

The Weather

Highest temperature yesterday... 85. Lowest temperature last night... 55. Forecast for southwest Oregon: Fair tonight and Friday, temperature above normal.

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EASTERN BETS ON BIG FIGHT FAVOR YOUTH

Sharkey's Backers Are Counting on Speed

Sentiment Favors 32-Year-Old Ex-Champion, But Money Lacking.

OLD VIGOR DOUBTED

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FIGHT RETURNS

Through arrangements made with the Associated Press, the News-Review will secure tonight a full, punch by punch description of the pugilistic encounter between Jack Sharkey and Jack Dempsey. The leased wire will open at 5 p. m. with preliminary announcements, giving information concerning the gathering of the crowd and the preliminary fights. The main bout is scheduled to start at 5:30 p. m. Pacific coast time. The bulletins will be megaphoned and posted at the News-Review office, and the full account of the battle will be given.

Round by Round

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Captain Courtney Postpones His Trans-Atlantic Round-Trip Dash, London to New York, Until Sunday

(Associated Press Leased Wire) DUBLIN, Ireland, July 21.—Captain Frank T. Courtney, British aviator, who is preparing for a trans-Atlantic flight to New York, will not attempt the flight before Sunday, says a message received from him at the Baldonnel air station in county Dublin.

Courtney plans a 7,000-mile flight from London to New York and back, stopping each way at Newfoundland for fuel and establishing for the first time a tentative commercial airplane route.

His route by stages will be from Calshot, to Valencia, Ireland, a distance of 480 miles, thence 1,700 miles to St. Johns, Newfoundland, thence 1,200 miles to New York, following the same route on the return.

Captain Courtney will use a Dornier all-metal flying boat propelled by two Napier "Lion" engines, and will be accompanied by Flight Lieutenant F. W. M. Downer as navigator and R. F. Little as engineer.

Courtney's attempt will be the first of four over the trans-Atlantic airway this year. One of the other three will be made by an Englishman and the two others by Germans.

The other British attempt is contemplated by Lieut. Colonel F. F. Minchin of the British Imperial Airways and Leslie Hamilton, a British air taxi owner.

One German attempt is proposed by Lieut. Colonel Otto Koennecke, 35-year-old, German army officer, who intends to fly an all-metal monoplane carrying two passengers who are said to be financing the trip, and a radio operator.

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REBEL LEADER THREAT OF BONE PREPARING TO DRY CANDIDATE RENEW STRIFE IS KEPT ALIVE

Intercepted Message Shows Sandino Aims to Strike Soon at Managua.

ISSUES EXPLANATION

Blames Coolidge for What Has Happened and Seeks to Oust Diaz From the Presidency.

(Associated Press Leased Wire) MANAGUA, July 21.—Notwithstanding the defeat with numerous casualties his troops suffered at the hands of American marines and native constabulary at Ocotual, General Sandino hopes to capture Tiscapa Port, which controls the city of Managua, now occupied by marines.

An intercepted message addressed by Sandino to his wife, reads: "Although they believe me weak, I shall soon occupy the Tiscapa fortress."

Another message signed by Sandino, which was sent the day after the Ocotual battle and picked up by a telegraph operator at San Fernando, says the "only one responsible for what has happened here is the president of the United States, Calvin Coolidge, who has supported Adolfo Diaz."

This message, addressed to "all authorities, civil and military," to explain why the Ocotual attack took place, declares that Sandino and his men desired to show they continued to defend the constitutionality of Dr. Juan Sacasa (former liberal president), to dispel the idea that they were bandits, and to prove that they preferred death to slavery.

Another Battle Likely

United States planes reaching Managua after reconnaissance in the Ocotual region, have reported a few bands of rebels under Sandino at Chilpanco and other concentrations of rebel forces to the south-east of Ocotual.

Major Ross E. Rowell, in command of the aviation squadron, has sent by air to Ocotual a small field piece and some machine guns, and reinforcements under Major Floyd are expected momentarily at Ocotual, so the garrison will be prepared for any emergency.

It was Major Rowell who led five bombing planes to the attack at Ocotual, which was largely responsible in dispersing the rebels. His plane bears the marks of 44 bullets.

