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Johnson Is Ahead Now In Senate Race

PRESIDENT ALTERS PLAN OF TRAVEL

Returns South Over Alaska Railroad Instead of Making Auto Trip.

FATIGUE STRIKES MRS. HARDING

Rest Results in Recovery; Slight Illness of First Lady of Nation Cause of Travel Change.

ABOARD, PRESIDENT HARDING'S TRAIN Alaska, July 17.—Rest seemed today to have restored Mrs. Harding from a fatigue which yesterday led the President to turn southward over the Alaska railroad from Fairbanks instead of following the plan cherished by Alaskans to proceed back toward the coast by automobile.

The presidential party expects to board the Henderson at Seward and proceed to Cordova.

Train Kills Brakeman.

EUGENE, Ore., July 17.—William Simmons, 33, brakeman on a logging railroad of the Coast Range Lumber Company at Mabel, was killed Monday morning at 11:30 when he fell between two cars on the train on which he was working and crushed by the wheels of the truck of one car. He died five minutes afterward. Just how Simmons fell is not known, since no one saw the accident. The engineer on the logging train noticed the bumping of the trucks on one car and brought the train to a stop, when Simmons was discovered. His brother, Joseph Simmons, was head brakeman on the same train.

SPIRIT IS RIGHT TO CANCEL DEBT

Binger Says He Believes La Grande Will Make Quick Work of the Needed Amount.

"I believe the spirit of La Grande people is right to clean up the deficit caused by the change of plans by President Harding's agent on the third of July when the admission charge at the Steamship celebration was cancelled in deference to the wishes of Mr. Brown," said Charles Binger, chairman of the finance committee of the Chamber of Commerce today.

Tomorrow morning he will start out with a committee of fourteen members of the Chamber and canvas the situation explaining just what is needed to cancel La Grande's portion of the chairman today it will take but a little while to raise the needed amount, for everyone seems perfectly willing to join in and clean it up.

ANDY BUSHMAN IS GUILTY OF CHARGE

PENDLETON, Ore., July 17.—A verdict of guilty of the charge of attack with a dangerous weapon was returned by a jury in the circuit court here yesterday against Andy Bushman, an Indian, who was alleged to have drawn a rifle on an officer at Rieth several months ago when the officer attempted to arrest him. Sentence will be pronounced on Bushman Thursday.

The convicted man has already served two sentences in penitentiaries, one in Oregon and one in Washington. He had only been at liberty a few days when he got in trouble at Rieth.

Weather Forecast

Portland, July 17.—Unsettled tonight. Local thunderstorms on Wednesday.

Whiskey Is Poured Out

Sheriff Lee Warnick today superintended the pouring into the sewer today, at the court house, of practically sixty gallons of moonshine, several bottles of Scotch whiskey and imitation bonded whiskey, that had been confiscated by the peace enforcement officials during the past year or so.

In addition to pouring out the liquor, seventeen stills, were destroyed. Several were of the milk can variety, some belonged to the "wash boiler" family and one was made of a compression tank with the valve from an auto tire in use as a condenser. One of the stills, composed of copper, was, when operating, capable of turning out 90 gallon moonshine.

CO-OPERATION IS ONLY HOPE

State Market Agent Believes That East Oregon Cattlemen Should Work Together.

"What are the stock men of Union and other eastern Oregon counties going to do to pull themselves out of the tight place they are in, is a question that is often asked of our department," says C. E. Spence, state market agent and former state Grange master in a special dispatch to the Evening Observer.

"It is a hard question to answer," says Mr. Spence. "It is one that many cattlemen of the northwest are worrying over and going broke while they figure."

"Here is a statement in a letter from a cattle raiser in Columbia county, sent to the marketing department: 'About three years ago a bank offered to loan me money to purchase a bunch of purebred shorthorns. Today I can't sell the original stock and increase since then for enough to pay back the loan. And in the past dozen years my taxes have gone up four or five times, and I pay them in products that sell for less than I got in 1913. What remedy is there for these conditions for them?'

Mr. Spence reminds us that Governor Pierce made statements along the same lines in a speech when he stated that it used to take one car of cattle to pay his taxes, while now it takes 12 carloads, as the dollar is only worth 83 cents compared with 1913.

