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THE WEATHER
PORTLAND, (AP)—Oregon: Fair tonight and Friday, excepting showers in the southwest tonight. Moderate temperature.

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COMMITTEE FOR BUDGET APPOINTED

Commissioners Take Step Toward Arranging 1926 Expense List.

COOLIDGE, EAKIN, MURPHY CHOSEN

Committee to Meet in Near Future to Begin Drafting Municipal Budget for Next Year.

Preparations for the drawing up of the 1926 municipal budget were given impetus last night at the commission meeting when Commissioners Hill, Playle and Landis agreed upon the following men for a budget committee:

H. E. Coolidge.
Robert S. Eakin.
Dr. Ray F. Murphy.

The budget committee will meet in the near future but definite date has not yet been announced.

Several other matters were brought to the attention of the commissioners last night in addition to routine matters that required action.

A communication was read from W. Bollons, of the O. W. system, asking that an arc light be installed on the north side of the railroad crossing on Fir street. This was referred to the city manager for action.

The commissioners voted to send Fire Chief C. O. Murchison to the fire department chiefs annual convention at Seattle, Wash. Mr. Murchison plans to leave for the Washington metropolis this evening, to be gone several days.

An acceptance of the recently passed ordinance granting a telephone franchise to the local company was filed and was approved and adopted by the commissioners, who ordered it embodied in the minutes.

KINZELS HERE FROM MERRILL

Mr. and Mrs. Kinzel and small son, of Merrill, Wis., have arrived in La Grande and this week are moving into the home on Fourth street formerly owned by A. J. Stange, which they have purchased.

Mr. Kinzel, who is the oldest grandchild in the Stange family, comes here as general manager of the Mt. Emily Lumber Co. He is a man thoroughly experienced in the lumber business and has been graduated in every department from the woods to the mill and sales department. Before coming here he has been connected directly with the Kinzel Lumber Co. in Wisconsin, one of the Stange mills. With a reputation for being thoroughly capable and energetic, he, with his family, will be welcomed into the life of the city where they will immediately become permanent citizens.

The new home of the family has been renovated and re-arranged for their occupancy and they expect to be at home in the new quarters by the end of this week.

80 Will Take Part In M. I. A. Pageant Soon

Approximately eighty people, members of the local M. I. A. are practicing this week for a pageant to be given at the L. D. S. Tabernacle Saturday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

The public is invited.

Fastest

Martin J. Duprau, a New York youth of 19, won the world's champion speed test for shorthand reporters at Omaha. He upset all the predictions by defeating the veteran, Charles L. Swem, stenographer to President Wilson during the war. Duprau set a new record by taking 276 words a minute. The old mark was 254 words.

MANY SPECIAL SHOWS COMING

La Grande moving picture fans are assured of a first class 1925-26 season of entertainment at Sherry's theater, according to announcement today by the managers.

A number of special productions, put out by Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Pictures, the Producers Distributing Corporation and Warner Brothers, have just been contracted for future showing including "Mare Nostrum," "Lights of Old Broadway," "A Slave of Fashion," "Paris," "Sun-Up," "Never the Twain Shall Meet," "The Mystic," "The Span of Life," "Old Clothes," "Time," "The Mysterious Island" (written by Jules Verne), "Fifth Avenue," "The Open Switch," "The Last Frontier," "Eve's Leaves," "Brave Heart," "Silence," "Madam Lucy," "Shipwrecked," "The Valley of Fear," "The Sea Beast," "A Hero of the Big Snows," "The Little Irish Girl" and many others too numerous to mention.

Included in the list are 10 specials featuring Rin Tin Tin and Strongheart and four specials featuring Peter the Great, famous police dog; six specials featuring Fred Thompson and his horse Silver King, and Harry Carey, Yakima Canutt and Bob Fairbanks are featured in five specials each.

Sherry's theater has exclusive rights to the output of Educational and Pathe comedies.

Among the stars who will appear on the screen during the coming season are: Lon Chaney, Louise Fazenda, Huntley Gordon, Irene Rich, Lowell Sherman, Mafi Moore, Dorothy Devore, Kenneth Harlan, Patsy Ruth Miller, Marie Prevost, Monte Blue, Syd Chaplin, John Barrymore, Robert Edeson, Lewis Stone, Rod La Roque, Jetta Goudal, Priscilla Dean, Vera Reynolds, Leatrice Joy, Ann Pennington, Jackie Coogan, Marion Davies, Aileen Pringle, Conway Tearle, Conrad Nagel, Renee Adoree, Ramon Novarro, Mae Murray, Buster Keaton and Norma Shearer.

