

FIGHT TO FINISH IS PROMISED

LaBine Case to Be Carried to Supreme Court If Necessary.

WRIT OF REVIEW GRANTED BY JUDGE

Besides Enforcement of Judgment, City Hopes to Forever Settle the Status of Appeal.

A fight to the finish is what city authorities promise in the Jack LaBine liquor nuisance charges. The case is to be reviewed in the circuit court before Judge C. H. McCulloch of Baker, sitting in La Grande, who ordered the city authorities to appear in court August 5, at 9 o'clock in the morning, with a complete copy of the record in the city proceedings, that the same may be received in circuit court.

Last Wednesday night, upon request by George J. Cochran, city attorney, the commission authorized carrying the case to the supreme court of the state if necessary.

Review of Developments.

Upon a liquor nuisance complaint recently filed before Judge J. D. Slater, of the municipal court a search warrant was issued and LaBine's place on Jefferson avenue searched, following which LaBine was tried, found guilty, and sentenced to the city jail for nine days and to pay a fine of \$19.

LaBine later filed notice and undertook to appeal to the circuit court but Judge Slater refused to approve the bond or to allow an appeal. The city authorities, further to disregard of the appeal, took LaBine into custody.

Petitioned Review Writ.

The next move came when LaBine, through his attorney, filed a petition for a writ of review, which Judge McCulloch made returnable August 5 and also ordered that in the meantime the enforcement of the sentence and judgment in the city court be stayed.

The actions of the city officials in the LaBine case are in reality legal proceedings to authoritatively determine whether there is any right of appeal to the circuit court from judgments of the city court. Lawyers say the only place authority for an appeal is to be found in the city charter, which denies an appeal where the sentence is less than ten days in jail or less than a \$20 fine. In the LaBine case, Judge Slater imposed both fine and imprisonment.

The review proceedings, when finally packed upon by the su-

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U. P. CLUB TO STAGE SHOOT

The Union Pacific Athletic club will hold its first trapshooting event Sunday morning at 10 o'clock at the Wing, Fin and Fleetfoot grounds near Lone Tree. It was announced this morning by J. B. Smith, chairman of the committee in charge.

Members of the club, other shooters are invited to participate providing they pay for the shells and blue rocks they use. The club expects this to be the first of a series of shoots to be held this summer.

Negro Songs Will Be Featured At Concert

A group of the old negro spirituals from the south will be one of the interesting features of the concert given by Miss Frederike Schilke and Alfred Meyers in the Presbyterian church, Monday evening, July 27, under the auspices of the Monday Musical club of the Neighborhood club.

These old songs were never really formally composed, that is the melodies were never originally set down upon paper and learned by the singers; instead they were gradually brought into being as a result of the negro's natural desire to sing. Some sprang into being amid the intense fervor of a revival meeting; some were the result of hysteria produced by the death of a loved one, and others were merely songs with which to occupy the time while the singer was

Wallowa Is Being Freed Of Squirrels

Campaign Against Rodents More Successful This Year; Poison Oats, Calcium Cyanide Used.

WALLOWA, Ore. (Special)—The work of controlling ground squirrel pest this year has been more vigorously pursued and more successful in Wallowa county than ever before, according to Ira N. Gabrielson, of the Biological Survey, who has been inspecting the campaign in the county this week. About 25,000 pounds of poison oats have been prepared for distribution to the farmers by J. F. Branson who acts as county agent for the control work. Six tons of calcium cyanide have also been sent out, like the other poison being handled without profit by a store keeper in each town. Roy Fugate, junior biologist and assistant to Mr. Gabrielson, has been demonstrating the methods of controlling the destructive rodents in northeastern Oregon this year. His headquarters are at La Grande.

Favorable Results

The results achieved by the campaign are apparent. Only occasional patches have been eaten out of the fields by the rodents, contrasting strongly with the deprivations of last year. The weather last year was much more favorable for the increase of squirrels than was the cool and rainy weather of this spring, and the farmers by taking advantage of this fact, have reduced the damage to a smaller proportion.

Northeastern Oregon is the site of the principal effort against the red diggers. Half of the poison distributed in the state has been in the four counties of this section. 63,000 pounds of poison being sent out this year. Conditions are more favorable for the animals, as there exist scrub land and timber areas which provide breeding places for the rodents. Narrow valleys with agricultural land adjacent to their uncultivated homes provide suitable circumstances for their deprivations. The object of the work of the Biological Survey is to control the rodents in the restricted areas so that there will be no economic loss. It is not considered possible to exterminate the pests.

