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PORTLAND (AP).—Oregon: Unsettled, probably local rains tonight and Tuesday.

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TIGERS WIN TRACK MEET WITH EASE

La Grande Scored 60 Points, Pendleton Was Next with Forty

UNAMUNO BREAKS CENTURY RECORD

Blue and White Sprinter Breezes Home in Even Time; Magee Ties Low Hurdles Mark.

(By Scoop)

With a 20 point margin, La Grande high school won the Eastern Oregon track and field meet here Saturday afternoon. This La Grande's second straight win.

One record was broken and one tied. Unamuno, Tiger sprint king, breezed home in as pretty a century dash as has been seen here for many a year in the fast time of 10 seconds. The former record, 10 1-5 seconds, was made in 1919 by Carpy, La Grande, and although tied several times since, was never broken until Unamuno tore in five yards ahead of Sherwood, in second place. Magee, Pendleton, equalled Sherwood's mark of 27 seconds in the low hurdles.

Scoring

The final score of the meet follows: La Grande 60, Pendleton 40, Union 22, Baker 11, Umatilla 7, Imbler 7 and Crane 1. Kendler, the only man entered by Umatilla, won the 440 yard dash and placed third in the high jump.

La Grande took the lead from the start and was never in danger. At one time Pendleton crept up to within eight points of the Tigers but the javelin and relay cut that mightily.

Weather Excellent

When the sprinters lined up for the first event, no better weather could be expected. The sun was shining through a cloudy sky, the track was firm underneath and the general conditions sultry. Later in the afternoon a slight breeze blew up but the first events were run off in perfect calm.

Unamuno was high point man of the meet with 14½ markers. Besides the hundred, he won the 220 yard dash, the broad jump and was anchor man on the winning relay team. Sherwood rolled up 14½ points and Magee of Pendleton, tallied 13.

Seven Firsts

The blue and white colors won the first leg on the Stange meet cup and Tiger athletes romped home ahead of the field in seven events. Hummelt won the javelin and Jensen the mile.

Pendleton won three firsts, Union two and Imbler and Umatilla one each.

Hamilton, of Imbler, had an easy time in the pole vault, winning at 10 feet and leaving several men to jump off a 9 foot 9 inch tie for

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CROW-SHOOT NEXT SUNDAY

Because of damage done by crows in this valley this spring, a crow-shoot will be held next Sunday morning, beginning at sun-up and continuing until 10:30 o'clock, according to Game Warden John Waldun.

Mr. Walden states that the crows, besides other depredations, have been breaking and spoiling pheasant eggs.

Everyone in the valley who has a shotgun or rifle is invited to join in the shoot.

Little Girl Drowned In Minam River

Three-Year-Old Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Childers Victim of the Swirling Waters.

The little three-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Childers, of Minam, Oregon, was drowned Saturday afternoon in the Minam river. She had been picking flowers by the bank of the stream about noon and fell in. When her absence was discovered a search was started and her body was found near the old fish hatchery, a mile down the river from the point where she slipped into the water.

Funeral services were held yesterday afternoon at two o'clock at Elgin under the direction of Snodgrass and Zimmerman funeral service parlors.

Commerce Club Will Observe Hospital Day

The weekly luncheon of the chamber of commerce tomorrow noon will be dedicated to national hospital week. Holger M. Larsen, superintendent of the Grande Ronde hospital will be chairman and Dr. R. P. Landis will make the main address. Several boosters of the Union stock show are also expected to be present and Mr. Dykhuys will sing some vocal solos.

Lad's Condition Is Reported Unchanged

According to reports this morning from the Grande Ronde hospital little Walter Ford, who was shot here last Friday evening while at play, is about the same. So far very little change in his condition has been noticed.

Plane Model Contest For Boys Announced

Meyers and Ford have announced that they will give away 25 tickets to the Star theater as prizes for an airplane model building contest for boys 18 years of age and under.

Ten tickets will be given for the best model, five for the second and third, and one each for the five next best. The tickets will be good for any show.

Airplanes should be turned in at Lilly's hardware store not later than Tuesday, May 19th.

