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EXTRA

BOY SHOT

Shortly before 3 o'clock this afternoon "Lucky" Hobson, about 13 years old, was shot in the neck with a .38 calibre revolver at his home near the Greenwood school, according to last minute reports that were received at the Observer office.

He was immediately rushed to the Grand Ronde hospital and efforts are being made to save his life. While it was impossible to ascertain whether his injuries were fatal or not, he is in a dangerous condition.

According to the story received here, the boy was playing with a revolver at his home at the time of the shooting. Another boy, whose name is Huntley, was said to have been with him at the time. Further details are unknown.

FUNERAL TO BE HELD TOMORROW

The funeral services of Reverend W. C. Reuter, who suddenly passed on in Albany, Oregon, a few days ago, will be held tomorrow afternoon at the Methodist Episcopal church at Union at 2:30 o'clock.

W. C. Reuter was born in St. Louis, Missouri, in 1850 and is survived by seven children, Eugene Reuter, of Union; Walter Reuter, La Grande; Theodore Reuter, Holbrook, Arizona; George Reuter, now attending Harvard University; Paul Reuter, attending school at St. Louis, Mo.; Mrs. E. M. Malone, of St. Paul, and Mrs. John Jenkins, of Washington, D. C. At the time of his death he was in the depot at Albany following the purchasing of a ticket to resume his travel in the west, where he was on a lecture tour.

The deceased was a noteworthy writer, having published several books on religion. He has been in the ministry for 43 years, 27 years of which were spent in the west, and he was a resident of Union for two years.

BULLETINS

WEEKS RESIGNS

(By Associated Press) WASHINGTON, Apr. 20.—Secretary of War Weeks tendered his resignation as a member of the Republican National committee from Massachusetts.

INDICTED FOR DRUNKENNESS

(By Associated Press) MEDFORD, Apr. 20.—Tom L. Ward, special federal agent, who collected the night rider's case evidence, was indicted by the grand jury of Jacksonville, charged with intoxication in a public place.

TO HIT RUM RUNNERS

(By Associated Press) WASHINGTON, Apr. 20.—The cabinet today decided on action against the rum running fleet off the New York-New Jersey coast.

WHEAT QUOTATIONS

PORTLAND, Apr. 20.—Hard White \$1.35; Western Red \$1.10.

China Delays Contract With American Company

(By Associated Press) SAN FRANCISCO, April 20.—Plans of the Federal Telegraph company to link China and the United States by an American wireless system have met with unexpected foreign opposition at Peking, according to recent cable advices received from the Chinese capital by company officials. British, and particularly Japanese

Sun Yat Sen Asks For A Union of China Provinces



SUN YAT-SEN

(By Associated Press) PEKING, April 20.—A union of the southwestern provinces of China "for self-defense" against the "threatening" attitude of the Peking government is announced in a circular telegram addressed to parliament and various political organizations, according to news agency reports received here Thursday.

The telegram, said to have been signed by Dr. Sun Yat Sen, the south China leader; Gen. Tang Chih-Yao, governor of Yunnan province; Gen. Liu Chen-Hsun, recently beaten for the post of tuchun of Szechwan province; and other prominent militarists, throws down the gauntlet to the north China government and many promise the beginning of the long threatened civil war.

BANDITS LOOT IS RECOVERED

Two Million Dollars Worth of Bonds and Securities Stolen in Daylight Robbery Found.

(By Associated Press) ST. LOUIS, April 20.—Two million dollars worth of bonds and securities included in the loot taken in a holding-up of an armored mail truck here April 2, were recovered late Thursday in a home in St. Louis county, several miles west of the city.

The loot was recovered in the home of William F. Dorringer and in addition to the bonds and securities, post-office inspectors and county officials found several revolvers, some fuses, and a barrel said to contain whiskey. "Whitely" Dorringer, a brother of William, was arrested.

