

VOTED TO KEEP OUT OF EUROPE

BLANKET AMENDMENT FAVOR BY FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE

PROPOSAL CARRIES BY STRICTLY PARTY VOTE

Under This Amendment the United States Would Not Be Represented On Any of the Commission Affecting European Reconstruction, and Would Change Wording of Treaty.

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

WASHINGTON, Aug. 26.—The senate foreign relations committee voted nine to seven, to eliminate the United States from membership on the international commission provided for in the peace treaty to determine the boundary between Germany and Belgium, as an amendment to the treaty as proposed by Senator Fall, of New Mexico. The committee was divided on party lines.

The committee then adopted a blanket amendment to the treaty, eliminating American representation from the various international commissions which are to supervise European reconstruction, except the reparations commission. The others are to be named by the league of nations. This amendment would change the language of the treaty in over fifty places.

RAIL WIREMEN WILL DEMAND WAGE BOOST

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 26.—A meeting of general chairman and officers of the Order of Railway Telegraphers to formulate demands for increased wages will be held here September 1, it was announced yesterday. The organization has a membership of 80,000 railroad telegraphers in the United States and Canada.

REVOLUTIONARIES IN HONDURAS DEFEATED

SAN SALVADOR, Republic of Salvador, Aug. 26.—Honduran revolutionary forces have been defeated and scattered with a loss of many killed, wounded and missing, by government troops in the neighborhood of Santa Rosa, near the Guatemalan frontier, according to an official Honduran dispatch.

ROUMANIANS REFUSE DECISION ON BANAT

PARIS, Aug. 26.—The Roumanian cabinet has refused to accept the decision of the peace conference relative to the division of Banat and Temesvar, according to a local newspaper, which adds that Serbia is reported to be considering the general mobilization of her army.

YANKEE DID ACT OF SURRENDERING.

American Photographer Handed Keys to City of Jerusalem Over to British.

NEW WILMINGTON, PA., Aug. 25.—The city of Jerusalem was really surrendered to the British by a Yankee photographer, acting for the Arab mayor, according to an account of the affair told by Captain Wendell Cleveland, a former resident of New Wilmington, who recently returned from Egypt, where he had served as a Red Cross worker.

After weeks of bombardment, Captain Cleveland said, the Turks had decided to surrender. The Mayor hitched a sorry looking team of donkeys to a carriage, raised the white flag and started out of the city gates to find the British. On the way he encountered the American photographer and asked him to ride with him. Followed by many of the city's people, the procession continued until two British soldiers halted them, whereupon the American informed the "Tomnies" that he had the honor of surrendering the keys of the city to the British government and asked the sentry to lead the way to the British general's house.

The nearest British general rode into the city and posted a notice that "was under the protection of the British government. Two days later General Allenby rode triumphantly into Jerusalem and the city of the surrender was given to the British.

Russian Soviets Are Charged With Stirring Up Race Antagonism

(By Associated Press to The Observer) WASHINGTON, Aug. 26.—Russian soviet interests are apparently supplying funds for propaganda to stir up race antagonism in the United States, the Department of Justice announced. Newspapers are sowing discord among the negroes. The Washington and Chicago riots are alleged to be due to I. W. W. and soviet influence.

NEXT MONDAY A RED LETTER DAY

BIGGEST PROGRAM EVER OFFERED TO THE PUBLIC

Queen It to Be Elected to Represent the Central Labor Council of La Grande.

Next Monday will be written down as a red letter day in the history of La Grande if all the plans of the Central Labor Council materialize which doubtless they will and the city is in for the biggest celebration on record.

Such a mammoth and diversified program has seldom been planned in even the largest metropolitan centers and from early morning till late at night there will be "something doing all the while."

Nor will the festivities end with Labor Day, for arrangements have been made for the thrilling airplane flights and dare devil "stunts" of the aviators to continue throughout the week.

The Babcock and Ryan Greater Shows, known as "the northwest's native sons" will supply all the carnival attractions and from all reports received they will have a line of features that it would be hard to duplicate. Among others the deep sea diving exhibition of Captain Bell, a well known diver of the Pacific coast is of educational benefit as well as an entertainment value. The Hawaiian village is the largest and considered to be the best in the country, no less than eight performers rendering the music and songs of the islands in a most interesting manner. A glance at the advertising columns will show a long line of other attractions which will make up a midway where the key note will be decency.

