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GALT RESIDENCE TO BE SCENE OF BRIGHT WEDDING

President Wilson Clears Up Routine Business Before Starting on His Honeymoon Tonight.

CEREMONY WILL BE AT 8:30

Hundreds of Gifts Are Received—Curious Persons Among the Streets—None But Guests Will Be Permitted to Approach Home at Ceremony This Evening.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Though this is his wedding day, the president undertook his customary routine work. He reached the executive offices early. He then cleared up unfinished business preparatory to going on his honeymoon tonight. There is a noticeable stir about the White House. The wedding announcements are being prepared for the mails. At the Galt home everything is ready for the ceremony tonight. A drenching downpour made the city dreary today but the weather man promised a clear night. Express wagons bearing gifts drew to the Galt house in processions. Curious persons thronged the streets until Police Superintendent Pullman sent a police detail which good naturedly held the crowd back. After eight tonight the street will be cleared and only guests will be permitted to approach. The president's private stenographer, Charles Swain, is the only person who will accompany the honeymooners. Joe Cannon called at the White House early this morning to congratulate the president but the latter had already gone for a morning call on Mrs. Galt. The ceremony tonight will be at 8:30 o'clock.

LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS DEFEAT TEAM FROM WESTON

EXCITING BASKETBALL GAME ENDS WITH SCORE 21 TO 20 FOR P. H. S.

In one of the most exciting games of basketball that has ever been played on the local floor the Pendleton high school girls last night defeated Weston high, 21 to 20.

In the first half Weston walked away with the score and it seemed as though the game was lost, until Alta Mentzer, the star forward of the local team, made her appearance.

The first half ended with the score 5 to 3 in Weston's favor, but at the beginning of the second half the girls came back and tied the score. When this point was reached, rooting from the side lines and the speed and flight of the local team put Weston on the down hill road and the game ended in Pendleton's favor, 21 to 20.

The line-up for the local team was: Guards, Leta Acee, Thelma Thompson and Katherine Thompson; center, Jessie Chessman; side center, Nellie Ingram; forwards, Grace Rogge, Alta Mentzer and Della Ferguson. In the first half Alta Mentzer was put in for Della Ferguson, Della for Nellie Ingram and Katherine Thompson for Leta Acee.

In a very exciting game the sophomores defeated the juniors 23 to 16. All the boys played a star game.

Citizens Are Asked to Make Bundle Day Here a Big Success

ASSOCIATED CHARITIES SET DATE FOR NEXT TUESDAY—CLOTHING WANTED.

Next Tuesday is "Bundle Day" in Pendleton.

The Associated Charities has no designated it and asks every citizen of Pendleton to cooperate in making it a success. The purpose of the plan is to secure as much extra clothing as possible and as much food also for distribution among the needy of the city.

Citizens having clothing, food or other things to give are asked to prepare them in a bundle by Tuesday and to notify Mrs. E. C. Anhalt, whose telephone number is 292M. A number of the drymen have agreed to collect the bundles Tuesday afternoon free of charge and will call at all addresses telephoned in.

The Associated Charities has found many families in the city who are needing warm clothing and plain, wholesome food and "Bundle Day" is designed to bring some Christmas cheer to these homes.

Garbage wagons in a German city are arranged to be drawn either by horses or electric tractors.

Bridal Couple and Scene of Wedding



The home of Mrs. Edith Bolling Galt, in Washington, where the president and Mrs. Galt are to be married tonight, and inserts of the bride and groom.

Germans to Sweep Into Greece For Attack on Enemy

ALLIES EXPECTED TO MAKE STAND 20 MILES FROM SALONIKI.

ATHENS, Dec. 18.—The Germans will sweep into Greece before the end of next week, and attack the allies according to persons close to the German embassy. The allies first determined stand is expected to be a point 20 miles north of Saloniki. Strong works there began before the allies were forced from Serbia and were rushed to completion. The Greeks are giving the allies powerful aid. They arranged a speedy communication between Saloniki and troops near the border. The Montenegrins and Serbians are offering stubborn resistance in the Drin valley where a battle of considerable magnitude is on.

