

APOLOGY IS DEMANDED OF RUSSIAN

AMERICAN OFFICERS SUFFER
INDIGNITIES FROM FORCES
IN PRIMAR PROVINCE

CONDUCT OF JAPANESE TO BE INVESTIGATED

Officer of the Mikado Charged with
Threat to Stand with the Russians
in Case of Trouble with the Amer-
icans—Most Serious Incident
Since Americans Landed

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

VLADIVOSTOK, Sept. 29.—Major General William Graves, commander of the American forces in Siberia, has demanded an apology from General Rozanoff, commander of the Russian troops in Primar province, for the arrest of Captain L. P. Jones and Corporal Benjamin Sperling and the flogging of the latter by Cossacks under General Kalnikoff, while the officers were on official business.

An investigation will also be required of a Japanese officer who threatened to stand with the Russians in case of trouble with the Americans which occurred September 5th. It is the most serious incident since the Americans landed in Siberia.

RETURNS TO WALLOWA

Mrs. E. A. Goodnough of Wallowa returned to her home this morning after spending a day in La Grande on her return trip from Portland and Corvallis points. She went as far as Corvallis with her daughter, Miss Elinor, who entered the University of Oregon yesterday as a sophomore. Mrs. Goodnough was a guest at the P. A. McDonald home while in the city.

TO GET BASEBALL SCORE

The Club Clear and Curry Press will receive the score of the World Series of baseball games after each inning, beginning tomorrow afternoon.

CHESTER THOMAS MAKES ESCAPE

BREAKS OUT OF JAIL BY TAKING
HOLE IN BRICK WALL

Juvenile Was Arrested Here Last
February Broke Parole and Was
Caught Here on Thursday

Chester Thomas, the juvenile who was arrested here Thursday night of last week and was turned over to the county jail, made his escape from the jail Saturday night, by removing enough bricks in the wall to form a space large enough for him to crawl through.

The other inmate of the cell, an elderly man, did not leave, and when questioned, said he knew nothing, as he was asleep, and the heavy wind which was blowing that night covered the noise made by the boy. The two men were held only on detention cases, and so were not in the cells which are heavily barred.

Young Thomas is the boy who was arrested here last February on a charge of stealing a pair of loggers' boots. He was brought up before the police court and was patrolled to E. W. Eastman, who later found work for the lad with a man near Elgin. The man took Thomas with him into the woods, but a snowstorm came up and the employer decided it was necessary to go into Elgin to get supplies before cold weather set in. When he returned two days later, Thomas had disappeared, taking with him the best horse. He made his way to Union, stealing a saddle on the way, and sold the horse and saddle at Union. He went into Idaho, and when arrested in La Grande Thursday evening, was beating his way towards Washington.

The police happened to be at the train and so pulled him off. After he cleaned up and one member of the force recognized him, he told of his travels since he had left Elgin.

WALLOWA FAIR THIS WEEK

ANNUAL CELEBRATION START-
ED AT ENTERPRISE

Livestock Exhibit Good—Aberdeen
Angus Shown—Amusement Pro-
vided for All

The Wallowa county fair opened yesterday at Enterprise. From all reports the fair this year will be up to its usual standard.

The livestock exhibit is expected to be the best in the history of the Wallowa county fairs. The standard breeds of cattle shown in previous years is strongly represented again, and a display of Aberdeen Angus is shown for the first time. In horses, hogs and sheep, there is the usual fall showing.

The entries for the farm exhibits, grain, vegetables and fruits, did not come in as fast as might have. The poultry entries are up to their regular standard. The Enterprise school children have several booths, showing their work in agriculture and other practical lines.

Dealers in automobiles and other machinery are showing their goods and on a tract of private ground north of the fair ground, a tractor demonstration in plowing is given each morning.

For amusement, there is the racing program in the afternoon, the dance hall will be running afternoons and evenings, there is to be an airplane which will perform stunts and carry passengers.

Following is the afternoon racing program for the remainder of the week.

Wednesday, October 1

Second day of Pony Express.

First day of Relay race. Race to be 2 miles each day for 4 days. At least three strings required to start. Four horses to each string. Horses must be named and described and riders designated on day before race starts. No change will be allowed except in case of accident and then only by permission of judges. Riders must use regular western saddle weighing not less than 25 pounds and must change and fasten same unaided at end of each half mile. Each rider to be allowed two assistants, one to catch finishing horse and one to hold starting horse. Bridle need not be changed. No entry fee charged. Lot to be drawn for choice of positions. No horses barred. Purse, \$500.

First day of Woman's Relay race. Race to be two miles per day for 4 days. Four horses to be used, each horse to be ridden one-half mile each day and to carry saddle weighing not less than 25 pounds. Riders change horses at end of each half mile. Saddles need not be changed. Same rules as govern big relay race. Purse \$200.

