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LUMBER MILL COMES HERE

JOHNSON IS OPPOSED TO WORLD COURT

Senator-Elect Gives an Outline of His Political Views.

RECOGNITION OF SOVIET IS FAVORED

Magnus Johnson Doesn't Like League of Nations and Other Foreign Entanglements.

ST. PAUL, July 18.—Tabulation of unofficial returns from Monday's special United States senatorial election in Minnesota closed Tuesday night with Magnus Johnson, Farmer-Laborer, apparently in the lead with a plurality around 85,000 votes. When reports from 2912 of the state's 3529 precincts had been counted, Johnson had a lead of 74,612 over Gov. J. A. O. Preus, Republican, while James A. Carley, Democrat, continued a poor third with 25,000 votes. Johnson, 55, of 582; Preus, 184,970; Carley, 17,973. Carried Ramsey county.

ST. PAUL, July 18.—Magnus Johnson, United States senator-elect, lived up to advance predictions in carrying Ramsey county, in which St. Paul is situated, but the narrow margin victory for Gov. J. A. O. Preus in Hennepin county (Minneapolis) in Monday's election was a surprise even to Farmer-Labor leaders. Ramsey county complete gave Johnson 20,263 votes as against 16,023 for Preus and 3578 for Carley. In Hennepin, with four small precincts to be heard from, Preus had 43,873 votes, Johnson 43,164 and Carley 2964.

In only 16 of the state's 87 counties did Preus have a lead.

Johnson issued the following statement:

"The majority of voters have elected me to the United States senate because of their principles and I stand for government is instituted to promote the welfare of the people, not to protect a few in the special privileges given them. The high tariff on the consumers, the unjust treatment of labor, the plight of the farmers, the picking of the judiciary with men favorable to the large financial and railroad groups, the shortsighted bungling foreign policy pursued by our government towards other countries and their peoples, and other similar problems will receive my earnest attention and study.

"I congratulate the people of this state on their victory. What the organized farmers and workers have accomplished pulling together in Minnesota they can likewise accomplish in other states of the Union."

Opposes World Court.

Pressed for details of his organization plans, he repeated an excerpt from his campaign keynote speech: "I will do this because I believe the farmers and the workers and the business man can by united action better their conditions."

He was willing to let it be known in a semi-official way that he was against the world court and the league of nations and any other foreign entanglements.

For the present, he preferred not to discuss recognition of Russia, though "between you and me I am"

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HARVESTING OF CHERRIES ON IN FULL BLAST

Grande Ronde Valley Orchards are Scenes of Activity This Week; Crop is Heavy.

Cherry picking and packing throughout the Grande Ronde Valley, but especially in Cove and Union where cherries play a major part as a horticultural product, is on in earnest this week.

Cove, Union, La Grande, Imbler and the rest of the Union county cities are devoting their energies to safely gathering the fruits, packing them for shipping or local consumption, and attending to all the other little, but important, details that combine in "cherry-harvesting time."

An idea of the cherry crop this year may be obtained roughly by taking cognizance of the fact that in some portions of the county labor is scarce. Near Imbler this situation is felt more than in other sections. Cove has a whole army of pickers and packers, many of them from outside points including the fruit sections of Washington and Western Oregon who are partly camped at the orchards, forming a "cherry-picking" tent town. Many families are taking advantage of the opportunity, thus offered to enjoy a camping out vacation and at the same time get good compensation financially for their time and labor. Tourists are playing an important part in filling in the ranks of labor.

A consensus of reports from all over the county indicate that the cherry crop will be one of the largest harvested during the past decade. In a few isolated sections the crop is not that large as it was in the past, but in the big orchards and the "cherry centers" the crop is heavy. Excepting in a few orchards in the northern part of the Grande Ronde Valley the hail and rain storm Monday did no serious damage.

"The average price being paid for cherry harvesting is about one cent per pound, which runs to about seven cents per gallon. Prices paid may vary slightly in different sections but the "one-cent price" is a round average.