Man Shoots Woman Then Suicides at Vancouver

VANCOUVER, B. C. (By the Associated Press) — Andrew Neilson shot and killed Mrs. Ogle Wick in a hotel here last night and then committed suicide, the police reported. Both are from Seattle.

The slayings were the outcome of a love tangle, according to the police. Mrs. John F. Loughran declared Mrs. Neilson told her in Seattle that her husband had gone to Vancouver with another woman suggesting that they follow. The shooting followed their arrival at the hotel while Neilson and Mrs. Wick were alone in the room.

GAMBLING BILLS BARRED

WASHINGTON (AP).—Government agents may be reimbursed for living at high priced hotels, making lavish expenditures on social events and buying liquor to obtain evidence for prohibition enforcement but Comptroller General McCarl draws the line on gambling debts.

In a decision made public Saturday the comptroller general declined to approve a prohibition agent's expense account that included losses of about $50 a roulette, poker and faro. The opinion was brief but positive.

LA GRANDE MUSIC WEEK A SUCCESS

Final Program Saturday Evening Attended by Large Crowd

FAYE PRICE IN HARP RECITAL

Unusual Mastery of the Instrument Both in Technique and Expression Displayed.

Music week was successfully terminated Saturday evening by a harp recital given in the Presbyterian church by Miss Faye Price assisted by Florence Lynch Miller, soprano and Mrs. J. A. Tedford, organist.

The church was filled to overflowing at an early hour and a number of people stood throughout the entire program. Others were turned away at the door.

This concert was perhaps one of the most unusual of the entire week. It is seldom that La Grande music lovers have an opportunity to hear harp concerts and particularly ones by skilled performers of Miss Price's ability.

Unusual Mastery

Miss Price displayed an unusual mastery of the instrument both in technique and expression. Her first group opening the program included "Valse Caprice" by Avon, "Reverie" by Frojo and "La Harpe Eolienne" by Godefroid. While not particularly heavy types these compositions were played with delightful grace and charm. The second selection featured arpeggio work and the third, chords.

In her opening suite Mrs. Miller sang "L' Heure Exquisite" (The Enchanted Hour) Hahn; "Dawn," Curran, and "Song of the Open" by LaForge. Mrs. Miller sings with unusual clearness and freshness as well as with considerable expression. Her voice was a flutelike quality combined with unusual trueness of tone which is particularly pleasing. For an encore she sang "Believe Me of All Those Endearing Young Charms," with harp accompaniment by Miss Price. Miss Price accompanied the singer at the piano in the first three selections and displayed unusual ability at this as well as with the harp.

For her second group Miss Price played three of the most familiar operatic numbers, "Tales of Hoffman" by Verdalle, selection from "Il Trovatore," arranged by Chatterton and "Sextette from Lucia," arranged by Cheshire. For an encore she played a medley of old familiar songs including "Old Folks at Home" and "Annie Laurie."

Combination Delightful

The combination of the pipe organ and harp featured in the next suit of pieces was exceptionally beautiful. Mrs. Tedford performed at the organ and of course Miss Price with the harp. The pieces were played in a duet form from special arrangements rather than as solo and accompaniment.

Songs played were "The Rosary," "The Swan" and "Serenade Capricissosa," all from arrangements by Pinto. Two harpologues or sermonette with harp accompaniment

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BOARD MEMBER WILL RETIRE

At a meeting of the La Grande school board held last week, it was announced by Director J. A. Russell, who has served on the board for the past nine years, that he would not be a candidate for re-election. Mr. Russell is the only director whose term expires this year.

At the school election last year, Director Colon R. Eberhard, the present chairman, was re-elected, and at the same time Director Geo. S. Birnie was elected, each for a term of three years. The other directors are R. P. Landis and L. W. Weeks, whose terms will expire in June, 1926.

So far as is known, there are no candidates for the position of director to succeed Mr. Russell.

Fitzgerald Awarded Contract for Wood

Of the three bids accepted for consideration by the school board for wood for the La Grande schools Jas. H. Fitzgerald was awarded the contract for 400 cords of wood at $6.35 per cord. The other two bidders, Joe C. Burgess and L. W. Knapp, did not complete their contracts.

