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TRAIN WRECK IS FATAL TO PASSENGERS

Several Persons Killed In
Wreck at Woodside,
Utah Last Night

30 INJURED AND
ONE IS MISSING

List of Dead Includes Two
Women and Infant; Bag-
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(By Associated Press)
SALT LAKE CITY, May 3.—Seven are dead and thirty injured as the result of the Denver and Rio Grande Western wreck at Woodside, Utah. The death list increased this morning when Mrs. Irene Mohr and infant daughter died aboard a special train en route for Salt Lake City. The wrecked train left here yesterday afternoon. The majority of the passengers are from the Pacific coast. Among the injured is Mrs. Hattie Snook of Portland, Oregon. Her skull is fractured.

Four More May Die.
SALT LAKE CITY, May 3.—Four injured, including Mrs. Snook, are not expected to live.

SALT LAKE CITY, May 3.—Four persons were killed and one is missing and 26 were injured in a wreck of the Denver and Rio Grande Western passenger train Number 2, east bound at Woodside, Utah, last night, according to official advices today.

The dead are:
Arthur Hickey, Naval Training Station, Great Lakes, Ill.
Mrs. L. C. White, Soldier Summit, Utah.
Edward Partridge, Provo, Utah.
F. B. Rader, locomotive engineer, Grand Junction, Colo.

The train baggage man is reported missing.

LONDON PAPER HITS DRY RULE

LONDON, May 3.—A high handed piece of arrogance toward foreigners is the way the Star characterizes the decision of the United States supreme court against the transportation of liquor within the three-mile limit by American or foreign vessels. The Star, which is the only London newspaper thus far to make an editorial expression on the matter, says:

"The decision of the United States supreme court Monday that neither American nor foreign ships may carry intoxicating liquors into American territorial waters or American ports is a high-handed piece of arrogance toward foreigners."

"This is now no question between the relative merits of the wet and dry; it is an attempt to apply an American municipal law to foreign ships—which are by international law parts of their national territory—while they are in American waters and ports."

THE MARKET
PORTLAND, May 3.—Cattle were steady; hogs weak; prime lights, \$8.75 to \$9.25; sheep steady. Eggs are weak; undertone, butter firm, but weak undertone.

Real Mother Loses Child; King Solomon Reversed

CHICAGO, May 3.—Little Alice Nuttall, center of a legal battle between her real and her foster mother, Mrs. James Nuttall, was awarded to the latter Wednesday by Judge Joseph B. David.

The decision came after the child had been played on the witness stand to decide between Mrs. Ada Morris, the mother, who found her after 11 years' search, and the couple who had adopted her.

"I prefer to live with Mr. and Mrs. Nuttall," Alice said. "I think I like I love 'mother' and 'daddy.'"

Weather Forecast

Portland May 3.—Fair tonight and Friday. Heavy to killing frost in the east portion in the morning.

Senior Class of Union High School Has Three Married Students

UNION, May 3.—A recent article published in a Portland paper under the date line, Warrenton, Oregon, stated that the high school at that place hosts the only married woman in the state of Oregon in a senior class in high school. Evidently Warrenton has not heard of Union, which goes them two better.

The senior class of the U. H. S. this year has three married women enrolled as regular students. They are, Mrs. Glenn Miller, who is a senior, majoring in teacher's training; Mrs. Vaden, another married lady, is taking the senior course and both she and her daughter, Miss Josephine Blum, are in the teacher's training class. Mrs. Ida Carl is the third married student.

At the beginning of the school year two widowed ladies were enrolled in the high school, but one of them recently dropped out of school.

COMMISSIONERS IN QUIET MEET

I. W. W. May Maintain An
Orderly Headquarters;
Commissioners to Inspect
Local Reservoir.

"We have no objection to the renting of a hall in La Grande to the Industrial Workers of the World wherein they may make their headquarters and where speakers, representatives of their order, may appear for the purpose of making speeches, providing their meetings are conducted in an orderly way in a manner entirely satisfactory to the ideals of America," was the opinion expressed by the city commissioners last evening in their regular Wednesday night executive session to the request, advanced by the strikers, asking for permission to rent a hall for headquarters.

The I. W. W. expect to bring speakers to La Grande, their Eastern Oregon headquarters, to explain the demands of the strikers to the public. These meetings will be of a public nature and will be under police surveillance.

Bids Received.
A bid was received on the proposed improvement work on the local reservoir from a Tacoma firm. Under the bid, the terms and specifications for relining the walls of the reservoir were discussed. The commission waited action upon the bid until next Wednesday, and in the meantime, the commissioners will inspect the reservoir.

Discuss Paving.
The commissioners, although they took no positive action upon the matter, discussed paving the section in front of the courthouse, from Sixth to Fourth street. The block in question has long been an effective hazard to motorists during wet weather, due to deep mud that is then present. If the proposed paving is positively taken up, it would not only result in a decided improvement to the street, but would probably decrease the traffic on Fourth street by forming a loop connecting Fourth and Sixth streets.

