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La Grande Evening Observer

THE WEATHER
Portland (AP)—Oregon: Showers in the west tonight; unsettled, showers Sunday.

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AMERICA WANTS SETTLEMENT

FAIR CROPS EXPECTED IN COUNTY

Winter Killed Wheat Replanted, According to County Agent

GRIMM ALFALFA GROWING NICELY

Normal Crop of Apples Expected Although the Cherry and Prune Outlook Is Not Good.

According to H. G. Avery, county agriculturist, it is generally estimated that about fifty per cent of the local fall wheat was killed by the cold last winter. However, all of this has been replanted to either winter or other grain.

Eighty per cent of the total grain seeding is completed at the present time. Some of the grain planted in early March has made a wonderful growth, and all wheat, including winter wheat that was not killed, is doing well.

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New Sawmill Opening To Be Tuesday

Chamber of Commerce To Have Lunch at Perry; Evening Program Is Arranged.

The Union County Chamber of Commerce will hold its regular weekly luncheon Tuesday noon at Perry, the occasion being the official inspection by the public of the Grande Ronde Lumber company's new sawmill, which will be formally opened on that day.

A force of men under Superintendent W. W. Gray has been busy the past 19 days installing the new saw and with this last piece of machinery in, the mechanical installation is complete.

The mill, however, has been sawing timber with a day and a night shift, since April 1st. The management, Elmer and Edna Stoddard, announce that the inspection hours will be from 12:30 to 7:30 p. m., during which time they will be pleased to welcome all to see the new plant in operation.

While the new mill is only a single band, with the addition of the re-rolls, by operating two shifts, the daily capacity will be 120,000 feet which is greater than the double band mill production which burned last September—only run one shift.

The Perry community hall has been newly painted inside, decorated and otherwise "dressed up" for the evening program which begins at 7:30 p. m.

The evening, after 9 o'clock, will be spent dancing and refreshments will be served. The program, in charge of the Perry Sunday school, follows:

Selection—By Orchestra. Address—Elmer I. Stoddard. Gen. Mgr. G. L. L. Co. Violin Solo—Irvin Zundell. Reading—Mrs. Kate Metcalf. Quartet—C. C. Quarrier. Address—A. A. Smith, Baker. Vocal Solo—Mrs. Emma Baxter, Union Basin. Yodelers, Hinderbrandt & Co. Piano Solo—Miss Leona Baxter. Selection—Orchestra.

Elgin, Imbler Secure Local Men for Services

Reverend Elmer Grant Keith of the First Methodist Episcopal church here, will deliver the baccalaureate sermon at the Imbler high school Sunday evening at 8 o'clock for the graduating class of that school.

Reverend O. W. Jones, of the Christian church, will deliver the baccalaureate sermon for the graduating class of the Elgin high school.

French and Greene Sale Progressing Favorably

The closing out sale, now being conducted by French and Greisen, which was started last Saturday, is progressing very favorably, according to reports today. Crowds have continued to flock into the store although the greatest congestion occurred opening day when it was necessary to close the doors several times in order to wait on those inside.

A. H. Stange and Wife Here for Week's Visit

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Stange arrived in La Grande yesterday from their home at Merrill, Wisconsin, and will spend a week visiting with Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Stange.

Lace Returns To Favor In Ladies' Latest Wear

It is evident that lace will be very popular for dresses this summer, and local dealers are already receiving lace, both in the bolt for making dresses and in the ready-made garments. Most of the laces are rather heavy and have body enough not to crush or get matted in damp weather.

Proses for summer that are not lace all over will be trimmed very much with lace, frills, jabots, godets and panels, which give a fluttering line, are made of laces that give a striking effect, when combined with summer silks, velvets or

FUND DRIVE EXPLAINED LAST NIGHT

Moser, Engel and Davis, Campaign Officials Address Legion

FIRST DONATION HERE RECORDED

Gold-Star Mother Gives \$1.50 Saying, "I Want to Be the First in La Grande to Contribute."