1-4 mile free for all. Purse \$40.
1-2 mile free for all. Purse \$50.
1-2 mile for boys under 15, winning horse in previous day's race barred. Purse \$15.
1-4 mile free for all cow boys, winning horse in previous day's race barred. Purse \$15.
Cow boy's novelty race. Purse \$10.

Thursday, October 2

Third day of Pony Express.

Second day of women's relay.
3-8 mile free for all. Purse \$45.
5-8 mile free for all. Purse \$55.
1-2 mile for boys under 15, winning horse in previous races barred. Purse \$15.
1-4 mile free for all cow boys, winning horse in previous races barred. Purse \$15.
Cow boy's novelty race. Purse \$10.

Friday, October 3

Final day, Pony Express.

Final day Roman race.
Third day relay.
Third day woman's relay.
1-4 mile free for all. Purse \$40.
1-2 mile free for all. Purse \$40.
1-2 mile free for all. Purse \$40.

Saturday, October 4

Final day relay.

Final day Woman's Relay.

Consolation race, 1-4 mile, for

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STRIKE NOW A MATTER OF ENDURANCE

WILLIAM FOSTER, LABOR LEAD-
ER BITTERLY DENOUNCED
BY FEDERAL JUDGE

IS CHARACTERIZED AS A DANGEROUS ENEMY

Shipyard Men at San Francisco Ar-
ranged to Strike at Midnight To-
night Unless Other Instructions
From Officials Appear in the Pub-
lic Press

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

PITTSBURGH, Sept. 30.—Apparently the steel workers' strike has settled down to a question of endurance.

Foster is Denounced

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 30.—William Foster, leader of the striking steel workers, was bitterly denounced today by Federal Judge Joseph Buffington, of the federal court of appeals, as a "dangerous domestic enemy."

The judge was presiding over the naturalization court and warned the prospective citizens to beware of dangerous agitators.

Shipyard Strike is Scheduled

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 30.—Shipyard men have been ordered to go on strike tonight at midnight, "unless other instructions over the signatures of officers appear in the public press."

CLEMENCEAU REGIME IS SUSTAINED

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

PARIS, Sept. 30.—The Clemenceau government is sustained on the question of confidence by a vote of 188 to 62.

NEGRO CONVICT MAKES ESCAPE

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

SALEM, Sept. 30.—George Smith, a negro convict serving from one to seven years for larceny from Umatilla county, escaped yesterday from the flax field near the penitentiary. He has been in the Walla Walla and Deer Lodge, Montana, prisons.

WORLD ALTITUDE RECORD BROKEN BY HYDROPLANE

NEW YORK, Sept. 30.—The world's altitude record for a hydroplane carrying a passenger was broken Monday by Caleb S. Bragg, when he reached a height of 19,169 feet over Port Washington, N. Y. It was announced Monday by the American Flying club. The former record was 12,900 feet, made by Bragg in 1917.

ALL READY FOR BOXING BOUT

SAMMY GORDON AND KID ROCCO
IN THE MAIN EVENT

Considered by Municipal Commission
to Be Fastest Exhibition Ever
Seen Here

Kid Rocco, who will box a ten-round bout at the Arcade theatre here October 7, is considered by sport critics to be one of the best bantamweight boxers on the coast today, having beaten all the best boys of his weight around Portland with the exception of Mascott and Gordon. This contest will demonstrate how he will compare to Gordon and if he wins over him he will be given an opportunity to contest for the bantam championship of the coast, and his services will be in great demand.

He won over Johnny Trambetta and Billy Ryan and Bobby Burns and as yet has never been beaten. Sammy Gordon's record is too well known to local sports to be repeated. Rocco and Mascott are the only boys standing between him and the coast bantamship.

This match will be the fastest boxing contest ever seen in this part of the country and being a 10-round event should decide positively the supremacy of the better boy.

The Municipal boxing commission considers it has indeed been fortunate in matching Sammy Gordon and Kid Rocco for the show October 7. Jack Grant, matchmaker for the Portland commission, returned from San Francisco last Saturday and made these two popular boys an offer to box at the Heilig at their next show, October 8. In the meantime, however, the La Grande commission had closed the deal whereby the two speed demons will be seen in action here on the 7th.

STOLE A SAFE AND ITS CONTENTS

(By Associated Press to The Observer)

PORTLAND, Sept. 29.—Robbers broke into the safe of the cashier of a moving picture theatre during the night and took away the safe in an automobile. The safe contained two days receipts.

