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SEAPLANE ONCE MORE ON THE WAY

HALT IN JOURNEY WAS MADE
A HUNDRED MILES
FROM LISBON

WILL NOT FINISH TODAY
SO THE REPORTS SAY

Supposition is That a Landing Was
Made on Account of Engine Trouble—
Machine and Crew O. K.
and Expect to Resume the Flight
Tomorrow.

(By Associated Press to The Observer)
LISBON, May 30.—The N-C 4
left for Plymouth at 5:20 this
morning.

Made Landing Early
WASHINGTON, May 30.—Al-
though she landed at Mondago river,
a hundred miles north of Lisbon,
after starting for Plymouth today,
the N-C 4 is "O. K." according to a
message from Lieutenant Com-
mander Read to the cruiser Rache-
ter at Lisbon. The message said:
"N-C 4 at Mondago river, must
wait for high tide; cannot make
Plymouth tonight. Request: dis-
troyers to keep stations. What is
port to north to land seaplane with-
in three hundred miles?"

No information was given as to
why the landing was made, but it
is assumed that the engine was
not running properly. The plane
evidently ran into shallow water in
landing or was left so by the rising
tide while repairs were being
made.

Will Continue Tomorrow
BREAST, May 30.—A wireless mes-
sage picked up says: "N-C 4 landed
for today; will continue tomorrow."

TWO MOTORS FAILED
BREAST, May 30.—Latest reports
say the N-C 4 developed trouble in both
starboard motors, unbalancing the
plane.

TWO STATE OFFICERS HAVE RESIGNED

(By Associated Press to The Observer)
SALEM, May 30.—R. L. Stevens,
warden of the penitentiary, and Joseph
F. Keller, state parole officer, both
submitted their resignations to the
governor today. Stevens' resignation
is effective immediately and he will
be temporarily succeeded by Superintendent
Lee Steiner, of the state hospital.
Steiner is temporarily succeeded by
his assistant, L. R. Griffith. Keller
remains as parole officer until July 1
to complete the installation of a new
record system. His successor has not
been announced. Stevens said that
personal matters are claiming his
entire attention, and that he has been
considering resigning for many weeks.
Keller also contemplates entering
business which will take up his entire
time, he said.

NOTHING ON REPLY IS MADE PUBLIC

(By Associated Press to The Observer)
PARIS, May 30.—The Austrian de-
legation has been notified that the
treaty will not be presented until next
Monday. Small nations desired time
for consideration. The Fiume ques-
tion is apparently settled. Fiume will
be an independent state under guar-
antee of the league of nations. Not-
ing specific on the German reply has
been published.

RECONSTRUCTION IN FRANCE

PARIS. (Correspondence of the
Associated Press)—The Commission
on Industrial Inquiry of the National
Civil Federation, of America,
has arrived in Paris to investigate
industrial reconstruction work in
France as it has been doing for the
past two months in Great Britain.
The commission is composed of
Charles Mayne, counsel for the Na-
tional Farmers Union of America,
James W. Sullivan, representing the
American Federation of Labor; A.
S. Bemis, a manufacturer of Bos-
ton; A. Parker Neven, former counsel
for the National Association of Man-
ufacturers, and E. A. Quarles, sec-
retary.

PLEASURE FAIRS IN PARIS REOPEN

PARIS. (Correspondence of the
Associated Press)—The coming of
the armistice has allowed Paris to
have its pleasure fairs again after
they had been suppressed during
the hostilities. The celebrated "Gin-
gerbread Fair" was the first to be
held and attracted thousands as it
has done since its institution nearly
a thousand years ago.

An unpleasant surprise was in
store for the lovers of merry-go-
rounds, which used to cost two cents
a ride before the war and four on
Saturday nights and Sunday. The
humblest, most out-of-date affair
which offered mere wooden horses
or pigs to ride on demanded a franc,
20 cents a turn, while the up-to-date
machines offering a suspended air-
plane required a franc and a half,
or 30 cents. These extravagant
prices (to the French French mind)
did not prevent brisk business, for
even the French seem to have lost
their keen sense of the value of
money.

