

# Local News In Brief

### COMING EVENTS

Union County Track and Field Meet at Union May 2.  
 Eastern Oregon Track and Field Meet at La Grande May 9.  
 Union Live Stock Show at Union, June 10-11-12.

### Visited at Union—

Mr. and Mrs. Clint Haynes drove to Union yesterday, spending the day visiting relatives.

### Visiting Here—

Mrs. J. J. Lynch of Portland is visiting in La Grande at the W. T. Short home.

### Left Yesterday—

Mrs. J. P. Quinlan left yesterday for Salem, Oregon, where she will spend some time visiting her brother, J. J. Quinlan.

### Home From Oregon City—

After spending several weeks with relatives at Oregon City, Mrs. Kenneth Keeney and daughter have returned to their home here.

### Attended Institute—

W. V. Connor, superintendent of grade schools at Union, was in La Grande Saturday attending the teachers' institute held here.

### Ill—

Wilbur Shaw, who has been seriously ill for several weeks at the home of his mother, Mrs. George Wagner in Fruitdale, was reported somewhat improved this morning.

### Went to The Dalles—

Judge William Duty, chairman of the state highway commission, of Baker, and H. H. Baldock, state highway engineer with offices here, motored to The Dalles today on a highway inspection trip.

### Daughter Born—

Word has been received here that Mr. and Mrs. Ed Matthis, formerly of La Grande but now of Seattle, Wash., are the proud parents of a baby daughter.

### Returned This Morning—

Mrs. Chas. Higgs and daughter, Margaret, returned to their home here this morning from a trip to Portland. Mrs. Higgs has been there for the past three weeks and her daughter for one week.

### Opened Shop at Enterprise—

Mrs. Norval Emmett went to Enterprise this morning after spending the week-end in La Grande. She has opened a beauty shop at that city, known as the "Glamour" cosmetic shop.

### Home From Detroit—

After spending the winter at Detroit, Mich., Mrs. Bert Oakman has returned to her home at Palmer Junction. Mr. Oakman went to Birmingham, Ala., and will return to his home here sometime in July.

### Attended Meeting—

George E. Lockwood and Roy McNeess, employees of the Evening

Observer, motored to Baker to attend a meeting of the La Grande-Baker Typographical union. They returned last night.

**Stopped Here—**  
 H. R. Hastens stopped in La Grande a short time Saturday on his way to Portland, by auto.

**Returned Home—**  
 After spending a few days visiting friends and relatives in La Grande, Mr. and Mrs. William Lewis returned to their home at New Meadows, Idaho, this morning.

**Went to Union—**  
 Mr. Hollenberg, high school teacher at Enterprise, passed through La Grande Saturday en route to Union, where the Enterprise and Union baseball teams played Saturday afternoon.

**Home for Week-End—**  
 Lawton Stearns spent the week-end in La Grande with his parents from Corvallis, where he is a student at the Oregon Agricultural college. He was accompanied by Mr. Brown, also a student at O. A. C. They returned to Corvallis Sunday by auto.

**Two Arrested—**  
 Itay Lewis was arrested by the police Saturday night charged with drunkenness. He gave \$25 bail. Claid Withington, colored, is in jail charged with having imbibed too freely of intoxicating liquor. Both will be tried this evening in the municipal court, according to the chief of police.

### Here from Portland—

Herman Sieritz has returned from an auto trip to Portland. He was accompanied by his son, Ken, and three other boys, Gus Gravel, Everett Knapp and Ralph Schaffer, all students at Hill's Military academy at Portland. The boys will return to Portland tomorrow.

### Home From Washington, D. C.—

E. A. Epling, of the Grande Ronde Meat company, returned to La Grande last evening after spending the past three weeks at Washington, D. C., in the interest of the company. Mr. Epling reports that business conditions in the east have been very bad but are improving.

### En Route Home—

After spending the past six weeks in La Grande at the home of his sister, Mrs. J. C. MacPherson, Herman Gimmonson left Saturday evening on his way to his home at Saskatchewan, Canada. Mr. Gimmonson will stop at Portland, Vancouver, B. C., and Calgary before returning home.

### First Game Played—

In a loosely played game on the Greenwood diamond yesterday two local teams engaged in one of the first baseball games of the season. The River Rats defeated the Rogue River Sox 14 to 12. Batteries—River Rats: R. Braden and Kermit Davis; Rogue River Sox: Paul, Fournier and R. Garcity.

### Mrs. Wellman Coming—

Joe Snodgrass left last evening on train No. 23 to accompany his aunt, Mrs. Carrie Wellman, back to La Grande. Mrs. Wellman is an aunt of Joe, Jim and Lot Snodgrass and Mrs. Van Brown, and now makes her home in California. She made her home here for a number of years and is a pioneer of Grande Ronde valley.

