



### RUSSIAN FLEET IS HURRYING TOWARD BOSPORUS STRAITS

Three New Dreadnaughts, Recently Finished, Have Joined Czar's Squadron in the Black Sea.

### BOMBARDMENT IS EXPECTED

British Admiralty is Silent on Reports that Slavs Will Open Fire on Forts Guarding Constantinople by Tomorrow Night—Will Be Less Than 15 Miles Away.

LONDON, March 6.—The admiralty announced that the Anglo-French fleet has entered the narrows of the Dardanelles and is bombarding the forts on both sides of the strait. The land defenses have been heavily damaged and one magazine has blown up.

LONDON, March 6.—That three Russian dreadnaughts, recently rushed to completion, have joined the Russian Black Sea fleet now descending upon the straits of Bosphorus and Constantinople, was the report in admiralty circles today.

Admiralty officials refused to confirm and would not comment upon Bucharest dispatches which declared that Russian warships would be bombarding the forts at the Bosphorus, less than 15 miles from Constantinople, by tomorrow night.

### WELL KNOWN HERMISTON MAN DIES IN HOSPITAL

DOUGLAS PHAY PASSES AWAY AFTER LONG ILLNESS—FUNERAL TOMORROW.

After being confined to St. Anthony's hospital for eleven months, during which time his health slowly declined, Douglas Phay of Hermiston, former resident of this city, died this morning at 8 o'clock. Originally he was afflicted with rheumatism but his illness was complicated by other troubles before the end came. The body was taken to the Brown undertaking parlors and the funeral will probably be held tomorrow.

Deceased lacked only six days of being 54 years old, having been born in Dayton, Ohio, March 12, 1861. He came to Oregon about 25 years ago and lived most of the time since east of the Cascades. For the past 11 years he has been at Hermiston in the employ of the reclamation service and for awhile was marshal and constable of that town. Prior to moving to Hermiston he lived at Pendleton.

### COURT EVIDENCE SHOWS EAST OREGONIAN HOLDS BIG CIRCULATION LEAD

By Unanimous Action County Court Awards Printing Contracts to East Oregonian and Milton Eagle.

At the session of the county court just closed an order was made declaring the Daily East Oregonian and the Milton Eagle to be the official county papers for the coming year. The action was taken in accord with the law which requires the county notices to be published in the two papers having the largest sworn circulation within the county.

The facts were determined by the court from sworn lists of subscribers filed with them, from sworn testimony given the court by postal officials, and the circulation managers of the different papers and from the office records of the papers.

The Daily East Oregonian paid list for Umatilla county only, not counting exchanges, news stand and street sales, was 1295. The circulation of the Milton Eagle for Umatilla county as shown by their sworn statement was 826.

The sworn evidence given the court showed the East Oregonian had a circulation in Pendleton more than double that of the other Pendleton paper.

### 45 MINERS RESCUED ALIVE WHILE OTHERS ARE STILL PRISONERS UNDER GROUND

NINETY ARE KNOWN TO BE DEAD AND 45 STILL UNACCOUNTED FOR.

Rescuers are Working Frantically to Bring Others to the Surface—Rescued Men Tell of Horrors of Their Four Days Confinement in Wrecked Mine Pocket.

LAYLAND, West Va., March 16.—Forty-five miners have been rescued alive and 45 are still missing. Ninety are known to be dead. This is the situation in the Layland mine after 45 men entombed four days ago were brought to the surface. Helmeted rescuers are working frantically hoping to bring others to the surface. Of the 45 all are fatigued and weak, but none have acute or physical distress.

All said they were working in the pockets of the main passages when an explosion filled the passages with debris and walled them in. This cut them off from escape but it also cut off the deadly gases which swept the mine immediately after the explosion. They groped about in the darkness during the four days of their imprisonment, they said, but were unable to find a way out until they heard the picks of the rescuers tearing at the debris which stood between them and safety.

LAYLAND, West Va., March 6.—Fourteen miners were rescued today from their living tomb. After being buried four days behind tons of debris in the Layland mine the men were brought to the surface by rescuers. All were weakened from hunger. They told a harrowing story of the hardships they were compelled to endure from their long confinement. Five of the men were brought up early in the day and nine later.

Although scarcely able to walk after their imprisonment, five were in good physical condition. They eagerly asked rescuers to hurry back to the shaft, giving the details of the location where at least nine other men were alive. Equipped with oxygen helmets the rescuers plunged into the depths and in a remote chamber found the other nine.

### HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETES READY FOR TRACK SEASON

BOYS ARE GETTING TRAINING EVERY DAY ON P. H. S. FIELD.

With the coming of spring comes the opening of the high school track season and the close of the basketball year. Many well made and efficient athletes are gathering on the athletic field behind the school building during and after school hours and on Saturdays. The basketball men are laying off for a couple of weeks to rest up after their strenuous season, but will soon be donning their track suits with the other lovers of the sports of the athletic field.

