

### ANTI-ALLY BOMB PLOTTER CASE

Effort Made to Send Bombs As Dried Fruit Via Vladivostok.

### WIFE OF RUSSIAN AMBASSADOR WOULD NOT BITE

Consul at San Francisco Is Charged With Receiving \$400,000 to Further Plots.

(By United Press)  
Providence, R. I., Dec. 2.—Continuing the revelations of the alleged anti-ally activities in this country, the Journal announced it had laid before the department of justice startling evidence in the case of C. C. Crowley, held at San Francisco as an anti-ally bomb plotter. Most significant of the evidence was a letter purporting to have been sent by Crowley to the American wife of Russian Ambassador Bakhmeteff, at Washington, asking her aid as a red cross representative, in getting cases of dried fruit aboard steamers bound from Tacoma to Vladivostok. The Journal claimed Mrs. Bakhmeteff ignored the appeal, suspecting mischief. In the alleged letter Crowley is quoted as saying that California fruit growers desired to contribute fruit to the Russians. The letter asked that shipments be facilitated as the writer understood government supplies were constantly shipped from Tacoma to Vladivostok. The Journal intimated that the "dried fruit" cases are really intended to contain explosives and charged that German Consul Bots of San Francisco, received \$400,000 for furtherance of the destruction of wharves, steamers and munitions at San Francisco and Seattle.

### Went to Jury.

(By United Press)  
New York, Dec. 2.—The German-American case went to the jury this afternoon.

### Some Letter.

A package came to the Democrat office today, labeled "Letter mail. Immediate. News. Rush." Inside was a booklet of 198 pages, one of immense importance to the country. Invited to First School.  
County Superintendent W. L. Jackson is in receipt of an invitation from Miss Ruth Howard, teacher of school district No. 27, above Brownsville to attend a Parent-Teachers' meeting at that place tomorrow night. It was in this school that Mr. Jackson first taught, and it was with regret that he had to refuse the invitation on account of other engagements.

### Asks for Guardianship.

Joseph Endicott has filed his petition asking to be appointed guardian of an estate of \$800 due his four children from an estate in California. Each child is to receive \$200.

### Mrs. Irvine Here.

Mrs. J. D. Irvine, wife of County Commissioner Irvine, is in the city today visiting friends and doing some shopping before returning to her home in Brownsville.

### Here from Loma.

Herman Stralinger, of Loma, is here on a visit. He has held his homestead down the necessary time, and will prove up on the property in the Spring. The place is rented now.

The rainfall at Eugene during November was 11.86 inches. At this city it was 10.24 inches. Eugene beat us 1.62 inches.

### DADDY CRIM'S FORCEFUL AND THOUGHTFUL MESSAGES

The revival meetings at the Christian church is steadily increasing in interest and power. This revival is free from all sensationalism. The evangelist is winning by his forceful and thoughtful messages. Many of those attending the meetings have said, "Crim is one of the strongest preachers we have heard in Albany." The subject for tonight is "The Good Confession." The special music tonight is a duet by Mrs. W. H. Davis and Mrs. M. H. Fagan. Bible studies every afternoon from 3 to 4 o'clock.

### ANNUAL MEMORIAL SERVICE ELKS SUNDAY AFTERNOON

Elaborate Program Arranged By Committee, With Addresses and Music.

The arrangement of the program for the Elks' annual memorial Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, has been completed by the committee, consisting of J. J. Collins, E. D. Cusick, L. M. Curl, M. V. Merrill and Fred Dawson. Fifty-six members of the Albany lodge have died since its establishment. Those who have died during the past year are W. W. Powell, Damon Smith, Frank Cummins, O. P. Dannals, J. S. Cahill, H. J. Reese and J. B. Brodie.

Following is the program that will be rendered:  
Selection, Violin and piano.  
Solo—"There is a Green Hill Far Away," (Gounod), Miss Alzina Parker, Albany.

Ritualistic opening—Officers of the lodge.

Roll call of "Our Honored Dead," by the secretary.

Violin solo—"Romance"—Op. 44 (Rubenstein), Miss Mary Schultz, Salem.

Responsive services—Officers of the lodge.

Opening ode—Air, "Auld Lang Syne."

Invocation, by Rev. G. H. Young, Baptist church, Albany.

Solo—Air, "Jerusalem Thou That Killst the Prophets" from the Oratorio "St. Paul (Mendelssohn), Miss Blanch R. Hammel.