A scene of industry. A casual observer, going to Cove and "dropping in" on the cherry orchards this week, would be treated to a view of an industrious sight. Trees filled with pickers, clustered in the branches, on ladders and ladders, diving the fruit which soon fill the boxes gathered beneath the trees at regular intervals. Then the boxes, when filled, are carted away to the packing houses where an army of packers swiftly sort and arrange them into crates and boxes, so that they may be shipped in the most satisfactory manner.

Cove devotes the daytime to harvesting and the night time to social intercourse and play. Every year the Cherry Glomers Ball is a social event of note—being held annually during the cherry season. The first of these dances was held last Friday evening and another will be held this week on the same evening.

All work and no play isn't the idea that the Cove fruitmen have, and it pays, they say. "A maximum of work cannot be secured unless there is some social diversion," is their maxim.

MRS. IVANHOE IS FIRST TO REPORT

SALEM, July 18.—Mrs. A. E. Ivanhoe, county school superintendent for Union county, is the first superintendent in the state to make an annual report to J. A. Churchill, state superintendent of schools. She reports that 2342 pupils were enrolled in the elementary grades in that county during the last school year and 763 in the high schools. This is an increase of 184 over the number of students of the previous year. The total number of teachers employed was 165, the men receiving an average monthly salary of \$180 and the women an average of \$113.

One Dead In Portland Fire

(By Associated Press)

PORTLAND, July 18.—One body was found early today in the ruins of the Pacific Planing mill, which was destroyed by fire last night.

The body is believed to be the remains of Andrew Eagle, day watchman, who had been sleeping at the mill plant. Frank Wire, night watchman, had not been located early this morning. The fire loss is estimated at \$50,000.

VISITS ASYLUM, PENITENTIARY

Oregon Normal School Class is Taken to Inspect State Institutions.

(Special to the Observer.)

MONMOUTH, July 18.—(By Mail) Mr. Butler, the teacher of sociology and civics in the Oregon Normal School, took his students and hundreds of other students to Salem on July 12 to see the insane asylum, penitentiary, capitol building and other state institutions. Mr. Butler is one of the senior teachers of the Normal school and is known and liked and admired by the hundreds of students that he comes into contact with every year. We left Monmouth on a special train at eight o'clock in the morning, something over four hundred strong. It is needless to say that there was plenty of fun and song on the way. Mr. Wickes, who with the aid of Mr. Butler had arranged the excursion, accompanied us. Mrs. Lillie Law, of North Powder, who is attending the school, in a letter to the Evening Observer.

"Mr. Wickes was praised by word and song as it was to his efforts we secured our round trip tickets for one dollar. After a run of some twenty miles or more through a fine farming country (but not as fine and prosperous looking as Eastern Oregon) we arrived at Salem. After a short ride on the street car we were landed at the grounds of the insane asylum. The grounds, surrounding the asylum, are beautifully kept and are very fine in every way. Mr. Butler had telephoned about our coming so they were ready for us. We were conducted by uniformed nurses through these buildings. On every hand were seen these poor unfortunates who are insane. Looking at them as we did it seemed to us that every nationality was represented among them. Everything was comfortable and spotlessly clean in every detail. Groups of men among the inmates were sitting at tables playing cards and only by their wild staring looks could we tell that anything was wrong with them. The lack of young people among the inmates was commented on by a large number. From appearances the men were younger in age than the women.

Few Young Women. "The absence of young women (Continued on Page 5)

Interstate Commerce Commission to Permit Railway Construction

(By Associated Press) WASHINGTON, July 18.—The interstate commerce commission today authorized the Longview, Portland and Northern railroad company to proceed with their construction from a point on the Northern Pacific near Kelso to the Ol-Qua Washington road. The road will cost \$2,321,722.

LONE STAR STATE IS I. W. W. MECCA

NEW YORK, July 18.—Every foot of land in the Lone Star State of Texas is being eyed by the I. W. W. as a possible target for their "protect the I. W. W. constitution" and the rights of three members who have been reported kidnapped there recently and is severely beaten that they are now in a hospital, said officials of the marine transport workers today.

PEACE TREATY TO BE SIGNED ON THURSDAY

Arrangements Made at Lausanne for Final Formal Action; U. S. Victor in Oil Concessions Fight.

