

JAPANESE GUN POINTERS WON VICTORY FOR CHANG FORCES IN BATTLE YESTERDAY

HARDING OUTLINED PARTIAL SOLUTION OF COAL SITUATION

Plan Provides for Employment of Fewer Men Continuously and Storage of Surplus.

EXTRA SUPPLY TO BE STORED IN BIG CITIES

Additional Details To Be Worked Out With Hoover Within a Few Weeks.

WASHINGTON, May 2.—(U. P.)—President Harding today outlined a partial solution of the coal industry situation to several members of congress. He bases it on this fundamental principle: That the coal industry be made less seasonal. Production must go ahead at a steady rate throughout the year thus affording fewer men employment but assuring steady work for those remaining. Distribution must be kept at even flow. To accomplish this the government must direct that surplus coal mined in the summer must be stored in industrial centers to await winter demands. Working out additional details with Secretary Hoover is expected to be complete within a few weeks.

Lower Freight Rates. WASHINGTON, May 2.—(I. N. S.)—Unless the coal strike is amicably settled within the next month, Harding, backed by all the powers of the government, will act to end the now month-old controversy, it was learned authoritatively.

The plan doesn't involve harsh measures; rather, it contemplates offering inducements by the government to encourage greater production of coal as the best means of stabilizing the industry. It would furnish greater storage facilities through government loans and the lowering of freight rates on coal during the summer months.

CLUES LED TO STONE WALL IN HANNA CASE

DANVILLE, Ill., May 2.—(U. P.)—All clues to finding the murderer of Gertrude Hanna found dead in a parsonage at Hopston, failed today when an itinerant doctor who had admitted to Sheriff Knox that a man approached an illegal operation on his daughter Gertrude, and calling himself 'John S. Hanna.' He declared it was neither Wyman or the girl's father who had made the proposal. The dead girl's father today forgave Wyman for betraying his daughter. "We must forgive our enemies, John," said Hanna. On leaving here for Hopston, Hanna invited Wyman, a widower and unmarried, to make use of his home. Sheriff Knox said every bit of evidence disclosed since the finding of the girl's body on the basement lodge had been sifted without a tangible result. "We are up against a stone wall," said Knox.

WOMAN HELD FOR POISONING HUSBANDS

CLEVELAND, May 2.—(A. P.)—The coroner is expected to exhume the body of a man to examine for traces of poison which is found in expected to result in prosecution of a woman for a series of murders for eleven thousand dollars insurance. The woman recently acquired the sixth husband. Three died in mysterious circumstances, also two children from the first marriage from what was declared accidental poisoning.

ASKS PROSECUTION OF WAR FRAUD CASES

WASHINGTON, May 2.—(A. P.)—A request for a special appropriation of five hundred thousand to be used in prosecuting war fraud cases was sent to the house today by President Harding. The fund would be used for investigating or prosecuting all cases, civil or criminal, growing out of the war.

"EQUAL RACING RIGHTS" NEW GOAL OF BRITISH WOMEN



COUNTESS OF WILTON

LONDON, May 2.—(By NEA Service.)—Now that British women have the ballot seats in Parliament and any number of magistracies, they're out for equal rights along another line—in the horse-racing field! They're invading the last ditch held exclusively by mere man. Women always have been interested in the races as spectators. But now they're appearing as owners of racing stables. They're training their own horses. They're hiring jockeys and putting them in their own colors. Take the Countess of Wilton, for instance. She has her own extensive stable of racers. Her jockeys are clothed in an attractive mauve with silver braid and silver cap. Other prominent women racing enthusiasts are Lady James Douglas, Lady Nelson Lady Nunburnholme, Lady Cunliffe-Owen, Mrs. Hugh Peel and Mrs. Arthur James.

UNION PACIFIC WILL GET ROUTE DIRECTLY TO SEATTLE, REPORT

\* That the Union Pacific System plans to have a direct line into Seattle and that this plan will be realized by the construction of a cross-country branch of the Oregon-Washington Railroad and Navigation Co. from Thorn Hollow to Wallula, Washington, is a rumor that has gained credence locally. A surveying crew has been at work for several weeks on the proposed route to the branch and several theories have been advanced as to the purpose of the survey. According to information received by The East Oregonian, the branch which the railroad now has in mind to build will connect with the O-W. R. and N. at Wallula and run over the present line between Wallula and Yakima. From there on in to Seattle the C. M. and St. P. line will be used. Verification of the report could not be secured, but it is known that a large sum has been set aside for construction work in Eastern Oregon.

