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CRIMEA AND SOUTH RUSSIA INCLUDED

Crews of Warships at Sebastopol Now in State of Mutiny According to Report.

LONDON, Sept. 8.—A rebellion has broken out in South Russia, according to a Helsingfors dispatch.

Odessa Soviets have declared South Russia and Crimea independent. Fighting in many districts between the rebels and soviets is going on. Crews of the warships at Sebastopol are reported to be in a state of mutiny.

BOYS AND GIRLS WILL COMPETE

(Special to The Observer)

SALEM, Ore., Sept. 8.—Boys and girls of at least 15 counties will be competing exhibitors at the Oregon state fair, which opens its gates September 25, according to the announcement of J. E. Catvian, superintendent of the industrial club work department of the fair, who has just returned from a tour of most of the counties of the state. He reports that the youthful exhibitors are displaying unusual interest in preparing their exhibits, and that the displays, when grouped together in the big educational building at the fair, will exceed any past exhibition.

The competition will be between individual boys and girls and county teams composed of the two boys and two girls from each county entering who score highest in industrial club work in their own counties. Their transportation to Salem and return is paid by the various counties and their expenses during the fair are met by a special appropriation of the fair board, which maintains a camp at the fair grounds for the children each year.

Besides the prizes offered annually by the fair board there are a host of special prizes this year, offered by newspapers, business houses and other organizations of the state. These special prizes are principally in the form of expense-free trips to the summer school courses of Oregon Agricultural college.

With capable and responsible persons in charge the boys and girls' camp is expected to be one of the principal attractions at the fair this year and fully 150 of the young exhibitors are expected to register.

FIENDISH CRIME COMMITTED NEAR OLYMPIA, WASH.

(By Associated Press)

OLYMPIA, Sept. 8.—Posses today are on trail of a man who last night assaulted Mrs. Harry O'Hara, a widow, her five children and Joe Dobson. All were left lying unconscious on the floor of the O'Hara home, eight miles west of the city. Two of the victims may be fatally wounded. All are in the hospital here. After demanding and receiving a small amount of money the intruder made the assault. He also attempted to assault two of the daughters and leaving the house struck each victim over the head with his revolver rendering them unconscious.

Mrs. Harding is Quite Ill at White House and Her Former Doctor Arrives

(By Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, Sept. 8.—Serious complications have developed in the condition of Mrs. Harding, causing much concern.

Dr. Carl W. Sawyer, of Marion, Ohio, who was previously associated with his father, Brigadier General Sawyer, who attended Mrs. Harding during a previous illness,

Administration Officials Declare Settlement of Rail Strike is Probable

(By Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, Sept. 8.—Administration officials in close touch with the industrial situation declared today that a settlement of the shopmen's strike with a number of railroads was "probable" as a result of the conferences in Chicago.

Assurances have been given by the attorney general that the meeting Monday of the striking shopmen's policy committee will not be interfered with by the government under the federal restraining order which was issued to Attorney General Daugherty by a federal judge recently in Chicago.

CELEBRATION PLANS PROCEED

The Armistice Day committees of the American Legion Post No. 42, of La Grande met last evening in the city hall to begin formulating plans for the observance of the day and to start working on their various projects. All the Legion posts in Union county will gather in La Grande on November 11 to celebrate the anniversary of the closing day of the World War with the local post.

About twenty members of the committee were present and held a very successful meeting, the guest chairman, Ralph Huron, presiding.

Football Double-Header.

Preparations have been completed for the day's program, at least the program has been roughly mapped out and it is not likely that any variations from the program will be adopted. In the morning a mammoth parade will take place and following the luncheon hour probably a short program, a double header football game will take place. La Grande high school will vie with Walla Walla high school for grid honors and Union and La Grange high school teams will also meet on the field of battle. Two interesting and hard fought games are assured with these teams playing and both games will have bearing upon the association standings. In the evening fireworks, a dance and a boxing card will be arranged.

A parade such as La Grande has never witnessed is what the committee enthusiastically promise. Needless to say, it comes up to their expectations, nothing will be lacking. In addition to the members of the American Legion and ex-service men of the World War, veterans of all other wars in which the United States took an active part, members of all welfare committees who aided overseas, such as the Y. M. C. A., the Salvation Army, the Red Cross, the Jewish Welfare and the Knights of Columbus, will be asked to take part and also to prepare a float. The plan is to have all ex-service men in uniform. In addition to the La Grande band another band will be present.

The American Legion is not planning upon a big campaign for funds among the business men of La Grande and will only ask them to cooperate with them to the extent of decorating their windows and displaying the American flag. A benefit dance will be given in the near future and the financial committee hopes to make the celebration self-supporting if possible.

RED CROSS REPORT FOR CURRENT MONTH

Due to the absence of Mrs. Fay Catlin, who was on her vacation, which lasted about three weeks, the local Red Cross headquarters had less business during the last month than usual.

One hundred and twelve families were taken care of during the month of August, which included 55 visits to the homes, 140 telephone calls were received, 6 outgoing telegrams were dispatched, 145 letters were mailed and the office calls amounted to 229.

when similar conditions existed, has arrived for consultation. During the president's term as United States senator, Mrs. Harding was afflicted in a very similar manner but responded quickly to treatment. Dr. Sawyer stated "complications have slightly abated today and the patient is feeling more easily."

COVE TO HAVE AN IMPORTANT ROAD MEETING

La Grande is Deeply Interested in Forest Road and Will Have Representatives at Gathering.