Sandino's Blood Lust

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Nomination of Smith Might Bring Out Independent to Satisfy South.

LEAGUE PLANS MOVE

Counsel Wayne B. Wheeler and Churchmen State Views—3rd Term Ban Looming.

(Associated Press Leased Wire) WASHINGTON, July 21.—Renewed discussion of the possible attitude of southern dry toward a wet presidential candidate, led Wayne B. Wheeler today to disclaim constructions he said had been placed on his recent utterances on the question.

A one-sentence statement by the general counsel of the league, sent here from his summer home in Michigan, said:

"Dr. Wayne B. Wheeler today, referring to his discussion of political possibilities, disclaimed the constructions that the Anti-Saloon league would initiate the nomination of an independent dry presidential candidate if either dominant political party candidate is not right on the prohibition question."

The statement was prompted by the declaration of Bishop James Cannon, Jr., and Dr. Arthur J. Hays Sulzberger, the Southern Methodist and Baptists, respectively, that a recent expression by Mr. Wheeler on the subject represented only his own opinion and not that of the league.

Aims at Al Smith

A paragraph in the Wheeler statement referred to said:

"There will be at least one of the possible dominant parties which will have a satisfactory candidate for the maintenance and enforcement of the eighteenth amendment. There is a possibility that both will be satisfactory. The league keeps hands off. If Governor Smith is nominated, and the dries in the south would rather vote for an independent dry candidate for president than for a dry republican, this could give them a chance to register their protest."

Bishop Cannon and Dr. Barton objected to this statement, declaring that while southern Democrats would never agree to the nomination of a wet candidate, if the Democrats should nominate a wet, dry Democrats, north as well as south, will undoubtedly determine what course they will follow.

Predicts 3rd Term Ban

NEW YORK, July 21.—New York newspapers today quote Senator Thomas J. Walsh, Democrat, of Montana, as expressing the opinion that an anti-third term resolution will be adopted by the seventieth congress and that President Coolidge will be re-elected.

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STATE REGENTS SPLIT EVENLY ON NEW NORMAL

Construction of School at La Grande Held Up at Salem Meeting.

9TH MEMBER ABSENT

Opinion of Supreme Court Upholding Excess Debt Law Sways Half of the Board.

(Associated Press Leased Wire) SALEM, Ore., July 21.—Unless four of the nine members of the board of state normal school regents can muster an additional vote and then ask the governor to call a special session of the board there is no prospect for the construction of the new normal school at La Grande this year and possibly not during the present state administration. With eight members present, and apparently evenly divided on the question, those who favored immediate construction withdrew their efforts when they saw that a vote by the members present would be fatal.

Regent W. C. Bryant of Moro was absent, and how he would have voted is a question.

Instead, the board unanimously voted to defer action for the present. The law provides, however, that if three members petition the governor to call a special meeting he must do so and when the session adjourned it appeared possible that this might be done.

Court Opinion Barrier

The state financial snarl, and the recent opinion of the state supreme court holding it unconstitutional for the state to go into debt over \$50,000 was at the bottom of the trouble. In voting to defer action the board adopted a resolution introduced by Secretary of State Kotzer which read:

"In view of the recent opinion of the supreme court in the case of Pederson versus the state board of control and in view of the fact that such opinion declares that no indebtedness may be incurred by the state in excess of the limitation provided by the constitution, but does not prescribe a method whereby the fiscal officers of the state may definitely determine when the authorized expenditures may exceed public revenues, be it resolved by the board of regents of normal schools that further action by the board of regents on the construction of the eastern Oregon normal school at La Grande be deferred for the present."

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Survivors Of Civil War Pact Tap Aged Wine

(Associated Press Leased Wire) STILLWATER, Minn., July 21.—Remnant of a once gay company of 24 Civil war veterans, three gallant soldiers held their final rendezvous here today to toast their departed comrades in wine and then disband the famous "Last Man's Club."

Each year since the organization of the club 42 years ago the surviving members of Company B of the First Minnesota Infantry have met on the anniversary of the battle of Bull Run, where they received their baptism of fire. At their first meeting, a bottle of Burgundy was made a sacred trust to be drunk by the last survivor in a toast to his comrades.