WHEAT CROP IS HARD HIT BY WEATHER

Winter Kill Greater Than Oregon Has Experienced Since 1906

SNOW COVERING LACK WAS CAUSE

Oregon Hay Crop Promises to Be Lighter Than Usual; Orchard Crops in Fair Shape.

PORTLAND, Ore. (Special).—Not for practically a score of years has the weather damage to the Oregon winter wheat crop been so severe as that of the past winter says F. L. Kent, statistician, U. S. department of agriculture, after a personal visit to the principal wheat producing counties of the state.

"Old timers" report that in 1906 damage to the wheat crop was even more severe than during the past winter, for that year the freeze came in March, and much of the spring seeding, as well as that seeded the fall before, was destroyed. The 1906 freeze does not appear to have been quite so wide spread as the one of the past winter, for in some sections it is reported that not since 1888 has there been such severe damage to the wheat crop as that of the past winter.

Oregon Loss Great.

For the state as a whole it is estimated that not less than 75.6 per cent of the wheat seeded in the fall of 1924 failed to withstand the winter, leaving only about 250,000 acres (of winter wheat) for the 1925 harvest. It is estimated that close to 95 per cent of the winter-killed area was reseeded to spring wheat. In the eastern part of the state the percentage will run slightly higher, and in the western part slightly lower, owing to a larger than usual seeding of oats and barley. There has also been considerable increase in the acreage of barley seeded in the eastern part of the state. Only a very little of the winter-killed area was left idle.

The damage was most severe in the counties of Sherman, Gilliam and Morrow, where it is estimated that about 95 per cent of the fall seeded acreage was winter-killed. Wasco and Umatilla counties are variously estimated at 80 to 90 per cent loss, and Union county at about 50 per cent loss. In the western part of the state the only considerable loss appears to have been in the counties of Washington and Yamhill, where the loss was close to 50

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HOSPITAL DAY IS TOMORROW

In observance of National Hospital Day the Grande Ronde hospital will hold "open house" tomorrow, from 1:45 o'clock until 4:30. During the afternoon Chapter I. P. E. O., will give a musical program. Miss Adelaide, Ruth Clark, lyric soprano, will sing a vocal number. Mrs. Ray Fuller, soprano, will sing. Miss Dorothy Brownton will render a piano number and Mrs. Hal Bohnenkamp, contralto, will sing.

In addition to this program a reception committee will show the guests who call through the hospital and the work will be demonstrated. Refreshments will also be served.

CHICAGO (By the Associated Press)—To bring the community to a realization of what the hospital does and how it does it, is the purpose of Hospital day, which will be observed nationally, May 12, said an announcement by E. S. Gilmore of Chicago, president of the American Hospital association. It is not a collection day but one set apart to make people better acquainted with hospitals, their importance, services and needs.

President Coolidge has endorsed the day with the hope "that it may be productive of results calculated to the further advance of the American hospital system."

"Despite the effort to inform the public concerning the function and scope of hospitals, a great deal of ignorance and misunderstanding exists," said Dr. Gilmore. "Until this is cleared away, the hospital cannot hope to get the interest and support it deserves and needs. The association will issue a certificate of award to the hospital where the Hospital day program was considered the most meritorious.

Girl Turns Sleuth To Save Brother

When Leo Sauerman, of Detroit, upper right, was accused and convicted of having killed Alex Dombrowski, in an effort to hi-jack liquor, his sister, Mrs. Helen Sauerman Bowman, left, believed him innocent. She turned detective and for two years she hunted the underworld of the middle west in the quest of Harry Hill, lower right, who re-embled her brother and whom she believed the slayer. After a diligent search she found Hill and caused his conviction, which enabled Governor Groesbeck, of Michigan, to pardon Sauerman after 30 months confinement.

BAR CHINESE FROM SCHOOL

JACKSON, Miss. (By the Associated Press) — The state supreme court today ruled that Chinese children are not eligible to attend the white public schools of Mississippi in a case brought from the lower courts.

RULING SUSTAINED

WASHINGTON, (By the Associated Press)—The provision of California's alien land law imposing upon aliens ineligible to citizenship the burden of proving that their purchase of agricultural land was not for the purpose of defeating that statute was sustained today by the supreme court in an appeal from a lower court.