City Manager Hayes was ordered to investigate the possibility of supplying water to people on Sixth street from the E. street. An offer was made by the citizens concerned to furnish the labor providing the city would install the pipe lines and make arrangements for supplying water. The city manager's report on the matter will be received next week.

Two bids were received on lots in the city of La Grande, but were laid over for investigation. Several other minor matters, including the passing of the salary list for the month, laying over of the third reading of the sidewalk ordinance pending further investigation, were attended to before adjournment. A full quorum was present.

DR. TIKHON UNFROCKED IN RUSSIA

An All Russian Church Con-
clave Adopts Resolu-
tion Today.

TIKHON WAS FORMER
RUSSIAN PATRIARCH

Action Taken Because Tik-
hon Opposed Soviet Gov-
ernment; Speakers Say
No "Religious Persecu-
tion" in Russia.

(By Associated Press)
MOSCOW, May 3.—An all Russian church convocation today adopted a resolution unfrocking the most Reverend Dr. Tikhon, former patriarch of all Russia.

Tikhon was not present at the church trial, being in prison awaiting trial on the civil charge of opposing the Soviet regime.

Speakers at the convocation praised the Soviet government and asserted there is no persecution of religious thought in Russia.

RUTHENBERG IS FOUND GUILTY

Faces Prison Sentence of 10
Years Or a Fine of \$5,000
Or Both.

(By Associated Press)
ST. JOSEPH, Mich., May 3.—Charles E. Ruthenberg of Cleveland, Wednesday night was found guilty of violation of the Michigan law against criminal syndicalism. Ruthenberg faces a prison sentence of 10 years or a fine of \$5,000, or both. The jury was out four hours and 59 minutes, and took three ballots.

The first two ballots stood 9 to 3 for conviction, three jurors arguing that the state had not conclusively shown Ruthenberg's state of mind on the Communist propaganda and plans at the time he attended the party's convention in this county last August and was arrested.

On the third ballot the three were won over by the majority.

PARK FARMERS FIND A MOONSHINE PLANT

(Special to The Observer)
THE PARK, May 3.—Farmers here have found a large plant where moonshine has been extensively distilled. Well constructed vats, having about 15 gallons of sour mash left in the making were in evidence.

20,000 Railway Workers Get a Wage Increase

(By Associated Press)
CHICAGO, May 3.—Twenty thousand maintenance of way and railroad shop employees of the Santa Fe were granted increases from one to three and one-half cents per hour effective at one o'clock this afternoon. A. F. Stout, vice-president of the union announced today.

PUBLIC LANDS THROWN OPEN

Ex-Service Men May Make
Entries for 91 Days on
Tract in Douglas and Coos
Counties.

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, May 3.—A tract of 220,000 acres of public lands in Coos and Douglas counties, Oregon, was thrown open to entry to former service men today.

Entries will be restricted to 160 acres and after 91 days will be thrown open to the general public.

REVOLVER IS BADGE OF AMERICA, SAYS NEW YORK JUSTICE

(By Associated Press)
NEW YORK, May 3.—Chief City Magistrate McAdoo forewarned the day when the American bride goes to the altar "with the family gun strapped to her waist." If the craze for carrying firearms grows.

In an address before the international police conference, in which he urged a more rigorous control of firearms, he said:

"The revolver is the badge of an American and we are known as a gun-carrying, shooting nation. The ladies of America have taken to the gun in earnest."

ISLAND CITY BOY OFFICE CANDIDATE

(Special to Observer)
EUGENE, May 3.—Paul Sayre of Island City, a Junior student in the school of law at the university will be a candidate for vice-president of the Associated Student Body at student elections, which will be held May 9.

At present Paul is treasurer of the junior class and is president of the University Co-op board of directors. He is a member of To-Ko-La, an honorary society composed of sophomore men. He has been active in the Home-coming committees and is this year handling the finances for the Junior week-end festivities.

WHEAT QUOTATIONS

PORTLAND, May 3.—Hard White \$1.52; Western Red \$1.19.

L. W. PEARE MAY CHEAT GALLOWS

Murderer Slashes Throat;
His Recovery Is Held
Very Unlikely

EXPECTED TO DIE
AT ANY MOMENT

Slayer of Wife and Friend
Is Unconscious; Recently
Convicted and Sentenced
to Die June 2.

MARSHFIELD, May 3.—L. W. Peare, convicted murderer of his wife and James Culver, this afternoon slashed his throat with a safety razor blade and will probably cheat the gallows, states a Portland Oregonian dispatch.

Peare, unconscious from the loss of blood when found by the jailer, only a short time after he had been out of sight of other prisoners.

Doctors who attended him have no hope of his recovering, it was said, and he is expected to die at any moment.