### French in Portland—

Eastern Oregon has the baseball fever and the Blue Mountain league will start its season in a short time, according to Harris French, manager of the La Grande club who was in Portland yesterday searching for a pitcher, catcher and first baseman. He indicated that the same troubles which confront Drury Lewis of the Beavers are confronting managers of the bush league teams, namely death of ball players. Good players are becoming rare and expensive. While here French offered one pitcher a salary higher than some hurlers on coast league teams receive and the offer was turned down. The Blue Mountain league this year will have but four teams, La Grande, Baker, Walla Walla and Pendleton. La Grande has a new ball grounds which he declared is the finest in Eastern Oregon. If he can find one more pitcher, a receiver and first sacker French says he will have one of the best clubs ever

organized in that section of the state. He returned last night. While here Mr. French was at the Imperial hotel.—Portland Oregonian.

### Personal Mention

Ross Leslie was in La Grande Saturday from Joseph.

Jack Wright was here Saturday from Hot Lake.

John Wells, Jr., was in La Grande Saturday from Starkey, on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Stackland were Cove visitors to La Grande Saturday.

Mrs. A. B. Hendricks went to Hot Lake this morning.

Louise Hall and Ruth Hensley were in La Grande this morning shopping from their homes at Elgin.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Slack and family were shopping in La Grande Saturday from their homes at Summerville.

## PURCHASES AMBULANCE

Hal Bohnenkamp returned from Portland last night, bringing with him a new Cadillac ambulance which the W. H. Bohnenkamp Co. has just purchased.

According to Hal the new ambulance is about the last word in this kind of equipment. While it was in Portland many of the companies there using ambulances examined it and pronounced it to be the finest machine of its kind on the coast.

Several of the features of this machine are built specially to conform to the ideas of Hal who has charge of this department. One of the things particularly noticeable is the door arrangement, the body being built so that the car can be loaded from either side or from the rear.

For finish the car has the popular Duco indestructible finish. The body of the ambulance colored a beautiful gray, trimmed in a deep maroon. Fenders, radiator and running gears are enameled black and trimmed with nickel. Good-year balloon tires are equipped and four wheel brakes are also used.

### NEW RATES IN EFFECT SOON

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each post (parcels, etc.) \$2.00. If multiple matter except written or printed (formerly — parcel post rate by weights and zones, new rate—old parcel post rate plus 2 cents per parcel.

**Special Service Rates.**  
 Rates for special services are as follows: special handling (parcels over 8 oz. — obtain letter service when so marked and prepaid) 25 cents in addition to postage; special delivery (to procure immediate delivery at office of destination), weight to 2 lbs., fee 10 cents, to 10 lbs., 15 cents, 10 lbs. 20 cents; insurance fees (new rates, including Canada), value to \$50.00, fee 5 cents, \$25.00—8 cents; \$50.00—10 cents, \$100.00, fee 25 cents; \$100.00, fee 12 cents; \$500.00—15 cents, \$100.00—25 cents; registry fees (new rates), values to \$50.00, fee 15 cents, \$100.00, 20 cents; return receipts for insured or registered mail require a fee of three cents; money orders (domestic), amount to \$2.50, fee 5 cents, \$5.00, 7 cents, \$10.00, 10 cents, \$20.00, 12 cents, \$40.00, 15 cents, \$60.00—18 cents, \$80.00, 20 cents and \$100.00—22 cents.

### Willis for President, Anti-Wet Battle Cry

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governor of his state and finally a senator.

Willis will put up in the next several months, while Congress is adjourned, lecturing and speaking-making throughout the country. He is a speaker who fills both eyes and ears. Big, handsome, forceful and with a voice that needs no microphone to relay it to the farthest corner of a Chattanooga grove. Willis is expected by his league adherents to scatter far and wide seeds of a personal popularity that will produce a crop of hardy pro-Willis, prohibition fans in time for the presidential campaign of 1928.

A presidential possibility on a primary prohibition platform Willis would be expected to prodge the creation of an independent enforcement unit, the one and only job of which would be to see that the liquor bill was stamped down and kept down. One of the chief handicaps to enforcement form the league's viewpoint, is that it is hampered by a subordinate bureau of a department that must look after a lot of other things besides prohibition.

The grooming of Willis for possible entry in the 1928 contest is of particular interest because it brings a second Ohioan into the field of likely contenders for the G. O. P. nomination that year.

### 9 KILLED IN ACCIDENTS YESTERDAY

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fell along the east coast of Florida Sunday afternoon from Homestead, 20 miles south of Miami, to Port Lauredale, 25 miles north of here.

**Large Hailstones Fall.**  
 Large hailstones were reported along the southern fringe of the storm's path. Some were solid ice clear as crystals.

In the path of the storm, houses were unroofed and debris carried to a height of several hundred feet. Arthur Pryor, bandmaster, who lives at Hialeah, near where the storm started, said he saw roofs of houses raised 200 and 300 feet in the air. The noise of the storm was terrific, he asserted, similar to hundreds of cannon being fired.

