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SAYS UNION IS WAR LIKE IN METHODS

United Mine Workers of America Charged With Being Monopolistic.

ULTIMATUM GIVEN MINERS' CONVENTION

Federal Coal Commission States That Public Sentiment Opposed to Suspension of Coal Supply.

WASHINGTON, June 28.—Charges that the United Mine Workers of America is monopolistic and war like and that to aid its ends in unionized territory it carries war into non-union territory, were made today by bituminous operators special committee in a brief submitted to the United States coal commission in behalf of the operators of non-union mines of Utah.

Public Sentiment Adverse.

WASHINGTON, June 28.—Public sentiment "will tolerate no suspension of the anthracite coal supply this year," the federal coal commission today informed a convention of union miners now in session at Scranton considering new wage demands.

Chicago Hit by Walkout.

CHICAGO, June 28.—Several important construction jobs, including the Grant Park stadium, the Wrigley "twain" building and furniture mart are virtually tied up as a result of yesterday's walkouts of laborers incited by what contractors termed radical agitators headed by Martin Egan, Seattle I. W. U. leader, who, they state, is endeavoring to start a city-wide strike of building laborers.

Plan I. W. U. Strike.

PORTLAND, June 28 (AP).—Plans are being perfected by I. W. U. on the coast and in the northwest for another strike within the next few weeks, special attention being paid to harvest fields, was stated here by S. Healy, local spokesman for the timber workers section of the I. W. U. He said the date had not yet been set.

FRIDAY PROGRAM IS INTERESTING

The La Grande Municipal Band, who will furnish music the final day of the Grande Ronde Chautauqua, at Riverside Park tomorrow evening beginning at eight o'clock, spent last evening in rehearsing their numbers and several who had the pleasure of listening to the rehearsal were loud in their praise of the program.

The selection of pieces is beyond any doubt the most difficult that the band has ever evolved to play. The rehearsal last evening gave ample promise of a splendid performance tomorrow evening, of a nature that is sure to please.

- The program is as follows:
1. Caprice Herelene—"Awakening of the Lion"—Kentucky.
 2. Selection—"The Fortune Teller"—Herbert.
 3. Cornet Duet—"U and I Polka"—Short. Messrs Raymond Bigger and Elmer McManus.
 4. Selection—"Chamber of Commerce Quartette."
 5. Fantasia—"Evolution of Dixie"—Lake. Depicting the gradual evolution of "Dixie" slowly through "The Creation," "Dance Aborigine" and "The Minuet," the melody is developed until there emerges the immortal "Dixie." This in turn becomes a "Waltz," then "Ragtime" and at last "Grand Opera."
 6. Tuba Solo—"Beelzebub"—Catozzi, Mr. Oscar Humphries.
 7. (A) Quartette from "Rigoletto"—Verdi.
 - (B) "The Glow Worm"—Locke.
 8. Tenor Solo—"Soleil et Mer," Mr. Stuart Bennett. Accompanied by Mrs. W. W. Berry; Violin—Obligato, Mr. L. J. Lindsay.
 9. Overture—"Stradella"—Flotow.

PIONEERS TO MEET.

All pioneers are urged to meet at the Y. M. C. A. tonight at 7:30 o'clock at the request of Mrs. Pat Powers. Arrangements for the Old Oregon Trail pageant participation will be made.

Weather Forecast

Portland, June 28. Fair tonight and Friday. Warmer Friday in the east portion with northwesterly winds.

President Was A Trail Blazer Wednesday Morn

PAGEANTRY AT CHAUTAUQUA

Pioneer Mock Weeding to Be Added Feature Friday Evening at Riverside Park.

All the dignity and the fashion and the style and the daintiness that went with a fashionable wedding in the early sixties, will be depicted in pageantry at Riverside park Friday evening as a special and added feature of the closing night of chautauqua. Committees previously appointed to arrange the details have worked out a wonderful program, and it is no exaggerated statement to say that over 100 participants will be in the affair.