Memorial address—Hon. Gus C. Moser, P. E. R., Portland.

Violin Solo—"Legende" (Carl Bohm), Miss Mary Schultz.

Eulogy—L. G. Levelling.

Solo—"The King of Love My Shepherd Is" (Gounod), Miss Blanch R. Hammel.

Ritualistic Closing—Officers of the lodge.

Doxology  
Benediction, by Rev. G. H. Young  
Mrs. H. S. Logan, Albany, accompanist.

### MATTERS PERTAINING TO SCHOOL Supt's. OFFICE

People Like Institutes Before School Opens; Community Meeting at Houston.

That most of the patrons of the schools are in favor of the plan of County School Supt. W. L. Jackson of holding teachers' institutes before the beginning of the school term in the fall is evidenced by the following resolution adopted at Brownsville recently by the North Brownsville district at their annual meeting. Here is the resolution:  
"Whereas, During the current year the county superintendent has so held the teachers county institute that in common with the rest of the schools of the county, the schools of our district have not suffered the loss, hindrance and injury incident to holding such an institute during a session of the school; Therefore, be it  
"Resolved by School District No. 52 of Linn county, Oregon, that the thanks of the patrons of said district be and are hereby extended to the said superintendent for his action in said matter, and that the clerk of said district be and is hereby directed to transmit a copy of this resolution as an expression of appreciation in said matter."  
(Signed) W. B. GLASS,  
Clerk School Dist. No. 52.

Mr. Jackson is greatly pleased with the expressions on this subject manifested in various parts of the county.

Community Meeting at Houston.  
A community meeting will be held at the Houston school house near Knox Butte tomorrow evening. Besides the regular talks on community subjects special attractions will be the appearance of the Hammer quartet, a talk by Dr. W. H. Lee, of Albany College, and the children's program, not to mention the big banquet.

Besides Dr. Lee, Prof. W. L. Jackson will also be heard in a talk, and other speakers will respond whose names were not given out this afternoon.

Busy With School Census.  
County School Supt. Jackson is busy with the annual school enumeration. The clerks of the various school districts are making the yearly canvass for the purpose of apportioning the state and county funds, and the superintendent's office is busy arranging these figures. All children between the ages of 4 and 20 years are counted.

Last year the census showed 8344 of school age in the county, and indications point to an increase this

### TWO FEEDS BILLED FOR DRAINAGE MEETING TUESDAY

Farmers to Be Guests of Commercial Club and Merchants at Noon and Night.

It was decided this morning instead of serving just one feed to the visitors and guests of the commercial club at the drainage meeting next Tuesday that there would also be another meal furnished the visitors. President Robnett, of the Commercial club and President Flood, of the Merchants' Protective Association got together this morning and came to a decision in a speedy manner that the proper thing to do would be to banquet the guests all day, for in the evening so many of the farmers have to return to their places and would be unable to stay for the last, and perhaps the best part of the day's program.

Arrangements are going steadily forward towards the completion of a most interesting and instructive meeting Tuesday. Drainage experts are being secured from every available source for the program, and the best talent in the state, the best informed and most practical drainage men will be heard.

The session will open in the morning at 10 o'clock. The meeting will proceed to get right down to brass tacks and dig into the subject from all standpoints in an effort to cause the reclamation of thousands of acres of what is called "white land" in Linn county. This work can be done and without great individual expense if taken up in the right manner and one of the objects of the meeting is to present this method of procedure from the practical standpoint of the experience of other communities.

At noon the visiting farmers and others will be the guests of the Commercial club and the Merchants' association. The meeting will then go into session after dinner and continue the discussions. At 6:30 the Commercial club will serve a delicious oyster supper with other good things besides. This is the regular monthly dinner of the Commercial club and merchants, and to this the farmers are also to be the guests, without cost. The speakers for the evening session will probably be instructors from the Oregon Agricultural College.

### Not Submitted.

(By United Press)

Salem, Or., Dec. 2.—Because three members were absent from the land grant committee it was decided not to promulgate the plan for submission to representatives of the Southern Pacific. The time for the next meeting with the railroad representatives was not decided.

### ANSWER IS FILED IN SUIT TO RECOVER

Defendant's Guardian Alleges Fraud and Gross Mismanagement of Mill.

Alleging that H. Rozell and Aaron Morse, by over persuasion and undue influence, induced W. W. Howes, incompetent, to purchase their sawmill and hire them to set it up and run it, J. R. Green, guardian of Howes, today filed an answer to the amended complaint in the case of Ada Rozell vs. W. W. Howes. Sixteen hundred dollars damages are also asked.