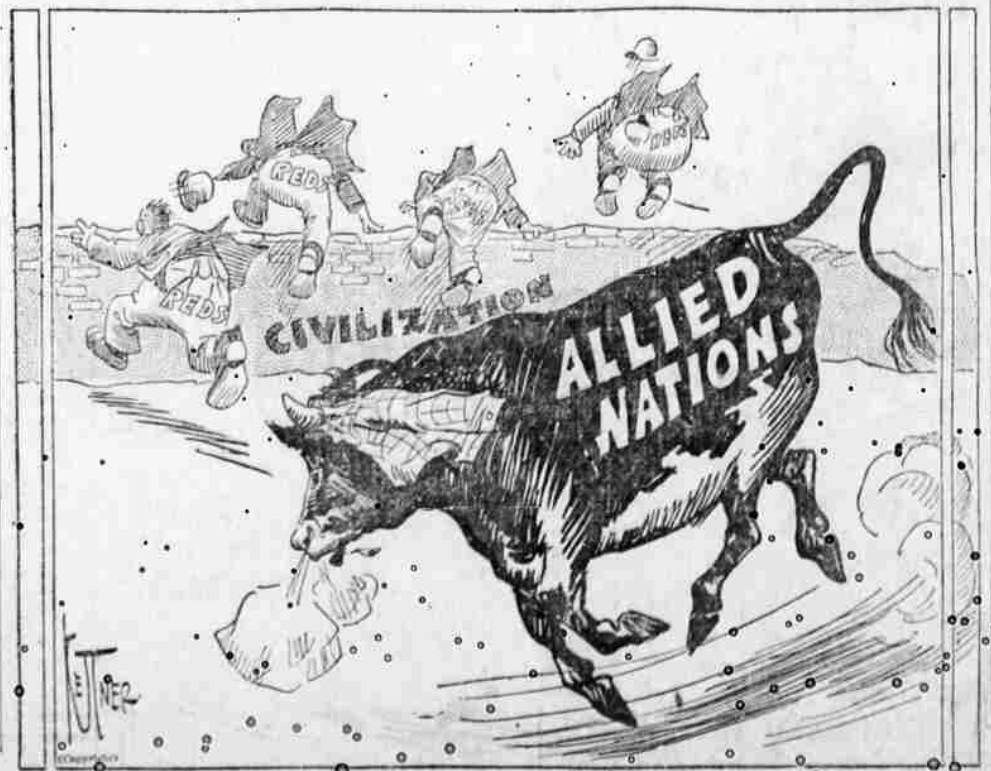
HINES REACHES AGREEMENT WITH RAILWAY SHOP WORKERS

WASHINGTON, Sept. 30.—Changes in the wage scale of railroad shopmen, under which they will be paid on the basis of an eight-hour day, similar to members of the four brotherhoods, are embodied in the first national agreement covering their wages and working conditions, which, it was learned Monday has been signed by Director General Hines and representatives of the six international shop crafts. The changes mean an increase of 4 cents an hour and were ordered by President Wilson to put the shopmen on an

equal footing with other employees in the matter of an eight-hour day; at the same time he refused any general wage increase as requested.

The agreement, effective October 20 until the government relinquishes control of the roads, is the first contract covering all railroad shop employees. Heretofore, each road has had its individual agreement with the unions, varying in important particulars. Union officials regard the uniform contract as one of the most important gains made by labor in recent years.

On the Run



EX-SOLDIERS HELD MEETING

FOUR NURSES JOIN AMERICAN
LEGION LAST NIGHT

Temporary Officers Elected as Per-
manent Officials—Good Roads
Are Endorsed

A great deal of important business was transacted at an enthusiastic meeting of the La Grande post of the American Legion last evening. Officers were elected and a large list of other important business disposed of.

Good Roads Promoted

Looking at the good roads bond issue from the viewpoint of military men, the legion heartily endorsed a resolution introduced by Lynn Bohnenkamp urging the support of the roads measure. This was enthusiastically adopted. These men, many of whom hiked over large areas of France and Belgium, and who came to know the value of good roads from their experiences in Europe, are strongly of the opinion that without roads of a good quality this country would be helpless in the event of an invasion.

The good roads of France made it possible to move in the winter time—without them the country and armies would have been helpless. Knowing that, in the event hostilities should ever break out between this country and any far-eastern nation, the Pacific coast would be open to attack. A few swiftly applied torches and bombs and the rail transportation would be wrecked everywhere on the coast, these warriors of France argue, and permanent and good roads would be the only means of transportation under such conditions. Roads such as now exist would leave the coast country helpless and crippled. Looking at the road question from this point of view, the legion quickly saw the futility of longer existing with poor roads—saw the danger and with their voices promised support to the bond issue—and with their votes will give further support October 11.

Entertainment Provided

Committees were appointed to provide smokers and other forms of entertainment for the post members in the immediate future with the idea of stimulating interest to get the membership up to 100 per cent. This committee will commence to function at once.

