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Thousands in Battle With Police in Strike Center; Injunction Is Issued

QUADRUPLE ALLIANCE IS AGREED UPON

Japan Has Signified Willingness to Enter Agreement.

ROOT RESOLUTIONS NOT TO BE IMPAIRED

Treaties and Understandings Involving Contracting Powers Not to be Entered Into Without Joint Discussion.

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—The resolution as adopted by the far eastern committee, it was explained, was declaratory of the principle against extension by foreign nations of further special spheres of influence or of leased territory in China. The committee adjourned until next week to give the Japanese and Chinese delegations further time for the Shantung negotiations.

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—The powers represented in the far east committee of the Washington conference today adopted a resolution agreeing not to enter into any treaties or understandings among themselves that would impair the four Root resolutions concerning China.

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—The Japanese government has accepted the proposal for a Pacific quadruple understanding, said a British spokesman today, who added that the 5-5-5 ratio for capital ships had not yet been accepted by Japan.

(By Associated Press)
HONOLULU, Dec. 8.—Two Japanese diplomatic council formally approved the proposed four-power treaty for settlement of Pacific difficulties Wednesday evening at a meeting at Premier Takahashi's official residence, according to a Tokyo cablegram to the Nippon Jiji, a Japanese language newspaper here.

Eleven Hanged in France As Result of Being Convicted by Court

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Eleven members of the American expeditionary forces were hanged in France after conviction by a military court martial, Col. Walter Bethall, assistant judge advocate general, today testified before the senate committee investigating charges brought by Senator Watson, of Georgia, that American soldiers were hanged without a trial in France.

New Depot Must Wait Until Business Revives

In answer to the numerous business and professional men of La Grande who have been writing officials of the O-W, requesting that a new railroad depot be erected in this city, J. P. O'Brien, head of the railroad system has addressed the following letter in reply:

"At this late date beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter November 25th, in regard to new passenger station at La Grande.

"While we realize our station facilities are probably not what they should be, regret to state that on account of press of funds, in connection with track improvements, which are more important than station facilities, we will not be in position to include anything for new station at your city."

NEW RECORD MADE BY THE CITY LIBRARY

Largest Number of Books Per Day Loaned in Its History During Month of November.

During the month of November the La Grande public library established a new record in books loaned per day. An average of 149 books were loaned each day during the month. Twice during the month the number of books withdrawn passed the 200 mark. However, the total number of books issued during the month was not quite so large as during April. This is accounted for by the fact that the month was two days shorter than April, there having been an extra holiday.

Gains were also shown in the reference department. The loans of the month included 1196 to juveniles and 2477 to adults, 1908 of the latter being fiction. An even 100 new borrowers were added during the month. The number of books on the shelves was increased by 75. A special display of children's books was made during children's week, November 13-19.

The report of the county division of the library showed that there are now 34 school station libraries and all books in these branches are sent to the main library for exchange every 60 days. One school reported 60 loans on its 10 books during the month of November. One community book station has been started in the Frosty district and others have applications on file and will be acted on later.

During the month 76 patrons received books by mail. The highest number sent out during one day was 16, on November 30. The majority of the books sent by mail are works of other than fiction. Books on farming, electricity and literature were the most prominent in the mail lists. The demand for books at the branch libraries was heavy during the month. Union led with 961 books loaned during the month, 72 being the heaviest day's record. Elgin broke all previous records. Elgin loaned 835 books with 60 on the highest day. A large increase was noted in the number of children's books and fiction circulated by the branch libraries.

At Cove and Imbler the branches are open two afternoons a week but in spite of this Cove loaned 458 books with a record of 68 for its best day. Imbler led with 43 per cent of the total. The average is 33 per cent. Imbler has been open only a month but loaned 99 books. The following numbers of the branches during the month: Union, 53; Elgin, 19; Cove, 14; Imbler, 22.

Branch Line is Open To Passengers Again To North Junction

Word was received here this morning that the O-W R. & N. branch line to Bend is open today for passengers south of North Junction. This brings the traffic conditions on the entire O-W R. & N. system in Oregon practically back to normal.

Little Portia Knowles Dead

Daughter of Judge and Mrs. Knowles Passed Away Suddenly This Afternoon.

