

FOURTH TO DRAW MANY FROM CITY

La Grande's Population Plans to Attend Other Celebrations

WONDERLAND TO BE BIGGEST LURE

Baker, Perry, Enterprise and Elgin Will Probably Attract Many Local People.

Eastern Oregon cities are, as usual, preparing for a glorious Fourth of July celebration Saturday—some Friday and Saturday.

Celebrations will be held at Walla Walla, Enterprise, Elgin, Perry, Baker and other towns east of the Cascades.

La Grande will have no official celebration, being content to close up the business section and motor to some other city or else spend a quiet day fishing.

The Evening Observer will issue an early morning paper Independence Day.

Portland's Fourth.

Although widely separated, Portland and Eastern Oregon will join hands Saturday at Walla Walla where a caravan of some 75 or 100 people from Oregon metropolises will spend the day.

Elaborate preparations are practically complete to take care of the visitors and the biggest crowd ever gathered at Walla Walla lake at one time is constantly expected.

Considerable interest is also manifested in Baker's pioneer program for the fourth. Perry will have an old-fashioned celebration that will undoubtedly attract many La Grande people as will Elgin and Enterprise.

Both the latter will take off both Friday and Saturday. Enterprise will wind up the two days with a gigantic display of fireworks Saturday night.

CHERRYS SELL FLOWER STORE

Announcement was made today of the sale of Cherry's Flower store, greenhouses and residence and all the real estate connected with the property to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Clark.

When questioned as to the sale, A. B. Cherry stated, "Yes, we have sold our business to some mighty fine people. Mr. Clark, as we understand it, does not anticipate any activity in the business but is planning in charge of the greenhouses his son, Dr. Ralph Clark and the store is to be in charge of his daughter, Miss Blanche Clark."

Miss Clark has been an art instructor at the Oregon Normal school at Monmouth for the past two years and previous to that she was superintendent of art in the La Grande schools for several years. Dr. Ralph Clark has just completed a four-year course at O. A. C., majoring in greenhouse work.

Mr. Hollenbush and Miss Benham, who have been employed by Mr. Cherry, will be retained by the new owners.

In addition to the florist business purchase, Miss Clark has bought six lots of the Grandy addition just north of the greenhouse and gardens on which she contemplates enlarging the plant as the needs of the vicinity demand.

"Mrs. Cherry and I contemplate a good long rest and a little play, after thirty years of hard work in La Grande," Mr. Cherry states. "We expect to spend part of the"

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Second Band Concert Of Summer Tomorrow Eve

One of the best band concerts ever given in La Grande is what is promised by the La Grande municipal band in reference to its concert to be held here tomorrow evening at the new outdoor stand back of the New Foley building.

The concert will begin at 8 o'clock under the direction of Andrew Loney, Jr. The same restrictions for motor vehicles will be in force as were observed at the opening concert of the summer series, about two or three weeks ago.

The program has now been prepared as follows:

Defense Day Test To Be Held Here

No Parades or Demonstrations Planned; Citizens May Show Patriotism by "Signing Up."

In common with every other town and city in Oregon and nearly everyone in the United States, La Grande will observe defense day on July fourth. Not with a parade or demonstration but nevertheless, La Grande patriots will have ample opportunity to demonstrate their feelings of loyalty to Old Glory and the country it represents.

"What is the defense test?" An explanation and tryout of plans prepared for the national defense.

"What is its purpose?" Its primary purpose is to enable the people to see for themselves and to understand the initial steps necessary to muster America's man-power for national defense.

La Grande Ready. "La Grande, like other patriotic cities, wants to demonstrate its willingness to support the national defense in case of an emergency," states Major R. E. Huron, O. N. G., here today.

"The question is often asked," he continued, "why it is necessary to hold a defense test. Because in all past emergencies from the time of our colonial wars up to the beginning of the world war, we have had no plans for systematic development of the necessary forces and no adequate plans for maintaining troops through an emergency. We have heretofore been forced to rely upon hastily created bodies and these have resulted in delay, confusion, duplication of effort, extravagance and unnecessary loss of life. Every generation has paid and the present and future generations must continue to pay the price of the past lack of foresight and preparation. The present system contemplates that as much of the preparation as possible be made during times of peace and not at a time when our national security may be at stake."

All May "Sign Up." It is desired by the committee in charge here that all citizens, both men and women, signify their willingness to support the government in case of emergency.

"It is not desired that the people of this city depart from their long established custom of having family picnics, nor to interfere with plans made to participate in celebrations in neighboring towns and for this reason, there will be"

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BUSINESS MEN TO VISIT COVE WEDNESDAY EVE

The first of the "Get Acquainted" trips of the Union County Chamber of Commerce will be made tomorrow evening with Cove as the destination.