S. Ikada furnished the money for his attorney to purchase land to be held for the benefit of his American born children. The state courts held the transaction illegal.

FIRE VISITS HOOD RIVER

HOOD RIVER, Ore. (Special).—The most disastrous fire that has ever hit Hood River occurred here yesterday morning when the huge plant of the Hood River Apple Vinegar company and a warehouse of Kelly brothers, local merchants and apple shippers burned to the ground, entailing a loss in excess of $200,000.

Serving Farm Readers

Farm readers are just as appreciative of good newspaper service as town residents, or more so because they have more time to read and are more isolated.

Evidence of that appreciation is shown by The Observer's circulation figures—giving the largest rural circulation of any two papers in Union and Wallowa counties. The Observer's circulation growth, though unstimulated, is steady and consistent.

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Rum Row Off New York Is Breaking Up

NEW YORK (By the Associated Press)—Vanquished in this portion of the Atlantic seaboard by the dry navy's blockade, rum row is breaking up.

Some liquor craft remain off New York hoping for the fog to aid them.

XTRA

QUAKE KILLS WOMEN

MANILA (AP) — Two women were killed during recent earthquakes at the town of Bias and several persons were killed at Bacond, Occodental Negros province, according to word received here today.

GOVERNOR'S TRIAL ON

TOPEKA (AP) — The trial of former Governor Davis on the charge of conspiring while in office with his bank commissioner, Carl J. Peterson, to obtain a bribe in exchange for a pension, began today in district court.

HINDENBURG ARRIVES

BERLIN (AP)—President-elect Hindenburg arrived in Berlin late this afternoon. The previously announced program for his reception and drive to the chancellor's palace was carried through without a hitch. The police had made elaborate preparations to prevent clashes between rival factions.

BOMBERS ADMIT GUILT

VIENNA (AP) — Sofia dispatches say that all principals charged with responsibility in the recent cathedral bombing have pleaded guilty with the exception of one defendant named Koeff.

Portland Aviator Is Killed in Plane Fire

MANILA (By Associated Press)—Lieutenant John D. Barrigar burned to death when his airplane crashed and took fire near Delcarman, Pampanga province, yesterday while he was searching for three soldiers lost in the mountains, Barrigar's father lives in Portland, Ore.

FREAK PIG BORN.

TUSCOLA, Ill. (AP).—A Chester White pig with one head, two bodies, eight legs, two tails and three ears, was born Saturday on the farm of D. C. Schlabach, west of here. Its 10 little brothers and sisters had the normal equipment of bodies, legs, tails and ears.

FRENCH DEBT IS UP AGAIN

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—Informal conversations relative to the French debt settlement are again in progress, it was disclosed today at the state department.

Confirming the fact of the negotiations for the first time, the department reiterated that this government had sent no formal communication on the subject to Paris.

Department officials would not enlarge on their statement confirming the reports that intermittent informal conversations on the debt question had been in progress from time to time. They refuse to indicate the nature of the developments of the last few days.

ITALIAN AIRMAN IN INDIA

BOMBAY, India (AP).—Commander Francesco De Pinedo, chief of staff of the Italian air forces who is on a flight from Italy to Australia and Japan, left here Sunday for Cocanada, which is in Madras on the bay of Bengal.

HORSES TO BE CAPTURED

PENDLETON, Ore. — Ownerless horses that roam the range in Umatilla county will feel the effects of a recently enacted state law which authorizes roundup of the animals. Cloan and Allen Thompson asked the county court for permission to capture a band of horses ranging near Echo, under the provisions of the new law.

The court granted the permit, and after the band of 50 or more is taken a notice of sale will be posted. The depredations of the wandering bands have been a source of complaint on the part of cattle and sheep men for years.

MOROCCAN WAR RAGES FIERCELY

Attacks by Riffians on French Troops Increasing in Force

REINFORCEMENTS RUSHED TO SCENE

French Expect to Launch a Counter Offensive Along 60-Mile Front in About 10 Days.