TRIAL STARTED

(By Associated Press) PORTLAND, Apr. 20.—Echoes of last year's campaign were heard in the circuit court today when the selection of the jury began for the trial of a \$52,500 damage suit of Thomas Garland, attorney, against Charles Hall, R. R. Coster, Fred L. Gifford, Luther J. Powell, and other members of the Ku Klux Klan. Garland alleged he had been injured because his name was published in the list of voters who were in charge in the Hall-Oleott recount, with illegal voting. Religious and political issues figured in questioning the talesman by Garland, acting attorney.

HEAVY FINES IMPOSED

(By Associated Press) NEW YORK, Apr. 20.—Eight prison sentences and fines totaling \$171,300 were imposed by Federal Judge Van Fleet today on 20 individuals and 23 corporations, engaged in the pottery industry, who were convicted Wednesday of a conspiracy to restrain trade.

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Weather Forecast

PORTLAND

April 20.—Rain this afternoon and tonight, probably tomorrow. Moderate to fresh southerly gales.

2 Hang Today

(By Associated Press) BUTTE, Mont., Apr. 20.—William and Monte Harris, convicted of the murder of Cyril Schilling, hanged today.

OREGON WINS FIRST PLACE GRANGE WORK

Congratulations have been sent the State Master C. E. Spence and the state organizing force of the Grange by the National Master for securing the largest number of new subordinates of any state in the Union for the first quarter in 1923. Oklahoma coming second in the list. The greater part of the gain was made in Eastern Oregon, and was made by State Organizer W. R. Gekeler of La Grande, N. S. Nelson of Winlock and F. M. Gill of Dufur. Eastern Oregon's gain was 14 new subordinates and one new Pomona Grange organized in Wallawa county. A number more new subordinates will be completed in the next few weeks and the East Oregon members are vying to make an effort to get the next state session in this part of the state.

CLEVELAND WOMAN BEATS MAN'S MARK

(By Associated Press) CLEVELAND, Apr. 20.—Miss June Curry showed no ill effects today from ninety hours, ten minutes non-stop dancing which made her the latest world's champion.

FIRE DESTROYS BARN, CONTENTS

Island City Blaze Covered By \$1500 Insurance; Cow Cremated in Fire.

A barn owned by Mrs. Effie Parker at Island City was destroyed by fire last evening about five o'clock. In addition to the loss of the barn and the contents, which included 28 sacks of wheat and over two tons of hay, a cow was cremated.

An Island City is not equipped with a water system amply to fight fire. The La Grande Fire Department rushed to the scene but, by the time it made the run, the barn was beyond all hope of saving.

It is understood that the property was covered by insurance amounting to about \$1500.

Oilmen Indicted

FORT WORTH, Texas, Apr. 20.—Ninety-two oil promoters were indicted by the federal grand jury today on the charges of using the mails to defraud.

URGES G. O. P. OPPOSITION HAGUE SEAT

(By Associated Press) WASHINGTON, Apr. 20.—Expressing the belief that Republican opposition to the administration's world court membership proposal was even stronger than that against the entrance to the league of nations, Representative Wood, of Indiana, chairman of the Republican Congressional campaign committee, today told Harding that he believed it was a mistake for the party to urge the proposition.

(By Associated Press) GENEVA, Apr. 20.—The Irish Free State has applied for membership in the League of Nations.

(By Associated Press) GENEVA, Apr. 20.—League circles are favorable to Ireland's request and it appears certain that the Free State will be admitted at the next assembly in September.

RECTOR IS NOW SECURED

Reverend S. W. Grayson, of Rapid City, South Dakota, has accepted a call as rector of the St. Peter's Church of La Grande and will be here about the first of June, according to an announcement made this afternoon.

DRUG SQUAD TO LOCATE SEATTLE

(By Associated Press) WASHINGTON, Apr. 20.—The new narcotic drug enforcement division will be established with headquarters in Seattle, May first.

It will include Washington and Oregon, which are now in the San Francisco division, also Montana and Idaho, now in the Denver division.

