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"SPEED 'EM UP" DRAWS CROWDS TO LA GRANDE

KERENSKY IS NEW RUSSIAN PREMIER

Russian Revolution Is Ended--Many Killed And Wounded In Five Days Disorders---Russian Soldiers And Workmen's Central Committee In Control Of New Government.

Government Arrests Revolutionists As Traitors

Petrograd, July 20--(United Press)--(Delayed)--One killed and seven hundred wounded, completes the list of civilian, soldier and sailor rioters. Six Cossacks were also killed and wounded on the Government side. Russia's second revolution has apparently ended after five days' rioting. The government is in control. Re-organization of the government resulted from the revolution. The government is now in the hands of a central committee of the Workmen's and Soldiers' congress with provisional representatives acting as an administrative body responsible to the committee.

London, July 21--(United Press)--Minister of War and Marine Kerensky was temporarily named premier, succeeding Prince Lvoff, resigned, according to an announcement in the Petrograd Bourse Gazette. Kerensky retains his place as military and naval chief. The new government arrested all participating in the rebellion as traitors.

Idaho Town Is Destroyed By Fire

Coeur D'Alene, July 21--(United Press)--The town of Harrison, Idaho, with a population of one thousand is being wiped off the map by fire, starting early this morning in the planing mill of the Grant Lumber Company. The origin of the fire is not reported. The mill lies on the lake shore below the city.

The flames climbed the hill to the city. The entire business district burned, the residence section is now aflame.

The damage is estimated at five hundred thousand dollars.

Germans Attacks Repelled

Paris, July 21--(United Press)--Through last night the Germans continued their offensive against France on the Chemin Des Dames, hurling great masses in fruitless attacks, it is officially stated. Assaults were repelled.

RUSSIANS RETIRE BEFORE THE GERMANS

Petrograd, July 21--(United Press)--Because the Russian troops at Tarnopol Sector are not showing the necessary stability, and elsewhere are not fulfilling the commands of their officers, the Russians were forced to retire under the general Teutonic offensive, the war office stated.

GENERAL GOETHALS SAYS HE WISHES TO RESIGN

Washington, July 21--(United Press)--General Goethals has offered to resign as manager of the Emergency Fleet, corporation. As a climax of the long drawn out argument between himself and Denman, Goethals wrote a letter to the President suggesting it would help matters if he resigned.

FOOD CONTROL BILL IS NOW LAW

Washington, July 21--(United Press)--America's first food control became law at four o'clock this afternoon. The bill was passed by the Senate by a vote of eighty to six. The Senate defeated the amendment making one man, H. C. Hoover, sole food dictator. An anti-hoarding amendment was adopted. Chamberlain's amendment, empowering the President to fix prices and setting two dollars as maximum for best grade wheat passed.

DRAFT IS OVER ONE MISSING NUMBER FOUND

Washington, July 21--(United Press)--General Crowder announced he had located the number missing when the draft lottery was completed. With this the lottery became history. The draft has been checked up. Official lists will be on their way to the exemption boards before nightfall. The draft machinery will be under way the first of the week. Where and how the missing number was drawn was undisclosed. Crowder said he couldn't recollect what the number was.

The Missing Number.

Washington, July 21--(United Press)--Crowder this afternoon announced that four thousand six hundred and sixty-four was the missing number. It was assigned to the ten thousand and fourth place.

Honor Guard Fete Is Brilliant Success

The Honor fete at the Y. M. C. A. last night was a brilliant success. Everything was there in the way of entertainment. Fortune tellers, dancing maidens, Hawaiian hula hulas, musicians, singing all entertained the visitors. Two playlets were given and proved enjoyable.

The show is well worth seeing and will be repeated again tonight. From the Hawaiian Village to Bosco who eats 'em alive every tent was packed and what is more every one was satisfied.

The evening's entertainment started with a grand parade at seven-thirty and the shows opened at eight sharp. There were six pretty brown hula hula girls, dressed in grass skirts and garlands of flowers and a winning smile. Many of those who saw the dance and heard the real Hawaiian music stayed through two or three performances and one prominent doctor shook hands with the dancers and said the performance was the best he ever saw.

The one act play also drew very favorable comment. The play was very good and the players showed that they had put their heart in the work.

Standing room only was the rule in.

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JACK O'NEILL TAKES TWO OUT OF THREE FALLS

TED THYE OF SPOKANE TOOK THE FIRST FALL IN 28 MINUTES

O'NEILL STILL SHOWS HE IS STILL THE MASTER

Spokane Wrestler Shows He Is Clever and Aggressive--O'Neill Says He Is One of Best Men He Has Ever Met--Fast Preliminaries Make Up An Interesting Program.

