

Mine Workers and National Government Setting Stage for a Fight to the Finish

WILSON BLAMED FOR SHORTAGE

ACCUSED OF BRINGING ON SUGAR FAMINE.

Head of Sugar Equalization Board Tells Senate of Cuba's Offer to Sell Entire Crop.

The present sugar famine is due to President Wilson's failure to authorize the United States sugar equalization board to purchase the Cuban sugar crop, George A. Zabriskie, president of the board, recently told the senate sugar investigating committee at Washington, D. C.

As early as July, Cuba offered to sell its entire sugar crop to the United States, he testified, and twice the board recommended to the president its purchase, but was unable to receive a reply, with the result that the offer was withdrawn, and much of the crop sold to foreign countries.

Sugar Barons' Board.

Cuba, he explained, is the United States' main sugar reservoir, and after the withdrawal of the offer, and the sale to the foreign countries, the sugar barons began hoarding the supply on hand, and

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MANY ARRESTS TO COME SOON

(By Associated Press to The Observer.) WASHINGTON, Oct. 30.—Many new arrests for violation of the food and fuel control laws are expected soon by the Department of Justice. Hoarding and profiteering are to be punished wherever found is the statement given out in Washington.

FROST FOR WESTERN PART The weather man has it slated today that the western part of Oregon is to be fair tonight and tomorrow, and in the western part there will be heavy frosts with gentle northerly winds.

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BOLSHEVIKI IS NOW ON RUN

ARCHANGEL, Oct. 30.—Further advance of the North Russian army is reported. It has reached Brin-Chief and formed a junction with the forces operating on the railway front. Much booty has been captured when the Bolsheviks dropped everything and fled to the forests.

S. P. WRECK IS MEANS OF DEATH

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 30.—Six are dead and sixty are injured as the result of a wreck on the Southern Pacific railroad here yesterday. The train jumped the track.

Cal Nelson Receives 57 Letters from French Girl in One Mail

Cal Nelson, returned war veteran from overseas, has established the record in La Grande, and probably in the state, for the receiving of letters from one person in one day.

Cal met a nice young girl while marching across France, and since then there has been some correspondence, until Cal thought things had rather cooled off. But such was not so, for the other day, the young correspondent received fifty-seven letters in one mail from the girl. Just what had happened, Cal did not know, but for some reason, the letters had been held up at some point, and suddenly released, Cal was flooded with literature.

Labor Men Will Take Part in the Conference

WASHINGTON, Oct. 30.—Representatives of labor and capital in the United States will participate unofficially in the international labor conference which begins here today. Secretary of Labor Wilson will be named president of the conference.

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President Wilson Stands Firm by Original Statement and Is Backed Up by the Senate—Cabinet Holds Meeting Today to Support the President.

INDIANAPOLIS, Oct. 30.—Direct and unmistakable is the attack upon President Wilson's course in the coal strike situation by the administration of the Mine Workers' organization.

"It is a climax of a long series of attempts at usurpation of the executive power," is the way John L. Lewis, acting president of the United Mine Workers couches his attack in a long telegram to Secretary of Labor Wilson, replying to the telegram that was sent to the conference yesterday.

The messages were the first exchange of views between the administration and the union leaders.

Secretary Wilson offered to call a conference of the miners and employers.

CABINET SUPPORT IS STRONG.

Washington, Oct. 30.—The president's cabinet was called in special session to make final plans for dealing with the bituminous coal miners' strike Saturday. Secretary of State Lansing issued the call.

An executive order restoring the maximum prices of coal will be issued by the president probably today.

Secretary Garfield, former federal fuel administrator, said the revival of the fuel administration is now unnecessary as the war-time power of that body are now vested in the railroad administration.

Secretary Lane announced as the cabinet met that the government would not hesitate to curtail shipments of coal in industries of 50 per cent, so that coal on hand and that available from unaffected non-union mines might be equally distributed to the essential industries. The railroad administration has ordered confiscation of all coal in transit wherever it is found necessary to obtain a reserve supply to keep the railroads operating.

