receive your paper any evening phone to The Observer, Main 13, before 7:30 p. m. and a copy will be sent you by special messenger.

Lovelace Boys Put On Trial For Murder

Former La Grande Youngsters Will
Soon Know Their Fate—Youngest
Principal, Oldest Accessory.

Twin Falls, Idaho, Nov. 14.—The trial of Lynn Lovelace, aged 11, charged with murder, began today. His brother Harold, aged 15, is also on trial as an accessory. The boys confessed when arrested last August, according to the prosecuting attorney, that they shot and killed Thomas Hamill, a school teacher, when he surprised them while they were robbing his ranch house.

The state has 26 witnesses subpoenaed. It is expected the jury will be drawn before noon tomorrow.

The boys formerly lived at La Grande where their mother married a second time, a couple of years ago, and then moved to Idaho.

The boys had been left with neighbors while both mother and stepfather were away, at the time of the shooting.

MOTHER SAVES BABE AT
COST OF BURNS.

Pendleton, Nov. 14.—(United Press)—Mrs. L. Monterastelli, wife of a Pendleton marble dealer, is suffering severe burns as the result of seizing her baby from a blazing crib, and carrying it from a burning house last night. The infant was also burned.

CANAL COMPETITION REVIEWED

Washington, Nov. 14.—(United Press)—The Interstate Commerce commission has cancelled big rate increases to the Pacific coast inaugurated last Spring when the Panama canal was closed and water competition on transcontinental roads removed.

Alexander Kunz Dead.
Portland, Nov. 14.—(Special)—Alexander Kunz, secretary Travelers' Protective association, aged 70 years, died yesterday while walking down town.

Republicans Have Lead.
Washington Nov. 14.—(United Press)—Republicans will have 218 votes in the next House of Representatives, Democrats 216, Socialists 1.

Error in Sheriff's Table.
A few papers printed yesterday evening before the error was detected, convey the wrong figures regarding the official tally on the vote for sheriff at the last election.

The vote should be, Warnick 2565; Williamson 2498.

Election Frauds in Idaho Are Intimated.
Boise, Nov. 14.—The enormous increase in Idaho's vote, estimated at 35,000 over the vote of two years ago, is causing inquiries and careful canvass, which points to the possibility of wide-spread election frauds. In Bonneville county the commissioners threw out as fraudulent 921 votes in two precincts. Investigations are underway in Ada, Power, Canyon and other counties.

Alexander was elected governor by 300 votes. Leaders of both parties admit a recount may upset the result.

Young Couple Wedded.
Clarence Stephenson, a fireman on the Grande Ronde Lumber company logging train and Miss Marie Wright, whose home is on Watson avenue, were married Saturday evening. Rev. G. L. Clark of the Presbyterian church officiated.

Case Nears Jury.
Late this afternoon the damage case which has been under way at the court house this week is being argued and will go to the jury soon.

Cove Apple Crop Now Harvested

Car Shortage Delays Transportation
Somewhat—Late Gardens Hurt by
Frosts—Better Prospects in View.

Cove, Nov. 14.—(Special)—Apple picking is over and a few carloads have already been packed out and shipped. The car shortage caused some delay. Dixon and Motter and Carl Stackland expect to ship more out in the near future.

Fruit growers and farmers about here are generally pleased over the prices being received for produce this fall and times are far better than a year ago.

People are hardly prepared for the cold snap of the four nights past and damage to late gardens, some apples, etc., have been reported.

ADAMSON LAW TEST WILL BE HURRIED BY COURTS

AT LEAST FIVE HUNDRED TEST CASES TO BE TRIED IN MIDDLE-
WESTERN STATES BUT ONLY ONE WILL GO TO ISSUE—EM-
PLOYES ARE DETERMINED LAW BE PUT INTO OPERATION OR
STRIKE WILL LIKELY BE CALLED—CONSTITUTIONALITY IS
ATTACKED.

Chicago, Nov. 14.—(United Press)—It is estimated 500 injunction suits will be filed against the Adamson eight-hour law in middle western courts within the next few weeks as each railroad is planning separate action in every state where it operates.

Attorney General Gregory will probably select one suit and make a test case of it shortly.