Numerous organizations of La Grande will have representatives at Cove next Saturday afternoon when the Cove Commercial club meets to receive officials of the forestry department concerning further expenditures on the road from Cove to the sawmill up Mill creek on the way to the upper Minam. Ray Duncan, one of the pioneer boosters for the project, was in the city yesterday conferring with local officials of the Union County Ad club and arrangements have been made to have the Ad club, Boy Scouts, the Sportsmen's association, the county agent's office and numerous other organizations represented in person at this meeting. As the result of previous joint efforts along this project, the government has spent \$3500 this summer but finds this was an insufficient amount.

HEAD-ON COLLISION KILLS 5 TRAINMEN

(By Associated Press)

SPOKANE, Sept. 8.—As result of a head-on collision between Northern Pacific passenger train No. 41 and a work train last night, eight men were killed and Edward N. Hodges, fireman of the passenger train, was seriously injured. The work train was carrying a load of lumber and was being pushed by a locomotive. The passenger train was carrying a load of passengers and was being pulled by a locomotive. The collision occurred in a tunnel near the town of La Grande.

LOCAL GIRL IS HONORED

Miss Adeline Serogin, daughter of T. J. Serogin, cashier of the U. S. National bank of La Grande, has been chosen as one of the maid of honor at the wedding of Queen Thelma Thompson at the Pendleton Round-Up. Miss Serogin is a popular member of the younger set and competed in the Union Live Stock show two years ago where she won first honors on "Honey Boy," owned by Herman Siegert. She is a student in the University of Oregon.

Other attendants for the queen will be: Jean Skene of Portland; Jesse Drumheller, of Walla Walla, and Helen Thompson of Pendleton.

City Editor Salem Journal is Spending Today in La Grande

Harry N. Crain, city editor of the Salem Journal, is spending today in La Grande. He arrived this morning and is enjoying the sunshine. Mr. Crain was born in Egan, yes, several years ago and then resided in La Grande during the time his father was in business here. Of late years he has been located in Wallamette valley and is editor of the Journal, one of the leading newspapers of the state.

When asked if he liked to get back to eastern Oregon Harry said: "Say, now you are on a tender subject. Opie Read is one of his novels once said anyone who drank the waters at Canby Forks was always sure to return, and with respect to Opie I can say anyone who has enjoyed an autumn in eastern Oregon, and known the Elgin people too, is doubly sure at some time to return to this great country."

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HEALING IS BROUGHT TO CONVENTION

(By Associated Press)

PORTLAND, Sept. 8.—The matter of divine healing was brought before the convention of Episcopal bishops today by Rev. J. Wilbur Graham of San Francisco who presented the resolution on behalf of the Synod of Pacific and the resolution was referred to the committee without debate.

Outline of the work of the Episcopal church for the next three years call for an expenditure of \$21,000,000.

CROPS NOT SO LARGE (By Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, Sept. 8.—A reduction of 142,000,000 bushels during the last month in this year's crop is shown by today's forecast issued by the department of agriculture.

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ALL HOPE FOR MINERS GONE

JACKSON, Calif., Sept. 8.—Hope for the entombed forty-seven miners seems to have died completely. The people of Jackson, with calm resignation now await removal of the bodies of the men.

TURKS SEEM TO BE GAINING

ATHENS, Sept. 8.—Evacuation of Asia Minor by the Greeks as a result of a successful offensive by the Turks is accepted here as a foregone conclusion. The Greek cabinet has resigned and rumors that King Constantine intends to abdicate are current. Several European capitals view the sudden recall to Athens of the Greek king, Prince George, as very significant.

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KNOWLES SEES BALLOTS GONE ORDERS JURY

Portland's Recount Disclosing Some Strange Things Under Our Supposedly Perfect Election System.

(By Associated Press)

PORTLAND, Sept. 8.—With the possibility of the missing republican ballots cast in precinct No. 197 at the recent primary being found in some other ballot box, Circuit Judge Knowles of La Grande who is trying the Multnomah county recount case, today ordered a complete search of all boxes not yet opened.

The Coffey-Kirkwood recount case is the case in question and upon which the recount is based. If none of the boxes are found to contain the seals of No. 197, all boxes are later to be opened in an effort to find the missing ballots.

That Portland people may be guilty of gross tampering with the ballot is believed possible since the last developments in the recount case have shown up. The Portland Telegram last night tells the story as follows:

Four empty or partly empty ballot boxes brought certainty of another election grand jury investigation today.

When the boxes of precinct 197 were opened in Circuit Judge Knowles' court for the Coffey-Kirkwood recount, republican ballots were missing from all of them.

District Attorney Stanley Myers announced at once that the grand jury would investigate.

What effect the disclosure will have on the election and on the recount is still speculative.

Judge Knowles immediately ordered all members of the night election board subpoenaed.

Only one of the ballot boxes had been sealed, but its seal had been broken. It contained nothing except the recall ballots.

A second box had only an unopened tally sheet in it.

The third box contained democratic ballots, but nothing else.

The fourth box was empty.

County Clerk Beveridge declared to Judge Knowles that the boxes had been in a room where people were always on duty, but J. P. Kavanaugh, attorney for Coffey, insisted that he had been informed that during one-half hour of the twenty-four, they were left unguarded.

According to Beveridge the boxes were in a room where men were working throughout the day, that the doors were sealed at night and the room placed under custody of the sheriff.

Walter Bowman, deputy county clerk, told the court that a search for the ballots had been under way since yesterday.

The only explanation of a method by which the ballots might have disappeared purely by mistake, he said, was that the papers had been replaced in the wrong box.

County Clerk Beveridge said that there is a possibility that the ballots may be found in another box.

Whenever the official statement is missing, it is in the province of the clerk in order the boxes opened and the statement sought for.

It is possible that this set of boxes may have been opened to find the statement and that the ballots were