

## PUMPING PLANT IS FAVORED

WATER FROM RIVER TO BE USED TO THE EXTENT NECESSARY

GOOD SUPPLY AT IN-TAKE BUT IS NOT DELIVERED

Engineer Is Engaged on Investigation of Remedies Needed—Artesian Well Supply Is Not Considered—Ad Club Will Work With City Commission

What might be termed as the climax of last night's water meeting was the decision to install the city's large centrifugal pump at the river, make arrangements with prior right owners for water, negotiate with the Palmer Lumber Company for its pumps to continue at work until the city's plant is installed, and then use the auxiliary pumping plant, with chlorination tanks, and supply La Grande with plenty of water.

Although this was not the official order of the meeting last evening, which was called by Chairman Ed. Coolidge, of the Ad. Club, for the purpose of discussing the water situation, it was the verdict passed by what might be termed the "concert" following the big show, and it was so strongly supported that Commissioner Grandy will take the matter up with his colleagues for final adjustment today and work will likely start at once on the auxiliary pumping plant.

This means that La Grande will have water. It will be river water, but it will be water just the same. Everybody is warned out of the river in the future and it will be open season for anyone caught bathing in the stream.

After the meeting in the city hall last evening, was called to order by Mr. Coolidge and its purposes stated, Commissioner McKennon was asked to review the present water conditions. He said the visit to the intake Sunday disclosed what he had already known, namely, that there was twice the water going to waste that is entering the pipe line; that the intake dam is the "damnedest little dam he had ever seen," and that in his judgment the weak part of the present water system was at the intake and in the rotten pipe line over the hills, which taken collectively and as a whole, means that the present water system is all bad, excepting the reservoirs. But, Mr. McKennon did not say it is too bad to use, nor did he leave the impression that the case is hopeless, for on the other hand, he said it was up to the city to make repairs and find out where the trouble is and remedy it as nearly as possible. For this job Engineer Kelsey has been engaged. He has not rendered a report as yet, for he is waiting to get water measurements. One thing seems necessary and that is to meter the flow of water into the reservoir. It seems this little job has been a sticker and has consumed much more time than anyone had believed possible, for this morning the trappings left La Grande to be fitted on the pipe to measure the water, although it was expected this would have been done several weeks ago.

Schultz, Advocates Wells.

Roscoe West, the artesian well driller, was not present at the meeting as had been expected, but the well feature had a strong advocate in Mr. Schultz, one of the mechanics at the O. W. who owns a home near the Farmers' Alliance mill. He told of the success wells had been in cities of the east where he had resided and urged the abandonment of the long pipe line project and the drilling of a number of wells in the valley.

His argument met with some opposition, chief of which was that of Commissioner Grandy, who related the experience of the railroad company here in sinking wells in the earlier days. He also told of the city's experimental work with well-drilling, which he claimed never had proved satisfactory.

Mr. McKennon had outlined in his report the need of extending the intake pipe line a distance farther up the hill in order to get more pressure and the need of lowering some of the high

## PRIMROSE, FAMOUS MINSTREL, DEAD

SAN DIEGO, July 22.—George H. Primrose, for many years head of the famous Primrose Minstrel organization, died today following an illness of a month.

## TEN PERSONS SHOT IN POLITICAL DISORDERS IN BERLIN

(By Associated Press to The Observer) BERLIN, July 22.—Ten persons were shot during the disorders attending the breaking up of a majority Socialist meeting by Communists and Spartacists yesterday. Those attending the meeting tried to lynch the man who fired the shots but he was saved by hospital helpers.

## MUSICIANS TO FORM A UNION

APPLICATION WILL BE MADE AT ONCE FOR CHARTER

Temporary Officers Are Elected and Committee Appointed to Confer With Central Labor Council

The result of the meeting of local musicians held in the Eagles' hall last night to discuss the reviving of the union musicians' organization in this city was a decision to go ahead with the re-organization and to apply for a charter. There was quite a large attendance of men prominent in band and orchestra circles and the majority of those present strongly supported it.

