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PORTLAND (AP)—Oregon—Fair in the day and cloudy and unsettled in the west tonight and Tuesday.

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Hunt's
Daily
Letter(By HARRY B. HUNT)
NEW YORK (NEA Special).—Well, the Democratic convention, which has been expected when Tex Rickard arranged to have it held in Madison Square Garden, was a knockout.

It broke all records for number of sessions, number of ballots, amount of money spent by delegates, for high hopes wrecked and animosities engendered.

The total expended in dollars and cents to stage the Democratic contest, exclusive of delegates' expenses, according to the New York convention committee, was somewhat in excess of \$800,000. This committee had arranged its expenditures on the basis of a convention not exceeding two weeks in duration. When the deadlock carried the sessions over into the third week, the local committee passed the further financing to the Democratic National committee.

As this committee had a balance in hand of only about \$100,000, it immediately began to promulgate a list of names to be put on the ballot to bring about a nomination. The list of names was discharged, the fighting diminished and corners cut generally in an effort to save pennies for the later expenses of the campaign. Enough was saved out of cash on hand to pay for the auditing of the convention's bills and to move Democratic headquarters back to Washington.

To provide cash for the campaign ahead, however, the Victory clubs will have to be called on for contributions. No \$5 check will be rejected.

The selection of Davis as the candidate with which to oppose Coolidge puts the campaign on an intellectual level seldom reached in American politics. That is, as far as the personal qualities of the two men at the top of their respective tickets go.

Neither is of what is generally known as the political type. Davis, A. B., LL. B., LL. D., carries one university degree more than Coolidge, who simply boasts A. B. and LL. D.

Also, Davis has mixed about a

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FARMERS' TOUR
DUE SATURDAY

A field tour, to which all farmers are invited, with its chief object a visit to the crop demonstration plots at the Union Experiment station, has been announced by H. G. Avery, county agent, for Saturday, July 19th. The program for the day will be similar to that of former years. While last year's party visited Hard Federation wheat, Hybrid 124 wheat, Grinnon alfalfa, and purchased potato plots, the party this year will study a collection of all these demonstrations as seen on the experimental station at Union. The experiment station has several hundred plots of various kinds of crops under test. Records of past years' yields

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Huckleberries Said
Plentiful Near Park

THE PARK, (Special)—While it is reported that the frost has killed a fair share of the huckleberries in the adjacent mountains of La Grande and Cove regions there is plenty of the fruit in the Catherine Creek mountains.

The huckleberries are hard to get, however, due to the long distance necessary to climb to get at them.

It is reported that the Minam country is sure to yield heavily. Herring will be at its height in about ten days.

Marshall Dana Tells
of the Grande Ronde

(Editor's Note.—The following article by Marshall N. Dana, of the Oregon Journal, Portland, Ore., is the second of a series dealing with Eastern Oregon, gathered in the recent journey which was conducted by the Portland Chamber of Commerce Land Settlement committee. A following article will deal with the Walla Walla wonderland.)

(By Marshall N. Dana)

The route of the expedition for Oregon development via business ear led to the green valley of the Grande Ronde. Here is the home of Bruce Dennis and Dr. F. H. Here the famous, white faced eyes of Governor More eloquently back their disapproval at the disproportionate between the production and the selling price of beef. La Grande is metropolis of the

LA GRANDE
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TITLE RACEWalla Walla Bears Take
Blue Mountain Pen-
nant Second TimePENDLETON WON
HERE SIX TO TWODayton, Wash., Unable to
Stop Their Opponents;
Pendleton and Pasco in
Tie for Third Place.

BLUE MOUNTAIN LEAGUE			
Walla Walla	W. L. Pct.	Dayton	W. L. Pct.
La Grande	13 2 .866	Pendleton	6 9 .400
Pendleton	6 9 .400	Pasco	6 9 .400
Dayton	4 11 .266	Milton	4 11 .266

Sunday's Results.
At La Grande: Pendleton 6, La Grande 2.

At Dayton: Walla Walla 11, Dayton 2.

Milton-Precwater forfeited to Pasco.

(By SCOTT)

Walla Walla, Washington Legion Bears, 1923 Blue Mountain League champions, won the 1924 pennant yesterday by defeating Dayton 11 to 2 while La Grande took one on the nose from the Pendleton Buckaroos 6 to 2.