A good sized delegation is expected to make the trip and a number of reservations have already been turned in at Earl Reynolds' office. Floyd McKeon, chairman of the "Get Acquainted" committee at Main 250 and Earl Reynolds at Main 72 are both taking reservations for the trip.

The dinner will be served by the Ladies Civic Improvement Club of Cove and a real banquet has been promised. The dinner is to take the place of the annual Strawberry Festival but to this dinner the ladies are adding chicken and promise that plenty of strawberries will be served to everyone as well.

Country Club Plans To Raise \$1,645 Fund

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SHUTDOWN HERE WILL BE BRIEF

Bowman-Hicks Sawmill to Cease Operating Only July Fourth

GRANDE RONDE TO TAKE 2 DAYS OFF

Most West Coast Fir Mills to Close for Average of Five Days; Pine Mills About Three.

Although the greater share of fir and pine sawmills on the west coast will not shut down for a few days following the Fourth of July, this condition will not apply to the Bowman-Hicks sawmill here.

Mr. Ashby (this morning, in response to inquiries, stated that the mill would be closed only on the holiday and would continue operations the following Monday.

The Grande Ronde Lumber company will be closed for two days, July 3 and 4, but will also resume operations on the following Monday, according to Mr. Stoddard.

3-Day Shutdown. PORTLAND, Ore. (Special)—Contrary to rumors circulating for several weeks past the Fourth of July shutdown of fir sawmills on the west coast will be brief this

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CAR AUCTION IS TOMORROW WILL ATTEND C. E. MEETING

The Perkins Motor Company is getting everything in readiness for the auction sale of 40 used cars to one side and as rapidly as any in La Grande last evening from 8 to 10 o'clock.

The sale will be held indoors in order to eliminate the possibility of unfavorable weather causing inconvenience to the crowd present. Everything is being done to provide comfortable accommodations for the crowd of a thousand people expected at the auction.

A large platform has been built on the main floor of the garage. This platform has been raised 28 inches from the floor of the garage so that the patrons of the sale may sit at ease and watch the cars while they are being sold.

The 40 cars to go under the auctioneer's gavel will be lined up on one side and as rapidly as one is sold another will be run on the platform. Mr. Gregson estimates that a car will be disposed of every two minutes thus doing away with any possibility of tireless delay.

The sale will open at 2:30 tomorrow afternoon and will be concluded in the evening. The evening session will open at seven o'clock, incidentally in the advertisement in yesterday's issue of the Observer at one place the date of the sale was given as "Wednesday, July fourth." The date of the sale is Wednesday, July first, or tomorrow afternoon and evening.

Besides this number from La Grande four members of the Baker C. E., four from Lostine and a few from others will attend.

Legionnaires to Here Report of Convention

The regular meeting of the La Grande Post of the American Legion No. 43 will be held at Honan hall Wednesday evening, July 1, at 8 o'clock.

At this meeting the legion convention at Prineville will be reported on, as well as the Yankee Parade show.

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"Old George" Morgan and His Home



Above is "Old George" Morgan, mountain preacher, who finds truth and comfort in the Tennessee hills and desires to answer to his questions. Below is his little home, perched 2100 feet above the town of Dayton.

WORST READER BELIEVES GOD

(By Allene Sumner) DAYTON, Tenn. (NEA Special)—"We humans haven't got to comprehend the incomprehensible, or scrutinize the inscrutable."

The little mountain cabin of "Old George" Morgan, mountain preacher, hugs the green breast of Walden's Ridge, 2100 feet above the town of Dayton, where "the monkey war," as the mountaineers call the evolution battle, rages.

Generation after generation of Morgans have lived atop Walden's Ridge and watched the valley folk far below.

They call George Morgan, "the worst reader in the county." That means that he reads the most.

Mountaineers who sometimes see a newspaper and who keep the Holy Bible and a patent medicine almanac upon their bare tables, look at Morgan with awe.

"Old George Morgan's read this Darwin fellow," they tell you, and a bit of respect and fear for one who would so defy his God, runs through their veins.

We found "Old George" Morgan hoing his dabbia plants and gazing at the blue-misty valley more than 2000 feet below him.

"The monkey war down there?" George Morgan's genial old face sobered.

"So much wrangling and jangling," he said, "all because folks want to comprehend the incomprehensible and scrutinize the inscrutable."

"The Mountains Know." "Look at my mountains," and his lead brown fingers pointed to a distant peak creamy with chestnut bloom. "They know and they keep still. When folks know, they keep still, too."

Morgan studied to be a minister long years ago in a little theological seminary down in Athens, Tenn.

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Mr. Coolidge Well On Way To Recovery

PLYMOUTH, Vt. (By the Associated Press)—President Coolidge left here early today for Swampscott, Mass., assured that his aged father had virtually recovered from his illness.

Dr. James Coupal, the president's physician, remained here to attend Colonel Coolidge until all danger of a relapse had passed.