Enterprising Strong-Arm Bandits Take Safe and Contents, Make Escape

(By Associated Press) KANSAS CITY, Mo., April 20.—A safe containing about \$17,000 in checks and \$1,000 in cash was taken by bandits here Thursday from a truck of the American Express company. The bandits fired several shots before escaping in an automobile, but no one was wounded. They did not attempt to open the safe, but took it with them.

SOUNDING THE KEYNOTE FOR 1924



Ford's Cash Balance Exceeds \$200,000,000



HENRY FORD

NEW YORK, Apr. 20.—Henry Ford's cash balances still exceed \$200,000,000, in spite of his recent numerous, large purchases of coal properties, timber lands, water sites and other investments, it was declared Thursday in the Wall Street Journal, which published the Detroit capitalist's telegraphic answers to a questionnaire.

The manufacturer added that he had no present intention of going into the market to borrow money.

Among other things revealed by Mr. Ford that the first step taken by him in the development of his coal distribution was the letting of contracts for doubling the River Rouge coking ovens. He said he was urging the advisability of putting in coke ovens at all his coke properties, that he may take advantage of numerous by-products of coal.

Night Gowns Are Replacing Pajamas Here

The old-fashioned night gown is still supreme among sleeping regalia worn by La Grande.

Six collars are soiled to every dirty shirt by the average local man. These facts were gleaned in interviews with laundrymen whose extensive experience has made them authorities on the linen of this city. It was the consensus of opinion that the flapping night-shirt of ancient days was still worn more than slumber uniforms, pajamas or pajamas.

Many bundles were said by one laundryman to contain every washable article except sleeping habiliments. From this he "Sherlocked" the fact that many La Grander sleep in their underwear or less.

The cycle of style was also thought to have brought back the night-shirt into popularity. Fashion notes for men in the newspaper and propaganda of linen manufacturers who made dealers enthusiastic in pushing the night-shirt were also said to contribute.

Six Collars To Each Shirt. "In checking up our bundles, we (Continued on Page Eight)

Couple Would Remove Judge, Scores Trial

CALDWELL, Ida., April 20.—Action to remove C. Williams, probate judge of Canyon county, was instituted in a suit filed in the district court here Thursday afternoon by Albert B. Martin and Frances Iva Martin, charging the officer with improperly conducting the trial of their son, Jesse Martin, 13, on a delinquency charge.

It is specifically charged that during the trial of their son, they were not permitted by the probate judge to testify in the case for the boy. Young Martin was committed to the state industrial school at St. Anthony, the first of the week.

OBJECTION IS RAISED BY THE FARM BUREAU

COVE, Apr. 20.—At a meeting of the Cove Farm Bureau last night the all-absorbing topic of the Island City-Cove road construction was up for discussion, and the recent interview given out in the La Grande Evening Observer by County Judge U. G. Couch caused considerable argument.

Before adjournment the Farm Bureau issued a reply to the interview as follows:

"Replying to a certain article appearing in the La Grande Evening Observer under date of April 18, 1923, in which Judge U. G. Couch was quoted in an interview regarding the type of construction which should be used on the Island City-Cove road, we respectfully state that the people of Cove believe in the old-time ethics of not trying law cases through the newspapers, particularly after three days trial of a case which now waits decision of the circuit court. The state highway commission has submitted its case against the wishes of the Cove people through the Union county court and the Cove people have submitted their case through certain taxpayers. We presume the record is public.

"It does seem to us that the county judges should have been satisfied with the testimony and arguments submitted to the circuit court through the assistance of the state highway commission and three eminent members of the Union county bar, particularly while the case in court awaits briefs and opinions.

"The people of this community seek only justice, demanding only that for which we voted and which was printed in the bonding act, namely, a certain sum of money to be spent on the Cove road. We are asking that permanent road be built with that money, not a macadam road, and we contend there is sufficient funds from the amount of bonds voted for the road to build a permanent road. No one can deny that Cove has been a long-suffering and patient community, being year after year marooned in winter season by the mud, cut off from the rest of the world and forced to forego natural relations in commerce and social affairs because of the road conditions. We have waited patiently feeling that when we secured a highway it would be permanent and then our people could redouble their efforts to claim their proper place in Union county affairs, for we would have an all-year highway connecting us with the county seat.