Taking advantage of the scores of wonderful pioneer gowns being worn by women of La Grande, the committee has invited all such into the wedding. There is room for all to come. The only requisites is that the gowns be dignified and the costumes worn by men be free from ridiculous color or style. Everything will be as truly pioneer and as dainty and attractive as it can be made. Children in pioneer gowns and costumes of whom there are many at the present time, are especially invited to come with their parents and friends.

The plan of the wedding which is to be centered around an adult company, and not children, are such that there is no limit to the number of guests that may appear on the stage.

To begin with the wedding party will arrive on the scene and in full view of the audience, in the stage coach now being groomed for the President Harding party.

A minute, the arrival of guests, the leaving of the presents, the wedding, the congratulations—all with the solemnity of a pioneer wedding among the fashionable—and then the departure of the bride groom; all this will be pictured with a setting which in itself will be especially worked out in an elaborate way. As is so often the case in events hastily conceived and worked out the public is responding with splendid spirit and the event is already much more elaborate and extensive than was at first expected.

Tickets for Pageant Are Now on Sale in La Grande

Toll gate tickets for the Old Oregon Trail pageant at Top O' Blue mountains July 3 and 4, are now on sale in La Grande. They may be obtained at any of the drug stores in this city and are 50 cents for adults and 25 cents for children which permits them to witness the entire program with no extra charges. Free parking and camping grounds are available for the use of all.

The object in putting the tickets on sale now is to do away with many delays that would result provided tickets were all sold at the toll gate. All who intend to see the pageantry are requested to procure tickets before July 3.

PORTLAND SUGAR MARKET DROPS

PORTLAND, June 28.—The sugar market here dropped today but the reduction failed to equal that granted by San Francisco refineries which reduced their price 25 cents per hundred. The local reduction is twenty cents, making the price \$2.95.

'SAX' PLAYERS ALL INVITED

All players of the saxophone, whether you have been enrolled in the Sax band or not, are requested to be at the home of Bruce Dennis, 501 O Avenue, this evening at 8 o'clock for rehearsal. Director Harry Snodgrass has advised that all boys who are home from college for vacation and desire to play the saxophone can enter the band and receive the benefit of the summer's work.

All old "sax" players are requested to join in this evening and help out on a big rehearsal.

The fund is coming along fine and before many weeks it is hoped the soft atmosphere of the Grande Ronde Valley some evening will be penetrated by this band's first night out.

Bohler Accepts New Job.
JACKSON, June 28.—George M. Bohler, for the last three years assistant coach at the University of Oregon, has signed a contract today as head coach of the Mississippi team, according to announcements by President Provine.

\$50,000 For Dempsey Raised.
GREAT FALLS, June 28.—Fifty thousand of Dempsey's \$100,000 final installment for the fight with Gibbons has been assured from one individual at two o'clock. State Senator Spear, fight promoter's attorney, said. The remainder is expected to be raised by midnight.

IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT BID IS ACCEPTED

WARREN CONSTRUCTION COMPANY TO IMPROVE DISTRICT NO. 125

CONSIDERATION IS SET AT \$46,632.72

Oro Dell Question Is Settled by City Commissioners Last Evening; Reservoir Report Made.

The city commission last evening received bids on the improvement of district No. 125 from two concerns, the Warren Construction company and the Security Construction company. The former, who was successful, bid \$46,632.72 and the latter bid \$49,187.43.

The commission also passed an ordinance authorizing the commission to sign a contract with the successful bidder.