FIRST TO GIVE Mrs. Mary E. Andrews Taylor, mother of Bert Andrews, who died in Chamont, France, on December 27, 1917, while with the La Grande field hospital unit, A. E. F., came to the American Legion endowment fund headquarters here and made the first donation toward the fund.

Mrs. Andrews said: "I saw in the Observer where the American Legion was raising an endowment fund of \$5,000,000 and that your share is \$1,500. Here is \$1.50, as I want to be the first one in La Grande to contribute. I know the American Legion will see that the money is handled rightly."

Mrs. Andrews' son was buried in the Masonic cemetery here October 22, 1921 at a military funeral.

A large number of Legionnaires were present last evening at the city hall meeting when Norman W. Engel, Carl Moser and Paul Davis appeared in connection with the five million dollar endowment fund campaign.

Mr. Engel, of the national legion committee, in the course of his remarks stated that "the American Legion believes in the Bible law—Am I my brother's keeper—and puts it to a practical purpose by being ever watchful over all ex-service men and their families."

He declared that, among other things the Legion has accomplished is the building of the American Lake hospital for men.

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Gauthier Is Pardoned By Pierce Today

Governor Believes That La Grande Man, Sentenced to Penitentiary for 10 Years, Is Not Guilty.

SALLEM, Ore. (By the Associated Press)—Declaring it is his belief that Floyd Gauthier, serving 10 years for a statutory offense involving a woman from Union county, is not guilty, Governor Walter M. Pierce has issued to Gauthier a conditional pardon. Restoration of citizenship depends upon Gauthier's future conduct.

Floyd Gauthier was sentenced in circuit court here by Judge J. W. Knowles nearly two years ago. He was arrested in La Grande charged with attacking and mistreating a La Grande girl.

COVELL, PEARE TO HANG, SALLEM, Ore. (By the Associated Press)—Governor Pierce has instructed Warden Dalrymple to prepare for the hangings next Friday of Covell and Peare, convicted murderers from Coos county.

NEA Service assigned me to the tank so that you could learn by first hand information and under natural conditions just what sort of person this man Shepherd is. During the next week he will go on trial for murdering his millionaire father by inoculating the youth with typhoid germs.

He is under indictment for administering deadly bacilli to young Billy McIntock.

Accidents Newspapers. But since he has been arrested no one has been able to really observe and talk to Shepherd, the man. They saw only Shepherd, the actor. For he is an actor and a consummate one. The history of the fiction he has built up about himself proves that. He has persistently avoided newspapers, but Shepherd talked to me as a fellow prisoner.

"You're one of the three out of forty who come here," he said to me, "who are capable of understanding. This jail is the hell of everything.

"They're good to me, but I want to be out and free."

It was just two minutes after the jail guard had unlocked, unlocked and unlocked me that I saw Shepherd. The same hands that went through my pockets for possible concealed weapons had helped 27 condemned men to the gallows in the same jail, the owner told me. I was down in the bull pen waiting to be put to work. I looked up and there, bulked out against his cell in the tier up, looked Shepherd. We started talking. I gave him a magazine.

"You must get furnished in here," I said.

"Yes," Shepherd replied, "but it will soon be over. I'll go free and

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Only One Cent Per Family

An advertiser seeking to cover the La Grande territory may use a full page space for his ad, yet the cost per family is only 1.2 cents for that publicity.

Think what such a low reader-cost means to an advertiser. Less for his entire message, for example, than the postage alone would amount to in sending direct communications to the same houses, AND FULL PAGE SPACE at that low cost in the Observer. Smaller space is, of course, much less in proportion.

"Observer Advertising—A Merchandising Service"

SHEPHERD EXPECTS TO BE FREED

Reporter in Cell with Accused Man Obtains His Views

PRISONER KEPT NEAR BULL PEN

Alleged Poisoner of "Millionaire Orphan" Says "Will Be Sorry."

(By Roy J. Gibbons) CHICAGO (NEA Special)—A rattling of a ponderous door. A key turned and the thing swung back on its hinges.

Liberty was left behind and I became a prisoner in the game jail, in the same tier and in the next cell to William Darling Shepherd.

