

Local News In Brief

COMING EVENTS

May 23—Commencement exercises for graduating class of La Grande high school.
June 4, 5, 6—Union Live Stock Show at Union.

Drove Down from Baker

A party consisting of J. T. Beaman, publisher of the Baker Herald, O. T. Brown, Mrs. William Allen and daughters, Misses Genevieve and Maudie, were in La Grande yesterday.

Here for Mother's Day

Charles E. Harding, for many years with the United States National bank of La Grande, but with the West Coast National bank of Portland, spent yesterday with his mother and other relatives in the city.

Left for Denmark

Dr. Carl Johnson and wife, of Walla Walla, were in La Grande yesterday and last evening. Mrs. Johnson started on a journey to her old home in Copenhagen, Denmark. They were formerly located at Hot Lake, and are well known to many La Grande people.

Present Trophies

The cups and medals won by the La Grande track team at the Eastern Oregon track meet last Saturday were given to the individual winners in an enthusiastic assembly held at the high school this morning. Coach Lester McTavish presented the medals and cups. The La Grande boys brought back 25 medals and three cups. Upon receiving his trophy each man made a short speech which was enthusiastically received by the remainder of the student body. Mr. Hamilton closed the assembly with a speech praising Mr. McTavish and the team.

Unmilled Wheat Injured

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Carl and little son, and Mr. and Mrs. King, of Pendleton, drove over to La Grande yesterday to spend a few hours with friends. Cecil is a son of Frank Carl, prominent Canadian county wheat farmer and one of the best known men in Eastern Oregon. The unmillable wheat crop was injured by the late frost. Cecil said the outlook for a good year in the great wheat belt is not at the best.

Wonderland Opening Up

J. Ross Leslie, the man whose heart and soul is intertwined in

the Wallowa Lake Wonderland and who believes that it is destined to be one of the biggest resorts in the west, was in La Grande Saturday for a few hours arranging business matters pertaining to the resort. He is the manager and expects to throw the place open to the public very shortly.

Whiskey Found by Youngsters

The days of miracles still remain. Last week some children, returning from school, found four bottles of moonshine whiskey under the Second Street viaduct where they had apparently been cached by Mr. Hootegger. The children brought the bottles of spirituous liquor to the police headquarters and turned it in. This is the second time during the spring that whiskey has been found and brought to the police station.

Possibility of a Normal Wheat Crop Is Lowered

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cent for 19 year average. Winter wheat, condition 96 95. Winter wheat, abandonment 3 2. Tye, condition 96 97. Spring plowing done 81 82. Spring seeding done 81 82. Pasture, condition 57 52. United States—First column gives per cent for 1924; second column for 19 year average. Winter wheat, condition 94.8 87.5. Winter wheat, abandonment 7.4 10.2. Tye, condition 58.2 50.8. Hay, all 87.8 80.2. Spring plowing done 71.5 71.1. Spring seeding 58.1 58.5. Pasture, condition 80.2 55.9. Winter Wheat: Oregon winter wheat had a most favorable winter season, and the abandonment was probably less than 1 per cent. Much of the acreage estimated at 60 per cent or more in some counties was seeded with dry treated seed, instead of the usual wet treatment, which resulted in a somewhat higher rate of seeding, and more efficient germination, and consequently a thicker than usual stand. Reports indicate that the April 1 condition of 191 per cent of normal was reduced to 96 per cent during that month as a result of dry weather and frost damage, and a further reduction has taken place since May 1. Should the present dry weather continue a further marked reduction in average condition will be recorded on June 1.

For the United States the abandonment average is estimated at 7.5 per cent. The acreage seeded last fall, leaving 26,895,000 acres for the 1924 harvest, which with a condition of 84.8 per cent of normal, gives promise of a production of 523,913,000 bushels, compared with a final estimated production last year of 572,346,000 bushels (Dec. estimate). The May 1, 1923 forecast was 578,287,000 bushels. Winter wheat condition and forecasted production in some of the principal producing states is as follows: First column gives per cent of condition; second column, number of bushels.

