

## F. B. HAYES IS MANAGER OF CITY NOW

Takes Office of City Manager This Morning at Eight O'clock.

### SYSTEMIZATION PART OF PROGRAM

Mr. Hayes Comes to La Grande From Pendleton With Fine Record; Recommendations Hearty.

When the clock in the city office chimed eight o'clock this morning, F. B. Hayes, formerly of Pendleton, became city manager of La Grande succeeding J. E. Stearns, who has temporarily filled the position along with his duties as city recorder since the resignation of O. A. Kratz, formerly city manager, who is now business manager of Astoria. Mr. Hayes spent the greater part of the morning in conference with Mr. Stearns preliminary to getting down to the real business of acting as La Grande's business head.

"It is still too early to definitely state my future plans," states Mr. Hayes, "but I do expect to systematize several minor details of the city government, especially in reference to the engineering departments, with the view of making them more effective and efficient. La Grande looks mighty good to me and I feel deeply gratified to be the welcome that has been extended me in this city. I assure the citizens of La Grande that I will give my best to the advancement of the needs of the city in my capacity."

Arrived Last Evening.

Mr. Hayes arrived in La Grande last evening on No. 18 and the first thing he did was to go to the city hall and "sit in" at the weekly meeting of the city commissioners. He was extended a hearty welcome by the "city dads" upon his arrival. His family will arrive in La Grande tomorrow morning and Mr. and Mrs. Hayes and their son, Thomas Burke, will be at home at 701 Adams avenue on the following day.

Fine Record.

Mr. Hayes has been water superintendent in Pendleton for ten years and two months, and during the past six years has also served in the capacity of city engineer.

The enlarging of the water system was done during his incumbency and receipts for water increased from \$20,000 to \$72,000 in round numbers during his reign.

Mr. Hayes and his family are members of the Presbyterian church in Pendleton and Mr. Hayes is also a member of the Elks lodge and the Rotary club of Pendleton.

### DEBT FUNDING BOARD TO PRESENT PLAN

(By The Associated Press) WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—Secretary Mellon, chairman of the American debt funding commission, today called a meeting of the commission to make plans for presenting to congress the American-British agreement accepted in London yesterday.

### K. P. OFFICERS TO VISIT CITY

J. F. Hardesty, grand chancellor, of the domain of Oregon, and Walter Gleason, grand keeper of records and seals of the domain of Oregon, will make an official visit to the Red Cross Lodge No. 27, Knights of Pythias, of La Grande on Monday evening.

## Cars Reported Buried Deep In Snow At Kamela

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## Aggie Flapper Defies Old Man Winter; Goes Hatless; Wears Sandals

(By Associated Press) CORVALLIS, Feb. 1.—Hatless, bobbed and sandaled, Helen Stedman defies Oregon weather and campus precedents. Miss Stedman is the only co-ed enrolled in chemical engineering, and will be the first woman to be graduated from that course at O. A. C. when she finishes in June. Miss Stedman is accustomed to the unusual. Swimming three miles across Lake Mendocino, and being unconsciously roused in the middle of the night to recount her exploit to a campus reporter, was one of her experiences at University of Wisconsin, where she took most of her undergraduate work.

## LOCAL SCHOOLS HAVE 110 NEW PUPILS LISTED

Increase Is Noted Over Last Semester's Enrollment in All but Riveria Grammar School.

With the second semester of the school year well underway the school officials have released a report, including the enrollment statistics. An increase over last semester is noted in two of the grammar schools and in the high school, a total increase of 110 having been made in the La Grande public schools.

In the high school 426 pupils are now enrolled and attending with the number growing slightly with each succeeding week. Last semester the total registered was 414 but at mid-year 31 new students came into the freshman class. A few students dropped out during the semester and at mid-year which resulted in the total increase in high school amounting to only a dozen.

In the three grammar schools the increase was very encouraging with a total of 98 new pupils being enrolled. At the Central school, the register now shows a total of 661 against 594 for last semester. At the Riveria school the enrollment slumped a little falling below last semester's mark of 342 with only 327 registered at present. In the Greenwood school the increase was marked with 534 pupils this semester against 488 for last semester.

All four schools are well underway in their present semester's program and from all conditions, the La Grande public schools will have one of their best years in 1923.