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Bomb Plotters Slain



Jankoff, chief of the Bolshevik plotters who blew up the Sofia cathedral, trapped with his comrade, Col. Koleschekoff, fought their attackers until the building they were in was bombed. Bodies right foreground.

Kentucky Derby Today Witnessed By Thousands

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (By the Associated Press)—Flying Ebony, ridden by Earl Sande, won the Kentucky Derby today. Captain Red came in second and Sam of John third. Flying Ebony's time was 2:07 2-5.

TANKO STILL AT LARGE

SACRAMENTO (AP)—Joe Tanko, convict partner of Floyd Hall, captured Thursday night, continued today to elude combined peace officers of Sacramento. No trace of him had been found after an intensive search.

MURDER WIFE, SUICIDES

BEND, Ore. (AP)—C. H. Brooks, electrician, and his wife are dead today, the result of what officers believe was a murder and suicide plot. Brooks entered the house where his wife was sleeping last night, shot and killed her and then shot himself.

AGED MAN IS INJURED

ROSEBURG, Ore. (AP)—J. J. Bickel, 78, a resident of Sutherland, Ore., was perhaps fatally injured yesterday when struck by an automobile driven by R. Levinson, of Globe, Arizona. According to the occupants of the car, Bickel started across the road and then turned back.

KNIFE BATTLE

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP)—Dunham Scott, clerk of a hotel on North Third street, was taken to the hospital today in a serious condition from knife wounds, one in the back which physicians said punctured his lung, and another in the left arm. Oscar Hill, 51, is under arrest. Officers said Hill was intoxicated.

FRENCH POST REINFORCED

BARAT, French Morocco (By Associated Press)—The French outpost at Aoulous, where 50 men have been surrounded for two weeks by Rifians, was relieved today by General Colombat's forces, an official communication announced.

STORM RAINFALL HEAVY

INDEPENDENCE, Ore.—More than two inches of rain fell during one of the most severe electrical and hail storms ever experienced in the memory of the oldest inhabitant, between 5:30 and 6 o'clock. Streets were flooded and some damage was done to gardens and small fruit.

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(By Charles P. Stewart) WASHINGTON (NEA Special)—The explanation that President Coolidge opposes any more American loans to European countries which can't forget the war and get back on a peace basis is the polite way of accounting for Ambassador Houghton's hint to that effect in his speech before the "Pilgrims" in London.

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STATEMENT IS SENT TO 9 NATIONS

France, Italy and Belgium Included Among Debtors Notified

U. S. FEELS TIME IS RIPE FOR PAYMENT

Communication Sent to European Powers Expresses Earnest Desire for Immediate Action.

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—The American government has advised its European debtors that, in its opinion, the time has come for a settlement.

In a communication addressed to nine nations, it has expressed the earnest desire that the war debt question be brought to a solution without further delay.

The nations so notified are France, Italy, Belgium, Rumania, Greece, Czechoslovakia, Jugoslavia, Estonia and Latvia.

Dismissing any intention to unduly press for payment where payment is impossible, the communication nevertheless reflects the view of Washington that the acute stages of the reconstruction period are passing and that debtor nations should be in a position to put their promises to pay into definite agreements.

The nations addressed made up the whole list of important war borrowers except Russia, where there is no recognized government. In addition, Ambassador Herrick, at Paris, has informed the French government that the United States would be pleased if the French

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DARROW WILL ASSIST NEAL

NEW YORK (By the Associated Press)—Clarence Darrow, of Chicago, and Dudley Field Malone, of New York, today telegraphed John Randolph Neal, at Knoxville, Tenn., offering their services as counsel for Professor Scopes, to be tried for teaching evolution in violation of the Tennessee law.

The action was prompted, Malone said, by William Jennings Bryan's plan to aid the prosecution.

FEW RUM SHIPS LEFT ON 'ROW'

NEW YORK (By the Associated Press)—A semi-official observation cruise over the Atlantic from Narragansett Pier, N. J., to Atlantic City, which ended today, revealed that only 12 rum-running ships are in that area, which provided for more than 50 liquor ships before the coast guard blockade was established, May 5th.

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