Illinois	70	22,956,000
Missouri	79	24,927,000
Nebraska	83	46,588,000
Kansas	88	134,092,000
Montana	80	12,226,000
Colorado	94	27,142,000
Idaho	91	7,549,000
Washington	82	28,640,000
Oregon	96	19,755,000
California	84	4,252,000

Hay: It is estimated that 19 per

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cent of the 1923 Oregon hay crop was still on farms on May 1, 1924. With the present relatively low condition of the growing crop, it is quite probable that this carry-over will be largely used during the coming winter. There has been a very little damage to alfalfa from the spring frosts, but the prospective shortage of irrigation water will doubtless cut the normal production of this crop, particularly the second and third cuttings. Reports from the wild hay districts indicate a production of not more than 70 per cent of normal, with a very probable further reduction of prospects.

Spring plowing and seeding have progressed very rapidly owing to very favorable weather for the work all spring. Plowing for summer fallow is practically finished. Spring seeding is practically finished with the exception of corn and the later plantings of potatoes. There appears to have been considerable swing from wheat to barley. Spring grain generally has had insufficient moisture since seeding, and is not showing up very well.

Pasture, including range, in the eastern portion of the state, is showing the effect of the dry cold April weather. Home range is pretty much eaten out in certain sheep districts, and the forest reserve is not yet available. The dry condition of the range will be unfavorable to range lambing, and check the normal growth of early lambs.

The forestry service reports that there has been sufficiently less demand for cattle grazing permits for the coming season to make it advisable to issue temporary permits to sheep men on certain ranges formerly allotted to cattle and horses. As usual, however, there have been more applications for grazing permits than could be allowed.

REMAINDER OF FLYERS 'CARRY ON'

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American Fisheries fleet will reach Bellingham from Port Moller, Alaska, about May 25. It was said today at the company's local office. Archie Shale, vice president in charge of Alaskan affairs, yesterday called an invitation to Major Martin to make the voyage in the company's vessel. The Catherine D. will stop at Nainital, B. C. for coal before docking here. The vessel has passenger accommodations and Martin and Harvey will each have a private room and bath aboard.

MARTIN AND MECHANIC ARE SAVED

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and nerve. Arrived at a trader's cabin southwest point of Port Moller bay morning Sunday. Exhausted. Found food. Reached there days. Walked beach. Waiting instructions.

It had not been feared here Sunday how many times the two aviators were from Port Moller bay when their plane was wrecked. But this journey took them a week.

The country is occupied by hills. South of Port Moller bay the peninsula is but 25 miles across to the Pacific ocean. Port Moller bay is a branch of the Bering sea. The region still is under snow and affords no food.

MARTIN'S WIFE RELIEVED BY JOYFUL TIDINGS. SAN DIEGO, Cal. (AP)—Out of the frozen Arctic wastes Sunday the buzz and splutter of the United States navy radio brought the news of Major Frederick L. Martin's safety to his wife here. Her joy at the tidings after days of suspense brought as many tears as smiles.

"I am going to ask Fred to promise me never to fly again," Mrs. Martin declared. "God bless the little messenger boy that delivered that telegram," she said. "He came up to my sister's home where I have been staying since where the major left on the flight, with his face all radiant with smiles. I instinctively knew he had brought me good news."

Army Circles Jubilant. WASHINGTON, (AP)—Safe arrival at Port Moller, Alaska, of Major Frederick L. Martin, commander of the army expedition, and his mechanic, Sergeant Alva L. Harvey, was announced Sunday in messages to the army and navy air services and coast guard.

A radio message from Major Martin to Major General Patrick, head of the army air service, said:

Obituary

Funeral Is Held. UNION. (Special)—After McCombs Bell, who died at Salem on May 7, was buried in Union on the 9th and her funeral was very largely attended. She resided here many years ago and was associated with her two brothers in publishing the Mountain Sentinel, a newspaper of very strong standing through Eastern Oregon. The deceased was 71 years of age. She was born in Johnson county, Iowa, and educated at the University of Iowa. She leaves two sisters living, Mrs. E. E. Purcell and Mrs. Mary L. Thompson, of this city. Her brother, Editor E. E. McCombs, who was well known to Oregon people, passed on some time ago. A union service of all denominations was held over the remains of Mrs. Bell. Rev. Quinn, Rev. Hogg and Elder Jones of the La Grande Christian church, conducted the services and the remains were interred in the Union cemetery.

