

Rail Strike Averted; Unions Now Sending Out Recall To The Locals

OPPOSITION TO WALLULA SHORT CUT

Highway Commission Asked to Build Road by Portland

PENDLETON LEADS THE OBJECTORS

Three-day Session of Highway Commission Results in Over-Million Dollars Work Awarded

PORTLAND, Oct. 28.—At the meeting of the state highway commission yesterday, a delegation from the Portland Chamber of Commerce presented a request that the highway commission build the proposed Wallula cut-off, which would run along the Columbia river from Umatilla to a junction with a road on the Washington side of the line.

It was argued that this would be a great saving for certain traffic which, by use of the cut-off, would not be compelled to go around through Pendleton to reach the Columbia river highway. John B. Yeon, commissioner, expressed himself as believing that the cut-off is logical, but that there is no chance of the roads on the map until further funds have been furnished. The Wallula cut-off has been before the commission two or three times. It is ardently opposed by the people of Pendleton.

The commission agreed to co-operate in macadamizing the unfinished section of the Columbia river highway at Rainier, a proposition being received from Columbia county to contribute \$50,000 toward the cost, providing Rainier will take over part of the old county road as a city street, should Rainier decline, then the county limits its donation to \$30,000.

The Shuttler's Flat-Olex section of the John Day highway, between Arlington and Condon, was ordered advertised for grading and rock for the next meeting.

The commissioners adjourned last night after a three-day session, during which they awarded jobs totaling \$1,100,000, of which the state co-operated to the extent of \$800,000 and counties to \$300,000.

TO GET SCRAP BOOK.

MANILA, P. I., Sept. 15.—By Mail.—When Major General Leonard Wood assumes the office of governor general of the Philippine Islands about the middle of October, he will have presented to him a huge scrapbook as a memento of the four months' survey of the islands by the Wood-Forbes mission. The scrapbook, which is now being prepared by clerks, will contain several thousand clippings from American and Philippine island newspapers, including The Associated Press dispatches carrying the daily experiences of the mission.

NEWSPAPERMAN CONVICTED

NEW YORK, Oct. 28.—Lionel A. Gale, former Albany newspaperman, was convicted by court martial of desertion from the army and of two charges on seditious publication.

Character Development Solution of Hate-Root

LONDON, Oct. 28.—Announcement might enable him to modify his proposal that Monday had been allocated by the government for a discussion in the house of commons on the motion of Unionist members, censuring the government for conducting the Irish issue to another critical stage. If Mr. Lloyd George assents to facilitations, was taken as bringing the Irish issue to another critical stage. Sinn Fein delegates indicated Thursday that they had expected a powerful feeling in his own party would not be consulted, until in favor of leaving Ulster what she there was a nearer approach to an issue. Until after Monday's debate, the agreement, they have negotiated with conference with Sinn Fein delegates Mr. Lloyd George, believing him to be will continue in more or less suspended in a position to strike a binding bar of amendment, but both sides expressed gain, and they expressed apprehension the view that the debate in common over the possibility that the debate may kill it.

STIFF GAME WITH BAKER ON SATURDAY

La Grande Football Warriors Expect Victory in Game That Will Be Hard Fought.

Tomorrow morning the La Grande high school football team will go to Baker, making the trip in machines, where they will play the Baker high school football team in the afternoon. Coach Carl Lodell, as well as members of the team, expect a stiff game, but expect a victory, even though it will be by a close margin.

Baker has, by the time-honored method of using comparative scores, figured out that the game will be a hard fought one but that their team will come out with the long end of the score. Dope is fine in football as in everything else in the sports line, but it fails to take into consideration that some teams make more progress during the season than others and from that point of view there is every reason to believe that La Grande will have an even chance of winning even though Coach Joe Reynolds has whipped his Baker aggregation into better shape during the past week than they have been in for several years.

Coch Lodell has not picked his opening line-up for the game but the following men will be used in the various positions and make the trip in the morning: Berger or J. Bean, center; Smutz, Metcalf and Spencer, guards; Alstott, Woodell and T. Larsen, tackles; Coker, Garrity and Lynch, ends; E. Larson, G. Bean, Sherwood, Sims, Bearden and Sandberg, in the backfield; Hawes, Hiatt and Kerr, substitutes.

CARS STUCK ON THE MOUNTAIN

No, that smoke curling up from the Blue Mountains does not come from a forest fire. It comes from a number of tourists who were caught on the bad stretch of road between Pendleton and La Grande by the present break in the weather and they are floundering in the mud with every make of car known to the automobile industry. The smoke is very blue in appearance and might be caused by streams of profanity as the wheels spin in the mud and the car sinks deeper and deeper.

Reports from the mountain state that quite a camp was established last evening by the travelers who could not turn a wheel to help themselves out of the mud.

