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# STRIKE OF STEEL MEN IN BALANCE

MANY THOUSANDS QUIT WORK BUT COMPARATIVELY FEW PLANTS CLOSE . . . .

## CONFLICTING CLAIMS ARE MADE BY BOTH SIDES

Several Men Were Clubbed and Twenty Arrests Were Made by the State Police in a Brush With Steel Strikers Who Refused to Disperse at Pittsburg

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

Preliminary skirmishings in the great industrial struggle between the labor unions and the United States Steel corporation, which directly or indirectly affects a half a million wage earners, produced the usual conflicting claims by the generals on both sides. In the great lestragetic centers of the struggle—the Chicago and Pittsburg districts—many thousand workers obeyed the strike order but early reports stated that comparatively few plants were closed. Many of the plants are being operated as usual.

**Few Disorders Reported**

CHICAGO, Sept. 22.—Reports from all parts of the counrty were that steel plants operate and show a conflicting situation regarding the strike starting today. Many have closed down and others are operating with small forces. Some lost a few workmen. Few disorders are reported.

**Brush With State Police**

PITTSBURG, Sept. 22.—Several men were clubbed and twenty were arrested by the state police when they had a brush with a steel strikers crowd which refused to disperse Several shots were fired.

## Cincinnati Wins Toss for Opening Game in the World Series

CINCINNATI, Sept. 22.—Cincinnati won the toss for the opening game of the world's series. October 1 will probably be the opening date. The first two games will be played at Cincinnati and the next three at Chicago unless Cleveland beats out the White Sox. The next two if necessary will be at Cincinnati and then the finish in the other city.

**BELGIAN PARROT GETS IN BAD**

LIEGE, (Correspondence of the Associated Press.)—One of the humorous incidents of the German occupation of this city which now are being described as that the arrest by German police of a parrot on the complaint that it had repeatedly called out, "Down with the Boches." According to the story the parrot was kept prisoner for a month. The woman who owned it finally convinced the German authorities that the parrot could not pronounce "B" and the bird was released.

**WEATHER REPORT**

PORTLAND, Sept. 22.—For Oregon, fair in the west portion; fair and warm in east portion; gentle easterly winds.

## Land Bill Author

Representative Mondell is author of the Soldiers' Land bill, providing opportunities for young Americans who served in the war to acquire and own their own farms. Mr. Mondell is also leader of his party in the House.

# DENIKENE SUCCESSOR TO KOLCHAK

LATTER RESIGNS AS CHIEF RULER TO THE RUSSIAN OMASK GOVERNMENT

## REPORT COMES THROUGH BOLSHEVIKI SOURCES

New Chief Has Been Leader Against Bolshevik Forces in Southern Russia—Krush Abandoned After Severe Fighting Against Denikene the Report Says

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

LONDON, Sept. 22.—Admiral Kolchak, head of the All-Russian Omsk government, informed the allies here that he had resigned the title of chief ruler in favor of General Denikene, leader of the anti-Bolshevik forces in southern Russia, a Bolsheviki message from Moscow says. The message admits that the Bolsheviki abandoned Kursk after severe fighting against Denikene.

**Will Evacuate Petrograd**

COPENHAGEN, Sept. 22.—The Bolsheviki have prepared to evacuate Petrograd, a dispatch from Helsingfors states.

# PRODUCE MORE IS CRY OF U. S.

BETTER ORGANIZATION OF INDUSTRY AND MORE MEN

**Government Issues High Cost of Living Antidote if Followed**

WASHINGTON, Sept. 22.—That the high cost of living can not be dealt with permanently unless the problem of unemployment is solved at the same time, and that the increased production necessary to solve both problems can not be obtained without making idle lands and natural resources more accessible to labor, is the conclusion reached by a report issued today by the Department of Labor on "Employment and Natural Resources" written by Benton MacKaye, an expert in the office of the Secretary of Labor.

No appreciable decrease in the cost of living can be expected so long as superficial factors only are dealt with. High prices of manufactured products generally reflect either high prices for raw materials, or lack of organization in transportation and distribution. An effective policy must start with the land from which the "extractive" industries draw raw materials and must follow the subsequent industrial processes clear through to the consumer. Coupled with this must be changed in the "distributive" industries so that products will flow smoothly from "land to men."

A substantial increase in production is unlikely, says the report, so long as the average wage earner is unemployed 20 per cent of his time and 50 per cent of our land and natural resources are unused. A scheme for bringing together these potential productive factors is presented. The main points involved in the scheme are the following:

Unemployed labor should wherever possible be diverted to farm communities established under public supervision, thus relieving unemployment and increasing the supply of foodstuffs. These communities should be organized so that they do not consist of isolated farmers. They should be "concrete organisms and not assemblage of conflicting interests." They should be thoroughly equipped for cooperative marketing and buying. Not only should organization be applied to new communities, but the government should extend assistance toward organizing already existing communities.

