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NEW RAILROAD GROUPING

TWO LARGE RAILROADS ARE AFFECTED

Commerce Commission Takes Up Grouping Of Railroads

CONGRESS INSTRUCTS COMMISSION TO ACT

Plan is To Unite Railroads In the Northwest Into Two Regional Lines; Part of National System.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Nov. 17.—Whether the transcontinental railroads in the northwest should be consolidated into two regional systems, one built around the Great Northern and the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul, and the other around the Northern Pacific and the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy, was taken up today before the interstate commerce commission.

Commissioner Hall opened the session by explaining that the commission was proceeding under the instruction of Congress to prepare a consolidation plan combining all major railroads into eighteen or twenty regional systems.

PRELIMINARY TO SUBSIDY FIGHT

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Nov. 17.—Agreement was reached today by the leaders of the House of Representatives to take up the Ship Subsidy bill next Thursday under the rule providing for three days general debate and unlimited opportunity for amendments with final vote to be taken on November 29th.

Vienna Seeks Return of Napoleonic Mementoes

VIENNA, Oct. 26.—In 1914 the municipality of Vienna sent to the Lyons fair a priceless exhibit of relics of the Franco-Prussian period of Napoleon's time. They included many mementoes of the French Emperor and of Mary Louise, and other articles of great historic interest.

The war came, and the collection is still in France. This week the Mayor of Vienna petitioned the French Minister to restore it to the city. It is understood that these articles are now in the hands of the French liquidator of alien enemy properties.

CIVILIANS EXECUTED

DUBLIN, Nov. 17.—Four civilians were executed here today following the trial for unlawful possession of revolvers.

Pierce and Crawford Will Speak at Luncheon

Walter M. Pierce, governor-elect, and Judge Thomas H. Crawford, Mr. Pierce's campaign manager, will both deliver addresses Tuesday noon at the noon-day luncheon of the Union County Ad Club to be held in the South Methodist church at 12:00 o'clock sharp. Mr. Pierce and Judge Crawford have both quite a reputation as speakers of ability and although their topics have not been announced as yet, they will be sure to furnish talks that will be meritorious.

The dinner will be a "love-fest" for Governor-elect Pierce and the members of the Ad Club will take this opportunity of wishing him all the success possible when he takes over the reins of the state government.

EXTRA

(By Associated Press.)
LONDON, Nov. 17.—Hussien Hilmi Bey, present Turkish socialist party leader, is reported to have been assassinated at Constantinople today.

SIBERIA REPUBLIC FALLS

CHITA, Siberia, Nov. 17.—The government of Far Eastern Siberia was abolished today and the assembly voted to unite with the Moscow Soviet government of Russia.

ELKS TO HAVE BIG INITIATION

La Grande Lodge Leaves Tomorrow Morning for Wallowa Lake to Aid in Initiatory Exercises.

The officers and members of the La Grande Lodge of the B. P. O. E. No. 423, will leave tomorrow morning for the head of the Wallowa Lake, where the Branch Line Clubhouse is situated to take part in the initiation of about 50 baby Elks. As many as can are planning on making the trip and it is evident that quite a number will go. Providing the weather clears up the trip will be made in cars, but if not, the Elks will journey to Joseph on the branch line train.

The new clubhouse, an ideal site for the initiatory exercises, will find Elks from all over Union and Wallowa counties attending the initiation of the baby Elks into the mysteries and wonders of Elkdom. A royal reception is being prepared for the incoming guests and the local Elks are looking forward to a day of days.

BULLETINS

REJECTS SCHOOL BONDS
(By Associated Press.)
PORTLAND, Nov. 17.—Local bond dealers today offered three million dollars in school bonds, legality of which was questioned by a Chicago attorney on account of the use of the words "various polling places" instead of "regular" in the election call. The school board rejected the offer because it would yield \$150,000 less than the original bid.

PLEAS FOR IMPROVEMENT
(By Associated Press.)
PENDLETON, Nov. 17.—J. N. Teal, of Portland, pleaded for the improvement of the Columbia and Snake rivers in addressing the Open River Conference today.

WHEAT MARKET
(By Associated Press.)
PORTLAND, Nov. 17.—Wheat is quoted today at \$1.16 to \$1.49.

SULTAN FLEES FROM TRIAL

PARIS, Nov. 17.—The Sultan's flight from Constantinople was after he had received information that the Angora assembly had just voted to try him and his ministers for treason according to dispatches received here.

LIVESTOCK MARKETS

PORTLAND, Nov. 17.—Cattle were steady; hogs 15 cents lower on top end, others steady, prime lights at \$9.25 to \$9.50; sheep, eggs and butter steady.