LEGION MEN OFFER SERVICES TO U. S. W. V.

An offer of the services of the members of Pendleton Post No. 23, American Legion, to the local camp of the Spanish War Veterans during the state convention to be held here in June was authorized last night at the meeting of the Legion membership. Delegates and alternates to the Legion department convention at The Dalles in July were elected. According to the election, Jim Bowler, Charles Viner and Harold Warner were selected. The alternates are Tom Marple, Leslie Gibbs and Cyril Probstel. The Legion men, who for the past two years have taken the initiative in Decorating Day activities, voted to approach the Grand Army veterans and the Spanish-American War veterans before taking any general action, further than that the graves of the deceased veterans of the late war will be decorated.

KEEN INTEREST TAKEN IN DECLAMATORY CALLS FOR CHANGE OF PLANS

Contestants in County Affair Number 19; Contests to be Held Here Friday Night.

There is so much competition in the ranks of both the grade schools and the high schools of the county for honors in the sectional declamatory contest which will be held here Friday evening, May 5, that the decision has been made to divide the list of speakers and have the contests held in two buildings. The high school contest will be conducted in the Methodist church and the grade declamatory will be held in the auditorium of the high school building. Under the scheme of division whereby the schools are divided into five sections, places for 29 speakers are created, and 19 of these places have been filled. Special music for both gatherings has been arranged. The Umatilla orchestra will play at intervals for the grade school program and the Pendleton high school orchestra will play for the high school division. A one-room school near Athena will demonstrate physical culture work in a one-room school for one number of the program. The city schools of Athena will furnish two acts of a special nature. The judges for the declamatory contest will come from Whitman college. Tickets for the declamatory contests and the county field and tract meet will be double, and the price of a ticket will entitle the purchaser to attend both will cost 50 cents. The ticket sale is in charge of Fred Schmidt. Following is the list of speakers and their subjects: Section I. Division A—Vindication from Dishonor, Philip Fordyce, Pendleton. Division B—(Hawaitha) The Famous, Esther Motanic, Pendleton. Division C—Uncle Daniel's First Sight of a Steamboat, Robert Bishop, Pendleton. Division D—In the Morning, Evelyn Potter, Pendleton.

TAFT SUGGESTED HEAD OF RUSSIAN DEBT TRIBUNAL

Oil Agreement Between Soviet and Shell Interests Was Rumored at Conference.

RATIFICATION OF ALLIED NOTE TODAY

If Russia Refuses Proposal All Negotiations Expected Suspended for Some Time.

GENOA, May 2.—(U. P.)—The allies met today for final ratification of their note to Russia. With a single reservation, on Belgium's behalf, members of the Genoa conference political sub-committee agreed upon the terms of their memorandum to the soviet. Chief Justice Taft, United States supreme court is suggested as the man to be named president of the mixed tribunal to fix the amount Russia may pay her creditors. Other committee members will be a delegate of the soviet and representative of holders of Russian bonds.

GENOA, May 2.—(U. P.)—Leonid Krassin, leader of the Russian delegation to the Genoa conference, today denied categorically that any form of oil agreement had been completed in Russia with the Great Britain Shell oil interests. Despite this denial, authoritative sources confirmed the report that the soviet had given the Shell interests a five year concession on Russian oil exports.

GENOA, May 2.—(A. P.)—British representatives announced today that a memorandum to be handed the Russians "embodies the maximum which the powers are willing to give the Russian government and the minimum which the powers will accept from Russia. If the soviet delegates do not accept it is certain that all negotiations with Russia will be suspended for some time, probably until another government arises in Russia." The Genoa correspondent of the London Evening News today reported official denial that agreement had been made between the Shell oil group and the Russian government for an oil monopoly.