Temporary officers were elected as follows: Frank Robinson, president; Andrew Loney, secretary; E. R. Parker, treasurer. A committee of three, Howard Richardson, J. P. Caldwell and Alvin Snapp, was appointed to meet with the members of the local Central Labor Council. Officers of the new union will be permanently elected as soon as the charter is received.

points of resistance over the hills, all of which made an impression on H. E. Dixon, who asked that these improvements be made at once and then make preparations to follow the Grandy treaty of installing a new and complete pipe line up the Grande Ronde river to the Beaver creek supply.

Leaks in the pipe line have been taking some of the water supply. This was proven last evening when reports came in from those who had witnessed the leaks. And before the meeting adjourned Mr. Black, of the street department, journeyed to the pipe line to fix a leak near the Bartmess meadows.

David Stoddard called attention to the volume of talk on future repairs, but he insisted that the present was the time to consider. It was during Mr. Stoddard's talk that he urged the use of river water, provided it was sure the chlorine plant would treat the water supply.

Then the question of prior rights on the river came up, and Mr. McKennon gave the report that J. L. Caviness, whose right to water dates ahead of all others, had served notice on the city that during the growing season his right must be respected. Other rights were then discussed, and so the history of water and prior and riparian rights was aired in a way that was entirely new to most of those present and was inclined to leave the impression that the city of La Grande is an imposter and has no rights under the sun, so far as waters in the Grande Ronde river go.

It was agreed however, that J. L. Caviness is one of the best and fairest of men in the entire valley and that the city would have no trouble in adjusting matters with him for the brief time the crops need the water.

Some sharp and jagged points were hurled at the builders of the present water system, plainly intimating that the job was not well done. Commissioner McKennon was very plain in his statements to the effect that the pipe line had been poorly laid and that the original venture was to a great extent a failure. This caused Fred L. Meyers, who was a member of the council when the present system was built, to call attention to the records on file in the city hall, including reports of what was supposed to be competent engineers who looked after the construction of the plant.

## LENINE HAS CALLED FOR ARMISTICE

BOLSHEVIK DELEGATION ARRIVED AT KISHINEFF WITH OFFER OF PEACE

OFFERS TO CEDE Bessarabia TO ROMANIA

Condition of the Offer Is That the Rumanian Front Will Not Be Crossed by Ukrainians or of Admiral Kolchak—Eight Day Cessation of War

(By Associated Press to The Observer) LONDON, July 22.—A Bolshevik delegation has arrived at Kishineff with an offer of peace to the commander of the Rumanian Dniester troops on behalf of Nikolai Lenin. It is reported that Lenin offers to cede Bessarabia to Rumania on condition that Rumania prohibit Ukrainian citizens and bands of Admiral Kolchak, head of the Czech government, from crossing the Rumanian frontier.

An eight day armistice has been concluded on the Bessarabian front.

Mrs. G. L. Larison Ill.—Mrs. G. L. Larison, who left yesterday for Hot Lake, where she underwent an operation this morning, is getting along as well as could be expected.

One For Huckleberries.—Mrs. A. C. Hampton, accompanied by her sister, Miss Angela Bowler, Miss Inez Knowles and Miss Helen Lurvey, left this morning to spend the day picking huckleberries at the foot of Mount Emily.

Letter From Baker.—Mr. Leavenger, a prominent druggist of Baker, arrived in the city this morning on No. 6.

Home From Huntington.—The three-year-old son of Frank Howell at Hood River, while playing with matches, set fire to the house and completely destroyed the home of his parents.

The Molalla Electric company has been given the contract by the council.

### KODAK ONE DAY SERVICE

DEVELOPING  
PRINTING  
ENLARGING

PRINTS OUT AT

Brownie Cameras \$2.13 to \$5.75  
Premo Cameras \$7.00 to \$15.  
Folding Pocket Kodaks \$8.00 to \$68

Gilberthorn's FAMILY DRUG STORE LA GRANDE, OREGON

### If You Are Seeking a Restaurant

where the pleasure and comfort of its guests are the first consideration, we suggest a visit here. For here you will find delicious, well cooked foods and courteous service, whether your order be for an elaborate dinner or a simple lunch. Why not today.