Last night at a meeting of the several committees it was decided to have a queen contest, to elect a queen of the united labor unions. Each organization will nominate a lady and then proceed to elect her. The various unions are asked to nominate their choice and get the lady's name by Wednesday morning if possible, to Dan Brown, Secretary Central Labor Council. Any lady is eligible, married or single just as long as she is related to a member of organized labor.

Three handsome prizes will be distributed among the contestants, having an aggregate value of \$200.00. The first will be a beautiful diamond bracelet, or ring, the second a gold watch and the third a lavalier or brooch. They will all be on view in a local jeweler's window Thursday morning. Full particulars can be obtained from Dan Brown, who will be glad to hear from the unions and brotherhoods as to their selection of a queen, in order that the names may be published in these columns Wednesday afternoon.

Friends of organized labor wait for the big one. It will sure be some show.

WONDERFUL MATCH WAS HELD AT BOISE

The Boise Capital News has the following to say regarding John Freberg who will wrestle Mike Howard here on Labor Day, under the auspices of the Central Labor Council:

From start to finish the match was the most wonderful ever seen in the northwest. Both men had the strength of the behemoth of Holy Writ, coupled with the speed of antelope and the wisdom of Solomon. Time after time, one got the other in a seemingly unbreakable hold, yet the exhibition of super-strength and elasticity of body and the match would go on. It was a wonderful, exciting match. Freberg picked the giant Slav up in his arms, time and time again and hurled him to the mat with great force, but could not clamp his shoulders to the canvas. Freberg is a wrestling marvel in every respect. At times, the world's champion seemed like a baby in the grasp of the great Norseman, for he would come out of seemingly unbreakable holds by using his wonderful strength and elasticity of body to lift the hard-working Astoria body into the air.

CHAIN OF STORES FOR UNCLE SAM

TO HANDLE HOUSEHOLD NECESSITIES FROM THE SURPLUS WAR STOCKS.

LOCATED IN THE DEPOT CENTERS AND BIG CITIES

Plan Is Understood to Be Discussed For Keeping Up the Staple Lines of Goods, By Purchase, As a Campaign Against the High Cost of Living in This Country.

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

WASHINGTON, Aug. 26.—Retail stores for the sale of household commodities in the surplus stock of the war department will be established September 25. They will be located at the depot centers and other large cities. They will accept and fill mail orders.

The continued purchase by the war department of certain necessities so that these stores may be continued indefinitely as a part of the government's campaign against the high cost of living, is understood to be under consideration.

BERTH HELD FOR FRANK MEREDITH

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

YAKIMA, Aug. 26.—It is reported that Frank Meredith, former secretary of the Oregon state fair, is to be made warden of the Oregon penitentiary. He has recently been secretary of the Washington state fair.

WILL NOT GO BACK TO WORK

LOS ANGELES STRIKERS WILL IGNORE INSTRUCTIONS.

Claim of Danger From Mob Violence Is Made the Basis For Refusal to Return to Their Places.

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 26.—All of the striking railroad men here will ignore instructions from the national chiefs to return to work, it was decided last night.

The men base their action on a phrase of the orders to return, which says they need not submit themselves to danger of mob violence. They claimed that to return to work now would be dangerous.

WILL LAUNCH CAMPAIGN TO BOOST CALIFORNIA

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 26.—An international advertising campaign in which thousands of dollars will be spent in heralding the advantages possessed by California, and especially southern California, which makes it an ideal manufacturing and industrial location, will be conducted prior to the Pan-American Trade Conference which will be held here some time next May, following the Pan-American Trade Convention in San Francisco, at which hundreds of business men from all parts of the world will be in attendance. Plans for the big conference are now being laid by the Chamber of Commerce and the Foreign Trade club of this city.

All industries and associations in the United States, interested in overseas commerce will be asked to help make the conference a success. Pacific Coast Chambers of Commerce, as well as foreign trade organizations will probably lend assistance.

ALICE TO BE MEETING PLACE

EASTERN OREGON OLDER GIRLS TO HOLD CONFERENCE.

The Eastern Oregon Older Girls Conference will be held in Alice as now to Oregon girls to train for Older Girls' Conferences.

"The call has never been so great as now to Oregon girls to train for service, it is not enough for us to gather and have a good time once a year, we must carry with us definite plans that will make 'our home corner better', said Mrs. L. M. Ormsby, State director of the Girls' work in Idaho, who will be present and aid in carrying on the conference. Mrs. Ormsby was the first director of the Older Girls' Conferences.

