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THE WEATHER PORTLAND (AP)—Oregon: probably occasional rains tonight and Sunday.

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WALLOWA A DIAMOND IN THE ROUGH

Five Billion Feet of Standing Timber in the Neighboring County

WATER POWER IN VAST QUANTITIES

Scenic Attractions Finest World Has to Offer in Wallowa Lake Region.

Five billion feet of standing timber! What an enormous amount—and all in one county!

Statistics show that that amount of timber can actually be credited to Wallowa county, and of the 5 billion feet, the greater share of it having market is not included in the proposed Wallowa Lake national park boundaries.

Even now, the vast timber resources in the neighboring county are supporting three large sawmills and many smaller concerns. Oregon white pine, sold chiefly in the east of ash and doors and interior finish, is grown in the Wallowa forests and it is classed as one of the best brands produced anywhere.

That is only one of Wallowa County's resources. Agriculture was touched upon in an article in yesterday's issue of the Evening Observer. Besides agricultural and lumbering, the county has great attractions for the tourist or prospective settler.

Scenery Unequaled. Taken as a whole, the scenery— (Continued on Page Five.)

'GUN-TOTING' PARSON HERE

Rev. R. C. Lee will occupy the pulpit at the Methodist church tomorrow morning and evening, during the absence of the Kiehl family, which was called to California by the death of their son, Reverend Lee, who some years ago went into Huntington as a regular Methodist preacher and finding things not to his liking, commenced to clean up morally and before he got through found it necessary to clean up physically as well. For some weeks the lawless element and Reverend Lee went round and round during which time guns were conspicuous on both sides of the row. In the end Mr. Lee was the boss of the situation and was recognized.

His curly training was obtained before the mast and it is said that in his younger day he wielded a maulin spike with the effectiveness that he cleaned up Huntington's bad men, and in more recent years has attained prominence as a clergyman, fraternalist and citizen.

Island City Tot Laid Away This Afternoon

The funeral of Levi Walter Blackman, four-year-old son of Thomas H. Blackman, who was killed at Island City yesterday by a fall from a rock crusher, was held from the Bohannan chapel at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

Teachers' Institute In Session At High School

The third and last Union County Teacher's institute of the school year opened this morning at the high school with an invocation. Principal speeches of the morning session were delivered by Professor James F. Burch of the department of education and psychology of the Oregon Agricultural College.

Bolt Strikes Two At Farm Near Union

Ben and Lela Stondahl Knocked Unconscious by Lightning; Not Badly Hurt.

UNION, Ore. (Special)—Friday evening's short electrical storm played quite a freakish prank at the Al Stondahl ranch about four miles up Catherine Creek when it struck the barn at Mr. Stondahl's place.

Two members of the family were standing in the doorway of the barn waiting for the shower to pass so they could go to the house when the building received the effect of the shock. Ben Stondahl was knocked away from the barn and into the mud and water, while his sister, Lela, was thrown back into the building, both being rendered unconscious. The building was partly wrecked by the stroke.

Medical aid was given the two as soon as possible and from latest reports it is believed that neither of them, although suffering severely from the shock, has sustained any serious injury, a fact which is almost miraculous under the circumstances.

Storin General. The electrical storm was general in this district yesterday, thunder and lightning accompanied by rain visiting Union county for the first time this year.

Outside of the occurrence at the Stondahl ranch near Union, no damage is reported.

O. A. C. MEETING WILL BE HELD MONDAY EVENING

Captain E. C. Allsworth, one of the speakers for the O. A. C. meeting to be held next Monday evening, at 8:30 o'clock, in the Methodist church, has been designated as the state of Washington's most distinguished soldier.

He has been granted a leave of absence and is devoting his time in promoting the memorial union building to be erected on the O. A. C. campus.

Dr. R. C. Landis will be chairman of the meeting, for which an interesting program has been arranged.

Lecture to Be Given In L. D. S. Tabernacle

An excellent program will be given tomorrow evening at the L. D. S. Tabernacle, when Ernest Woodard, of Baker, will deliver a lecture on "Conditions in Japan at the home of the Earthquake, September 1, 1923." Mr. Woodard was in Japan at this time and will speak from actual experience.

Masonic Officer in La Grande Last Night

A. W. Schaupp, of Joseph, District Deputy Grand Master of Masons for this district, made an official visit to La Grande Lodge No. 41, A. F. and A. M., last evening. The first degree was exemplified and Mr. Schaupp gave an interesting talk, after which refreshments were served.

