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CARAVAN ON
BRANCHLINE
TRIP TODAYChamber of Commerce
Members Leave on Get-
Acquainted JourneyPLAN TO INSPECT
MARBLE DEPOSITSStops to Be Made at En-
terprise, Wallowa, Wal-
lowa Lake, Joseph and
Other Points.

Following the detour of friends-
ness that naturally exists be-
tween people of two neighbor-
hoods whose interests interlock,
about 50 business and professional
men from this community are
preparing to leave La Grande at
2 o'clock this afternoon for a
two-day visit to the marble centers
and farming districts of Wallowa
county.

Twenty cars are expected to be
in the caravan when it leaves the
office of the chamber of com-
merce, Enterprise-bound. J. P.
Morse, chairman of the get-
acquainted committee, will be in
general charge. His assistants to
be George T. Cochran, Frank
Lilly, Audner Playle and Frank
Robinson.

Enterprise, Wallowa Lake Won-
derland, Joseph, Wallowa, the
upper Wallowa valley and the new
marble industry are included in
the itinerary.

The La Grande municipal band,
Andrew Loney conducting, will ac-
company the caravan as La

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DRUNKEN DRIVER
FINED \$100 PLUS
60 DAYS IN JAIL

Wade Shelton, of Union, con-
victed of drunken driving in the
justice court yesterday, where he
was tried without the intervention
of a jury, gave notice of appeal
when Judge Hugh E. Brady im-
posed a fine of \$100 and 60-day
term in the county jail. He had
not yet furnished his bond of \$200
at noon today.

Shelton was arrested at Union
May 13 by A. G. Dunn, then traf-
fic officer in this district. Dunn
was here from Oregon City, his
new territory, as a witness at the
trial.

The defendant was represented
by his brother, Charles Shelton,
of Baker, and by H. L. Hess, of
La Grande.

Wheat and Fruit Outlook In
Wallowa County Is ImprovedThis Girl
Ran Away
From Home

It is said that
all the
knickers owned
by the girls
of La Grande
were placed
end to end
they would
reach clear to
the top of the
hill back of
Cove.

That shows
how many
young ladies
have learned
the comfort
offered to the
wearer of such
a garment for
hiking or play.
But in spite of
the number

who own knickers and the
pleasing spectacle they present
when on a hike, dozens of
other girls would be in the
market if they were reminded
of their need. They like to
run away to the hills.

The real reason why girls
wear knickers (that's the pret-
ty name for them) has never
been guessed. Some hold it is
because they resemble what the
boys wear, others because they
are easy to walk in. But it is
a safe guess to say that the
merchant who advertises knick-
ers in The Observer will sell a
lot of other garments to his
knicker customers. Observer
ads are read, because girls and
women like to see what their
sex is wearing.

Dr. Moore To
Give Health
Talk HerePortland Specialist Se-
cured for The Obser-
ver's Homemakers' In-
stitute in July.

For the health department of the
free home-makers' institute that
The Observer is preparing to hold
here in co-operation with the ex-
tension division of the Oregon Agri-
cultural college July 13-16 for the
women of Eastern Oregon, Dr.
Ulysses Moore, child specialist of
Portland and research worker on
the staff of the University of Ore-
gon Medical school, will be the
speaker and instructor.

Dr. Moore's health demon-
strations differ helpfully from those
of most speakers in his line. He uses
the children of the neighborhood
in pointing out the ideal standards
of growth and nutrition, and lays
the emphasis on the physical fit-
ness to be attained rather than on
the maintenance to be avoided.

Mrs. Josie D. McComb, state
home demonstration leader, who is
giving the institute her personal
attention, writes that these demon-

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COVE CHERRY
SEASON NEARPickers Already on Hand
for Opening of Harvest
Monday Morning. Un-
ion Makes Ready.

COVE, Ore., June 24.—With
pickers and packers already com-
ing into Cove daily and erecting
camps in preparation for the
opening of the cherry season,
Cove growers expect to start
picking Royal Anne Monday.