Chinese to Enter U. S. Universities

SHANGHAI, Sept. 8.—(By Mail.)—Forty-nine Chinese graduates of Tsing Hua College which was founded with funds of the Boxer indemnity remitted for educational purposes by the American Government, are to enter colleges and universities in the United States this year. These students sailed from Shanghai for American in August.

WHEAT DOWN AGAIN.

PORTLAND, Oct. 28.—Wheat sold today here at from 58 cents to \$1.95.

Coast Football In Full Swing

All Teams of Conference Will Play Tomorrow Afternoon

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 28.—Championship hopes of several football teams in the Pacific Coast Conference will depend a great deal upon tomorrow's games, in which the University of California plays Washington State College at Portland and Stanford University meets the Oregon Agricultural College at Stanford.

Tomorrow's contests will be the first conference games of the year for Stanford and Washington State. Last Saturday California defeated the University of Oregon and the Aggies beat the University of Washington in the first of the conference clashes.

As the result of last Saturday's games the conference standing is now as follows: California, one won and none lost; Oregon Aggies, one won and none lost; Washington, one won and one lost; Oregon, one won and one lost; Stanford and Washington State, no games played.

Playing Washington State tomorrow, California will meet, it is believed, the hardest opposition in the conference this season. If California and the Aggies both win, and their supporters believe they will, they will remain tied for first place. Some observers believe these two teams, which do not meet this year, will remain on even terms in the conference standing throughout the season.

MINERS ENTOMBED.

BRITANNIA BEACH, B. C., Oct. 28.—Rescue gangs were still at work Wednesday night in a frantic attempt to reach two miners entombed by a rock slide of the 2300 foot level of a mine for six days. Officials hold to the belief that the men are alive. Air has circulated in the shaft and the two carried emergency rations.

BAD EXAMPLE.

DAYTON, O., Oct. 28.—Imitation of Mail.—Alaska prospectors, who were "stunts" seen in moving pictures recently today in the arrest of 11-year-old Emerson George for investigation into injuries inflicted on three-year-old Everett Sortman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sortman.

The Sortman child was found after an all-night search tied to a bush. Wounds were found on his head and he was rushed to a hospital, where physicians said he would live.

George told police he had punched the three-year-old boy with a stick when he tried to get loose from his bonds.

HEADLIGHTS BLIND DRIVER AND TWO DIE

Accident Happened Near Salem Last Night at Midnight

TWO OCCUPANTS ESCAPE ALL INJURY

Driver of Car Who Failed to Dim His Headlights Is Not Known; One Woman Injured.

SALEM, Oct. 28.—James H. Wilson, aged 62, retired farmer, of Salem, and Miss Ruth Wortham, aged 54, colored missionary of San Bernardino, Calif., were drowned and Mrs. Wilson, wife of the dead man, suffered a crushed chest when an automobile in which they were riding went over a steep embankment into a shallow creek, five miles south of Salem at midnight.

The glaring headlight of an approaching car blinded the driver and the car went over the edge of the road. Joseph Rinziesek of Gervais, the driver, and a brother, Raphael Rinziesek, escaped injury.

The driver of the car who failed to dim his lights is not known.

Alaska Water Is Paved With Gold

ANCHORAGE, Alaska, Oct. 1.—(By Mail.)—Alaska prospectors, who were able recently to work, for the first time, Turnagain Arm, a branch of the sea on the government railroad near here, report that the body of water is almost literally "paved with gold."

For years, until the railroad penetrated the section, the six-foot tides, that rush up the arm, swamping small boats, has kept miners out. Now they are going in over the railroad and report several rich finds made in the arm at low tide. Rich gravel, it is said, lies off-shore. One vein, near Girdwood, assays \$160 in gold per ton. The vein is covered by high tide.

WEEDING THE GARDEN



Bird Man Is On Program Tonight

First Number of Lyceum Course Has Novel Features

The first number of the lyceum course will open at the high school auditorium at 8:15 this evening. Charles A. Ghorst, the birdman, being on the program for the evening's entertainment. Ghorst has spent years in training his voice to warble high tunes and his imitations of bird songs are said to be marvelous. His knowledge of nature is extensive and he draws word pictures as he proceeds, illustrating them with the songs of the birds.

Reservations of seats can still be made at Silverthorn's. While the sale of seats has been satisfactory there still remain a number of unsold season tickets and these will be placed on sale at the door this evening.

The committee in charge of the course announced this morning that all numbers coming during week days will start at 8:15 and the one number falling on a Saturday will begin at 8:30 to give all a chance to arrive as nearly as possible on time.

Mr. Ghorst will arrive this evening on No. 21, giving him ample time for opening the program at the appointed hour.

