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SPECTACULAR BATTLES IN AIR SEEN BY THOUSANDS

TWO ZEPPELINS BROUGHT DOWN

ANTI-AIR CRAFT, TRAWLER, HYDROPLANE AND COAST BATTERY EMPLOYED.

BOTH ZEPPELINS FALL IN OCEAN AFTER STRUGGLE

Some Damage Done by Both Machines Before They Are Chased and Crippled—Crew of One Manages to Get Considerable Distance from Shore Before Being Hit in a Vital Spot.

London, Nov. 28.—(United Press)—Lord French, commander of the British home forces, announced today that two raiding Zeppelins were destroyed last night. One fell flaming on the Durham coast and another was destroyed nine miles off Norfolk. She was headed seaward when hit. Both fell into the ocean.

Aeroplanes finished one and anti-aircraft guns and hydroplanes the other.

Lord French said this, the 27th air raid, caused slight damage in York and Durham counties. The official statement declared:

Running Sky Fight Seen

"The first Zeppelin apparently entered over Durham. An aeroplane pursued and it turned homeward and a running sky battle continued until an aeroplane shell hit a vital part.

"The second entered over North Midlands, dropping bombs at several places. Then it turned homeward and sought escape. Anti-aircraft guns volleyed and the Zeppelin, crippled, proceeded slowly, and was unable to reach the coast by daybreak.

Crew Effects Repairs

"Over Norfolk coast the crew effected repairs. The machine proceeded eastward and rose rapidly to 8000 feet.

"Four naval hydroplanes attacked the Zeppelin, nine miles seaward, and an armed trawler aided. The Zeppelin fell at 6:45 a. m."

Cheers Answer Flames

Thousands of spectators on shore witnessed the battle, as the coast batteries shelled the raiders.

A tremendous cheer went up as the raider fell blazing.

Another Raid At Noon

London, Nov. 28.—(United Press)—A German aeroplane flew high over London at noon in a partially concealed fog. It dropped six bombs. Lord French announced three men were hurt and one woman seriously injured. Slight damage was done.

DISASTER INQUIRY MURKY

English Government Unable to Learn Manner of Britannic's Destruction

London, Nov. 28.—(United Press)—Admiralty inquiry has failed to establish whether the hospital ship Britannic was sunk by a mine or a torpedo. The same finding reported the result of the Braemar Castle investigation. The board announced the Britannic evidence was "conflicting."

Holiday Exhibit Reaches Library

Guide to Buying Books for Children Provided by State and Public Library—Parents Must Accompany Children.

The public is invited to a free exhibition of Christmas books for children, at the public library, and working day from 1 to 5, and 7 to 9 p. m., Sunday 1:30 to 5:30.

In these days of high prices, parents will hesitate to spend money on useless and trivial presents for children. Why not buy each child a book, which will be of permanent value to him? It is difficult to decide on the real value of books merely by the title and the price. At this exhibit, anyone is welcome to examine the books at leisure. Prices will be quoted, and a list compiled by prominent educational authorities will be distributed free. There is also a special list of inexpensive books interesting to boys, compiled by the officials of the Boy Scouts of America.

Children are not invited to this exhibit unless accompanied by parents. The books are loaned by the State Library, and are for exhibition only. Patrons are urged to take advantage of the exhibit early as it is not known how long they will be here.

RELIEF SENT GEN. TREVINO

El Paso, Nov. 28.—(United Press) A United States agent reports Villa has captured Chihuahua City, after 5 attacks. Trevino fled southward, attempting to join Murguia's relief column.

Defacto officials have refused a statement, but after meeting Murguia, Trevino plans to return and recapture the city.

General Gonzales, the defacto commander at Juarez, has started for Chihuahua, with a troop train carrying 400 soldiers and ammunition.

Garrison officials declared Gonzales is rushing reinforcements to aid Trevino. Villistas are attacking Trevino's army on all sides.

NEW DRIVERS AT WORK TODAY

Delivery System Progresses With Only Slight Difficulty

Although the service is not up to its customary standard of efficiency, the Central Delivery system is delivering its orders today with but little confusion, following the walkout yesterday by a majority of the boys employed on the delivery wagons. The strike was called yesterday and all responded but one, and a few went back later while some are still out. By the arrangement now in practice, there are two inexperienced drivers on the system.