The most common offender in the Oregon ground squirrel, or sage rat. These animals thrive in scrub land in the valley or dry hills. The larger Columbian ground squirrel lives in or at the edge of timber but is found in the valley occasionally. Experiments on this squirrel have determined that a single rodent will consume and destroy 49 pounds of wheat in a season.

LOCAL QUARTET TO APPEAR AT PICNIC IN PARK

The Modern Woodmen and Royal Neighbors program committee has secured the chamber of commerce quartet to furnish music at the picnic to be held tomorrow at Riverside park. It was announced today.

The quartet, to appear at 8:20 o'clock in the evening, is composed of Sherwood Williams, G. E. Birnie, G. L. Dutton and Elmer Stoddard.

GOVERNOR PIERCE DEMANDS PROBE BY U. S. COMPTROLLER

SALEM, Ore. (AP)—Governor Pierce has asked the federal comptroller of currency to investigate the consolidation whereby the United States National bank took over the deposits and assets of the Ladd and Tilton bank of Portland. The governor declared he telegraphed the request to Washington after several appeals had been made to him by creditors of the Ladd and Tilton bank who feared their claims would be jeopardized.

Bridge Falls



A 174-foot bridge span collapsed and dropped forty feet into the Verdigris river, near Coffeyville, Kas., when they tried to move a thirty-ton oil well drill across it. Two men were drowned and three others seriously injured.

SPECIAL TRAIN PASSES CITY

Several special trains carrying Knights Templars which were at first scheduled to pass through La Grande have changed their routing and although a large number will still go through here there will not be as many as was first expected. The first special of thirteen cars passed through this morning at one o'clock from Washington, D. C., en route to the thirty-sixth biennial convocation to be held at Seattle starting Monday, No. 25 tomorrow evening Sunday on their way to the Convocation. The first will be here at 5:15 a. m., and will consist of eleven cars of Chicago Knights Templar the second will also come from Chicago and will be made up of nine cars. It will arrive at 5:45 a. m. The next two will be from Detroit, Michigan, ten cars each, and will arrive at 7:00 a. m., and 7:15 a. m. The last special will be from Omaha, Nebraska, consisting of nine cars and will arrive at 10:15.

In addition to these there will be several special Pullman on regular trains. There will be one car on train No. 23 tomorrow evening from Maine, four cars on train No. 25 tomorrow evening from Florida, and two cars on train No. 17 Sunday morning, from Fayetteville.

A committee of the local Knights Templar will meet each train and present each car with a box of Grande Ronde Valley cherries and a card from lodge No. 6.

Dodge Strikes Stone; Driver Escapes Unhurt

Mr. Carmichael, salesman for the Stables Electric company of Portland, wrecked his car about two miles west of La Grande Wednesday evening. The rain storm had washed a large rock onto the highway and Mr. Carmichael, not seeing it, ran into the stone and wrecked the new Dodge coupe he was driving.

He was alone at the time of the accident and was unhurt, although the car was badly damaged.

Elgin Growers Busy Now Thinning Apples

ELGIN, Ore. — The apple growers around Elgin are thinning their apples. The crop is unusually heavy this year and requires considerable thinning. H. Weatherston and others report heavy crops.

Drunken Spree Ends In Enterprise Jail

ENTERPRISE, Ore. (Special)—At the close of a drunken spree and series of fights, William Ford and Harry E. Harshart were arrested here this week. They pleaded guilty before Justice A. B. Conaway and Ford was fined \$250 and sentenced to 60 days in jail, for driving a car while intoxicated, and Harshart was fined \$50 for being intoxicated.

BIG WHEAT YIELD DUE AT POWDER

Wolf Creek Excursionists Find Grain Conditions Satisfactory

ALFALFA LOSS IS BIG AID TO LAND

Fields Where Hay Crop Was Killed Prove Especially Adapted to the Growing of Grain.

With the exception of a slight rain shower along toward the middle of the day which forced the party to seek cover, the Wolf Creek farm excursion trip, held yesterday, under the direction of H. G. Avery, county agriculturist and D. H. Stevens, superintendent of the Moro Experiment Station proved a very successful meeting. The trip was sponsored by the agricultural committee of the Wolf Creek Grange. The members of the agricultural committee are: A. F. Bowman, G. M. Gilkinson and Jack Gorham.

Big Wheat Crop Expected

Chris Johnson, North Powder miller, reported that in his estimation the current wheat crop will exceed anything ever grown around North Powder. The crop has been reduced about 25 percent by the hot weather but is still away above the average. In some fields inspected on the excursion yesterday Mr. Stevens estimated that the yield would average in the neighborhood of 50 bushels to the acre.

This crop is the result of so many fields of wheat that were plowed under and planted in wheat. The Jack Gorham farm, Federation field was passed for certification as seed, yesterday. H. H. Huron, a Grande Ronde Valley farmer, also had his Soft Federation crop certified this week.