The district to be improved is as follows:

Grading the following named streets to the proper subgrade between curb lines and constructing therein hard surface pavement thirty (30) feet in width between curb lines on Spruce street from the north property line of Adams avenue to the north property line of Washington avenue, including all of the street intersection at Adams avenue not now paved; and by constructing hard surface pavement on Tenth street from a point 7 feet south of the north line of M avenue to the south property line of Washington avenue, thirty feet in width between curb lines, including all of the intersection at Tenth street not now paved; and by constructing hard surface pavement on N avenue from the west property line of Tenth street to the east property line of Fourth street, forty feet in width between curb lines, with full street intersections, excepting Sixth street intersection; and by constructing hard

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BISHOP BURNS SPEAKS SUNDAY

Bishop Charles Wesley Burns, one of the most widely known of the Methodist Bishops will speak at four o'clock in the afternoon and again at 7:30 in the evening at the Methodist Camp Ground on Wallowa Lake next Sunday.

The Epworth League Institute, now in session is the largest and best yet held. Dr. W. E. J. Gratz of Chicago arrived Wednesday and gave the inspirational address that evening. Dr. Thompson, W. McKinney of Philadelphia, will speak Thursday and Saturday evenings and Friday night will be a "High Jinks" program given by the Student Body of the Institute.

Dr. C. E. Hickman, president of the Kimball School of Theology, will preach at 11 o'clock Sunday morning and a series of lectures are given from 8:30 a. m. until noon daily. To any and all of these privileges the public is cordially invited.

The following faculty members are camping on the grounds: Dr. Wm. E. Ewing of Boise; Dr. Thompson, W. McKinney, of Philadelphia; Dr. W. E. Gratz of Chicago; Prof. T. E. Isaac of Forest Grove; Rev. Hall K. Wallis of Island City; Rev. Fred L. Post of Cove; Rev. Vernon E. Hall of Payette; and Mrs. N. E. Hersey of Imbler.

Dinner will be prepared by the ladies in charge of the camp Dining Hall, so that a large number may be accommodated on Sunday, July 1st. The roads are fine.