Since the strike was called both parties interested have stated their cases. The boys declare they were fined too vigorously for late or missed deliveries. They claim their salary would be eaten up by fines. J. D. Lynch's office, which directs the system declares that the office had discussed more stringent rules for careless deliveries but that no such fines had been inflicted. The proposed regulation to guard against "swearing at clerks, and careless deliveries" was brought about the office said, today, to stop that sort of a thing but where packages were improperly marked or the fault was not the driver's it was entirely another matter. It is expected that the new crew will be in firm control of the situation within a short time.

TRAVELERS LEFT BY TRAIN

Family Separated When Train Leaves While Father Is After Lunch

When No. 17 arrived in La Grande today noon, several hours late, four passengers on it went over town to lay in lunch provisions. When they got back the train was gone. One of the quartet was the head of a family, the rest of the members being aboard the train; two were enlisted men and the other a drummer. All are in town this afternoon waiting for the next train west.

Oregon Grocery Is Given More Room

Warehouse Facilities Nearly Doubled by Addition of Brick Structure—Firm Takes Pride in New Basement Facilities.

Marked and emphatic proof of rapid growth the company is enjoying is seen in the way the very substantial addition to the Oregon Grocery company warehouse is filling up with stock. A few days ago the company completed construction of a brick addition to their former warehouse that makes a total trackage of 110 feet and allows two cars to be unloaded at the building at the same time. The main building, which was only recently built, was 55x110 and this Summer it was found inadequate to handle the business properly. Therefore an addition was added 55 feet wide and 66 feet five inches long the jog in length compared with the parent building providing a very desirable "court yard" in which two loading platforms are now available. The old and the new basement combine to make one of the finest warehouse basements in this part of the state. "We pride ourselves on this warehouse and basement," Manager C. D. Emahizer explained today. "It is substantially built, so arranged as to be convenient to shipping clerks. The cigar humidor, the banana room, the produce storage floor and the other various departments of a wholesale house rightly equipped, are so arranged that the least possible steps will reach any department."

With Thanksgiving trade at its height, and the holidays coming on wholesale houses of La Grande are a busy section of the city. Additional buildings which have gone up this year to accommodate the institutions bear proof of the growth of that sort of business here.

"We try to keep abreast of the times" commented Mr. Emahizer this morning, "and to do it we had to build on our warehouse. This has now been done and we are in position to do a greater volume than ever."

STIELOW FIGHTS FOR LIFE

Confusion of Confessions Taken Before Governor Whitman to Settle

Albany, Nov. 28.—(United Press)—Whether Charles F. Stielow shall be killed in the electric chair at Sing Sing may be determined today at a public hearing before Governor Whitman which comes as the climax to a sustained, dramatic fight by scores of persons who believe Stielow innocent despite his confession. He made the confession after he was mercilessly questioned by private detectives. He later denied it saying he confessed to be relieved of the torture of questioning.

Stielow has been reprieved several times. Subsequent to his conviction Erwin King was taken into custody and confessed to the slaying of Charles B. Phelps, and Margaret Wolcott, for whose deaths Stielow was convicted. King's confession was made voluntarily. After a few days he withdrew it.

Stielow was denied a new trial, the court holding that King's confession was not adequate to warrant one.

Those who believe Stielow innocent will today present their side of the case to the governor in the hope of commutation, if not pardon for the condemned man.

Stern Disapproval To Be Sent Kaiser

Belgian Deportation Objection To Be Carried to Berlin by Ambassador Gerard When He Returns.

Washington, Nov. 28.—(United Press)—Ambassador Gerard will carry a vigorous American protest against Belgian deportations, when he goes to Germany December 5th. President Wilson personally will give Mr. Gerard an outline of the government's attitude.

Mr. Gerard is scheduled to confer with Mr. Wilson late this afternoon and receive instructions.

Colonel House, the President's advisor, has conferred with Mr. Wilson. The administration fears deportations are hindering American relief work.

MRS. PALMER IS VERY LOW

Wife of Pioneer Resident Declared To Be in Critical State Today

News from the bedside of Mrs. Joseph Palmer, wife of one of the earliest settlers of La Grande, is to the effect that there is but little hope for her recovery. She has been critically ill since last Saturday.

