

FIVE BURNED AT MARSHFIELD

RESORT TO OPEN WITH BIG DANCE

Wallowa Lake's Season Begins Earlier This Year Than in Past

NORMAL OPENING IS TOMORROW EVE

Midnight Supper at Hotel with Singing and Ballet Dancing Feature of Evening.

ENTERPRISE, Ore. (Special to the Observer)—The season formally opens at the Wallowa Lake resort with a big dance tomorrow night at the pavilion, with a midnight supper at Wallowa Lake Lodge, as the new hotel has been named by L. C. Binford, the new manager, a local newspaper reports.

Because there are so many people now working at the grounds in the construction of a new hotel, the management of the resort has decided to begin the dances at least six weeks earlier than in past years.

In fact the season is opening in earlier than usual owing to the present weather. It had not been the intention to open the resort as early as when it was opened last week for the moving picture men and their escort from the La Grande Chamber of Commerce, others began dropping in, so that it was kept open as a matter of necessity to accommodate the visitors.

The store will be opened for business this week, and the building which had tumbled down during the winter was set up and will be ready for play by Saturday.

Seventeen new row boats are ready for use on the lake, and men have been cutting out the roofs and benches around the head of the lake. The construction crew is occupying cottages and boarding at the lodge.

Lightning accompanying the wind and rain storm that swept over La Grande last evening, between eight and nine o'clock, interfered with the service of the K. O. L. & P. company in Old Town and a residential district near the corner of Fourth and Adams avenues. Because of danger to the residents it was necessary to shut off the primary at the station which left many homes without light or power for several minutes. The trouble had been righted and everyone was out in about 8:45 o'clock.

Only a situation could not such a storm arise and had not the repairs been attended to immediately and efficiently, longer delays would undoubtedly have resulted.

The short interruption in power and fields of 1:20 o'clock yesterday afternoon, was also due to lightning.

Recital Here Was Enjoyed By Hundreds

Miss Carney, Miss Notz and Mr. DePinto Appeared in Concert at M. E. Church.

A wealth of good music well played and sung was presented at the concert, last evening, of Victor DePinto, violinist, assisted by Miss Marguerite Carney, lyric soprano and Miss Marguerite Notz, pianist.

Mr. DePinto's portion of the program was excellently done. He proved himself an artist technically capable of performing some of the most difficult selections in violin literature. His choice of program was particularly fortunate and one well calculated to show his skill with the instrument.

The program opened with Mr. DePinto playing Liszt's "Sonata in A Major." The first movement displayed the violinist's mastery of left hand trills and built up toward the climax in the second, "Nocturne in E Flat," Chopin-Sarasate, the second selection played, featured some double stop work and difficult high notes.

The central suite on the program contained "Nobody Knows the Trouble I've Seen" and "Sometimes I Feel Like a Motherless Child," by White; "Orientale," by Col and "Melody" by Charles G. Davis, vice president of the United States whose ability as a composer was remarked at various times during the last campaign.

The two first selections by White were negro spirituals containing the strange, plaintive harmonic feeling and dissonance typical of Afro-American music. "Nobody Knows the Trouble I've Seen" is a favorite trouble with violinists for the reason that it gives the artist an opportunity to display a wealth of emotional feeling. It was played on the 10th of Skovgaard, who played in recital here a year ago. Cula "Orientale" is a wide composition which gave Mr. DePinto an opportunity to display his skill at pizzicato work of which he is a master. His art culminated in the piano playing "The Harlequin" by Eberhard.

Mr. DePinto concluded the program with his interpretation of "Ave Maria" by Schubert-Wilhelm and "Ballade of Schubert" by Vieuxtemps. He played the perennially popular "Serenade" by Drell as an encore.

Miss Carney and Miss Notz proved themselves real artists. Neither attempted to make their portions of the recital a display of technique but were contented to play and play each selection supremely well.

Miss Carney played a waltz. (Continued on Page Five.)

