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ATHLETES IN FINE FETTLE TO CAPTURE MEET

A LARGE SQUAD TO ENTER

FIVE TEAMS IN UNION MEET

Locals Think Downfall of Walters is Near at Hand Now

TWO EXTRAORDINARY RACES UP

Tomorrow morning La Grande high school fleetfoots and gladiators leave for Union to compete in the first track and field meet of the season. Besides La Grande, Union, Cove, Elgin and Island City Contestants will be entered. Aside from the usual interest in picking the county champions, there are two side issues that are looming up with more than ordinary size. Can Carpy and Williamson put the first crimp in Walters, the formidable sprinter from Cove? Can Reynolds defeat the undefeated quarter miler, Walters? It is believed here that Walters' days as peer of sprinters and middle distance man are counted. Chaperoned by Captain Carpy the following men, with their entries, will leave for Union on the morning train:

Dashes—Carpy, Williamson, C. Bolton, V. Bolton, Harry Prawlax.

Middle distances—Reynolds, F. Milliering, J. Milliering, Peare

Mile—Peare, Green.

Hurdles—Reynolds, Heidenrich, Ingle, Young, Williamson.

Weights—Geddes, Heidenrich, Ingle, Milliering.

Pole vault and high jump—Carpy, Frank and Jay Milliering, Young.

Broad jump—Carpy Williamson and Milliering.

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Fine Vaudeville Tonight.

WILL REQUIRE SEVERAL DAYS TO CLEAN OFF TRAFFIC

A-Y-P EXCURSION TIME NEAR

HOMESEEKERS' PERIOD IS OVER

Owing to the non arrival of pictures, an all-vaudeville performance will be put on at the Pastime tonight. Graham and Norton will put on a new singing act, and the Pattersons and Drews in their new acts, received unlimited applause last night.

MERCER, Pa., April 30.—The trial of James Boyle, accused of kidnapping Billie Whitla, was today postponed until Wednesday. Boyle's wife will be tried first, the trial starting Tuesday.

Today the spring homeseeker's rate from the east expires. It will be several days, however, before the trains will cease to arrive with their hundreds of west bound passengers, and then it will only be a few week until the special rates from the east to the Alaska-Yukon exposition will become effective and many will avail themselves of the opportunity.

CUT EXPRESS TARIFFS FROM LAGRANDE

SALEM, April 30.—The Stall Railroad Commission today issued an order making wholesale reductions in the rates enforced by the Pacific Express Company. The "merchandise class" rate between Portland and Huntington, now \$4.00 per hundred, is reduced to \$3.00. A rate of \$2.25 between Pendleton and Portland will be substituted for \$3.00. The rate to Baker City from \$3.75 to \$2.80; to La Grande from \$3.50 to \$2.25. The reduction applies to all points on the O. R. & N. road. A corresponding decrease to The Dalles being the only

exception. The order becomes effective in twenty after the order was served on the company today.

Several months have been spent by the commission in investigating and comparing the rates of the express company in Oregon and the rates enforced in other states. They learned that rates are far lower in Missouri, Texas, and other States than in Oregon.

A similar investigation is being conducted by the commission relative to the rates of the Wells Fargo & Company's Express on the Southern Pacific.

CLIP BRINGS \$350,000

ENTERPRISE, April 30.—(Special to the Observer) Ed Rumble, of La Grande, has been in this county for the last several days and has bought for a San Francisco firm practically the whole of the Wallowa county wool clip, approximately 180,000 fleeces, at prices ranging from 18 to 20 cents per pound. About 20,000 fleeces brought 18 cents; 50,000 sold for 19 to 19 1/2, and the remainder the owners will realize 20 cents for.

About \$350,000 will be distributed in Wallowa county by these deals, and the sale of spring lambs in the fall

will bring the total receipts of Wallowa county sheep men up to a good half million dollars.

The wool sales day will be done away with this year at least.

GREAT PROSECUTOR THREATENED WITH COMPLETE COLLAPSE

SAN FRANCISCO, April 30.—Honey is believed to be on the verge of a nervous collapse. For a week he has been in poor health. It is thought that the persistent worrying tactics of the defense in the Calhoun trial have brought him to a condition where breakdown is imminent. When the proceedings were resumed today Honey turned the greater part of his work over to his assistant, John O'Gara. Cornelius J. Harrigan, member of the old hoodluming board of supervisors took the stand and told of accepting a bribe for his vote on the trolley franchise.

HENEY ON VERGE OF A COLLAPSE

SPOKANE SUSPECTS ARRESTED HOLD UP NORTHERN PACIFIC

SPOKANE, Wash., April 30.—Four suspects have been arrested as a result of the holdup last night of the Northern Pacific passenger three miles west of Cathlamet. Two bandits separated the engine and mail car from the rest of the train, and compelled the engineer to run down the track and stole valuable mail, overlooking valuables in one corner of the car.