SENATE STANDS BY PRESIDENT.

Washington, Oct. 30.—The senate adopted a resolution assuring the administration of the entire support of congress in maintaining order during the "present industrial emergency."

Senator La Follette offered, but later withdrew, an amendment proposing the assurance to coal miners of their lawful interests.

WILL DEPORT ANARCHISTS.

Washington, Oct. 30.—At the request of Attorney General Palmer the senate immigration committee today ordered a favorable report on the house bill providing for deportation and permanent expulsion and exclusion from the United States of all alien anarchists.

LABOR HAS PURCHASED NEW HOME

EAGLES' BUILDING TO BECOME LABOR TEMPLE OF LA GRANDE AND COMMUNITY.

ASSOCIATION FORMED AMONG UNION MEMBERS

Move Which Has Long Been Contemplated Takes Shape and Organized Labor of This Locality Enters Into Agreement to Purchase Building From the Eagles Lodge.

Organized labor in La Grande will soon have a home of its own. Like the individual American, who always likes to pull his own latchstring and sit under his own vine and fig tree, the labor unions of this city have for some time contemplated seriously the proposition of owning their home and using it exclusively for a labor temple.

Different projects were set on foot and each of them got earnest consideration from the committee appointed by the different unions for this purpose, but the Eagles building was the one that was finally selected, according to announcement made by President Murphy of the Central Labor Council.

Possession will be obtained soon and then there will be a series of alterations and improvements after which the organized labor will move in and be "at home" to their friends.

JAPAN TO HAVE KOREAN REFORM

SEOUL, Korea, Sept. 10.—Governor General Baron Saito issued a proclamation today in which he promised reforms in Japanese administration of Korea and said he hoped to introduce self-government at the proper opportunity. He said:

"I am determined to superintend in the future and encourage officials under my control to put forth greater efforts to act in a fairer and a more just manner and promote the facilities of the people and the unhindered attainment of the people's desires by dispensing with all formality."

"Full consideration will be given to the appointment and treatment of Koreans so as to secure the right man for the right place. What is worthy of adoption in Korean institutions and old customs will be adopted."

"If anybody is found guilty of an unwarrantedly refractory language or action, misguiding of popular minds, and impeding the maintenance of public peace, he will be met with relentless justice. May it be the people at large will place reliance on all this."

Prominent Pendleton Men Killed by Train

PENDLETON, Oct. 30.—John F. Robinson, proprietor of the Domestic laundry, and Dr. G. S. Hoisington, Pendleton physician, were killed yesterday almost instantly, and Frank Sailing, former county clerk, was badly injured when the automobile in which Mr. Sailing was taking them to a meeting of the Knights Templar in Walla Walla, was struck by an incoming Walla Walla train at the grade crossing at Saxe station, four miles east of this city.

A long row of poplar trees bordering the road at the crossing hid the approaching train from the men in the car and it was not until they were almost on the track and the train driving down on the car that they discovered their danger. Mr. Sailing used all his brakes and turned the car to one side of the road, but it skidded on to the track, where the engine struck it, telescoping it and tossing it to one side, burying the three men under the wreckage.

Other members of the party of Pendleton Masons, close behind, stopped and took the occupants of the wrecked car to the hospital. Both Mr. Robinson and Dr. Hoisington, however, died on the way. Mr. Sailing was badly cut about the head, but not dangerously hurt. Fractures of the skull caused the death of both Mr. Robinson, who was in the rear seat, and Dr. Hoisington, who was sitting with the driver.

Both men were prominent in business affairs in the city. Mr. Robinson has been active in business life here for many years. He is survived by his widow and one son, Donald, lately returned from service in the United States navy.

Dr. Hoisington is survived by his widow and a daughter, Marion.

IMPOSTERS SEEM TO BE AT WORK

LABOR LEADER SHOTT WARNS UNIONS AGAINST GRAFTERS

Money Is Being Obtained Under the Guise of Assisting in the Mooney Case.

SEATTLE, Oct. 30.—Organized labor in other states may investigate the expenditure of funds contributed for the defense of Thomas J. Mooney.