SECOND CHOICE FEATURES WILL BE ON TICKET

S. H. BROWNTON DEFINITELY CONCLUDES TO BECOME A CANDIDATE IN CONTEST

THREE MEN, THEREFORE, ACTIVE CANDIDATES NOW

George Gilbert Withdraws as Prospective Candidate and With Only Short Time Left to File in, it Now Appears Triangular Race Will Be the Outline—Mr. Hopkins Discussed

Dr. H. S. Brownton last night definitely concluded to be a candidate for city commissioner to succeed S. R. Haworth. The decision was reached when he was approached by a group of men and his petition is being circulated today. George Gilbert, who was discussed as a candidate by some, has definitely withdrawn. George Hopkins, another prospective candidate, has not come out to date and today noon wasn't at all sure which his course would be. As petition-filing time expires Friday night, the final make-up of the ticket will be determined soon.

Second Choice Provided.

With three people running for office—Julius Roesch, S. R. Haworth and Mr. Brownton—first and second choice will be available for voters. There are not enough candidates as yet to insure the third choice, which is the limit of choices regardless of how many candidates there are.

Under the second choice provisions, it is possible to give a candidate a majority of all first-choice votes. But if no person receives such a majority, the second choices are added to the first choices and the total figure of such addition is used. Were three choices available, a condition might arise where the first, second, and third choices would be required to be added together.

Nation's Biggest Ally Aid Tonight

Famous Men and Women to Participate in Costume Ball—Star Spangled Banner Last of National Aids.

New York, Nov. 28.—(United Press)—America's greatest single effort on behalf of relief organizations of the Entente Allies will be staged tonight when the Ten Allies Costume Ball will be given in Madison Square Garden.

Ten boxes will be decorated to represent each of the ten nations of the Allies. In each will be prominent persons of those nations. At a given hour the hall will be darkened and a spotlight turned on the French box from which Madame Cheneval will sing the chorus of the "Marseillaise." Next will come "God Save the King," then the Russian, the Italian and the rest. Finally the light will be directed at a box draped in the Stars and Stripes and "The Star Spangled Banner" will be sung. All of the national soloist and a chorus of 2,000 will join the chorus of the American anthem.

Among the patrons and patronesses are: Mrs. John Jay Chapman, mother of the late Victor Chapman, American killed while flying for France, Mrs. Vincent Astor, Theodore Roosevelt, Miss Ida M. Tarbell, Robert L. Bacon, former Ambassador to France, Mrs. E. H. Harriman, Mrs. J. Borden Harriman, Mrs. Charles Dana Gibson, Mrs. Foxhall Keene, Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt, Mrs. George W. Vanderbilt, Mrs. Harry Payne Whitney, Gouverneur Morris, Finley Peter Dunne, Mrs. Whitelaw Reid, Gifford Pinchot, Mrs. August Belmont, Mrs. O. H. P. Belmont, Mrs. W. Bourke Cockran, Lady Alexandra Colebrook, Mrs. Joseph Pulitzer and Alton B. Parker.

An automobile will be awarded to the person wearing the prize costume. Single admission tickets are \$5 and boxes from \$100 to \$500.

Moving pictures will be taken of the hundreds of prominent persons in their gorgeous costumes and will be exhibited at the ball within an hour after taking.

TOLEDO TOUR WILL CARRY LOCAL MEN

At Least Three and Probably Four Will Participate in Junket—Special Leaves La Grande

At least three, and probably more, Union county men will go east to Toledo with the special train to be run to the Overland factory in December as a home-coming for dealers, newspapermen and bankers. The first Northwest assembly of the junketers will take place at Pendleton where Portland, Seattle and Spokane sleepers will be joined to make up a special train that will run through La Grande as second No. 18 on the night of December 2. Cecil Galloway of Elgin, Deputy Sheriff Hal Rees, of La Grande, A. T. Hill of La Grande, and probably L. H. Russell, will be the nucleus of the party going from La Grande. With special train and all the luxuries aboard that money can buy the special will be consolidated at Ogden with the California crowd and the big train will then run direct to Toledo. The return will be as planned now, to reach La Grande again December 11th.

YANKEE SHIP MEETS DOOM

London, Nov. 28.—(United Press)—The admiralty has announced the American steamer Chemung has been sunk. It is not known whether it was torpedoed or hit a mine. The fate of the American crew is also not known. It was owned by a Buffalo firm, and was sailing between Azores and Genoa. She carried a general cargo from New York.