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## State Librarian Elected Among Officers of the American Library Ass'n

Chalmers Hadley, librarian of the Denver public library, was recently elected president of the American Library Association, to succeed William Warner Bishop, of the University of Michigan. Mr. Hadley has held many offices in the Association, including that of second vice-president in 1915-16. George H. Locke, of Toronto, Ont., was elected to the office of first vice-president and Cornelia Marvin, Oregon state librarian, to the office of second vice-president. Jim MacElin is a graduate of the Armour Institute Library school in the class of 1894 and she has been state librarian of Oregon since 1905. Following her election, in reply to a request for information concerning her career Miss Marvin replied: "I was born in Iowa and will die in Oregon, unless I meet with disaster in my contemplated trip to the Orient this fall."

## SAYS MEXICO HAS CONTEMPT

BANK MANAGER EXPLAINS THE ILL FEELING.

Sending of Expedition From United States and Withdrawing Them the Assigned Cause.

(By Associated Press to The Observer) WASHINGTON, July 22.—Through examination of probably the rightest, sweetest and altogether serene nine-month-old baby in the world, the mother asked: "Well, what do you think about my baby?" and he said: "Oh, it's a normal baby."—Kansas City Star.

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(Continued from Page 1) engineering, but I can take a bunch of farmers and build a better dam than we have at the reservoir."

Charles W. Noyes described the rock formation at the reservoir and explained the loss of water through such a formation.

W. H. Bohnenkamp advocated placing the intake pipe in the supply reservoir in order to get a heavier pres-

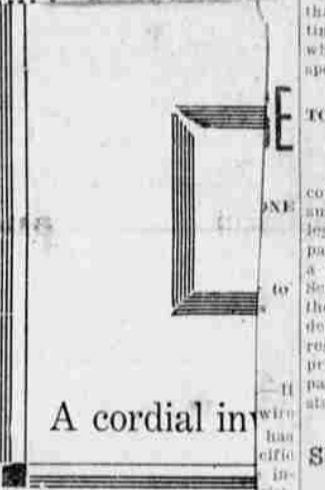
## MOONEY DID NOT HAVE A FAIR TRIAL

THIS IS THE REPORT SUBMITTED BY SPECIAL AGENT JOHN B. DENSMORE.

REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Report is Dated November, 1918, and Was Submitted to the Lower House of Congress Today, In Response to a Resolution Calling For the Same—Full Justice Was Lacking.

(By Associated Press to The Observer) WASHINGTON, July 22.—Thomas J. Mooney did not receive full justice in the trial held at San Francisco in connection with the Preparedness Day parade bombing, according to the report of John B. Densmore, special agent for the department of justice. The report was dated November, 1918, and submitted to the house today, in response to a resolution.



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## Quit Business E. E. I

THIS SALE IS GOING GOOD—WE'VE HAD ONE SALE BEFORE—BUT THERE'S BUSINESS FOR GOOD, AND THIS IS THE FIRST WEEK IN AUGUST.

### New Goods

We just received a large shipment of Shir Waists and Dresses. These were ordered before we knew we were going out. These goods must be sold at close-out prices.

### Lots of New Sale Thursday

E. E. I

## TWO TREATIES TO BE SIGNED

WASHINGTON, July 22.—The state department announced today that the United States will sign the treaties with Bulgaria and Turkey.

## Japanese Delegation Denies Trade Was Made In Shantung Settlement

PARIS, July 22.—The Japanese delegation to the peace conference has issued a denial of the assertion that the Shantung settlement was in exchange for the withdrawal by the Japanese contention regarding the recent clause in the league covenant.

## AID ASKED TO FIGHT FIRES

SECRETARY LANE WANTS FUND OF HALF MILLION

Blaze in Forests of Idaho Cannot Be Overcome Unless There Is a Heavy Rain

(By Associated Press to The Observer) WASHINGTON, July 22.—Congress has been asked by Secretary Lane for a special appropriation of a half million dollars to fight the forest fires in Montana, Idaho and Washington. Secretary Lane says that the Idaho fires cannot be extinguished save by heavy rains of which there is no immediate prospect.

## TOWNLEY WILL BE TRIED FOR LIBEL

BISMARCK, N. D., July 22.—According to a decision of the state supreme court Tuesday A. C. Townley, president of the National Nonpartisan league, must stand trial on a charge of libel preferred by State Senator J. A. Englund, publisher of the Kenmare, N. D. News. Englund demands \$25,000 damages as the result of articles which he says were printed in Nonpartisan league newspapers during the 1917 session of the state legislature.