Economic waste can be minimized by a proper organization of forests and mines. The lumber industry is not yet one of forestry or "timber culture" as it is in Europe; it is still one of "timber mining." It is

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## Conflicting Thoughts

**TRAFFIC VIOLATORS ROUNDED**

Several traffic violators were rounded up over the week-end by the Chief of Police and his wide-awake assistants. Those in the bunch are W. A. Bunten, B. C. Masey, Chester Eyers, A. Fisher, J. M. Choate and Edward Everhart.

Ray Neal was arrested for being in an intoxicated state.

All are awaiting their trials.

A Mexican, by the name of the Busamintana, was arrested when he stepped off of No. 6 this morning. It appears that he stole some suitcases while on the train, later burning them to hide his guilt.

**AMERICAN WRITER GIVEN WAR HONOR**

PARIS, (Correspondence of the Associated Press)—William Morton Fullerton, a native of Norwich Conn., has been promoted officer in the Legion of Honor "rendering eminent services in the French cause in America, in England and Italy, by his writings."

Mr. Fullerton was for years in the Paris office of the London Times.

# N. K. WEST STORE BROKEN INTO

THIEVES ENTERED BY SKYLIGHT AND LEFT BY DOOR

**Owner Discovers Rope Dangling From Skylight on Sunday Morning**

Unknown parties entered the store of N. K. West some time Saturday evening by means of the skylight, later making their escape through the back door.

The burglar was evidently frightened away, and left in a hurry, for nothing has been found missing from the store.

One glass in the skylight had been removed and through this 18

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# ONLY SURVIVOR OF PERRY EXPEDITION TO JAPAN HERE

Among the four navy men who arrived today on a recruiting tour through Eastern Oregon, is Captain W. H. Hardy, only living survivor of the Perry expedition to Japan in 1853.

Captain Hardy has consented to talk tomorrow (Tuesday) evening between 7 and 8 o'clock from the recruiting car which will be placed at the corner of Adams and Depot. Besides telling of his experiences in the navy, Captain Hardy will also point out the advantages in the new navy compared to those of the old time navy with which he is accustomed. According to the captain, the opportunities now are much greater than in olden days.

Captain Hardy wears a small breastplate of medals, all of which were presented to him when he was called back to Japan two years ago, great honors being given him at that time, not only by all of the people but also the Empress and Emperor, whose guest he was. One of the medals was presented to him by all of the Christians in Japan, another was given him when he sailed into the Bay of Yedo on the 17th day of November, 1917, and three guns were fired in salute. This is the first time in the history of the navy that guns were fired in salute of a common sailor. The medal, called in the Japanese tongue, Ojiam, means "Grandfather."

Another medal was given to him by the American Friend Association in Japan, who have also erected a monument to Commodore Perry, on the same ground on which he landed at Kurihame, July 14, 1853. Then he also wears the naval recruiting badge and the colors for enlistment in the navy during the Civil war.

Captain Hardy was raised in Maine, and on March 3, 1860, he went into the service of the "Cultivator," sailing for 2 years and 4 months. Then he entered the navy and sailed to Japan. When he returned, he reentered the Merchant's Service with which he sailed until April 13, 1861, when he reenlisted at Cincinnati, Ohio, in the navy for the period of the Civil war. For a period of several years he went on the Ohio, Cumberland and Mississippi river, and all of its tributaries, on the gunboat "Tyler." Later, he sailed on the Atlantic, and was one of the men to storm Fort Fisher in North Carolina.

After the war was over, Captain Hardy came as officer of ship to the western coast. In 1867 he started for Arizona where he acted as deputy U. S. marshal for four years.

He then reentered the Merchant's Service and traveled between China and Portland, until 1885, when he sailed on the Tillie E. Starbuck for Europe. Later he retired from sea life and in 1898 entered the revenue service. But Captain Hardy had not tried farming, so later he took up this trade for a while. And at the present, he is again with the navy aiding in recruiting.

For all of his 85 years, Captain Hardy is still as energetic as some of the youngest sailors, and has a

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## PRESIDENT AT STOCKTON

STOCKTON, Sept. 22.—President Wilson was greeted by thousands here today during a stop of ten minutes, while he was enroute to Reno.

## FRANK SWEET TO SUCCEED NELSON

SALEM, Sept. 22.—Frank M Sweet, harbormaster of Astoria, is named as state pilot board commissioner to succeed Thomas Nelson, removed at the request of the American Legion.

# MISS ZORN TO ATTEND MEET

CONFERENCE ON TUBERCULOSIS TO BE HELD IN BOISE

**Large Number of Physicians and Nurses to Participate—Meeting on Sept. 29 and 30, and Oct. 1**

A large number of Oregon's prominent social workers, physicians, nurses and educators will be present at the third annual Northwestern Conference on Tuberculosis to be held in Boise September 29 and 30 and October 1. Dr. Ray Matson the well known tuberculosis specialist, is vice president of the Association and will speak. Others announced for addresses, papers or

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## Champions of Cheaper Stock Foods

Better and cheaper stock and poultry feeds are sought in legislation championed by Senator Norris and Representative Haugen. The Senate has adopted a resolution introduced by the Nebraskan calling for an investigation of profiteering in and adulteration of stock foods, which Mr. Haugen is urging a bill requiring correct labeling. He is chairman of the House Committee on Agriculture, which is taking up the question of cold storage.