SETS ANYTHING TO MUSIC

PARIS. (Correspondence of the
Associated Press)—A celebrated
musician once declared: "any-
thing could be set to music." "even
a newspaper article." Some confir-
mation has just been given to his
dictum in Paris by the first perform-
ance of "Apollinaire," a lyrical work
given by two hundred singers, (so-
lists and chorus). The music was
written by Francis Casadesu, and
the words by Paul Deschanel, the
president of the Chamber of Deputies.
M. Deschanel's libretto is, in
fact, one of his eloquent speeches,
which Casadesu found so lyrical
that he was inspired by it to set it
to music. The work had a most suc-
cessful production.

POLING TO VISIT PENDLETON SOON

LOCAL PEOPLE EXPECT TO HEAR
GREAT LECTURER.

Christian Endeavor Leader Will Ad-
dress Great Mass Meeting in
Pendleton, June 2.

Daniel A. Poling, LL.D., associate
president of the United Society of
Christian Endeavor, will address a
great mass meeting in Pendleton on
the evening of June 3, and the fact is
arousing much interest among mem-
bers and workers of local young peo-
ple's departments of the churches. It
is likely that all who can possibly
find or make the opportunity to visit
Pendleton on that date will go to hear
him.

Dr. Poling is one of the leading
young men of the United States and
has won an international reputation as
an orator and organizer. He has
lately returned from France, where
for a time he worked in the uniform
of a Y. M. C. A. secretary.

A number of members of the Pres-
byterian Young People's Society of
Christian Endeavor are already mak-
ing arrangements to attend the meet-
ing and it is likely more will do so
before the date arrives.

FATAL RESULT IN GUN ACCIDENT

(By Associated Press to The Observer)
SALEM, May 30.—Merle Bunney,
aged 19, was instantly killed seven
miles south of here last night when a
gun accidentally discharged at his
knee after a hunting trip. He was
shot through the head. He lived with
his widowed mother.

CONDITIONS AT OMSK

TOKIO. (Correspondence of the
Associated Press)—T. Matsudaira,
chief of the Japanese "political de-
partment at Vladivostok, who has re-
turned to consult with his home
government is quoted by the Asahi as
asserting that the cost of operation
of the Siberian railway "is to be
borne equally by the Allies, not by
the United States alone."
The railway, he said, forms the
backbone of Siberia and its destruc-
tion would mean the starvation of
the troops stationed at Omsk, Irkutsk
and other places and also, of the
Russian population throughout Si-
beria. British troops, about a bat-
talion strong, and the French troops
are stationed at Omsk to guard the
Omsk government, he said, and
they will not withdraw from that
place for some time.
"Various reports are in circu-
lation regarding the alleged activities
of American capitalists in Siberia,
but nothing exists that should give
concern to the Japanese," he
declared, Mr. Matsudaira.

ELGIN FINISHES CLASS OF SEVEN

FIVE YOUNG MEN AND TWO
YOUNG LADIES GRADUATE

Exercise Last Night. After Being
Delayed for Some Time.

By Epidemic

Seven graduates were given diplo-
mas Thursday evening at Elgin
when the annual commencement
exercises of the Elgin schools were
held. Five boys and two young lad-
ies made up the class. They were:
Wilford Robert Duncan, Vernor
Arthur Clark, Clarence Parrish Smith,
Horace Moller Smith, Edsel Brooke
Galloway, Ida Bell Stoop and Mable
Fogem Mosher.

At 8:30 o'clock in the evening the
Elgin band gave a short concert and
a large crowd gathered in the city
auditorium. The stage was beau-
tifully decorated with seasonal
flowers and a large banner was
made it an event long to be remem-
bered by the Elgin people.

