

CITY DADS TELL PLANS FOR WATER

Beaver Creek to Be Made to Give Every Drop of Water Possible

AUXILIARY SYSTEM TO COME SECOND

Leak in Pipeline Three Miles from Intake Reported; Crew to Relieve Situation.

According to information reaching the city commissioners of La Grande it has been rumored in this city that a large portion of the proposed bond issue to remedy the water situation here was to be used for an auxiliary system instead of being used on the present system.

Commissioners H. P. Landis and Charles Playle today emphatically pointed out that this was not the plan and that the paramount object is to first get all the water possible from Beaver Creek and then, after this is accomplished, to turn toward an auxiliary water system which will be just what it is termed an auxiliary system to assist in Beaver Creek system and to ready, in case of any emergency that might arise, to help supply water for La Grande citizens.

In connection with the proposed bond issues, which will be up for

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COLLEGE TEAM TO PLAY HERE

Ralph Coleman, smiling coach of the O. A. C. baseball team has promised to bring his college boys here to play the Pirates two exhibition games, Tuesday and Wednesday of next week.

This club was received here yesterday by the managers of the local ball playing outfit as the result to look the Aggies here on their current barnstorming trip on which they play Washington State, University of Idaho, and Whitman.

Attempt was made at first to get the O. A. C. team here for a game Thursday but Coleman shook his head for the reason that the Aggies will have played four conference games by the end of the week and with only two first rate pitchers and but four of any description on the squad one more game would lessen the college's chances to win from Oregon next Saturday.

The Aggies just named out the Pullman outfit yesterday by the score of 5 to 8 and then only by using both Young and Tebb on the mound. With Idaho to play today, Whitman tomorrow and Oregon Saturday the Aggies have a full week anyway without running in any more games and so are expected to come to La Grande for two exhibition games the first of next week.

This will suit the citizens just as well anyway. It is understood that Harris French, manager of the Aggies, is keeping their eyes open for a new pitcher to use on a barnstorming trip the team plans to make into Washington.

With two or three exhibition games during the week it will be necessary to save Buck Hein for the league games. Jeff Hartman has turned in many a good game in the box but is needed to bolster up the outfield and will probably remain out in the lot the remainder of the season.

"Old Timers" Club Was Organized Last Night

At a meeting of employees of the O-W second division who have seen from 29 to 41 years service, the Old Timers club was formed in the La Grande club house last night.

67 Teachers Are Selected For Schools

Large Percentage Has Already Been Chosen for 1925-26 School Year in La Grande.

A large percentage of the teachers for the La Grande schools have been chosen for next year, according to announcement of school authorities today. Sixty-seven have been selected at present.

Heading the list is J. T. Longfellow, who will succeed A. C. Hampton as superintendent of schools. Principals chosen follow: high school, E. D. Towler; Central school, Mrs. E. A. McEachran; Wilcox, Mrs. Evelyn Bennett; Ilwaco, Mrs. Nellie G. Nelli; Greenwood, R. A. Wilkerson.

High school teachers now scheduled to teach here next year are: Mrs. A. V. Lindgren, Glenn W. Campbell, Mabel Bennett, Anna M. Davis, Lela G. Davis, E. A. McEachran, Eleanor E. Vernon, Margaret L. Daigh, Cecil C. Snow, Mildred Campbell, Esther Bretholz, Florence B. Thompson, Lester U. MacFarland, Mrs. Gladys Douglas, Muriel Wilson, Carolyn M. Baumann, Genevieve Darrt, Grade school teachers to return next year are: Gladys Kaudert, Kallona Hardin, Eldridge Huffman, Alma Helges, Nell Thacker, Susanna Deal, Mrs. Stella Ingle, Mildred Hoyt, Edna Kinnead, Nella Mahaffey, Imogene Russell, Mrs. Beadie Gebel, Lela V. McNeen, Marie Dunsinger, Mrs. M. B. Greer, Mrs. Virginia Greer, Mrs. Ruby M. Watts, Rose Klein, Isabelle Miller.

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ENDOWMENT FUND DRIVE LAUNCHED: BRIGHT REPORTS

Proceeding the opening of the American Legion endowment fund drive this morning, a parade, featuring the Legion drum and bugle corps and the local company of the Oregon National Guard, was held in the business district last evening. A large banner, advertising the drive was carried in the line of march.

