

GANGLOFF PARK TO BE BEAUTIFIED

Oregon Trail Committee Reaches Decision on Future Work

PLANS BUILDING TO HOUSE RELICS

Women of Meacham to Be Assisted in Memorial Efforts; Membership Campaign Is on.

At a meeting of the Oregon Trail committee of the Chamber of Commerce yesterday at the Sommer hotel definite steps were taken for beautifying Gangloff Park. It was decided to have a landscape artist sketch the property, including a building for housing pioneer relics and a permanent agricultural display. This building will be the central part of the grounds, and the grounds around it will be beautified. As soon as the sketch is finished the civic committee will make arrangements for the work. Nothing will be done, however, until a definite program has been adopted for all of the work and as much as can be will be accomplished each year.

Would Boost Scenic Spot The committee decided to ask the highway commission to erect a sign directing tourists on the highway to turn off the main road about 100 feet, at a point west of Meacham, where a group of exceptional scenic beauty can be seen. Up until this time very few people have known of this scenic spot as it cannot be seen from the highway.

The committee voted to offer assistance to the Women's Improvement club of Meacham in erecting a monument to the unknown dead immigrants symbolizing the remains of two men found during excavation work preparatory to the Oregon Trail pageant. Buttons and other things found indicated that pioneers, who had been passing through, had been buried there. They are reburied during the pageant. The monument will be built near the overhead, which is being erected at Meacham.

A campaign for membership to the Oregon Trail association was instituted. All members of the Chamber of Commerce who pay to the service fund are technical members of the association and all those not paying to this fund will be asked to take out membership in

BAND TO PLAY AT PENDLETON

The La Grande Municipal band, directed by Andrew Loney Jr., will be one of the attractions at the 16th annual Pendleton Round-Up tomorrow, the closing day of the western epic, according to word received here today.

The band has been invited by the Round-Up association and will accept, sending 30 pieces to Pendleton. Besides appearing in the morning parade, the band will play a few selections at the park in the afternoon and in the evening will give a three hour concert.

The local band has appeared nearly every year at the Round-Up, and, pitted with the best bands in the northwest, has always emerged with flying colors.

Local Fire Department Composed of Veterans

Nowhere in the state and possibly nowhere in the west is there a volunteer fire department that is more awake and efficient than the one La Grande boasts of. It has been said.

Every citizen of La Grande is aware that when the fire alarm is sounded, volunteers run a close race with the paid firemen who have set records for quick runs to fires.

The reason, many believe, is that the La Grande volunteer fire department is formed of veterans. Constant fire fighting year in and year out for a long period of years makes for efficiency and speed, and that, it is said, is why the local firemen hold up to their high standard.

A perusal of the records show

Has Only \$1



Leonard Wood Jr., son of the governor-general of the Philippines, filed a petition in bankruptcy at Brooklyn, stating his bank account had dwindled to \$1. His liabilities exceeded \$14,000, due to losses in theatrical productions. He is a brother of Osborne Wood who made a "killing" in Wall street and then squandered his fortune in Paris.

WILL FINISH OILING TRAIL

Oiling operations will begin this afternoon or tomorrow on the Old Oregon Trail highway between Lone Pine and Teococet. This section has been oilcised and the work this time will be merely finishing touches preparing the road for winter.

Round-Up Special Train Leaves Here Tomorrow

People who plan on attending the Pendleton Round-Up tomorrow going to and returning from the show on the O-W special train which leaves here at 7:10 a. m. with round trip tickets at \$1.50, are urged to purchase tickets tonight to avoid the early morning congestion, by J. H. Keeney.

Search Five Hours to Find Boy Who Strayed

Considerable excitement was caused here yesterday when the little Brocking boy, who lives at 901 Crook street, was found to be missing. His parents noticed his absence about 9 o'clock in the morning and a search was started which failed to find the boy until 2 o'clock in the afternoon, when he was located in the railroad shops, none the wiser for his experience.

STOLE BOTTLE OF MILK; GIVEN 30 DAYS IN JAIL

DENVER (AP)—Like a modern Jean Valjean gripped by hunger, Wallace Dillon of Denver, Thursday, crept up on the porch of a home and took a quart bottle of milk—but the law again demanded a penalty for theft and he was sentenced to 30 days in jail by a police court judge.

Dillon was observed by two policemen as he seized the milk and advertently consumed it and was arrested.

"It was not thirst, it was hunger," Dillon told City Police Magistrate Albert T. Graham, "that prompted me to steal the milk."

That nine men on the department have seen from 15 to 20 years service. Besides these veterans of from one to two decades fighting flames, there are three more who have seen more than seven years' action. The other two on the list, W. V. Trexler and Audner Playe, are new members.

