

CITY AIDED MATERIALLY BY RAILROAD

O-W. Payroll for Past Year Amounted to \$1,358,000.00

TAXES PAID TO COUNTY \$124,534.33

Railroad Shops and the Branch Line to Joseph Make Up Largest Single Industry Here.

Editor's Note—This is the seventh of a series of weekly stories touching upon the industrial, agricultural and commercial resources of La Grande, Union and Wallowa counties which is being published weekly in The Evening Observer.

When the first train pulled into La Grande on July Fourth, 1884, over the newly laid tracks it was the beginning of a new era in the history of the Grande Valley.

There was nothing very pretentious about that first train. It was a work train sent down from the camp of Hillgard carrying men and supplies for the extension of the track.

A large crowd was present when the train steamed in, settlers from all over the valley had ridden in to witness the proceedings.

Wheeler Moon, whose descendants are still residents of La Grande, was the engineer on that first engine, an eight wheeler with a diamond smokestack.

It brought with it, among other things, a pay roll that has since developed to a point where approximately

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FRUIT COOLING METHOD GIVEN

Oregon fruit picked in the heat of the day and stored immediately in large quantities carries a great deal of heat that is detrimental to its keeping qualities.

Experiments show that such fruit holds up much longer than the un-

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Officials Of Division At Rail Session

Bollons, Roberts, Coburn, McKinstry Return to La Grande After a Few Days in Portland.

W. Bollons, superintendent of the second division, Charles Roberts and H. B. Coburn, assistant superintendents, T. A. McKinstry, chief dispatcher, M. H. Dougherty, station agent at Baker and S. D. Hall, station agent at Pendleton were representatives of this division present at the formation of the Pacific Northwest Regional Advisory Board of the American Railway Association in Portland on Thursday of this week.

The advisory board was organized for the purpose of promoting efficiency in transportation and bringing about a closer co-operation between the railroads and shippers.

LAD HIKING FOR HIS HEALTH IN LA GRANDE NOW

Clarence H. "Casey" Jones, 18 and six-foot tall, arrived in La Grande about two o'clock this afternoon and stopped here for about an hour and a half before continuing on to Pendleton, which he hopes to reach tonight.

He is a high school student at Burlington and doctors had practically given him up when he decided to try the walk for his health.

"Casey" left San Antonio with \$11 and expects to reach Burlington with \$15.

Yesterday he visited the governor's office at Boise and also saw the Arrow Rock Dam.

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Detroit Pays Tribute To Tyrus Cobb Today

DETROIT (By the Associated Press.)—Detroit today paid tribute to Tyrus Raymond Cobb, veteran baseball player. It was Cobb's day at Navin field where Cobb, standing bar-headed at the plate, shook hands with thousands of fans who passed in line.

TO GO TO BAKER Mrs. Joe Sellers will leave Sunday evening for Baker where she will spend a few days on business.

TIMBER COMPANY SUES HOOD RIVER, Ore. (Special.)—The Wind River Lumber company, a Wisconsin corporation, filed a suit in circuit court to dispossess the Wind River Timber company of a sawmill and other property at Cascade Locks.

The suit, involving mill and timber properties valued at approximately \$250,000, was declared by court officials tonight to set a record in lawsuits here.

The plaintiff corporation alleged the defendant organization agreed to pay a monthly rental on a lease of \$1 a 100 board feet of lumber sawed, and \$15 a 1000 logs for timber yarded and rafted.

It was charged that the rental was defaulted from July, 1924 to June, 1925.

La Grande Tax Returns 799; Rest of County 254

PORTLAND, Ore. (Special to the Observer.)—Union county ranks high among the counties outside of Multnomah in relation to filing of income tax returns, according to statistics just compiled and announced by Clyde H. Huntley, collector of internal revenue.

Multnomah county led the state with 25,932 out of 48,973 returns. Multnomah was next with 1948, the others following in order: Lane, 1539; Clatsop, 1728; Coos, 1844; Clatsop, 1894; Umatilla, 1554; Klamath, 1211; Jackson, 1190; Deschutes, 1050; Union, 1052.

Other returns, all less than 1000, include Wallowa 275, Baker 855, La Grande 799.

In Eastern Oregon returns came from the larger cities as follows: Bend, 1915; Pendleton, 840; La Grande, 799; Baker, 852; Enterprise, 145; Corvallis, Milwaukie, Oregon City, Seaside, St. Helens, Marshfield, North Bend, Prineville, Leavenworth, Hood River, Ashland, Medford, Grants Pass, Albany, Ontario, Heppner, Dallas, Independence, Tillamook, The Dalles, Forest Grove, Hillsboro, McMinnville and Newberg had less returns filed than did La Grande.

