

ALL SHOULD TAKE STAND ON LEAGUE

HIRAM JOHNSON SAYS EVERY ONE SHOULD LISTEN TO BOTH SIDES OF CASE

CALIFORNIAN HAS NO USE FOR PUSSYFOOTERS

Declares the League Question is the Most Important Issue Before the People Since the Days of the Civil War—Closes Speeches to Return to Washington

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

ST. PAUL, Sept. 20.—Senator Hiram Johnson closed his tour of the west with his speeches today and returns to Washington to aid in the fight on the league. In his speech today at noon at the Metropolitan theatre, he declared: "I care nothing for the man who will not listen to both sides of this important question or who refuses to form an opinion and take a positive stand in regard to the vital issue. This is a time when men cannot halt, hesitate or pussyfoot. He must take sides on the league issue because it is the most important question submitted to the American people for a decision since the civil war."

At 4 o'clock he spoke to the Lincoln Club and tonight the climax of a strenuous day was reached when he addressed a large mass meeting in the Armory, which was packed. Many were turned away, unable to find standing room. When Johnson entered, he was cheered for several minutes. Answering President Wilson's statement when he said that Theodore Roosevelt would favor the League of Nations were he alive today, Senator Johnson said, "Mr. Wilson was hard pressed when he quoted Theodore Roosevelt yesterday. Oh, if Roosevelt were only here. The nation never needed him more. His commanding personality, his lofty patriotism, his love and pride in our nation, his very personality typical of our republic, his loyalty to the great cause of democracy, his red blooded Americanism would have made short work of the un-American thing which Mr. Wilson seeks to foist upon us. How strange and weird and unnatural it seems for Mr. Wilson to quote Mr. Roosevelt."

"Of course, Mr. Roosevelt, like all of the rest of us, would have gone far to have prevented war but when any man says for an instant that he would accept the pro-Britain document which would have put the country under the direction of foreign nations, that man affronts the revered memory of Theodore Roosevelt. None who knew Roosevelt, who talked to him during his last days, but knew that his heart and his soul revolted at Mr. Wilson's internationalism."

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CHICAGO FOUND NOT BONE DRY

JUDGE LANDIS HOLDS 16 MEN ON LIQUOR CHARGE

(By Associated Press to The Observer) CHICAGO, Sept. 21.—Federal Judge Landis started the first wholesale drive against the saloons of Chicago today when he held 16 men in the grand jury on bonds of \$50,000 each, in the beer smuggling cases which arose over the transportation of beer across the Illinois and Minnesota line. The drive was the first stand to close the sale of beer in Chicago since the supposed closing of the saloons on July 1.

Among the list of men taken was Jim O'Leary, famous Chicago saloon keeper and bootlegger, who was held prisoner because he refused to answer questions in regard to the purchase of the beer from Miller Brewing Company. The other men are drivers of trucks in which beer was transported from Missouri to consist, as far as Zion City, Illinois, and bar keepers implicated in the seizure of thousands of bottles of beer at Zion City, half way between Chicago and Keosauha.

LANSING UPHOLDS COVENANT

SAYS THAT TREATY SHOULD BE RATIFIED IMMEDIATELY AND WITHOUT CHANGE

NO REFERENCE MADE TO BULLITT ATTACK

Nothing in the Treaty Which Invades the Sovereignty of the United States—Secretary Believes Country Is on the Eve of Great Prosperity

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

WATERTOWN, N. Y., Sept. 20.—"The treaty should be ratified without delay and without change," Secretary of State Lansing declared today in his first public utterance since the statement of William C. Bullitt before the senate foreign relations committee alleging that Lansing said last May that if the American people knew what was in the treaty they would defeat it.

Lansing further said: "In the treaty there is nothing which invades the sovereignty of this republic or which limits the full exercise of that sovereignty." The secretary of state made no direct references to the Bullitt testimony. He said he believed we are approaching an era of prosperity unsurpassed in our history.

