

People Here and There

Lee Gates went to Walla Walla yesterday on a business mission.

W. W. Rogers of Hermiston was here yesterday on a business mission.

T. McDevitt who farms in the Ione country was in Pendleton Monday.

Charles E. Demaris is a fruit rancher in the Milton district. He was here yesterday on business.

Mac Hoke went to Stanfield today where he took care of business matters for the Cunningham Sheep Co.

J. J. Carr of the Carr Furniture Co. returned to his home at La Grande yesterday evening after a brief visit in Pendleton.

J. H. Gwinn will go to Waitsburg, Washington, Thursday where he will represent the local Pythian lodge in a district meeting.

Pat Foley is owner of The Dalles Hotel. He was in Pendleton yesterday afternoon for a short time on his way to La Grande where he was called by

reason of the illness of his father, J. E. Foley.

Norborne Berkeley returned home this morning from a business trip to Portland.

NEWS NOTES OF PENDLETON

Completes Bungalow.
A new modern bungalow has just been completed by Gottlieb Miller. The building is at 718 Grant street.

Lambing Records Nominal.
That 1922 does not promise as good a crop of lambs as the one that came in 1921 is the belief of Dan P. Smythe, Pendleton sheep man. Sheep owned by the Smythe Bros. outfits have been lambing for several weeks now at the company plants at Arlington. Ewes are fat, Mr. Smythe reports, but they have been on dry feed for so long that their physical condition is not all that might be desired. Lambing is very generally under way now in sheep camps all over the county.

Divorces Granted.
Decrees of divorce have been issued in circuit court by Judge G. W. Phelps to Miss O'Connell against M. D. O'Connell. Under the terms of the decree the plaintiff is given the custody of the minor children. A property stipulation entered by the couple before the divorce action gives the plaintiff title to property at Richland, Washington. Walter D. Talley has also been granted a decree against Cora Talley. The suit of Charles B. Whiteley against Frank Whiteley has been dismissed.

3,200 MODERN TAXICABS ARE INSTALLED IN PARIS

PARIS, Feb. 21.—(A. P.)—The veterans of the Marne, those ramshackled broken-down taxicabs which every American visitor to Paris has had to dodge on the Paris boulevards, have been permanently retired and replaced by 3,200 modern comfortable taxicabs. The forbidding appearance of the old "cruisers" seemed to have an ill effect on the drivers and hope is expressed by many Parisians that the new machines would also mark the passing of the disreputable chauffeurs who are considered as ill-mannered as their machines are old.

The taxicabs were placed in service in 1905. In 1914, they were mobilized by General Gallieni, then Military Governor of Paris who crowded his army into them and rushed them to the battle of the Marne where they aided in the success of the famous flanking movement that saved Paris and defeated the Germans. These hardy pioneers of the streets have been dashing about Paris for 17 years.

WHEAT PRICES LOWER IN CHICAGO MARKET

Wheat prices are lower today in the Chicago market, May grain closing at \$1.45 and July at \$1.26 1-4. Yesterday the closing prices were May \$1.46 1-2 and July \$1.27 7-8. Following are the quotations received by Overbeck & Cooke, local brokers:

	Open	High	Low	Close
Wheat				
May	\$1.45 3/4	\$1.47 1/2	\$1.43 3/4	\$1.45
July	1.27 1/4	1.28 3/4	1.25 1/2	1.26 1/4
Exchanges				
Sterling	439 5-8			
Marks	46 1-2			
Holland	3537			
Italy	501 1-2			
France	910 1-2			
Austria	2 1-2			

35 KILLED IN ARMY DIRIGIBLE EXPLOSION ON HAMPTON ROADS

At 3:25 This Afternoon Wreckage Was Still Burning; Captain Dale Maybree Dead.

NORFOLK, Va., Feb. 21.—(U. P.)—Twenty eight were killed and 10 severely injured when the dirigible Roma exploded over Langley Field at 2 p. m. today. All the injured have been removed to the army base hospital. The big dirigible purchased from Italy was making a series of test flights, intending to attempt to make a speed record. Saturday naval authorities ordered the helium gas removed from the Roma and stored, as the ship contained the total supply of helium in this country. Ordinary field gas used by balloons was substituted. The original Italian engines refused to function in cold weather and Liberty motors were substituted in December. Today was the first trip of the new motors.

A dispatch to the navy department at Washington from the Hampton Roads naval operating base says the ship exploded with a terrific blast 1000 feet above ground. The Roma was brought to America aboard a ship and assembled at Langley Field. The ship was recently christened at Washington and on its return the Italian motors were taken out and Liberty Motors substituted. Captain Dale Maybree, the commandant, was burned to death. At 3:25 this afternoon the wreckage was still burning the army air service reports.

On his flight to the Washington christening ceremony the ship did not weather the strong winds and fears were expressed then as to its durability.

35 Persons Are Dead.
A Norfolk dispatch explains the disaster, saying the rudder became entangled with the high voltage wires over the army base when the bag struck the wires and the ship plunged to the ground after a deafening explosion.

Late this afternoon the war department issued a statement of the disaster without details. A telegram to the navy department from an officer of Hampton Roads says 35 are dead out of possibly 55 on board.