Prof. E. G. Baffey, who has so
ably handled the Elgin schools, opened
the exercises with a few an-
nouncements and then called upon
the Elgin band, under the leader-
ship of Mr. Baffey, for the opening
selection. This was followed by a
commencement talk to the gradu-
ates by Bruce Denus, of La Grande,
after which the diplomas were
presented by Scott Harris, repre-
senting the school board of the El-
gin district.

The annual alumni banquet was
held following the commencement
exercises and it was a delightful
occasion.

La Grande Singers Gave Fine Concert Programme Last Evening at Cove

COVE, Ore., May 30.—(Special)
The concert given last evening by
the La Grande Community Chorus
was heard by a large audience and
the visitors found many apprecia-
tive critics among their hearers.
For the number of singers in the
chorus, about thirty, good volume
was attained, with fine harmony.
Popular old-time songs and modern
popular ones shared the honors on
the program with heavier selections,
and were well received.
Miss Florence Lynch of La Grande
delighted the audience with a very
pretty violin number, and responded
to the encore with another melody
that set the feet dancing. Three
numbers by local talent were also
enthusiastically enjoyed after the
first song, and Miss Vina Conley gave
a piano solo and encore. The Cove
male quartette was listened to with
a great deal of pleasure also.
La Grande has a very worthy or-
ganization in her Community Chorus
and Cove will be glad to hear them
again.

MORE CAVALRY TO MEXICAN BORDER

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

EL PASO, Tex., May 30.—The first
squadron of the Fifth cavalry, sta-
tioned at Fort Bliss, has been ordered
to the Big Bend district east of El
Paso to reinforce the Eighth cavalry.

PAST WINTER COLD IN SIBERIA

Great Suffering Was Caused the
Refugees Who Fled From
European Russia

VLADIVOSTOK. (Correspondence
of the Associated Press)—Ameri-
cans who spent the winter in Omsk,
the headquarters of the Kolchak
Bolshevik government, say the
winter was the coldest in the his-
tory of Western Siberia and caused
great suffering among hundreds of
thousands of refugees from Euro-
pean Russia who have found tem-
porary shelter now in Moscow
and other Siberian centers. They
say that 500 persons were frozen
to death in Omsk and that thou-
sands suffered frozen feet and hands.
The temperature often reached 57
to 60 degrees below zero. Fortu-
nately, little wind blew across the
steppe but when the wind did blow
the cold was intolerable.
The stouthearted for coat could not
stop it from penetrating to the nar-
row. As it was made, the streets
were covered with Americans often
had their cheeks and noses frozen
and their hands. Despite women
gloves and mittens, were always
suffering from aching. Reckless ex-
posure of ears was always dangerous,
sometimes resulting in the lobes
freezing and falling off at the
slightest touch.

NEW COMMISSION TO HOLD ITS FIRST MEETING SATURDAY

The first meeting of the newly
formed Child Welfare Commission of
Oregon will be held Saturday, this
week, in Portland, and Mrs. F. G.
Schilke, of La Grande, who was ap-
pointed a member of the commission
by Governor Olcott, will leave this eve-
ning to attend the meeting. The
commission will lay plans for their
future operations and will make the
selection from their number of a
chairman. The election of a secre-
tary of the commission will also be
made, and though the one who fills
office need not necessarily be a mem-
ber of the commission, it must be a
trained social worker who takes it.
The secretaryship will carry a salary
of \$2000 a year, with expenses for of-
fices, assistant, etc.

IN BEHALF OF PIONEERS

Meeting Tomorrow Afternoon to
Arrange for Annual Reunion

A meeting of the Sons and Daugh-
ters of Pioneers is to be held in La
Grande tomorrow (Saturday) after-
noon at 2 o'clock. This meeting
had been scheduled for last week,
but was postponed until the date
above given. The meeting is for the
purpose of arranging for the en-
tertainment of the Union county
pioneers at their annual reunion
and a full attendance of the mem-
bership is desired. The meeting
will be at the Y. M. C. A. room.

