

LOCAL ELKS ENTERTAIN VISITORS

Two Trainloads of "Bills" En Route to Portland Stopped Here

COWBOY BREAKFAST SERVED AT PARK

Motor Trip through the Grande Ronde Valley and Thence to Meacham Featured Program.

Yesterday was a very day for members of the La Grande lodge No. 422, B. P. O. Elks, most of whom had their hands full entertaining visiting brothers who stopped over in La Grande on their way to the national convention at Portland.

The first trainload of delegates were from Omaha, Neb., Lincoln, Neb., and other nearby cities in the same locality. They arrived here about 7:30 yesterday morning by special train and were met by a reception committee consisting of the chamber of commerce quartet, disguised as cowboys, with horses, chaps and everything, and a number of Elks with cars for transportation purposes.

Given Cowboy Breakfast. The visitors were first taken to the Riverside park where breakfast was served in genuine cowboy style with Herman Roach and Scotty Monkers officiating at the preparation and the meal.

During breakfast the chamber of commerce quartet sang several appropriate songs which received a great deal of applause. After breakfast the visiting brothers were taken on a tour of the valley in automobiles and were later brought to the Elks temple.

At this stage the visitors reciprocated by entertaining with several musical selections played by their 58-piece band. Refreshments consisting of many helpings of Grande Ronde cherries and various beverages were provided at the temple.

The visitors were then driven to Meacham where they boarded their train for Portland.

T. J. Scroggin was general chairman in charge of the reception of the first delegation.

About 4:30 in the afternoon a trainload of Brother Bills from Dallas, Tex., and Oklahoma lodges.

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C. C. SCROGGIN ANSWERS CALL

Charles Carter Scroggin, a resident of La Grande for the past five years and prior to that a prominent citizen of Sheridan, Oregon, died suddenly at his home here at 9:15 o'clock Saturday evening of heart failure.

Mr. Scroggin was born at Marshalltown, Iowa, September first, 1858, and at the time of his death was 66 years, 10 months and 11 days old.

He was married to Collie Lella Dickey, May 27, 1898. Mrs. Scroggin died in October, 1920.

Four children were born and but two survived, J. Forrest Scroggin and Mrs. Lella May George, both residents of La Grande. The deceased is also survived by three brothers, S. L. Scroggin, of Sheridan.

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Christian Endeavorers Return From Convention

Several members of the local Christian Endeavor society have returned to La Grande after attending the International C. E. Convention held in Portland last week. Ten thousand delegates from every state in the Union were present. During the convention Dr. Francis E. Clark, founder of the Christian Endeavor society, resigned as president of the organization and Daniel A. Poling, minister of the Marble Collegiate Presbyterian Church of New York City, N. Y., was elected as president. Dr. Clark was elected president emeritus.

On Monday afternoon at the Oregon Convention Judge Jacob Kanfer, of Portland, was elected state president of the C. E. He is judge of the court of domestic relations of Portland and was general chairman of the convention committee. On Tuesday a huge

Don Sargent Home Ruined By Flames

Residence Caught Fire Early This Morning; Origin of Blaze Is Unknown to Officials.

The Don Sargent home on the corner of Third and Main streets was burned early this morning by a fire of unknown origin. The alarm was turned in at 3:45 by E. J. Donohue, next door neighbor, who first discovered the flames pouring out the rear of the residence.

Mr. Sargent was alone in the house at the time and was awakened by the smoke. He made his way out to the street and rushed to the alarm box but the call had already been turned in and the fire department arrived shortly afterward.

The house was a frame dwelling and the whole interior was a mass of flame before the fire truck arrived on the scene of action. Hard work on the part of the firemen and a favorable wind which blew the flames away from the surrounding dwellings were all that kept the fire from spreading to other property.

A Total Loss. Although the walls and roof of the house are still intact the interior and furnishings were completely ruined and the entire property thought to be a total loss.

The fire started at the rear of the house, near the kitchen, from an unknown cause.

The loss is partially covered by insurance. No accurate check on the loss can be made yet, but it will probably be from \$4,000 to \$5,000.