A severe shock to the large circle of friends of the Knowles family came this afternoon when word was received by long distance telephone from Enterprise, stating that little Portia, six-year-old daughter of Judge and Mrs. Knowles, had suddenly died.

The Knowles family had been in Enterprise visiting an older daughter, Mrs. E. G. Brown, for several days, while the judge held the regular session of court in that city. The little child had been slightly ill for a few days but there was no thought of her being in a dangerous condition, although the judge adjourned court yesterday at noon in order to be with the little one.

Arrangements for funeral services had not been announced when the Observer went to press today.

Another Election to Be Held by Oregon Dairymen's League

Only One-Third of Members Voted Yesterday and Are Thought to Fail to Understand Measure

(By Associated Press)
PORTLAND, Dec. 8.—The directors of the Oregon Dairymen's co-operative league announced last night that a decision had been made to call another election on December 27 on the proposed liquidation because only slightly over one-third of the members voted yesterday.

It is said that dairymen in general do not realize that the plan proposed turning over the plants to local organizations to be formed in the different districts in which the league is now operating.

CONFERENCE SUCCESSFUL

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Decided optimism on results of the arms conference was expressed by President Harding Wednesday in two brief addresses, one to a delegation of farmers and the other at the annual meeting of the American Red Cross.

TUG AND SUB MEET; THREE BADLY HURT

Chlorine Gas Overcame the Crew of Undersea-raft.

CREW ESCAPED BY LIGHTENING BALLAST

Three Men in Hospital This Morning as Result of Wreck off Atlantic Coast (Last Night).

(By Associated Press)
NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—Thirty members of the crew of submarine S-48 which sank off Bridgeport last night when it was rammed by a tug while on a test, were brought to the navy yard hospital for observation this morning. Many were overcome by chlorine gas. Three are in a serious condition. The crew escaped through torpedo tubes after lightening the ballast tanks.

TALKING MOVIES ARE FORECAST

(By Associated Press)
URBANA, Ill., Dec. 8.—A discovery which it "seems possible will make the movies of the future talk," was announced by the University of Illinois Wednesday. The basic patents of the invention are held by the institution.

LA GRANDE BOY HONORED.

(By Associated Press)
EUGENE, Dec. 8.—Clayton Inglis was named La Grande representative on the greater Oregon committee to work in the interest of the university.

Eighteen Dead in Big Storm

Newfoundland Coast Hit by Storm Sinking Many Ships Monday and Tuesday.

ST. JOHNS, N. F., Dec. 8.—Eighteen lives were lost and over a score of fishing schooners, barges and tugs were destroyed and damage of a quarter of a million dollars was done by a storm along the Newfoundland coast Monday and Tuesday.

Reception to Be Held for Noted Singer Friday

Coloratura Soprano Coming Here Tomorrow Will Meet All Wishing to Call at Music Store.

Miss Virginia Rea, noted coloratura soprano who will give a concert here tomorrow evening at the L. D. S. Tabernacle under the auspices of the Neighborhood Club and the Ad Club will be in La Grande tomorrow afternoon.

In order that those music lovers of the city wishing to meet Miss Rea will have an opportunity of doing so she has consented to spend the afternoon in the salesroom of the Eastern Oregon Music company in the La Grande National Bank building from 2:30 to 4:00.

BULLETINS

(By Associated Press)
PORTLAND, Dec. 8.—Cattle were steady on the local market today with hogs 25 cents higher, prime light-bringing \$7.75 to \$8.25. Sheep were steady. Eggs were unsettled and butter was steady.

(By Associated Press)
PORTLAND, Dec. 8.—Wheat closed at \$1.97 to \$1.98.

(By Associated Press)
CHARLESTON, S. C., Dec. 8.—A mail car marine guard on the Atlantic Coast Line is reported to have shot three white men alleged to have been robbing an express car ahead of the mail car while the train was near Savannah. Two are reported to be badly wounded.

(By Associated Press)
DUBLIN, Dec. 8.—The Daily Eireann cabinet today is considering the agreement establishing the Irish free state.

MAN CONVICTED OF MURDER IN SUICIDE TRIAL

Abe Evans Makes Third Attempt to End His Own Life Since His Arrest.