Railroads want the law enjoined, declaring it is unconstitutional and impracticable.

Considerable interest is attached locally to a story from New York yesterday concerning the possibility of a railroad strike. A New York dispatch concerning that possibility says:

Unless the railroads put an eight-hour day into effect by January 1, the 400,000 members of the "big-four" brotherhoods will strike. This was the threat issued today by officials of the brotherhoods, the organization of the union men who went into a secret conference.

The conference committee of the railway managers was present also.

WARDEN MINTO LOSES HIS JOB OVER HOSEING EPISODE

CRUEL AND INHUMAN TREATMENT, BOARD FINDS, WAS INFLIC-
TED BY SALEM PRISON OFFICIAL—BODIES BLACK AND
BLUE—SALEM SHERIFF MENTIONED AS SUCCESSOR

Salem, Nov. 14.—(United Press)—The State Board of Control has voted unanimously to demand the immediate resignation of Warden John Minto of the state penitentiary on account of hosing convicts. Jeff Baldwin and James Curtis, Governor Withycombe ascertained the men were handcuffed to cell doors November fifth and the full force of a fire hose turned against them.

The prisoners testified their bodies were black and blue, that handcuffs lacerated their wrists and they suffered great pain.

Sheriff William Esch of Marion county is mentioned to succeed Minto. The penitentiary engineer said the water pressure was sufficient to knock a strong man down. It is alleged one prisoner was hosed twelve minutes. Minto witnessed the hosing it is charged.

Governor Withycombe said hosing is a violation of state law, is prohibited as cruel and inhuman punishment.

When Minto learned of the board's action, he promised to resign immediately.

CALL TO COLORS REVEALS WOMAN LIVED FOUR YEARS AS "HUSBAND"



If she had not been called to the colors in England, the woman at the right would have continued masquerading as "Albert Francom," "husband" of her sister. She was separated from her husband four years ago, and to avoid him became her sister's "husband."

All that time she had been working in a factory as a man. Taking her as a man, the conscription

North Powder's New High School Finished

Twenty-five Thousand Dollar Struc-
ture Is Well Equipped—Students
Now Occupy It—Deemed Credit to
City.

North Powder, Nov. 14.—(Special)—The North Powder new school house has at last been completed and the building occupied. This building and equipment will cost the district the sum of \$25,000 but as it is finely arranged and well equipped it is worth the money. It has eight class rooms, a large assembly room, domestic science department laboratory and gymnasium. It is well heated and lighted and is a credit to a town the size of North Powder.

WEST-BOUND TRAINS LATE SEVERAL HOURS.

Storms and other troubles on the Union Pacific mainline has crippled train service to the west. No. 5 will be between six and seven hours late tonight and No. 19 will be five hours late.

In order to handle local traffic in the meantime, a stub will be run from O. S. L. points to Pendleton, running on No. 19's schedule tonight.

NORTH POWDER IS COLD

Winter Seems to Have Come to Stay
—Flurries of Snow Fall.

North Powder, Nov. 14.—(Special)—Winter seems to have come to stay for this year as the thermometer has been at zero and the ice is beginning to freeze thick enough for skating. The district has had several flurries of snow but none to stay very long. The foothills have put on their winter covering and it seems as if it has come to stay.

DEATH CLAIMS MISS CLARK

Short Illness Precedes Demise of
Amy Clark, Aged 12 Years.

This afternoon at 1:30 the funeral of the late Amy Clark, aged 12, was held from the home of the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Clark, near Island City. Miss Amy was taken suddenly ill Sunday noon and later in the day a physician was called, but death would not be stayed. The bereaved family has the sympathy of many friends in their hour of sorrow.

REVIVALS KEEP UP CROWD

Dr. Danford Has Message That At-
tracts People and They Keep
Coming.

Revival services at the Methodist church continue to draw big crowds and Dr. Danford, the evangelist, has a message that appeals to them. People not only attend once but many times.

Ochoco People Vote \$100,000 of Bonds

Prineville, Ore., Nov. 14.—(Special)—The Ochoco irrigation district adjacent to Prineville held an election Saturday to pass upon the question of bonding the district for \$100,000 for the construction of a dam and irrigation system to place under irrigation 23,400 acres of land. The bond issue carried by a vote of 56 to 28. Some opposition to bonding was made by persons who are not satisfied with the organization of the district and by others who already through old water rights considered they had ample water for their crops. That there will be a ready sale of the bonds is expected.

