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ITALIAN-GREEK CLASH NEAR Legion Plans A Big Evening Of Fun

MERRIMENT WILL START WITH PARADE

Bathing Girl Contest Winner to Have Seat of Honor in Line of March.

PARADE PRECEDES DANCE AT ZUBER

Contest Close Between Miss Effie Ainsworth and Miss Ione Zabel; Give Prizes at Dance.

"Put on your glad rags, grab your best girl and help us make tonight the most enjoyable one of the year," said a bunch of Legionnaires today, after a conference among themselves, and then they added, "and we're going to have a parade!"

Since last evening a change of plans were invoked in order to make tonight a real celebration. Instead of merely the Legion dance what will happen will be as follows:

8:45 P. M.—Parade (starting at city hall, thence to Adams, up Adams to the postoffice corner, return down Adams to Greenwood, south along Greenwood to Washington avenue, thence up Washington to the Zuber Hall, where the dance will be held.)

9:00 P. M.—Dance (music by the Legion orchestra, noise by drum corps, dancing from 9:00 until 12:00 o'clock, presentation of prizes to winners in bathing girl contest at 10:30 o'clock during intermission.)

12:00 Midnight—Dance cutting up and go home.

For tonight marks the close of the American Legion bathing girl contest, the winner to go to the Legion convention at Seaside early in September, and via with other Oregon winners in a marching banding girl parade. In addition to the trip to Seaside the winner will receive other prizes. Second place will be awarded, as will third and fourth, with an array of prizes that would make many turn green with envy.

Contest Close.

Misses Ione Zabel and Effie Ainsworth are the only remaining participants in the race for first place. Mrs. Ione Zabel and Miss Ione Zabel, holding back a number of votes to be presented at six o'clock this evening, the closing hour of the contest. It is impossible to estimate the number each one has. So no announcement will be made as to the winner until preliminary to the parade at 8:45 o'clock. The planned announcement at the dance was foregone upon decision to hold a parade.

Parade Formation.

The Stars and Stripes and the Legion banner of La Grande post No. 43 will lead the parade, flanked by the color guard, then follows the drum corps, and then a Nash car, driven by Arthur Van Fleet, bearing the winner of the bathing girl contest. (Continued on Page Five.)

GRAND DRAGON OF KLAN URGED RUN FOR U. S. SENATE

PORTLAND. — Fred L. Gifford, grand dragon of the Ku Klux Klan and generally exalted cyclops of the organization in Oregon, was endorsed for the republican nomination for United States senator by a state-wide Klan caucus held in Portland Thursday. Whether Gifford would accept was not known. He was undecided yesterday when the news was sent to him, and the klansmen gave him two weeks in which to announce his decision.

Weather Forecast



PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — Fair tonight and Saturday.

OBREGON RECOGNIZED BY U. S. GOVERNMENT

Formal Announcement of Resuming of Diplomatic Relations Between Mexico and America Made Today.

WASHINGTON. (AP).—The United States and Mexico have agreed to resume full diplomatic relations. Formal announcement was made today by the state department.

The restoration relations carries full recognition of the Obregon government.

NORMAL SCHOOL IS NOW ENDED

Evening Observer Correspondent Tells of Graduation Plans at State Institution.

(By MRS. LILLIE LAW)
MONMOUTH (Special. By Mail).—The summer session of the Oregon Normal School is drawing to a close, most of the exams have been given and the school will close on August 30 on Thursday. This is owing to the fact that a number of the schools will open on September 3rd and 4th. This does not give the teacher who has taken twelve weeks here any chance for a rest or vacation at all. The teachers whose school begins from one to two weeks later are rated as very fortunate. We who will have one week are going to play as hard as we can for that week.

There will be sixty-five or seventy-five graduates on Thursday. They are being turned out at that rate every six weeks. There are about four hundred and fifty students here and the larger number are hard-working earnest teachers. The work given here is the finest training that can be given to teachers and it can't but help the schools all over the state.

The teachers in the normal are the best to be had in their different lines and their influence cannot help but be for the good of our public school system of the state. The president is without peer as a teacher in psychology as well as head of the normal. He is well known, loved, honored and respected by all students. Thomas Gentle, instructor in general methods is another wonderful man in his line. Every one of his pupils love and admire him so much. Mr. Buller is another well beloved teacher. Mr. Ostler, Miss Arbutnot and we may say all the members of the faculty are liked and admired by all.

Needs More Room.