PIERCE WILL ATTEND MEET

A meeting of the committee appointed by J. A. Arbutick, consul, for the big Modern Woodman and Royal Neighbor picnic to be held in Riverside park July 25, afternoon and evening, was held at the office of E. R. Kingo Saturday night and plans were perfected for the event. It was announced that Governor Pierce would be present and deliver an address at 7:30 in the evening following a basket supper.

The afternoon will be devoted to games and sports for the children and grownups, the supper to be at 6:30. The committee are: Reception: Bruce Dennis, H. E. Dixon, E. R. Kingo, S. H. Hayward, W. E. Buchanan, Mrs. Mabel Thompson, Mrs. Martha White, program: E. O. Payton, G. S. Williams, F. B. Currey, A. W. Nelson, Hal Bohm-kamp; initiation: Geo. R. McFadden, Ed. J. Brown, J. L. Munhall, Jesse Stiles, Roy Currey, L. M. Hoyt; decoration: Jake Roestock, D. W. Beck, D. J. Charbonnet, C. E. Zimmermann, Mrs. R. A. McGoire, Mrs. Chas. Johnson, Mrs. Birt.

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Ford Coupe Damaged; Wrecked in Canyon

The Ford coupe of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Thomas was badly damaged yesterday when it turned over while coming down Mill Canyon. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas and their five-year old son and Mr. Thomas' father were in the car at the time of the accident, but no one was seriously injured. The older Mr. Thomas received minor injuries.

The party had been fishing at Morgan and were on their way home. They were coming down a steep hill and the brakes refused to work. Mr. Thomas losing control of the car. The car turned completely over once.

Three La Grande Boys Promoted at Camp Lewis

HEADQUARTERS CIGARS' Military Training Camp, Camp Lewis, Wash. (Special)—Wilson P. Thurston of La Grande, Oregon, who is enrolled as a student at the Citizens' Military Training Camp at Camp Lewis, has been appointed as a Corporal of Company "D." He is a member of the Red Cross which is one of the advanced courses given in the Camp. Clifford De A. Sells, also of La Grande, has been appointed as a Lance Corporal of Company "D." Sells is a member of the Basic course.

Kendrick W. Sigrist of La Grande, has been appointed as a Corporal of Company "D." Sigrist is taking the White Course which is also an advanced course.

MAN SHOT IN SCUFFLE FOR PISTOL

Joe H. Barnhart in Hospital; Operation Today Necessary.

WIFE HELD BY COUNTY OFFICERS

Conflicting Stories Told by Woman; Officers Say Liquor Had Big Part in Affair.

Joe H. Barnhart, a resident of La Grande, is in the Grande Ronde hospital and may die from the wounds made by a 38 caliber bullet thought to have been fired by his wife, Rose Barnhart, at their home on the corner of H. and Greenwood streets about half past eight o'clock last evening.

Mrs. Barnhart is being held in the woman's ward of the county jail. No charges have been placed against her until Barnhart's condition turns for either better or worse. Should Barnhart live the authorities are inclined to absolve the woman from blame in the affair.

Conflicting Stories. There were not witnesses to the incident and the conflicting stories told by principals in the affair form a tangle of circumstances.

Mrs. Barnhart told county authorities this morning that she had shot her husband in a scuffle for the revolver, a 28 caliber bulldog model Colt.

According to Mrs. Barnhart's story her husband came home drunk and while she was attempting to pacify him he brought a 28 caliber automatic pistol into play. She succeeded in wresting this from him and only shortly afterward he got hold of the 38 caliber pistol which was also kept in the house.

Four Shots Fired. In the ensuing struggle four shots were fired, the last one entering Barnhart's abdomen on the left side, the bullet lodging near his backbone.

In the scuffle, officers say, Barnhart struck his wife several times, bruising her face and neck, testify to this.

Threatened Suicide. Neighbors who were aroused by the noise of the struggle and the shots turned in an alarm to the police and later went into the house. According to the testimony of one, Mrs. Barnhart threatened suicide with a revolver just before the police arrived.

This act was averted, however, and the wounded man was taken to the hospital and Mrs. Barnhart to jail. Officers and witnesses say Mrs. Barnhart first said that her husband had shot himself.

Physicians will operate on Barnhart.