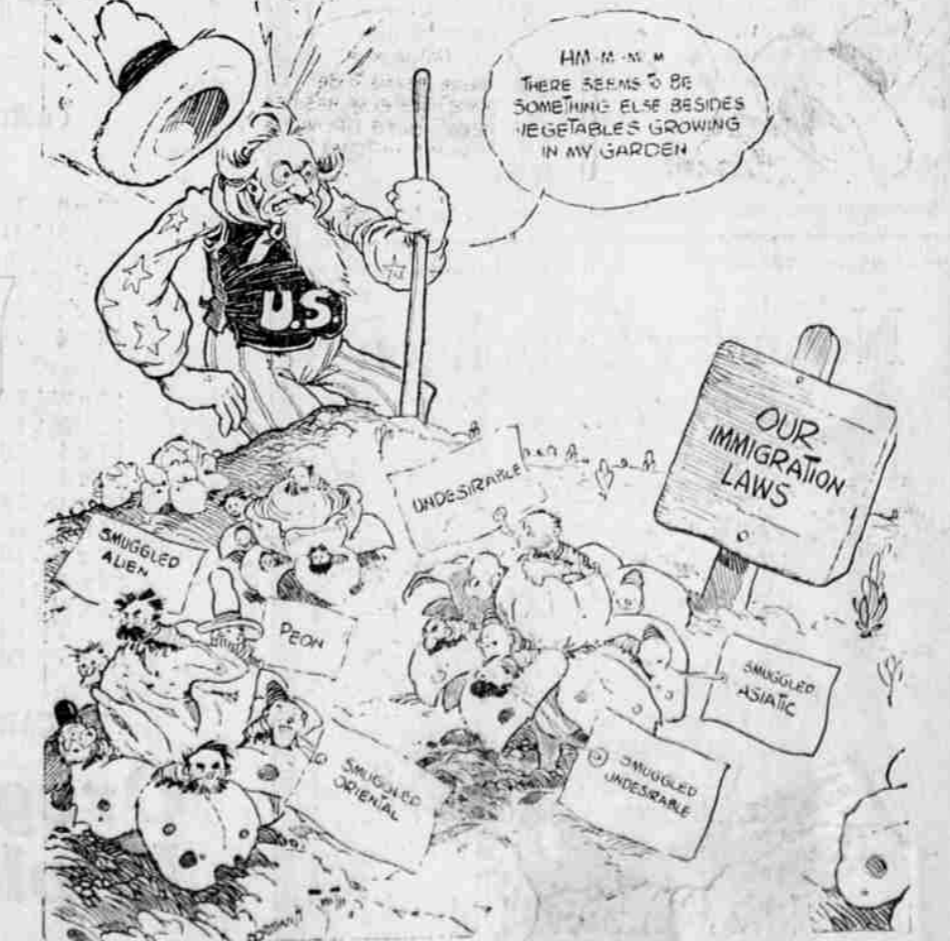
PAGEANT BRINGS MRS. PROEBSTEL

Old and Mrs. E. L. Eckley drove in from their ranch this morning to meet Mrs. L. F. Proebstel, who came up from Long Beach, Calif., to view the Old Oregon Trail pageant and shake hands with the president.

Mrs. Proebstel is a former resident of La Grande and is well known throughout the northwest. She can tell some real Indian stories of the early days, for she was one of the women who helped win the west. She is now 80 years of age.

TIME FOR THE EXTERMINATOR

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EZRA MEEKER'S OX-DRAWN COVERED WAGON

CEREMONIAL IS TONIGHT

Local Dokkies to Assist Baker in Initiation Exercises at Queen City.

BAKER, June 28.—On Thursday evening, June 28, the Knights of Khorassan will hold a ceremonial in Baker, Khaled Temple No. 170 will put on the work and great preparations are being made to give the Tyros a generous supply of Zem Zem. The official word has gone forth that the tiger must be fed.

Main Street Parade.

A banquet will be served in the basement of the Presbyterian church at 6:30 after which a parade will take place on Main street.

Baker no doubt will have one of the largest classes of Tyros ever put through at one time in the history of Khaled Temple. It is said that Tyros from Halfway, Huntington, Robinette, Sumpter and other points in Baker county will be present to get a slice of tiger meat and drink from Zem Zem's well. The La Grande team left La Grande on train No. 24 at 10:20 a. m. Thursday, June 28. The ceremonial will be held in the Pythian hall.

Extend Market News Service

(By Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, June 28.—Agricultural producers, traders and consumers in the Rocky Mountain region and the Pacific coast and southeastern states will be benefited by an extension July 1 of the market news service of the department of agriculture.

When Quotations.

PORTLAND, June 28.—Hard White \$1.10; Western Red \$1.02.

WELCOME IS GIVEN CHIEF BY IDAHOANS

Governor's Party Met President Harding at Cache Junction.

POCATELLO WILL HEAR EXECUTIVE

Sagebrush and Sand Greeted President This Morning on the First Few Miles of Idaho Soil.

Ezra Meeker to Drive Oxen in Trail Pageant

Ezra Meeker, in years gone by, crossed the plains along with other members of that hardy, inspiring band of immigrants who wrested a practically primeval land from the Indians and with the sweat of their brow, tilled the lands, cut the forests and builded towns, until today the northwest is of the same high standard of civilization as is manifested in the great world centers.

Ezra Meeker, who is now 93 years of age, has many times driven an oxen team since that first jaunt across the Great American Desert. And on July 3 and 4, 1923, Ezra Meeker will once more drive a team of oxen—this time before a vast multitude, gathered at Top O' Blue mountains, at the Old Oregon Trail pageant, in commemoration of the crossing of the Blue mountains by the first wagon train 80 years ago and in celebration of the completion of the new Old Oregon Trail over those same mountains.

The life battle of the pioneers in this great country is one of the most gripping, vitally interesting sketches in the history of the world. The hardships, the crude methods, the utilities that the pioneers used many decades ago to develop the northwest will be all lived over again July 3 and 4 before those in attendance, which will include President Warren G. Harding and his party.