SHRINERS PLAN BIG DAY HERE

PORTLAND LODGE COMING PRO-
BABLY IN SEPTEMBER

Visitors Will Initiate Local Can-
didates and Visit Will Be Occa-
sion of Glorious Time

Announcement was made by local
Shriners this morning that arrange-
ments have been all made to have
the Al Kader Temple of Shriners
from Portland pay a visit to La
Grande later on in the summer,
probably in September, to have a
great foregathering with Eastern
Oregon members of the order and
to initiate a class of local candi-
dates.

Such occasions as this one will be
all too infrequent in the homes
of the smaller branches of the
Shriners and the local devotees will
have their committees steadily at
work right up to the time of the
visit making plans for one of the
biggest times in the history of the
town. A little later on a meeting
of local Shriners will be called to
start things going toward this event.

BOY SCOUT WEEK IS COMING SOON

MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN PLAN-
NED JUNE 30 TO 10th

Fred J. Holmes, Appointed By Na-
tional Organization Head of Local
Committee for Campaign

Fred J. Holmes has recently been
appointed chairman of a local com-
mittee on the work for a Boy
Scout Week June 30 to 10th. The
purpose of the effort which will be
made during this week will be to
extend and increase the mem-
bership of the organization.

Rev. N. S. Hawk has a troop of
scouts which he recently organized
and B. D. Stoddard has had one
working for some time. A third
troop which was in existence "had
broken up, but there is a plenty of
material in the city with which to
work and Mr. Holmes is confident
that with the assistance of some of
the men who are most interested
in the work a strong organization
of Boy Scouts can be effected here
and will have a committee meeting
held in the near future to formulate
complete plans for the week's cam-
paign.

WEATHER FORECAST
PORTLAND, May 30.—For Oregon,
Fair, heavy frost in morning.

FRUIT OUTLOOK IS FAVORABLE

GOOD RAINS WEST OF THE
CASCADES

Winter Wheat, Oats and Rye Are
Generally in Favorable Condi-
tion—Hay Crop Benefited

PORTLAND, May 30.—The past
week was generally favorable for
fruit crops, cereals and hay crops,
according to the weekly summary
issued by the weather bureau here,
based on reports from all parts of
Oregon.

The fore-part of the week was
bright and warm, the maximum
temperature going above 80 degrees
in many places. Toward the close
of the week the weather was cloudy
and moderately cool, with good rains
west of the Cascade mountains and
light showers over most of the re-
mainder of the state. Light frost
occurred in a few localities, doing
no material damage. High, drying
winds were a feature of the weather
in localities. Farm work progress-
ed rapidly. Aphidæ have appeared
in small numbers in Marion county.

Winter wheat, oats and rye are
generally promising; these crops
have been benefited by rain in
western counties but will need more
moisture in central and eastern
counties for proper filling. Winter
wheat and oats are heading in most
sections. Some rye is being cut for
ensilage and hay. Until near the
close of the week spring oats, wheat
and barley were generally heading
rain. This condition was relieved in
the western counties at the close
of the week, but drought continues
over most of the central and eastern
counties and in many cases spring
grain is suffering. A considerable
amount of corn is being planted.
Early corn is coming up well. Cul-
tivation is in progress in Douglas
county.

The week was generally favorable
for fruit crops. Dropping of prunes
continued in some counties but has
ceased in others. Peaches are be-
ing thinned in Lane county. Straw-
berries continue abundant in Doug-
las county and are ripening in Mal-
heur county.

Irrigated alfalfa is growing well.
Alfalfa, clover, timothy and vetch
have been benefited by rain in
western counties, but elsewhere,
where not irrigated, need rain.
Some hay is being cut in western
counties. Pastures have been revived
by rain in western counties but
elsewhere are drying rapidly, al-
though there is still sufficient feed
for stock. Lambing and shearing
have been completed in most sec-
tions.
Planting of potatoes made good
progress and most of the crop has
been planted. Early potatoes have
made good growth. The warm
spring weather of the early part of
the week was helpful to gardens
and in western counties they have
been helped by rain, but elsewhere
more rain is needed.