Coach Livingston sees many good men lined up on the track, and the old standbys are showing up excellently in their various lines. Percy Ansburn, the local polevaulter, is climbing the pole to a mark close to 10 feet, and Minnis, the old miler, is speeding around the track in record time. Other men like Boylen, Brock, Peters, Fowler, Gordon, Selbert and Mimms are on the mark with a determination to break even last year's records.

The many freshmen who have registered at the high school this year are turning out some very brilliant and promising material who will probably surprise some of the athletic enthusiasts during the coming tryouts.

Minister—The best man at a wedding.

### CARRANZA WARNED IN SHARP NOTE BY THIS GOVERNMENT

Situation in Mexico City Must be Relieved—People There are Facing Starvation it is Said.

### INTERVENTION LOOMS AGAIN

Administration Officials, However, Admit They are Puzzled Over Situation and What Action May Come if Warning is Unheeded Remains Secret—Villa "Advised."

WASHINGTON, March 6.—The sharpest "representations" ever sent the government or a faction in Mexico were forwarded by the government of the United States today to Carranza.

The "first chief" of the constitutionalists was told that the starvation situation now threatening Mexico City must be relieved immediately. Carranza was warned that the United States does not approve of the plan of General Obregon, the Carranza commander, to withdraw his troops and leave the capital to its fate at the first sign of a riotous demonstration. All official and unofficial advices received at the state department showed the food situation is menacing and that something must be done immediately.

Meanwhile Villa was informally advised that a massacre of foreigners would be "very unfortunate." It was reported that Villa is pressing his campaign against Tampico but it is doubtful whether he can force a change in the military situation in time to prevent a crisis. What steps the government of the United States proposes to take in the event its warnings go unheeded, remain a secret. One high official admitted that administration leaders are perplexed. Intervention will be difficult as it would require two months for an expeditionary force to fight its way through to the capital and in that time foreigners in Mexico City would become victims of mobs.

### FINE PROGRAM ENJOYED AT EAGLES ANNUAL ROLL CALL

LOCAL LODGE ENTERTAINS OVER 200 MEMBERS AND FRIENDS LAST NIGHT.

One of the best attended and most enthusiastic social meetings of the local Eagles was that of last evening, the eleventh annual roll call. More than 200 members and friends were present to enjoy an extremely enjoyable program and a big clam feed late in the evening.

Dr. H. S. Garfield acted as toastmaster during the evening, and, with the assistance of R. K. Lawrence, the "forcible persuader," injected a great deal of fun into the evening by passing judgment upon various Eagles for various offenses.

The principal address was made by S. H. Forshaw, past president, upon the "Progress and Condition of the P. O. E." and other addresses were made by Sam E. Van Vactor of Heppner, W. G. Bogert, Deputy District Attorney R. I. Keator and R. Alexander. Musical numbers included orchestra selections by Messrs. Goedecke, Gulott and Fletcher, a xylophone solo by R. W. Fletcher, a vocal duet, "Silver Throat" among the Gold," by Ed Hayes and R. K. Lawrence, a humorous song by Joseph Roundley, and a vocal duet.

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### INDIAN SELLS LIQUOR TO ANOTHER; BOTH IN JAIL

JUDGE FITZ GERALD DECLARES WAR ON INDIANS SOLICITING BOOZE.

One Indian sold another liquor and now both are to sojourn in jail awhile. Ed Chapman and Charley Shaplish (Whirlwind) are the Indians in question. The former was yesterday afternoon given the maximum sentence allowed by the city ordinance, \$50 fine and 20 days in jail, and is now doing work with the street gang. He was convicted of selling liquor to Shaplish and Shaplish is alleged to have taken the same liquor on to the reservation. A bench warrant was issued for him from the federal court in Portland and he will be tried there. This is the fourth time he has been to Portland on this charge.

Incidentally, Judge Fitz Gerald has declared war upon the Indians who continually solicit liquor and intends punishing them along with the bootleggers. His decision arose from the appearance in court this morning of one Elmer F. Martin, a cigarmaker, who recently came here from Salem. Martin was arrested for giving liquor to Jim Kanine, an Indian, and in court stated that Kanine had asked him to get the liquor and that he had done it without pay because the Indian had "staked" him to a meal when he first arrived in town. Martin was sentenced to pay a \$25 fine or spend 12 days in jail, while Kanine was given five days on a vagrancy charge.

The city ordinance makes it an offense for an Indian to solicit liquor as well as for any one to furnish it to them. However, because the Indian's testimony is generally necessary to convict the bootlegger, little effort has been made to enforce this provision. The Indians, instead of being punished for their offense have actually profited by it inasmuch as they are paid witness fees. Hereafter, Judge Fitz Gerald announces that Indians who persistently solicit liquor will be prosecuted.