## VALLEY TO GET 250 PHEASANTS

Sportsmen of the Grande Ronde valley and the members of the Wing, Fin and Feetfoot of La Grande, are now sure of plenty of China Pheasants for next year's hunting season. An announcement has been made to the local secretary of the latter club stating that 250 China pheasants will be planted in Union county in the present month, deliverance probably to come in the latter part of February.

With the news temporary fears that the pheasant crop in this county would be exhausted vanished. Announcements come also that the Oregon legislature is expecting to make no changes in the license fees but that in all probability no appropriations will be made to the department, which will mean that the expenses must be met from the actual income from licenses and other similar receipts.

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## SPRINGFIELD STRICKEN BY EXPLOSION

Chaos and Wreckage Reign in Massachusetts City.

### FORTY INJURED IN GAS TANK BLAST

No fatalities yet Reported; Autos in Business Section Hub-Deep in Wreckage

SPRINGFIELD, Feb. 1.—Later reports show that three lives were lost in the explosion.

(By Associated Press) SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Feb. 1.—Confusion and chaos reigned supreme in the business section today as the result of the explosion of a storage tank of the Springfield Gas and Light company. Forty persons were injured by the explosion, many of office workers in the municipal group of buildings around the city hall being listed among the casualties.

Windows were shattered in the banks and business houses and several plant workers were seriously hurt. Automobiles in the street are hub deep in wreckage.

## EXTRA

### CONSOLIDATION Tabled

(By Associated Press) SALEM, Feb. 1.—The senate today, by fourteen votes, tabled the Hall consolidation bill on Eddy's motion after Hall asked that it be made a special order for tomorrow. Senators supporting the Eddy motion said it was to give more time for the study of three other pending consolidation bills.

The senate passed the following bills: Eddy's bill giving counties 75 per cent and the state 25 per cent of fines derived from liquor violations for enforcement funds; Farrell's bill creating a fund for each school district for the education of crippled children; Hall's bill prohibiting any person from carrying firearms after wounding or killing another person either intentionally or not; Brown's bill providing for farmers on the game commission.

The house passed the Roosevelt highway bill providing for the matching of federal appropriations. The governor signed the anti-garb bill.

Kubli is back in the Capitol city to resume his gavel this afternoon.

## LOCAL DEBATE TEAM PICKED

Both Affirmative and Negative Teams Are Selected; First Debate Will Be With Pendleton.

"Resolved, that the United States government should own and operate the railroads." is the subject that will be discussed by the silver-tongued debaters of La Grande and Pendleton they will argue pro and con February 9th, when the chief interscholastic debate clash of the season will be held. The La Grande affirmative team will go to Pendleton and the negative team will remain at home.

A debate between the affirmative and negative La Grande teams is scheduled for Monday evening at seven o'clock at the high school. At this time both sectors of the Blue and White oratorical representatives will get into action versus each other and the arguments promise to fly fast and furious. In addition to two regular speakers on each side, a substitute will also enter the contest. Several volunteer speakers from La Grande citizenry will address the students at this time.

Under the tutelage of Miss Mabel Bennett those trying-out for debate have been working diligently in an effort to make the team which was picked only recently.

Donald Rohan and Fonda Hanks from the affirmative team and Floyd Smith and Lucille Craig are on the negative team. Dorothy Kirby, who likes both sides of the question, is the official substitute.

### Uncontrollable Flapper Uses Fists Freely in Oregon City Courtroom

OREGON CITY, Or., Feb. 1.—Teddy Gloss, 15, pretty, and by her own admission absolutely uncontrollable, made a bedlam of the Clackamas county court house today, staged a fist fight in the juvenile court, was the principal in a spectacular race down Main street and threatened to "clean up" on the sheriff's two deputies, states the Oregonian.

Teddy, in company with Walter McRae, both of Aurora, was arrested for the robbery of the G. H. Grey residence near Aurora. They not only robbed the house, it was said, but broke eight of the windows, smashed furniture, threw wood over the rooms and generally wrecked the place.

"There wasn't any excitement down there," explained the girl with a toss of her yellow bobbed hair. Slightly more than five feet tall with the build of an athlete and a punch, the deputies on whom she landed say, would do justice to the prize ring, she drove the court hearing into a turmoil. She attacked Grey, the complaining witness, with her fists, bruising his face and threatened to kill him if she ever got the chance. She bumped County Judge Cross in the melee when he attempted to step between her and Grey.