Peare was convicted and on April 20 sentenced to hang at the penitentiary in Salem on June 2.

MUCH INTEREST IN MERRYMAKERS

Final dress rehearsal will be held this evening as the last practice preliminary to the presentation of the Merry-makers, an annual entertainment given to the public by the boys of the L. H. S. It will be staged tomorrow night in the high school auditorium, the doors to open at 7:30 o'clock and the curtain to raise at 8:15 o'clock.

In addition to the regular program, several features, to take place during intermissions, will be presented.

That a large crowd is planning on attending the Merry-makers is evidenced by the fact that about 100 seats were sold from the reserved seat board yesterday afternoon within a few minutes after the sale opened. The sale continues to open every morning and the seats will remain available. The board is at Glass Drugs.

REHEARSAL POSTPONED.

Owing to the Merry-makers rehearsal the Saxophone Orchestra will not meet tonight. Next meeting night will be next Wednesday.

I. W. W. Striker Is Shot Dead in South Aberdeen, Wash., By Watchman

(By Associated Press)
ABERDEEN, Wash., May 3.—William McKay, 40, I. W. W. logger, out on strike, was shot and fatally wounded today by E. I. Green, 67, watchman at Bay City Lumber company's mill in South Aberdeen. McKay died an hour after the shooting.

Green said that fifteen or twenty I. W. W. pickets attempted to rush the mill gates, that Green was knocked down and was being beaten when he fired. The I. W. W. declare the shooting occurred outside of mill property and was unprovoked. The affair created a tension and reprisals are feared.

APPEAL MAY BE FILED IN CASE

Plaintiffs In the Mandamus
Proceedings Are in La
Grande Today; No Au-
thentic Statements Given

A Cove delegation is in La Grande today and although they refuse to give any authentic statements in regard to their plan of action following the decision made by Judge J. W. Kauter, of the circuit court, in favor of the Union county court, composed of County Judge U. G. Couch, of Island City, and Commissioners John Wells, of Alsea, and J. F. Hutchinson, of Union, in the mandamus proceedings brought by Mayor Joe Trippier, of Cove, and others, demanding that the county court construct a paved hard surface highway from Island City to Cove, it is rumored that they will appeal the case to the Oregon supreme court on the grounds that their reply brief was not in the hands of the circuit court in the stipulated time.

It is also rumored that the delegation will argue for a new trial of the proceedings.

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The note asserts that Germany, in accordance with existing treaties, will also make payments in kind which are to be credited to her account. The note expresses the government's conviction that the new proposals represent the utmost limit of Germany's capacity to pay and expresses grave doubt as to whether the offer does not exceed her ability in view of the heavy dislocation and weakening of the reich's economic organization, caused by the Ruhr occupation.

In case the creditor government does not share Germany's belief that no unprejudiced party could arrive at a higher estimate, in view of her general condition, the Berlin government proposes that the whole reparations question be left to the decision of an international commission, free from any political influence, as suggested by Secretary Hughes.

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Payments in kind are to be guaranteed by long-term private contracts, breach or violation of which would make offenders subject to fines.

LEAVES TO ATTEND INSURANCE CAUCUS

La Grande Business Women
To Hold Meeting Tonight

The Business Women's club will hold its regular meeting this evening. At 7:30 a short business session will be held and at 8:00 o'clock, Mrs. J. K. Wright will entertain the club. Her subject is "Modern Art."

Any member of the Neighborhood club who was unable to hear Mrs. Wright last Tuesday is invited to come, as her subject is very interesting and instructive.

Some of the high school girls will dance. Ruth Smith and Inez Hughes will dance the Spanish tango which they gave in the April Antics of the high school.

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Several Matters Acted Upon at Legion Meeting

A formal opening and closing ceremony, with an official initiation exercise thrown in for good measure, marked the meeting of the American Legion Post No. 43 of La Grande last evening. Only one was taken into the folds of the post but the ceremonies above mentioned, which are very imposing and fits the new member for the Legion by giving him a clear idea of the purposes and aims of the Legion, were used for the first time in this district.

The meeting convened at eight o'clock sharp, as did the meeting of the Ladies Auxiliary, held separately. Several matters of business were attended to before nine o'clock, at which time the two organizations joined and observed a social evening featuring dancing and refreshments.

The Legionnaires discussed the observation of Memorial Day, May 30th, in La Grande, and a committee will be appointed to confer with the G. A. R. to ascertain what they are planning on for the Memorial Day celebration. The Legion will support the G. A. R. in their activities.

A challenge was received and accepted from the Imbler post relative to a baseball game to be played between a La Grande and Imbler Legion team. Harry Williams is in charge of the process of forming the team, which will be strictly a legion team from every aspect.

It was also decided to install an electric light above the Legion bulletin board on Adams avenue to make the board more conspicuous at night.

AHA, YOUR UNCLE NOW BEGINS TO SEE THE LIGHT