RECONSTRUCTION BILL UP FOR CONSIDERATION

Faculty and Students Combine to
Assure Its Passing

University of Oregon, Eugene,
May 30.—University of Oregon stu-
dents and faculty are joining their
efforts in every way possible to as-
sure the passing of the reconstruc-
tion bill which will come up at the
consideration of the voters at a
special election to be held on Tues-
day, June 3.
Oregon students are acting in a
missionary capacity in writing to
their parents and inviting them to
the University. If the bill is passed
Oregon will require \$500,000 to be
used in constructing buildings on
the campus.

Senator B. L. Eddy, chairman of
the Oregon Reconstruction Cam-
paign Committee, is especially in-
terested in securing the passing of
the bill to enable the University to
secure its needs. "The University of
Oregon is seriously in need of rec-
tification and laboratory rooms at
this time," said Senator Eddy. "In fact
all the following buildings are ab-
solutely needed: An auditorium, a
library, a building for commerce,
a science building, a religion build-
ing, a dormitory for women, a dormitory
for men, and heating plant to re-
place the present one that is entire-
ly inadequate."
The "Soldiers' Hall" and Marine
Educational Financial Aid Hall will
be used on at the special election
on June 3. "An affirmative vote
for this bill means a square deal
for our returning soldier boys and

POINCARÉ BIRTHPLACE IS CELEBRATED

PARIS. (Correspondence of the
Associated Press)—All the bars, sa-
lons, cafes, and places that sell
liquid refreshments in Bar-le-Duc
decided to close for twenty-four
hours recently because the authori-
ties had refused to be allowed to sell
all liquors to soldiers passing
through the town. Many thousands
of soldiers arrive and leave at all
hours as the town is a center for
military transport. The day chosen
was that on which President Poin-
caré, who was born in Bar-le-Duc,
was to pay it a visit and make a
speech.

Bar-le-Duc believes it has a good
claim to special consideration as
during the war the little town re-
ceived 530 aerial bombs or torpe-
does, as compared with 850 which
were dropped on London.

SERIOUS STRIKES IN THE GERMAN MINING REGIONS

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

BERLIN, May 29.—The ever re-
curring strikes of miners are causing
a catastrophic condition in the Rhein-
ish-Westphalian mining region. One
company has declared itself insolvent
because of strikes. A cabinet minis-
ter recently stated at the soviet con-
gress in Berlin that the demands of
the miners had ruined a number of
mining companies.

Two mining concerns which in No-
vember last had a reserve of 15,000,
000 marks, now have overdrafts at
the bank of 12,000,000 marks and the
banks refuse to give them further
credit.

"Y" CAMPAIGN IS EXPLAINED

COUNTY-WIDE ORGANIZATION
TO BE STARTED MONDAY

idea Is To Give to Boys of Small
or Centers and Rural Districts
Equal Advantages

Monday, June 2nd, Union county
will see the start of a vigorous
campaign for organization and ex-
tension of the Y. M. C. A. on a
county-wide basis. Plans for this
campaign have been under way for
some time and a strong local com-
mittee has been formed to handle
the work for the county. The cam-
paign will last for just one week
and briefly its state object is to
make the Young Men's Christian
Association available not only to
those living in some of the larger
cities but to bring it within reach
of 90 per cent of the older boys
and young men of Oregon and
Idaho.

A page from a bulletin issued by
the organization explains very
clearly the work which it is in-
tended to carry on. What the coun-
ty work is, what it does and how it
operates is explained as follows:

