

BAD TYPHOON DEVASTATES LARGE AREA

Dead Bodies and Wreckage Strew Harbor for Many Miles.

DEATH LIST NOW IS ABOUT 5000

Boats Washed Far Inshore; Warehouses Wrecked and Contents Ruined by the Storm; Large Section of City is Flat.

HONG KONG, Aug. 5.—A typhoon is raging in Swatow, 200 miles north of here. It is said to be the worst in the history of the city.

Dead bodies are floating amid wreckage everywhere in the harbor. Nearly every house in the city is damaged. The flood following the wind drove the inhabitants from their homes.

TENNIS PLAYERS ARE BUSY TODAY

The Union County Tennis Tournament is rapidly getting down to the semi-finals, especially in the junior division. Last evening Raymond Patton met defeat at the hands of Reid Geddes, who won two straight sets, giving him the match by the scores of 6-2 and 6-0. Geddes will play Lynch today for the right to meet Floyd Smith in the semi-finals.

No matches were played in the senior doubles or singles yesterday but today is expected to be a busy day in this division. Harry Clark will meet F. N. Fox, of Union, and the winner will then play Lyle Wilson for the right to play the champion of the first division. In the first division, Norman Fries and Waldo Stoddard versus G. A. Johnson and John Stoddard versus Norman Fries, no matches have yet been played due to several of the participants being out of town. In all likelihood some of the matches in this division will be played off today.

Dr. Hall Likes the "Old Home Town"

"I love to come back to La Grande for I like the old home town," remarked Dr. M. K. Hall, who is here on professional business connected with the O.-W. railroad. He is one of the highest in the railroad service and he was summoned here on the North Fork wreck, according to reports. The doctor was for many years a permanent resident of La Grande and twice served as mayor of the city. He removed to Portland following his service in the late war. Mrs. Hall accompanies the doctor on this trip.

LIGHT RAINFALL OVER MOUNTAINS

PENDLETON, Aug. 5.—Rain which fell in Pendleton yesterday morning registered .02 of an inch, says Major Moonhouse, weather observer. The maximum today is 32. The minimum last night was 64. The barometer registers 29.86.

Six Babies in Five Days Born in Union

Whether Union is preparing for the next war can best be judged by the birth rate of that city and the sex of the children born.

In the last five days six babies were born to the people of the neighboring community and five of the babies were boys.

There is a hurried time in Union and a celebration will probably be held commemorating the event. Six babies in five days and five of them boys.

That it is a wonderful record no one will deny and special mention should be given in all the large newspapers of a town that not only can foster blooded livestock and hold a region-wide stock show, but also can carry out the program of raising the best by presenting to the world this number of youngsters in so short a time.

The babies were born to the following families:

Mr. and Mrs. Rex Gamble, July 29th, a son.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Lay, July 30th, a son.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Culver, August 1st, a son.

Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Edvason, July 29th, a son.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Cheney, July 29th, a son.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Hayden, August 4th, a son.

Here's to the youngsters, and may they live long and prosper. La Grande sends her kindest greetings to Union for no day is so bright as the day that a baby is born.

NO RAILROAD FOR CENTRAL OREGON NOW

President Carl Gray of the Union Pacific Puts End to New Road Talk.

PORTLAND, Aug. 5.—Reiterating his declaration that the Natron cutoff is to be a reality regardless of the outcome of the Southern Pacific-Central Pacific merger decision, Carl R. Gray, Thursday night issued his promised statement in which he expressed little hope for immediate railway extensions in the vast Eastern Oregon country.

The Union Pacific president and his party departed on the next stage in their journey of inspection late Thursday. Gray had completed studies of traffic, actual and potential, in the undeveloped region east of the Cascades and found small promise of sufficient immediate traffic to warrant the huge investment necessary to connect it with the Willamette valley.

Gray Issues Statement.

That this "problem might eventually work out to the advantage of Central and Eastern Oregon, however, he mentioned as a matter for the future. The statement follows:

"Naturally, I have been very much interested, and while here have been making a careful inquiry into the situation in Oregon.