Royal Anne, an earlier cherry
than the black varieties, com-
poses about one-third of the crop here.
Pickings of Black, Republicans,
Lamberts and Bings will begin a
week later—about July 5. In both
instances, harvesting is beginning
heavily two weeks earlier than it
usually is.

Estimates made by various
growers place the expected yield
at from 60 to 75 carloads.

UNION, Ore., June 24. (Special).
—Owners of cherry orchards in
and near Union are planning to
begin harvesting the crop in about
a week. The Royal Anne and
Bings are coming out better than
was thought at the time of the
freeze, when many believed that
the crop was almost ruined. The
yield will be fairly large, although
not quite a normal crop.

FARM BILL
KILLED IN
THE SENATERelief Measure Sponsored
by Senator McNary
Meets DefeatHAD ENDORSEMENT
OF THE CORN BELTSimilar to Haugen Bill,
Which Was Defeated in
House—Vote Today 45
to 39.

WASHINGTON, June 24. (AP).
—The McNary farm relief bill was
killed today in the senate.

The vote was 45 to 39.
Modeled on lines contained in
the Haugen bill which was defeat-
ed in the house the measure would
have set up machinery to handle
the surplus crop problem by lev-
ying an equalization fee on basic
agricultural commodities.

It had the endorsement of the
corn belt committee which has
been here during much of this ses-
sion of congress urging farm legis-
lation.

NEW DIRECTORS
TAKE OFFICE ON
SCHOOL BOARD

Robert S. Eakin, successful
candidate for La Grande school
director at the Monday election,
was sworn in as a director last
evening and participated in a
meeting of the board, follow-
ing a canvass of the returns
by the board members. No sug-
gestion of a re-count was made
when the appropriate order of
business was reached, and the us-
ual procedure was carried out.

At the same time Dr. R. P.
Lands was sworn in as director
and assumed the duties of his
second three-year term.

Immediately following the new
board organized by electing the
following: Colon E. Elshard,
chairman; Mr. J. M. Galt, and Harry
E. Williams, school clerk for one
year.

Regular meetings of the board
will be held, during the school
year, on Monday of the last week
in each month.

Proceeding the organization of
the new board, a meeting of last
year's board was held and various
unaccomplished matters of minor
nature were disposed of. Mr. Eakin
was present at both meetings.

Company E Experiences
Warm Weather in Camp

CAMP JACKSON, Medford, Ore.,
June 24. (Special).—Wednesday
was the warmest day Company E
has experienced in camp. The
thermometer registered 107 above
at noon in one of the squad tents.

The morning was spent for the
most part in open order work.
Company E went on the drill field
north of Camp Jackson at 8:30
o'clock and drilled until 11 o'clock,
the problem being an infantry
company in attack.

In the afternoon the guardsmen
hiked to the east drill field and
watched a demonstration showing
the use of hand grenades. The
men giving the demonstration were
picked from the Seventh Infantry.
This was by far the best demon-
stration thus far witnessed by
Company E.

The company came in at 2:30
o'clock for a 30-minute rest and
then went to the west drill field
where it joined the battalion in
working out the problem of pro-
tecting a battalion in advance
against a theoretical enemy.

Roseburg Land Office
Sells \$40,938 Timber

ROSEBURG, Ore., June 24. (AP).
—A comparatively small timber
sale was held by the Roseburg
land office this morning, five
tracts of land in Lane, Coos and
Douglas counties being sold to as
many timber owners, the total
amount realized being \$40,938.92.

The largest sale was to the Pa-
cific States Lumber company of
Marshallfield, which acquired 420
acres of timber land in Coos county
for \$28,055.90.

WILD DRIVER ESCAPES
PENDLETON, June 24. (AP).
—Umatilla county's first hit-and-run
driver wrecked a car and came very
close to causing serious injury to
four occupants. A light car driven
by Bob Nemeler was struck yester-
day afternoon and knocked from
the bridge over Wild Horse creek
into the creek bed. The car was
badly damaged but the four oc-
cupants escaped serious injury.