## COLD WAVE GRIPS WEST LAST NIGHT

Pomona, California, Hit by Severe Frost; Mercury 28 Above.

### TWO DEGREES ABOVE ZERO IN LA GRANDE

Coldest Weather in 18 Years Is Registered in Los Angeles; Falls to 36 Above Zero.

Reaching the coldest point since December when the thermometer dropped to six degrees below zero, the mercury hit a low point last evening of two above. Beginning at about 5 o'clock last evening the thermometer began dropping rapidly toward bed rock, failing to climb until early this morning. At 8:45 the mercury had climbed to 12 degrees above.

Very little snow is in evidence in the city and during the past few days, sunny weather, accompanied with cold winds, has been experienced. Many reports of frozen water pipes last night were received.

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 1.—The coldest weather was registered in eighteen years at the downtown weather station this morning, the mercury registering 36 degrees above zero, while in Environments it reached a lower stage.

Pomona Has Ice.

At Pomona, Calif., the mercury dropped to 28 above zero today. Ice reports state that ice is plentiful in and around the city, and that a severe frost, resembling a snow blanket, has appeared.

### WHITE SALMON HIT

WHITE SALMON, Wash., Feb. 1.—An unexpected drop in temperature here early Tuesday morning caused water pipes in homes to freeze. The government weather thermometer registered 71 degrees above zero. The weather is clear and calm.

Below at Meacham. Reports received in La Grande today state that the thermometer registered 27 degrees below zero at Meacham last night.

## BULLETINS

### FIRE SWEEPS CAMP

NEWPORT, Ore., Feb. 1.—Fire last night destroyed the workshops, the round house and two locomotives at the camp of the Multnomah Lumber and Box company on Spencer Creek, eight miles up the coast. The origin is undetermined but the loss is estimated at between \$75,000 and \$100,000.

## A Rhineland Republic May Be Proclaimed

French Reserve Right To Parley With Turks If Conference Fails

(By The Associated Press) LONDON, Feb. 1.—The British government today received a note from France stating that France reserves the right to undertake separate negotiations with Turkey in the event that the Lausanne conference fails.

Officials here, however, say that the reports from Lausanne give hope that the conference will prove successful.

## BLUE QUINT FACING TWO HARD GAMES

First Team to Play Enterprise and Joseph; Seconds to Meet Imbler and Haines

The Blue and White cage team, with the season half over and six victories stowed away in the scalp bag and one defeat marring the otherwise perfect collection, expects two of the hardest games of the season Friday and Saturday night when they meet the Enterprise and Joseph fives on the high school gymnasium floor. A week of intensive practice, largely devoted to smoothing out the floor-work of the home quintette, has been in order and the "Blue" team, showing better form last night in practice than at any time heretofore this season, is hopeful of gleaming two more victories.

Coch Amenimo and his Enterprise hoppers will form the second part of a double basketball bill, Haines playing the local second team in the first game, on Friday night. La Grande defeated the Enterprise by 33 to 31 on their home floor and many fans predict that the game with the Black and Maroon quint will be the toughest of the two. A double-header will also be played on Saturday night, the second team again taking the court against Imbler, preliminary to the Joseph-La Grande game. Joseph, who won from the Blue team 28 to 22 on their own floor is ranked about par with the Enterprise aggregation. Neither Imbler nor Haines have appeared on the local floor this year and the seconds are expecting two hard games. Haines defeated the flier first stringers in an early season game 19 to 15, but lost recently 35 to 25. Imbler's strength is more or less a mystery.

The games start both evenings at 7:30 o'clock and fans are urged to go early as a large crowd is expected for both nights.

## JOHN ENBERG PASSES AWAY

Sweeping over the city last evening at nine o'clock, the Death Angel claimed John Alton Enberg, who has been ill for the past few days of pneumonia. His demise was unexpected and his death came as a great shock to his host of friends in this city and Baker, where he formerly made his home. The deceased was prominent in railroad circles in this city and was admired and respected by all who were numbered as his acquaintances.