"I have appreciated fully the public interest in the matter, and particularly with reference to the developments which are so much desired in Central and Southern Oregon.

"One proposition in which there is a great public interest, seems to have been definitely disposed of, regardless of the final disposition of the Central Pacific, which is that of the Natron cutoff will be completed.

Want Court Decision.

The line across the state, however, presents some very perplexing problems. Our study, up to this time, does not develop traffic sufficient alone to justify this construction, but there are possibilities in the Western Oregon situation, as now presented, which would give a very different aspect if they can be developed.

"I do not believe that any additional assurance can with good business discretion, be given at this time, and we will have to await the decision of the supreme court and the ultimate disposition of the Central Pacific lines.

"The Union Pacific, naturally, with its heavy investment from Ontario to Crane, would be very glad to see restored a condition in Western Oregon similar to that which obtained in 1915, when the construction of the line across the state was in progress, and before the dissolution of the Union Pacific and Southern Pacific lines, but the future status and relationship of the Western Oregon lines are too much involved to justify promises or assurances that can at best be grounded only upon speculation."

COOLIDGE ARRIVES TONIGHT.

PORTLAND, Aug. 5.—Vice-president Coolidge will make only one appearance during his three-day visit in Portland. At his own request he will be as quiet as possible. He arrives this evening from San Francisco.

LIVE STOCK EXCHANGED.

PORTLAND, Aug. 5.—Livestock remained steady and unchanged with better firm and eggs steady on today's market.

CRIMINALS AT WORK.

SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 5.—United States Marshal Edward B. Bern expressed the belief that a large proportion of the forest fires were started by a criminal syndicate, after his trip through Cedar Falls.

HALL GAINS SEVEN VOTES OVER OLCOTT

Half's Day of Work of Re-count Court Made Little Change in Results.

HALL MUST SHOW A BETTER CASE

Judge Bingham Insists that Attorneys for Marshfield Man Must Make Specific Charges on 300 Loss.

PORTLAND, Aug. 5.—The recount of the forty-six precincts in the recheck of Multnomah county's vote for governor in the last state primary before noon today showed a net gain of seven votes for Charlie Hall over Olcott.

During the early morning Hall lost one and Olcott's losses and gains equalized.

Circuit Judge Bingham announced he would require attorneys for Mr. Hall to make specific charges on the explanation that their client had lost 300 votes.

A new method of counting was adopted because of the confusion caused by the similarity between the word "Hall" and the first syllable of the word "Olcott" as they called off the ballots.

Grace Attridge Avers She is Not Guilty of Charges Against Her

Grace Attridge appeared before Justice Arthur C. Williams on the charge of passing a bad check amounting to \$19.75 on the Wade Brothers' Filling Station last Sunday, yesterday afternoon at two o'clock. Her hearing was to have been held Thursday afternoon but was postponed until yesterday. Miss Attridge pleaded not guilty to the charge and was bound over to await action of the grand jury under \$250 bonds, which she procured.

DR. HOCKETT HONORED.

ENTERPRISE, Aug. 5.—Dr. C. F. Hockett was elected president of the Eastern Oregon District Medical society at its recent convention at this city. Dr. Hockett was unable to attend the meeting and his frat knowledge of the honor bestowed upon him by his brother physicians was a letter of congratulation from the secretary. The district is composed of the counties of Willamette, Union, Umatilla and Baker, and the annual meeting next year will be held at Wallowa Lake.

Big Four Address Harding In Earnest Telegram on Condition of Equipment

WALLOWA LAKE TO BE MECCA

Many from La Grande Enjoy the Cool Weather in Mountains Each Week-End.

Wallowa Lake is proving to be a veritable Mecca for those who are on a vacation, several hundreds visiting the site weekly. A few cottages have been built and these are occupied by many who are extending their vacation for a period of two or three weeks. Judge and Mrs. Gustave Anderson, of Baker, are spending several weeks at the "American Switzerland" and are voluble in their praise of the lakes and vicinity.