LAUSANNE, July 18.—The last scene but one in the Near East conference was enacted Tuesday night at Oruchy chateau, the entire text of the treaty was examined and arrangements were made for its formal signature July 24.

Tuesday night's scene was remarkable in that numerous matters on which the various parties had not succeeded in reaching an accord were under consideration. It was a sight of reservations, which included reservations by the United States and Great Britain concerning the validity of the British-Turkish Petroleum Co. concession, which conflicts with the rights accorded in the Chester concession for unknown oil riches in the Mosul area.

The silent battle between the United States and England over oil concessions which had dominated the conference in the last few days became an open contest Tuesday when Sir Horace Rumbold, after protesting Turkey's refusal to ratify the English concession in the treaty, declared that it seemed very uncertain on what ground the American government wished to intervene between the Turkish government and the Turkish Petroleum company.

BAND CONCERT HERE FRIDAY

La Grande Municipal Band Will Render Program at Washington, Greenwood Intersection.

Another of those exceedingly entertaining mid-summer evening concerts will be given by the La Grande Municipal Band Friday evening, at 7:45 o'clock, on the corner of Washington Avenue and Greenwood Street. According to an announcement made today by Andrew Lenny, Jr., director of the local organization.

A high class program is prepared and the hour concert will doubtless be above the average of performances of the local band.

The mid-summer concert are playing an important part both for the community and the band. The community, attending the open air program, is treated to a musical program of excellence and the band, now preparing diligently for their Round-Up, Salem, this fall, receives an excellent test of their readiness when they "go over the top" at concerts of this sort. Even more than in an enclosed space, but the individual instrumental ability seek perfection in playing that glide and team-work that makes a band really above the ordinary.

Baker Crop Big

BAKER, July 18.—One of the largest crops of cherries in many years is expected to be gathered this year and the season is now on. Pickers are gathering at the various orchards in large numbers but there will be work for all.

URGES TAX REDUCTION

PORTLAND, July 18.—Tax reduction was urged by Governor Pierce today in welcoming the Northwest Real Estate Association convention. Delegates from all parts of the northwest are here for a four day meeting.

South or North America? NEW YORK, Tex. Richard is negotiating today for the Dempsey-Firpo fight either in Buenos Aires or Jersey City.

A. H. STANGE GAVE FINAL DECISION LAST EVENING

Prosecution May Cease

PORTLAND, July 18.—Circuit Judge Hewitt today upheld the demurrer in the case of W. H. Emrick, judge at the primary election last year, who was charged with irregularities in counting. Emrick was recently acquitted on one indictment. Hewitt's decision today may halt further prosecution on the four remaining indictments, said District Attorney Myers, although an appeal may be taken to straighten the legal question. Hewitt held the election law providing for double counting boards does not apply to the primaries. Hence Emrick, as chairman of the counting board, not authorized by law, was not really an election official and could not commit a crime in the capacity of an election officer.

STATE FARM BUREAU HEAD QUILTS OFFICE

(By Associated Press) PORTLAND, July 18.—The resignation of George Mansfield, president of the Oregon Farm Bureau federation and its acceptance, was announced by members of the executive committee of the bureau. Plans for a complete reorganization of the bureau have been made and a call has been issued by the executive body for a general meeting of the directors July 23, to work out the definite program. The resignation is said to have been occasioned by the inability of the president to devote to his office the time which he felt it required. No breach of harmony occurred.

OCCUPY PULPIT HERE SUNDAY

Newly Appointed Pastor of Methodist Episcopal Church to Preach First Sermon Here Sunday.

The Reverend Elmer Grant Keith, Ph. D., newly appointed pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church of La Grande, has just returned from a trip to California, where he attended a family reunion and also officiated at the wedding of a daughter.

Reverend Keith is moving to La Grande this week with Mrs. Keith and a younger daughter, Mary, and will occupy the pulpit next Sunday morning. "It is hoped that Reverend Keith may be given the favor of a full house at this service," states Ira A. Aldrich, district superintendent, in order that he may be encouraged in the beginning of a fruitful pastorate.

