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AMERICANIZE U.P. SYSTEM IS THE AIM

Speakers at Ad Club Luncheon from O-W. Official Ranks Review Strike

FOREIGNERS ARE RED CARD MEN IS CLAIM

J. G. Whetsler, Chairman Employees Association of O-W, Asks City to Look After the Social Side of Workmen.

"We are going to Americanize the Union Pacific System," said J. G. Whetsler, chairman of the Employees Association of the O-W, at the luncheon in the Y. M. C. A., and then he proceeded to tell how Mr. Calvin, the head of the Union Pacific System, had at a recent meeting in Salt Lake City given out the information that, large railroads had in years gone by employed foreign labor on the roads, which they have found most expensive. "Now we find that in that foreign labor came the seed of revolution, and of Bolshevism," continued Mr. Whetsler. Referring Mr. Calvin's Salt Lake statement, he said the movement is on now to make the Union Pacific railroad one hundred per cent. American, that all foreigners employed would be asked to be educated in the principles of Americanism, and failing to become active Americans in two years' time, would not be desirable employees.

From this phase of future railroadizing, the speaker drifted back to local conditions in La Grande. He stated with considerable firmness that the strikers' work was ended when it was called so far as the O-W was concerned. He further said that none of the old employees who have not returned to work up to the present time cannot now do so for the gates are closed. In support of this statement he read a communication signed by President Calvin of the Union Pacific and General Manager O'Brien of the O-W, to the effect that the strike is ended, and all attachments to the contrary should be disregarded by new employees. It is the same document that appeared several days ago in the La Grande Evening Observer under the heading, "O'Brien Claims Strike is Over."

City Asked to Help.
The speaker asked La Grande as a city to see that present employees are given fair treatment in the community. He cited instances of children being called names when at school and said some of the wives of late comers had at times been insulted because of the strike. In answer to the school situation, Superintendent A. C. Hampton took the floor, explaining that there had been two instances of the kind named by the O-W speaker, but that the practice had been stopped and would not be tolerated. "Every pupil in that school is on an equal basis of percentage and employment of parents shall not enter into the schools of La Grande," was the statement of Mr. Hampton.

Barber Steps Mentioned.
Mr. Whetsler said new employees of the O-W, who had taken the place of strikers could not get barber work done in the city, for none of the barbers would permit it, and he asked that steps be taken to alleviate that condition or else the company would be forced to establish a Union Pacific barber shop in the city.

Community Hall Wanted.
"We want a community hall in La Grande," he said, "for we want a closer relationship between the citizens, business men and railroad people. To this end I am authorized to negotiate for the rental of such a hall wherein a club can be formed—a club which can enjoy the membership of railroad employees and business men of this city. Later on I have no other idea than a building of suitable proportions will be erected for that purpose."

W. J. Taylor, vice president of the Employees Association for the entire Union Pacific system, was present and delivered a short talk on the methods of the organization that has been formed among the employees since the equipment strike was called in July. An expert lecturer on salesmanship, by the name of George Weesie, spoke at length on his salesmanship theme. City Manager Kratz, amid cheers, announced that work had begun repairing the connecting street from Adams avenue to the Island City road.

CONVICTED ON TWO CHARGES

PORTLAND, Nov. 28.—Dave Lightner was convicted today on two of three charges of the violation of the narcotic law. Two charges are still pending and the second trial will be held on December 15.

MANY TEAMS CLAIM 1922 GRID HONORS

Post-Season Game Will Probably Result; La Grande May Play Athena; Milton Wants Game.

Who will play La Grande for the football championship of Eastern Oregon? That is a question that is receiving much attention at present and although Athena seems to be the logical opponent, several other schools want to face the Blue and White for the pennant. Athena, with only one loss, and with a win over Hermiston and Pendleton and several smaller schools appears to be the logical contender for the pennant from Umatilla county. Baker and Wallawa county have none. And La Grande, in Union County, should be the school to play Athena for the supremacy of 1922.