Marina's Doom Mystery

Berlin, Nov. 28.—(United Press)—Germany's reply to the American inquiry regarding the sinking of the Marina declares the German government is unable to ascertain circumstances of the sinking.

War Bulletins

London, Nov. 28.—(United Press)—Gen. Haig reported Germans heavily and continuously shelled British North of Ypres. British exploded a mine southeast of Souchez and repulsed German grenade attacks.

Paris, Nov. 28.—(United Press)—Serbians and French Zouaves captured Hill 1050, northeast of Monastir and repulsed four heavy German-Bulgarian counters.

Berlin, (via Sayville) Nov. 28.—(United Press)—The admiralty has announced German naval raiders sank an enemy vessel at Lowestoft and captured the crew and reached home safely.

Mackenzies has captured Giurgiu on the Danube, 38 miles south of Bucharest and Germans occupied Cutrea de Arges, the war office statement said: "Further Roumanian operations began with good fighting successes—Roumanians are steadily retreating and probably will retire to the river Argeshu line and attempt a new stand."

Sofia has announced Bulgarians crossed the Danube near Rahova, capturing the town.

UNION MAN IS HERE TO LIVE

McKennon Residence at Eight and N Sold to L. L. McKennon of Union Who Moves Here

L. L. McKennon, formerly of Union, has bought of his brother, J. D. McKennon, the latter's fine residence at Eighth and N. Mr. L. L. McKennon is a retired farmer and intends making La Grande his home.

The price paid was \$5000 for the house and lot, 100 x 120. Mr. J. D. McKennon, as part of the deal, took his brother's former home in Union.

CORNMEAL WILL BEAT HIGH COST OF LIVING.

Des Moines, Ia., Nov. 28.—(United Press)—"Eat corn products if you would beat the high cost of living," is the substance of the advice of State Dairy and Food Commissioner W. B. Barney today. He says that a pound of cornmeal, costing three cents has a food value equal to: 2.4 quarts of milk costing 19.2 cents; 2.6 pounds cheese, 24 cents; 1.9 pounds round steak, 41.5; 12 eggs, 64 cents; 17 ounces beans, 14 cents; 17 1-2 ounces honey, 20 cents; 18 oranges, 60 cents or two loaves white bread, 10 cents.

JUSTICE DEPT. WANTS PROMPT TEST HEARING

SOLICITOR GENERAL DAVID WILL MOVE FOR IMMEDIATE ADVANCEMENT IN THE COURT

PAPERS FILED BY THE GOVERNMENT DURING DAY

Motion for Prompt Hearing Will Be Made When Court Reconvenes Next Monday—Only Two Dates for Decision—Five Cases Involving Adamson Law Now Filed in Oregon

Washington, Nov. 28.—(United Press)—Department of Justice has stated Solicitor General Davis, for the government, will move immediate advancement of the Adamson test suit before the Supreme court when it reconvenes Monday.

Papers in the governments appeal were filed this afternoon. Only two dates for such a decision are available.

O-W. R. & N. TEST SUIT FILED

Total of Five Cases Concerning Adamson Law, in Oregon Filed

Portland, Nov. 28.—(Special)—Two more suits in equity to test the constitutionality of the Adamson law were filed yesterday in the office of the clerk of the Federal Court. The complaints were filed by attorneys for the Oregon Trunk and the Spokane, Portland & Seattle railroads.

The two suits bring the number filed locally to five. The O-W. R. & N., the Oregon Short Line and the Northern Pacific were the first three to file complaints against the so-called eight-hour law.

In yesterday's suits Clarence L. Reames is made a defendant. In the one filed by the Oregon Trunk J. K. Condon, conductor and member of the Order of Railway Conductors; E. S. McGuire, brakeman and member of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen; R. A. Bailey, engineer and member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, and D. A. Robertson, fireman and member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen, are the other defendants.

In the suit of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle road A. E. Rodey, R. M. O'Hearn and C. W. Madden are the defendants representing the four railway brotherhoods. In either case the complaints bear the signature of L. C. Gilman.

No service has been made as yet on Acting United States District Attorney Rankin by the United States Marshal's office in the case of the O.W. R. & N. Company versus the United States and members of the four brotherhoods.

Weather Forecast.

Tonight and Wednesday, generally fair. Southwest winds.

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