William S. Shott, president of the Washington state federation of labor has sent a letter to the different unions warning them against "further attempts of a band of impostors to mulct the treasuries of your organizations."

MISS ZORN TO OPEN OFFICE

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE WILL HAVE REGULAR HOURS.

Meeting Saturday at 2:30 Will See the Establishment of Union County Public Health Association.

Preparations are being made to open an office for Miss Louise Zorn, the county public health nurse, in the La Grande National Bank building about November 1. Miss Zorn will keep office hours regularly every Saturday afternoon from 1 to 5. Anyone wishing to consult with her about any matter within her province as a public health nurse may do so at any time.

Miss Zorn's services, whether in the home instructing and advising, or in the schools inspecting the children and trying to teach them how to live so as to keep well, are free. It is desired that all knowing of cases in their

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A. J. LARM SELLS SHOE SHOP

FRED E. ENSIGN OF BOISE PURCHASES REPAIR SHOP

New Comer Also Buys Permanent Home, Saying He Intends to Make La Grande His Home

In a transaction made this week, experienced shoe repairer, Fred E. Ensign of Boise, Idaho, became the owner of the A. J. Larm Modern Shoe Repairing Shop. He has taken immediate possession, and while short of help, has been unable to make any of the changes that he expects to make, probably at future date. Mr. Ensign says he has come to stay and from indications it looks that way, as he has also bought what was formerly known as the Pete Belver home at 1602 Seventh. This property was sold only a few weeks ago to F. P. Williams, when they in turn sold it to Mr. Ensign. In consideration of the two properties Mr. Ensign now becomes the owner of, he paid in the figure of \$5200.

A. J. Larm has been in Arizona for some time, going there for his health. Mrs. Larm has been taking care of the store here, and now that she is free will join her husband in Arizona.

CAPTAIN HARDY WOOLSE (By Associated Press to The Observer.)

PORTLAND, Oct. 30.—Captain William Hardy, survivor to the Perry expedition to Japan, who has been ill here for some time, is growing weaker. He is not expected to live.

PRANKS TABOO
The usual laws will prevail tomorrow evening, and all small boys and girls must be in when the curfew rings, according to an announcement made by the chief of Police.
He further states that the city will not stand for any nonsense, and any one caught doing destructive work will be punished in the regular way.

What's All This Commotion About?



Roosevelt Memorial Fund Only Half Raised

CHARGED WITH MURDER (By Associated Press to The Observer.)

EUGENE, Oct. 30.—Martin Clark went on trial today charged with the murder of Charles L. Taylor, road supervisor at McKenzie Falls on July 26th.

CROWD OUT CHILDREN.

BERLIN, Oct. 29.—Some of the public schools of the city have been unable to admit pupils this autumn because the buildings were occupied by Home Defense troops which camped in them during the vacation period. The authorities of the schools have protested to the Prussian Minister of Education and to Defense Minister Noske, pointing out that hundreds of moving picture theatres, concert halls, and hotels have remained undisturbed by troops.

They proved, however, for these soldiers, the government is confiscating the theaters of numerous war theatres. Because of the prospective shortage of coal, it is planned to combine several schools, reduce the courses and hours of study to 18 a week. This has aroused a protest.

From present indications, it looks as though Union county had raised only half of their \$480 quota for the Roosevelt Memorial fund. Just why this should be is not known, unless it is because there was no personal solicitation, and many have let it slip their mind.

Today's figures, although far from complete, showed a total of \$203.41 raised in Union county. The total quota for the county was \$480, which means that \$276.59 are yet to be raised. The districts heard from today and the amounts turned in are:

First National Bank	\$38.05
United States National Bank	22.50
Silverthorn's Drug Store	58.80
Schoolchildren	55.50
Medical Springs	1.10
Hilgard	2.00
Elgin	25.00

Total \$203.41
All of the districts who have not yet earned in their money have been urged to do so immediately, as are also persons having donations, so that the Memorial fund can be cleaned up and the authorities can say again the past, "Union county is over the top."