Packard Rams Horse; No Persons Injured

A Packard closed car driven by Malcolm Holmes was badly damaged last night when it hit a horse on the road near Lone Tree. The car remained right side up and none of the occupants were injured.

Churchill III.

Assistant State Superintendent of Schools Smith, from Salem, will deliver the main address this afternoon in place of J. A. Churchill, state superintendent whose ill health made it impossible for him to attend.

Music by the boys' quartette of the high school and a piano solo by Jack Soolyidge are also scheduled on the afternoon program.

FILM CAST OUTLOOK IS TO BE HERE BRIGHT ON APRIL 25 THE COAST

Frank Lloyd's Manager Is Coming to La Grande Wednesday

WIRES RECEIVED THIS MORNING TO HAVE BIGGEST CITY IN FUTURE

Moving Picture Director Pleased with Scenery in Wallowa Lake Section.

Personal assurance that the Wallowa Wonderland will be used in making many of the scenes for "Winds of Chance" was given this morning by Frank Lloyd, director of the picture who wired both Earl Reynolds, secretary of the chamber of commerce, and Don Meyers of the Arcade theater to that effect.

Both telegrams were signed by Mr. Lloyd and were sent from Hollywood, Calif. The telegram received by Mr. Reynolds reads: "My general manager, Mace Littson, with art and technical directors will arrive La Grande Wednesday morning. He will make all arrangements and advise you precisely what we require. Your assistance will be greatly appreciated and we feel assured our visit will be both pleasant and profitable to us. Regards, Frank Lloyd."

The telegram received by Mr. Meyers practically duplicates the message sent to Mr. Reynolds with the addition of the statement that (Continued on Page Five.)

BIG CROWD AT M. I. A. COMEDY

A large crowd attended the three act comedy "Honor Bright," presented by the La Grande First Ward M. I. A. at the high school last evening. The play was highly entertaining and each member of the cast handled his or her role with remarkable ability.

Edward Gwilliam, as Richard Barrington, was excellent as were Gladys McManus as Honor Bright, a book agent; Violet Wheeler as Tott Marvel, a chorus girl with the "Snap It Up" Company; George Turner as Watta, the Butler; Hilda Williams, as Mrs. Lucy Barrington, Richard's mother; Grant Bean as the R. Rev. William Carlton and Peggy Carlton, his wife. Other members of the cast who were equally good were Clark Webb, Rev. James Schooley; Elmo Cleck; Bill Drum; Pearl Webb; Maggie, the cook; Marion Stoddard, Foster, the gardener; Emil Smith, Michael, the chauffeur; Clifford Wheeler, Simpson, deputy sheriff; and Earl Wilson, Jones, deputy sheriff.

Miss Gladys Metcalf directed the play, Jeff Bean acted as business manager and Nephth Combs, property man and electrician.

Allsworth to Speak At Commercial Lunch

Captain Ed Allsworth, "Washington's most distinguished soldier" and E. T. Reed, president of the "Oregon Chamber of Commerce" will be the principal speakers at the noon luncheon of the Union County Chamber of Commerce next Tuesday.

La Grande Boy Making Good at Wentworth

Nelson Anderson of La Grande, Oregon, is on the scholastic honor roll at the Wentworth Military academy for the mid-term grade period just ended. He ranks in the upper twenty-five percent in scholarship among the students enrolled at the academy.