Fine Dinner

With the ladies of the South Methodist church serving the dinner, the Ad Club is looking forward to a royal feast, as the ladies have a name as being culinary artists of the first water.

Those who are planning on attending, and the Ad Club urges every member to be present, are asked to notify Ad Club headquarters before Monday evening, calling Main 769. All members who have cars and are driving to the luncheon are asked to stop at the United States National bank corner and pick up members who have no cars. This dinner will be of much importance and a full attendance is desired.

Eberhard to Preside.
Senator Colonel H. Eberhard will preside as chairman of the dinner.

PREMIER LAW NOW IN POWER

Holds Complete Control of British Government—Lloyd George Is a Thing of the Past.

(By Associated Press.)
LONDON, Nov. 17.—The long-drawn-out fight between former Premier Lloyd George and Sir George Younger has, for the time, ended with victory for the chairman of the Unionist party. Younger and his adherents staked their political fortunes at the famous Carlton club meeting which smashed the coalition and sent Lloyd George into the wilderness, on the conviction that the country was ripe for a return to straight party politics and in the firm belief that the nation would support their conviction by sending the Conservatives to the house of commons with a good working majority.

Their confidence has been amply justified. Wednesday's elections have returned a parliament with almost the same overwhelming predominance of Conservatives as the last parliament, elected in 1918, on a wave of grateful enthusiasm to Lloyd George as "winner of the war."

Law Has Big Majority.
In the new parliament Premier Bonar Law will command a majority over all parties combined of approximately 80.

While this cannot be properly described as a landslide, as the Conservatives, who at the time of the dissolution of parliament numbered about 330, it amounts almost to the same thing, considering the high hopes held by the Labor and Liberal parties of the return of the country to progressive views.

It means a parliament with few changes, except that Mr. Bonar Law replaces Mr. Lloyd George as premier and that the former premier's following of National Liberals, reduced by the elections to fewer than 50, presumably henceforth will be in opposition instead of working in co-operation with the Conservatives.

Lloyd George on Shelf.
The downfall of Lloyd George is the outstanding feature of the elections.

JAPAN EXPORTS LUMBER
(By Associated Press.)
OSAKA, Japan, Oct. 20. (By Mail.)—While Japan is importing lumber from the Pacific states and Canada, it is exporting oak and other hard timber to China, Australia and New Zealand. Contracts, the first of the kind, have been concluded with Japanese steamship companies for the shipment of 300,000 feet of such timber to the two British Dominions.

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COMING EVENTS CAST THEIR SHADOWS BEFORE



MR. GRANDY IS CLAIMED BY DEATH

Death Comes at Termination of Illness Lasting Number of Years

FUNERAL TO BE ON SUNDAY AFTERNOON

Deceased Was One of City's Most Prominent Citizens; Was Born and Raised in La Grande.

Coming as a severe shock to his countless friends was the news of the death of William Dill Grandy who passed away at his home yesterday afternoon about 4:30 o'clock at the close of an illness of many years. Stricken by a paralytic stroke shortly before his demise, Mr. Grandy never regained consciousness.

The funeral services will be held Sunday afternoon at the M. B. church at two o'clock with officers of the La Grande Lodge of the B. P. O. E. and some of the La Grande ministers conducting the service. The funeral will be under the auspices of the Elk lodge.

William Dill Grandy, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Grandy, pioneer residents of Oregon, was born near La Grande where Oro Dell formerly stood on August 26, 1862, and passed away at his home in La Grande November 16, 1922, at the age of 60.

The old homestead, prompted by his father the year following Mr. Grandy's birth, is now part of La Grande, being known as Grandy's Addition, and the old home located at the corner of Fourth and Adams, in which he spent his youth and young manhood, has long been a familiar landmark in the city.

At the age of 22 years he was married to Miss Lillie Rice and a son, Roy, survives this union, his mother having passed on nine years ago. In 1917 Mr. Grandy married Ethel Rhodes who with three children, Ben Rhodes, Gloria Grace and Ethel May, survive.

Other surviving relatives are his mother, Mrs. L. P. Grandy, and Mrs. W. E. Osterling and Mrs. C. S. Williams. Ben M. Grandy, of Granger, Mrs. J. S. Mills of Edmond.

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People in Valley are Indignant Over City's Failure to Fix Road

(Special to the Observer.)
ISLAND CITY, Ore., Nov. 17.—Widespread disgust at the conditions of the streets of La Grande which have to be used by the people of Grande Ronde valley who wish to trade in that city is expressed in strong language by the people as they go through Island City.