But some think different. Elgin advances a claim, giving as her reason that she has only lost to La Grande and that when in a demoralized state. Her team has improved wonderfully since La Grande played her, but on the other hand the Blue and White has advanced even more. In comparative scores, here's the dope between the two schools: La Grande 23, Elgin 0; La Grande 52, Union 6; Elgin 30, Union 12; La Grande 72, Wallawa 0; Elgin 14, Wallawa 6; La Grande 58, Imbler 0; Elgin 04, Imbler 0. In all but the Imbler game La Grande clearly showed her superiority over Elgin as a scoring and defensive machine, and in the Imbler game, La Grande's first contest of the season, the team had not been developed into the smooth aggregation that it is today. So when it comes to this end of the section designated as Eastern Oregon, La Grande clearly has the first call and Elgin the second. La Grande is at least undisputed champion of Union county, which is something.

Milton Wants Game.
Pendleton high school, who were the only bunch to score a victory over the locals, and that against a demoralized team and on the Buckhorn grounds early in the season, claims the championship and wants a game, if their press notices mean anything. But Pendleton has lost two games to association teams and clearly has no right to play for the championship. Still, La Grande would not be averse to playing Pendleton if Athena is not selected as their opponent. Since the Pendleton contest the La Grangers have improved nearly 100 per cent.

And yesterday came a letter from Milton-Freewater asking for a post season game with La Grande for the championship. Milton-Freewater won two games, one from Athena and one from Hermiston. Pendleton states that Milton-Freewater forfeited their game to the Bucks, but Milton-Freewater claims that the trouble was due to an attempt to rearrange the schedule and that the game should not be held against them. But unless they play Pendleton, who are without a doubt, a strong team, they should not have the choice over Athena. And so it rests.

Enterprise Game Last.
The La Grande team will journey to Enterprise Thanksgiving day where they will play their last regular scheduled game of the season. Aminemo, Enterprise's coach, was in La Grande when the Blue and White handed Wallawa such a drubbing and he shook his head sadly. "Ten men went out of school last year, all members of the football squad, and added to this, seven of my men have been injured in the past two games, and I hate to think what will happen Thanksgiving." Maybe they will be weakened, but Amy always manages to turn out a team that is capable of handling a few upsets and whether he resembles Dobie with his famous bear stories or not is conjecture. The last time Enterprise played they were weakened—against Elgin, and lost 55 to 0. But that time was two weeks ago and maybe some of them are back on the squad. If La Grande wins no team will have a better claim for the championship and if she loses it looks like Elgin versus Athena.

ROADS SHOULD BE IN UNISON

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28.—Transportation conditions on the Pacific coast and competitive arrangements of the rail and water service makes it necessary in the public interest that the Southern Pacific and Central Pacific continue in unified operation. H. E. Barnes, chief engineer of the California railroad commission, testified today before the interstate commerce commission.

CUMMINS NOT TO PRESENT AMENDMENT

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28.—Chairman Cummins, of the senate interstate commerce committee, said today that he would not introduce the proposed bill for the amendment of the Esch-Cummins Transportation act until the next congress.

THANKSGIVING DAY SERVICES

Union County Ministerial Association Will Observe Day of Thanks.

The City Ministerial Association in regular weekly session on Monday morning made final arrangements for a union Thanksgiving Day service. The service will be held in the Baptist church with the Rev. Ira J. Aldrich, district superintendent of the Methodist Episcopal church, bringing the message. The service will commence at 10:30 and will be over in time for the noon hour meal. All of the local churches will unite in this service and the various ministers will also take part in the program of the day.

The offering will be given to the local Red Cross chapter for work here. At the same meeting resolutions were passed regarding the transfer of the Rev. J. W. Gunn from this city to Nampa, Idaho, and the association went on record in appreciation of the Christian character and ministry of Mr. Gunn while in charge of St. Peter's parish for the past two years.

Arrangements were completed for the next meeting of the Union County Ministerial Association to be held in La Grande the second Monday in January.

MR. GORE DIES IN PORTLAND

Henry Gore and wife leave this evening for Portland to attend the funeral of their father, C. H. Gore, who died in that city this morning. Mr. Gore was a resident of La Grande for many years and was a highly respected citizen. He was a soldier of the Civil war and was active in Grand Army circles.

The funeral arrangements have not yet been made but he will be buried in Portland.