City Calls
For Bids On
District 158Ornamental Street Light-
ing Improvement Dis-
cussed—lack of Water
Pressure Explained.

Improvement district No. 158
was up for hearing at the city
commission last night with no re-
monstrances offered. By motion
the city recorder was instructed
to issue a call for bids to be re-
ceived on the night of July 7.

The recorder was authorized, by
resolution, to sign a contract with
the Eastern Oregon Light and
Power company for energy and
power for the pumping plant at
the city well.

City Attorney George T. Coch-
ran announced that he had com-
pleted writing a brief for pre-
sentation to the state supreme court
in the Blomquist appeal case.
The brief is now ready for the
printers.

The proposed ornamental street
lighting improvement was discus-
sed and it was announced that pre-
liminary work is now under way.
An attempt will be made to call a
meeting of members of the city
planning commission and the city
commission at the city hall at 7:30
o'clock tonight.

The grass fire menace was dis-
cussed at length. It is likely that
the commission will authorize
burning of grass when the grass
is drier, under the supervision of
the fire department.

L. H. Russell inquired the reason
why the water pressure at his
place on the hill was low on some
nights. It was explained that
when the downtown district is ir-
rigating, the water is drawn
through the main past his place
and some 50 other houses in that
territory, thus relieving the pres-
sure. The pressure is sufficient
when the pumps are working and
under ordinary conditions when
irrigation is not heavy.

Bulletins

MANCHESTER, England, June
24. (AP).—Inside the gray walls of
Strangeways Jail a woman—the
mother of three children, one of
them a baby—was hanged this
morning. Mrs. Louis Calvert, 33
years old, was executed for strangle-
ing her landlady, Mrs. Lily Wat-
terhouse, and then robbing her. To
the end the condemned woman as-
serted that she was innocent.

LONGVIEW, Wash., June 24.
(AP).—Jack, 8, son of Mr. and
Mrs. J. M. Orchard, Longview, was
drowned this morning in Lake Sa-
cawawa in the city park. It was
the first drowning in the lake and
the first summer fatality of the
year here.

BROWNSVILLE, Tex., June 24.
(AP).—Telling a story of being
tortured by Mexican officials in
Matamoros, in an effort to obtain
information concerning shooting
recently of a smuggler by U. S.
immigrant officers, Nativela
Garcia, 35, American citizen, in
the hospital here, with a broken
arm, wrenched shoulder and in a
semi-conscious condition.

PORTLAND, June 24. (AP).—
The temperature reached 94 here
today. This was the hottest of the
year to date.

Episcopalians Plan Fourth
Of July Celebration at Cove

What promises to be an attrac-
tion full of interest and enthusiasm
is the old-fashioned Fourth of
July celebration being sponsored
by the local Episcopal organiza-
tion to be held at the Cove Ascen-
sion school grounds Monday July 5.
People from Baker, Pendleton,
Union, Cove and Elgin and Wal-
lowa county communities will min-
ister with La Grande people in what
is to be an all-day basket lunch
picnic, combined with appropriate
patriotic exercises, community sing-
ing and track events.

Everything expected at an old-
fashioned Fourth of July celebra-
tion will be there, with the ex-
ception of fireworks, which will be
excluded for the protection and
safety of the children and com-
munity.

The morning ceremonies include
the reading of the Declaration of
Independence by Judge Smith, of
Baker, and may include a patriotic
address by Frederick Stodow, of
Pendleton, republican candidate for
United States senator. The Rev.
L. G. H. Williams, of Baker, as-
sisted by Mrs. W. P. Remington, of
Pendleton, and the La Grande
young people's kazoo orchestra
will lead the community singing.

Eucharistic Congress Opens



John Cardinal Bonzano, papal legate, is shown here seated on the throne in the cathedral of
Holy Name, Chicago, at the opening of the International Eucharistic congress.