Only three survivors remain—Peter Hall of Atwater, Minn., 89 years old; Charles M. Lockwood, Chamberlain, S. D., 85 years old, and John S. Goff, 84, St. Paul, Minn.

These three men last year decided that the meeting this year should be the last, and that the trio, or those who survive, should carry out the last ritual.

And so at noon today they met at a banquet table here, 31 black draped chairs completing their company, and the bottle of old wine that has graced each annual banquet table was opened and the final toast said.

REGENTS OPPOSE S. P. DEATH EDICT ON AIRLIE ROAD

(Associated Press Leased Wire) SALEM, Ore., July 21.—The board of regents of state normal schools has entered the fight to save from abandonment the Airlie branch of the Southern Pacific in Polk county, a distance of 28 miles from Broadmead to Airlie. The reason for the activity on the part of the board is that Monmouth, seat of a state normal school, is on the line and would be deprived of railroad service were the road abandoned.

At a meeting of the board in Salem yesterday Frank J. Miller of Albany demanded that something be done in the way of a protest by the board. He mentioned the need of rail transportation to Monmouth for supplies for the state normal school. He declared that the state public service commission had made no protest in the case and that when he mentioned it to the commission members said they didn't know a state normal school was located at Monmouth.

Miller was requested by Governor Patterson, chairman of the board of regents, to confer with Southern Pacific officials and try to induce them to withdraw the application to the Interstate Commerce Commission for abandonment of the line. If he is not successful the governor said he

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LODGE TEMPLE HIT BY BAD FIRE THIS MORNING

Water and Smoke Cause Heavy Loss in Elks' Building.

CAUSE UNDETERMINED

Firemen Handicapped by Locked Doors and Smoke in Efforts to Reach Blaze.

Fire was discovered about 8 o'clock this morning in the Elks temple and caused considerable damage to the interior of the lodge hall before it was extinguished.

The fire apparently originated from electrical wiring or possibly from an electrical cooking device which may not have been turned off after the club rooms were closed last night. Starting in the kitchen, the flames spread into the attic, burned through into the gymnasium below and threatened to spread into the main portion of the clubrooms and the Antlers Theatre adjoining before the fire could be extinguished. Water and smoke damage, together with the direct loss from the fire, will amount to around \$3,000 it is roughly estimated.

Henry Worthington, who resides on East Lane street, saw smoke pouring from the upper story of the lodge building as he came to work. He drove by the fire hall, only two blocks away, and reported he believed there was a fire inside the structure and the firemen immediately went to investigate.

Locked Doors Delay Aid

Upon arrival it was found that the building was tightly locked and it was impossible to gain entrance from the front without breaking down several doors. The doors leading into the club rooms were also locked, so that there was a great deal of difficulty encountered in getting in.

While the firemen were trying to force their way into the building, the smoke began billowing out in quantities, so the effort to enter without doing damage was given up, the ladders were put up to the second story and windows broken in to afford a means of reaching the source of the fire.

It was found that the entire kitchen was ablaze, and from all appearances the fire had been smoldering many hours, as the wood was deeply charred, showing that the fire had been burning without sufficient draft to permit rapid spread. A hole and been burned through into the gymnasium below, however, and immediately the

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Legion Head



Howard Savage National commander of the American Legion, in speech at the La Grande convention, reiterates his stand for a strong defense system and urges serious regard for the legion reunion to be held this year in Paris.

LEGION HOSTS 1000 STRONG AT STATE MEETING

(Associated Press Leased Wire) PORTLAND, Ore., July 21.—Emery Olmstead, former president of the Northwestern National Bank yesterday secretly indicted with J. E. Wheeler, timberman and former newspaper publisher, by the federal grand jury on charges of misapplication of the bank's funds, was arraigned today before Federal Judge John H. McNary and pleaded not guilty.

Attorney William Ralston, representing Olmstead, thereupon requested permission of the court to withdraw the plea and substitute a demurrer to the indictments, on or about September 15. Neither Judge McNary nor the United States district attorney's office had any objection and it was suggested that a hearing on the demurrer be held about the first Monday in September.