"We do not wish at this time to argue the merits of any type of construction because that is in the hands of our courts for decision, but we do ask that every citizen look upon this matter with an open mind considering facts only which surrounded and were a part of the bond election campaign and upon which every vote was cast, and sincerely and honestly cast in expectation that the plan and program would be carried out."

The statement is signed by the Farm Bureau with Ray Duncan as president.

PROHIBITION BILL IS REJECTED IN ENGLAND

Comes Before the House of Commons for First Time In History.

BILL KILLED BY A VOTE OF 236 TO 14

Measure Progressed Until Its Second Reading, When the A. F. L. Sounding Its Death Knell.

(By Associated Press) LONDON, Apr. 20.—For the first time in the history of the House of Commons, the liquor prohibition bill came up for debate.

After various arrangements, the House killed the bill by rejecting it at the second reading by a vote of 236 to 14.

COYOTE KILLED WITH PITCHFORK

Slaughtered After Biting A Cow at Hot Lake; Head is Being Examined for Sign Of Hydrophobia.

A curious yarn comes over from Hot Lake. A yarn that has to do with the killing of a coyote with a pitchfork after said coyote had sunk its fangs into one of Dr. Phyl's valued cows.

According to reports, last evening, while the milking was under way, one of the milkers heard a cow in a near-by shed making a fuss. Investigation showed that a coyote had, by some means or other, entered the shed and was molesting both the cow and several calves.

Reinforced by another, the investigator grabbed a pitchfork, and after a brief struggle, sent the animal's life to the coyote underworld.

The men were not injured, and, with the exception of the biting of the cow and the killing of the coyote, all went well.

Today the head of the coyote is being examined to ascertain whether it was infected with rabies or not.

LA GRANDE LADY CALLED BY DEATH EARLY IN MORNING

Mrs. A. Roberts passed on early this morning at the close of a long illness, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. A. Parker, 2806 O avenue.

A host of friends, with her relatives, mourn her demise today.

The deceased was for eleven years a resident of La Grande. The remains are at the Bohnenkamp chapel, pending funeral arrangements.

Mrs. Roberts leaves seven children, Mrs. George Hill, La Grande; Mrs. Abe Parker, La Grande; Mrs. Hiram Weeks, Wallawa; Mrs. Dora Dunn, Aberdeen, Wash.; John Roberts, Yakima, Wash.; Will Roberts, Wya Ha, Idaho; and Frank Roberts, Baker.

MRS. ANTHONY COOK D. A. R. PRESIDENT

(By Associated Press) WASHINGTON, Apr. 20.—Mrs. Anthony Wayne Cook, of Pennsylvania, was declared elected president of the Daughters of the American Revolution today at the close of the bitterest contest in the society's history.

THE MARKET

(By Associated Press) PORTLAND, Apr. 20.—Livestock steady, eggs firm, selling prices 21 to 26 cents, buying prices 21 to 25 cents. Butter unsettled.

Two Day Entertainment By La Grande and Albina Shop Employees Association

Opening of spring is to be celebrated in La Grande by the La Grande and Albina O-W employees' association in a rather extraordinary manner, for tomorrow one hundred shop employees of Albina, with their families, will arrive in La Grande, headed by the employees' band of that division. They will attend a big dance at Honan Hall in the evening, which is being given by the La Grande association and music for the occasion will be furnished by the Albina orchestra of ten pieces. A banquet will follow the dance.

On Sunday afternoon at the ball park the ball team of the La Grande

shop men and the team composed of Albina shop men will contest for the first baseball honor of the season among the strong amateur teams. At this game there will be a red-hot time as both La Grande and Albina claim they have the winners. A band concert Sunday by the Albina band of twenty-five pieces will be one of the pleasant features of the day. The visitors will leave on No. 23 Sunday evening for their homes. This is a social feature of railroad life which is growing throughout the country and the O-W is one of the pioneer roads to encourage in every way possible the mingling of the boys who help make the railroad.