Armistice Day Provided For

The executive committee was instructed to proceed with the appointment of a committee to handle the Armistice Day celebration, and report back at the next meeting. Something wholly in keeping with the eventful celebration is assured.

Nurses Join Post

Four nurses joined the post last evening, taking advantage of the privilege extended to nurses who had enlisted. Those who have this distinction here are: Miss L. Zorn, Miss Ida Rettig, Miss Emma Mueller and Miss Emma Woods. Some of these are overseas nurses.

Officers Elected

The temporary officers previously named were last night made permanent to serve for the usual term. Those elected some time ago were President, Dr. J. L. Ingley; vice-president, Dave Stoddard; secretary, Ralph Winters; treasurer, Charles Harding. In addition to those already named, Lynn Bohnenkamp was named historian for the post. A chaplain will be elected later.

In View of the fact that the legion

stands for 100 per cent Americanism, a committee was appointed to investigate local conditions to determine if there are any enemy-alien slackers, and to keep an interest in those who were of that calibre and now want citizenship.

A report of the committee which attended the late meeting of the legion at Portland recently, was read with a great deal of interest to all concerned.

A motion was unanimously adopted citing the Red Cross workers of La Grande for their wonderful work during the time of the war and since.

S. S. TEACHER TRAINING CLASS

Plans have been perfected for the luncheon for the Teacher Training class to be organized at the Y. M. C. A. Wednesday evening at 6:30. The Y. M. C. A. Association is the host on this occasion. A cordial invitation is given to all who expect to enter the class to be present at the luncheon. The M. A. is planning for 50 guests.

It is requested that all of those who expect to be present should report to their superintendents before Wednesday noon, so that arrangements may be made for all who wish to attend. Those who cannot come for the luncheon are urged to come for the business session at 7:05.

GRANGES TO HOLD FAIR SATURDAY

MANY EXHIBITS FROM OVER
COUNTY ARE NOW BEING
PLACED ON DISPLAY

USEFUL DEMONSTRATIONS PART OF THE PROGRAM

List of Speakers Includes Prof. Fitts, of Corvallis, Hon. Walter Pierce, Robt. Withycombe, C. D. Huffman and Paul Spillman—Dinner for Grangers and Friends

The granges of Union county have united in their efforts to hold a grange fair at the Blue Mountain Grange, three miles east of La Grande, on Saturday, October 3. There is already assembled a number of exhibits from Elgin, Union, Cove and Telocast. The local grange will also have enough of the country's bounties to complete a very general display. Spaces are allotted for the separate granges of the county.

Many Demonstrations Planned

With the idea of making this fair project one of practical benefit a number of demonstrations and lectures have been planned. Prof. Fitts, of O. A. C., will present the subject of the testing, care and handling of milk and cream. B. F. Owsley will conduct a grain testing demonstration. Miss Zoe Golden, teacher at Telocast, will handle the subject of "Hot Lunches for Schools." There will also be canning demonstrations by a number of the ladies of the Blue Mountain Grange.

Prominent Speakers to Attend

Throughout the day a number of prominent speakers will deliver addresses on subjects of importance to those interested in agriculture. Among those now scheduled to speak are Prof. Fitts, of the Oregon Agricultural College; Hon. Walter M. Pierce; Robert Withycombe, of the Eastern Oregon Experiment Station; C. D. Huffman, of Blue Mountain Grange; and Paul Spillman, county industrial agent, who will speak on the reasonable and vital topic of dairy feeding.

Grangers to Have Dinner

After some discussion of the subject it has been found impracticable to announce a general feed for all visitors, but the grange membership and their invited guests will have a basket lunch at noon.

Efforts of this kind by the Blue Mountain Grange heretofore have been highly successful, but it is the intention to make the fair to be held Saturday a noticeable success, both as a reunion of the farming people and of general value to farming interests.

MRS. MILLER IS GIVEN DECREE

IS AWARDED TITLE TO THE
HOME PLACE IN COVE

Suit in Which Daughter is Plaintiff
and Father Defendant Closed in
Circuit Court Today

In the case of Matilda A. Miller vs. A. B. Conley, which has been in court for a long period, a decision was given today by Judge Knowles in favor of the plaintiff.

Mrs. Miller, who is the wife of George Miller, of Cove, brought suit against her father, A. B. Conley, to establish right title and interest in a tract of eight acres of land in Cove which she claimed was dedicated to her as a gift. The defendant's claim was that the land was assigned to his daughter as a place for a home and to continue only during her lifetime.

The land involved in the case is the present Miller home. It was formerly known as the Hillary Mitchell farm and was at one of the best pieces of land in that far-famed locality. Since the occupancy of the Miller family the farm has been highly improved in the way of buildings and general farm conveniences.