Tasks involving the various committees named to solicit the business districts, were on the job bright and early and several reported a very promising start was made.

Peter Beaver to Play With Convention Band

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Beaver will leave tomorrow evening for Portland where Mr. Beaver will join other members of the Al Kader band and they will board the special Shrine train which will leave Portland Friday morning, May 29, for Los Angeles, Calif., for the national Shrine convention. They expect to be gone about 12 days.

Stores to Close Here Saturday, Memorial Day

La Grande clothing stores, grocery stores and other business firms will close their doors to business on Saturday, Memorial day, according to information received today from representative companies. This custom is always followed in this city on Memorial day.

In connection, the Evening Observer will issue an early morning paper Saturday.

Farm Near La Grande Sold to Arthur Berry

Mary E. Praker has sold her farm near La Grande to Arthur L. Berry through the La Grande investment company. The farm is composed of 22 acres.

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Defies 'Em



Harry M. Warner, of Warner Brothers, Film Company, who owns the famous Mayers-Lasker, First National and Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer film corporations are combined in a trust to control the principal theaters in large cities. Warner says he'll build his own theaters to compete with the trust; and in this has the sympathy of the United Artists.

CITY AWAITING DECISION COPY

Certainly that the decision by the United States supreme court yesterday holding invalid Portland's solicitors' ordinance will affect the local solicitors' ordinance, adopted here about two weeks ago, is doubtful yet.

According to City Attorney George T. Cochran, he will be unable to file positively until he has received a copy of the supreme court decision.

In city circles here, however, it is believed that the ruling will also throw out the La Grande ordinance, as, on the face, it seems that there is little difference between the two ordinances.

The Real Silk Ironery Mills, Inc., attached the Portland ordinance and lost in both the district court and the court of appeals, but was upheld in its contention in the supreme court.

The section attacked by the ironery company was that regulating solicitors and fixing the amount of license fees to be paid. It defines a solicitor as any person who goes from house to house or places to place selling or taking orders for goods, wares or merchandise for future delivery; and it is set forth that this section of the ordinance applies only to solicitors who demand payment or deposit of money in advance of final delivery.

In a Portland newspaper's comment of the action, the following statement is made: "The decision will affect many cities where provisions similar to those in effect in Portland pertaining to business licenses have been adopted. It is believed that La Grande will be one of the cities affected."

REALTORS TO VISIT IN CITY

To make preparations for the official visit of H. A. M. Bonnar, president of the Northwest Realty Association, Friday of this week the La Grande Realty Board will meet in the office of George Curry this evening.

Mr. Bonnar, who hails from Seattle, is to be accompanied by T. W. Zimmerman, of Portland, secretary of the association. The local realtors plan to honor Mr. Bonnar and Mr. Zimmerman with a banquet Friday evening.

Summerville Plans Memorial Services

The Summerville Cemetery association will serve dinner Saturday, May 29, at the Summerville Masonic hall from 11:29 a. m. until late in the evening. Memorial services will begin at the cemetery chapel at 2 o'clock with Reverend Elmer Grant Keith as speaker for the day.

All local ministers will take part. A splendid and appropriate program will be given.

CLUB VOTE IN FAVOR OF AMENDMENT

Salaried Men, Wage Earners, Farmers Dues to Be \$12 Annually

CHAMBER HEARS ADDRESS BY PHY

Henry Warmholtz, Local Barber, Explains Why Present Prices Are Charged in La Grande.

Quite a number of matters of importance were crowded into the hour's luncheon of the chamber of commerce at the Odd Fellows hall today.

The first item attended to was the adoption of the amendment to the charter setting yearly dues for salaried men, wage earners and farmers at \$12 per year. In making the motion to adopt the amendment, President W. G. Perkins stated that it was the plan to increase the membership and that this could be done only by enlisting men from every walk of life in the club. He declared that the chamber of commerce is a community organization and that it should be made up of representative citizens—not merely professional and commercial men alone.

Warmholtz Speaks

Henry Warmholtz, who has been in the barbering business for 41 years, then explained why the La Grande barbers charge 15 cents for a shave and 65 cents for a haircut.