The complaint states that W. W. Howes, adjudged incompetent March 3, 1915, as a result of a paralytic stroke previous to May, 1912, rendered his mind and body incapable of properly caring for his business. March 10, 1915, J. R. Green qualified as guardian.

While in this condition Roselle & Morse and others persuaded Howes to buy a small sawmill from them and set it on 240 acres of timber land that defendant owns, promising that they would manage the mill and make it earn big money.

It is stated that Rozell and Morse wrongly set up the mill, were forced by the labor commissioner to set the mill over, and wasted time and money, damaging defendant to the extent of over \$1600.

There is an increase in the high school attendance all over the county, showing that people are coming more and more to the idea of higher education.

Teachers' Examinations.  
The teachers' examinations will be held from the 15th to the 18th of December. The state board of examiners will meet in Salem on the 20th to correct the papers.

### GERMANY DENIES HUNGER STORIES

Declares That Statements of Riots and Troubles Are Not True.

### GERMANY SIMPLY PROMOTING ECONOMIC METHODS

After Military and Diplomatic Defeats Peace Negotiations Due From Allies.

(By United Press)

Berlin, Dec. 2.—Germany wants a speedy settlement of questions affecting food prices and food distribution. To gain these ends, crowds made demonstrations before the Reichstag, it is admitted. "German enemies," an inspired statement said, "will again spread ridiculous reports about troubles and street riots and make other insinuations not corresponding with the truth." The statement indicated that the chancellor will make a statement before the Reichstag scoffing at the enemy's belief in Germany's ultimate economic depression. The statement says: "In Germany nobody understands why the Allies, after military and diplomatic defeats, have not yet begun peace negotiations." The chancellor probably will show what the enemy rulers still blindly believe the stories of German starvation, economic prostration as signs of weakness and weariness of war."

### WITNESSES TELL WHY SYRACUSE BEAT O. A. C.

Many Things Lacking in Aggie System to Compete with Big Eastern Team.

From Albany men who saw Syracuse put O. A. C. on the toboggan at Portland yesterday afternoon comes some of the whys for the sad showing of the Oregon Aggies. In the first place they were simply outplayed. In the next analysis there was something radically wrong with Stewart's warriors. It is true that some good men were on the injured list and the work of the Corvallis machine was broken up a bit, but it is said that they did not show a single thing. It is hinted that internal strife in the team seemed apparent, Syracuse had everything on them.

The usual verdict from the majority is lack of fight on the Aggies part. It is said that individually each man put up a good contest against his particular opponent, but there lacked a cooperative spirit and unity in both the attack and defense. Syracuse did not make great gains by line plunging, but tore off big yardage on forward passing, fake punts and end runs. Their interference was impregnable. O. A. C. lacked snap in their tackling, and witnesses claim they never saw a college team put up such a poor exhibition in this department.

Those who saw the game say that the University of Oregon would have put up a much better fight, for with the brand of tackling that they displayed against O. A. C. and Multnomah, they would have stopped many of the Syracuse plays where they started. Oregon is perhaps the best team on the defensive in the northwest today.

As to Abraham and Wilkinson, the great Syracuse half, there did not seem to be much difference. Both are about the same size, use the same style of play, and hit equally hard. Abraham made about as good yardage when he had opportunities, and on a team of the same calibre would prove a better ground gainer, it is stated.

"Pete" Anderson, another Albany boy, played the best game for O. A. C. He was pitted against the big 270 pound guard, White, and had the jump on this boy all the game. Anderson spilled many plays and put up a wonderful game for his team. He was out of the game the third quarter when Syracuse scored two touch-

### S. P. CO. READY TO CONSIDER SETTLEMENT

At Conference at Salem Official States He Has Power to Effect Compromise.

State Senator S. M. Garland, of Lebanon, returned to Salem this morning to continue his duties as a member of the land grant conference after spending the night in this city.

At the meeting yesterday D. W. Campbell, assistant general manager of the Southern Pacific Co., and Ralph Moody, an S. P. attorney, and E. A. McAllister, of Portland the tax expert for the company, unexpectedly appeared and stated that the company was ready to consider any compromise that might be presented looking for a fair settlement of the land grant problem. Mr. Campbell was prepared to negotiate and had the necessary authority.