Senate Committee Reports Favorably on Irrigation Bill

WASHINGTON, Sept. 20.—The senate irrigation committee unanimously ordered a favorable report on the bill of Senator Jones of Washington, to appropriate \$250,000,000 for completion of irrigation projects now under way as well as for the construction of such new projects as the reclamation service may think feasible.

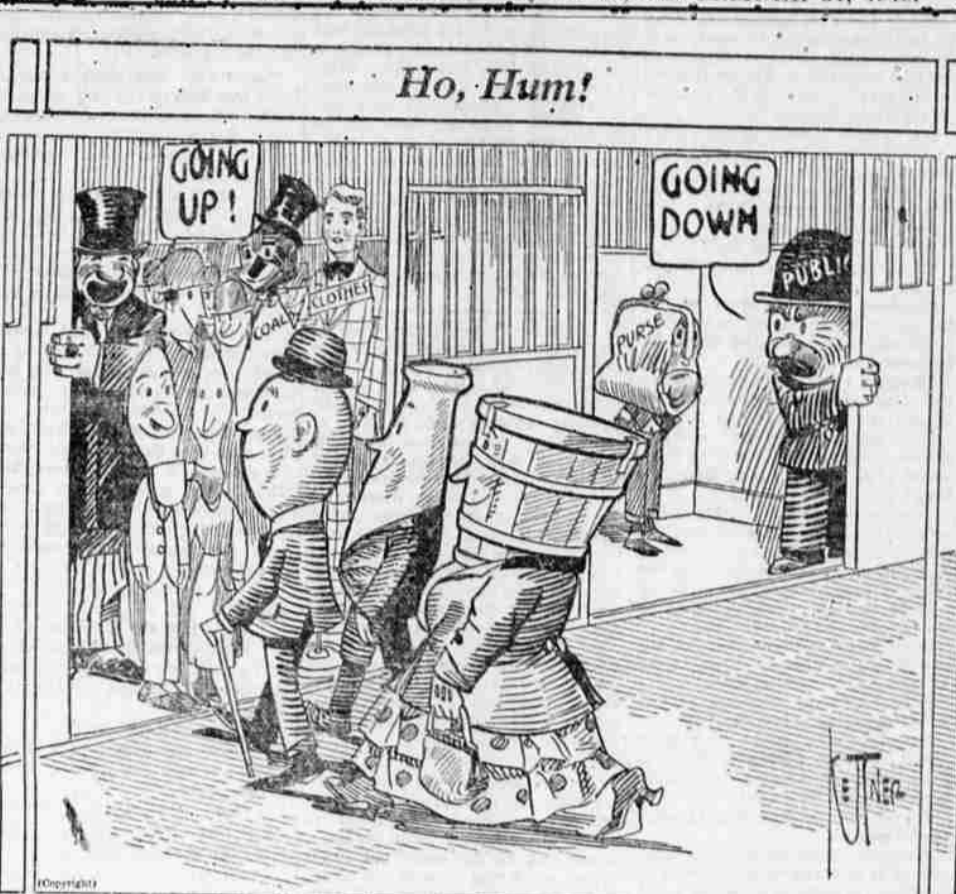
MUSTERED OUT OF SERVICE

RED CROSS CANTEN LADIES REVIEWED AND DISBANDED

Faithful Work is Appreciated by the Entire Community

"Well done." This is the only description that can be given of the many months of earnest work put in by members of the Red Cross canteen in La Grande, during which time they fed and cared for more than 16,000 soldiers, sailors and marines who wore the uniform of Uncle Sam. Last night at Honan hall official services were held and the canteen was mustered out of service. Certificates of service were given to each of the ladies and Miss Jennie Ryan, the leader in the work, was presented with a medal of honor issued by the National Red Cross.