He reviewed the raising of the price in 1919, stating that before that time the barbers were "going behind," and declaring that it is only fair, because of high overhead, largely due to high rent paid by the barbers for business locations, that this price

LOCAL LADIES IN BAKER MEET

Sixty members of the Hope Chapter No. 13, Order of Eastern Star went to Baker last evening and attended the meeting of the Baker chapter. Besides the large number attending from here there were also guests from other Oregon and Idaho points. The officers of the La Grande lodge exemplified the initiatory ritual for the Baker lodge. Mrs. C. R. Eberhard, local worthy matron, was given the floral degree of honor.

The lodge rooms were beautifully decorated for the occasion in the Eastern star colors, red, white, yellow, blue and green, representing the five points of the star. Following the program an excellent banquet was served.

Equity Case on Trail In Court Here Today

An equity case, Borlgen vs. Baxter, was tried before Judge Knowles in the circuit court today. B. F. Wilson of Union and George T. Cochran of La Grande were the attorneys for the plaintiff and K. H. Rings for the defendant.

Motion day to set cases for the June term of court will be held at the court house tomorrow. The June term will open next Monday morning.

Out Of The Waste Basket

When a business man sends you an important business message through the advertising columns of the Observer, he entertains no fear about his message being dropped into the waste basket as soon as it arrives.

He knows the reader interest and reader confidence of the Observer while he is ever fearful of what you may do to his advertising message when sent you through the mail. In The Observer his message is where you expect it and want it.

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HUGE POWER UNITS TO MOVE TODAY

Midwest Deal Increased Prestige as Hub of Super-Power

INVESTMENT IS NEAR \$260,000,000

Commonwealth Edison Co. to Ultimately Have Capacity Beyond Muscle Shoals Maximum.

CHICAGO (By the Associated Press)—Already the center of the world's greatest power pool, the Midwest is to be dealt increased prestige of the sub-superpower today when the Commonwealth Edison company opens its new Crawford avenue power house built in units, it will ultimately have a capacity far beyond that mentioned as the maximum for the Muscle Shoals project.

The Crawford station is a link in the superpower plan lines which spread from north of Minneapolis to Pittsburgh, Pa., except for two 25-mile breaks in Wisconsin and Ohio, and extend in broken lines into Indiana, Iowa, Missouri, Kentucky and Tennessee.

Heart of Superpower

Chicago is virtually surrounded by a 122,000 volt superpower transmission line, and inter-connections, the heart of superpower, makes available to the Commonwealth Edison company alone 1,900,000 kilowatts of 1,240,000 horsepower.

Greater Than Niagara Falls The system given the Chicago area a power pool greater than the developed resources at Niagara Falls.

But little waterpower is used in the Chicago district, coal produced being the chief reliance, although some of the inter-connecting electric lines are supplied with waterpower, notably the Mississippi river station at Keokuk, Iowa. Illinois is particularly fitted for generating and using super-power. It is pointed out, having some of the world's greatest bituminous coal fields, lake transportation, railroads, flatland soil in great areas, and extensive industries.

Many of the mines are served by super-power, being able to purchase the energy cheaper than electricity could be generated at the mine mouth.

With Chicago as the hub the super-power lines, chiefly property of interests headed by Samuel Insull of Chicago, connect to the east

U. S. GOVERNMENT AID FOR POLAR FLYERS FAVORED

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—Governmental relief for the American expedition in favor of the U. S. government, but it is not certain that the situation has reached a point where such aid is justified. The president has given no particular thought to proposals to send one of the navy's big dirigibles on a relief expedition. He considers the decision of such a project should be first with Secretary Wilbur, who said today that the navy had given no official consideration to it.

Secretary Wilbur said the sending of a dirigible north could be authorized only after the most thorough consideration and on the basis of a plan of procedure that is sound and practical in every way. It would be absurd, he said, to send our ships into the Arctic in a phoney search for the men over 1,000 square miles of frozen waste.

Will Retain French Embassy at Vatican

PARIS (By the Associated Press)—An agreement was reached today by the government and opposition in the senate whereby the French embassy at the Vatican will be maintained.

Eight Killed at Polls Monday in Martinique

PORT DE FRANCE, Martinique (By the Associated Press)—Reports reaching here today said that eight persons were killed and thirty wounded in disorders in several towns during yesterday's municipal elections.

Queen of Rose Carnival



She's a fair blossom of Portland, the "Rose City," is Mrs. Ronald J. Honeyman, and as "Queen Suzanne I" she will reign at the Portland Rose Festival next month. The queen is from a pioneer Oregon family and is prominent in Portland society.