UNION MAN DECLARED INSANE SON OF BISHOP ENGLAND

George England of Union was brought to La Grande late this afternoon suffering with violent attack of insanity, brought on, no doubt, from long mental suffering and grief over the decease of his son. He took treatments at Hot Lake for a time, but today became violent and had to be removed to the jail. An examining board declared the fellow insane late this afternoon and an asylum guard will hurry here to take the demented man away.

He is a son of Ex-Bishop England of Union and has a large circle of intimate friends.

COOKED FOOD SALE

The Woman's Relief Corps will hold a cooked food sale tomorrow, lasting all day, in the room formerly occupied by the Eastern Oregon Trust and Savings bank, La Grande National building. All kinds of cooked food will be on sale, pies, cakes, bread, baked beans etc.

Taken to Spokane.

OAKLAND, Calif., April 29.—F. H. Hilliker, accused of embezzlement in Washington, is enroute to Spokane, today in the custody of Sheriff Pugh. Hilliker was indicted for the theft of eighteen thousand dollars while agent of the defunct Pacific Livestock Association of Spokane.

Novelty at Dance.

At the big Carnival Ball, those attending may dance a few times if they wish for ten cents a number. In this way you can dance awhile without paying for the whole dance.

A Real Candy Sale.

On Saturday only we will sell the famous McDonald chocolates for 25c a pound. Regular 40c value. Silverthorn's Family Drug store.

SYMPHONY AT STEWARD AGAIN

REPETITION OF RECENT MUSICAL SUCCESS TONIGHT

FEW ADDED FEATURES TOO

Below is the program that is to be rendered this evening at the opera house by the "Meadowbrook" band, with the exception that during the intermission Mr. Adkins and Mr. Snodgrass will give a clarinet duet. This will be one of the finest numbers on the entire program.

Overture, "Poet and Peasant" Suppe
Cornet solo, "Fleur de Lis"..... Carl Calton
Mr. Robert Carl
Selection, "Maritana".....Wallace
Soprano solo, "Atinana".....Postl
Miss Etta Foley
(a) Sextet from "Lucia"....Donizetti
(b) March, "Sars and Stripes"
Forever.....Sousa
Intermission
Waltz, "Wedding of the Winds"....
.....Hall
Violin solo, "Polonaise in B. Bohm"
Miss Bertha Yong.
Clarinet solo, "Fifth Air Vaire".....
.....Prepsant
Mr. F. G. Adkins.
Overture, "Sky Pilot".....Laurens
(b) March, "American Republic."
.....Thiele
In order to drum up interest the band was out at nontime dispensing some classical stuff gratis.

TOSS BABIES IN MIDAIR TO ESCAPE BLAZE

HOLOCAUST IN NEW YORK

SCORES HURT OR KILLED

Tiny Babies Slip Through Savers' Arms to their Death

SUFFERING ITALIANS PANIC-CRAZED

NEW YORK, April 30.—Eight persons are killed, six are missing and 14 are in hospitals as the result of a fire which destroyed a tenement in the Italian quarter here today. Two babies were killed. Five were saved whose mothers threw them from the upper windows in the arms of Officer Brossner. The two that were killed slipped through the policeman's arms.

After catching the babies Brossner joined Officer White in a dash through the flames and smoke to the upper floors of the building where they found 31 panic stricken Italians huddled into one room all of them were rescued.

IDAHO CONGRESS LIKES STATE AID

SUCCESSOR TO LOWELL IS BEING DISCUSSED AT WEISER

WEISER, Idaho, April 30.—There is no division of sentiment regarding state aided construction of railroads apparent among the delegates of the Idaho-Oregon development congress assembling here today. William Hanley, of Burns, Ogn, is talked of as successor to president Lowell, who resigned. Weiser made elaborate preparations to entertain the congress. The streets are decorated. Every train bringing delegates is met at the depot by the band.

MEADOWBROOK, THE BAND THAT MADE LA GRANDE FAMOUS.

CHARGES OF STEALING BROUGHT AGAINST SUMMERVILLE RESIDENTS

DEFENDANTS APPEAR IN COURT AND PLEAD NOT GUILTY TO CHAAGES

Al Paulsen and Fred Day, residents of the Summerville district, were arrested yesterday by Sheriff Childers on charges preferred by Ambrose and Louis Wright, alleging that they have been cutting wood and posts out of timber belonging to the Wrights. Paulsen and Day appeared before Justice Stewart this morning and plead not guilty. The examination was set for Monday at 2 o'clock. The affair is considerably mixed, for the two men say they were directed by John Hawthorne, of Summerville, to cut the timber. It seems that Ambrose Wright, according to the story of the defendants, was formerly partner in the sawmill business with Mr. Wade, of Summerville, and sold his interest in the mill to Wade. Wade then transferred his rights to Mr. Hawthorne, who is responsible for the cutting of the timber.

In other words, while they do not deny cutting the posts and wood, they claim to be innocent third parties, and will conduct their defense along that line.

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