Among the La Grande people who have been visitors at Wallowa Lake during the past week are Mr. and Mrs. Lester Stoddard, Mr. and Mrs. David I. Stoddard, Mr. and Mrs. Colton B. Eberhard, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Scroggins, Mr. and Mrs. August Staupe, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Wright and Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Crowe.

BEND SAWMILL WILL ENLARGE

BEND, Aug. 5.—Construction of a new sawmill to form the third unit of the Shevlin-Hixon plant in use, which was announced this morning by General Manager J. P. Hennessy. The mill will be ready to commence operation on March 1, 1923, it is planned.

Placed just south of the present plant, the new unit will be of the same size as the two in use. Its equipment will be different in that it will contain a gang saw, the first to be used here, and one band. The mill will be electrical driven throughout.

Plans for this new unit have been made several years ahead of time, a third turbine having been added to the power plant in 1919; a burner, the largest on the coast, being built in 1920; five boilers being added last year, and 10 dry-lies being now under construction. An additional band mill and skidding machine will be purchased and the planning equipment for the Shevlin-Hixon company began its operations here in 1915 with the building of the first mill unit. Sawing was commenced on March 21, 1916. In the fall of the same year the second unit was built.

ASK TO REDUCE BAG LIMITS

PENDLETON, Aug. 5.—A request that the bag limit on Chinese pheasants be held down to what it was last year and that there be no open season on quail in Umatilla county this year are formulated in petitions to the state game warden and the state game commission, which was drawn up last night by the members of the game committee of the Pendleton Rod and Gun club. The petitions will be circulated in every community in the county in an effort to secure as many signatures as possible before they are sent to the warden and commission.

At a recent meeting of the game commission the open season was made uniform over the state. When the season on Chinese pheasants was lengthened from eight days, which it was last year to 17 days, the bag limit was automatically increased from 15 to 20 birds. Due to the hard winter in 1921-1922, local sportsmen declare that such a limit will result in such a slaughter of pheasants that two or three years of closed seasons will be necessary to prevent their extermination. Quail are also very scarce, and the sportsmen want their numbers conserved until they become more plentiful.

Dr. Phy's Holstein Herds Will be Shown at Wallowa's Fair

ENTERPRISE, Aug. 5.—Among the exhibits which it is expected will attract great attention at the coming fair will be a carload of Holstein cattle from the famous herd of Dr. W. E. Phy of Hot Lake. The showing here of the Phy cattle will be a distinct compliment to Enterprise and to Wallowa county.

Dr. Phy has been solicited to show his herd at the state fair at Salem, the Idaho State fair at Boise and the Pacific International at Portland, but for personal reasons has declined to show at either fair. His coming to Enterprise, therefore, should be all the more appreciated by the people of Wallowa county.

NEGRO FOUND GUILTY

NORTH POWDER, Aug. 5.—G. T. Trotter, colored, was found guilty of attempted larceny of a shotgun belonging to Mr. Hewitts and was fined \$50 in the justice court Thursday afternoon. This is not Trotter's first offense. Sheriff Leo Warnick and Ed Wright, prosecuting attorney, both of La Grande, were present at the trial.

Mill Company's Plant Entirely Destroyed Early This Morning

CHEHALIS, Aug. 5.—Legislative representatives of three of the four railroad brotherhoods in Washington were requested by telegraph Friday night to arrange a conference between President Harding and the chief executives of the brotherhoods for the purpose of presenting to the president their views in connection with the present strike of railroad shopcrafts.

A telegram was sent direct to President Harding Friday night by the three local chief executives of the brotherhoods asking for a conference. The matter has been under consideration since Thursday by Warren S. Stone, president of the Brotherhood of Engineers; W. G. Lee, president of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, and D. P. Robertson, president of the and D. B. Robertson, president of the men, but because of failure to get a really far joint action from L. E. Shepard, president of the Order of Railway Conductors, the other member of the "Big Four," it was decided Friday night to ask for the conference through the legislative representatives of the engineers, trainmen and firemen.

Conditions Growing Intolerable.