GIVES PLAN FOR FRENCH REPARATIONS

Measure Submitted to Full Cabinet Today; Plans Are Complete

CABINET REFUSED TO DISCUSS ACTION

Plan is Believed to Be Approved as Presented; Seizure of the State Coal Mines Mentioned.

PARIS, Nov. 28.—A plan for direct action by France to "pay herself" as a solution for the reparations question was submitted today to the full cabinet.

The plan provides for the seizure of state coal mines and the collection of export taxes in the Ruhr district, together with absolute control of that section of Rhineland now occupied by the French military forces.

The cabinet refused to discuss the action taken but it was generally believed that the plan was approved as drawn up yesterday by President Millerand, Premier Poincaré, Marshall Foch and ministers of finance, war and liberated regions.

BULLETINS

WHEAT QUOTATIONS

(By Associated Press.)
FURTHER, Nov. 28.—Hard white, Bluestem, Baart unquipped, other grades of wheat \$1.13 to \$1.24.

EIGHT-HOUR DAY ESTABLISHED

(By Associated Press.)
KLAMATH FALLS, Nov. 28.—Mill owners announced that an eight hour day would be established on December 15. This ends the controversy which caused the strike last spring.

WEATHER BREAK

(By Associated Press.)
HOOD RIVER, Nov. 28.—A freak of the weather caused timber at an elevation of one thousand feet to be coated with ice from a silver thaw which the lower grounds escaped. The sight of the ice forest was magnificent.

LUMBERMAN DIES

(By Associated Press.)
TACOMA, Nov. 28.—Charles H. Jones, 77, prominent lumberman, who helped to organize St. Paul and Tacoma Lumber company here in 1884, died today.

OASIS OR MIRAGE



OREGON MAN KILLS SELF SAY POLICE

Police Believe That all Indications That Two Were in Room Was Attempt to Cause Mystery.

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 28.—The police today announced that Vaden E. Boge, a Hillsboro, Oregon, youth, who died of poisoning in a hotel here yesterday, had himself purchased the drug in a local store, had signed a record and that they believe him a suicide. The investigation will be continued until the motive for his actions is determined.

The police are convinced that there was no woman in the room with Boge and that a luncheon for two partially consumed on his table was an attempt by Boge to give his death an element of mystery. Boge registered for himself "and wife," but no woman was seen with him or in his room.

The police said he had written a poem on death and had evidently been despondent.

SUNSHINE IS CROWDED OUT

Winter Arrives Early This Morning as Harbinger to Thanksgiving Day.

Old Man Winter roughly shoved aside the Indian summer that Union county people have been enjoying for the past few weeks and opening the gate, strode in this morning, accompanied by scurrying, flying snowflakes. When the citizens of La Grande went to bed last evening the sky was clear and the stars twinkled, but when they woke up this morning the sky was not clear and the eyes of the coal dealers and snow shovelers twinkled.

The snowfall, which started a short time after midnight, lasted for about six hours, but was not heavy, only about three quarters of an inch falling, and the greater share melted away within a short time after daylight set in. The thermometer hovered about a few degrees above freezing point this morning and showed no tendency to go any lower.

MARKET QUOTATIONS

(By Associated Press.)
PORTLAND, Nov. 28.—Cattle is twenty-five cents lower, choice steers at \$6.75 to \$7.25; hogs, sheep and eggs are steady; butter is firm.

THE WEATHER

PORTLAND, Nov. 28.—Tonight and Wednesday rain in the west, snow in the eastern portion.

WINDING UP ROAD WORK IN COUNTY

Many Projects are Complete and Work is Now Being Pushed Rapidly in All Sections.

A general winding up of the road program in Union county for 1922 is now taking place, with work being completed in several sections and other projects being rushed as rapidly as possible.

The market road work on the Union-Medical Springs road is now being completed as is the graveling on the market road between Cove and Union. This latter graveling is expected to be finished before the week ends.

Cove-Island City Road.
The grading on the Cove-Island City road is progressing at a fine rate and that grading, taking in the low grounds and parts that have to be done by teamwork, will be completed this week, which finishes the year's program on that section.

The grading on the Island City-Elgin road and the graveling on the La Grande-Kamela stretch are both finished.