The motto of this year's conference is "Through loyalty and purity to raise up higher ideals." We are informed that any questions that will help girlhood should be sent to Mrs. Neil Niven, at Canyon City, Oregon, or Miss Ruby Lohrbetter, President of this year's conference, at Alice, Oregon.

Mrs. Niven states: "Delegates from the districts in Eastern Oregon will be present. Every group of girls from each town must have at least one adult leader to whom they are responsible. A splendid program has been prepared and it should prove helpful and entertaining to every girl."

One of the first Older Girls conferences ever held in the United States took place six years ago, in Oregon City, when 341 girls from 16 to 24 years of age discussed the needs of Oregon girls. The following year a conference was held in Eastern Oregon in connection with the State Sunday School Convention in La Grande and since that time two have been held every year in Oregon.

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

PORTLAND, Aug. 26.—For Oregon: Cloudy in the west; clear and cooler in the eastern portion; gentle westerly winds.

SHOPMEN REJECT THE PROPOSAL

REPRESENTATIVES SAY THEY CANNOT ACCEPT THE PRESIDENT'S OFFER.

RESULTS OF CONFERENCE TO GO TO THE LOCALS

Instructions Will Be Given for the Taking of a Strike Vote Immediately to Determine the Question Whether the President's Proposals Be Accepted.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 26.—A committee of a hundred, representing the railroad shopmen, informed Director General Hines that they would not accept as a basis of settlement the rates submitted by the president yesterday. The results of the negotiations will be communicated to the locals throughout the country with instructions that a strike vote be taken immediately to determine whether the president's proposals be accepted.

HERO IS NO HAND AT POLITICAL GAME

LOCKPORT, N. Y., Aug. 26.—Frank Gaffney, called by General Mc Hale the "second greatest man in the war" wants nothing of politics. He has declined nomination by the Democrats for member of the New York State legislature.

CANADIAN ACE IS IN THE LEAD

COL. BARKER COMPLETES FIRST HALF OF RACE.

Flies With Captured German Fokker Model and Carried Bag of Canadian Mail.

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

MINEOLA, Aug. 26.—Colonel Wm. C. Barker, Canadian ace, arrived this morning from Albany, completing the first half of the race from Toronto to New York and return. His machine, a captured German Fokker model, carried a bag of Canadian mail. There were 12 machines in the contest.

ODESSA OCCUPIED AFTER BOATS SHELLED

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

LONDON, Aug. 26.—Denikene's anti-Bolshevik forces are continuing to advance rapidly along the whole western front line. Bolsheviks admit that Odessa has been occupied by the allies after thirty vessels bombarded the city for two days.

STRIKE CAUSE OF DETAINED TRAIN

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

NEEDLES, Calif., Aug. 26.—The Santa Fe westbound overland has been held up at Newberry since 1 o'clock this morning by strike sympathizers who claim that fifty men on board are strikebreakers bound for Los Angeles.

BIG CIRCUS IS IN LA GRANDE

PARADE AND OTHER FEATURES ARE UP TO STANDARD.

Blaring Bands and Painted Wagons Renew old Thrills—Crowd Pleased With Show.

The blare of bands, glitter of armored knights on handsome steeds and ladies in wonderfully bright apparel; a motley pageant of the brilliant, the sedate and the grotesque announced the arrival in La Grande today of the Hagenbeck-Wallace circus. It was one of the most elaborate circus parades ever seen here.

It was the oldtime feeling that came somehow as the onlooker saw the clowns, the animals, the long line of chariots and horses—the old "circus" feeling that turns the clock back and makes the elderly young again.

All Liked The Show.

Citizens of La Grande and vicinity liked the entertainment provided under the big tent of the Carl Hagenbeck-Wallace circus this afternoon. They demonstrated their approval by liberally applauding practically every one of the 200 acts. There must be a great deal of truth in the saying that actors are at their best when their turns are appreciated, for the men, women and animals today seemed spurred on by plaudits—at any rate, everything was "punch and go" from the time of the grand entry, which was an extremely imposing spectacle, to the very last act on the program.

There was the big lion act, which has been billed as one of the "thrillers" and which fulfilled all promises made. For a hair-raising stunt it is doubtful if it can be excelled, and the sight of relief which arose at its conclusion, when the man proves himself complete master of what, at the moment before, had been a cageful of snarling, roaring wild beasts, was storm of handclapping which immediately followed. Another exciting turn was that of the elephants and their keeper, who lay on the ground while the biggest of the herd, placing himself astride of the man, slowly lowered his bulk until the man was hidden from view in the big mountain of flesh. Other elephants gathered about and placed their forefeet on the big fellow and then held a conference. A moment later they were all on their feet, the big elephant held the man high in the air, and all began walking to the strains of music from the band.