COAL MEN TO TALK IT OVER

LONDON (By the Associated Press)—It was announced late today that representatives of the British coal miners and mine owners would meet in a joint conference July 22.

This is the first successful move toward averting the threatened British coal strike.

The announcement following a conference with W. C. Bridgeman, first lord of admiralty, who had conferred separately with the miners and owners.

The miners' federation yesterday announced that the strike would commence July 31. If the strike call is obeyed more than a million miners would be affected.

CHEYENNE, Wyo. (By the Associated Press)—Vice President Dawes extended the range of his territory today when he directed the filming of a scene in a western motion picture near here.

Dawes, coached by James Cruise, with occasional pointers from Betty Compton, appeared to enjoy the novel role. Dawes is being presented with numerous "four-gallon hats."

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THREE OF SEVEN AWAIT GRAND JURY

Leach and Brantner, of Tillamook, Fined \$500 Each; Chance and Buhler Must Go to Jail.

TILLAMOOK, Ore. (By the Associated Press)—Four of the seven alleged bootleggers trapped by officers while making deliveries to a supposed company of movie actors, pleaded guilty late yesterday. The three others were bound over to await the action of the grand jury.

Carl Leach and R. J. Brantner were fined \$500 each. Louis Buhler and Carl Chance were fined \$500 and sentenced to 30 days in jail. L. W. Travis, C. E. Defered and Roy Williams were held for the grand jury.

The man who called himself "W. R. Francis, technical director for the Lee Film corporation of Hollywood here to film 'Daughters of the Sea,'" and who worked with local officers in framing the trap, has left Tillamook.

MURDER OF AGED WOMAN UNSOLVED; MOTIVE MYSTERY

HUBSON, N. Y.—(By the Associated Press)—Investigation of the murder of Miss H. Georgiana Gilles, aged 77 years, and her sister Helen, aged 80 years, in their home here, seemed balked today by a complete absence of any motive for the crime.

The bodies of the aged women were found on the floor by neighbors. The skulls of both women had been crushed by some blunt instrument although no trace of any such weapon could be found in the house.

Officers are seeking a man who escaped from an insane asylum at Concord last Monday, after being confined five years for a homicidal assault on a man.

Forest Grove Mother Told of Son's Death

FOREST GROVE, Ore. (By the Associated Press)—With her trunk packed and a song in her heart because she would be on her way east to visit her sons in New York, Mrs. Anna L. Hogue late yesterday received a message that Mark Hogue, her aviator son, had been instantly killed at Boston.

Three Planes Fall; Two Dead, Three Hurt

HONOLULU (AP)—Three army airplanes crashed down on Oahu Island Thursday killing two aviators and injuring three others, one seriously. This made four crashes in the last week with a total of three pilots killed.

The dead: First Lieut. Charles L. Morse, Lancaster, N. H.

First Lieut. John A. Wyatt, Hampton, Va.

Injured: Staff Sgt. Prosper Terroullien, Second Lieut. John P. McBlaine, district of Columbia.

Private Banks, acting observer. Both of the dead officers leave families.

Sergeant Terroullien is the most seriously hurt of the men injured.

The three accidents occurred within less than three hours. Lieutenant Morse took off from Lake Field, on the army land of Ford Island, at almost the same instant that a navy plane piloted by Chief Petty Officer Froom arose from the navy field at the other end of the island.

1925 LAMB CROP SHOWS INCREASE OVER LAST YEAR CHICAGO (AP)—A remarkable tendency to expand sheep production is shown in a report issued Thursday by the United States department of agriculture. An increase of 5.8 percent in the lamb crop over last year's percentage of scurrying ewes in breeding flocks more than sufficient for replacement has appeared, according to the report.

The increased lamb crop is due to increases in the so-called "native" sheep states, the western states showing a decrease. The tendency to expand is marked in native farm flocks and in some of the flocks in the western states.

Prettiest In Washington



When Olympia, capitol of Washington, looked around for its prettiest girl it found Miss Peggy Cogswell; and having found her immediately entered her for the title of Miss Washington. Do you blame Olympia?

CHAMP VICTOR IN NET PLAY

MANCHESTER, Mass. (By the Associated Press)—Miss Helen Willis, of Berkeley, Cal., national women's tennis champion, decisively defeated Miss Mary K. Brownie, of Santa Monica, Cal., second ranking player in the United States in the finals of women's invitation singles tournament here today. The scores: 6-2, 6-1.

PATTERSON IS TO MAKE RACE

PORTLAND, Ore. (By the Associated Press)—L. L. Patterson, former state senator, late yesterday resigned as chairman of the Republican state central committee.