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Limbs Ground Under Train

Kenneth Woodward, 12-year-old son of Alpha Woodward of Baker, and Mrs. Diamond, 1808 Greenwood street of this city, was seriously injured Saturday. The boy had been swimming near Island city and was on his way home about 4 o'clock Saturday afternoon. The branch line logging train was on its way to La Grande and as the train was not moving very fast the boy tried to jump on. He missed the train and fell, his legs going under the wheels. His left leg was crushed below the knee so badly that amputation was necessary. The other leg was severely cut but was saved.

He is reported getting along nicely this morning.

Spending Money For Food

Grande Ronde valley residents are sometimes forgetful in their purchase of food products of a duty in themselves in buying products grown and produced in the valley.

Union county eggs are branded; local butter is made from local cream; local flour is made from valley wheat; local bread is a distinct valley product. And all of these are no more than other brands. Buy local products and be loyal to your own industries.

"Observer Advertising—A Merchandising Service"

200 Attend Final Class In Cooking

Appreciation for the Evening Observer Cooking School Expressed by La Grande Ladies.

Appreciation for the cooking school and a desire to have a bigger and better event of the kind next year, with sessions devoted to other household activities in addition to cooking, were expressed by various La Grande women attending the school here last week. Criticisms and opinions as to how it might be improved were considered most valuable by the publisher and will serve as a guide in planning future features of the kind for the community.

The school was staged free of charge to all who wished to attend. More than a thousand women registered during the five-day period. Attendance prizes valued at over \$100 were given at the various sessions and refreshments were served on two afternoons.

Two hundred women were in attendance on the last afternoon, Saturday, and witnessed a demonstration of cookies. The attendance prizes for the day were awarded to Mrs. L. J. Hazelwood, Mrs. H. H. Cleaver, Ada Clark, Mrs. C. W. Cain, Mrs. M. A. Fitzgerald, Mrs. Gay Hayden, Mrs. C. A. Itley, Mrs. C. H. Seranton, Mrs. Leola Peebler and Mrs. Ernest F. Walden.

CLEAN SPORTS ARE FAVORED

The importance of universal physical training was stressed by J. T. Longfellow, superintendent of La Grande public schools, in his first talk before a La Grande audience at the Men's Forum at the Methodist church, yesterday morning.

Mr. Longfellow talked on the subject "The High School Curriculum" and in the course of his address covered many points of interest. In speaking of athletics, he said that the need for physical training for the masses was greater today than ever before.

He remarked that he was very much in favor of athletic sports but felt that these sports should come as the result of physical training and not by devoting attention to a few starts for competitive games.

Mr. Longfellow brought out the point that while many persons are accusing the schools of making athletics a major issue above studies that this condition really does not exist except in isolated instances. The impression prevailed, said the speaker, because the public is in closer contact with the athletic activities of the schools.

Parents who give no thought to the academic side of their children's education often make a point of attending all the football, basketball and other games and thus are inclined to feel that more attention has been given to this form of activities.

Mr. Longfellow spoke at some length, also, on the changes in high school curricula. A few years ago, he said, the tendency was to maintain the high schools and academies merely for the purpose of preparing students for colleges. But 10 per cent of the high school students, on an average attend college, thus the tendency at the present time is to provide a vocational training for the 90 per cent of the students.

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PARKING MARKERS

Workers are busily engaged today painting parking markers on Elm street as per instructions issued through the city police department.

Nearly Everybody Hit

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Floyd R. Harrison to Succeed F. W. Mondell

SWAMPSCOTT, Mass. (By the Associated Press)—Floyd R. Harrison was appointed director of the war finance corporation today, succeeding Frank W. Mondell, resigned. Harrison has been assistant to Eugene Meyer, Jr., managing director of the corporation.

LA GRANDE WINS 1925 GONFALON

Pirates, Behind Hein's Superb Pitching, Drub Baker 12 to 0

HURLER'S HOMER SCORED THREE

Walla Walla Defeated Pendleton While the Swashbucklers Smoothed Colts' Chances.

