

PEKING IN HANDS OF GENERAL WU'S FORCES

BARRACKS AT MEATH ARE DESTROYED

Irregular Troops in Ireland Causing Much Trouble Today.

TRUCE EVIDENTLY IS NOT OBSERVED

Hostilities Break Out on Heels of Announcement that Peace Would Reign for Short Time.

(By Associated Press)
DUBLIN, May 5.—The barracks at Castle Pollard, west of Meath, were blown up by irregular forces who destroyed Mullingar barracks Wednesday. The irregulars were pursued from Mullingar to Castle Pollard by provisional government forces and the barracks blown up to prevent their occupation.

(By Associated Press)
DUBLIN, May 5.—On the heels of the declaration of truce yesterday a party of irregular troops raided the guard from the customs house occupied by a sergeant and six regulars of free state forces. Shots were fired and the sergeant of the regulars severely wounded. The remainder of the guard was disarmed by the irregulars who then decamped.

H. S. Bean Passed Away Suddenly This Morning at Wallowa

The death of H. S. Bean, for many years actively engaged in the lumber business in Eastern Oregon, occurred suddenly today in Wallowa, according to word received here this noon. He was in good health and his death came as a surprise to his many friends here.

The body will be shipped here for burial. Funeral arrangements have not been made yet.

BULLETINS

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, May 5.—A favorable report by the house labor committee on the Bland bill to create a coal industry investigation is before the commission.

(By Associated Press)
PARIS, May 5.—Jack Dempsey told the Associated Press that he was almost certain that he would meet Carpentier again in London or Paris late this year, if Carpentier defeats Ted Lewis in London on May 11 and provides the purse is satisfactory.

Merrymakers of High School Ready for Show

"The Ghost Dance" will make you shiver with delight and the "African Cut-Ups" will make many a spectator laugh until his or her sides ache. Much is expected of two of the stunts that will make up the Merry Makers' program to be given at the high school auditorium tonight. And there are eight more stunts that will be just as good. The shortest stunt lasts two minutes and the "African Cut-Ups," the longest one, will take about forty minutes to get it off their chests. Just about an hour and one-half of hearty laughter.

The members of the cast, thirty-five in number, have been diligently practicing for several weeks and are

PREDICT LONG FIGHT ON THE TARIFF BILL

Senators Indulge in Estimates at Progress at Present Rate; 1946 Nearest Date Guessed.

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, May 5.—An estimate that at the present rate the pending tariff bill would be passed on September 29, 1946, was given to the senate Thursday by Senator McCumber, Republican, North Dakota, in charge of the measure, who said the estimate had been prepared by an expert, who based his calculations on the fact that just two of the 2000-odd amendments to the measure have been acted on in 13 days.

"I think that after listening to the debate Thursday," said Senator McCumber, "we will have to add 20 or 40 years more to that estimate."

Asserting that the tariff bill had not been discussed one-fifth of the time it had been before the senate, he declared:

"We have all gone off on extraneous matters. Unless we get down to the bill itself, I'll tell you what will happen. You will get tired of hearing your own voices, and before you have considered one-third of the bill you will be ready to swallow all of it."

Initiative Tax Measure Drawn

Would Pay Half State's Expenses from An Income Tax if Passed.

(By Associated Press)
PORTLAND, May 5.—The state taxpayers' league today sent Secretary of State Koser a proposed initiative quorum tax amendment to the state constitution providing that half the state's annual expenses be met by an income tax and half from real and personal property taxes. If adopted by the voters next fall it would be effective in 1924.

BANK ALARM IS CROWD DRAWER

Consternation, curiosity and other similar expressions raced over the faces of passersby this morning when the burglar alarm on the United States National bank began ringing. The hour was about 8:30 o'clock.

One of the clerks began opening the vaults and accidentally touched the connecting wires with some metallic substance, possibly a ring or some similar object, and the alarm began ringing. With the ringing of the bell the vaults were automatically locked in such a way that the combination would not open the vaults.

After ringing for about 20 minutes the clamor was finally quieted by a short circuit.

Stormy Meeting of Recallers

Select Two Men to Place On Ballot for Service Commission.

(By Associated Press)
PORTLAND, May 5.—Newton McCoy, local attorney, and T. M. Kerring, ex-service man, were chosen at a stormy meeting last night candidates for public service commissioners at the recall election this month.

The meeting was attended by 150 delegates, presided over by Robert G. Duncan, who started the recall movement against Williams and Bachtel.

UNION COUNTY QUOTA LARGE

Will Have 12 of 49 Delegates at State Convention of the Grange in McMinnville.

Union county will have twelve delegates to the 49th annual session of the Oregon State Grange to be held at McMinnville on June 6, 7, 8 and 9. This will give Union county the largest list of voting delegates in Eastern Oregon. State Master C. E. Spence has assigned the places on the committees, which cover a wide range of subjects. The delegates from this county are: La Grande, Mrs. W. O. Sherwood; Cove, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Carter; Tolocaset, Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Snider; North Powder, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Gilkison; Medical Springs, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. South; Mr. and Mrs. D. Huffman are delegates from the county grange.

Rates are to be given on all railroads and over one thousand delegates are expected to be present. Among the special features will be a reception and banquet at the Armory on the evening of the 6th, a special lecture program on the evening of the 7th. Memorial services will be held on the afternoon of the 8th, with the 5th and 6th degrees conferred in the evening.

