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FIRE DEATH TOLL CLIMBS TO 75 TODAY

Death of Injured Man Last Evening Swells the Death List.

62 BODIES BURIED
IN ONE BIG GRAVE

Glory of Setting South Carolina Sun Bathes Funeral Services; 3,000 South Carolinians Attend.

CAMDEN, S. C., May 19.—The death of an injured man last night brought the death list of the Cleveland school house fire to 75.

Bury 62 Bodies.
CAMDEN, S. C., May 19.—Bathed in the glory of a setting South Carolina sun, 62 bodies were placed late Friday in one big grave in Beulah Methodist church-yard. Three thousand South Carolinians, led by Governor Thomas G. McLeod, gathered from all parts of the state to pay a last tribute to those who perished when the Cleveland school house was burned Thursday night, stood with bared heads throughout the brief, simple funeral service.

The bodies were those of the at least 75 dead which could not be identified.

They were buried within a few hundred yards of the spot where Thursday night they had gathered for the commencement exercises of the community school. An oil lamp which fell from its hanger on the ceiling over the auditorium stage turned the little country school into a funeral pyre.

13 GET EIGHTH GRADE DIPLOMAS

The Island City grammar school came to a close yesterday. Eighth grade commencement exercises were held Thursday evening and yesterday, the final closing of the schools until the fall term was made.

The program Thursday night, which was held at the Island City Community church, with a large crowd present, was a complete success. The eighth grade graduating class presented a splendid drama "On a Summer's Day" and Mrs. A. E. Tenhove, county school superintendent, and Reverend Hal Kellough, pastor of the Island City church, spoke to the students.

Following the above address Mr. Smith, chairman of the school board, presented eighth grade diplomas to 13 students.

At the close of the exercises the pupils presented E. A. Sayre, Island City teacher, with an autograph camera, as a token of their regard for Mr. Sayre, who has taught in the Island City schools for three years.

"WHO'S WHO IN LA GRANDE" TO BE SHOWN HERE

J. Donald Meyers, of the Arcade theatre, announced "Who's Who in La Grande," a local one-reel moving picture, will be featured Monday and Tuesday night at the Arcade in connection with the regular show. He received a telegram this morning from A. H. Hilton, manager of the Washington Film company, stating that the reel had been developed and was on its way to La Grande.

"Who's Who in La Grande" illustrates many local scenes and people, and includes several features of extreme local interest.

Two La Grande Students To Graduate from O. A. C.

CORVALLIS, Ore., May 19.—Jean Tuttle and Lee Ellis are members of the 1923 graduating class of Oregon Agricultural college. Jean Tuttle is a member of Beta Kappa social sorority. She will receive her baccalaureate degree in home economics on June 4. Miss Ellis is to be graduated from the school of commerce.

THE MARKET

PORTLAND, May 19.—Livestock steady, eggs weak, lower, butter firm, extra cubes 23 cents.

Weather Forecast

Portland, May 19.—Cloudy tonight and tomorrow.

Scouring Country For Horses For Stampede At Haines; Plans Elaborate

BAKER, May 19.—The country is being scoured to get the worst possible bucking horses and wild cattle are being brought in from the range for the Haines stampede May 31, June 1 and 2. Riders are asking for entrance blanks even from the Burns and Idaho panhandle country.

The management has procured the services of the fastest chariot racing teams in the northwest teams that have made the half mile in 1:54 flat.

The race for queen of the stampede is creating keen interest. Many are holding back blocks of votes to make a big finish. The contestants are as follows: Dorothy Riordan 5250, Rosella Hart 1500, Della Toney 2150, Ellen Ramsey 1500, May Ensminger 2450, Myrtle Ensminger 3650, Theresa Olsen 1050, B. Burton 1500.

SELECT STOCK SHOW JUDGES

Two of Three Officials Are Named for Union Live Stock Show, June 6-7-8.

UNION, May 19.—The committee on selecting judges of livestock for the 1923 show at Union reports the selection of Judge Arnett, of Montana, for horses and beef cattle; Judge Brandt, of Corvallis, for dairy cattle, and a third judge is yet to be chosen for hogs and sheep. It is the purpose of the association to provide sufficient judges so that ample time may be given for the various classes.

Reduced Rates.
A letter received by David Cooper this week from General Passenger Agent McMurray, of the O. W. R. & N., announces a rate of a fare and a half at stock show time on all main line and branch lines between Pendleton and Huntington, inclusive, with sale dates June 1 to 8, all tickets to carry final return limit of June 10th. Mr. McMurray expects to attend the show this year, as usual, and extends his very best wishes for success.

The Grounds Committee has had a force of men busy at the grounds recently overhauling sheds and buildings and erecting more sheds for the accommodation of stock that is certain to be here at stock show time—June 6 and 7 and 8. The association will be in a position this year to add greatly to its facilities for handling exhibits, not only because of more room, but because of better organization of the grounds force.

Bonar Law Returned To England; Health Failing.

LONDON, May 19.—Prime Minister Bonar Law, who has been on a voyage for his health, returning home from Paris today looked tired, ill, and failed to respond to cheers of the crowd at the station. He was taken to a private house, where he will receive treatment from a specialist.