"The wheat raiser, potato grower, fruit men and other farm producers are in about the same tight place as the cattle men," says Mr. Spence. "They have produced wonderful crops but are not likely to get cost of production for them."

"The only remedy in sight seems to be co-operation of producers along the same lines of manufacturing industries—hard and fast combinations with central selling agencies controlling the outputs."

"The organizations are forming in almost every state of the Union. The pinch of necessity will strengthen them. Newspapers all over the country are helping along the work and the farmers are fully realizing that they must combine to cut out middle speculation and waste, or they must quit."

"As the organizations are formed and built up and as they become strong enough to control a majority of their commodity production, in the aggregate they will be a power in this nation, a power that will cut out speculation, eliminate waste and distribution expenses; a power that will force lower state and national expenses and reduce excessive taxation."

Opposes Duty

BELLINGHAM, July 17.—The Fir and Cedar Manufacturers of Northwest Washington adopted a resolution opposing the duty of \$1.00 per thousand on saw logs while lumber, shingles, boxes, pulp and newsprint manufactured therefrom are admitted free.

The Market PORTLAND, July 17.—Cattle barely steady at yesterday's decline, choice steers \$7.50 to \$8.00; hogs and sheep steady. Eggs two cents lower, products 25 to 28 cents. Butter steady.

HAIL AND RAIN INJURED CROPS IN THE VALLEY

Although Greater Share of Grande Ronde Valley Unhurt, Damage Resulted In Some Districts.

From all reports the rain, which yesterday preceded an intense hail storm that struck the Grande Ronde Valley about noon, did more serious damage to crops than did the hail. The greater part of the valley escaped the ferocity of the storm that hit the La Grande, Alice and Imbler districts. The storm apparently crossed over La Grande and then went north. Cove, Union, and Hot Lake districts were practically undamaged and Summerville also was little hurt.

W. R. Leshetter, who was in Imbler yesterday, states that reports came to him that some of the fruit orchards near Alice were damaged 75 per cent. Rain and wind together crushed the grain to the ground and little hope is held that it will arise in time for harvesting.

Other reports from the Imbler district state that the apple and other fruit crops and the fall wheat were damaged. Hail fell there with the same terrific driving forces as in La Grande.

Farmers state that the heavy rains were responsible for most of the damage in the Imbler district.

Wheat Is Damaged.

Near the R. G. Chennault farm the hail did not strike strongly and no damage was reported.

Near the Lou Standley and Peter McDonald farms the hail and rain was more severe; the rain flattening the heavy wheat although the thinner wheat still stands.

On the whole, although an accurate estimate is hard to ascertain, it is believed that the rain did several thousand dollars damage to both wheat and fruit in Grande Ronde Valley. But even so, with the crop far above normal, a big yield will yet be harvested. The grain was more severely hit than the fruit. Injuries to the cherry crop was of small amount.

W. P. BARTMESS IS DEAD IN PORTLAND

W. P. Bartmess is dead in Portland, according to a telegram received by E. R. Ringo, La Grande attorney, and secretary of the Masonic lodge. The news came as a sad shock to many La Grande people who knew Mr. Bartmess and sincerely grieve his passing on.

The deceased was a member of the Bartmess family who made their home in La Grande many years ago. The funeral services will be held in Portland.

Suspected Of Robbing Store

William Kennedy, charged with burglary in a store, was arraigned before the justice of the peace and bound over to await the action of the grand jury. Bonds were set at \$500 which Kennedy could not raise. He is in the custody of the city police department today.

Kennedy is suspected of having burglarized the W. H. Bohnenkamp company Saturday evening; one of the guns said to have been stolen being found in his possession.

He was arrested by the city police.

CARL C. M'GEE IS PARDONED

Editor, Convicted of Criminal Libel and Contempt of Court, Not to Serve Sentences.

SANTA FE, N. M., July 17.—Governor Hinkle Monday afternoon issued pardons to Carl C. Magee, editor of the New Mexico State Tribune, convicted of the charge of criminal libel of Chief Justice Parker of the state supreme court and of the contempt of third judicial district.

Magee was sentenced to the penitentiary for one year to 18 months on the criminal libel charge and 360 days in the San Miguel county jail on the contempt charge.

The governor stated last Saturday he would take no action until Magee had exhausted means of redress in the courts and his action today came as a surprise. In each case Magee was sentenced by Judge D. J. Leahy. A complete pardon was issued in each case by the governor.