BLUE MOUNTAIN LEAGUE Clubs W. L. Pct. La Grande 10 3 .770 Baker 7 6 .539 Pendleton 6 8 .285 Walla Walla 4 9 .308

A hard-hitting, fast-fielding bunch of swashbucklers tickled La Grande fans pink yesterday by whitewashing the Baker Colts and annexing the 1925 Blue Mountain league pennant, the first baseball championship won by La Grande for many, many years.

It was a great game! Buck Hein, hit-stingy twirler, was in superb form and allowed but two hits, one of them being a lucky bludge, while his team mates were smacking out 12 husky drives. And Buck, not satisfied with his fellow players' dozen, lifted one of Ortmann's pats over deep right field fence with two men on for one of the most spectacular homers made here since the new park has been in use. Truly, Baker has but little use for Buckram for the La Grande goods deliverer has twice shut out the Colts, the first time most ignominiously—one of those famous no-hit, no-run games, and the second when it hurt the most.

Gossett Cheered. Tom Gossett, peppy manager whose work has really won the pennant for La Grande, failed to get more than a sacrifice hit yesterday but every time he lifted the willow, he drew a great deal of applause.

Sipes, Baker second-sacker, contributed the star fielding play of the day when he robbed Hein of what seemed sure to be a two base hit.

The game was La Grande's from start to finish. Hein, first up at the opening, crashed out a three base hit and came home when Cunningham singled.

In the next two innings, two more runs were added and then the stage was set for Buck Hein's sensational home run. But before Buck's chance came, Alexander hammered out a two bagger and came home when Tex Knight duplicated his feat. Cox went to first on an error and then Buck did his stuff.

More Runs Added. In the next came two errors and a single by Cox brought two more runs home and then the scoring ended with the last of the eighth. Cox grounded out to first, Hein was walked as Ortmann apparently remembered that circuit court, and Heim singled. Cunningham made the fans happy by connecting with a three base smash and scored on Ortmann's wild throw which a seven-foot catcher couldn't handle. Stucker and Gossett grounded and tied out, respectively.

O'Brien, first up for Baker in the ninth, got the second single of the day but died at second when the Gossett-Hein-Knight combination executed a perfect double play. Ashburn, last hope, grounded out to Gossett, and the pennant was clinched.

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Airplane Safe Today At Newport, Oregon

SEASIDE, Ore. (By the Associated Press)—A commercial airplane owned by Earl M. Shuman, which left Newport for Seaside Saturday, reported missing two days, was today reported safe at Newport after making a forced landing.

China Must Live Up to Her Promises to U. S.

SWAMPSCOTT, Mass. (AP)—Insistence that China live up to its treaty obligations and protect the lives of foreigners was announced Sunday as the keystone of the policy of the American government toward that nation.

Helping Jardine Out!



Secretary of Agriculture William Jardine reverted to type when he visited a roundup at Mandan, N. D. A cowboy in his younger days, he donned cowboy attire again, though he couldn't get out of it unaided when the time came. The picture shows Jardine sitting down and two cowboys, George Gasmer and "Halls" Bill" McCarthy (right), pulling off his chaps.

MANY KILLED ACCIDENTALLY

CHICAGO (By the Associated Press)—Week end fatalities throughout the country, including automobile accidents, bathing mishaps and other misfortunes mounted to near the hundred mark.

Forty-seven died from drowning, 21 in motor crashes, according to reports today from a score of states.

Six died of heat, three perished in a train explosion. Four were killed by lightning, one died in an airplane crash and three heat deaths were reported from New York City.

The Pacific coast had five deaths and 16 persons injured by automobile accidents.

MILL COMPANY IS DESTROYED

SALEM, Ore. (By the Associated Press)—Causing a loss estimated at \$150,000, the Cherry City Milling company here burned last night. Two-thirds of the loss was covered by insurance.

The fire is believed to have been started by a dust explosion. The blaze started numerous other fires but all were extinguished before serious damage was done.

Court of Inquiry Will Probe Coal Mine Row

LONDON (By the Associated Press)—Premier Baldwin formally announced in the house of commons today that the government has decided to establish a formal court of inquiry regarding the present dispute in the coal mining industry.