FARM CROPS TOUR PLANNED JULY 24

County Agent Avery announces a farmers' field tour to be held on Tuesday of next week for the purpose of studying new farm crop practices in connection with common methods in use. Questions to be studied by farmers that day include the following:

Does it pay to rotate crops? Does it pay to fertilize alfalfa with lime plaster or sulphur? Does it pay to plant standard recommended varieties of crops such as Golden alfalfa, Grand Robertson wheat and Hybrid 123 wheat? What is the best method of controlling weeds?

The tour will visit the country east of La Grande and also the Albee, Imbler and Iowa school district, stopping somewhere en route for lunch. Members of the staff of the Oregon Agricultural College Extension Service and Experiment Station, as well as an agent of the Board of Regents, will be present to explain crop methods.

Similar tours are scheduled for the Haines and Baker country the following two days where County Agent Carpenter will conduct farmers and others interested to visit the demonstration work being carried on there. All people interested, whether farmers or not, are invited to make the trip. A pleasant day is anticipated in each section. A complete program of the various stops to be made will appear in a later paper.

SICK MAN DROWNED

ASTORIA, July 18.—While John and Daniel Johnson, brothers, both fishermen, were returning to Astoria Monday afternoon in their boat, the latter, age 24, was suddenly taken ill and tumbled from the craft. His brother was unable to turn the boat back and reach the spot where Daniel fell into the Columbia river in the lower harbor before he sank from sight and was seen no more. The surviving brother came on to Astoria and reported to Coroner Hughes, who will make an attempt to recover the body. The deceased young man was a son of E. T. Johnson, a resident of Beaside.

Wheat Quotations. PORTLAND, July 18.—Hard White \$1.03; Western Red \$1.07.

When a most enjoyable banquet given last evening at the Country club in honor of A. H. Stange, of Merrill, Wisconsin, was nearing its close the guest of honor in his after dinner talk announced his decision to locate the Mt. Emily company's lumber manufacturing plant in La Grande.

Seventy of La Grande's business men who had assembled to honor Mr. Stange, rose as one man and for several minutes the Oro Dell canyon reverberated with loud cheers, so delighted were those present with the final decision relative to the new industry.

The event of last evening was a happy climax to a campaign which La Grande has been waging for several weeks in an endeavor to convince the directors and stockholders of the Mt. Emily Timber company that this city is the logical point to locate its plant which will mill a large area of timber located in Union and Umatilla counties.

At a recent meeting of those interested in Merrill, Wisconsin, it was voted to erect a lumber manufacturing plant to handle the timber holdings of the company, but the location was not decided. Then followed intensive work of this city in putting forth its every advantage to induce the location of the new mill. That La Grande should have been chosen, after exhaustive investigation of other Eastern Oregon points, was the cause of the outburst last evening when Mr. Stange gave the final word.

The site will be the old fair grounds within the city limits of La Grande, and the clearing of land and putting it in shape for the plant will probably be done this fall so that actual construction can be started early in the spring.

The banquet at the Country club last evening was one of the finest ever held in La Grande. One long table was arranged in the ball room and seventy guests were seated. While it was given in honor of a friend of all present, it nevertheless had a business aspect for the reason that after the banquet final arrangements were made to Mr. Stange setting forth La Grande's advantages. Guests marched into the banquet hall at 7 o'clock while Loney's orchestra played.

MANILA CRISIS IS AWAITING MESSAGE FROM WASHINGTON

(By Associated Press) MANILA, July 18.—The next move in the political crisis is expected to come from Washington.

A ruling from the national capital is expected on the controversy over Governor Wood's reinstatement of Secret Service Agent Conley. A message called by Filipino leaders to President Harding stating that the resignation of the members of the council of state was not an attack upon the United States authority, but a protest against encroachment by the governor general on constitutional rights already enjoyed by the Filipinos.

No Report Asked. WASHINGTON, July 18.—Pending receipt of the official report of the Manila political upheaval war department officials today declined to comment beyond expressing the assurance that Governor General Wood would have the full backing of Washington in all proper steps to maintain his suit while representing the government in the islands. No implicit has been the department's faith in Wood's ability to properly handle the situation that thus far no report has been asked.

Weather Forecast

Portland, July 18.—Cloudy tonight and Thursday.