Ruehart Overhead.
Progress on the Ruehart overhead crossing, commonly called the Elgin overhead, is being pushed along as rapidly as conditions will permit and indications are that the project will be completed either in May or June in the following year. Weather conditions have handicapped the workers to some extent.

The graveling job on the Island City-Elgin road, Unit No. 1, contracted by Roscoe Neal, consisting of six and one-half miles out of Island City, is now completed but the graveling contract on Unit No. 2, out of Elgin, handled by the Sloan Construction company, is progressing very slowly and will probably not be completed before July.

The graveling job on the Wallawa hill, also handled by the Sloan Construction company, is expected to be completed this year providing weather conditions are favorable. During the last three weeks the work has been pushed rapidly.

BOY UNHURT IN UNIQUE WRECK

Car Strikes Bicycle and Damages it But Rider is Thrown onto Bumper, Where He Rides Safely.

Luck is with some of us. Imagine getting run down, while riding a bicycle, by a car, of having the bicycle completely ruined, and coming out scot-free. Lady Luck was present without a doubt.

Last evening Max Lindsay was riding a bicycle on Fourth street along with several other lads and J. L. McPherson came up the street in his Franklin. Three of the boys managed to swerve in front of his car, according to reports, and in a frantic effort to raise them, he ran into the Lindsay boy, but did not hit the others. The car struck the bicycle, damaging it badly, and the boy was thrown onto the bumper of the car where he clung until the car came to a stop.

The accident was reported to the police.

MAMMOTH ORDER PLACED

(By Associated Press.)
SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 28.—The Pacific Fruit express today announced that orders had been placed for 5,000 refrigerator cars for delivery early in 1923. The consideration was \$15,000,000.

Big Savings Made In Union County Budget

More evidence of the savings that have been made by the county court in compiling the county budget for the ensuing year may be attained by comparing last year's budget and then comparing it with the one prepared this year. Last year's total estimated expenditures were \$322,314; the total estimated receipts were \$322,924; leaving the total amount to be raised \$299,364. This year the estimated expenditures are \$259,531; the estimated receipts are \$252,940; and the total to be raised is \$260,581. A difference of \$28,983 less to be raised for the expenses of running Union county.

SIX GREEK EX-CABINET MEN KILLED

Convicted of High Treason, Six Prominent Men Are Executed

BRITISH MINISTER MAY BE RECALLED

Admiral Coudas and General Stratigos Also Receive Heavy Sentences; Army Officials Receive Death Notice.

ATHENS, Nov. 28.—Six former cabinet officers and army officials convicted of high treason in connection with Greek military disasters in Asia Minor were reported executed today.

(By Associated Press)

LONDON, Nov. 28.—Former members of the Greek cabinet, condemned to death by a military court following their trial on charges of high treason in connection with Greek reverses in Asia Minor, have been executed, says the exchange telegraph dispatches from Athens.

An announcement was made in official circles that the immediate withdrawal of the British minister at Athens will result from the executions.

(By Associated Press)

ATHENS, Nov. 28.—All but two of the accused former cabinet officers and army officials received death sentences. Life imprisonment and degradations were the sentences imposed upon Admiral Coudas and General Stratigos.

JUNIOR CLASS TO GIVE PLAY

"The Arrival of Kitty" Will Be Presented December 15 and 16; Rehearsals Beginning.

Second on the year's program of dramatic productions given by the La Grande high school, comes the announcement of the presentation of "The Arrival of Kitty," a three act comedy drama, that will be given in the high school auditorium by the Junior class on the evenings of December 15 and 16. It is said that the plot is especially interesting and that the play, as a whole, is one that will be sure to meet with success.

The plot of the play is tinged about a mystery part, about "Kitty" who is the cause of the trouble and diversions that occur in the drama. Of course, the arrival of Kitty, in the climax ends the thing in a pleasing and surprising way.

The entire cast for the play has not been selected and several members of the class are still "trying out" for parts but from the prologue that has already been made, it is indicative of a big reception by the public.

SERVICES OVER LATE H. C. GRADY FRIDAY

The funeral services for the late Harry C. Grady, veteran railroad conductor who died Sunday evening, will be held Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the Bohlenkamp chapel. The services will be under the direction of the Masonic lodge and the remains will be taken to Portland for cremation.