Pendleton to Cooperate With Baker on Fourth

Pendleton will not hold a Fourth of July celebration this year but instead will cooperate with Baker in the big Oregon Trail pageant to be held in that city. This was voted by the managers of the Commercial association yesterday afternoon following a recommendation on the subject by the merchant's committee. Baker desires that some Indians be taken over to participate in the pageant and the club managers endorsed this move as one that may be most fittingly handled by the Round-Up association.

'Juvenile Review' To Be Given at Alta on May 20

Twenty-nine Pendleton school children will appear in a 'Juvenile Review,' to be presented at the Alta Theatre May 20, under the auspices of the Umatilla Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, for the benefit of Armenian scholarship. Miss Laura Johnson, one of the Washington school teachers, who has won praise for her clever work in directing juvenile presentations, is in charge and rehearsals are now being held. There will be singing and dancing in costume, and a costume play adapted by Miss Johnson from James Whitcomb Riley's poem, 'Raggedy Ann.' In this Thelma Morris, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Morris, will star. There will be solo dances as well as two ballets, the 'Fairy Ballet' and the 'French Doll Ballet.'

"GWINN FOR CONGRESS" CLUB WILL BE FORMED THURSDAY, JUDGE J. A. FEE ISSUES CALL

A call for a meeting at the court house Thursday evening to form a Gwinn-for-Congress Club was issued today by Judge James A. Fee of this city. As announced, the meeting will be open to all citizens of Umatilla county, without reference to partisanship, factions or other organizations of any character. Women voters are especially invited to attend the gathering. The inspiration for Thursday's meeting arises from the fact a strong local desire exists for securing more satisfactory representation in congress from this district. It is felt that during the past 10 years while Mr. Sinnott has been in the house Eastern Oregon's affairs have been neglected and that Umatilla county's interests have frequently been grossly overlooked. It is pointed out that Idaho, Washington, Wyoming and other states have been securing the reclamation appropriations while Oregon has been given alibis and excuses instead of money for development purposes. Several good speakers will address the meeting Thursday and a county wide organization will be perfected to get out a landslide vote for James H. Gwinn at the primary election May 19.

PROTESTANT HOSPITAL BUYS FOUR ACRE TRACT OF JUDD; INSTITUTION NON SECTARIAN

The Protestant Hospital Association purchased from F. E. Judd a tract of four and a half acres lying just west of Walters Mill on the upper side of the road leading to the Eastern Oregon State Hospital. This was announced today by the association in the following written announcement by the committee: "The Protestant Hospital Association of Umatilla county offers the following statement: "The site where the \$200,000 Protestant Hospital will be built is on the west side of Pendleton, on the slope just beyond Walters mill, on the right side of the road leading toward the State Hospital. The property consists of 4 1/2 acres, the deed to which has been made out to the Protestant Hospital Association by F. E. Judd, the former owner of the property, the consideration being \$2500 cash. "It should be distinctly understood that this hospital is a Umatilla County institution, and not merely a Pendleton institution. It is not to be a stock corporation, by which dividends or profits come to any one, but a purely charitable institution. Also, it is not a church or sectarian establishment, but is humanitarian in the broadest sense. Although Protestant in name and control, the Catholics will be given an opportunity to contribute on the same ground as Protestants have contributed toward the Catholic hospital. "May Make Changes "The preliminary plans previously submitted are subject to change in order to meet conditions desired by the people of this county. Suggestions by any one in regard to this matter will be given careful consideration. "A temporary suspense in procedure was occasioned by the above mentioned negotiations. But now since this is definitely determined, a city-wide solicitation for funds, involving particularly the resident sections, will begin on Wednesday of this week. The city has been districted under 12 captains who, with their helpers, will enter at once upon their work. "So far, the response from the various business interests of Pendleton has been very encouraging to the committee who have as yet called upon only a portion of the business houses. From most of the firms solicited, the donations range from \$50 to \$1000. Thus far the banks have not been asked for any donation. "Endorsed by Club "With the endorsement by the local Commercial Association, together with the strong desire for several years for a Protestant hospital, the required funds are expected to be secured in due time. It should be clearly understood that this movement by no means rests on religious prejudice, but is based upon a long-felt, determined desire growing out of a deep-felt need for such an institution. If the Catholics should desire another hospital of their own, they should be conceded the right to have it. Likewise, if the Protestants desire a hospital, they too should be granted such right. And with a hospital, as with anything else, where the desire is deep enough, as is the case with this hospital, the funds will be forthcoming. "Will Meet Tonight "It is announced by the committee that all captains and their helpers who are to solicit funds for the Protestant hospital are urged to attend a final preliminary meeting tonight at 8 o'clock.

