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## SENATE TO QUERY SOLDIER HANGING CASE

### MONSTER ENGINE NEW ADDITION TO ESPEE YARDS

"DECKAPOD" IS KING AMONG COAL EATERS; ROAD BURNER IS FORTY PER CENT LARGER THAN AVERAGE.

### BIG LOCOMOTIVE USED ON SISKIYOU

J. E. DU BOSE, VETERAN PILOT, PREFERS "SEEING WORLD" TO LIFE OF A RAILROAD ENGINEER.

A recent arrival in the local yards of the Southern Pacific company is the huge "deckapod" engine, a monster locomotive which is 40 per cent more powerful than the ordinary railway engine. Yesterday a Tidings reporter boarded one of these huge steam motors, through the courtesy of J. E. DeBose, engineer, and A. L. Shoupe, fireman, just as they were getting up steam to pull No. 53 over the Siskiyou.

These new giants of the railway world are technically known as "two ten twos" and weigh 273,000 pounds each—over 136 tons. There are, on each side, five monster drive wheels, which makes such a long wheel base that sharp curves are negotiated with difficulty. A new turntable, 100 feet long, is being built to accommodate the big "deckapods."

A look into the oil-fed furnace of the big locomotive reminded the visitor of Dante's inferno, only it seemed ten times hotter. A great cauldron is filled with superheated gas, while far in the distance the open ends of the boiler pipes dimly appear.

The ease with which one of these monster engines is handled is remarkable, requiring little more strength than it takes to manage an ordinary auto. The reverse lever is moved by steam and even the bell rung by that obliging servant. The oil feed lever and throttle are both small concerns, and easily operated.

A remark regarding the greater ease with which present-day locomotive firemen filled their jobs elicited from Engineer DuBose the statement that he had shoveled coal into the hungry furnace of a mountain-climbing locomotive for nearly five years, over the Sierra Madres, and had also tried hobo tramping, but that if he had his choice between the two, he would choose the latter.

Two sponge-filled funnels attached to tubes were observed in the engine cab. In answer to a question if they were used as megaphones to tell cows and people to get off the track, the visitor was informed that these were breathing appliances, to be used in going through mountain tunnels, where the gas is sometimes so bad that there isn't enough oxygen left in the air for the fire in the furnace to burn, as was the case when Engineer Poor was nearly asphyxiated in a Siskiyou tunnel the other day. Compressed air is forced into these funnels from a chest at the forward end of the engine.

Mallet compound engines, one of which was standing in the local yards yesterday, are slightly more powerful than the "deckapods," but not so speedy. The men call the "wamps." The engineer's cab is the forward end of the engine, which is sometimes run backwards, pushing the tender in front.

**Looking for a Farm—** Mr. and Mrs. Albert Lane arrived in Ashland recently and are very desirous of locating here permanently, being in the market for a farm.

**Berhams Move to Town—** Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Berham and their children have moved from their mountain ranch on the Siskiyou to a Seventh street residence, where they will spend the winter.

### British Pledge Their Support To Conference

LONDON, Nov. 4.—The British government has formally pledged itself to labor for the success of the international disarmament conference to be held at Washington November 11.

"It's the policy of the government to seek peace and to insure peace," declared Austin Chamberlain, spokesman of the government, in the house of commons, today. "We pray for the success of the conference at Washington. And we earnestly hope that it will bring relief to the overburdened nations of the world."

### Recorder's Stand On City Warrant Issues Explained

Owing to the fact that some confusion and misunderstanding is said to exist regarding the story in yesterday's Tidings stating that the city recorder does not have the power to issue city warrants of indebtedness, relevant to the failure of the recent \$18,000 bond election, the following explanation is made:

Under the charter of several cities a provision is made to care for indebtedness for which there is no existing fund, by allowing the city recorder to draw warrants on a fund that does not exist, but will be created at some future date. Such a warrant draws interest at a fixed rate from the date of issuance, after being protested, and the principal is paid after the fund has been paid into the treasury.

It is stated at the city recorder's office that no such provision has been made in Ashland's city charter and that the city recorder is not empowered with such authority, and that at no time have such warrants been issued.