# FAVORABLE TO DEFENSE OF PACIFIC

SECRETARY OF NAVY DANIELS WILL RECOMMEND COAST IMPROVEMENTS

## MAIN BASES ON THE SOUND AND SAN FRANCISCO

To Be Supplied With Cruisers and Dreadnaughts and Smaller Vessels to be Based on the Smaller Ports of the Pacific Coast—Better Navy Yard Facilities

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

WASHINGTON, Sept. 22.—Sec. of the Navy Daniels announced as a result of his trip to the Pacific coast that he would soon ask congress to authorize the establishment of additional dry docks, navy yard and shipbuilding facilities there. Puget Sound and San Francisco to be the chief bases with cruisers, dreadnaughts divided about equally and smaller vessels to be based on the smaller ports of the Pacific coast.

## Can Now Enlist in Marines for Two, Three or Four Years

Enlistments in the U. S Marines may now be for a two-three or four year period, according to a telegram received this morning by the local marine recruiting officer, Sergeant Wingerd. Following is the telegram:

"The President has directed that enlistments in the marine corps until June 30th, 1920, may be for a term of two, three or four years and and all laws applicable to four year enlistments shall apply under such regulations as may be prescribed by the secretary of the navy to enlistments of a shorter period with proportionate benefits upon discharge and re-enlistments.

"This is owing to the recent bill being passed by Congress, which provides that all reserve men must be paid off by September and this has been done as rapidly as possible, at the same time reducing the personell of the marine corps to a great extent."

So now is the time to see the world with an enlistment of only two years. If you desire further information in regards to this write or call on Sergeant Wingerd at room 20, Sommers building, La Grande, Oregon.

# 1919 APPLE CROP IS GOOD

PICKERS WANTED IN TWO WEEKS IN ALL SECTIONS

**Labor Scarce This Year—Nearly 200 Car Loads of Apples in Union County.**

A total apple crop of 150 to 200 car loads of apples will be harvested in the timber, Eight, La Grande, Union and Cove sections, according to an estimate made by Paul Spillman, county agriculturist.

But the one thing that concerns the apple growers at present is the lack of pickers, for the crop is showing much larger than anticipated and the question of labor has become a serious one.

Contrary to former years, the timber school, which has always closed during apple picking season, will not close this year, and so the children in this vicinity cane not be looked to for help. As a result in this section, there will be plenty of work for all comers, both in the orchards and in the packing houses.

The apple picking season begins in about two weeks and will continue well on into the winter months. Apple picking the year begins earlier than last year, for the crop of Wealthy apples that was shipped on September 25 1918, was this year shipped on September 10.

Mr. Spillman says that taken as

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# TERRITORY NEAR FIUME IS OCCUPIED

FORCES OF D'ANNUNZIO EXTEND DOMINATION IN JUGO-SALV DISTRICT

## REFRACTORY ITALIAN FORCES OCCUPY PISNIAK HEIGHTS

No Clash Has Taken Place According to Reports Received by Delegation—American Marine, Reported Landed Near Fiume . . .

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

PARIS, Sept. 22.—Troops under D'Annunzio have began extending the area of occupation into Jugo-Slav territory, according to the Jugo-Slav delegation in Paris. They have penetrated seven miles into Jugo-Salvia occupying the heights at Pisniak and dominating the surrounding country. There has been no clash with the enemy.

**Reports that Americans Land**

ROME, Sept. 22.—It is reported that American marines have been landed at Buccari, a small town on an arm of the gulf of Quanero, ten miles southeast of Fiume.

**Jugo-Slav Landing Frustrated**

LONDON, Sept. 22.—The attempt of the Jugo-Slavs to land on the Dalmatian coast was frustrated by the Italian military and navy forces, it is reported.

# BETTER ROADS BRING MONEY

J. K. LANTZ, of COVE, SAYS GOOD ROADS NECESSARY

**Believes Union County Cannot Afford to Remain in the Rear of the Procession**

L. K. Lantz, one of Cove's most progressive and prosperous fruit growers and general farmers announces his views on the road questions and expresses himself as in favor of the road program as outlined by the Union County Ad Club. Mr. Lantz is well known to the readers of the Observer and his opinion is well founded and worthy of respect.

**J. K. Lantz, Cove**

"I have been a resident of Union county for the past eighteen years. During this time I have lost enough time marketing my farm products by reason of the poor roads to have earned enough actual cash to have purchased another farm the size of the one which I now own. I have been exponent of good roads ever since any one has been seen fit to present the subject. A good market road is just as much a community necessity as a school house or a telephone system. A community in this age is largely

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## Forced Surplus Sale

Mr. Reavis is chairman of a sub committee of the War Expenditures Investigating Committee of the House which was responsible for putting into effect a resolution calling on Secretary Baker to dispose of surplus army food stocks to the public, and urging the sale of surplus clothing.