Governor Withycombe's views of settling the question is that the agricultural lands should be sold to actual settlers at \$2.50 per acre, preference being given to those now occupying them, and that the timbered lands be sold at their actual value, the state and the railroad dividing the amount received on an equitable basis after the \$2.50 per acre is deducted by the railroad. The governor advocates that the money so received from this course be divided between the school and reclamation funds.

State Treasurer Kay and Secretary of State Olcott believe that the agricultural lands should be sold for an average of \$2.50 per acre, and when the railroad has been paid \$2.50 per acre and reimbursed for whatever loss it may have suffered in handling the grant lands, that the surplus should be placed in the state school funds.

According to Senator Garland, the railroad has merely a \$2.50 equity in the lands, together with the rights of a life tenant in the timber, and that whatever other rights remain belong to the people. He said that when the government made the grant to the railroad it had parted with its title, except as to specified conditions made at the time, such as reserving the right to transport troops over the company's lines.

"In any plan whereby the state should receive a share from the sale of the lands," said Garland, "I think the money should be divided between the school and the road funds, Counties having grant lands should get the benefit also, allowing them to use a portion of the money in improving their roads. I do not believe Eastern Oregon is entitled to any share."

Mrs. Roy Knox returned to the city this morning after visiting in Eugene.

### EMPRESS SHOW MONDAY BIGGEST AND BEST YET

On Monday next the entire show from the Empress theatre, Portland, will appear at the Globe and the Portland press pronounce it the best bill of the season. The headline is Hill's Society Circus, comprising five ponies, three leopards, ten dogs, six monkeys, a zebra, and five people. Cleora Miller Trio, is a musical act featuring Al Miller, world's greatest cornetist. Mizpah Selbini and Co., acrobats and contortionists. Three American Girls, classy singers and classy songs. Hodge and Lowell in a comedy sketch, "A Rural Flirtation." Weisner & Reeser, black and tan fun makers. This is without question the biggest vaudeville show ever billed in Albany and it is safe to predict seats will be at a premium on Monday.

H. N. Cockerline went to Salem on business this morning.

At the end of the second half he was kicked in the head while recovering a punt that Abraham fumbled. Abe had a bad day in fumbling, muffing two on the 22 and 24 yard lines that were recovered by Syracuse in the third quarter and soon converted into touchdowns. On one occasion in this period O. A. C. put up a grand fight to prevent a score, making Syracuse buck four times to make a yard and then the ball was just shoved over by six inches when Laythe slipped a little and Wilkinson fell on the line.

The next test of Eastern and Western football will come New Year's day when the Chamoun W. S. C. team plays the strong Brown University eleven from Providence, R. I., at Pasadena, California.

### BIG DAMAGE SUIT AT CORVALLIS THIS WEEK

Willis Vidito, Published As Dead Against the Southern Pacific Company.

An interesting suit is in progress at Corvallis this week before the circuit court. On October 29, 1914, Willis Vidito, of Corvallis, was in Albany attending a football game. He returned home by the Southern Pacific on an excursion train. At Van Buren and Ninth streets, Corvallis, he was crowded off the train, struck on his head, and it was not certain whether he was dead or not. In fact eight days after the accident his death was published in a Corvallis paper. But he lived, and this suit is for large damages. Smith & Bryson and McFadden and Clark are attorneys for the plaintiff and Weatherford & Weatherford for the defendant. Fifteen witnesses have testified for the plaintiff and a number for the defendant. The case may end this evening. Following is the jury, including some North Albany men: J. S. Watkins, R. S. Irwin, Frank Van Hoosen, T. J. Risley, W. J. Kirkland, Homer Moore, J. W. Rodgers, B. G. Leedy, B. F. West, Dennis H. Stovall, the author, W. L. Cobb, and S. W. Tart.

### Great Britain War Losses.

(By United Press)  
London, Dec. 2.—Great Britain's contribution to war to date in dead, wounded and missing men is 510,230. Answering a query from the commons, Premier Asquith gave the following written estimate of losses in the western front as 379,598; near east, 106,610; other land zones, 11,502; on sea, 12,160.

### Roosevelt a Bull Moose.

(By United Press)  
New York, Dec. 2.—Col. Roosevelt intends to stick by the guns and not go back to the Republican party. Chairman George Perkins, Progressive executive committee said, "The fact that the colonel has withdrawn his name as a Republican candidate in Nebraska," he said, "should put an end to all such talk."

### GRAND PATRIARCH ROBERT ANDREWS WAS PRESENT

Met Last Night With Albany Encampment; Is Visiting Lodges All Over the State.