There was a large number of the ladies present and in their canteen uniforms they were reviewed, each acknowledging the recognition which the war department has conferred upon every woman who has done Red Cross work. After presentation of the certificates the evening drifted into a round table discussion of the work during the war and many were the amusing incidents recalled. That the ladies have worked earnestly and late no one can doubt, for they have been subject to call at any hour. Their lives during the war were much like the training of La Grande who are aroused from peaceful slumber by the call boy. So it was with the canteen workers. When Charlie Roberts, chief dispatcher of the O. W. S. in his call telling the number of men on a passenger train, response was immediate. Mr. Roberts is held in the highest esteem by the canteen workers and by the parents of the soldiers for ceaseless work in obtaining information and conveying it to the proper parties. The entire force of the O. W. S. (Continued on Page 2)



REMAINS SENT TO PORTLAND

WM. HERMSEN HAS FOUR BROKEN RIBS—WELL BRUISED

Tells How Accident Occurred—Attempted to Back—killed Engine

The remains of the late Contractor George H. Rush, who was killed in an automobile accident at Wing, a few miles west of Baker, Thursday evening, were taken to Portland Friday evening where funeral services will be held.

At a late hour yesterday, William Hermesen, the other occupant of the car at the time of the accident, was reported to be much better and was able to talk. After an X-ray examination, it was revealed that Hermesen had four broken ribs, painful bruises and scalp wounds. The first report that his back had been injured was not borne out by the X-ray examination and unless unforeseen developments occur his recovery is believed assured.

According to the story that Hermesen told of the accident, the two men had been to Haines where Mr. Rush was engaged on a school building and while returning were busily engaged in conversation when their car approached the crossing at Wing. At this point, there is open country with nothing to interfere with the view of the autoists, but there is a steep incline to the crossing. As the radiator swung up to the steep run below the crossing, Rush grabbed Hermesen who was driving, "Look out man, we're right in front of a train."

Hermesen says he jammed on the brakes and threw the car into reverse.

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MRS. BRADLEY IN ACCIDENT

AUTO DRIVEN BY MRS. C. B. MILLER HITS WOMAN

Broken Collar Bone and Slight Scalp Bruise Received When Car Runs Over Her

Mrs. F. J. Bradley, 806 Y avenue, received a broken collar bone in an accident which occurred yesterday afternoon at the intersection of Adams and Elm street when an automobile driven by Mrs. C. B. Miller, knocked Mrs. Bradley to the street, dragging her about 30 feet.

Mrs. Frank Parsons, owner of the car, was with Mrs. Miller at the time of the accident, although Mrs. Miller was driving. Mrs. Bradley was cutting across the street from the Bohnenkamp corner, when Mrs. Miller honked her horn. Mrs. Bradley, who had not looked up on starting across the street, threw out her hands, touching the radiator of the car. She was thrown to the pavement, and the car passed over her, all of the wheels avoiding her.

Mrs. Miller stopped the car as soon as possible and Mrs. Bradley was taken immediately to the office of Drs. Bacon and Moore.

After a thorough examination, Dr. Moore found that the collar bone had been broken in a straight break, and aside from a slight scalp bruise, Mrs. Bradley was uninjured. Mrs. Miller later took Mrs. Bradley to her home.

L. D. S. CHURCH IN CONFERENCE

QUARTERLY OPENED YESTERDAY AT 2 P. M.

Dr. James E. Talmage, Author of Oregonian Articles, Is Salt Lake Representative

The regular Quarterly Conference of the L. D. S. church had its opening session at 2 o'clock yesterday at the Tabernacle. A representation from the various branches of the church in this vicinity were present. From Salt Lake City three representatives are here: Dr. James E. Talmage of the Council of Twelve; Edward H. Anderson, editor of "The Improvement Era," the official magazine of the Young Men's Mutual Improvement Association, and his wife. Dr. Talmage represents the General Authorities and Mr. and Mrs. Anderson come in the interests of the Young Men's and Young Ladies Mutual Improvement Associations whose conventions will be held in connection with the conference. The Religion Class will also hold their convention at this time.