Wrestlers come and go but Jack O'Neill, of La Grande, is still the champion.

He threw Ted Thye two out of three falls last night after a hard fought, highly interesting and spectacular match which brought the spectators to their feet many times.

From the moment that Ted Thye stepped on the stage last night at the Arcade Theatre, it could be seen that O'Neill was to meet a clever, alert aggressive young wrestler, who was also experienced at the game.

Thye has a fine build; he weighs about 165 pounds. His shoulders are broad, his arms strong; his neck sturdy.

When the match started the fans soon took a liking to Thye. He was fast. He wrestled cleanly. He mixed it enough to make it interesting, and he wriggled out of many dangerous positions in which the veteran forced him.

In the first bout O'Neill got his toe hold under way. It looked for a time if Thye was to be thrown by this route but Thye by clever twists and wriggles broke the hold. He took the offensive and O'Neill was forced to wrestle faster and harder than he has had to for some time.

After twenty-eight minutes and 32 seconds of hard, fast work Thye took the first fall by a head scissors and wrist lock, displaying skill and cleverness in getting the hold and making the quick shift necessary to clinch it.

The crowd was just a little down cast but they never lost confidence in O'Neill.

The second bout opened with O'Neill going at his man like a tiger, and before the crowd had really realized that the men were wrestling, he had secured a combination hold consisting of a half nelson and a rear chancery and O'Neill had won the second fall in two minutes and 5 seconds.

The third bout was also fast and furious. Thye was cautious and O'Neill took the offensive. The two men both wriggled out of dangerous positions and O'Neill finally took the third fall in five minutes and 47 seconds with a body scissors, half nelson and hammer lock.

The match was refereed by A. W. Nelson. J. H. Pearce was time keeper and Mr. C. D. Emahiser announcer. The audience was large and well pleased with the match.

The match was for a purse of \$250, winner take all. Although Thye did not receive anything for the match, he took his defeat in a sportsmanlike

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LLOYD GEORGE ANSWERS THE CHANCELLOR

MICHAELIS PROMISES SHAM INDEPENDENCE AND SHAM DEMOCRACY HE SAYS

SUBMARINE MENACE IS RAPIDLY GROWING LESS

Great Britain Is Increasing Its Protection and Also Increasing Its Number of Ships--Food Supply For 1917 and 1918 Are Already Supplied--Increased Cultivation Makes 1919 Supply Safe.

London, July 21--(United Press)

"Sham independence for Belgium, Sham democracy for Germans, Sham peace for Europe," is the bitter epitome of German Chancellor Michaelis's speech, spoken by Premier Lloyd George.

Lloyd George declared at the Belgium Independence celebration that unless Germany's military autocracy was wiped out, Germans again will plunge Europe into a welter of blood.

"The Chancellor's statement contained phrases that the German military autocracy understood," he declared. "These in charge of German affairs are elected for war. The junkers have thrown the old Chancellor into the waste basket. It will not be long before junkerdom falls."

"I am sorry to disagree with the German Chancellor regarding German submarines. Gradually, though surely, we are increasing our protection and diminishing losses. This year we are building four times as many ships as the preceding year. Next year we shall build six times as many.

"Our food supply for this year and next are already secured. Our cultivation program makes the supply of nineteen nineteen secure, even if losses are increased."

FIRE PUT OUT. THREE SPEEDERS ARRESTED

The fire department was called out last night at 9:05 to the corner of Birch and V streets, where the railroad fence was on fire. It was blazing rapidly when the department arrived but Chief Mackey and his men put it out quickly with their chemicals. There were three speeders arrested this morning for speeding to the fire last night.

From now on all speeders will be arrested, no matter who they are.

Mrs. Bruce Dennis and son Jack will return to Portland tonight after several weeks visit here. Mr. Dennis is also in Portland.

A Special Morning Service.

Tomorrow morning at eleven o'clock company M and the hospital corps will worship at the Methodist church. This will be the last public gathering for our boys.

CHARLES A. EDWARDS.

Will Speak Tomorrow.

Rev. Bert S. Hughes, of Ohio, will speak in the Presbyterian church tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock.

AUTO AND MOTOR CYCLE RACES ATTRACT

Many Visitors Came From Neighboring Cities To See The Speed Kings Dash For Records And Prizes.

Fine Program Is Put On Today And Tomorrow

The Speed 'Em Up is on. La Grande today is the host to thousands of visitors. They have come on foot, by train, by automobile and motorcycle, by team. La Grande today is a study in transportation methods.