### JOINT RATES ARE ASKED FROM POINTS IN OREGON

WASHINGTON, March 6.—Reasonable joint rates for shipments of single and double decked cars from all Oregon Short Line points to Utah and from Oregon to Los Angeles was asked in a petition filed today with the Interstate Commerce Commission by the American National Livestock association and the National Woolgrowers association.

### NEWS SUMMARY

General. Russian fleet hurrying toward Bosphorus. Allies continue bombardment of Dardanelles.

French liner Latouraine afire 700 miles off French coast.

Carranza is warned in sharp note that starvation conditions in Mexico City must be relieved.

Russians said to have crossed Prussian border in new offensive movement.

Local. Local sportsmen endorse Crowe of La Grande for commission and Cranston for warden.

Douglas Phay succumbs to long illness.

County court selects East Oregonian and Milton Eagle as official papers.

Local Eagles enjoy 11th annual roll call.

Wheat market takes upward tendency.

Liquor-soliciting Indians to be prosecuted.

### BATTLESHIP MAINE SINKS IN BROOKLYN NAVY YARD

NEW YORK, March 6.—With engineroom and hold half filled with water the battleship Maine (the bottom of the shallow Basin in the Brooklyn navy yard) sank today.

The cause of the accident is not definitely known. It is reported that in some manner the sea valves were left open, letting in the water. The pumps were started but they were unable to discharge the water as fast as it entered. The vessel settled on the bottom of the shallow water close to shore. The decks are not submerged.

### RUSSIANS SAID TO HAVE GROSSED PRUSSIAN BORDER

PETROGRAD, March 6.—Continued successes in the new Russian offensive against Prussia were announced in an official statement which declared the Slav advance guard was within three miles of the frontier. Cosacks on a reconnoitering expedition, it was said, had even crossed the border south of Friderichof, while north of Prazanysz a detachment occupied village near the frontier. The Germans have massed their forces along the frontier to resist a Slav invasion. There is no confirmation of reports that Russians have occupied Czernowitz.

### Socialists Are Blocked.

BERLIN, via London, March 5.—The annual attempt of the German Socialists to secure action in the Prussian diet looking to the reform of the Prussian franchise system again has failed. Herr Liebknecht, the Socialist leader, spoke for his party. The Spokesman for the non-socialist parties replied that the present was not the time to consider the subject. Minister of the Interior von Loebelt, who had indicated last week that the question would not be considered, did not speak.

### HERMISTON DEBATERS WIN CONTEST WITH STANFIELD

VICTORIOUS TEAM WILL NOW FACE WINNERS IN EAST END OF COUNTY.

(Special Correspondence.)

HERMISTON, Ore., March 6.—The Hermiston debating team won a victory over Stanfield by unanimous decision of the judges last night. The subject was "Government Ownership of Railroads" and the home team was victorious. The speakers were Alice Lambert, Helen Skinner and Henry Gunn. The speakers from Stanfield were Lee Barchtown, Muriel Dunning and Lillie Hossier. Judges were A. W. McCann, principal of the school at Irion and Attorneys Oamar Smith and B. L. Ballard of Pendleton.

### WHEAT MARKET TAKES UPWARD TURN TODAY

Wheat prices all over the country took an upward flight today and yesterday. Wire reports received here show the Chicago market up two or three cents today. The Portland market also made an advance. There is no selling in the Pendleton market today but \$1.12 is quoted for club, 5000 bushels of prompt delivery club sold in Portland yesterday at \$1.27.

### FRENCH LINER REPORTED AFIRE 700 MILES OFF BREST; AMERICANS ARE INCLUDED IN LIST OF PASSENGERS

Vessel Carries Cargo of 1200 Tons, Mostly Footstuffs—No Munitions of War are Aboard—Americans Include Five Physicians Who are on Way to Front in France—Ship Has Crew of 200.

LONDON, March 6.—The French liner Latouraine is afire 700 miles off Brest, according to a wireless message received at Lloyd's.

Agents of the line insisted the steamer was not in great danger on account of its proximity to the British coast. Their statement does not agree with Lloyd's dispatch as to the location of the liner.

The Latouraine sailed from New York February 26, carrying 84 passengers, among them five American physicians and 10 nurses en route to the battlefield in France. The vessel has a crew of 200.

The remainder of the passengers are largely American businessmen and French reservists. To complete a hospital unit, \$100,000 for which was contributed by Mrs. William J. Fitzgerald, a rich English woman living in New York, is aboard.

### LETTER-WRITING CAMPAIGN FOR PENDLETON SUGGESTED

SCHOOL CHILDREN BY THIS METHOD WOULD ATTRACT VISITORS HERE.