Colored Woman Freed After Trial in Court

Gladys Bailey, colored, was acquitted in the municipal court about 6:50 p. m. yesterday of charges of running a house of bad repute. The trial started yesterday morning.

The defendant was arrested about a week ago by the police.

DEATH IN STORE FOR MURDERERS

Jury Finds Pair Guilty and Orders the Extreme Penalty.

INSANITY DENIED AFTER NINE HOURS

Execution Will Write Finis on Sensational Drake Hotel Robbery and Slaying.

CHICAGO (By the Associated Press.)—Joseph Holmes and Jack Woods, two of the five robbers who a few weeks ago invaded the fashionable Drake hotel and staged a pistol battle in an attempted hold up were convicted by a jury here of the murder of Frank B. Rodky hotel cashier, and given the death penalty.

The jury deliberated more than nine hours, three members holding out for life imprisonment on the grounds that the pair was insane which was the plea put forward by the defense.

The confessions of both Holmes and Woods were read into the records.

The defense contended there were many instances where a person accused of murder pleaded guilty and was sentenced only to life imprisonment. The prosecution asked for the death penalty.

Many witnesses identified Holmes as being the actual slayer.

CARAVAN TO YAKIMA DATED

Dr. W. T. Phy of Hot Lake was host to a committee from the local chamber of comnerce and one from the local realty board yesterday noon at lunch when they met to discuss a caravan to Yakima valley to view irrigation there.

It was decided to make the trip October 8 and 9 provided enough farmers of the Grande Ronde valley will cooperate. Committees were appointed to solicit as many farmers as possible to accompany the caravan to Yakima and see what irrigation has done for that valley and convince them that it would be an asset to Grande Ronde valley.

Local Young People Attend Baker Meeting

Seven young people of the La Grande Baptist church, accompanied by the Rev. G. A. Pollard, went to Baker last evening to attend the B. Y. P. U. rally held there last evening. The party left here at 5:30 o'clock, last evening and had dinner with the Baker young people, after which George Statton, State B. Y. P. U. president, the Rev. G. A. Pollard, of La Grande, and the Rev. Lencard, of Baker, talked.

After the meeting they returned to La Grande arriving here about 11:30 o'clock. Those making the trip were: Masses Bonne and Luenn Oliver, Miss Marjorie Maguire, Miss Eldora Hanse, Miss Elaine Montgomery, Miss Benna Ferris, and Miss Edna Muilholland.

Imbler's "Apple Gulch" Will Be October 11-12

Imbler, Ore. (Special) — The American Legion of Imbler met this week at the K. of P. hall and made plans for the fourth annual "Apple Gulch" — at the Imbler amusement hall, October 11 and 12. Imbler legionnaires believe this event is the equal of "Yankee Paree" of La Grande, and "Happy Canyon" of Pendleton.

7 SCHNEIDERS TIE KNOT

HOERNSHEIM, Germany (AP) — Seven Schneiders helped tie a matrimonial knot here Tuesday.

A tailor named Schneider (which in German means tailor) married Wilhelmine Schneider. The civil marriage was performed by Justice of the Peace Schneider, in the presence of Heinrich Schneider and Ludwig Schneider, as witnesses.

The newly wed Schneiders thereupon directed their steps to the church where Pastor Schlender pronounced his blessing.

Then the Schneider couple, the Schneider witnesses, Judge Schneider and the Rev. Herr Schneider foregathered at the home of Widow Schneider, the bride's mother, where a wedding breakfast was served to the whole Schneider clan.

Hail Damage At Cove At High Figure

Storm Tuesday Did More Harm to Growing Fruit and Vegetables Than First Believed.

COVE, Ore., (Special.)—The hail storm here Tuesday did more damage here than at first thought. Trees were broken and fruit knocked off. What was left on the trees was bruised and cut. Alfalfa was knocked down and cabbages, tomatoes and other garden truck beaten to a pulp. The storm was only felt in a strip of perhaps three miles in width and seemed to be less severe towards the mountains.

Hail stones varying in size from marbles to small hen's eggs fell thick and fast for about twenty minutes. Nineteen of the schoolhouse windows were broken and shingles were torn from buildings.

It was by far the hardest hail storm ever known here and was accompanied by a hard wind.

LEGIONNAIRES GIVEN PRAISE

The La Grande American Legion's drum and bugle corps, which took part in the opening day of the Pendleton Round-Up yesterday, created a very favorable impression, according to word received from over the mountains.