Lair Thompson Wins.

Prineville, Ore., Nov. 14.—(Special)—W. Lair Thompson has defeated Geo. T. Baldwin, Democrat, for State Senator of Klamath, Crook and Lake counties. Lair Thompson is president of the State senate.

PERSONAL MENTION

W. J. Henry, editor of the Elgin Recorder, went home today after transacting business affairs in La Grande a couple of days.

Josef Edenhelm, for some time a tailor in the Toggery, and his wife, Gertrude Swaney Edenhelm, have gone to Omaha where they will make their future home.

J. C. Penny, of New York, head of the string of J. C. Penny stores of which the United Store in La Grande is one, was a brief visitor in La Grande Saturday with Manager Short of the United Store. He spent but a few hours in La Grande, continuing his journey westward at midnight.

SOMME CRISIS NOT ALARMING TO DEFENDERS

GERMANY BELIEVES IT IMPOS-
SIBLE FOR ALLIES TO SMASH
THROUGH STEEL BARRIERS.

BRITISH CONTINUE TO GAIN AT ANCRE BATTLE

Steel Fortifications at the Somme Line
of Defense Such That Now Allies
Have Many Times Tried and Failed.
Germans Rest in Security.

BY CARL ACKERMAN.

Prince Rupprecht's Headquarters on
the Somme, Nov. 14.—(United Press)

—Germany believes the Somme crisis is passed. Soldiers declare the Allies cannot break many rows of the steel cement fortifications and officers do not fear the Allies since their initial July smash which failed to crush the defensive. It is stated French had 59 cannon massed along a 150-yard line, but still were unable to breach the German defenses.

Ancre Battle Continues.

London, Nov. 14.—(United Press)—British today continued winning in the Ancre battle. They advanced at Beaumont Sur Ancre, capturing 4000 prisoners. There was bitter fighting in the town's outskirts at noon. British seized much booty which indicate an underground defensive. They gained 2000 yards on a five-mile front. French repulsed strong attacks at Champaigne. Allies are shelling Presnoir on the Somme front.

Price Required Impossible.

One officer told me: "British had for their immediate object Bapaume and Peronne but these we still hold. They figured it would necessitate our retreat."

It is generally believed Hindenberg will force the Allies to pay an impossible price for all Somme gains. Young men are fighting. Eight per cent of the Allied prisoners are between 19 and 30. Most of the Germans are of the same age.

Pigeons Substitute for Wires.

I saw on the Somme the part pigeons are playing in the war game—it is an important part. They prove most valuable when artillery has destroyed telephonic communications. While standing on a height eight miles from the front, I saw the battle clearly. The British gas fumes reached us.

One young man, from Newark, N. J., was captured from the British. He said: "This is not war, but murder."

DR. KIRTLEY FRIDAY NIGHT

Lycium Number in High School Audi-
torium 8 p. m. Well Recommended

A number of La Grande people have heard Dr. Kirtley and praise his platform work very highly. He will appear Friday evening at eight promptly in the high school auditorium as the next number of the Y. M. C. A. high school lyceum course. The admission is fifty cents.

His lecture, "In the Barefoot Kingdom," is always recognized as different from anything ever given by anyone else. As one Chautauqua secretary said last summer, "I've heard all the boy lectures, but this is different," and, as the McConellsville, Ohio, Democrat said, "It is the most unique, the most interesting, the most practical boy lecture we ever heard." Some one has also truly said of Dr. Kirtley: "His two special characteristics are originality and dainty humor. He is not like anybody else."

"Boy" Epigrams From Dr. Kirtley. "His father is always a character of importance, the most valuable asset among all the boy's possessions. Kermit Roosevelt was asked who his father was, he replied, 'My father is IT!'"

"The best thing his teacher does for him is what he does with him and through him."

"His religion is active. Interest and activity are the laws of his nature; militant, something to do and something to dare. Parents are primarily responsible for his religious life. That boy and the Man Christ Jesus must be brought together if it takes every ruddy drop that is distilled through your loving heart."