Many people will recognize in Dr. Talmage the author of the series of articles that have been appearing for some months past in the Sunday Oregonian dealing with the vital principles and doctrines of the L. D. S. church and will, no doubt, be glad to avail themselves of the opportunity to hear him personally.

Public services will be held Sunday morning at ten thirty o'clock and in the afternoon at 2 o'clock. At the afternoon services the regular choir will be assisted by the community chorus in special choruses.

TO ASK FOR U.S. CONTROL OF ALL MINES

UNITED MINE WORKERS MEET IN CONVENTION AT CLEVELAND

WANTS NATIONALIZATION OF ALL PRIVATE MINES

Wants Nationalization of All Private Mines—Plans for Purchase of All Mines by the Federal Government—Demands Representation upon the Bodies Administering the Industry and Fixing Wages

CLEVELAND, Sept. 20.—The convention of United Mine workers of America today developed its plan for the nationalization of coal mines which includes purchase by the federal government of all private mines at their actual value as determined by federal appraisers and operated by the federal government with equal miner's representation upon the bodies administering the industry and fixing wages.

Nationalization of mines in Canada is also proposed. The convention also adopted the motion demanding legislation to take from the United States Supreme court the powers to declare unconstitutional laws passed by the elective congress, calling upon President Wilson to remove Postmaster Burleson as the "uncharitable, harsh and malignant" opponent of labor and asking a new trial or full pardon for Thomas J. Moody and Warren Billings, the repeal of the espionage act and amnesty for political prisoners.

The convention said many had been justly convicted and that it had no desire to condone such offenders. PORTLAND CAR RECEIPTS: May 15, wheat 41, flour 16. INCREASE IN SCHOOL DATA

TWO TEACHERS ADDED FOR OVERFLOW GRADES

La Grande Has Largest School Enrollment in Eastern Oregon. With the enrollment increasing each day, A. C. Hampton, superintendent of the La Grande public schools, believes that the La Grande schools now have the largest enrollment for any of the towns in eastern Oregon. According to figures received on other eastern Oregon schools, this is correct. Two hundred and sixty-two are now registered in high school and it is understood that more will enter on Monday.

The figures for the various schools for this year at the close of the first week and for last year at this time are as follows:

Table with 2 columns: School Name, 1919, 1918. Rows: High school, Central, Riveria, Greenwood, Total.

Two new teachers have been added since the opening day of school. This was due to the large enrollment in the grades. Miss Mable Gesterling teaches the overflow in Central, while Miss Myrtle Chandler is taking the overflow in Riveria.

At the present time seats have been placed for one grade in the hall of Central school. It is hoped that these pupils will not have to be kept there all year long, as it is planned that as soon as the new manual training building is completed and the present quarters vacated in the high school, the overflow from Central can be moved into a part of this vacated room. Football practice started last week, and although not as many turned out as Coach Reynolds expected, the coaches hope for the making of a winning team this year.

L. A. WRIGHT BOOSTS FOR GOOD ROADS

UNION RESIDENT, TAX PAYER AND KEEN OBSERVER GIVES HIS VIEWS

BELIEVES COMING BOND ISSUE SHOULD CARRY

Understands Plan is That Every Dollar Appropriated by Union Co. is Practically Matched by the State and Federal Appropriations—Puts Cost of Good Roads in Investment Class