Convict is Good Student. UNIVERSITY OF OREGON. Eugene, Dec. 17.—One student in the correspondence study enrollment of the State University is getting an education under desperate conditions. He is a convict, and he works all day with a road gang.

"My lessons are not sent regularly, I must admit," he writes to his instructor, "but out here on the high way we find plenty of work, and after supper the only place to study is our tent, where 14 men are sleeping, so a fellow does not get much chance, but I'll do my best."

General. President Wilson and Mrs. Galt will be married tonight at the Galt home. Austria's note is unsatisfactory. America will send second note demanding immediate compliance with demands.

Bridge at Spokane collapses. Seven persons are killed.

Local. Next Tuesday is named Bundle Day.

Municipal decorations to be publicly burned on New Years eve.

Change in division will not necessitate trainmen changing residence.

P. P. & L. Co. rates ordered reduced in Washington.

Movie news on page 5.

PEOPLE ADVISED NOT TO KEEP LIQUOR IN BASEMENT OF STORES

WHILE NOT CRIME, STILL IS BEST TO AVOID APPEARANCES OF EVIL.

While it is not a crime for a person to store intoxicating liquor in the basement of his store, Attorney General Brown has advised District Attorney Stowers, of Umatilla county, that proprietors of stores should avoid the appearance of evil by not keeping liquor in their basements.

"It is not a crime for a person to store intoxicating liquor in the basement of his store," says the state's legal adviser, "where the same is not kept for the purpose of gift, distribution or sale, or for the use as defined in sections 10 and 15 of the prohibition laws, but in view of the provisions of section 39, making such possession prima facie evidence that the place where such liquor is kept is a common nuisance, I would advise against a proprietor keeping intoxicating liquor at such places."

Banks may not collect the purchase price of intoxicating liquors after the first of the year, according to another opinion by Attorney General Brown in reply to an inquiry from a Portland bank. Construing the prohibition law in this respect, the attorney-general says:

"It is a misdemeanor under the laws of the state from and after January 1, 1916, for any bank, individual, firm or association to present and collect any draft, bill of exchange or order for the payment of money to which is attached a bill of lading or order or receipt for intoxicating liquor."

MILWAUKIE OPENS BIDS. Portland contractor has lowest price for water project.

MILWAUKIE, Ore., Dec. 17.—At the meeting of the council bids were opened for the construction of the distribution system of the Milwaukie municipal water plant, but the contract was not awarded. The bids ranged from \$22,000 to \$28,000, the lowest being submitted by Glebach & Joplin, of Portland.

The total sum authorized to be spent on the distribution system, including the standpipe in Minthorne, is \$25,000.

Engineer is Under Arrest on Charge Smuggling Opium

GREAT NORTHERN EMPLOYEE HAD NOVEL WAY TO GET DRUG INTO CITIES.

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 18.—After 13 years of service, Peter McGregor, the oldest engineer in the employ of the Great Northern on the Vancouver-Seattle branch, is in jail today at Seattle charged with smuggling opium into the country. Hugh A. Duster, many years his creman, also was arrested at Seattle. W. E. Kent, McGregor's friend, was arrested here. According to federal officials, McGregor secured opium at Vancouver and secreted it in a hollow log he carried in his engine cab for a footrest. He heaved the log from the window near Seattle.

Kent's alleged duty was to dispose of the opium in Seattle and Portland.

A college professor at Ames, Ia., has perfected a machine which will scarify the hard seeds of sweet clover, alfalfa and the like, so that the "balky" seeds will sprout. A sprouting record may be increased from 50 to 85 per cent by this method.

ADDITIONAL TRAINMEN ARE NEEDED BY O-W R. AND N.

HEAVY VOLUME OF FREIGHT TO BE MOVED RESPONSIBLY FOR NEEDS.