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### WILL DEDICATE SAVAGE RAPIIDS DAM SATURDAY

GRANTS PASS, Or., Nov. 4.—Dedictory services of the Savage Rapids Irrigation dam, which has been completed this month, will be held tomorrow. Plans are now being made, and an extensive program has already been prepared for the event.

President W. J. Kerr, of the Oregon Agricultural college, will deliver the dedicatory address. Other speakers of the day are Percy Cuper, of Salem, and J. W. Harrison, of San Francisco. Secretary of State Sam Kozer will press the button which will loose the waters into the rapids.

Invitations have been sent to many prominent persons from all over the Pacific coast and a large attendance is expected at the celebration.

**English Newspaperman Here—** Samuel G. Cooper, representative of the London Times and its American agency in New York, was an Ashland visitor yesterday, spending a short time at the Tidings. Mr. Cooper is touring the country, having arrived in New York eleven months ago, with the intention of combining pleasure and business. He will visit Portland and later return to the eastern states by way of Canada.

**Fishing Restrictions—** By order of the state fish and game commission, fishing with 200 feet of the fishway at the Savage Rapids dam is now prohibited. Signs have been established fixing the limits on each side of the stream, and persons fishing above the deadline will be subject to arrest and fine under the provisions of the state laws. With the closing of the sluice gates beneath the dam fish will have to ascend by the fish ladder. They have heretofore been going through the sluice gates beneath the power house.

**Dinner Postponed—** The Wednesday afternoon club of the Presbyterian church has decided to change the date of their dinner from Friday noon, November 11, to Thursday evening, November 10. We feel that in so doing we will have a larger patronage and at the same time giving our friends and helpers the benefit of the entire holiday on the 11th. We also feel we should not do anything to interfere with our own or Medford's celebration on that day. Watch the papers for further notices.—Committee.

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A community in earnest action quickly develops many surprises. Some folks, moving in a very narrow circuit, as busy folks always of public sentiment, as redo, are likely to get a wrong notion to both individuals and measures and do not wake up to the real slant of public purpose until occasion arises where the public can register its opinion on several issues in quick succession, like it has during the past two weeks on the Chamber of Commerce secretaryship, the stock show in the Chautauqua tabernacle, and the recent bond issue.

When the sum total of public opinion is analyzed, where issues and individual influence is squarely joined, very often it brings us to a realization that issues we thought sound are held positively porous by the aggregate community mind, and some folks who think themselves very "influential" with the public are brought to realize that, in fact, the public thinks very little of THEIR opinions and motives, while it holds a much higher estimate on the opinions and motives of others, who make less claims as "leading" public opinion moulders. It is easy enough for men to arrogate to themselves "influence" which test demonstrates does not exist. We are all so self-opinionated, at the best.

This is just a little philosophy. HAZ KIK.

**Building New Turntable—** Saturday the Southern Pacific company began construction work on a new turntable, made necessary by the extra large engines which are now being used on the Shasta division. The old turntable is seventy feet long and is operated by compressed air from the roundhouse, while the new table will be 100 feet long and electrically operated. At present the giant "deckapods" cannot be turned on the table, without first having the tender disconnected.

### Women's Wear Scheduled For Spring Price Cut

NEW YORK, Nov. 4.—Springtime is the harbinger of many things beside wayward thoughts and fancies. This coming spring Milady's love of finery will leap high in proportion to a scheduled reduction of twenty-five to thirty-three per cent in the price of women's clothing. The reductions were announced today by the cloak and skirt manufacturers' association. The return of piece work in the manufacture of garments is given as the reason for the price slash. It was pointed out that lower prices are necessary to keep the trade alive, as it was claimed, the public is refusing to buy at the present prices.

### Local Grid Team To Have Chance At State Title

Only two obstacles—Medford and Lebanon—stand between Ashland high school and the state football championship outside of Portland, and the local boys feel confident they can sweep these obstructions off the field Thanksgiving day and November 12, these being the dates set for the final encounters. The Linn county eleven has scored over everything in that part of the state. Following a challenge issued by the Lebanon high school, it was said at the local high school this morning, the two teams will probably meet here November 12. The Ashland high school telegraphed an attractive offer to the northern school this morning.