J. I. Bell, The Dalles, Accused of Non-Support

J. I. Bell of The Dalles was arraigned before Judge E. Brady, justice of the peace this morning charged with non support of minor children.

Bell was brought here this morning by Jess Breakears, county sheriff.

Women Must Pay to Fish and Hunt After May 28

Beginning May 28th, instead of June 25th as was printed yesterday, women must be equipped with fishing and hunting licenses because the same as the masculine citizens and anglers before they venture forth into the "woolly wilds" in search of trophies of the woods and streams.

On May 28th, women have been allowed to hunt and fish without having a license but finally the Oregon laws were amended to make it necessary that the members of the gentler sex pay regular fees before they can don outdoor habiliments and suit forth to take their place in the world of outdoor sport.

Oldest Mason



John Quincy Adams Ballou, celebrating his 90th birthday, claims to be the oldest living Mason in the west. Shoemaker, gold miner, pioneer orchardman, financier, Ballou looks back on a long active career that started in New Hampshire and is ending in Palo Alto, California.

TO BEAUTIFY SCHOOL LAND

To beautify La Grande school grounds the local school board has ordered eighty Silver Maple trees and eighty them to arrive any day.

These trees were ordered for the high school athletic field and the Willow school and will be planted as soon as they arrive. The play grounds at the Willow school have recently been graded and smoothed and a new lawn planted in front of the building. The planting of these trees will not only add greatly to the appearance of the school buildings, but will add to the beauty of the city.

OFFICERS OF CLUB NAMED

The Men's Club of the Presbyterian church closed a most successful season last evening with a meeting at the home of C. M. Humphrey. Officers for next season were nominated and elected by the members of the organization. E. A. McEuchron was named president, A. V. Lindgren, former secretary was elected vice-president, and H. L. Stoneking, secretary.

The main talk of the evening was made by H. E. Dixon, head of the city planning commission, on the subject, "City Planning."

The meeting concluded the service held during the winter months and the club work will now be discontinued until next fall. Meetings will commence again in October.

Presbyterians Will Again Present Cantata

Announcement was made this morning of the repetition of the sacred cantata, "Life Everlasting" in the Presbyterian church which will be sung this coming Sunday evening at 7:30. So many were turned away, and so many have asked that it be repeated that the choir has consented to present it again for the benefit of all who are interested, following the same program as on Easter.

Mr. Ross, in speaking of the repetition said that it was the unanimous opinion that it was the best cantata ever sung in the church and for that reason it would be repeated this coming Sunday for the enjoyment of the community at large.

Salt Lake Visitors on Way to Baker Today

Richard B. Summerhayes and Miss Nell Sumniss, of the Genealogical Society of Utah, were here yesterday and conducted three sessions in the local U. B. S. church, which were well attended.

Today Mr. Summerhayes and Miss Sumniss went to Baker, accompanied by President Hankins, Holger M. Larson and Elmer Stoddard.

CONFESSION OF WOMAN HELD TRUE

Admission of Guilt Made by Mrs. Anna Cunningham Corroborated

CHEMISTS' PROBE FINDS ARSENIC

Deadly Poison Discovered in Organs of Walter Cunningham by Purdue Experts.

CROWN POINT, Ind. (By the Associated Press)—Mrs. Anna Cunningham, aged 49 years, who confessed to poisoning three of her children, is still too weak today for a preliminary hearing on the murder charge she faces.

Officers pointed out today that the report of Purdue University chemists received last night corroborated the woman's confession. The chemists found a large amount of arsenic in the organs of Walter Cunningham, but none in the body of Harry, according to the report.

Mrs. Cunningham admitted poisoning Walter but denied killing Harry.

STEAMERS IN RIVER COLLIDE

ASTORIA, Ore. (By the Associated Press)—The Japanese steamer Yoshida Maru No. 1 and the steamer Charles H. McCormick, collided head on this morning in the Columbia river off the Port Adams levee saving station. Both vessels were damaged and a fireman on the Japanese ship is reported to be injured.