NEW SHOE STORE READY TO OPEN

The Bootery Will be Doing Business Here Tomorrow Morning, Is Announced

Announcement was made this afternoon by J. Winer that The Bootery, an exclusive shoe store, will open in the Sommer building at 206 Depot street, tomorrow morning. "We considered several other cities in the state when we decided to open a store in addition to our present establishment in Pendleton, but La Grande had such overwhelming advantages in so many respects, especially so far as future business is concerned, that we selected this city," Mr. Winer said.

"The store here will carry a full line of men's, women's and children's shoes and the new place has been fitted up in up-to-date style so that service of all kinds, including the services of a foot specialist, can be placed at the disposal of our patrons," he continued.

UNANIMOUS VOTE TO CALL OFF STRIKE LAST NIGHT; ALL FACTIONS PLEASED

Railroad Labor Board Agrees to Consider no More Demands for Wage Adjustments Until Other Questions Are Settled; Much Relief Felt in Both Union Circles and Among the Railroad Officials as Result of Assurance That Strike Will Not Become Effective

BULLETINS

LEAD, S. D., Oct. 28.—Officers today wired requests for the arrest of Andrew Rolando, aged 22, wanted in connection with the death of Father A. B. Belknap, Catholic priest, who was slain here Wednesday.

SEATTLE, Oct. 28.—The crew and passengers of the Japanese steamship Fukui Maru were rescued by the freighter West Ivan when the Fukui Maru sank in a hurricane 1,200 miles west of Cape Flattery.

The ship carried no passengers. Her crew numbered 40.

NEW YORK, Oct. 28.—Postmaster General Hays and a score of passengers were severely shaken up when a train crashed into the rear of a local train in a fog here early today.

NEW YORK, Oct. 28.—A mighty bombardment of cheers greeted Marshal Foch when he steamed into New York on the liner Paris to sit with the American "buddies" in the legion convention at Kansas City.

SALEM, Oct. 28.—The Supreme court has decided in favor of F. W. Leadbetter, in appeal from the lower court's finding in the suit against O. L. Price, executor of the H. L. Pittock estate, involving a question of the listing of property in which Leadbetter claimed a partnership with Mr. Pittock.

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WASHINGTON, Oct. 28.—The Agreement conference is to open on November 12th and was definitely decided today, so as not to interfere with ceremonies of the burial of the unknown dead which occurs on Armistice day.

WHEAT LOW.

PORTLAND, Oct. 28.—Wheat was 28 cents to \$1.95 today.

CHICAGO, Oct. 28.—The official recall of the railroad strike was sent today to the switchmen, trainmen, conductors, engineers, firemen and telegraphers, following the vote last night by union leaders.

The brotherhood chiefs said two points were gained by the men, first that the action of the railroad labor board on further wage cuts that may be asked by the railroads will receive consideration after the pending questions before the board are cleared up, thereby deferring immediate action on further reductions and possible postponing the questions of a new wage revision nearly a year. The second point was that the action on the rules which the men's organizations wish to maintain will likewise take its place on the calendar of the board, so that it will not be likely to be made an immediate issue.

CHICAGO, Oct. 28.—The rail strike scheduled for October 30 was averted Thursday night when leaders of the switchmen, trainmen, conductors, engineers and firemen at a joint meeting adopted resolutions withdrawing authorization of a walkout and officials of the railroad telegraphers' organization announced they would take similar action. These were the only unions which had authorized a strike.

The vote calling off the strike was unanimous by organizations, W. G. Lee, president of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, announced. The official wording of the resolution adopted was that the "strike be declared not effective."

Unofficial reports were that the firemen's executives had strenuously opposed adoption of the resolution. None of the presidents would confirm this, however.

Public Opinion Won.

L. E. Sheppard, president of the Order of Railway Conductors, said that the unions had decided to call off the strike because "the growing public opinion that the strike would be against the labor board and consequently the government, and not against the railroads."

"It was evident also that the entire Washington administration was opposed to us and that we have had little chance of gaining our objectives," said Mr. Sheppard.

"We called this strike to gain certain rights to which our men were en-

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Strike Recall Order is Joyfully Received

Few messages have created as much to every consideration given by the pleasure and unalloyed joy to the people of La Grande as the official message received here today stating that the nation-wide railroad strike had been declared off and that there possibly would be no strike.

While the organizations claim to have won two important points, namely the assurance that further wage reductions will not be taken up by the labor board for some time and that revision of working rules will also be taken up by the labor board in its regular turn, the mere fact that a decision has been reached is the all-important topic of conversation today, not only on the streets but in homes in La Grande where a smile of satisfaction is doing the greatest business in its history. Railroad employees are getting in full time and frequently called upon to work overtime. The scheduled few cities on the coast would have had its effect so much as would pay checks are of good size and there have been no more La Grande men in the service, have gained a little in efficiency that settles them.

Had the strike been pulled off so scheduled few cities on the coast would have had its effect so much as would pay checks are of good size and there have been no more La Grande men in the service, have gained a little in efficiency that settles them.