JAP VOLCANO ACTIVE TODAY

TOKYO (By the Associated Press)—Dispatches from the Nichi Nichi correspondent at Kagoshima report an explosion of Mount Suwashima, an active volcano on Okshima Island.

The eruption sent huge rocks tumbling down the mountain crushing a number of dwellings at the base. The inhabitants have fled to Makashima Island.

DEATH CALLS PRES. BURTON

CHICAGO (By the Associated Press)—President Ernest DeWitt Burton, of the University of Chicago, died today.

He has been connected with the university for 22 years and became president two years ago.

MAE MURRAY WINS DIVORCE

PARIS (By the Associated Press)—A divorce was granted Mae Murray, American film actress, today in almost record time.

The divorce was granted on the grounds of desertion, cruelty and failure to provide.

French League Chief Shot, Perhaps Fatally

PARIS (By the Associated Press)—M. Erzer, treasurer of the French League of Action, was shot through the head, perhaps fatally, in a roadway today by an unidentified assailant who escaped.

Recommends Extensive Freight Rate Revision

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—Extensive revision of freight rates on grain and grain products moving from the Rocky Mountain territory upward was recommended by the Inter-Allied Commerce Commission today by its chairman.

After investigating complaints of Utah producers, in which Oregon, Idaho and Washington state interests joined, the committee held that Colorado producers held a rate advantage over producers in a considerable part of Utah, Idaho and Oregon.

ABSENCE OF AMUNDSEN CONTINUES

London More Anxious as to Explorer's Fate as Time Passes

SOME OPTIMISM STILL PREVAILS

Icelander and MacMillan to Be Competitors in Race to Find Polar Flight's Leader.

LONDON (By the Associated Press)—Increasing anxiety is felt here today regarding the fate of the Amundsen polar expedition.

Optimism continued to prevail in many quarters and some felt that lack of news from Amundsen merely indicated he was waiting for favorable weather conditions for his return to Spitzbergen.

Nevertheless, the general feeling is less confident and more fears are felt that some mishap had left Amundsen and his party without the use of their planes somewhere in the vast stretches of ice in the polar basin.

Anxiety increased The anxiety was increased by reports from Spitzbergen that the weather in the north has changed for the worse.

LONDON (By the Associated Press)—Gretir Algarson, young Icelander who planned to race the Amundsen expedition to the north pole, using a non-rigid airship, is quoted by the Daily Express today as saying the polar question has been entirely changed by Amundsen's continued absence.

"It is not now a question of who is to be the first to reach the pole by air, but who will be first to reach Amundsen."

REPORT MADE OF MISSIONS

COLUMBUS, O. (By the Associated Press)—The Presbyterian Board of National Missions through its general secretary Dr. John A. Marcus of New York, today made its annual report to the Presbyterian General assembly now in session here. Extracts from the report follow:

"Geographically the field includes each of 48 states, Alaska, Cuba, Porto Rico, Santo Domingo, with a little of Canada. It is estimated that Presbyterian National Mission agencies touch not less than 19,000,000 of a possible 115,000,000 people included within its area of work. Work is being conducted in 8000 communities.

"The list of populations reached includes European immigrants of 22 different language groups, Asiatic immigrants of eight different language groups, Spanish-speaking people in the southwest, American Indians using 24 languages and dialects, Alaskan Indians and other native races in southern and central Alaska, Eskimos, migrant workers, Mormons, Jews, Negroes, southern mountaineers, Cubans, Porto Ricans, Santo Domingans, and English-speaking white stock presenting many diverse groups according to occupation and environment.

"The division of evangelism, the purpose of which is to deepen the evangelistic spirit and develop the evangelistic activities of the whole church" has during the year finished two year campaigns in 12 different presbyteries, has set up a program for evangelism in all the

New Mayflower Hotel In Washington May Pay

(By Charles B. Stewart) WASHINGTON (NEA Special).—E. L. Morry keeps house on a large scale. He's super-manager of the super-huge, super-elegant Mayflower Hotel in Washington. "We can care for a two-delegate convention easily," he told me, some months ago, "establishment Morry's talk is a queer mixture of big business and scientific housekeeping—called to the nth power.

The Mayflower has been open only a few weeks; its original promoters set out to build a hotel of a size and magnificence never equaled by a hotel before. They blew in all their money, borrowed all they could and then the enterprise burst with a deafening financial report.

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