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TO OPEN NEW GROCERY HERE

A new grocery store, the latest thing in modern, efficient grocery stores, will be opened in La Grande tomorrow morning at eight o'clock, according to announcement today by Sam Harris.

The grocery store is located near the Black Cat and can easily be distinguished by the red front.

Mr. Harris invited the public to inspect the new business place, whether with the intention of buying or not. He believes that the new establishment will make it possible to give customers better service and more attractive priced goods than they have known in the past.

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140 PEOPLE KILLED BY EXPLOSION

Sofia Funeral Blast Death List Includes 20 Women, 10 Children

SIX GENERALS, 30 OFFICERS SLAIN

Great Excitement Prevails Throughout Country; Martial Law Declared by Government.

SOPIA (By the Associated Press)—The latest figures compiled show that one hundred forty persons, including twenty women and ten children, were killed in the infernal machine explosion yesterday during the funeral of General George G. Meade.

Six generals and thirty other officers are among those dead. Martial law has been proclaimed throughout the country and great excitement prevails.

Although all members of the government were present at the funeral, but none of them were seriously injured.

Premier Tsankoff was among the injured but was able to preside over the cabinet meeting, called in emergency session today.

The director of the Central prison was assassinated in the streets here today.

DIRIGIBLE R-33 IN HANGAR AFTER DANGEROUS TRIP

FULLHAM, Eng. (By the Associated Press)—The dunaway dirigible R-33 is safely moored in the hangar here today after her safe return from a long and erratic flight.

Father, Son Executed For Double Slaying

RALEIGH, N. C. (By the Associated Press)—Charles W. Stewart, 51, and his son, Elmer, 21, paid with their lives in an electric chair today for a double murder perpetrated in Brunswick county last year.

The father was led to the chair first and pronounced dead after three shocks. Two shocks were required to execute the son.

Answer to Injunction Proceedings Is Filed

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—Defense of the shipping board's action in awarding the price of type ships to Dollar interests, was filed today in the District of Columbia supreme court.

Her Husband Sold Her!



Helen Purdy, wife of Eugene Purdy, young Tulsa, Okla., church deacon, was sold by her husband to E. S. Hutchison, wealthy oil man for \$50,000, according to a contract in possession of the district attorney. Purdy was found not guilty of murder of Hutchison after the latter was alleged to have stolen Mrs. Purdy's affections.

BOISE GREET'S U. P. MAIN LINE

BOISE, Idaho (Special)—Boise celebrated yesterday.

Between 15,000 and 20,000 guests from almost every city in the northwest rejoiced with Idaho's capital in her transformation from "the isolated capital" to a city on the main line of a transcontinental railroad—the Union Pacific.

Streets were bright with colorful old time costumes. From every corner sounded the music of some of the 14 bands, local and imported.

Every era in the nation's history, from the Revolution to 1925, had its representatives in the throng. The uniforms of heavy war since the conflict between the states found warriors among the former service men in the parade or grouped along the sidewalks.

THREE AFTER PRESIDENCY

HEILIN (By Associated Press)—Only three candidates will appear on the ballot for the presidential election which is to be held a week from Sunday. They will be Field Marshal von Hindenburg.

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FAMILY PERISHES IN FLAMES

Besides Loss of Life, \$50,000 Property Damage Results

2 WOMEN HURT IN LEAP TO SAFETY

Holocaust in Frame Dwelling Blights Southern Oregon Town with Tragedy Today.

MARSHFIELD, Ore. (By the Associated Press)—Five members of one family lost their lives when fire destroyed a frame building here this morning.

The dead are: H. H. Hopps, 72. Mrs. H. H. Hopps, 65. Vernon Hopps, 17. Herman Hopps, 10. Ruth Hopps, 13. Their bodies were burned beyond recognition.