WOOL CLIP OF EASTERN OREGON IS ABOUT ONE-HALF SOLD, IS REPORT

Prices Range From 30 Cents to 36 Cents a Pound; Shearing is Now One-third Finished.

About one-half, or possibly a little less than one-half of the wool clip of Eastern Oregon has been sold, according to information from various sources. The prices suit the growers very well, according to the sentiment expressed by several who have already disposed of their clips. The range in price is generally between 30 cents and 36 cents. The lower price prevails for the coarse and half-blood wool, and the highest price is that received by the Alfred Smith Co. for a high quality fine wool. The K. G. Warner clip has been sold for 35 1/2 cents, and the Dawson Mitchell clip at Enterprise brought the same price. The Joe Cunha clip is understood to have sold for about 35 cents. Shearing is probably one-third done in Eastern Oregon, local sheep men say. The quality of the wool is better this year than last year, but taken on the whole, the fleeces are not so heavy as in normal years. Flock owners are breathing more easily now over shearing conditions. Ten days ago a strike was attempted by shearers, but the Oregon Wool Growers' association promptly started a search for shearers with the result that the work went ahead on the basis of 16 cents the head. There is now a greater supply of shearers than can be used, it is said.

OVER THOUSAND OF WU'S TROOPS KILLED MONDAY

Four Attacks Launched on Long Battle Front Today; Japs Turn Defeat to Victory. SUPERIOR ARTILLERY FIRE REASON OF DEFEAT Peking Will Not be Attacked by Central Forces; Ships Bring up New Brigade.

SHANGHAI, May 2.—(U. P.)—Over a thousand soldiers of General Wu's forces fell yesterday in battle with general Chang's northern forces, according to a Wu communique. Chang won a decisive victory. Four attacks along the long battlefield were launched today. Superior artillery fire was given in the communique as a reason for the victory of Chang over Wu. The Japanese gun pointers assist Chang's Manchurian army, according to a Wu statement, accounting for the superiority of the northern artillery, which turned apparent victory into a costly check.

Chang Repeating PAO LING FU, China, May 2.—(U. P.)—Although the armies of Wu Peifu are within fifteen miles of Peking, no attack on the capital city is planned by central China's great war lord. Wu's forces are engaged in two great strategic campaigns. The first is complete domination of the Peking-Tientsin railroad. A strong mass attack is in progress midway between Peking and Tien Tsin with the view of wrenching control of this important railroad from the forces of Chang Tso Lin. Chang's forces retreated ten miles today without resistance.

Five cruisers are proceeding from Shanghai carrying a full army brigade to be landed five miles from Tien Tsin. The purpose of this move is to encircle Chang's rear, cut off his retreat to Manchuria and prevent supplies and munitions being rushed up to him. Heavy fighting is expected when the brigade lands. The Red Cross hospital is being prepared to care for the wounded.

WILL GET OUT FOLDER TELLING PROJECT FACTS

At a meeting of Umatilla rapid project workers yesterday afternoon, it was voted to use a small fund on hand to the publication of a good folder setting forth some of the main facts relating to the project. Much discussion was also given to the general subject of boosting for the project and the arranging of a meeting in Portland to enlist the support of the metropolis for the enterprise. Secretary Burr is to communicate with Portland to see as to a date for such a meeting.

HARDING TO BE ASKED TO APPROVE BONUS BILL

WASHINGTON, May 2.—(A. P.)—President Harding is to be asked by the senate finance committee representatives to approve the soldiers' bonus bill differing from the house measure only in minor essentials.

THE WEATHER

Reported by Major Lee Macintosh, weather observer. Maximum, 54. Minimum, 48. Barometer, 30.85.

TODAY'S FORECAST Tonight and Wednesday fair, cooler tonight.