The above photograph shows a portion of a pageant held in Baker, Oregon, last year. The driver of that string of oxen is none other than Ezra Meeker, of Seattle, Washington—in action.

Purpose.

To commemorate the coming of the first wagon train to the Oregon country in 1843 and to celebrate the completion of the final link of the Old Oregon Trail highway.

Site.

Top of Blue mountains, Meacham, Oregon. Pageant and program will be staged within a few hundred feet east of the O. W. R. & N. company's station.

Distance.

From Baker, 75 miles by highway.

Road Conditions.

From Baker, excellent to site of celebration. From Pendleton, 83 miles, uncompleted section which highway engineers report will be in good condition by date of pageant.

Admission.

Toll gate admission: adults fifty cents, children twenty-five cents. Auto parking and camping privileges free. No charge other than those mentioned authorized by Old Oregon Trail association under whose auspices the celebration will be held. All visitors are urged to bring their own camping outfits as housing facilities at Top O' Blue mountains is inadequate to care for crowds.

Policing.

Highway to be patrolled by special state traffic officers. Grounds to be patrolled by 100 special police prohibition officers. Justice of the vision of George L. Cleaver, state prohibition officer. Justice of the Peace to preside at grounds. Pull company, Oregon State militia from Hood River to assist in policing parking and camp grounds.

Area of Grounds.

Pageant grounds, 800 acres. Stable grounds for wagon trains and cavalry 35 acres. Indian patch, 350 acres. Camp grounds, sufficient to accommodate at least 1000 auto-

WAGON TRAIN TO MEACHAM

BAKER, June 28.—Covered wagons and other conveyances which will take an important part in the Old Oregon Trail celebration at Top O' Blue mountains, July 3 and 4 are being assembled at Pullman park in preparation for the formation of the train which will leave Baker on next Saturday over the Trail for the site of the celebration.

Ten Wagons Ready.

Joe Axford, trail master, states that about ten covered wagons will be assembled in this city while on the overland trip it is expected that probably twelve more will join at Haines, North Powder, Union and La Grande. He expects to give a journey will consume probably three days.

"Pat" Paulsell, a fiddler of wide reputation has consented to accompany the train to Meacham and the music which he promises to emit will undoubtedly live the evenings wherever the camp is made.

Sam Broiler and party arrived in Baker Monday evening to join the train. His covered wagon, oxen and cows were a feature of the Pageant in this city last year and for this year's affair he has brought several real surprises. Mr. Axford and other members of his committee are now assembling all details of the train in order that everything early Saturday morning at the latest.

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"Bubbles" Enjoyed By Big Crowd at Riverside Park

Last night's program at Chautauqua was thoroughly enjoyed by a very large audience. The play was entitled "Bubbles," and the plot was a take-all scheme in Oklahoma participated in by a banker who entered the get-rich-quick pool by investing in a purely wildcat venture, such as the government has been unsmiling where there was nothing but worthless paper and no physical value. So well did the banker smother himself into the good graces of the German baker and his family by telling them his grandfather was a great friend of the baker's mother in Germany, that earnings only to have a young man whom he very much detests because of his attention to his daughter, says his investment through quick work with the government officials.

In the afternoon the Sprague Play-

ers presented "Rough Diamonds," which, like the evening drama, was appreciated by a fair crowd.

Dani Fung, Chinese lecturer, also appeared on the afternoon program, telling of "The China of Today."

Union was present yesterday in large numbers, having closed down the business section for the afternoon in order to witness the Wednesday program.

The Marine Maids are the attraction at the Grande Ronde Chautauqua today, presenting "A Trip on the Ship of Melody," this afternoon, and this evening, "Sailing the Ocean Blue."

Tomorrow evening will officially close the 1923 Chautauqua, which is steadily completely successful, with the La Grande band in concert with the Union County Chamber of Commerce quartette and Stuart Bennett, soloist, assisting.