The Pendleton newspaper has this to say: "The La Grande American Legion's drum corps was on the job early and paraded and serenaded on the streets all morning. This organization has been functioning for three years. The La Grande corps wears spiffy blue uniforms and makes a very creditable appearance."

W. P. Harrison Passes; Injury Causes Death

William Preston Harrison, aged 42 years, 6 months and 16 days, passed away at St. Elizabeth's hospital in Baker about seven o'clock last night.

Funeral announcements are withheld pending the arrival of relatives from Los Angeles and Omaha. The remains are at the Snodgrass and Zimmerman chapel and may be viewed at anytime by friends.

The deceased was injured at a rock crusher near North Powder and never regained consciousness. He made his home in La Grande the greater part of his life. He was born March 1, 1883 in Missouri.

Mr. Harrison leaves his widow, Grace Harrison, his father and mother Mr. and Mrs. Wesley M. Harrison, and two brothers, Charles of Los Angeles and Edgard, of Omaha. He was a member of the Knights of Pythias, the B. P. O. E. and the R. of R. T.

THREE KILLED IN BLAST

WHEELING, W. Va. (AP)—Three men are reported to be dead and two badly burned in a powder explosion in mine No. 2 of the Elm Grove Mining company at Triadelphia, 12 miles from here late Wednesday night.

First reports received here of the explosion said that approximately 200 miners were entombed by the blast.

All the mine entries are said to be open.

Doctors and police have been rushed to the mine from here.

Holding Present Volume

The small business is eternally menaced by constant, hard-working competition. The owner is concerned with holding his present volume as much as he is with increasing it.

No more economical way is open to him than The Observer Want Ads at low monthly rates. He keeps his name constantly before you and introduces himself automatically to newcomers as they are added to the city's population. He may spend only $2.50 a month—yet he sends his business message to you every day of the week throughout the year.

"Observer Advertising— A Merchandising Service."

BUTTERMEN WIN SHARE OF PRIZES

Competition Keen at National Association Convention Today.

OREGON JUDGES WIN HIGH HONORS

D. J. Hoffman, of Corvallis, Takes Third in National Individual Judging Contest.

PORTLAND, Ore., (By the Associated Press.)—Iowa won the national banner at the National Creamery Buttermakers association contest it was announced at the association convention here today.

The final average of the 10 highest scores by state were: Iowa 94,793; Minnesota 94,239; Wisconsin 93,561; Oregon 92,913, and South Dakota 92,571. Minnesota had the highest individual score.

Oregon Team Wins

The Oregon team of butter judges defeated teams from six other states in competition in connection with the association convention here.

H. P. Christenson, of Iowa, was first; Fred Holizman, of Minnesota, second; D. J. Hoffman, of Corvallis, Ore., third in the individual butter judging contest.

The Oregon buttermakers today election H. A. Holt, of St. Helens president; C. W. Laughlin, of Astoria, vice president, and V. D. Chappell, of Corvallis, secretary and treasurer.

WOMAN IS PLACED UNDER PROBATION FOR FIVE YEARS

PORTLAND, Ore. (By the Associated Press.) — Mrs. Mabel Domm, who earlier this week refused to come to court unless a closed automobile was provided for herself and her four-months-old baby today pleaded guilty to a charge of sending a blackmailing letter. She was placed under probation for five years by Judge Bean.

Mrs. Domm admitted having written Nels Peterson, of Mist, Ore., threatening to expose alleged irregularities in obtaining two timber claims from the government unless he give her $10,000, or half of the supposed receipts from the sale of the claims.

JILTED LOVER KILLS SELF

NEWARK, N. J., (AP)—Patrolman Anthony J. Sheridan died in City hospital Tuesday from a bullet wound in the temple inflicted upon himself. Sheridan wounded himself after he had broken into the bedroom of Mrs. Madeleine Clearwater Montgomery, his former fiancee, and shot her in the neck, chest and arm. Her condition is not serious.

Sheridan was a former member of the marine corps, having served four years in the Virgin Islands. Mrs. Montgomery is the widow of Douglas Montgomery of Detroit, who died in an Easton, Pa., hospital from poisoning suffered overseas.

C. W. MORSE SERIOUSLY ILL

NEW YORK (AP)—Charles W. Morse, former Fall Street operator suffered a second paralytic stroke Wednesday and was reported by attending physicians to be in a critical condition at his home. Mr. Morse returned Monday from Bath, Me., apparently in improved health. He suffered a stroke Tuesday, but recovered somewhat. A second attack Wednesday resulted in a hurry call for the family physician, Dr. Henry James.