He assured the president, however, that his father was making a remarkable recovery in view of his advanced age and weakened heart.

Visiting the sick room before his departure, the president found his father sitting up, in excellent spirits, and insisting he will be all right in a day or two.

FAIMAN FREED OF CHARGES

CHICAGO (By the Associated Press)—U. S. Attorney General Cummings pleaded guilty in federal court today to indictments in the furniture cases under the Sherman Anti-trust act, and were sentenced to pay fines ranging from \$2000 to \$5000 each.

16 Companies Fined in Chicago This Morning

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LOAN ASKED TO REBUILD RAZED CITY

Santa Barbara Wants 20 Million Reconstruction Loan Fund

PROPERTY LOSS 20-25 MILLIONS

Residents, Defiant in the Face of Disaster, Already Making Preparations to erect New City.

SANTA BARBARA (By the Associated Press)—Santa Barbara today, through its Clearing House association, issued an appeal to the nation for a \$2,000,000 earthquake fund and to bankers and clearing houses of the country for a 20 million dollar reconstruction loan fund.

Acceptance of offers of aid from Los Angeles and San Francisco was voted by a representative gathering of the city council, chamber of commerce and clearing house associations. Structural engineers were asked for immediately.

Property Damage High. Reports today indicated that the death list is now eight—this number having been found, the injured thirty and the property loss between 20 and 25 million dollars.

Defiant in the face of disaster residents of Santa Barbara today began preparations for reconstruction with an indomitable cheerful spirit of pioneers in a virgin land.

Sounds of Industry. Throughout 14 blocks of State street, the principal thoroughfare which was laid waste by the earthquake, sounds of industry held sway.

Jagged walls were crashed to the street by wreckers to make way for approaching bulldozers.

Forces of the U. S. E. Arkansas combined with local authorities in guarding the quake area against looters who piled their nefarious trade during the night.

Gold and silver altar vessels, officers said, were stolen from the Guadalupe Catholic church.

ATTORNEY IS DEAD AT BEND

PORTLAND, Ore. (By the Associated Press)—M. Crawford, prominent local attorney and for twelve years Oregon's attorney general, died early today while on a fishing trip to East Lake, south of Bend, according to word received here from his companions.

No details were given but it is believed he suffered from heart attack.

HERMAN, FLOYD WIN MATCHES

PORTLAND, Ore. (By the Associated Press)—Tiny Herman, formerly of Astoria, won a 10-round decision from George Lamson, Omaha heavyweight fighter, at the Elks open air boxing card here last night.

Floyd Johnson, Seattle heavyweight, knocked out Chub Crawford, of Hoquiam, in the seventh round.

XTRA

PIERCE UPHELD. SALEM, Ore. (AP)—The supreme court, in an oral opinion today, sustained Governor Pierce's veto of a bill passed by the last legislature calling for a special election on referendum measures this fall. This decision, handed down in the case of L. L. Swan against Secretary of State Koser, means there will be no special election on the referendum invoked on the tobacco tax bill, his bill and titling bill. The verbal opinion was rendered because of various state duties that would immediately be necessary in event the election was called. A written decree will be handed down next Tuesday.

SHEPHERD FREED

CHICAGO (AP)—William D. Shepherd was freed today of all criminal charges in connection with the McClintock case when the grand jury returned a "not true bill" on the death of Mrs. McClintock, Billy McClintock's mother.

LETTER IS LATE

VIENNA (AP)—A letter addressed to "Herr Ludwig van Beethoven, professor of conservatory, Schwarzenberg, Gasse Firtzen," recently arrived here, a bit late, but otherwise in good condition. It was opened and proved to be from a Galician, desiring that Beethoven give his daughter piano lessons. Officials returned the letter with this remark: "Address O. K., but address migrated heavenward in 1827, impossible to forward."

La Follette Was Loved By His Fellow Solons

(By Charles P. Stewart) WASHINGTON (NEA Special)—Robert M. La Follette was one of the most popular men who ever sat in the United States senate—among his fellow senators.

This may seem like a queer thing to say, considering that he was read out of his own party only a few months ago.

To judge from the tone of senatorial debate in which he took part, it would be natural for an outsider to conclude that he was regarded, except within the small circle of those who fought under his banner, at any rate toward the end of his career, as an unbeloved, cantankerous old man.

Nothing could be farther from the truth. Lawmakers who were as far away from him as the poles and apart, as far as concerned politics, personally loved him. They valued his knowledge, admired his character and gave him full credit for the highest ability and honesty.

On all railroad questions he was recognized as perhaps the senate's foremost authority—equally so in tariff matters and to a great extent on monetary problems.

Occasionally a new senator arrived in Washington, unaware of the esteem in which the veteran Wisconsin statesman was regarded and inclined to look at him askance but it never took these juniors

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