Fire Started in Cate. The fire is believed to have started in a cage on the ground floor, causing a damage estimated at approximately \$50,000.

Other occupants escaped through upper windows. Two Women Injured. Mrs. Henry Hagdahl, and her mother, Mrs. Watson, were injured in a leap to the ground. Mrs. Watson's condition is described as critical.

BETTER YEAR IS EXPECTED

BABSON PARK, Mass. (Special)—In view of the recent symposium of the stock market, Roger W. Babson was today asked his opinion on the situation. Mr. Babson's official statement is as follows:

"Recent stock market movements have of course been a source of worry, if not loss to those who are carrying stocks on borrowed money and especially those who are carrying stocks on margins. Such men must expect to worry; but there need be no worry for the man who has good securities paid for in his safe deposit box. The real cause for the stock market break was that too many people were trying to get something for nothing. Gambling in the stock market had become so profitable for a time that 'everyone' was in it and too many had become overextended and were in too deeply. This is not dangerous when one owns securities outright, but it is always dangerous to bet with borrowed money. Personally I have some doubts as to the ethics of gambling in the stock market, but will not discuss them here.

"Of course brokers' loans were abnormally high having reached an estimated figure of \$2,200,000,000 when the market broke a few weeks ago. Today, however, they are down to \$1,800,000,000.

European conditions are not quite as favorable as they were a few months ago. The death of President Ebert of Germany and the financial position of France are both temporarily disquieting.

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POSSE PURSES BANDITS EVERETT, Wash. (AP)—A posse has been called out to pursue two auto bandits who robbed the bank at Marysville, 10 miles north of here, of \$2000 currency today.

HOUSE BURNED DOWN INDIANAPOLIS (AP)—The large home in Irvington, a suburb of D. C. Stephenson, finished grand dragon of the klan, induced in construction with alleged attacks on Miss Madge Oberholzer, was partially destroyed by fire today. The fire is believed to be of incendiary origin. Two cans of kerosene and one of the gasoline were found in the home by firemen. Officials are investigating.

HEIRNESS IS ENGAGED NEW YORK (AP)—The engagement of Miss Miriel Vandevell, 25, heiress, to Frederic Cameron Church, Boston insurance broker and former Harvard athlete, was announced today.

SUIT TAKEN UP PHILADELPHIA (AP)—A suit for the recovery by the government of \$1,000,000 to \$15,000,000 from the Bethlehem steel interests for alleged overpayment for war construction work was filed today in the United States district court.

SNOW COVERS CITY KIAMATH FALLS, Ore. (AP)—A light, wet blanket of snow covered Kiamath Falls this morning. All trace of the sand which swept in from the south during yesterday's wind storm vanished with the coming of the snow. Good weather is predicted.

Capitol City's Traffic Director To Be Strict

(By Charles P. Stewart) WASHINGTON (INFA Special)—Washington's new traffic director, M. C. Dwyer, aims to make the capital a model for the whole country in the matter of automobile regulation.

His theory is that drunken drivers, being boulevardier and irresponsible motorists, are responsible for most accidents. It is in wishing around corners that they generally are in their work, he says. Also he thinks there has been too strong a tendency on the authorities' part

to subordinate pedestrians' safety to motorists' convenience. And no more spouting at the wheel of a car, he adds. "Nobody" he insists, "can drive judiciously with his arm around a girl's waist."

Primly, Eldridge concludes, traffic regulations, no matter how good, are no good at all unless rigidly enforced, and right there, he observes, is where a majority of cities fall down. He won't.

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Girls Ready to Stage Annual "April Antiks"

The stage is all set and one might think the high school girls will be ready to entertain a crowd of home with the annual April Antiks.

And "Antiks" they say—such as stunts that school girls are capable of staging. The show this year is a "post-party" of fun and pep with here and there a splash of more serious material to give body to the festivity.

In all, something more than 40 girls will take part in the production. Some will play Hula Hula Maidens with ukuleles and

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