Jailed



Charles E. Downs, above, and Joseph E. Fitzpatrick, councilman of Los Angeles, who were trapped in a plot to give their support to a moving sidewalk project in exchange for \$2,000. The men were both jailed, awaiting grand jury action.

DRUG ADDICT LOOTS STORE

WALLOWA, Ore. (Special to the Observer.)—What officers believe is the work of a hood-brood in the burglary of the City Pharmacy here at mid-week. The robber or robbers, as the case may be, took 375 grains of morphine, 200 grains of cocaine and eight ounces of opium.

The only clue the officers have to work on is the finding of a pair of horn-rimmed and bowed spectacles.

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COMPLETION TIME RESTS ON WEATHER

New Sewage Disposal Plant Will Be Finished as Soon as Possible

DECEMBER 25 IS UNIT 1 DEADLINE

Work on Other Units to Follow Immediately on Grounds Where Present Tank Is.

Completion of the new sewage disposal plant depends entirely upon weather conditions, according to an announcement made by city officials.

The present plan is to hurry the work as much as possible but to ahead so as to have the arroyo and best finished product that can be achieved.

Work on the first unit, the general work on the plant, must be finished by December 25 but it is expected that this will be completed sooner than the date set.

The plant is being built on the grounds where the present septic tank is located.

On next Monday night the city commissioners will meet in special session at 7:30 o'clock in the city hall building for the purpose of opening bids on work on the water project and also to open bids on some of the city hall construction.

Other work in connection with the projects authorized by the special municipal election June third, is progressing as rapidly as can be expected.

MATTERHORN RANKS SIXTH

PORTLAND, Ore. (Special to the Observer.)—Matterhorn, proud Wallowa mountain that rears its head some 9,000 feet into the clouds, overtopping Eagle Cap by 125 feet, is the sixth highest peak in Oregon, according to a list of the 25 highest peaks or mountains in the state which has been issued by the U. S. forest service.

The five highest peaks all are higher than 10,000 feet and none of the 25 are below 5,300 feet.

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FINGER TIP FOUND IN SWAMP TODAY

Officers Believe Woman's Body Was Literally Hacked to Pieces to Prevent Identification.

OAKLAND, Calif. (By the Associated Press.)—Gordon Rowe, San Francisco accountant, is being sought here today for further questioning regarding the supposed murder of Mrs. Bessie Loren, Oakland nurse.

Police said that Rowe left his mother's home in Fruitvale, a suburb, some time after midnight Thursday with his wife and that his present whereabouts are unknown to them.

The discovery in the El Cerrito swamp last night of a severed finger tipped investigators to believe that the entire body of the woman may have been hacked into small pieces in an effort to prevent identification.

OAKLAND (By the Associated Press.)—Mrs. Bessie Loren, 32 Cerrito swamp murder victim, was alive and in the vicinity of the Oakland home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Ferguson the night of August 20, almost exactly 24 hours after her reported disappearance on the night of August 19 when she parted from her mother, Mrs. Annie Ferguson, at Seventh and Broadway streets.

Sheriff W. M. Velle of Contra Costa county said yesterday that this was definitely established by the statement of J. P. Koford, Oakland news stand proprietor, who said he knew Mrs. Loren through business dealings with her.

The news stand is only a short distance from the Ferguson home. Koford said Mrs. Loren called there regularly every Thursday to buy a magazine. He said she was usually pleasant and talkative, but that on the night of August 20 she appeared nervous and distraught.

Valuable jewels in her possession, one of which she said Schlegel gave her, were seized for checking up with lists of stolen goods.

NEW PROHIBITION LEADER ARRIVES AT HEADQUARTERS

SEATTLE, Wash. (By the Associated Press.)—Roy C. Lyie arrived home today from Washington where he was made Pacific Northwest prohibition administrator, effective next Tuesday, and announced that he would begin work practically at the same organization as was used by his predecessor, E. A. Hazlett.

Lyie said that he would make changes very gradually.

The only definite announcement concerning the prohibition was that William M. Whitney, of Seattle, legal advisor to Lyie in Lyie's present position of state director, would "continue to do substantially the same work."

Burglars Rob Portland Firms of \$1,023 Today

PORTLAND, Ore. (By the Associated Press.)—Two Portland business establishments, the Oregon Laundry company and the Hatcher-Postor Baking company, yielded \$1,023 to safe burglars early this morning.

The robbers took \$788 cash and \$235 in checks from the safe of the Hatcher-Postor company. Henry Webster, watchman for the Oregon Laundry company, was found and gagged and then forced to watch the looting lest the safe of nearly \$200.

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SAN FRANCISCO (By the Associated Press.)—The pouch of air mail which was reported undelivered on schedule this here after its enroute from Chicago, arrived early yesterday in the air mail from the east. Postoffice inspectors said the pouch probably was lost by mistake at Salt Lake City, Utah. They said the pouch contained only ordinary mail matter.