Thousands of automobiles choked roads to the scene of the great damage. A number of accidents were reported. One ambulance was wrecked in Miami.

A heavy rain fell here.

**Three Dead in Blast.**  
 MARTINEZ, Cal. (AP)—Three men were killed instantly and three others were injured seriously when a "pocket" of dynamite exploded in a quarry on the Cowell Mine & Cement Co., a few miles east of here. According to reports, they were engaged in blasting. One of the charges failed to explode. The men were instructed by their foreman to remove the charge with their hands. One of the workmen, it was said, d. re-

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garded the foreman's warning and returned a salute into the earth surrounding the charge.

### 2 Miners Blast Victims

CRIPPLE CREEK, Colo. (AP)—In a premature explosion of a shot on the thirtieth level of the Portland gold mine at Victor, near here, at 3:40 o'clock Sunday afternoon, Paul Yonke, 48 and Harry Dawson, 38, were instantly killed and Fred Hanna, 50, was seriously injured.

### Markets

**PORTLAND MARKETS.**  
 PORTLAND, Ore. (AP)—Cattle 50 to 75 cents higher, steers \$9 to \$9.50; hogs \$7.50 to \$8; Hogs and sheep nominally steady. Eggs steady, butter 45c, butterfat 44c.

**BUTTERFAT.**  
 SAN FRANCISCO, (AP)—Butterfat 47c.

### ALFALFA HURT BY COLD WAVE

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of County Agent Carpenter, who has returned from a two-day survey of that valley.

Many fields, he reports, are coming in in normal shape with apparently no damage. Others show some injury but few fields will be plowed out.

### THE OLD HOME TOWN

By Stanley



And oddly enough Willis' Buckeye rival for G. O. P. favor, is expected to be none other than the debonaire, bald-headed, genial, Nicholas Longworth, political protégé of wet Cincinnati, recently chosen as speaker-to-be to the next Congress.

Promotion to the speakership is understood to have inoperative. Longworth will in active case of presidential itch, which equals in virulence if not in vocal volume, that of his fellow statesman. So far Longworth is soft-pedaling mention of 1928. Willis, too, for that matter, will disclaim any open activity to influence the result of that still distant day.

But an unmistakable light gleams in the eyes of each of them when 1928 is mentioned. Real buck-eyes!

Plans for 1928, however, whether by individuals or organizations, seem premature. If President Coolidge makes good and desires a second term in his own name, his party probably will hand him the nomination. That's a party tradition that would be hard to violate without repudiating his administration.

And the next three years may so solve the prohibition enforcement problem that a presidential campaign on a straight wet-and-dry issue may not seem necessary even to the most ardent enforcement advocate.

### MORE THAN 100 ATTEND MEET HERE

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young men delivered by Superintendent Smith, who substituted for J. A. Churchill, state superintendent, unable to attend because of illness. Mr. Smith spoke on "New School Law."

Dr. W. T. Pley of Hot Lake made an excellent talk on the subject, "The Teacher's Responsibility during the afternoon session. A piano solo was played by Jack Coolidge directly at the conclusion of Mr. Smith's talk.

### DEFENSE CLOSES CASE

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—The defense today closed its case to prove Dorothy Ellingson insane and the prosecution began its effort to establish mental competence.

### Phone Rate Rise Asked

SALEM, Ore.—The Home Telephone & Telegraph company, with headquarters in Medford, filed application with the public service commission for permission to increase its rates on an average of 25 per cent. Unless the proposed new tariff of the corporation is suspended by the commission it will become effective May 1.

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### BALCONY AT REX HALL GIVES WAY

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bruises and other injuries.

**Faulty Work Cause.**  
 The accident is supposed to have been the result of faulty construction of the balcony. From examination afterwards the superintendent of the balcony which fell had been loose for some time.

The final strain on the timbers which caused them to give way was caused when a skater fell almost directly beneath the balcony.

In their efforts to see the action the people in the balcony raised up and leaned over the rail as much as possible, according to a report by an eye witness of the accident.

The front portion of the balcony slowly gave way at this time and sank to the floor with gaining momentum. The people underneath were saved serious injury by the fact that the joints at the rear held in the brick and kept the back end of the balcony almost at normal height.

Mrs. Cummins was sitting almost in the center of the balcony and was injured by the falling seats which caught her ankle in the descent. George Eastman was sitting in the front row and his seat tipped over backward throwing him to the floor.

The central portion of the balcony which fell separated from the outside edge where the sup-

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### Flowers Dot City; Clean-Up Time Near

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excavations for basements in various parts of the town, has been halted to many lawns and—in fact, all preparations are being made for a city beautiful by property owners who have pride of beauty.

Which is all in the nature of a warning that before long, city officials will proclaim an official clean-up week.

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