And when the Pirates lost to Pendleton yesterday, history not only repeated itself for Walla Walla, but it repeated itself for the second time for La Grande. In 1922 the Pirates, slated for the leadership, lost the critical game and won second place. In 1923 the Pirates did exactly the same thing. Both 1922 and 1923 found the Pirates members of the Inter-mountain League. And yesterday the Pirates mimicked the performance of the two years prior.

In three starts La Grande won second honors in a baseball league race—each time losing first place in the final game of the season.

Pendleton-Pasco Tie.
By winning yesterday Pendleton and Pasco became tied for third place. A play-off will probably result. Dayton crept into a draw for cellar championship with the Milton-Precwater, which withdrew from the race three weeks ago and forfeited the remaining games.

Pendleton earned their victory Sunday.

The Buckaroos registered eight hits to La Grande's seven, and made three errors to La Grande's four. And two of La Grande's errors permitted Pendleton to

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BRITON STARTS
ACROSS PACIFIC;
YANKS IN EUROPE

PARIS (AP)—The American round the world fliers arrived here this afternoon from Vienna.

TOKYO (AP)—The British round the world fliers, led by MacLaren, landed on Toshima Island, on Yotorofu Island, in the Kuriles today, says a radio dispatch.

MINATO, Japan, (AP)—A Stuart MacLaren, British aviator flying around the world, hopped off at 3:45 o'clock Monday morning on the first stretch of his air journey across the Pacific ocean via the Aleutian Islands.

Yanks Reach Vienna.

VIENNA (AP)—The United States army around the world aviators arrived here at three o'clock Sunday afternoon from Bucharest. They will start on another lap of their journey Monday.

Scored 40 Points For U. S.



Upper: Robert LeGendre, of the Newark A. C., who broke a world's record at the Olympic games by jumping 25 feet 6 inches, is shown in action. Inset is Harold Osborne, Illinois A. C., who hung on another record for America by shattering the high jump record, and who won the decathlon Saturday, giving him two firsts. First place counts 10 points.

Lower: George Taylor, Grinnell college, who captured the first American victory in a final Olympic event, when he won the 100-meter hurdles.

XTRA APPLE YIELD
IS FORECAST

ST. HELENS, Ore. (AP)—Mrs. Alice Hamby, 21, of Sepperson, was arrested charged with attempting to extort money from E. N. West, president of the First National Bank of Sepperson, by writing threatening letters demanding that money be left at designated spots. Officers said she confessed, saying she conceived the idea from magazine stories.

West received the letter requesting that he leave \$200 in bills wrapped in brown paper, on the porch of an unoccupied house in Sepperson. He turned the letter over to the sheriff who watched the house the first night. No one appeared. A second anonymous letter was sent, threatening West's life unless he complied with the request. He had a package of blotters wrapped in brown paper left at the designated place. Officers said Mrs. Hamby was seen following morning pick up the package while sweeping the porch. The woman was released pending a decision whether the postal or state authorities will handle the case.

THIEVES ESCAPE.

SALEM, Ore. (AP)—Two thieves, both sentenced from Portland, escaped from a gang of employees spreading diox in a bird half a mile from the penitentiary this morning.

KELSO FOREST RANGERS
Seek "Mountain Devils"

KELSO, Wash. (Special)—Frank Helm, R. S. Bailey, Hal Loney and C. Parker, who have been employed as forest rangers in the upper Lewis river country near the border where five "Kobow" prospectors reported they encountered "mountain devils," will leave today for that district to see if they can find traces of the peculiar animals, said to be about as big as a bear, and to resemble gorillas.

SCAFFOLD
FALL FATAL
TO WORKERB. E. Anderson, of La
Grande, Killed in Ac-
cident This MorningSON INJURED BUT
ESCAPES DEATHTragedy Occurred at the
East La Grande School
House; Father's Skull
Fractured.

B. E. Anderson, 50 years of age, was almost instantly killed and his son, Bunsen Anderson, suffered a severely injured foot and body injuries when a scaffold, on the roof of the East La Grande school house, tipped over throwing them to the ground, a distance of probably thirty feet. Mr. Anderson's skull was fractured and although every attempt was made to save him, he was too badly hurt for medical and surgical skill to prevent death.

The accident occurred about 2:20 o'clock this morning. Both were rushed to the hospital immediately.

The younger man's foot was broken in several places and it will probably be about three months before he is able to use it again.