TETUAN, Spanish Marocco (By the Associated Press)—Attacks by the Riffian forces in French Morocco are reported to be increasing in force and numerous French airplanes have been brought up to check the movement. All French groups operating on the northern front also have been reinforced especially with artillery. Actions of greater violence are expected by the French, the advices say.

PARIS (By the Associated Press) — French reinforcements from Algeria are being sent to strategic points along the front in northern Morocco. The operations continue with the object of relieving French outposts.

Military men believe the French will need 100,000 men to drive the invaders out. The French troops now number 70,000 men.

Another ten days is expected to elapse before the French can start a counter offensive. When the French feel that they have sufficient reserves to continue the movement, a concerted attack may be started against the invaders along a 60 mile front with the object of driving them into the mountains.

LONDON (By the Associated Press)—Great Britain will not interfere in the French-Moroccan situation, Foreign Minister Chamberlain today told the house of commons. Answering the the question of British sympathy with the French, he said that the affair was purely a domestice concern of France.

STAY AT LAKE NEARING END

Despite weather conditions which have been a slight handicap but not as much as would be expected, the Frank Lloyd motion picture company now filming scenes for "Winds of Chance" at Wallowa lake, is making excellent progress and expect to be through either today or tomorrow.

Several La Grande people motored to the lake yesterday and they report that present indications are that the movie troupe will be ready to leave for Hollywood tomorrow.

FORT DALLES FROLIC ON

THE DALLES, Ore.—The annual Fort Dalles frolic, staged by The Dalles post, No. 19, American Legion, opened with a record attendance and a street parade typical of pioneer days.

The entertainment was staged in The Dalles auditorium, using the theater, gymnasium, ballroom and halls. In this space a pioneer city has been erected with all of its gambling and dance halls, and with George C. Blakely as mayor, L. Barnum, sheriff; Frank Heater, chief of police; Judge Cates, police judge.

Members of '15 Class In Reunion Saturday

The first class reunion in the history of the La Grande high school was held Saturday evening when eighteen members of the class of 1915 gathered at the chamber of commerce offices at 6:30 o'clock, where they registered, after which they went to the dining room of the Sommer hotel, where a delicious five course banquet was served. Thirty-five students graduated from the La Grande high school in 1915 and six letters from absent members were read during the roll call.

M. L. Larson presided as toastmaster and responses were given by Mrs. Lester Stoddard, president of the class of 1915, Miss Helen McDonald, Mrs. Wilbur Zurbrick, teacher in the high school at that time, and E. A. McEachran, also teacher at that time. Mrs. George A. Bean rendered a beautiful vocal solo.

Those present for the reunion were Mr. and Mrs. Earl Reynolds, Mrs. G. L. Dutton, Mrs. James McNamee, Miss Mina Ash, Mrs. Lloyd Pierce, Mrs. L. Young of Haines, Miss Helen McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Bean, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Stoddard, M. L. Larson and the honor guests, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. McEachran and Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Zurbrick.

Mrs. Lester Stoddard was general chairman of the affair. Miss Helen McDonald had charge of the banquet, Miss Mina Ash was chairman of the reception committee and Earl Reynolds chairman of the invitation committee.

Odds And Ends About Pertinent Questions

(By Charles P. Stewart)

WASHINGTON (NEA Special)—Who ever heard of an "adulterated egg!" Nevertheless, the Agriculture Department says its going to keep an eye out for "adulterated eggs" in interstate commerce in future. By "adulterated," however, the department really means old, moldy eggs. The federal food and drugs act classified them as "adulterated."

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It seems as if the MacMillan aerial north polar explorers' chief danger would be coming down on rough ice and smashing their plane. If that should happen, how the dickens could they get away again?

No puzzle at all. A rescue will be a good deal easier than it was in the old days of polar dashes by ship and dog team. The Shenandoah and Los Angeles will be held in readiness and the minute a wireless is received that the MacMillan explorers are in trouble one or the other of these two dirigibles will fly up and get them.

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It takes a force of 150 to run the Treasury Department's supply bureau. This force consists mostly of a high-salaried director and numerous well paid chiefs—division, section, commodity and personnel chiefs, a chief accountant, a chief clerk and various assorted chiefs, with an assistant chief to each

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