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XTRA

ARREST FIVE MEN PORTLAND, Ore. (AP)—Five men under arrest at Toledo will appear for preliminary hearing today on charges of participating in a riot as the result of the forcible expulsion yesterday of about 35 Japanese who were working in the Pacific Spruce corporation mill at Toledo. More than 200 citizens are involved. The Japanese were loaded into automobiles, given money and sent from the county.

The five arrested are: W. C. Collins, Charles Buck, R. E. Pritchard, James Stewart and Martin Guernsey. The Japanese arrived at Corvallis and took a train for Portland. Four more Japanese arrived this morning from Toledo.

FINLEY IS NAMED

SALEM, Ore. (AP)—William L. Finley, former game warden and state biologist, was today appointed a member of the game commission, succeeding H. W. Price, resigned.

WHEAT PRICES UP

CHICAGO (AP)—Reports that heat has caused a rapid spread of black rust in the northwest resulted in a radical advance in wheat prices today. An extreme upturn of five and three-quarters cents was scored, September rising to \$1.54.

TWO REAPPOINTED

SALEM, Ore. (AP)—M. B. Biggs, of Prineville, and J. R. Cole, of Molalla, were today reappointed by Governor Pierce members of the state livestock sanitary board.

SALEM, Ore. (AP)—Jefferson A. Pooler, 68, native of Marion county, died late yesterday in the Astoria district, east of Salem. He suffered a paralytic stroke Saturday.

DAYTON PASTOR QUILTS CHURCH AFTER THREAT

DAYTON, Tenn. (AP)—The Rev. Hayward Gale Byrd withdrew from his pastorate of the Methodist Episcopal church (northern) here Sunday when a large part of his congregation protested against the Rev. Charles Francis Potter, modernist minister of New York, taking the church pulpit. Doctor Potter was held responsible and fair to take by the interstate commerce commission.

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MOTION TO QUASH CASE IS ARGUED

Judge Hears Different Views in Scopes Evolution Trial

DEFENSE GIVES MANY REASONS

Raulston Says "Issues in This Case Profound—Court Does Not Wish to Guess."

COURT ROOM, Dayton, Tenn. (By the Associated Press)—Court was delayed 25 minutes in opening today for the resumption of the evolution trial. The delay was caused by activities of photographers who followed almost everyone on sight.

The opening prayer was offered by Rev. Moffatt, First Baptist church, of Dayton. He included petitions for counsel of both sides and newspapermen.

Juror Questioned. When the jury roll was called the attorney general announced that he wished to question Juror R. L. Gentry. The other eleven retired while Gentry was interrogated. The defense objected but was overruled.

The attorney general said he had been informed that Gentry had expressed an opinion as to the guilt of the defendant. As Gentry denied this he was permitted to remain on the jury.

The defense moved to quash the indictment.

John R. Neal, submitting the motion to quash, cited 14 reasons advanced by the defense on which to base the motion, nearly all relating to the constitutionality of the Tennessee evolution act. He claimed the law violated both the state and federal constitution.

Claims Court Has Power. Neal called attention to what he termed a general lack of information as to the power of the court to rule on the constitutionality, declaring that many well informed lawyers were unaware the court had this power.

Arthur G. Hays followed Neal for the defense, presenting the same contentions.

Former Attorney General McKenzie opposed the motion for the prosecution and was followed by Sue K. Hicks, of the state council.

FRUIT RATES CASE IS LOST

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—Rates on grapes, peaches, apricots, pears, plums and cherries from California to all portions of the United States were held reasonable and fair today by the interstate commerce commission.

Complaints of California fruit growers in which the California railroad commission and various trade organizations joined in seeking a rate reduction, were dismissed.

Smaller Freight Cars Said to Be The Way Out

WASHINGTON (SEA Special)—The trucks little freight cars to be seen on old world railroads have given American tourists in Europe many a hearty laugh in past.

It is possible that these laugh were premature—that just such cars are what we need on our railroads here, for short-haul economy? Secretary Charles W. Hollman of the American Institute of co-operation thinks maybe so.

The institute includes 37 organizations of farmers, dairymen, fruit growers and others in allied industries. Its purpose is to get higher prices for these producers for the commodities they have to sell and at the same time to develop up their markets by reducing the prices which "ultimate consumers" have to pay—in short, to reduce spread.

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