The deceased is survived by his son, a daughter Helma Anderson, 10th of La Grande; four brothers and sisters: S. A. Anderson Jr., of La Grande; Logan Anderson, of Cove; Asplin Anderson, of Lawton; Minnie and Lilly Rolstad, of Dawson, and a father S. A. Anderson Sr., of Dawson.

The remains will be forwarded to Dawson for burial by the side of his wife, who passed on about 1907, following funeral services at 2:20 p. m. tomorrow at the Stodgers and Zimmerman chapel unit.

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George Tucker Laid
To Rest at Joseph, Ore.

JOSEPH, Ore. (Special to the Observer)—Funeral services were held at Joseph yesterday afternoon over the remains of the late George Tucker. A large crowd was present.

Reverend Patelle, of the Christian church, preached the funeral sermon.

BASEBALL

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE			
Club	W. L. Pct.	Club	W. L. Pct.
San Francisco	55 44 .556	Seattle	54 44 .551
Vernon	50 50 .500	Sacramento	49 49 .500
Salt Lake	48 50 .490	Oakland	48 52 .480
Portland	45 55 .445	Los Angeles	45 54 .449

Salt Lake 7-0, Vernon 6-9.
First game—R. H. E.
Salt Lake 7 12 0
Vernon 6 9 2

Batteries: O'Dout and Peters; Cook, Penner, Christian, Thomas and D. Murphy.

Second game—R. H. E.
Salt Lake 6 8 2
Vernon 9 12 6

Batteries: Kallio, C. O'Connell, Thomas and Cook; Bryan C. Thomas and Hannah.

Senators 6-1, Oaks 1-2.
First game—R. H. E.
Senators 6 11 1
Oaks 1 2 1

Batteries: Dumovich, Hamm, Payne and Jenkins; Winters and Daly.

Second game—R. H. E.
Los Angeles 16 26 6
Portland 9 11 6

Batteries: Hughes, Wether and Jenkins; Richman, Redick and Cochran.

Seals 6-3, Indians 1-4.

First game—R. H. E.
Seals 6 11 3
Indians 1 4 3

Batteries: Geary and Agnew; Rutherford and Tobin.

Second game—R. H. E.
Seattle 4 14 3
Seattle 4 14 3

Batteries: Shea and Vargas; Gregg, Steadman and E. Baldwin. (Eleven innings.)

Last Minute News

FIVE RECOVERED FROM WRECKAGE.
AUGUSTA, Kans. (AP)—The bodies of five persons have been recovered from wreckage caused by a storm that visited this district last night.

AIRMEN ARE WELCOMED.

PARIS (AP)—The American flyers were given an enthusiastic welcome today. Before landing they circled over the unknown soldier's tomb and the Arc de Triomphe. They were escorted by a French squadron which joined them at the border.

CONTROLLING FOREST FIRES.

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP)—A light rain, due to a heavy ocean fog, west of the Cascades, aided fire fighters who already had gained the upper hand on fires last week in the Santiam forest and Tillamook and Columbia counties. Fires near Bend are also reported under control.

COLLAR BONE BROKEN.

An employee of the Bowman-Hicks company, while riding in the canyon today on a motorcycle, had an accident that resulted in a broken collar bone. The young man, about 24 or 25 years of age, whose name is Adams, was brought to the hospital here. A quick recovery is expected.

INDIRECT TAX
SAID SOLUTION

There is a way to adopt indirect taxation in Oregon, it will relieve real estate of much of the state tax now levied upon it, said Governor Walter M. Pierce Saturday afternoon in his address at the Farmers' Union picnic in the city park of La Grande.

The chief executive was on a home-coming trip and spent the afternoon with friends of many years standing.

"I shall ask the next legislature to pass a severance tax on standing timber in Oregon," continued the speaker, "and I see no reason why the moving picture industry should not pay a nice sum into the state treasury each year. West Virginia taxes cigarette sales and raises quite a sum, and I believe we must resort to the indirect tax in order to relieve real estate."

Directly in front of the governor sat Billy Ruckman who is known to be one farmer who insists that the more money raised by taxation the more will be spent, and when the governor was ferreting out different methods for raising more money for the state he caught a look on Ruckman's face.

"No, it is not true, Bill, it is not true, it is not true that the more money we raise the more we will spend," and with this remark the governor went into detail telling of the sincerity of the board of control in trying to save every penny possible of the taxpayers' money.