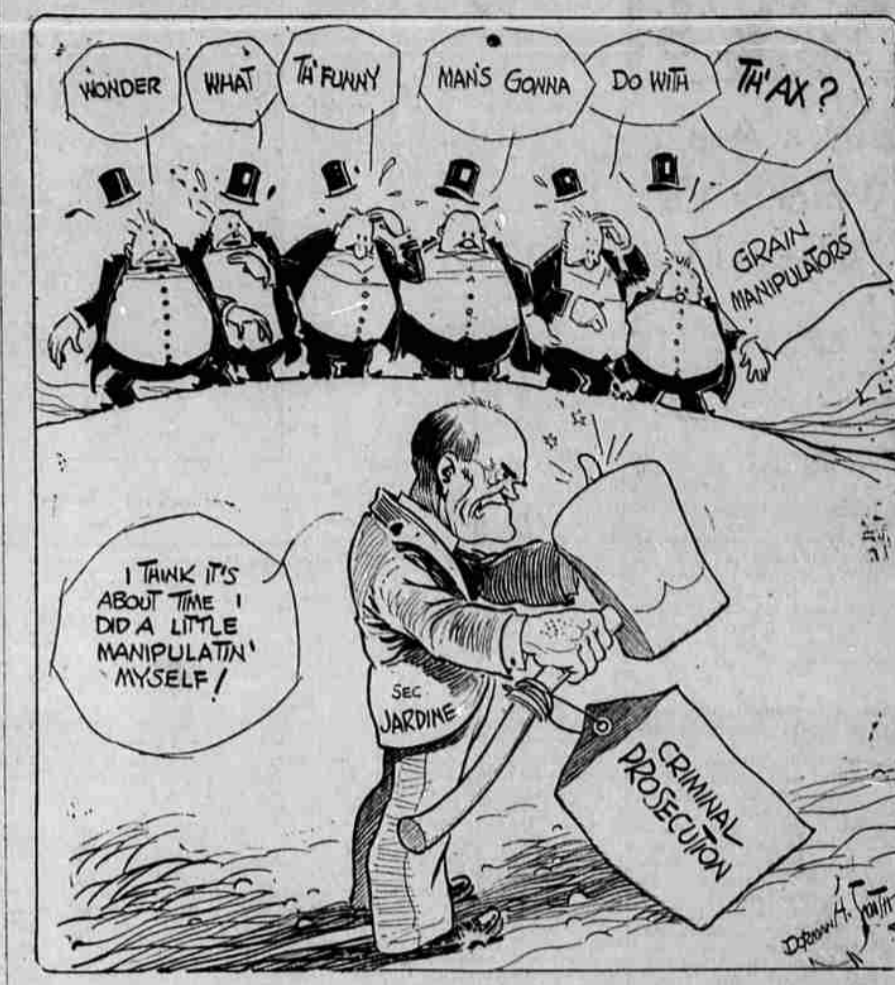
Trail Guide Book Tells Of Wallowa Wonderland

The Oregon Trail Guide Book, which is given to nearly every tourist at Wentworth, contains a long write-up of the Wallowa Lake Wonderland.

Home Restaurant Sold To Pendleton People

The Home Restaurant, on Fir street, has been purchased by Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Sewell, late proprietors of Grandma's Kitchen in Pendleton.

Them Manipulatin' Blues



UNION PLANS MARKET WEEK

UNION, Ore. (Special to the Observer)—The stage is all ready for Union's first "Market Week" which will be held beginning Monday. The idea is a new one for Union and was first suggested by F. B. Connor and then endorsed by the Commercial Club.

In addition to special bargains on certain goods from day to day, the business men have a plan for handling produce that is expected to appeal to the farmer. Practically every business house in town is participating in the movement.

DEATHS FEW IN WALLOWA

ENTERPRISE, Ore. (Special)—The death rate in Wallowa county for the last three years has been only a trifle over 8 per thousand, estimating the county's population at 9,000. This is according to figures compiled by David B. Reavis, county clerk. It shows the county to have had a death rate much below that of the nation, and far under that of foreign nations. Along with this went the fairly high birth rate of between 21 and 22.

Childers' English Bull Poisoned Here Today

Ten minutes after the thoroughbred English bull owned by Merle Childers was let out of the house this morning the neighbors phoned that the dog was dead from poison.

Wallowa County Service

The Observer, coming from the press and reaching its readers in Wallowa county eight hours serves that territory as no other newspaper can.

John Dodge Seeking To Enjoin Sale

DETROIT. (By the Associated Press)—Attorneys for John Duval Dodge today petitioned the circuit for an order to show cause why the sale of Dodge Brothers, Inc., to the Dillon Company, of New York, should not be enjoined. The court refused the petition but ordered Mrs. Mathilda R. Dodge to appear Wednesday to show cause why the injunction should not be issued.

Attorneys said the petition sought to protect interests they say John Duval Dodge has in the John F. Dodge estate as the heir of Anna Margaret Dodge, his infant half-sister, who died a year ago and was named in her father's will for a share of the estate.

LAND OFFICE FIGHT GROWS

The campaign for the re-establishment of the government land office in La Grande is being continued here by the chamber of commerce. Letters and petitions are being sent daily to the Oregon delegation in Congress.

CHARGE MEANS WITH FORGERY

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—Gaston H. Means was indicted today for forgery in connection with the Senate Daugherty investigation in which he was a spectacular witness.

Secretary Weeks Is Much Improved Today

WASHINGTON. (By the Associated Press)—Secretary Weeks passed a restful night that physicians attending him did not find it necessary to call at this time.

DELANEY GETS DRAW

PORTLAND (AP)—Jimmy Delaney fought a draw here last night with Harvey Perkins.

FRANKLIN ELIMINATED

CHICAGO (AP)—Franklin High, of Portland, Ore., lost to Southeastern High, of Detroit, 43 to 24, in the semi-final of the national basketball interscholastic tourney today.