IDAHO SENATOR OPENS WAR ON WORLD COURT

ST. LOUIS, May 19.—"The United States cannot join the international court and remain out of the league of nations, as both institutions are bound by shackles of binding adamant that cannot be broken," United States Senator William E. Borah of Idaho declared in an address here Friday night.

Outlining the duties the world court would have to perform as its adviser and counselor and yet Mr. Borah said: "Let us suppose we become a member of this court. We sit at Geneva day after day and year after year, not merely passing on arguments upon some controversy which arises between countries, but we sit there advising, counseling and directing the league itself, not only with reference to its own powers, but upon all vital European questions which may come before the league and upon all vital European questions which may come before the league and upon all vital European questions which may come before the league."

Shows Close Relations.
After emphasizing that the same close relations as existed between the department of justice of the United States government and its entire administration also existed between the world court and the league of nations Mr. Borah asserted:

"The attitude in which we are being placed toward the league in being its adviser and counselor, and yet professing to be against the league, put us in an intolerable position. With all due respect to those who hold a different opinion, it seems to me to be a wholly immoral position. And it is a position which, I venture to say, the American people will never assume."

FORMER CONGRESSMAN DIES.
LOUISVILLE, Ky., May 19.—Boyd Winchester, former congressman, and during President Grover Cleveland's term of office minister to Switzerland, died here Friday. He was 86 years old.

READJUST NORTHWEST RAIL RATES

Interstate Commerce Commission Finds Rates "Unreasonable."

ORDERS COMPLETE
READJUSTMENT NOW

Change Will Become Effective August 11; Compared With Californian Rates.

WASHINGTON, May 19.—Railroad rates on forest products from the North Pacific coast points to the southwest were found unreasonable today by the Interstate commerce commission in comparison with rates from California and from Spokane, Northern Idaho and Western Montana.

A complete readjustment was ordered, to become effective August 11, 1923.

May Return Excess Rates.

WASHINGTON, May 19.—North Pacific coast lumber shippers, including practically all producers operating in the Cascade mountain forests of Washington and Oregon, were likewise held to be entitled to reparation by a return of excess rates which they have paid on shipments to the southwest since July, 1917.

Differential in favor of Spokane on shipments to the southwest has been reduced to 3 1-2 cents from 9 cents.

POLICE CHARGE TWO WITH THEFT

G. W. Murray, 15, and his partner, about 25 years of age, whose name could not be ascertained by police authorities, are held by the city police today in connection with the robbery of a suit of clothing, valued at \$50, this morning at about 10:30 o'clock from Seranton's store.

Murray is charged with the theft and his partner is being held under suspicion of being connected with the robbery. Their hearing is set for ten o'clock Monday morning in the municipal court.

According to Claude Seranton, the boy entered the store this morning and secured a suit, telling him that he lived at 1015 Adams avenue and wished to show the suit to his father.

The boy was watched after he left the store and after he had gone about a block, took to his heels. Mr. Seranton and Tom Briscoe gave chase and caught the lad with his partner, near the railroad tracks.

Questioning this morning by the police resulted in Murray stating that he and his partner came to La Grande this morning on a freight train. He stated that his partner knew nothing of the robbery.

Prussian Soviet Seizes United States Property; Consul Tuck Leaves City

WASHINGTON, May 19.—Further details of the withdrawal of the American consular officials at Vladivostok, revealed Friday at the state department, show that Consul Tuck and his staff left their posts only after it had become apparent that further efforts to protect seizure of American property by the soviet authorities would be fruitless.

The amount of such property taken over by the Moscow government is not known here, but it is known that the International Harvester company, the General Electric company and other American companies have sent to Vladivostok at one time or another property valued at several hundred thousand dollars.

DATES SET FOR CHAUTAUQUA

Grande Ronde Chautauqua to Be Held at Riverside Park, June 23-28, Inc.

The Grande Ronde Chautauqua dates, which were formerly tentatively set, were definitely set for the week of June 23rd to June 28th, inclusive, at the Riverside Park.

The board of directors met last evening and plans were made for the coming chautauqua season. The following committees were appointed: Ticket sales committee, H. E. Dixon, C. E. Short, Mrs. Ed Kiddle; publicity committee, C. H. Reynolds, A. W. Nelson, A. J. Stanger; program and advisory committee, R. P. Murphy, C. W. Binger, Mrs. J. J. Scroggins; grounds committee, Floyd McKennon, Mrs. H. H. Cleaver. The program this year will be furnished by the Cadmean Chautauqua System and as all the numbers will appear for the first time in La Grande, the board of directors believe that an exceptionally interesting program will be rendered.

Many are planning on camping at the chautauqua grounds, making the week in reality, a vacation.

Elgin In Second Place In Branchline League

ELGIN, May 19.—The Elgin Indians continued their climb out of the cellar Sunday and took their second straight game, defeating Lostine 12 to 3. The game was marked by consistent playing of the Elgin boys at bat and in the field.