"Marriages Makes Me Young"



Many marriages and many years to this old fellow's credit. At 100, Don Juan Magana walked up to the altar at Santa Ana, Calif., with Mathilda Martinez, 56. Magana has been married six times now; his youngest child is 12 and he says: "Marriage makes me young—it is the great rejuvenator."

SEIZE JEWELS; QUESTION GIRL

CHICAGO (By the Associated Press.)—Pauline Livingston, pretty 24-year-old former Naaville, Tenn., stenographer, now awaiting trial for the murder of Irving Schlegel, "Flying bootlegger," was held today for questioning in connection with the finding of the bodies of Schlegel and Harry Bermap, gangster, near the Ashburn flying field yesterday.

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CAR ACCIDENT FATAL TO ONE

PORTLAND, Ore. (By the Associated Press.)—Ralph A. Schiek, 24, of Portland, was killed early this morning when an automobile in which he was riding went into the ditch on the canyon road near here and overturned, pinning him underneath.

Two companions with Schiek in the car escaped with slight injuries.

Portland Man Is Named Education Specialist

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press.)—L. R. Altman, of Portland, Ore., member of the council of education and of the National Education association, was today appointed specialist in adult education in the bureau of education, a position created by the last congress.

He will seek to solve problems of the immigrant, home, factory and prison education.

Babe Ruth Suspended Today by Yank Manager

ST. LOUIS (By the Associated Press.)—Babe Ruth, home run king, was suspended indefinitely today by Manager Higgins of the New York Yankees. Ruth made no comment whatever, merely shrugged when Higgins told him to pack up and return to New York. Ruth immediately left the park. Higgins said that Ruth had been fined \$5000 for general misconduct.

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TWO PLANES LEAVE FOR SAN PABLO

Third Machine Which Is to Attempt Hawaiian Flight, Held Up

FLIGHT TAKE-OFF TO BE REHEARSED

Monday Afternoon Is the Time Set for Departure from San Pablo Bay, Near Frisco.

SAN FRANCISCO. (By the Associated Press.)—The two big seaplanes which will start Monday afternoon on an attempted non-stop flight to Hawaii were to leave here today for San Pablo bay, 15 miles up the bay, where they will take off on the twenty-one hundred mile journey.

The other plane, the PB-1, forced down by a broken fuel pipe on a trip last week from Seattle to San Francisco, will follow the other two planes to San Pablo bay, as soon as a new engine is installed.

A rehearsal of the start will be held some time before the actual hop-off, to test the wind and water conditions on the big bay.

The crews of the three planes which are scheduled to leave for Hawaii Monday afternoon are as follows:

PB-1, E. D. Thornton, chief radio mechanic; Lieut. R. E. Davidson, navigating officer; Lieut. Commander J. H. Striker, Lieut. H. H. Hutto, engineer officer, and L. C. Sullivan, chief mechanic. PB-2, No. 1, W. H. Brown, machinist mate; Lieut. B. J. Connel, second-in-command; Commander J. A. Rogers; S. R. Pope, pilot; O. G. Stans, chief radioman. PB-3, No. 3, J. W. H. Graven, second-in-command; Lieut. A. F. Spody, in command; C. J. Butler, machinist mate; Clarence W. Allen, radioman.

TEMBLOR HITS MONTANA TOWN

HITTE, Mont. (By the Associated Press.)—An earthquake of some severity shook the town of Hittite, east of Three Forks, at 3:46 a. m. today.

A report from the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul railroad agent there said there was no damage done.

PARIS POLICE BATTLE REDS

PARIS (By Associated Press.)—Eight Paris policemen were injured and about a dozen Communists are in jail today, the results of a clash last night between police and several hundred Communists.

The Communists planned to assemble at four points and march to the opera as a protest against methods used by Polish and Bulgarian governments in dealing with Communists.

The manifestants arrived in the vicinity of the opera to the inconvenience of opera-goers. A series of sharp skirmishes with the police ensued.

MAN TERRORIZES HOTEL

BEND, Ore.—A lodging house in the business section of Bend experienced a reign of terror when W. E. Reed, according to the proprietor, ran amuck.

Reed was arrested, but no charge has been placed against him. Bullets holes in several of the walls of the building give evidence of the shooting. No one was injured.

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His demand for a change of the senate rules has been abated up here, at least as a bid for the reputation of a "rebel" "hellion" — a chap who jumped right into the midst of a bad situation, which others had deplored for without being able to do anything about it, and struggled and died in it.

Very few politicians believe Dawes cared much about the senate rules, in and for themselves, one way or the other. They think he simply wanted to create a sensation by doing something strenuous, and the senate rules were handy.

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