The funeral services will be held in the Bohnenkamp Chapel tomorrow afternoon at two o'clock, with the reverend Mr. George H. Quigley officiating at the funeral service. His remains will be laid to rest in the Masonic cemetery.

John Alton Enberg, who was 36 years of age at the time of his death, had made his home in La Grande for twenty years and was also a former resident of Baker. He is survived by his wife, three children, Leonard, Randall and Marguerite, his mother, Mrs. E. Enberg, all of La Grande, a sister, Mrs. John Cuniff, of Baker, two brothers, Oscar Enberg, now in the Philippine Islands, and Roy Enberg of La Grande.

WHEAT QUOTATIONS (By Associated Press) PORTLAND, Feb. 1.—Wheat was \$1.22 to \$1.27.

## Proclamation May Be Today

French and Belgians Reported Aiding Separatist Agitators.

### RING AROUND RUHR VALLEY COMPLETED

Plans for Rhineland Republic Have Been Underway Since Yanks Left Coblenz, Reports State.

(By The Associated Press) BEILIN, Feb. 1.—Separatist agitators in the Rhineland district who have been in conference at Coblenz since the departure of the American troops are drafting plans for the proclamation of a Rhineland republic today, states a Coblenz dispatch.

The French and Belgians are reported to be aiding in the contemplated coup, proposing to proclaim martial law and seize all lines of communication and evict German officials.

Tuhr Ring Complete.

(By The Associated Press) DUSSELDORF, Feb. 1.—The closing of the Dortmund gateway, the only remaining exit to unoccupied Germany, was undertaken today by the French upon the receipt of instruction to complete the Ruhr valley isolation.

## HEALTH NURSE ISSUES REPORT

Report Covers Five-Month Period Beginning September 1, 1922, and Ending January 31, 1923.

The official report of the Public Health Nurse of Union county for the month of September, October, November, December and January has been released and contains many interesting items. One item of special interest is that out of 1230 school children visited in 35 schools only 31 were overweight. Seventy-four corrections of defects were made during the five month period. The complete report is as follows:

School Work, 35; visits made, 68; pupils inspected, 1359; pupils weighed and measured, 1209; No. pupils 10 per cent underweight, 23; No. pupils 10 per cent overweight, 31; old corrections found, 130; defects found uncorrected, 620; vision cases, 94; teeth cases, 201; T. and A. glands, 238; skin, 66; nervous, 21; (6 colic cases); hearing, 3; excluded for communicable disease, 4; visits made to homes of pupils, 71; telephone calls to homes of pupils, 52; taken to doctor of parents choice, 27.

Mother's time so occupied with care of smaller children that she has not time to give adequate care to schoolchild. Notes to parents, 282; classroom talks, 58. Corrections Made.

The last two months the following corrections have been made: vision cases, 9 fitted to glasses; 4 cases treated by doctor; 2 corrected by removal of tonsils and adenoids; tonsillectomies, 5; tonsils treated by doctor, 6; teeth cases visited dentist, 32; teeth extracted by P. H. N., 15; total corrections, 74.

General Nursing. Tuberculosis cases, 30; social service, 25; child welfare, 33; general, 29; total number calls made, 216; nursing care given to 21 cases; calls at office, 152; phone calls, 258; office hours, 252; letters written, 172; current expenses, \$182.11.

Clinics held at Elgin, Union, North Powder, La Grande; pre-school children examined by Dr. E. F. Warner, 90; cases dismissed as 100 per cent, 26; cases carried over to next clinic, 64; improvement reported from 7 cases; cases sent to tuberculosis hospital at Salem, 2; cases taken to feeble-minded hospital at Salem, 1.

THE WEATHER PORTLAND, Feb. 1.—Tonight and Friday fair.

## Robbers Subject Their Victims To Hardships

(By Associated Press) OREGON CITY, Feb. 1.—Held up by two robbers near Roseburg last evening, relieved of between \$300 and \$400, forced to drive through the night while covered by the bandits' guns until they reached Pulp siding, three miles south of Oregon City, early this morning, when the

highwaymen left them, was the experience of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Smith, of Sumner, Washington, according to their report to Sheriff Wilson today.

The sheriff obtained a description of the men and immediately sent deputies to attempt to pick up their trail and bring them to justice.

## REBECCA AT THE COAL SHED