His friends say that this was a step preliminary to announcing his candidacy for the Republican nomination for governor.

As state chairman of the Republican central committee Mr. Patterson conducted the Republican campaign in Oregon for Calvin Coolidge with glowing success and handled it along conservative lines. Mr. Patterson, one of the best known politicians in Oregon, is a practical dirt farmer, having his farm at Kola, Polk county.

PREMIERE ADOPTED.

ASTORIA, Ore. (AP)—Captains of Oregon adopted the preamble to the church constitution declaring a belief in the virgin birth of Christ, inspired authority of the scriptures and in the personal return of Christ. The declaration of faith was adopted after a spirited debate last night.

STORM SETS FIRES.

BEND, Ore. (AP)—Twenty-five forest fires, resulting from yesterday's electric storm had been reported to the local forestry office at noon today. None were large.

HOSPITAL PLAN FAVORED.

COTTAGE GROVE, Ore. — A hospital building is likely to be under construction in Cottage Grove within a month or two, Charles E. Turner, Eugene contractor was in the city Tuesday and presented a proposition at the meeting of the chamber of commerce that met with favor. Mr. Turner said the building would be erected in the business section, that the first story would be arranged for mercantile establishments, the second story for offices for physicians and the third story for hospital purposes.

NOOSE IS CHEATED ONCE AGAIN

Russell Scott Twice Sidesteps Execution at Eleventh Hours

SANITY HEARING CAUSE OF ORDER

Judge, After Governor Refused Further Clemency, Convened Court Late Last Night.

CHICAGO (By the Associated Press)—Almost at the hour of his scheduled death march, Russell Scott late yesterday escaped the gallows for the second time within a week.

The former Canadian financier, twice relieved from paying the extreme penalty for the murder of Chicago drug clerk during a hold-up, dodged the noose less than four hours before he was to have been executed when Judge David granted a stay of execution pending a hearing into his sanity. Governor Small a week ago granted a reprieve which expired today.

Scott Denies Insanity Judge David was called from his bed a few hours before the time for execution, convened a special session of court, and granted a stay after the governor and state board of pardons last night refused Scott further clemency. The sanity hearing is set for August third.

Scott, when informed of the reprieve, declared he is not insane and reiterated his innocence.

A report from Fort Huron, Mich., that Robert Scott had been there and was en route to Chicago, has been found without foundation. Miss Isabel Hurst, of Detroit, declared today.

BABSON WARNS BUSINESS MEN

BABSON PARK, Mass. (Special)—When Roger W. Babson was today interviewed for his regular weekly release, it was found that his mind was focused on the Earthquake at Santa Barbara, California, the building collapses in Kansas City and Boston, together with other nationally known disasters which have recently happened. Commenting on these Mr. Babson spoke as follows:

"The Santa Barbara earthquake, the building collapses at Kansas City and Boston, together with other unfortunate events should not be passed by without some recognition. There are, of course, lessons to be drawn from such affairs which would apply to the various groups affected. These lessons suggest improvements in fire laws, building construction, insurance regulations, etc. New legislation of some kind always follows such events and all such disasters have resulted in improvement."

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KNIGHTS TEMPLAR HEAD DIES IN GLACIER PARK

SPOKANE Wash. (AP)—Grand Commander Ama C. Jewett of the Knights Templar of Rhode Island and Massachusetts, died Thursday morning in Glacier national park, according to a private dispatch received here from C. M. Dunbar, a member of his party, en route to the triennial convocation of the Knights Templar at Seattle. Mr. Dunbar's message said he was returning home with Commander Jewett's body and the remainder of the party would continue on to Seattle. Commander Jewett's home was in Newton Center, Mass.

Geographical Society Enraged at Statements

(By Charles P. Stewart) WASHINGTON (NEA Special)—"Cries of rage always are to be heard, coming from the National Geographic Society's headquarters over on Sixteenth street, for several days after there's been a public reference to Juan Fernandez as 'Robinson Crusoe's Island.'"

There's been one of those outbursts lately, following the death of Dr. W. C. Fariahe, the famous explorer, whose wanderings were widely described in the obituary notices as having included this particular speck on the map, although most university atlases to as the home of Daniel Defoe's here during all the years his literary cur-

ator kept him east away. "Anybody who ever read Robinson Crusoe knows that Defoe speaks of his island as being in the tropics, hotter than pepper 300 days in the year, and 200 of them quarterly. Defoe goes into considerable detail concerning the life's fauna and flora and the whole thing is tropical—parrots, palms and everything else that goes with a climate mightily close to the line."

Now take a look at a map of South America, and three of four hundred miles off the Chilean (Continued on Page Five)