UTE PLEADS GUILTY

CORTEZ, Colo. (AP)—Mormon Joe, aged Ute Indian medicine man, pleaded guilty to second degree murder and was sentenced today by District Judge Searcy to 20 to 25 years in prison for beating to death a Mexican prisoner, his cell mate, in the local county jail.

SOLVING PROBLEM

PARIS. (AP)—Premier Herriot continued his consultations today with political leaders regarding the proposed capital levy. It is generally understood that this proposition is the key to the plan of the radicals by which the government hopes to put French finances on a solid basis.

TACOMA (AP)—James O'Neil and Pat Gallagher, arrested March 30 on suspicion of being the holdups who pushed Forest Enycart, of Ryderson from a freight train, were sentenced in court on the charge of drunkenness. Authorities are convinced the men had no connection with the assault upon Enycart and his subsequent death.

M. E. Church Planning Good Friday Cantata

Complimentary tickets are to be distributed in the various churches tomorrow by respective pastors to those who wish reserved seats at the cantata. "The Seven Last Words of Christ" which the Methodist church choir will give on Good Friday evening at the Methodist church. These tickets will be good for seats up until 7:45 that evening, after which the general public is welcome to what seat space is available. The cantata is one of the famous Lenten musical productions of all time, and is said to be in good control of the singers.

Suggests Memorial For The Economical Democrat

(By Harry B. Hunt) WASHINGTON. (SNA special)—It may be a shame to take the money, but— Any member of Congress having conscientious scruples against accepting the recent pay increase that has just been voted will just have to accept it. If he doesn't take it willingly, it will be forced on him.

G. CHAPMAN MUST HANG, IS VERDICT

Spectacular Mail Bandit Sentenced to Die on June 25th

CONVICTED OF SKELLY MURDER

Judge Read Doom Exactly One Hour After Jury Brought in Decision to Hartford Court.

HARTFORD, Conn. (By the Associated Press)—Gerald Chapman, spectacular mail bandit, was today sentenced to hang June 25 within an hour from the time the jury return a verdict of "guilty of first degree murder" in connection with the death of Patrolman Skelly in New Britain last October.

Chapman, the sole criminal whose flaming misdeeds made him an international figure, did not flinch or falter as his doom ascended upon him. With his arms folded across his breast, his frail body held stiffly erect, he listened to the judge's words spell out his doom with only a flushed face to mark his emotion.

"Oh, that's all right," Chapman's attorney said after the verdict, with tears in eyes. Without a break of the voice or a wavering of his cold, blue eyes, Chapman replied, "Oh, that's all right."

Chapman, often called a modern Jesse James, first gained notoriety in his daring leadership of the sensational \$2,400,000 holdup of a government mail truck on Lower Broadway in October, 1921. Chapman and George R. Anderson, an accomplice, were sentenced for the mail robbery in August, 1922, both receiving 20-year terms in the federal penitentiary at Atlanta, Georgia. Both afterward escaped. Anderson is still at large.

Patrolman James Skelly of New Britain, Conn., was slain when he surprised two safe blowers in a department store Sunday morning October 12, 1924. He fell under the bullets of one of the men who shot his way out. The other was caught and proved to be Walter E. Shean, son of a Springfield, Mass. hotel owner. Shean said Chapman was the man who got away.

Three months later, January 18 last, Chapman was finally run to earth in Muncie, Ind., by postal agents who had never relaxed their two-year hunt. He was taken back to Atlanta, but was later brought to Connecticut for trial for the Skelly killing.

Appeal Filed. Chapman's counsel filed notice with Judge Jennings that the conviction will be appealed. The defense previously made a motion (Continued on Page Five.)

COVE HAS NO RAIL SERVICE

COVE. (Special)—Since the engine which formerly hauled freight cars from Union Junction has been condemned the people of Cove have been without shipping facilities.

The condemnation of the engine came shortly after the public service commission had ruled that the freight rates from the Union Junction be absorbed by the main line.

Cove hopes that the efforts of Mr. Middleton who has an option on a quantity of lumber up Catherine Creek will be successful. In this event the road would be improved for logging work.

But the stand McCarl takes in regard to congressional salaries is that the law says they are \$10,000 a year and \$10,000 they must be. Any member who refuses to sign the payroll on the \$10,000 basis seeks to evade it not actually break the law, he holds. And of course that is not to be thought of.

The only legal course, McCarl rules, for members who do not feel they are worth \$10,000 a year as congressmen, is for them to accept. (Continued on Page Four.)