The session of the I. O. O. F. encampment last night, in I. O. O. F. hall was a notable one, being specially favored by the presence of Robert Andrews, the grand patriarch, who is also a former Linn county man, a resident of Halsey for many years. Mrs. Andrews succeeded G. W. Wright as the head of the encampment for the state. The session was one full of interest. Many old-timers were present, among them being Past Grand Patriarchs Wright and Francis, Past Grand Masters T. J. Stites, W. G. Tweedale, J. K. Weatherford and A. W. Bowersox, C. W. Sears and others. In fact the hall was filled. Mr. Andrews gave a talk full of feeling, for he was among old friends. He is making a tour of the state perhaps the most thorough of any grand patriarch. When he finishes it he will have visited every encampment but one, besides many sub-encampments, already 62. He has been traveling now for almost two months, putting snap into the fork. His motto, as expressed on his card: Be a Pusher.

### From New York.

Miss Ella S. Gruman, of New York, on her return from the San Francisco exposition, is visiting at the home of Wait Meade.

### Warranty Deeds.

John D. Logan and wife to Raymond Logan, May 18, 1914. Lands in block 60 in City of Albany, \$100.  
James B. Nanney and wife to Emma G. Kamle, Nov. 15, 1915. Lands in claim 61 Tp. 11, 4 west, \$10.

C. H. Rigdon was a passenger to Portland on the morning train.

C. O. Hargrove went to Portland on the morning train.

John Schultz made a trip to his duck preserve near Fayetteville this morning, returning on the 8:50 electric.

Dr. W. A. Cox went to Salem this morning to attend to his practice in that city.

### RITTER SAYS HE WAS PAID \$500

Was For Making Affidavit That the Lusitania Carried 600 Tons Gun Cotton.

### HE IS THE LIQUID FIRE PLOT MAN

Austrian Consul Denies Money Paid Was For False Affidavit Alleged.

(By United Press)

Cleveland, Dec. 2.—Penniless, forsaken by the men he alleged he had aided, E. W. Ritter, a chemist, confessed to activities on behalf of the German interests in this country. Ritter, who it is claimed, testified to a plot to burn the president with liquid fire, told the authorities that he received \$500 for making an affidavit that the Lusitania carried six hundred tons of loosely packed gun cotton when she sailed out of New York to destruction. The Austrian consul, Ernest Ludwig, admitted he paid Ritter for "services and expenses" but denied these included such affidavit. A statement concerning the affidavit was forwarded to Washington along with the stenographic report quoting Ritter as divulging a plot to burn up Wilson.

### BOLD JEWELRY STORE ROBBERY IN SEATTLE

Robbers Get \$2000 Worth of Goods, Bind Proprietor and Escape.

(By United Press)

Seattle, Dec. 2.—Diamonds, gold, and silver coins valued at \$2,000 were stolen from the R. B. West jewelry store, while scores were passing the store. Two men with guns held up H. F. Andrews, the clerk. After taking everything of value they could find in a hurried search, they dragged Andrews into a rear room, where they bound him hand and foot, and lashed him to a table with leather thongs, then escaped.

### PERSONAL MENTION FROM FAYETTEVILLE

Fayetteville, Or., Nov. 30.—Miss Gladys Davis boarded the train Friday morning to Albany after spending Thanksgiving with her parents. Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Davis near Fayetteville.

P. H. Freerksen of Potter, and E. E. Gordon of near Fayetteville, were Albany business callers on Friday afternoon.

Jim Hughson and brother-in-law, Mr. Paddock, of Corvallis, were visitors at the home of J. T. Miller early Friday morning.

Mrs. A. M. Kendall left for Corvallis Friday evening, where she was called to the bedside of her brother, Jim Pugh, who is very ill.

Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Saxton spent Thanksgiving at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hillard Ackerman, near Shedd.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Troutman and daughter, of Shedd, were north bound passengers for Albany Thursday evening, returning Friday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Nevin McCormick and Mrs. E. E. Gordon were Albany visitors on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Morgan and Mr. and Mrs. Luther Kennedy were Harrisburg visitors Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Schultz spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Montgomery near Verdure.

I. M. Saxton is putting the finishing touch on his new bungalow this week.

Mrs. S. Cohn, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. M. Senders, returned to Portland on the morning train.  
H. W. Hunt, of Roseburg, is in the city.  
Miss Daisy Davenport, of Crabtree, is registered at the Hotel Albany.