L. L. Snodgrass has the longest term of service—a full 20 years. Close behind him comes C. L. Mackey with 19 years.

The other seven who have served more than 15 years are: Fire Chief C. G. Marchison, Joe Keeney, Jim O'Neal, Art Wenzel, Nate Zweifel, Rube Zweifel and Frank Sydman. The three who have been firemen for more than seven years are: L. M. Hoyt, Ed Taylor and Fred Hennings.

SAVE APPLE MARKET IS EXPECTED

H. H. Weatherspoon Explains Conditions in Atlantic States

EAST LOOKING TO THE NORTHWEST

Elgin Man Declares that Prices Will Depend on How Fast the Growers Dispose of Fruit.

"A quite thorough investigation of the fruit markets of the east discloses that the big buyers there expect a much larger crop from the Pacific Northwest than actually have," H. H. Weatherspoon, Elgin orchardist, who recently sold 25 carloads of apples while in the east, stated at Elgin after returning from New York a few days ago, "and consequently are not anxious to buy greater than their present needs. The apples being marketed now are bringing very fair prices.

"Apples from the Atlantic to the Pacific are ripening at least two weeks earlier than in former years and are actually being consumed in greater quantities than in many years. This condition is due to a shortage of fruits of all kinds, as well as to the high prices demanded for pears and peaches, of which there is not nearly a normal yield this year.

"The big buyers here are showing no signs of wanting to store anything for the late season, owing to their belief that the crop it at least 25 per cent above government estimates for September. The export trade is taking much greater quantities than in any previous year up to this, and the foreign markets are seemingly steady under rather high prices. All export apples are going directly into consumption.

"All varieties in Arkansas, Missouri and other districts in the Mississippi and Missouri valleys have been greatly affected by unusually warm and dry weather, which has created a severe drop, these are being pushed on the smaller town markets beyond the limit of consumption. It is a safe prediction that the markets in towns up to 50,000 population in the Middle West are going to break badly early in October and will not recover much before the holidays, if that early.

"Viewing the situation as a whole up to the first of the year, I believe that it will be a same market, devoid of speculation, prices depending entirely upon how fast growers of the Northwest crowd the market by rolling cars, or to be sold through various auctions.

"If the growers of the Northwest will use good, common judgment in not allowing too much fruit to move unsold, the big market will hold steady at a price that will net good profits. On the other hand, if they practice heavy cutting to competition merchants and auction, the market will not hold under the over supply and it may expect to be slaughtered. It is not my opinion that big buyers could be induced to buy over supplies which would have to go into cold storage, except at a tremendous sacrifice. My own supply that breaks in the markets badly in October and November will greatly benefit those holding for the first of the year markets.

"Growers and shippers must keep in mind that the auction sales in Chicago, St. Louis, Pittsburg and New York is what sets the price on F. O. B. sales at this end. If consigning for auction and commission selling is generally practiced and these markets are kept full all of the time, your F. O. B. buyers will have no reason for buying at this end, except at great reductions. They cannot place any dependence on what the market will be 10 days later. A steady, but rather light movement will allow the fall and early winter low-grade stuff to clean up. Thus we may expect a strong demand at fair prices later."

TWO CHINAMEN KILLED; Thought 'long Victims' NEW YORK (By the Associated Press)—The possibility of a resumption of the recent long war in less than four days after the signing of a formal truce is seen by local police in the killing today of Young Sue Guan, tong member in New York's Chinatown.

PITTSBURGH (By the Associated Press)—Wan Lee, Chinese laundryman, was shot and killed and his body was hacked with a hatchet at Wilkinsburg, a suburb, today. The police believe the killing represents another outbreak of tong warfare.

Constitution Talks Given At Schools

Ivanhoe, Eberhard, Dixon and Cochran Deliver Addresses to School Children Today.

Constitution day was observed today in the La Grande schools with fitting exercises, featuring addresses by local attorneys. Col. F. S. Ivanhoe, who spoke before the chamber of commerce Tuesday, pointed out the value of the constitution to Americans at the high school at an assembly held this morning. He touched upon the history of the immortal document and told of the duties of all citizens toward the constitution, "which is the foundation of our government and gives us the rights and privileges that we enjoy today."

This afternoon at 1 o'clock Mr. Eberhard, one before the children of the Riveria grammar school, George T. Cochran delivered an address at Central school and H. E. Dixon spoke at Greenwood school. In every case the children received the words of the speakers with appreciation and the teachers feel that the children were given a much wider view of the constitution and government.

No exercises were held at Wilbur school because history is not taught in the lower grades there. According to Superintendent J. F. Longfellow the first-grade rooms in the La Grande schools are not crowded and primary teachers can take care of several more pupils. Mr. Longfellow points out that any child that will reach the age of six years by October 31, is eligible to begin school immediately. In the past the limit was October 15.