(By Associated Press)
SALEM, Dec. 8.—Abe Evans, facing death for the murder of James Doran of McMinnville near The Dalles, this morning made a third attempt to end his life since his arrest. The prison guard found him hanging from a steam pipe with an improvised rope made from a mattress, a pillow and underwear, around his neck. He was nearly unconscious.

AMERICAN BOAT IS CAPTURED BY THE MEXICANS

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—The American fishing boat Mabel of Los Angeles, was seized early this week about five miles off the Mexican coast by a vessel of the Mexican patrol and another of American registry but manned by Mexican soldiers the state department was advised by American Consul Burdett at Ensenada, Mex.

The Mabel was subsequently released after a fine had been paid, the amount of which is not known. Consul Burdett added that three of the crew had been held by the Mexicans pending payment of an additional fine. The state department announced that it had made representations to the Mexican government at Mexico City.

The Olga D, the vessel of American registry, the message said, fired with machine guns on the Mabel before it was seized and the crew were then roughly treated and robbed by the men of the Olga D and the tattle of the Mexican patrol. The Americans were charged with carrying contraband arms and munitions although this was later changed to a charge of illegal fishing.

The cargo of the Mabel, it is said, consisted of fresh and dressed fish valued at \$3000 and according to a telegram from Capt. Jacob Bernater was bound for San Pedro, Cal.

President Obregon of Mexico is a Friend of the Theater

(By Associated Press)
LOS ANGELES, Dec. 9.—Gen. Alvaro Obregon, president of Mexico, is revealed as a friend of the theatre in general and of stranded theatrical people in particular in tales told here by a troupe of Los Angeles dancers.

The dancers, all Los Angeles girls, who were chartered by a Los Angeles woman, went to Mexico City to entertain in connection with the Mexican Centennial celebration. Their contract, they said, called for round-trip tickets.

But, they said, when their engagement was concluded, they were refused transportation home. They appealed in turn to representatives of the American state department, and to the secretary of the Mexican treasury and interior, they declared, but met only failure.

Educational Week is Observed in Schools

The current week is educational and the American Legion and the two organizations are co-operating to bring Americanization work being done in the schools to the attention of the public during the week.

OVER FORTY WOUNDED IN CHICAGO FIGHT

Injunction Issued Today Against Meat Cutters Union.

TROOPS CALLED OUT IN SEVERAL STATES

Elevated Train Attacked This Morning; Women Included in Mobs Surrounding Packing Plants.

(By Associated Press)
CHICAGO, Dec. 8.—A temporary injunction prohibiting members of the Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen's union from picketing or molesting stockyard workers was granted in superior court here today on a petition of Swift and company and 21 other packers.

ALBERTA LEA, Minn., Dec. 8.—Officials today asked for state troops as the result of picketing of Wilson and company's plant here.

(By Associated Press)
CHICAGO, Dec. 8.—Forty men were cut and bruised when strike sympathizers stormed an elevated train carrying packing house employees to the stockyards.

The windows of the train were broken by missiles and 1500 policemen were sent to the stockyards before daylight when groups, including women, gathered there.

A few hours earlier 20 policemen fired into thousands of strike sympathizers who attacked plant employees and policemen.

(By Associated Press)
CHICAGO, Dec. 8.—Legal proceedings to restrain striking packing house workers from interfering with the operation of packing plants by picketing or molesting employees were either pending or in effect in five cities in the middle west Wednesday night.

In Chicago the first serious disorders occurred Wednesday night when several persons were shot and slugged in clashes between strike sympathizers, stockyard workers and police at the stockyards. Chief of Police Fitzmorris ordered all saloons near the stockyards closed.

Seven men are known to have been shot and a score of men and one woman were injured here Wednesday night in clashes between workers, strike sympathizers and policemen patrolling the stockyards district. The trouble occurred when strike sympathizers accosted workmen as they left the plants.

Three of those shot were reported to be union workmen, two were strike sympathizers, another was employed in a packing plant and the seventh was said to be a strike sympathizer and member of another union. All will recover, it was thought by doctors.

Four policemen were among those (Continued on Page Eight)