An indication of the heavy freight business being done by the O-W R. & N. Co. at this time may be taken from the efforts made here today to secure additional trainmen for service in moving trains. Assistant Superintendent Buckley telephoned this morning from La Grande to Yardmaster O. J. McKee asking him to hunt up all of the trainmen in the city who are out of jobs. No explanation was given but local railroad men declare the company is short of experienced men right now and needs them badly to assist in moving the heavy volume of freight. The company is training a large number of students but will not trust them out alone.

More than 2,000 members of the London Stock Exchange are either on active service or directly employed by the government on war work.

AUSTRIA'S NOTE NOT ACCEPTABLE IN ANCONA CASE

Brief Communication Which Will Permit of no Quibbling Will go Forward to Vienna Tonight.

MUST COMPLY WITH DEMANDS

Secretary Lansing Makes Public Austrian Reply to First Note Over Sinking of Vessel—Austria Insists That Evidence in Case Should Be Discussed.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—A brief sharp note permitting of no quibbling will be forwarded to Austria tonight in the Ancona case. It was prepared by Lansing and the president approved it. Officialdom held the situation still "very grave." The promptness with which America replied to the Austrian note leaves little room for doubt that Austria has failed to comply with the American demands.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Secretary Lansing made public today the Austrian note replying to the American demands in the Ancona case.

The most significant feature is Austria's insistence on a discussion of evidence and the principles involved. It was held that Austria is entitled to discuss the facts. Regarding the commander of the Austrian submarine that sank the Ancona, the note declares the American demand "does not in any way sufficiently warrant attaching blame to him" even if America's contentions are correct and the "most rigorous legal conception" applied to a judgment of the case. It held that Austria had not been completely informed of the contents of the American-German notes regarding submarines and suggested a further parley.

Austria held she has a right to expect the precise specifications of the circumstances on which the American contentions are based. America's original note "left room for doubt," the Austrian communication said, as America failed to designate the persons on whom she relied for evidence "and to whom it apparently believes it can attribute a higher degree of credit than the commander of the imperial and royal fleet."

Furthermore, it cites Austria's own names of victims, "But," it declared, "in view of the fact the Washington cabinet has now made a positive statement concerning the loss of lives, Austria is, in principle, ready to enter into an exchange of views in the affair."

In what some believed was curt language, Austria reserved the right to maintain its own legal views in discussing the case and queried as to why America referred to the German-American controversy settlement particularly, since Austria "by no means possesses all the pertinent correspondence" in that situation. Further, it held the two cases are not parallel. Therefore, the note continued, Austria "leaves it to the Washington cabinet to formulate the particular points against which the submarine commander offended."

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION TAKES ACTION—NO EFFECT IN THIS STATE.

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"The order eliminates maintenance and installation charges in connection with lighting and power rates, and also orders that the practice of discriminating between the large and small consumer be abated. The rates for residential lighting in North Yakima and Walla Walla, which are the same, are reduced from 18 cents per kilowatt hour per month for the first 20 kilowatt hours, and 8 cents per kilowatt hour per month for any amount over 20 to 8 1/2 cents per kilowatt hour for the second 60 kilowatt hours and 5 cents per kilowatt hour for any amount in excess of 120 kilowatt hours."

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ACCORDING TO PRESIDENT FARRELL, CREWS WON'T CHANGE RESIDENCES.

The opening of the new terminal yards at Pilot Rock Junction and the starting of traffic over the Echo-Coyote cutoff will not affect train crews and will not necessitate engine-men changing their residence, according to the following story printed yesterday by the La Grande Observer as a special dispatch from Portland:

"La Grande will not lose the residence of any of the engine crews as a result of the creation of Pilot Rock Junction—three miles west of Pendleton—as a through train terminal of the La Grande, or second division of O-W R. & N. Company. It was announced today by J. D. Farrell, president of the company. Instead, the change adds to the responsibilities of the La Grande offices as a division center, as the La Grande crews will operate the cut off which is to be used by through passenger trains."

Changes Largely Theoretical. The arrangement of the division operation is largely theoretical and is occasioned by putting into operation the Coyote cut-off. Through trains leaving Portland will make Pilot Rock Junction a changing point for engine crews only, the train crews being unaffected and going on through to Pendleton. Other trains will run on to Umatilla as at present.