Aerial Work Superb.

The aerial work was particularly good. Three little girls performed starting acts on the tight wire and a young man, balanced on his head, slid from the top of the tent to the ground. A very pretty scene was that of a young lady on a beautiful horse, with a dog and a flock of pigeons accompanying her. The dog jumped through hoops attached to the horse's legs and the pigeons flew about the tent always returning to perch on the heads of their owner and her horse.

A young lady mounted on what appeared to have been rightly hailed as the "highest jumping horse in the world" gracefully sent him over the highest hurdles as easily as if they had been cracking boxes. Her act drew a great burst of applause.

Entire New Feature.

Performances on the trapeze and on tight and slack wires were every where. There was one feature that has never been known to the amusement world, and that was the human birds, or human butterflies and angels which flitted about, presumably supported by ropes, but appearing to be supported by their own wings. They were very pretty sight.

Evening Performance at Eight.

Tonight's performance will start promptly at 8 o'clock. The doors, however, will open an hour earlier, in order that all may visit the menagerie, which is included in the regular admission ticket.

PACKERS IN CONTROL OF EQUIPMENT

SPECIAL CARS ARE A FACTOR IN CONCENTRATION OF THE MEAT INDUSTRY

TRADE COMMISSION SENDS REPORT TO PRESIDENT

Big Five Owns More Than Ninety Per Cent of the Cars Suitable for Shipping Meats, the Report Says—Should Be Under Government Control.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 26.—Ascribing to private car lines a position as one of the principal factors in the concentration of control of the American meat industry, showing that the Big Five Chicago packers own more than 90 per cent of the equipment suitable for shipment of fresh beef and carcass meats, the Federal Trade Commission today made public a special "Private Car Line Report" to the President. It recommends as a remedy that all cars used for the transportation of meat, animals and all refrigerator cars and equipment be operated on equal terms to all shippers.

"The most important types of private cars considered," says the Commission's letter of transmittal to the President, "are the brine tank refrigerator car equipped for the transportation of dressed meat carcasses, and the ventilator refrigerator car suitable for packing house products and for vegetables and fruits. The three principal classes of owners are the packers, the railroads and private car companies leasing their equipment to shippers and roads."

In order to correct the present inequalities of service and rates as well as to prevent the dangers of monopolistic advantages in the use of certain types of cars, the following recommendations are made:

"That the government acquire all cars used for the transportation of meat animals and that such ownership and operation be declared a Government monopoly; or that such cars be owned and operated by the railroads under Government license regulation."

GRANT MAY'S EXPIRED SUDDENLY IN PORTLAND

Heart Disease Fatal to a Well Known Stockman of Eastern Oregon.

Grant May, one of the leading stock raisers of eastern and central Oregon for many years, dropped dead of heart disease at the Belle Court apartments in Portland yesterday. Mr. May was 53 years of age and had been a resident of Portland for the past four years. He was a native of Wagon county and came to Portland from The Dalles.

Mr. May returned home only yesterday morning from Montana, where he had been on a business trip. He motored with Mrs. May to the home of a friend whom they had entertained at breakfast and after returning started to pass into the next room when he turned, called the name of his wife, and dropped to the floor. Dr. A. E. King, an old friend of the family, was summoned, and decided that death had been the result of an apoplectic stroke.

Mr. May was vice-president and general manager of the May's cattle company, operating in Montana. He was also manager of May's Brothers' cattle interests in Oregon. He was a member of the Elks lodge and past exalted ruler of the Elks lodge 395 at The Dalles. He leaves a widow, Vera Helen May, besides four brothers and two sisters: Benton May, The Dalles; F. P. May, Portland; Edwin May, Maupin, Ore.; Robert May, Edmonston, Utah; Mrs. A. R. Thompson, Van Nuys, Cal. and Mrs. L. E. Crowe, Portland.

SUGAR DEALERS TRY TO DEVALE AGENTS

CHICAGO, Aug. 26.—Federal agents yesterday began investigating reports that sugar dealers were shipping large stocks to Kansas City, Mo., Sioux City, Ia., Omaha, Neb., and other western cities to escape prosecution here. It was said that dealers were making the shipments to other cities where they hoped the federal investigators would be too busy looking into other phases of food hoarding and profiteering to notice their sugar.