The normal needs more room and many more teachers as there is not nearly enough for the student body. Classes are so large that they are hard to handle. New teachers are being added but not enough to supply the constantly increasing number of students. A new administration building is needed very much and many other things as well. It seems as if the normal school had ought to be from the public funds, as other state schools, but such is not the case. The University of Oregon and O. A. C. are far ahead of the normal school in the matter of public appropriations in money. The teachers attending the normal are cognizant of this state of affairs but as yet there has not been any one among them who has taken the initiative to form a strong union so that the teachers can be a factor in legislation as well as all grades and professions except the farmer and even he is organizing in sheer self-defense and the teacher will have to follow the lead set by everyone else.

The normal will close but the work will go on as the teachers have had a vision of their responsibilities of their profession that will always remain with them. The great and good work done by the normal faculty will go on forever. One of the most successful terms is drawing to a close and all regret it but are glad to go back to their homes and school with the determination to do better work for the coming year.

Late Baseball Results.
UNDATED. (AP).—Results in the National League today are: Boston 3, Philadelphia 0; St. Louis 3, Pittsburgh 2; New York 1, Brooklyn 5.

PINCHOT'S PROPOSALS ANSWERED

Both Anthracite Operators and Miners Give Way in Coal Strike Dispute.

Police and Firemen Fight Crowd With Tear Bombs; Unable to Stop Assault.

PERTH AMBOY, N. J. (AP).—Battling between Ku Klux Klansmen and mobs was resumed on the streets here this morning as the Klansmen tried to escape from the Odd Fellows hall where they sought refuge during an attack on the Klan meeting last night in which more than 100 persons were injured.

One hundred men with armed clubs and stones attacked 30 Klansmen who dashed from the hall this morning. The Klansmen were severely beaten before they escaped.

The police and the militia fought the mob which last night attacked the Klansmen.

Use Tear Bombs.
PERTH AMBOY, N. J. (AP).—A crowd of 5000 persons broke up a meeting of the Ku Klux Klan in the Odd Fellows' hall Thursday, 75 policemen and 150 firemen being unable to drive back the throng that stormed the building. Firemen drove trucks into the mass of people, but to no avail. A hurry call was sent for state police in Trenton.

Patrolmen fired shots in the air, threw gas bombs and swung their night sticks while the firemen turned streams of water on the fighting throng.

Los Angeles Bars The Drive and Hug Style of Motoring

LOS ANGELES (AP).—"The drive and hug" style of motoring—one hand on the wheel and the other about a flapper's waist—is barred by a new order being enforced by the Los Angeles traffic officers. From now on a driver's hand, if parked about a lady's waist, will draw the same kind of a "tag" as a car parked beside a hydrant.

One "drive and hug" exponent, tagged Wednesday was told by the officer to use both hands. "Can't do it," he replied, "I need one hand to drive with."

WILL ACCEPT ON GIVEN CONDITIONS Operators Will Give Long Time 10 Per Cent Wage Increase; Wyoming Valley Miners Quit.

HARRISBURG. (AP).—Anthracite operators and miners today answered Pinchot's proposals. The miners accepting them as a basis for the continuation of negotiations, and the operators, while objecting to a flat 10 per cent wage increase, accepting it on the condition that an agreement putting it into effect over a long period of years be effected.

Thousands Walk Out.
WILKESBARRE, Pa. (AP).—Thousands of miners in the Wyoming valley quit today in obedience to a suspension order.

GEORGE PARKER MAY BE SAVED

SALEM. (AP).—Steps were taken for an appeal for George Parker, sentenced to hang today for the murder of Sheriff Dunlap, of Linn county. A reprieve from executive for 60 days was granted late yesterday.

Bar Association Urges Seat in World Court

MINNEAPOLIS. (AP).—The participation of the United States in a permanent court of international justice at the Hague was endorsed today by the American Bar Association.

LA GRANDE MAY BE ON AIR MAIL ROUTE

SCHEDULE OF STAGE CHANGES

One Joseph - La Grande Stage to Leave Here for Joseph at 3:30 O'clock in Afternoon Beginning September 1.

According to an announcement today G. W. Baars, Joseph-La Grande stage driver, will begin tomorrow leave La Grande for Joseph at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon instead of shortly after the noon hour as was formerly the case. This action is a direct result of the Public Service Commission hearing held here Tuesday afternoon.

The schedule of the other stage between Joseph and La Grande will remain the same according to reports.

PONY EXPRESS TO START AGAIN TODAY

ST. JOSEPH, Mo. (AP).—Robert Lee Shepard, first rider of the pony express race to San Francisco, started at ten o'clock this morning. A cannon fired by President Coolidge by telegraph from Washington was the signal for departure.

America's Wheat Yield Is Below the Normal Production

CHICAGO. (AP).—The wheat yield this year is considerably under crop estimates, an appreciably larger per cent of wheat is being fed to livestock, and farmers are preventing the annual autumnal dump by farm storage, were conclusions drawn by O. E. Bradford, president of the American farm bureau, from replies from 125 wheat producing counties, in answer to a wheat questionnaire issued recently.