His talk was almost wholly along financial lines occasionally mentioning the work in the governor's office and before closing he gave his audience a glimpse of many happenings that occur in official life.

The farmers' picnic Saturday was fairly well attended and Bernal Hug as chairman of the day presided in an excellent manner. Rev. Youkum of Summerville opened the afternoon with prayer after which Bruce Dennis, of the Evening Observer, gave a short welcome talk to the farmers assuring them that La Grande was delighted to be their host on the occasion. Rev. Dick of the South Methodist church spoke in a happy vein and he was followed by Mrs. Ed Jasper in a violin solo which pleased everyone.

James Harvey Graham, of Baker, democratic candidate for congress from the Second district, delivered a political speech in which he played the railroads and a tariff. He insisted that freight rates must come down, that tariff must be lowered and wages remain up. While he did not have to go into detail it was evident that Mr. Graham believes railroad managers.

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PENITENTIARY CLERK SHOT.
WALLA WALLA, Wash. (AP)—Edward Meath, clerk at the penitentiary and former state treasurer whose home is in Tacoma, was fatally shot last night by a guard on the wall who mistook him for a prisoner he thought was escaping.

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Catherine Creek About
Fished Out for Season

UNION, Ore. (Special)—Catherine creek has been literally fished out this season, owing to the closing of some other streams. More people than ever are enjoying the angling sport this year. One man, who had been several miles up stream, reports that he saw the remains of camp fires about every 20 feet where some fisherman had stopped along the banks to camp.

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United States Winner
In 1924 Olympic Games

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OLYMPIC STADIUM, Colombia, France (By the Associated Press).—America left the Olympic battle field Sunday triumphant in track and field for the eighth successive time since the modern revival of the Olympic games. But when dusk brought a close to the greatest and most spectacular fight seen for the international athletic honor, America shared the final glory with her gallant rival from the

north, Finland.

Although the Americans, in convincing and final demonstration of their all-around supremacy Sunday, shattered two more world records and one Olympic record, the premier mantle of the Olympic triumph went to the new Finnish hero, Albin Stenroos, who raced under a blazing sun to the classic marathon championship, a victory which capped the climax of Finland's clean sweep of the distance races and gave the little Nordic country its greatest athletic laurels it has ever known.

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BAKER LOSS
BY FIRE IS
\$200,000.00Basche-Sage Hardware
Warehouse Was To-
tally Destroyed\$4,000 HOME RAZED
IN CONFLAGRATIONSlight Damage Done to
Stoddard Lumber Com-
pany and Square Deal
Garage; Origin Doubt-
ful.

BAKER, Ore. (Special)—Sunday, July 13, was an unlucky day for Baker. Fire of unknown origin in the afternoon totally destroyed the Basche-Sage Hardware company's wholesale warehouse here, with an estimated loss of \$200,000, the residence of John Allen, an estimated loss of \$4000; destroyed the roof of the Square Deal garage, with a loss of \$500, and did damage estimated at \$500 to the Stoddard Lumber company. The flames in the warehouse were still smoldering at a late hour Sunday, but were under control.

The hardware company, one of the largest distributors in eastern Oregon, had recently completed its new warehouse, of concrete, and supposedly fireproof construction. Within was a large stock

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LEWIS CAR IS
ON WAY HOME

Score another point for the printed word, for it was that very thing that caused Bird F. Lewis of La Grande to find his new Franklin sedan which was stolen from the Washington street garage in this city last Wednesday night.

The Boise Statesman carried a news story about a Franklin sedan which had been deserted on the Idaho highway apparently by parties who had stolen it and with an exhausted gasoline supply seemed unable to proceed eastward.

When Bird Lewis saw that story he sniffed the facts at once and started for Gooding, Idaho, where the car was located. Today Mrs. Lewis recovered a wire from him stating that it was his car, that it had not apparently been badly used and that no clue whatever had been secured as to who the guilty party were who took the machine.

Four Charges to Be
Placed Against Allen

Which is quite a number of accusations to lay against Ezra Allen, who was arrested yesterday by Officer Dunn. Allen is out under \$200 bonds and will be tried tonight at 7:30 in the police court.

According to Officer Dunn, Allen tried to get away after he had ordered him to drive to the police station, and during the chase, Allen is alleged to have thrown a bottle containing liquor from his car. Dunn afterwards located the bottle, which was unbroken, he stated.

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