With the first week of school ending today, the enrollment in all grades, from the first to the twelfth, is much greater than last year. The enrollment of students is now expected to end for a week or two.

Several of the classes in the high school have elected officers for this semester. George Glass is president of the Senior class, William Wallis, vice-president and William Gaskill, secretary. Betty Cochran has been chosen president of the Juniors and the other

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JAILER FIRED; IGNORED LEVER

SEATTLE, Wash. (By the Associated Press)—King county Sheriff Starwick today indefinitely suspended his head jailer, Dave Morgan, for failure to pull a lever in the King county jail when six prisoners escaped Tuesday. The lever would have sounded an alarm at police headquarters.

Starwick said "it took the prisoners 20 minutes to make their getaway. Even after they left, an alarm would have brought out a motorcycle squad in ample time to take up the trail. Morgan not only didn't pull the lever but probably didn't even think of it."

The outlaws are still at large.

Senator Stanfield Forfeits \$50 Bail

BAKER, Ore. (By the Associated Press)—Senator Stanfield failed to appear in the Baker police court for trial at 10 a. m. today on charges of resisting an officer (libel) against him following his arrest Sunday night in a cafe by a city policeman, and \$50 bail was forfeited. The case is now declared closed.

The charge of resisting an officer was the only one filed but charges of resisting a police officer would have been prepared and would have been presented if the defendant appeared.

James H. Nichols, attorney for Senator Stanfield, immediately prior to the calling of the case stated in open court to Judge Southwell: "It now appears that Senator Stanfield is charged with an offense only of violating a police ordinance in resisting a police officer. The senator will not appear to defend that charge, and you are therefore at liberty to treat his bail as forfeited and the case closed."

MILL CITY, Ore.—The Hammond Lumber company has a new crew of men putting in a new dike to prevent the Santiam river from undermining its planing and boiler room during high water.

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DAVIS WILL TESTIFY AT HEARINGS

War Department's Stand on Air Controversy to Come First

WILBUR'S REPORT TO BE RECORDED

Coolidge's Board Decides That Inquiry into Aircraft's Status Will Be Open to Public.

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—Acting Secretary of War Davis probably will be the first witness before the president's special air board of inquiry. The board, in an informal meeting today, decided to call first upon the war department for tests on aircraft subjects inasmuch as Davis first proposed the inquiry. It is believed he will begin a presentation of the department's position when the board begins its public hearings Monday.

Mitchell to Testify It is also believed to be certain that Colonel William Mitchell, leading figure in the air controversy, will be called as a witness if he is not included in representatives appearing for the army. The board decided the hearings will be public and will be expedited in an effort to comply with the president's desire that a report be made prior to the opening of congress.

"Battleship Still Backbone" Secretary Wilbur will present the board with a copy of the special navy board report on the relative value of battleships, submarines and aircraft, which held that the "battleship" is still the backbone of the navy. This report was made public last winter.

Restrictions Placed On Deliveries of Coal

BOSTON (By the Associated Press)—The state emergency fuel administration today prohibited the delivery of domestic size anthracite coal to consumers who have half of their winter's supply in stock and delivery of more than 10 tons at a time to householders.

Spaniards Move Into Riffian Territory

FEZ, French Morocco (By the Associated Press)—The Spaniards are reported to have effected another landing in Alhucemas bay occupying a strip nearly two miles long, flanking their original position on the Moro Nuevo peninsula.

FEZ (By the Associated Press.)—The French are now said to hold most of the important strategic positions on the northern battlefield. Military circles said the results were achieved with a minimum of losses, thanks to Marshal Petain's plans.

Vale Project to Have State Aid, Says Pierce

SALEM, Ore. (By the Associated Press)—Federal aid on the Vale irrigation project is much desired in Oregon, and by the time the government is in a position to take up the matter of construction, estimated to require three years, the state will be in a position to meet the requirements of the government, Governor Pierce yesterday wrote Edward Meade of the reclamation service, who advised that an appropriation by congress is available only after the state has executed a contract obligating itself to assume the responsibility of securing and financing settlers.

HAM AND EGG STILL FAVORITE

SYRACUSE, N. Y. (AP)—Governor Smith, described by Mayor John F. Hyland of New York as the "big ham and egg man from Albany," ate ham and eggs for breakfast at a hotel here Thursday morning.

"And I ate it with relish," the governor said. "What were you thinking about while you were eating?" a reporter asked.

"About the ham and egg king from Albany," the governor answered with a smile.

WIRELESS COOKS EGG THROUGH CAKE OF ICE NEW YORK (AP)—Cooking an egg over a cake of ice by wireless was one of the radio stunts accomplished here at the Radio World's fair.