"Up to this time, by the way, in the interest of peace and safety, we have prevailed on our members to continue at their posts. Constant aggravation of the above conditions and the refusal of the railroad executives to accept the proposals of the president for a compromise settlement of pending questions are making the situation infinitely more difficult to handle," says the telegram to President Harding.

The plain intention of the railroad executives to smash the shopcrafts unions is resulting in more and more of the locomotives and equipment getting into disrepair and the danger of a most hazardous occupation are being daily increased.

"We fear that a continuation of these conditions will inevitably result in our members, as a matter of self protection, being drawn into the controversy and we greatly deplore such a contingency.

"We feel that the American public is fully in sympathy with the president's efforts to settle this strike and in the light of that, we are in the interests of public welfare, peace and safety, we suggest you call upon the president and urge him to again bring this matter to the attention of the railroad executives with the hope that he may yet succeed in convincing them of the necessity for their prompt acceptance of the president's proposals which have been accepted by the shopcrafts.

Wade Siler Has New Scheme to Finance Ranchers of Oregon

ONTARIO, Aug. 5.—Wade Siler of Portland, formerly of Enterprise, who is here this week visiting his brother-in-law, G. M. Castleman, is representing a new financial effort to finance the stockmen of Oregon, known as the Producers' Finance Corporation. Mr. Siler is well known in this section for he has bought wool for years in Eastern Oregon and was heavily interested in Enterprise's business concerns prior to being associated with Mr. Castleman in the ownership of the Ontario Pharmacy. In speaking of the new venture, Mr. Siler says:

"There has long existed a recognized need for some strong financial organization with a large capital, made up chiefly of the stockmen and producers themselves, which should be especially fitted to serve as a medium of collective credit and clearance between the livestock borrowers and the financial institutions. Until that day comes you will be compelled to bow to the inevitable, absolutely dependent upon the other fellow for a paltry existence."

HALF MILLION DOLLAR FIRE IN CHEHALIS

Mill Company's Plant Entirely Destroyed Early This Morning.

NO HEADWAY MADE FIGHTING

Soon After the Blaze Was Discovered Entire Plant Was in Flames and Complete Destruction Followed.

CHEHALIS, Wash., Aug. 5.—The Chehalis Mill Company's plant was entirely destroyed by fire early this morning.

The loss is between \$400,000 and \$500,000.

A few minutes after the flames were noticed the entire plant was a burning mass and complete destruction followed.

The fire department and means of combating the fire proved futile either to save the building or the stock.

The cause of the fire is unknown.

LEAGUE ENEMY WINS ON COUNT

Senator James A. Reed Renominated by Missouri Democrats Over Long.

(By Associated Press)

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Aug. 5.—Politicians today agreed that Senator James A. Reed had won the nomination of Breckenridge Long in the senatorial nomination contest. Sixty-eight precincts are still missing but Reed has a lead of 5,957 votes.

United States Senator James A. Reed gave the Associated Press a statement expressing gratification at the outcome of Tuesday's primary. On the face of virtually complete returns, the senator has defeated Breckenridge Long, formerly third assistant secretary of state by more than 5000 votes for the Democratic senatorial nomination.

Stating the contest had been "somewhat heated," the senator emphasized his position would be to close party wounds. The arch enemy of the league of nations, who was repudiated by his party two years ago, was elected highly when assured by the Associated Press that his plurality would exceed 5000.

The senator was reluctant to make a statement, in view of the fact that Mr. Long had made no statement concerning his defeat, but finally commented when asked for a nomination and was told that Mr. Long had announced he would remain silent until the complete official count was reported, which may be several days.

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No Deal on for Palmer Mill, Says Mr Kennon

Although it has been freely rumored for some time that the Keith & Perry people of Kansas City are negotiating for the Palmer Lumber company, and it is further known that lumber men representing some outside concern have been looking over the company's holdings, President P. L. Kennon of the Palmer Lumber company stated this morning before leaving for Baber for a few days that there positively was no deal on or under consideration.

Mr. Kennon today, however, discounts all such rumors.