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FARM LABOR BLOCS JOIN TO CONTROL ELECTIONS

BY J. PART CAMPBELL
WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—The thoughts of a great army of toilers of the farm and the workshop are focused upon a conference at Chicago today of progressive-liberal spokesmen for union labor, agricultural and other organizations bent upon "electing the right kind of men" in this year's Congressional elections.

The formation of a "farmer-labor bloc" to conserve the "best interests" of the producer, the working man and the consumer, to bring about "an understanding between all people who are genuinely interested in the public welfare," is the purpose of the conference which was called by some of the foremost leaders of organized labor, it was stated.

William H. Johnston, president of the International Association of Machinists, and others prominently identified with the so-called "progressive wing" of the American Federation of Labor who are taking an active part in the conference, repudiated the suggestion that they had the formation of a "third party" in mind.

"Boring from Within"
"It is the intention of those participating to launch a movement rather for the purpose of 'boring' from within, instead of from without, both the Republican and Democratic parties of the coming Congressional primaries and to get behind Congressional candidates of either party who can be depended upon to 'serve the best interests of the common people' in either the Senate or House," they explained.

The defeat of members of the Senate and House who are regarded as "of the reactionary forces" is also planned, and a nation-wide "drive" is to be undertaken, it was stated, to seat in both chambers men who "are real friends not only of the farmer and of labor but of the great masses of the people."

"We feel that the reactionary forces and special interests which are now in control of every branch of the government are pursuing a policy which has already wrecked American industry and agriculture, causing widespread bankruptcy and nationwide unemployment, and which, if not arrested, is destined to destroy the fundamental principles of liberty upon which this Government was established," said Johnston. "We have invited to the conference men and women from all groups of American life who we feel can best express the hopes and desires of those great masses of American people who are suffering from acute economic and financial distress."

"Put Right Men In"
"Put the right kind of men in Congress" is to be the slogan of the country-wide political movement the conference is to inaugurate. It is planned by the labor and agrarian leaders behind the conference to concentrate their forces in certain States where they regard industrial and agricultural interests as especially propitious for the election of senatorial and Congressional candidates who can be counted upon to be entirely in sympathy with the kind of legislation the proposed "farmer-labor bloc" intends to foster.

An alliance between the labor and agricultural interests would also do much to further the promised fight between the progressive-liberal and the "reactionary" forces in this year's congressional campaign, it was predicted, and to prevent the re-election of a number of Senators and Representatives who have opposed the "agricultural bloc" movement in congress and who are also regarded as "bosses of labor."

The following statements, made by some of the union labor executives participating in the conference, were intended to express the desire of organized labor to co-operate with the farmer in "bettering living conditions."

"Which is Outrageous"
J. W. Kilne, president of the International Brotherhood of Blacksmiths, Drop Forgers and Helpers:
"If a fourteen-ounce loaf of bread can be sold for five cents, with wheat at two dollars and fifty cents a bushel, then somebody is robbing the public. Wheat has been selling and is selling now for less than one dollar a bushel, and still we are paying ten cents, fifteen cents and twenty cents for bread in Chicago, which is outrageous. The working men are pretty well convinced that it is not the farmer but the middleman, the profiteering wholesaler and the retailer who are to blame."

"The workmen are not going to complain about the price of farm products if convinced that it is not the fault of the farmer, but the fault of the profiteering middlemen and others that handle the farm product after it has left the farmer. If we can convince the workmen that it is the profiteer that is robbing the people they will go to any length to eliminate him. The interests of the farmer and workmen are common, and we should work together."

William H. Johnston, president of the International Association of Machinists:
"Farmers Must Have Cost"
"Farmers must have cost of production at least if they are to continue to produce. We will be glad to co-operate in getting justice for the wheat growers, as well as in securing the largest practical degree of stabilization of staple farm products, for organized labor is entirely sympathetic with the farmers in their efforts to secure the cost of production."

Sidney Hillman, president of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America:
"Unless more attention is given to the farming and industrial part of our population we cannot expect any improvement in the depression that is prevalent throughout the country. With a large proportion of labor out of work and a drive going on to reduce wages below the minimum level necessary for an American standard of living and with our farming population on the verge of bankruptcy, the country is drifting very rapidly into a state of chaos."



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"The Rage of Paris" serves as the first starring vehicle for the newest of stars, Miss du Pont, proclaimed by many noted judges "the most beautiful blonde in America." Others in the exceptional cast are Jack Perrin, the handsome young leading man, Ramsey Wallace, Leo White, Eva Southern, Elmer Hancock, Mathilde Brundage, J. J. Lanoe and Freeman Wood.

In the story, Mrs. Coolidge refuses to allow her daughter, Joan to marry the man of her choice, Gordon Talbot, the young mining engineer, who has nothing but a promising future. Mortimer Handy, a rich rook, is the man Mrs. Coolidge forces her daughter to marry. Handy humiliates and insults Joan by introducing his libertine friends to their home.

Throwing caution to the winds, and having been denied the right to live and love, Joan leaves Handy and goes to Paris. Under the name of Senorita Torres her dancing takes Paris by storm and she becomes "The Rage of Paris." Handy, now desperately jealous, trails her.

Talbot, on a visit to Paris, sees the picture of "The Rage of Paris" at an art gallery. He sits enthralled by the painting. Joan happens to meet him at the gallery. The flame of repressed love, so long stifled, is kindled anew and she flies with her lover to Arabia. Handy finds out her intention and follows them.

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