New Division Created. The change really creates what is to be known as the Coyote cutoff division which will be made out of a part of the first or Portland division, and part of the second, or La Grande division, as far as through trains are concerned, but gives La Grande crews the responsibility for operating the cutoff.

Double Back Provided For. The schedules will be so arranged that crews arriving on westbound trains in Pilot Rock Junction in the morning will double back to La Grande that day. Train crews will be entirely unaffected by the change and other than through passenger trains will not be concerned.

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BRIDGE SPAN AT SPOKANE BREAKS AND 7 ARE DEAD

Ten Others Injured When Street Car Plunges Into River Below—Another Car Barely Escapes.

VICTIMS ARE WORKINGMEN

Car Loaded With Laborers on Way to Work When Accident Happens—Span Gives Way Beneath Weight—Police and Firemen Rescue Passengers—1 Body Recovered.

SPOKANE, Dec. 18.—Seven persons are believed to have met death and ten were injured when an Astor street car went into the Spokane river early this morning when a middle span of the Division street bridge collapsed beneath it. A majority of the victims were workmen enroute to work.

The bridge collapsed without warning and noiselessly dropped into the river with the car. The motorman and conductor and many of the injured escaped through windows and doors and climbed to the top of the car where they were removed by firemen with ladders. The entire police and fire departments aided in the rescue and tugs and rowboats were requisitioned. A big crowd gathered on the shore. A second car, leaving the bridge, came to the approach by its front trucks and narrowly escaped sliding back into the chasm.

One body was recovered after three hours work. It was identified as Samuel Howard.

INDIANS HAVE VISIT FROM SANTA AT HAMLEY'S TODAY

Bushed by the heavy orders this year Santa Claus began his gift distributing in Pendleton today, one week ahead of Christmas day, and the Indians of the Umatilla reservation were the objects of special attention. The store of Hamley & Co. was the scene of the festivities for the Indians. Several hundred of them gathered there this afternoon between 1 and 2 and took seats around the big tree which was laden with gifts. Numbers were distributed to all and there were gifts to correspond with the numbers. Everyone received candy and some of the more fortunate got beautiful gifts, robes, kerchiefs and other bright-colored articles that delight the red people. Music was played by Mrs. E. F. Averill, W. S. Bowman took a picture of the scene and Parsons Motanic and Gilbert Minthorn made speeches. Hamley & Co. play Santa Claus to the Indians every year but this year their celebration was on a little more elaborate scale than heretofore.

Wheat Market Shows No Material Changes

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—(Special)—Dec. 11.16 3-8-11.17 3-4 asked; May 11.15-11.15 1-4 asked.

Portland, Ore., Dec. 18.—(Special)—Club 94-95; bluestem, 96-99.

Liverpool, Dec. 17.—Wheat—Spot No. 1 Manitoba, 12s 3 1/2-2d; No. 2, 12s 3d; No. 3, 11s 10 1/2-2d; No. 4 hard winter new, 11s 8d. In American terms the highest Liverpool price is \$1.58 4-5 per bushel.

Italy devotes more than 11,000,000 acres of land to wine grape cultivation.

House Parties Included in Plan for the Entertainment of Young People New Years Eve

A safe and sane and yet an enjoyable New Years eve celebration was planned out last evening for the young people of the community at a meeting called by the W. C. T. U. and attended by representatives of the churches, the schools and a number of organizations. The plans include house parties over the city during the earlier part of the evening with a gigantic bonfire at the high school grounds as a grand finale.

Committees were appointed last evening to arrange for a number of social gatherings in various homes during the early part of the evening. Another committee will arrange

to have all of the Christmas trees and decorations on the streets to the high school grounds where at 11 o'clock they will be burned. Other entertainment will be kept as a surprise to the young people. Refreshments will be served in the high school building by ladies of the community and the celebration will not break up until the new year is formally welcomed.

By these plans the committee hopes to interest the young people and keep them off the street and away from contact with the sleazebags who will celebrate the end of the wet regime with hilarious and riotous parties.