Wheat production in Kansas and Nebraska is 50,000,000 bushels below normal, according to reports from state farm bureau officials in those states.

GREEK REPLY NOT ACCEPTED BY ITALIANS

Many Hostile Demonstrations Reported in Various Sections.

PAPERS WARNED
RE WARLIKE ACTS

Greek Ships to Italy Cancelled; Italian Boat Not to Touch Greek Ports; Situation Is Strained.

LONDON. (Presstime Wire by Associated Press).—The Italians have occupied Corfu in Greece, says Exchange Telegraph dispatches from Athens tonight.

The Italian legation at Athens handed the Greek foreign minister a note announcing that the Italians occupied Corfu at four o'clock Friday afternoon. The legation's note said the occupation of Corfu is peaceful and only temporary. The legation further notified the Greek government that a five o'clock Friday afternoon ultimatum giving only five hours grace to Greece would be handed the Greek foreign minister.

The occupation of Corfu had already been announced and great indignation was provoked.

LONDON. (AP).—The Greek government has appealed to the League of Nations to act in the Greece-Italian controversy, says an Athens dispatch.

LONDON. (AP).—MARTIAL LAW HAS BEEN PROCLAIMED THROUGHOUT GREECE, SAYS A LATE ATHENS DISPATCH.

ROME (AP).—The Italian cabinet, meeting today, found the Greek reply to their ultimatum unacceptable.

Greece's refusal to pay 50,000,000 (Continued on Page Five.)

LA GRANDE MARKETS TO Be Published Daily

Beginning with today's issue, each edition of the La Grande Evening Observer will carry, in complete list of retail prices of marketable products in this city, which will be revised each day according to any changes that might take place.

The markets section of the Evening Observer has been only recently revised, and at present is complete with northwestern quotations and also the La Grande quotations.

AVIATOR DEAD ALBANY, Ore. (AP).—Ort Irons, aviator, who was injured in a crash late yesterday, died here last night.

GEORGE H. GARDNER PAID PENALTY TODAY

SALT LAKE CITY. (AP).—George H. Gardner was executed by the firing squad of the Utah Penitentiary today for double murder.

Having exhausted all means by which he might escape paying the ransom penalty, George H. Gardner, slayer of two men, faced a firing squad in the Utah state prison here this morning.

Gardner, owner of a ranch near Welby, Utah, had been sentenced to be executed on three different occasions for the slaying of Deputy Sheriff Gordon Stuart on April 1, 1922.

A few months after the commission of the crime Gardner was found guilty and sentenced to die, however, automatically stayed the execution. This appeal for a new trial for Gardner was denied by the higher court, and the convicted man was again sentenced to execution on May 25, 1923.

This time Gardner's attorneys appealed to the state board of pardon and finally Governor Mabey issued a reprieve that an investigation in to the condemned man's sanity could be made. A temporary commission held that Gardner was sane, as did also Sheriff I. H. Harris of Salt Lake county who had the prisoner under observation for three weeks. On July 27, before District Judge Ephraim Hanson, he was again ordered to be executed, (late time August 31).

Blind, with five other deputies and shooting of Deputy Sheriff Stuart.

LA GRANDE MAY BE ON AIR MAIL ROUTE

Army Airplanes to Make Survey of Various Fields Soon; Will Visit This City.

With the country as a whole aroused to a high interest in connection with airplane tests and cross country flights, the following communication, received by the Union County Chamber of Commerce, is of especial interest:

Chamber of Commerce—Lieutenant Macready and myself are crossing the continent in a large airplane and may stop at La Grande for gas. Please notify me immediately in care of the Owyhee Hotel, Boise, Idaho, a sketch showing the location of the airplane field from La Grande, also exact size of unobstructed landing space and have full details of ditches, telephone lines or other obstructions. What is the highest test gas in La Grande? Can you give a large cloth cross to the field as a stop mark? (Signed) Lieutenant A. W. Stevens.

The communication was immediately turned over to Dr. J. L. Ingie, who is familiar with such details inasmuch as he was affiliated with the 275th Air Squadron in France during the world war, and he made the above mentioned sketches, ascertained regarding the other inquiries, and dispatched the resulting finds to Boise. The Gekeler field, one mile west of La Grande is considered the best landing field near here.

Dr. Ingie states: "There is a possibility that the plane's location is a large one. It is possible that Lieutenants Macready and Stevens are making a survey of the different landing fields from coast to coast in connection with the proposed cross country air mail service."

When the proposed flight is to be made will not be mentioned in the communication received here nor has any news stories been carried on the Associated Press reports regarding dates but further details will be released in a short time.

THE PONY EXPRESS— "AND THEY THOUGHT I WAS FAST."