The governor, in issuing a pardon on the sentence for alleged libel, declared the indictment on which Magee was tried was obtained "without the knowledge or consent of the party supposed to be libeled," that the trial was held in a district where neither Magee nor Parker lives and that the bringing of Magee to bar seems "to be a conspiracy and more of a persecution than a prosecution."

All Fines Given Back.

In the pardon of the contempt sentence, the governor also remitted the fine and costs of \$7 imposed on Magee on four citations, and also all fines imposed on the Magee Publishing company, aggregating \$4050. In this pardon Governor Hinkle said he was of the opinion that the contempt cases were also a persecution, and that the sentences "are harsh and beyond reason and that this whole procedure is a disgrace and a blot upon the name of New Mexico and the good people thereof."

WOOD ACCEPTS RESIGNATION OF FILIPINOS

Climax in Political War In Philippines Comes Today; Wholesale Resignations Occur.

(By Associated Press)

MANILA, July 17.—The climax in the political war between Governor General Wood and Filipino officials came today when the cabinet and council of state tendered their resignations in body. Wood accepted them.

Earlier in the day Ray Conley, United States Secret Service, over whose reinstatement the trouble started, resigned.

Conley was originally charged with bribery. An investigation followed, Conley was cleared of the charges and Governor General Wood reinstated him.

WILLIAM McADOO ON WITNESS STAND

WASHINGTON, July 17.—William G. McAdoo, secretary of the treasury of President Wilson's cabinet, took the witness stand today in the trial of Charles W. Morse, and associates, charged with defrauding the government on wartime shipbuilding contracts.

McAdoo was called by the defense to testify regarding the relations with the Morse shipbuilding firm in 1919 when the law firm of McAdoo, Franklin and Cotton of New York, was counsel for the Virginia Shipbuilding Corporation, a Morse subsidiary.

McAdoo testified that he was called to obtain payments to the Virginia corporation on contracts.

McAdoo Testifies.

WASHINGTON, July 17.—McAdoo said that his law firm became counsel for the Morse concern for a fixed fee of \$50,000, and later received \$23,000 commission in connection with the award of the Morse's cargo carrying contracts.

Triple Division Sought.

WASHINGTON, July 17.—The separation of the International Harvester company into at least three distinct corporations was demanded by Attorney General Daugherty today in a petition filed in the federal court at St. Paul, Minnesota.

Action Taken On Two Cases

SALEM, July 17.—The supreme court decisions today included Harry T. Hill, versus E. O. Wilson, appellant, an appeal from Union county, a suit for compensation alleged due for services rendered.

In the opinion by Justice Harris, Judge J. W. Knowles was reversed and the case remanded. The case of the State ex rel William A. Marshall, appellant, versus Julius Roesch, an appeal from Union county, an action by the chairman of the Industrial accident commission, citing Roesch for contempt of court, resulted in an opinion by Justice Hand affirming Judge Knowles.

BEND ALSO HIT BY HAIL STORM

Stones, as Large as Pullet Eggs, Fell At Approximately the Same Time as They Did in La Grande.

Not only was Grande Ronde Valley visited by severe hail storms yesterday but several other Oregon points suffered likewise. Bend, Oregon suffered, from reports, a more terrific storm than did this section.

BEND, Ore., July 17.—Weighing up to one and one-half ounces, hailstones fell in Bend for ten minutes considerable damage. Many of them were large as pullet eggs.

Street cluster lights, skylights, and greenhouses were damaged and the tops of automobiles were pierced and enamel was knocked from the fenders. The bombardment of hail stones was easily the most severe ever recorded here.

The largest complete stone, which had fallen on soft earth, was five and one-half inches in circumference. Since stones picked up at random, weighed a pound.

In residence districts, house-holders gathered the hail in shovels and pans, using it in lieu of their customary supply of ice.

Gardens were literally slashed to pieces. The heaviest loss sustained was that at the Riverside gardens, where the wrecking of the glass which composed most of the greenhouse means damage of nearly \$1,500.

Asland Also Hit.

ASHLAND, Ore., July 17.—A hail and rain storm struck Ashland Sunday, but did very little damage. It is believed that the rain will do more compass the hail, will do more good than harm.

Magazine Editor Dead.