The new state officers will be installed on the last day. State Master C. E. Spence, State Lecturer Minerva E. Bond and State Secretary Miss Bertha J. Beck are considerable in the majority for re-election in the returns from the direct vote of the members but some of the minor officers are still in doubt.

COMMISSION TO PASS ON CLAIMS URGED

Effort to Be Made to Settle War Claims of This Country.

SEIZED PROPERTY ADJUSTMENT SOUGHT

Loss to Americans from the Sinking of the Lusitania Included in Plans Announced Today.

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, May 5.—Negotiations are under way between the United States and Germany for the organization of a claims commission to pass upon claims growing out of the seizure of property in the United States and Germany and upon claims by American citizens as a result of the sinking of the Lusitania. The commission will probably consist of three members, one American, one German and one neutral.

METHODISTS ARE TO HOLD BIG MEETING

Plans are being made by the First Methodist church folks for a great congregational meeting on the evening of the seventeenth of this month. All the organizations of the church will co-operate to make this a big social event. It is expected that Bishop Burns will be present and deliver the principal address of the evening. Mrs. Sherwood Williams has been appointed chairman and her assistants are Mrs. S. C. Smith, Mrs. Lee Hanford, Mrs. Geo. H. Quigley, and Messrs. C. E. Short, H. E. Dixon and Claude Cooper.

Injunction is to Continue

Life of Anti-Picketing Order Lengthened to Next Thursday.

(By Associated Press)
PORTLAND, May 5.—A temporary injunction against longshoremen picketing to continue in effect until next Thursday was granted today by the circuit court when Seneca A. Out, longshoreman's attorney, informed the court he had not received a copy of the complaint upon which the order was issued Monday.

LOCAL TEAM TO PLAY AT UNION

The second game of the Intermountain Baseball League season will be played at Union Sunday afternoon when the La Grande team will meet the Stock Show lads. Baker will journey to Cove and Elgin will invade Haines on the same afternoon.

The present standing is as follows: La Grande, Baker and Elgin are tied for first with one won and none lost, while Union, Cove and Haines are in the cellar with none won and one lost. Indications are that La Grande should have another victory to add to her list when the dust rolls away Sunday unless Union is able to locate a first class flinger. Union has a fair team but is weak in the pitching staff and when a slugging team, such as the home team is, crosses bats with them the score is liable to mount rapidly.

PRE-ELECTION GHOSTS.

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, May 5.—Senator Harrison, democrat, attacking the nomination of Nat Goldstein as internal revenue collector of St. Louis, because he accepted \$2500 from the Lowden presidential campaign managers, said that several other Lowden delegates had been given administration appointments.

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(By Associated Press)
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THE ACT IS STARTING OUT UNDER DIFFICULTIES



SHORT SEES IMPROVEMENT IN BUSINESS

Finds Optimism Reigning Among Penny Store Managers; Increased Sales Predicted.

In speaking of his trip to Portland, where he attended the J. C. Penney Company convention last week, C. E. Short, local J. C. Penney Company manager, said today:

"About eighty-five managers were present at the convention, buying the new fall lines from the New York buyers. In addition to the buying, the convention was held mainly to further efficiency and to meet the present economic conditions.

"The situation as to the year's future was one of the most optimistic viewpoints that could be hoped for. From the main officers to the managers, the opinion is that a big comeback to normal buying and the return of public confidence in all affairs is certain. With much of the reconstruction and post-war period past, J. C. Penney Company has finished with \$46,000,000 for the year 1921. Fifty millions is the goal set for this year. The J. C. Penney company has come through the reconstruction and post war period with an earning ability above heavy depreciation and increased overhead expenses.

"Merchandise for the fall in all lines is going to give greater value in quality and the fall styles will be prettier and more attractive both in men's and ladies' wear. Novelties are disappearing and the tendency to eradicate novelties makes the models far more attractive.

"Staple lines in some instances show a slight increase in price but in most cases show quite a reduction. The only feature that would tend to create a change in conditions would be the continuation of the strike in the textile mills. Our efficiency points out the fact that the salvation of the town, state and country lies in everyone becoming a producer. This will eliminate many idle hours and luxurious habits that have been formed and will cut the personal overhead as well as the business overhead and will avoid getting into the rut which one man describes as a grave with both ends open.

"In comparing La Grande with other localities it appears that our city is still one of the strongest cities of its size from an economic standpoint and from a business standpoint. The progressive business men in La Grande tend to keep financial conditions better than in a less progressive city. After all, we are mighty glad that La Grande has been our home city."

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WANT BEVERIDGE FOR PRESIDENT

(By Associated Press)
INDIANAPOLIS, May 5.—"Beveridge for president in 1924," is the Indiana bull moose war cry following New's defeat yesterday. Beveridge forces are now concentrating on defeating Samuel Huston, democrat, in the general election.

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Country Club Golfers go to Baker Sunday

Next Sunday there will be a big gathering from La Grande to Baker, the occasion being an inter-country club event at the mining town, in which the Baker club is host. There will be no match play, the Baker club simply inviting the La Grande people over for a day's festivities and all who go from La Grande will be considered members of the team.

Plans now provide for leaving the city about six o'clock in the morning and spending the entire day at Baker. Local people who desire to go but have no conveyance should get into touch with William Siegrist, who will provide room for such.

By eight o'clock La Grande's turn to entertain the Baker club, the latter



(By Associated Press)
Tonight and Saturday fair, expecting probably showers in the northwest portion; light frost early in the morning excepting near the coast.