But however they came, the visitors are here. They commenced arriving bright and early. Some are from as far east as Boston. Portland is represented. All of the towns of Union, Baker, Wallowa and Umatilla are well represented. Pendleton, the Round-Up city, has sent over a special delegation to repay La Grande's frequent visits and more people are coming tonight for tomorrow's big race the Northwest championship.

Adams avenue is in holiday array. Beautiful flags are streaming in the air, and no more beautiful sight could be imagined than the national banner as its colors catch the sunshine of this beautiful day. This morning the automobile men paraded the streets in their new cars and some of the racing models, queer sights when stripped for action, were also entered in the parade.

Then the exodus to the track began. Special transportation arrangements had been made for visitors and the crowd was taken out without inconvenience.

DODGE CITY SCORING PLAN USED AT TODAY'S RACES

Patrons of past motorcycle races realize full well the difficulty with

which correct scoring of any big motorcycle race is conducted. It is a delicate and particular undertaking. Profiting by the same worries in other big racing localities, the directors have adopted the Dodge City method, which was used today, which briefly is that there is one scorer for each rider and the individual scorer is concerned only with the number of times his particular man passes the grand stand.

Supposing for illustration, that there are 20 riders. On a platform so arranged that the scorers work behind the board thus not obstructing the view of the tally sheets from the eyes of patrons in the grand stand, are 20 different hooks and upon each hook are as many slips of paper consecutively numbered as there are laps to the race. Supposing the illustrative race is a 10-lap affair. The scorer who handles No. 1 rider, for instance, tears off one sheet for each lap No. 1 makes and the grandstand will be able to determine that the work is properly done. The confusion of trying to mark the numbers of 15 or 20 riders flashing by at once in a tornado of speed will be eliminated, for the scorers have but one number each to watch. The scoring was somewhat costly but the manifest satisfaction is more than commensurate with the costs.

The fact that The Speed 'Em Up offered \$1500 in cash prizes this year

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HERE IS THE RACE PROGRAM FOR TOMORROW

First Race--5 miles for motorcycles. Open to all riders on 7 H. P. S. S. machines. Entrance fee \$10.00. Purse \$25.00 divided \$15.00, \$10.00.

Second Race--5 miles for autos. Open to all. Entrance fee \$1.00. Purse of \$25.00, divided \$15.00, \$10.00.

Third Race--Finals for track records by both autos and motorcycles.

Fourth Race--NORTHWEST CHAMPIONSHIP for motorcycle. 25 miles restricted to riders residing in Oregon, Washington, and Idaho. Open to all 7 H. P. S. S. machines. Purse of \$200.00, divided \$100.00, \$50.00, \$25.00, \$15.00, \$10.00. Entrance fee \$5.00.

Fifth Race--10 miles for autos. Open to all. Entrance fee \$1.00. Purse of \$50.00, divided \$25.00, \$15.00, \$10.00.

Sixth Race--NORTHWEST CHAMPIONSHIP for autos. 50 miles restricted to drivers residing in Oregon, Washington and Idaho. Free for all machines regardless of make or displacement. Purse of \$500.00, divided \$250.00, \$125.00, \$75.00, \$50.00. Entrance fee \$5.00.

Classification--All auto races shall be open and free for all makes of autos regardless of displacement. All motorcycle races shall be open and free for all motorcycles which have not to exceed 61 cu. in. displacement but shall bar 8 valves and ports.

AUTO SPEEDER HITS A BOY ON BICYCLE

What might have been a very serious accident took place last night at Adams Avenue and Fir street. A fire alarm sounded and Dr. George Vehrs was speeding in his automobile to the scene of the fire at the O-W. railroad fence.

Lester Huntley was on a bicycle going east and the doctor was going north. They collided and young Huntley was thrown into the air. Dr. Vehrs stopped his car as soon as he could and rushed out to where he thought the boy would be lying dead, but found that the boy was standing on his feet alive. Young Huntley had been knocked about twenty feet and his wheel about forty.

Dr. Vehrs was placed under arrest this morning for speeding. Young Huntley is about today. His leg was bruised. Dr. Vehrs took him in charge and dressed his wounds. The boy lives at 1402 Oak street.

TYPICAL SCENE AT LA GRANDE'S FAMOUS SPEED 'EM UP RACES.



This picture shows four of the greatest world-famous riders who participated in races last year. From left to right they are: Dave Kenney, Springfield, Mass.; Otto Walker, international world's champion of 1915, of Milwaukee, Wis.; Irvin Janke, international world's champion of 1916 of Milwaukee; Carl Rose, Portland, Oregon.