Much interest is being manifested in tomorrow's game, on account of its being the first of the kind ever pulled off between Ashland and Roseburg, although basket ball teams from the two towns have played before. The Umpqua aggregation is the Roseburg high school's first football team and the fact that it has already suffered several defeats leads to local expectancy of a slaughter of the innocents.

The visiting team is in fine fettle, however, smarting under previous adverse experiences and are said to be on their mettle. Tomorrow's team is coached by Coach [redacted] and [redacted] team in [redacted].

**County Agent A.** Somewhere on Grants Pass [redacted] 160-acre [redacted] years ago, [redacted] acres under [redacted] ditch is [redacted] not yet made [redacted] this is [redacted] was supposed to [redacted] to water on November 1. Grants Pass Courier.

**Tourists Are Stranded—** A family of tourists, with four children, are stranded at the auto camp just south of the city. The father and eldest boy, who is about sixteen years of age, are looking for work in order to enable them to make their way north to Vancouver, B. C., their home.—Grants Pass Courier.

**At Klamath Falls—** E. T. Staples and L. Jacob, of this city, spent yesterday and today in Klamath county with a number of parties interested in the purchase of mint lands in that vicinity, the promotion of which is being handled by Mr. Staples and Mr. Jacobs.

### PERSHING DENYS ACCUSATIONS OF SEN. WATSON

SENATOR WATSON CITES TELEGRAM FROM EX-SOLDIER AS AUTHORITY FOR CHARGE OF OVERSEAS EXECUTIONS.

### STATEMENTS CAUSE SENATE WRANGLE

SECRETARY OF WAR WEEKS ADMITS NEGRO SOLDIERS HANGED, BUT CLAIMS PROCEDURE WAS ABOVE BOARD.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 4.—After a long wrangle in the senate today, a resolution calling for an investigation by a committee of five senators of the charges of Senator Watson that American soldiers were shot and hanged by their officers without trial while overseas during the world war, was adopted.

In talking before the senate Watson gave as his authority for the charge that twenty-one soldiers were hanged in France, the statement of an ex-service man who had been a member of the American expeditionary forces. He read into the record the following telegram from the soldier:

"I cannot testify to anything I saw except that I saw the scaffold and was informed by the guards that twenty-one soldiers had already been hung on it, and that as many more were scheduled to be hung on it."

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 4.—"It's true that negro soldiers were hanged in France, but the war department records shows that they were executed after a fair trial and conviction of offenses of such a nature as to warrant hanging them higher than Gilroy's kite."

This was the comment of Secretary of War Weeks this morning on the statements of Senator Watson that he could furnish "positive proof" that soldiers in the American expeditionary forces were hanged.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Nov. 4.—General Pershing today denied the charges of Senator Watson that American soldiers were hanged in France without trial by court martial.

"It's the most outrageous and untrue accusation that could possibly be made and is absolutely without foundation," the commander-in-chief of the American forces during the world war declared.

**Former Ashlander Recuperating—** G. G. Eubanks is enjoying a visit from his brother, J. S. Eubanks, of Portland, who arrived yesterday and expects to spend a few weeks here, rustiating and recuperating. The Portland visitor is an old-time Ashland blacksmith, having lived here thirty years ago.

**Medical Specialist Returns—** Dr. H. M. Shaw returned to Ashland a few days ago, after an absence of several years and expresses himself as delighted to be among old time friends. Dr. Shaw spent the past summer on his ranch near Marshfield, recuperating from an operation, but found that Coos Bay air did not agree with him. He will maintain offices at both Ashland and Medford, being located here at 108 Pioneer avenue.

**SCHOOL CENSUS 33,250,870** WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 4.—The school population of the United States is 33,250,870, the census bureau today announces. Of this number comprising citizens five to twenty years old, more than 21,370,000 were attending school between September, 1919, and January, 1920, when the census was taken.