1. It is the plan of the Young Men's Christian Association to meet the needs of young men and boys in country communities, in towns, villages and country places too small to support a local building or an employed secretary.
2. It operates without special buildings or equipment but makes use of the equipment already at hand, such as churches, schools, homes and halls.
3. It is a movement rather than an institution, and as such, recognizes the more fundamental office of the home, school and church in training the youth, but finds a field for working with and through these institutions, and by supplying them with its specialized methods and programs.
4. Its affairs are directed by a committee of fifteen or more representative farmers, business and professional men, elected at the annual county convention. This committee is responsible for directing the activity, underwriting, and for a wise expenditure of funds.
5. A county secretary, who is trained in working with boys and young men, is employed for his whole time under the direction of the county committee. He consults with the other agencies at work for good, and promotes social movements for the county as a whole.
6. The annual expense is \$5,000 to \$5,500, covering salary, traveling expense, office expenses, printing, postage, equipment, etc. This is met by voluntary subscriptions.
7. While its work is primarily religious, it takes into account every phase of a boy's life, social, physical, mental, moral and spiritual.

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MEMORIAL OBSERVED IN FRANCE

NOT A GRAVE OF ANY AMERICAN
WHO FELL HAS BEEN
OVERLOOKED

WILSON AND PERSHING
LEAD IN CEREMONIES

Some Services Were Held Along the
Battle Lines Along Which Troops
of the American Forces Made the
Supreme Sacrifice for Their
Country

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

PARIS, May 30.—Not a grave of
any American who fell was over-
looked today. Some services were
held in the vicinity of the battle
lines along which American troops
gave their lives.

President Wilson made an address
at the American cemetery at Sur-
eres, near Paris, in which he sur-
veyed the message "Inexpensive lessons
and inspiring mandate of the day"
is to fulfill the hopes and purposes
to the utmost of the men, who sacri-
ficed their lives for their country.

General Pershing went to Ro-
magne, near where the Americans
suffered their heaviest losses.

President Wilson, at Suresnes, de-
clared that the day of secret councils
is past because the people are in the
saddle. Private councils of statesmen
will no longer determine the destinies
of nations, he said. He made an earnest
defense of the league of nations
and said he looked for the time when
a man who failed to support the league
would be ashamed as the man who op-
posed the union of the states after the
Civil war.

CARING FOR REFU- GEES IN SIBERIA

Red Cross Headed by Four American
Girls, Begins the Work of Relief

TOMSK, Siberia. (Correspondence
of the Associated Press)—The refu-
gees at Tomsk, the great university
center of Siberia, who are, mostly
from European Russia, are estimat-
ed to number of 150,000.

Into this district of hardship and
suffering the American Red Cross
has come energetically and success-
fully. When four American girls
reached Tomsk and organized
Cross work here, typhus fever was
suffering the American Red Cross
places where the refugees massed
were points of infection and dis-
semination. It was useless to distrib-
ute or attempt feeding unless means
were first devised to stop the
spread of the deadly epidemic.

The Red Cross now has taken over
eighteen barracks into which the
refugees have herded, and each of
these barracks will be cleaned and
disinfected in turn, their inhabitants
meanwhile being housed at a clear-
ing station. This station is provided
with baths and disinfecting appar-
atus for clothes and has dispensary
and simple hospital facilities.

Under the direction of the Red
Cross unit, there has been establish-
ed a sewing room where refugee
women are given employment. The
city gave rent free, a large well-
lighted and well-ventilated room and a
number of sewing machines—Ameri-
can made. The Red Cross has ac-
cepted the offer of the Tomsk Uni-
versity medical school to turn over
its clinical hospital. American doc-
tors will come in later.

All the Red Cross work focuses on
providing immediate relief to meet
the emergency until the refugees
can become self-sustaining. Em-
ployment is difficult to obtain. How-
ever, plans are being developed to
provide employment for the women
and get the children to school. It
is expected that this spring a large
proportion of the able men can find
work either on the farms or on the
Trans-Siberian railroad. Tomsk has
a number of factories, but owing to
the breakdown in railway transpor-
tation, many are closed because they
cannot get materials with which to
operate.

BOUND OVER TO GRAND JURY
J. F. Oaker, who appeared before
Judge A. C. Williams yesterday af-
ternoon on a charge of larceny, was
bound over to the grand jury of the
district court. Bonds, which were
fixed at \$1000, were given.