NEW STEEL PRODUCED

BERLIN (AP) — The Deutsch Algemaine Zeitung Wednesday published details of a new process for producing "freund steel." It is claimed that this steel is 40 per cent lighter than ordinary steel and that 30 per cent can be saved in costs by using it for construction purposes. The steel was invented by a Swiss named Mosshurd.

FORMER N. Y. POLITICAL LEADER PASSES AWAY

PITTSFIELD, Mass., (AP)—Herbert Parsons of New York and Lenox, former congressman and prominent republican party leader of New York, died at the House of Mercy hospital here, Wednesday.

BASEBALL TODAY.
(By the Associated Press.)
National League.
Boston 2, Pittsburg 11.
Philadelphia 2, Cincinnati 5.
American League.
St. Louis 0-0, Boston 2-4.
Cleveland 0, New York 5.
Chicago 3, Philadelphia 6.
Detroit 12, Washington 9.

Hero Rodgers After Rescue

Here is the first picture of Commander John Rodgers, hero of the U. S. Navy's airplane adventure from San Francisco to Hawaii. Sent to NEA Service and The Evening Observer by Radio Corporation of America, the picture was broadcasted from Honolulu Sunday morning and received simultaneously in San Francisco and New York on the corporation's photoradiogram receiving machines. While the invention has not yet been perfected, Rodgers' likeness is readily recognized in this picture; the radio even caught a suggestion of a tired expression on the air hero's face. It took 35 minutes to send Rodgers' picture through the air.

MITCHELL TO BE WITNESS

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press) — Colonel Mitchell, stormy petrel of the air controversy, will probably be a chief witness before the naval court inquiry into the Shenandoah disaster.

It is also intended to ask him to substantiate his published charges that the Shenandoah accident was the direct result of incompetency, criminal negligence and almost treasonable administration of the national defense by the navy and war departments.

SOLON FACING NEW CHARGE

BAKER, Ore. (Special)—Frank McCulloch, city attorney of Baker, announced late yesterday that a charge of resisting an officer has been filed against Senator Robert N. Stanfield, who was arrested here Sunday evening at a local restaurant and informally charged with being drunk and disorderly. Actual charges of drunkenness and disorderly conduct have not been filed against the solon but the charge of resisting an officer is actually on file.

"After two days of investigation I have determined to file charges against Senator Stanfield under the peace and welfare ordinance of the city, charging him with resisting an officer. Further investigation may possibly lead to the filing of additional charges," McCulloch said.

The charge of resisting an officer in case of conviction carries a penalty of a fine of not less than $10 nor more than $200 or of imprisonment in the city jail for not less than five days nor more than 90 days, or both such time and imprisonment.

Disorderly Penalty Less.

The penalty for disorderly conduct is much the same but the minimum punishment here is less than that for resisting an officer.

The city attorney is continuing the examination of witnesses to Sunday's fracas in a cafe, when the senator is alleged to have been drunk and disorderly and to have struck and threatened police officer S. W. Edens and obstreperously

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Corvallis Runner-Up In Kiwanis Golf Play

VANCOUVER, B. C. (By the Associated Press.)—Vancouver's Kiwanis folgers bested teams from other northwest cities in team match play of the Kiwanis tourney here yesterday. Corvallis, Ore., finished second.

XTRA

PLANS REDUCTION

PORTLAND, Ore., (AP)—State Game Warden Averill announced today that he would recommend a reduction in the bag limit on game fish taken in East, Diamond and Elk lakes at the next meeting of the game commission. Averill said he estimated fifty tons of fish were taken out of East Lake during the season. He declared 15,000 visitors, most of them from out-of-state points, visited Diamond lake and that most of them fished. He said that many fish were wasted.

MORROW HEADS BOARD

WASHINGTON (AP)—The special board President Coolidge appointed to inquire into the aircraft situation organized today with the selection of Dwight W. Morrow, New York, financier, as chairman, holding the first meeting in the White House. All nine members of the board conferred with the president, who presented briefly his views. The president gave the board the widest latitude in adopting its course, summoning witnesses and in the nature of testimony to be received. The president favors public hearings.

FARMER SOON TO DERIVE MOST BENEFIT FROM RADIO

NEW YORK, (AP)—Addressing the advertising club of New York Wednesday, General J. G. Harbord, president of the Radio Corporation of America, said radio had a greater application to the farmer and farm life than any other phase of the national life. "The urban citizen was the earliest to benefit from this great invention, but the farmer will ultimately derive from it the greatest real profit and enjoyment," he said.

HORSES WIN FIRST DAY; PILE RIDERS

One Qualifies in World's Bucking Contest at Round-Up Yesterday.