Writing from San Francisco about the eastern Oregon exhibit, W. E. Meacham of Baker, who has charge of the work of installing the exhibit, suggests a letter writing campaign by the school children of Pendleton in order to attract eastern visitors to the advantages of this part of Oregon. He suggests that each pupil write at least one letter to an eastern friend or relative urging them to travel to the fair via eastern Oregon and to be sure to visit the eastern Oregon exhibit in the Oregon building. This campaign has been taken up in Baker.

Mr. Meacham states that he has received the big panorama of the Round-up and will put it up in a conspicuous place. Eastern Oregon will not only have an exhibit in the Oregon building, he writes, but also one in the agricultural building. While the Oregon exhibit is not as elaborate as that in the California and Canadian buildings, it shows up better from a standpoint of products, he writes, and the eastern Oregon grains, grasses, fruits and other products rank as high as any there. Eastern Oregon in fact, he says, is very much on the map down there.

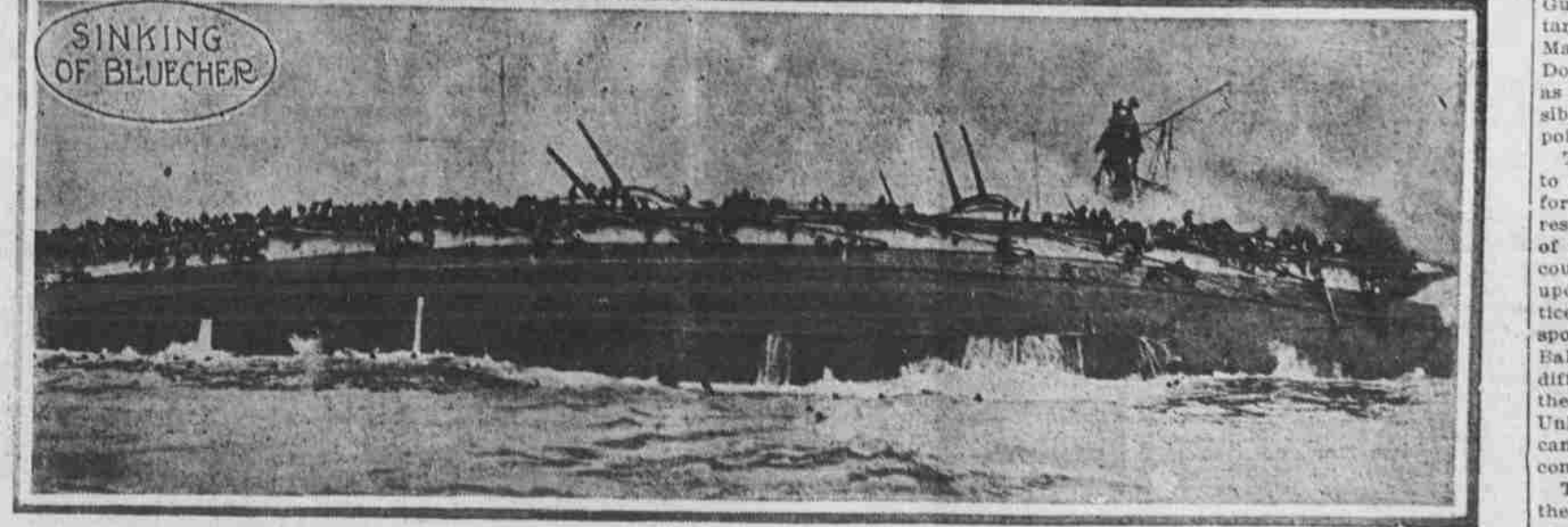
### C. K. CRANSTON ENDORSED FOR APPOINTMENT AS STATE GAME WARDEN BY LOCAL SPORTSMEN

Endorsement of S. D. Crowe of La Grande for membership on the new state fish and game commission and of C. K. Cranston of this city for appointment as state game warden was the result of the joint meeting last night of the Umatilla County Fish & Game association and the Round-up Gun Club. The president and secretary of each organization, W. N. Matlock and R. W. Fletcher, G. I. La Dow and J. A. Gibson were named as a committee to urge in every possible way the making of these appointments.

The failure of the local sportsmen to endorse a Umatilla county man for membership on the commission resulted, not only from the inability of the sportsmen and the Umatilla county legislative delegation to agree upon a candidate, but from the justice of the claim of the Union county sportsmen. Inasmuch as Umatilla, Baker and Wallowa counties have at different times been represented on the commission, they contend that Union county can properly advance a candidate who should receive serious consideration.

The only local man upon whom the sportsmen and legislators could agree was J. V. Tallman and he refused to become a candidate. The other men suggested by the legislators were unfavorable to the sportsmen and vice versa.

### Sinking of German Cruiser Bluecher in the North Sea



The photograph shows the German battle cruiser Bluecher just before she plunged bottomward in the North Sea battle. The photograph was taken from the British cruiser Arethusa.