J. E. Wheeler was not arraigned today, his attorney, George Joseph, being out of the city.

PORTLAND, Ore., July 21.—Arrested on federal indictments charging conspiracy and violation of the national banking act, Emery Olmstead, former president of the Northwestern National Bank, now defunct, and J. E. Wheeler, Portland timberman and former publisher, were at liberty today under bond of \$15,000 each. The indictments against the men charge specifically the misuse of \$796,514 of the bank's funds, although government attorneys say the sum of \$11,000,000 is involved in what they term a spectacular system of check "kiting" between Pennsylvania and the Northwestern National.

Wheeler is charged with depositing worthless checks totalling \$796,514 in the Northwestern National Bank and with withdrawing that amount in cash.

Olmstead is accused by the government of ordering these checks placed, to the credit of the McCormick Lumber company account, where Wheeler, its president, could draw against them.

The conspiracy to operate in this manner existed, the government says, from October 6, 1924, to March 30, 1927, on which date the Portland clearing house association took over the affairs of the Northwestern National following a continued run on the institution by depositors.

Wheeler, as president of the McCormick Lumber company, is alleged in the government information to have presented for deposit at the Northwestern National bank worthless checks drawn upon the banks in Pennsylvania. The banks named are the Forest County National Bank, Tienesta, Pa.; the Brookville Title and Trust company, Brookville, Pa.; and the Titusville Trust Company, of Titusville, Pa. These checks were deposited to the credit of the McCormick Lumber company, and the indictments read: "Should and would be initiated and approved by said defendant, Emery Olmstead, president of the Northwestern National Bank."

Indictees Long Prominent

Wheeler and Olmstead have long been prominently identified with business activities in the Pacific Northwest. Olmstead began his banking experience in Minneapolis and in 1907 moved to Seattle where he was associated with the National Bank of Commerce. In 1911 he moved to Portland and became vice-president and general manager of the Portland Trust company and continued in the same capacity with the Northwestern.

In 1919 after the death of Henry L. Pitcock, he became president of this bank.

During the war he was chairman of the Third and Fourth Liberty Loan drives and he has served as president of the Portland Clearing House association.

Wheeler has been identified with the lumber industry of the Pacific Northwest for many years and since 1905 has had his offices in Portland. In the timber business he has been associated with his

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LA GRANDE, Ore., July 21.—The ninth annual state American Legion convention formally opened its three-day session here this morning with more than 1,000 delegates and visitors present, including National Commander Howard Paul Savage, of Chicago, and Charles Mills, of Miami, Fla., chief wrecker of the national 40 et 8.

The blare of trumpets and the beat of drums awoke the city to the fact that the opening day of the convention had arrived, when corps—brilliantly attired and faultlessly drilled—from Portland, Medford and other cities paraded the business sections early this morning.

Commander Savage, escorted by a whooping band of Umatilla Indians, members of Chief Peo post, the only all-Indian legion organization in America, and members of the Pendleton post in cowboy regalia, reached La Grande late last night after a rousing welcome at Pendleton and dinner at Sunset Inn, on the top of the Blue Mountains. With Savage and Mills were Charles Ardery, national legion secretary, of Indianapolis; Dan Sowers, national director of Americanism, of New York; and James Drabb, of Spokane, former national commander.

At the opening meeting this morning welcoming addresses were given by Fred E. Kiddie, ex-governor Walter M. Pierce, and A. T. Hill, president of the city commission and the response was made by Mrs. Anna Herschner, of Hood River, state auxiliary president.

Savage Speaks

Commander Savage delivered his address to the convention this morning, praising the Oregon posts for their achievements and again voicing the demand of the American Legion for adequate national defenses.

The legion pilgrimage to France is an assured success, he said, adding that he will take half of a wreath made in the Los Angeles war veterans' hospital to Paris to deposit on the graves of America's Unknown Soldier. Prior to his departure for the national convention he will place the first half on the grave of America's Unknown Soldier in Arlington Cemetery. He stated that the American pilgrimages to France this year will have a serious purpose, and not merely be a "joy trip."

Savage praised the efforts of the La Grande post particularly commending the decorations and hospitality. He declared that if this morning is an example, the convention will be equal to those held by the largest departments over the nation. Immediately following the close of the convention here Savage will go to Portland, Oregon.

Taking in the Big Fight



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