The spot that is under direct condemnation is the stretch of road from Adams avenue in La Grande to the pavement on the highway on the La Grande-Island City road. For months there has been a clamor, but repeated reports that the city would soon get to the work of fixing the road quieted people to some extent. Then the steps taken toward paving made the raucous believe that soon the road would be improved. But winter is upon the valley and the road is in worse shape every day, so that there promises to be some urgent requests made of La Grande business to see if the city administration will not direct its manager to at least place some gravel on the rough road so that travel can be continued without serious injury being done to machines and without considerable discomfort to those who are forced to travel the road.

NEW WITNESSES IN JERSEY CASE

(By Associated Press.)
NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., Nov. 17.—Original letters said to have been written by the Rev. Edward Hall to Mrs. Eleanor Mills, who was killed on September 14, are to be turned over to the authorities Friday by Miss Florence North, attorney for Charlotte Mills, daughter of the slain woman. It was announced Thursday night by Special Detective Mason.

James Mills, widower of the slain woman, Thursday received \$500 of the \$1000 which Miss North is said to have obtained through the sale of the publication rights of the letters. Detective Mason also announced that the prosecution would present to the grand jury testimony of two more witnesses whose stories never have been made public. The stories of these witnesses he said, were considered "trump cards" in the case, which would almost surely result in the returning of indictments.

The story of Mrs. Jane Gibson, the state's alleged eyewitness of the two killings, has been checked up in every way, Mason said, and all attempts to find flaws in it have failed. Her story was strengthened further Thursday by the announcement of the authorities that they had found the driver of the ramshackle wagon which Mrs. Gibson said she followed to the scene of the murders when she was searching for corn thieves.

THE WEATHER
(By Associated Press.)
PORTLAND, Nov. 17.—Tonight and Saturday will find rainy weather with southerly gales.

(By Associated Press.)
CHICAGO, Nov. 17.—Amalgamation of the United Association of Railway Employees of North America and the American Federation of Railroad Workers, with a combined membership of 129,000, was announced today at the conclusion of a two weeks' conference of the executive boards.

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EGYPTIAN EGGS LAYEN

(By Associated Press.)
ALEXANDRIA, Egypt, Oct. 16. (By Mail.)—During the first six months of 1922 Egypt sent 200,000,000 eggs to England.

Two Robbers Hold up Man and Take \$65; Escaped

Highway robbery is not a thing of the past as was proved last evening when two men, names and description unknown, bodily removed William Cartman from his car at Gokeley's lane and took money amounting to a total of \$65 from his person.

Mr. Cartman was driving to La Grande about seven o'clock from the region near Cove and upon entering Gokeley's lane saw a car stalled, apparently, and two men outside. They flashed their flashlight on the car and Mr. Cartman stopped thinking that they needed aid.

SULTAN FLEES TO MALTA ON BRITISH SHIP

Refuses to Say He is Abdicating But Admits He Is Running from Danger

RULER IS MUCH EXCITED ON TRIP

Turkish Nationalists Dealt Him Body Blow When They Deprived Him of Civil Authority.

(By Associated Press.)
CONSTANTINOPLE, Nov. 17.—Mohammed Sixth, Turkish Sultan, fled from Constantinople on a British warship bound for Malta. Upon embarking the Sultan emphasized that he was not abdicating but merely removing himself from immediate danger.

The Sultan has been greatly excited over his status since the Turkish Nationalist assembly voted to deprive him of civil authority, and declaring Caliph Religious head of Islam, would hereafter be selected from the Imperial house by the vote of the grand national assembly.

BIG CROWD IS GOING TO GAME

Union-La Grande Contests Tomorrow Afternoon Attracting Much Interest; Outcome in Doubt.

When the Union and La Grande teams line up for the kickoff tomorrow afternoon at Union, the Blue and White colors will be just as much in evidence as the Maroon and White according to the high school students. Thirty-five members of the squad will make the trip and at least sixty or more students will make the trip. Sixty is a conservative estimate as nearly everyone in high school and many outside are planning on going and when the whistle blows in Union at 1:30 o'clock many more than that are expected to be lined along the side lines.

Considerable interest is manifested in the game as the first team weakened by injuries the outcome of the contest is in doubt. On one La Grande should win the game but Union never does so just right and injuries upset many a good do-er's calculations also.

FORMER AMBASSADOR DEAD

(By Associated Press.)
ELYRIA, Ohio, Nov. 17.—William Graves Sharp, former ambassador to France, died at his home here today.