HIGH SCHOOL PLAYS GIVEN

The three one-act plays program given at the high school Saturday evening were well received by a small but appreciative audience. The players all showed excellent training due to the efforts of Miss Mable Bennett, instructor of the class in dramatics which staged the plays.

The program opened with a free dance given by the girls of the central school which was directly followed by the opening drama, a fantasy by Stuart Walker entitled "Six Wives Pass While the Ladies Wait." The players were dressed in picturesque costumes, specially made for the occasion. The story dealt with the tribulations of a queen attempting to elude the headman with the assistance of a small boy who was cooking lentils in order to divert suspicion.

The other dramas, "The Boat of Bath" and "The Wonder Hat" were equally well presented. "The Boat of Bath" was a selection from a longer play by Constance D'Archi Muckay on the light comedy order and "The Wonder Hat" by Ben Hecht and Kenneth Sawyer Goodman proved to be a diverting farce which was especially well played by a cast consisting of James Coker, Vincent McKewen, Garnet Bowers and Maurice Moore. Interlude songs were sung by Miss Isabella Miller, the Greenwood school girls, Miss Daisy Robbe and Miss Isabel Miller and Mildred Webb.

"Neither hurt, existence due to condensed food and nerve; awaiting instructions." General Patrick said the air service had "never lost hope." He added it would be impossible here Monday to determine what instructions would be given Major Martin.

CLOSE GAME WON IN NINTH BY PIRATES

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lowed only two more bingles, both of those in the fourth inning. During the remainder of the game, the Pirates held the boys tight. La Grande did not score until the fifth inning, when they counted once. In the sixth they evened up the score and in the ninth with two on bases, McInnis pinch hitting for Helme, lifted out a two banger that ended the game in favor of the Pirates.

Walla Walla Next Sunday. Probably the biggest game of the year so far as will be played in La Grande next Sunday when the Walla Walla team, a hard hitting, brainy team will pit their skill and science against the home boys.

While the Bears and Pirates are crossing bats, Pendleton enters

JUDGE BRADY IS SPEAKER

The members of the Union county chamber of commerce at Junction tomorrow at noon in the P. O. at 2:30 will hear Judge Hugh Brady deliver an address on "The Far East Question."

Mr. Brady served for three years in the government consular service at Tientsin and Peking and those who have heard him remark on his experiences during that time state that he is well qualified to deliver a very interesting talk. Carl Helm will preside as hostmaster.

Teams Milton-Freewater and Pasco goes to Dayton. Summary: R. H. E. La Grande 4 13 9. Pasco 2 6 2.

Batteries: La Grande: Bench and Peterson; Pitcher: Hartman and Stollard. Errors: Hartman, Eckett, Home runs: Peckham. Two base hits: Helme, Knight, Peterson, Peckham, Bench, Hartman, Durkee. Left on bases: La Grande, 5; Pasco, 5. Double plays: Helme to Davis to Peckham. Struck out by Hartman 10; Bench 10. Credit defeat to Hartman, victory to Bench. First on base: Helme. Helme, 2. Sacrifice hits: Helme, Stollard, Eckett, Bench, Garity. Stolen bases: Hartman, Peterson. Time of game: 2 hours 5 minutes. Umpire: Harmon.

POINCARÉ'S MAJORITY IS SWEEP AWAY

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according to late advice from the provinces. In three districts in Paris the national bloc also is in the majority.

Left Makes Gains.

PARIS. (By the Associated Press)—The adherents of M. Poincaré concede that the returns in the election up to an early hour Monday morning, although incomplete, indicate a considerable gain for the left bloc. They attribute to discontent over increased taxation.