ARDSLEY-ON-HUDSON, N. Y., July 17.—John McAlpine Siddal, editor of the American Magazine, died at his summer home Monday. He had been in poor health for some time.

Mr. Siddal, who had worked as a reporter for Cleveland, Chicago, Philadelphia and Pittsburgh newspapers, was born in Oberlin, O., in 1874. He was graduated from Oberlin college and later studied at Harvard. At one time he was assistant editor of the Chautauqua magazine and later became secretary of the Cleveland public school system. He came to New York in 1904 as a member of the American Magazine staff and in 1916 was made editor-in-chief.

Deer Slayer Reports.

EUGENE, Ore., July 17.—Conscience stricken over the fact that he had violated the state game law in killing a deer out of season, E. V. Larsen, a lumberman of Noth, came to Eugene today of his own accord and pleaded guilty. He was assessed the minimum fine of \$50 and \$8.85 costs.

Larsen said he saw a huge and beautiful buck near his house yesterday and the temptation was so great he went in, got his rifle and slew the animal.

JOHNSON IS ELECTED IN MINNESOTA

Farmer-Labor Candidate to Senate Defeats Republican Entry.

STATE ONE-HALF COUNTED; LEAD BIG

Minnesota's Senators Are Both Farmer-Laborites; Republicans Have But a Nominal Majority in Senate.

ST. PAUL, July 17.—With 2,639 precincts reported, Johnson had 62,500 leadership over Preuss Johnson had 244,207, Preuss 181,422, Carley 17,176.

ST. PAUL, July 17.—Minnesota's representation in the United States Senate was turned over to the Farmer-Labor party as the result of the election of Magnus Johnson, of Kimball, Minn., yesterday to succeed the late Senator Knute Nelson. Eighteen hundred of the state's 3,529 precincts gave Johnson a 27,000 lead over Governor Preuss, with Carley, Democrat, a poor third. Johnson will set with Heinrich Shippstead, Farmer-Labor Senator elected last fall over Kellogg, republican.

Majority Now But Five.

WASHINGTON, July 17.—The election of Johnson as the Minnesota senator leaves the republicans with a nominal majority of five in the Senate.

The roster shows 50 republicans, 43 democrats and 2 Farmer-Labor adherents.

The vacancy from Vermont is due to Dillingham's death but is expected to be filled by the appointment of a republican.

Heavy Vote Pooled

(By Associated Press)

With interest greatly increased in the last few days of the campaign preceding the election, it was indicated Monday night before the polls closed that possibly more than 500,000 votes were cast in Minnesota's special United States Senatorial election. The apathy which marked the June 18 primary, when only 300,000 (Continued on page 5)

LIVE STOCK ON HIGHWAYS IS UP

Engineer Baldock in Baker To Hear Case Before Highway Comm. Duly. Commissioner Duly.

Just how to regulate the driving of livestock on the public highways is the perplexing question that is being heard before Highway Commissioner Duly today. Engineer Baldock of La Grande is in Baker attending the hearing and he will put up the conditions as they exist from the standpoint of the men who are charged with the duty of keeping the state highways in good condition.

Livestock owners who want to drive their bands of cattle and sheep between different points than using the highway will advance their side of the case.

"That it has reached a point of importance is very apparent for sheep especially are known to be a deadly enemy to road highways. After a few bands of sheep pass a given point on a macadam road there is little road left, it is claimed by those who observe these things."

Dr. Murphy Again President of Chautauqua Association

The annual election of the Grande Ronde Chautauqua association was held last evening with Ray F. Murphy being re-elected president of the association unanimously over his own protest. C. J. Black was re-elected vice-president, Charles W. Binger, re-elected secretary and Ernest Watkins elected treasurer.

One of the pleasurable moments of the meeting came when the secretary was authorized to pay off exactly one half of the outstanding noted indebtedness of the association. This is the first time in many years that the association did not go deeper into debt. Instead of that, the chautauqua this year resulted in \$200 being paid on the indebtedness, leaving but \$700 yet to pay.

The association plans to reduce the deficit even more this winter. They will sponsor two home talent plays, one lecture by some prominent northwestern speaker to be preceded by a musical production supplied by home talent, and possibly they will also sponsor a home talent musical comedy.

The above plan was decided not only to wipe away the deficit as much as possible but also to provide winter program numbers for La Grande people.