With the season one-third gone Wallawa tops the league with three wins and one defeat. Elgin and Enterprise are tied for second with two wins and two defeats, while Lostine is now in the cellar. At the pace the local boys are going they should top the league before the next third is ended. Next Sunday sees them in action against Wallawa at Wallawa, and a victory for Elgin means first place or a tie for first.

PLEADS NOT GUILTY.

FORT WORTH, Tex., May 19.—Dr. Frederick A. Cook, under federal indictment with 29 other persons in connection with the operations of the Revere Oil company, pleaded not guilty Thursday when arraigned in that case.

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SOCIALISTS WOULD OUST WILLIAM TAFT

Resolution Demands the Impeachment of Supreme Court Justice.

SCORE ACCEPTANCE
CARNEGIE ANNUITY

Claim That \$10,000 Annuity Given Taft Was "Obviously for Services Rendered."

NEW YORK, May 19.—The Socialist party, in convention today introduced a resolution demanding the impeachment of Chief Justice Taft, United States Supreme Court judge, because of his alleged acceptance of \$10,000 annuity from the Carnegie corporation which the resolution declared was "obviously for services rendered."

CHINESE MAY ABANDON Negotiations, Report

Bryan Plans to Open Fight in Assembly Of Presbyterians, Report

(By Associated Press.)
INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., May 19.—William Jennings Bryan defied Friday into a stormy petrel of Presbyterianism, when he refused to accept the chairmanship of the committee on home missions of the 15th general assembly, tendered him by Dr. Charles F. Wishart, who defeated Mr. Bryan Thursday in the race for moderator.

His refusal threatens to precipitate a fight between the liberals and the fundamentalists which will overshadow the other work of the assembly.

COUNTY FAIR BOARD MEETS

Preliminary Arrangements for Holding of the County Fair at Elgin, Sept. 25-29, Are Made.

(Special to the Observer)
ELGIN, May 19.—The Union County Fair Association met here last evening for their second session of the week, for the purpose of reviewing preliminary work and for the further selection of members of committees and to receive the premium list for consideration.

Committees were appointed early in the meeting, as follows: Livestock: Ray Norval, Imbler, W. R. Ledbetter, Alice, Gus Levy, La Grande.

Agiculture: Frank McKennon, Imbler, A. J. Tucker, Elgin, Robert Withcombe, Union.

Several field secretaries were named. E. G. Bailey, of Elgin, was named as secretary of the board, and Ted Conrad, Imbler, Gearhart Stackland Cove, S. M. Huffman, La Grande and W. R. Gekeler, La Grande, representing the grange, were also selected.

One Lonely Soldier Is Yet On Guard On Rhine

NEW YORK, May 19.—One lone American soldier still remains at the watch on the Rhine, although the army of occupation has moved out to Coblenz and the Stars and Stripes no longer wave over the fortress at Ehrenbreitstein.

Lieut. J. P. Davis of the division of criminal investigation, who arrived Friday on the steamer President Roosevelt, said that he had left the one soldier behind to clean up some investigations and that he would positively be the last member of the Rhine force to return. He would not make known the soldier's name.

YOUTH, 18, WEDS GIRL, 15.

VANCOUVER, Wash., May 19.—"Oh, it's a crime," Mrs. Mabel Conroy, of 652 East Main street, Portland, declared today in the auditor's office, while her 18-year-old daughter, Frances Baker, was being issued a license to marry Cecil O. Clark, 15, of San Francisco. The youthful bridegroom was accompanied by his father, O. T. Clark, of 127 Linn avenue, Oregon City, who readily consented to the wedding. The mother of the girl appeared reluctant to give her consent and her remark was audible to all present.

100 REBELS KILLED.

BUENOS AIRES, May 19.—One hundred Brazilian rebels were killed and many wounded in retreating before state troops on Rio Grande do Sul near Bage Thursday, according to a dispatch. The government forces sustained insignificant losses, the dispatch said.

E. M. Johnson Will Appear Before Judge Monday Morn

E. M. Johnson, arrested Thursday evening and facing a serious charge of violation of the liquor laws, will have his preliminary hearing Monday morning at ten o'clock before County Judge U. G. Couch, it was announced this morning.

The hearing would have been held at an earlier time but Johnson, who wished to secure an attorney, asked for a delaying which was granted.

Sheriff Lee Warnick reports that Johnson's partner, who escaped the raiding party while returning from the stills found 19 miles north of Elgin, is still at large. Poses are scouring the district in an attempt to round-in the missing man but to date no success has been met with.

Real Whiskey.
It is claimed that the two men, who have only been in this country for a period of a few months, were not engaged in making "moonshine" whiskey but were distilling real whiskey.

It is said that Johnson, who is now in custody of the sheriff, is not the most important figure in the case but that his partner, whose name is withheld by the authorities, was the operator of the still, while it is alleged that Johnson served in the capacity of salesman and was in charge of the pack trains, that are claimed to have been the method of retelling the liquor.

Raid Well Timed.
That the raid was well timed is believed by officials. Rumors have it that the two men had planned to move the establishment several days prior to the raid and that the only thing that kept them from making this move was illness in the family of one of the men.