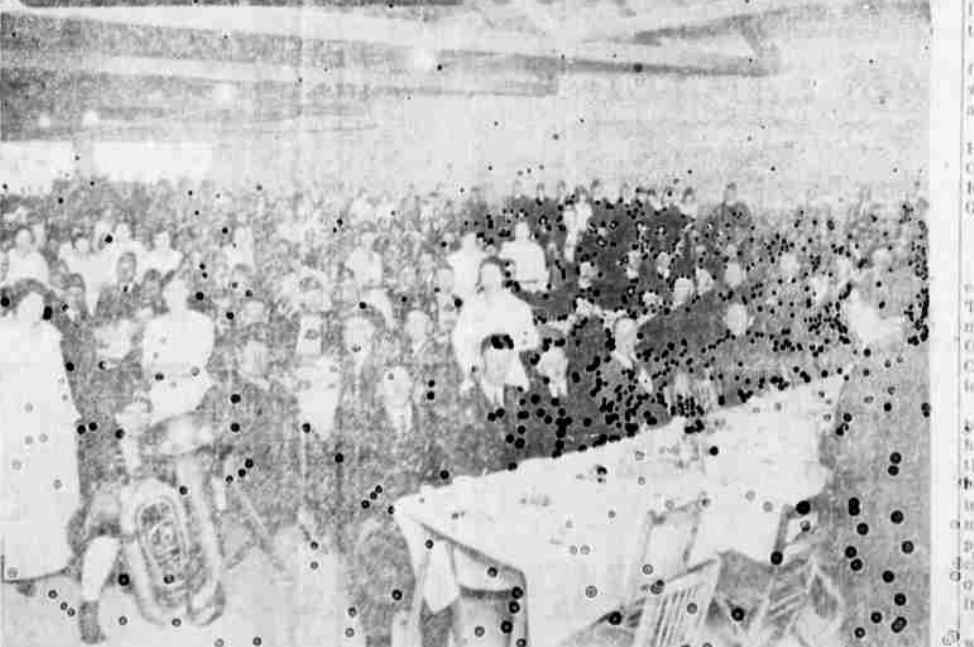
The following statement relative to the road question comes from a man who needs no introduction to Union county citizens. Mr. Wright has been a resident of this county all of his life and is a taxpayer. He is a keen observer and has given the matter careful consideration. Therefore his views upon the subject are worthy of consideration.

L. A. Wright of Union. "I have given the matter of good roads and the bonding proposition considerable thought, and after careful consideration am satisfied in my own mind that the coming bond election should carry. Of course, we are all in favor of good roads. No one questions that part of the issue. It is simply a matter of when and how, I can see no other way than to bond the county. As I understand the plan, every dollar appropriated by Union county is practically matched by state and federal appropriations. The matter of the additional tax made necessary by the bond issue does not scare me in the least. In the first place, I do not consider it an expense. I put the cost of good roads in the investment class. In my estimation a good road is as much an investment as the tractor or the plow. I can also see how good roads will bring about the subdivision of many of the large farms, and no one questions the fact that Union county needs more rural citizens. In this day of automobiles and trucks a good road bed is absolutely necessary if we are to hope to get full efficiency from our transportation investment. I feel that Union county has passed the repair and patching days and now we must build for today and tomorrow, instead of simply for today. The bonds will be paid for within the twenty year period and they will have earned their cost long before the final payment is due. I am certain that if we do not vote this bond issue at this time the other bond issues will have been constructed before the Columbia highway is finished through Union county and the tourist traffic will be diverted over other routes and we will be completely off the map so far as this important class of travel is concerned. I do not feel that we can afford to delay the matter. Yes, I am in favor of good roads, and hope to see the bond issue carry. I also wish to go on record as saying that I believe in making all state and county road construction through properly advertised contracts and not by the state or county. I think this system will insure better work at a less cost. We must have the roads if we wish to keep Union county on the map."

AN ULTIMATUM TO D'ANNUNZIO

IS GIVEN 24 HOURS TO RETIRE FROM FLORENCE

Report that the Government of Allied Warships Have Been Forwarded Against the Italo-Greek Conflict. (By Associated Press to The Observer) PARIS, Sept. 20.—Twenty-four hours to get his forces out of Florence to which city squadrons of allied warships have turned their guns, it is reported. The ultimatum will come from the allied powers, which representatives have conferred at Abazia, two days north of Florence where the retired Gen. D'Annunzio entered the city.



Part of the 400 Shriners at their banquet given by the ladies of the First Christian Church, La Grande, Oregon, September 6, 1919.