BLASTED COWBOY AMBITIONS MANY

Crowd of 12,000 Witnessed First Day of 16th Annual Show Beneath Clear Skies.

PENDLETON, Ore. (Special to the Observer)—Laurels on the first day of the sixteenth annual Pendleton roundup went by common consent to the animal contestants Wednesday when the outlaw horses set a new record for the number of buckaroos they spilled and big longhorn Texas steers refused to be hulidogged.

A crowd of 12,000 spectators watched buckaroo after buckaroo fail to produce the with and strength necessary to win battles on the track and in the arena against the animal talent used by the roundup association in the events.

Contestants were the most plentiful they ever have been, 237 cowboys and cowgirls having entered the lists when the entries were closed Tuesday night.

Twenty-five Riders Compete.

In the two bucking contests staged by the roundup, one for the championship of the world open to any rider, the other the northwest championship event, open to riders from Oregon, Idaho and Washington, out of a total of 25 riders competing, only nine made qualifying rides, eight of these were in the northwest contest.

The only man to make a ride in the world's contest out of eight competing was Al Falconer who stayed with Royal Cord. No Name, Bill McAdoo, Cal Coolidge, Bill McMurray, and other old and new horses got rid of their buckaroo chums in from two to six jumps.

Only six entrants in the steer roping contests manager to qualify. They included Mike Stewart, winner of first time for the day's show, who caught, busted and tied three legs in 24 4-5 seconds, Carl Arnold, who did his work in 37 1-5 seconds and Guy Ray was third with a time of one minute flat. Others who qualified included Roy Adams, Claude Sawyer and Lloyd Saunders.

In the bulldogging the mortality of blasted cowboy ambitions was very high. Of 11 men who competed, only four managed to qualify. Mike Hastings, a Roosevelt trophy contender, was first with a throw in 21 seconds, Frank McCarroll was second with 40 4-5 seconds, and Bob Crosby made his throw in 1 minute and 7 seconds. Guy W. Cash, the only other man to qualify threw in 1 minute and 35 seconds.

DEBT FUNDING PARLEY DATED

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press.) — Negotiations for funding France's four billion dollar debt to the United States will begin here a week from today.

Acting Secretary of the Treasury Winston, secretary of the debt commission, has called a meeting for next Thursday morning by which time the French commission headed by Finance Minister Caillaux, will arrive here.

Pigskin Chasers Out; Heavy Schedule Faced

Thirty-five chasers of the pigskin were out last night under Coach Lester MacTavish for the first practice of the football season. More will be added to the number within the next week or two—preliminary to the first out.

Light practice in the line of kicking and passing was in order last night but as the kinks are ironed out of vacation bound muscles, MacTavish expects to start in working in earnest.

La Grande has a heavy schedule this year and will have a lighter team than usual, which prospects none too rosy at present. Things may assume a brighter hue as time passes, but over optimism does not prevail on the gridiron as yet.

Tentative Schedule

The tentative schedule calls for the opening of the interscholastic season on October 10 at Wallowa, against the team that smeared the only defeat district on the Tigers last year. It is likely that a game will be played here with the alumni on October 2 but definite arrangements have not materialized.

On October 17 Enterprise will play here and October 24 is an open date. Efforts are being made to secure a game either with Nampa or Walla Walla.

On October 31 the Tigers will journey to Boise where they will meet the Braves who last year won here by a one-point margin.

November 1 is open and on Armistice day Pendleton high school plays here. The Union team comes here November 21 and the season will be wound up at Baker Thanksgiving day.

Aviation Is Placed On Defensive by Disaster

(By Charles P. Stewart.)

WASHINGTON, (NEA Special.)—Aviation has been placed decidedly on the defensive in this country by the loss of seaplane PN-9 No. 1, in the attempt to fly from San Francisco to Hawaii, by the failure of heavier-than-air craft to accomplish the most important part of the MacMillan expedition's mission in the Arctic, and especially by the Shenandoah disaster.

The dirigible is far harder hit than the plane, so much so that it is quite likely a full stop has been put to its development in the United States, at any rate for the present.

Public confidence even in the plane certainly has been considerably shaken.

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Not only were army and navy flyers looking forward hopefully to very kindly consideration of their plans by congress next winter, but a strong movement was afoot in the interest of a government subsidy for commercial aviation.

The army and navy men may still get, more or less, what they want, but an extremely black eye has been dealt to the argument that airships have rendered surface fleets obsolete for sea warfare.

The subsidy advocates contend that an impetus simply cannot be given to commercial flying by any other means. The recent setbacks, however, have not improved their chances of convincing the national lawmakers of its desirability.

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