Ten Years Past Century Mark



One of the oldest persons in the country is Nah-nim-nuk-shuk, a Pottawatomie Indian, said to be 110. He was born near Chicago and rode a pony from there to Council Bluffs in 1835. He lives on the Pottawatomie reservation near Mayetta, Kas.

FIRE DESTROYS DIET BUILDING

TOKIO (By the Associated Press)—Fire today destroyed the diet buildings which housed the legislative branches of the Japanese government. Several persons were killed and millions of dollars' worth of buildings which for a time were threatened with destruction.

DISARM MOVE NOT FAVORED

GENEVA (By the Associated Press.)—Italy and Austria today backed Great Britain's opposition to an immediate creation of a special league of nations organization to prepare for a general disarmament conference. Their spokesmen held such preparations should not be inaugurated until security is attained.

Charges Filed Against Maj. General W. H. Hart

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—Formal charges were filed at the war department against Major General William H. Hart, quartermaster general, by Hart's predecessor, Major General Harry L. Rogers, retired.

The allegations revolve around conduct of General Hart prior to and in connection with his appointment to succeed Rogers. War department officials declined to give the details of the charges or to indicate what steps have been taken to investigate.

Paying Lines Unopposed To Merger, Rail Men Say

WASHINGTON (NEA Special.)—Some big railroad men challenge the statement that the paying lines oppose consolidation with the unprofitable ones.

Well, it's fair to concede that a few individuals high in the transportation world do favor a national merger of all the systems, even though these same individuals may be shareholders in various paying roads. But the point is that they're shareholders in losing roads, too.

Obvious to a man with a wad of dividend-paying stock doesn't so much mind seeing those dividends cut down if other stocks he owns are put on a basis of producing dividends which they didn't return before. One offsets the other.

Moreover, consolidation presumably would result in economies by which the multiple stockholders would be just as much better off. Finally, the big capitalists understand the markets and figure on making a speculative cleanup in connection with the re-shuffle which almost invariably accompanies important mergers.

18,000 SEE ROUND-UP ON SECOND DAY

Squadrons of Airplanes Vie with Arena Sports for Attention

38 MACHINES FLY TO ROUND-UP PARK

Cowboys Win Back Laurels in Tangle with Animals; Four Persons Injured, However.

PENDELTON, Ore. (Special to the Observer).—Maybe it was because the outlaw horses and longhorn steers made such a good showing on Wednesday, the first day of the sixteenth annual Pendleton roundup, that they roused the ire of the cowboys or possibly it took the buckaroos two days to get up full head of steam, but whatever the reason, Thursday was cowboys' day. With the exception of the bulldozing events, the buckaroos forged to the front and conquered outlaws and steers. Wednesday out of 25 efforts to ride, only seven were finally allowed by the judges, but Thursday it was the horses that suffered in reputation because a majority of them in both the north-west and world bucking championships were ridden and scratched. The steer roping yielded more victories for cowboys Thursday than on Wednesday.

35 Airplanes Arrive. At 2:30 in the afternoon the attention of the 15,000 fans in attendance was diverted from the sports of the old west that were being enacted on the track and in the arena by the sight of 35 planes that arrived from Vancouver barracks. The planes flew in a squadron of five or six each and after flying over the watching thousands landed on Hitter field east of town.

Colonel Lahm, commanding officer of the ninth army air force, Capt. Lowell Smith and Lieutenant Arnold of round the world flight fame, and Lieut. Col. H. Graham, commander of Rockwell field, were introduced to the big crowd in front of the grandstand.

Ido Rude made fast time in steer roping Thursday when he roped, threw and tie one of the

FIVE MILES A MINUTE MADE

MITCHELL FIELD, New York (By Associated Press).—A new unofficial world's speed record was established today when Lieutenant Alfred J. Williams, navy aviator, flew at the rate of 302.3 miles an hour.

The record was made in flying a test flight for the Pulitzer races to be held here next month. Williams flew one kilometer in 7.4 seconds, beating the former record of 278 miles held by Franc.

Paying Lines Unopposed To Merger, Rail Men Say

welcome idea to certain transportation magnates. Tails they win. Heads the other fellows lose. But the small holder of stock in a single road—a profitable one—is in a different boat. Merge his road with one which doesn't pay and his dividends are reduced with nothing to counterbalance his loss. He has nothing to speculate with, either. He wouldn't know how to do it if he had.

The Van Sweringen hearing, which has been dragging along for weeks in Washington, has been one long drawn-out attempt on the Van Sweringens' part to prove that railroad mergers don't merge a lot of little stockholders out of their dough.

Still, when small stockholders get together they're a force to be reckoned with. Individually they're weak, but in numbers they count, financially and politically. The magnates can't match them when they unite. And this is the fact of danger, is what they're apt to do. That's the great obstacle in the way of realization of the Washington administration's railroad consolidation plans.