## SUPREME COURT WILL GIVE BEER DECISION

WASHINGTON, July 22.—The question of the right of brewers to manufacture beer containing 2 3/4 per cent alcohol reached the supreme court Tuesday through appeals filed by the government from federal court decrees in Baltimore quashing indictments brought against the Standard Brewing company under the food control act of 1917.

## USED A HORSE FOR FISHBAIT

Largest Shark in Many Years Is Brought in to Honolulu

HONOLULU, T. H., (Correspondence of the Associated Press)—Using the entire carcass of a horse for bait, a Honolulu sportsman went fishing recently in a power boat and returned with a fish weighing 2500 pounds and measuring almost 20 feet from tip to tip, the largest shark killed in Hawaiian waters for many years.

Shark fishing or rather hunting, as it is conducted in Hawaii is a thrilling sport, not entirely lacking in danger to the hunter. In fact a death battle with a harpooned shark, according to the big game hunters, is about as safe as a midnight combat with a hungry tiger. Sharks, in their death throes, have been known to attack the boat and with their powerful rows of serrated teeth rip great sections from the side.

Honolulu, in Hawaii, shark hunting has been placed on a commercial basis and the development of a shark industry is forecast. Shark fins are deemed a great delicacy by Orientals and dried shark meat has found a ready market. The carcass of a shark that is held considered shark liver, a valuable oil.

## DRY SPELL BROKEN IN PORTLAND

LIGHTNING PLAYS PRANKS IN PLACES, WITH BUT VERY LITTLE DAMAGE.

RAILROAD BRIDGE STRUCK, SLIGHT FIRE FOLLOWED

Spokane Is Also Visited By a Light Rain Today, Which Helps to Hold the Forest Fire Situation in Check—Governor Has a Proclamation Against Carelessness.

(By Associated Press to The Observer) PORTLAND, Or., July 22.—The first rain in over three weeks fell in Portland today. Lightning struck the steel railroad bridge during a thunder storm causing a fire on the wooden work and the creosoted flooring. The damage was slight. Lightning also struck in a dozen other places with but little damage.

SHOWER IN SPOKANE. SPOKANE, July 22.—A light rain fell today and it helped to hold the forest fires in check. The situation is slightly better.

GOVERNOR GIVES WARNING. SALEM, July 22.—Governor Olcott issued a proclamation today, at the request of State Forester Elliott, urging all persons in the woods to refrain from smoking, and declaring that fire wardens must use caution in issuing permits and giving instructions for the safe-guarding of camp fires.

## NAMES COMMITTEE FROM AD. CLUB TO WORK WITH CITY

Following the meeting of the members of the Union County Ad Club last night to talk over the urgent situation existing here in regard to the city water supply, H. E. Coolidge, president of the Ad Club, today appointed a committee of ten citizens to co-operate with the city commissioners in their efforts to provide the people of La Grande with a permanently satisfactory water supply. The personnel of the committee is as follows: W. H. Bohnenkamp, Fred J. Holmes, Wm. Miller, Wm. Hollins, J. K. Fitz-Gerald, Choate, George Hopkins, John Rogers, O. F. Coolidge and David Stoddard.

## ARIZONA PEOPLE PLAN TO CONSERVE WATER

PHOENIX, Ariz., July 22.—To conserve and utilize all water falling on water sheds of Arizona, by avoiding or adjusting controversies, and by bringing together all interests and sections of the state in support of one comprehensive plan for the reclamation of the largest practically arid general reclamation committee has been formed to co-operate here with the Arizona resources board.

Governor Campbell recently announced that there was available for investigation of the state's resources needs a total of \$205,000, which should be used, if an agreement can be reached, to assemble the necessary facts for presentation to the federal government.

Particular projects for which bills have been introduced in congress will not even get to first base at this session of congress, the governor declared. "The biggest chance is the soldiers' settlement act, and I have been assured that we can get some consideration under this latter measure.

"When the projects that you represent have been well organized for co-operation and the Arizona resources board is functioning, in the fall, we shall be in a position to present before some of the congress proposals about our wonderful projects."

CONGRESSMAN RANSDALE DIED IN WASHINGTON

(By Associated Press to The Observer) WASHINGTON, July 22.—Representative J. W. Ransdale of South Carolina, died suddenly while in a physician's office in Washington today.