The Communists have held their own, but the Royalists fared badly.

LA GRANDE WINS E. O. TRACK MEET

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100 yard dash: Whitman (P), Dahl (R), Gillet (R), Edwards (M-F), Time 19 2-5. 220 yard dash: Taggart (R), Edwards (M-F), King (R), Whitman (P). Time 22 4-5 seconds. New E. O. record.

440 yard dash: Price (L), Shepherdson (R), Steinhel (L), pluch (R), Time 52 1-5 seconds. New E. O. record. 880 yard dash: McLeiff (L), Ireland (M-F), Pearson (P), Smith (R). Time 2 minutes 9 seconds. Mile run: Smith (R), Jordan (L), Ray (P), Brown (R). Time four minutes 54 seconds. 120 yard high hurdles: Lench (L), Gilmore (P), Magee (P), Welcome (R). Time 17 1-5 seconds. 220 yard low hurdles: Sherwood (L), Lench (L), Magee (P), Christensen (P). Time 27 seconds. New E. O. record. 880 yard relay (each man running 220 yards): Won by La Grande team consisting of Steinbeck, Smith, Lench and Price. Time one minute 25 2-5 seconds. Field Events.

Pole vault: Kerr (L), Gilliam (P), Funk (L), Simpson (P). Height 10 feet 3 inches. High jump: Hanson (R), Zimmerman (L) and Whitman and Christensen (both P) tied for second. Height 5 feet 10 inches. In a try for a record Hanson successfully cleared 6 feet 5 1-2 inches, setting a new E. O. record and possibly a new state record. Broad jump: Magee (P), Jacobson (L), King (R), Long (L V). Distance 20 feet 5 inches.

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and of Pendleton and Smith and Brown, both of Redmond, took first and fourth in the mile. At that time Redmond led with 11 points, Pendleton was second with 7 and La Grande had but 3. During following events, however, La Grande took the lead and was never headed. Redmond and Pendleton alternately held second place.

Marks All Fast

In the races, all time made was fast. McLeiff, of La Grande, took the half mile in 2:09. Smith, of Redmond, won the mile in 4:34; the La Grande relay team won in 1:24 2-5 seconds; Lench, of La Grande, won the 120 yard high hurdles in 17 1-5 seconds and Whitman, of Pendleton, took the 100 yard dash in 19 2-5 seconds.

On the field the marks were just as good. In addition to the records made on both Kerr, of La Grande, took first in the pole vault with a jump of 10 feet 3 inches; Magee, Pendleton, broad jumped 20 feet 5 inches; 350 yards. Milton-Freewater, threw the discus 108 feet 2 inches and heaved the shot 45 feet 10 inches and Gillet of Redmond, threw the javelin 156 feet. Kerr, attempting to tie the eastern Oregon record in the pole vault, just barely missed clearing the bar set at 11 feet 2 inches.

Day Ideal

With the exception of a slight wind, blowing in the face of the finish men in the races, the day was ideal for a meet. The wind, facing the runners, made all records all the more certain and had it not been for the breeze, faster time would have undoubtedly been made.

The heats, ran off in the morning, qualified all La Grande men entered with the exception of Price, who had the luck to draw the first heat in the century. Whitman, Pendleton, Gillet, Redmond, Taggart, Baker and Decker, Milton-Freewater, qualified in that sprint.

Sherwood's time in the heat in the low hurdles was 27 3-5 seconds and he boated in. Lench had little trouble winning his low hurdle heat, and also placed second in the high hurdle heat. One of the largest crowds that ever witnessed a similar event, was present. It is believed that over 2000 persons were present.

Track Events

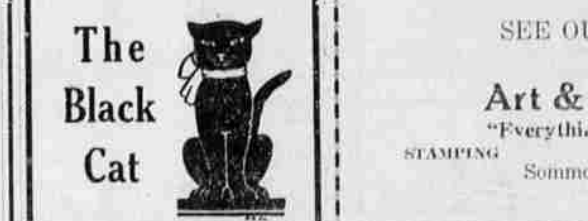
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