ROBBERS BLOW
VAULT IN MILLYeggs Escape with Only
\$20 for their Trouble—
Sheriff Investigating
Case.

Fingerprints are being collected
at the office of the Island City
flouring mills by officers today in
an effort to locate the yeggs that
blew the company's vault for
something less than \$20 last night.

The loss was discovered by the
bookkeeper when he arrived at
the office this morning at 9
o'clock.

Clock hands stopped at 1:30.
Indicated that the explosion oc-
curred at that time.

Traces of nitroglycerine could
be seen around the door of the
vault. The 8 by 10-foot floor
space inside was strewn with doc-
uments and books as though the
intruders had made a hasty exit
attempt to locate the vault.

Entrance was by the rear door
of the building which stands by it-
self, across the street from the
Kiddle store. Some sharp instru-
ment was forced through the
crack between the door and frame
to spring the lock.

Sheriff Jesse Breshears, who
was called on the case as soon as
the robbery became known this
morning, said this noon he was
hopeful of finding his men.

Carnival Concessions
Under Fire in Baker

BAKER, Ore., June 24. (Special).
—After a 16 concession
men were closed during the recent
congress in La Grande, the Baker
and French Carnival com-
pany faces similar action in Baker.

A petition, signed by 80 business
men, is directed at these con-
cessions and officers are considering
closing them down.

CHINESE COOLIE
SEVERED HEAD OF
CANADIAN WOMAN

PEKING, June 24. (AP).—Al-
though officially branded as the
work of a madman, details of the
murder June 7, of Mrs. W. B. Bil-
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here from Chung King indicate
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mail said she was returning from
a shopping tour in Chungking when
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Methodist, was dragged from a
rickshaw by a Chinese who at-
tempted to strangle her. She es-
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the assistance of her servant.

Second Day
Of Sales Is
Big Success

With nearly \$1,200 worth of
stock and farm equipment chang-
ing hands for cash in the two
and a half hours of the free auc-
tion sale that featured La Grande's
second community sales day Wed-
nesday afternoon, farmers from
the Grande Ronde valley, and as
far away as Enterprise and Joseph
in the Wallowa country, drove
home last night feeling that they
had been rendered a definite serv-
ice by the business men of La
Grande.

Their satisfaction—and that of
their wives—was augmented by
the fact that real bargains had
been offered them by the 50 mer-
chants who cooperated to make
the community sales day possible.

About 250 traders attended the
auction in the vacant lot behind
the chamber of commerce build-
ing. About Johnson, seasoned busi-
nessman with entertainment and kept
his patrons interested for the du-
ration of the sale.

Seventy-five articles, J. E. Reyn-
olds, clerk, recorded, brought cash
bidders, the sales aggregating
\$1,189.55. One automobile and a
gray pony that the owner forgot
to lead into the ring were all on
the list that failed to sell.

Fifteen head of horses, included
bays, grays, blacks, whites and
all the in-between shades that
rouge the valley. Some of them

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SOLEMN MASS
IS CELEBRATEDCardinal Bonzano, Leg-
ate of Pope Pius XI,
Presides at Eucharistic
Session.

MUNDELEIN, Ill., June 24. (AP).
—The Eucharistic ceremonies here
this morning were disrupted by the
heaviest rainstorm in many
months.

MUNDELEIN, Ill., June 24.
(AP).—In nature's great sanc-
tuary, flooded by a brilliant sun
and shrubs the last rites of the
28th International Eucharistic
congress were celebrated today be-
fore throngs numbered in hun-
dreds of thousands.

Before a huge altar canopied in
silk and velvet, overlooking from
the top a grass carpeted hill the
two-mile sweep of St. Mary's lake,
Cardinal Bonzano, legate of Pope
Pius XI celebrated solemn pontif-
ical mass under the fairest skies
of the congress sessions.

Deacons of honor to Cardinal
Bonzano were the Rt. Rev. Mon-
signor Peter Quelly, New York,
and the Rt. Rev. Monsignor Jo-
seph Schlaumer, Belleville, Ill.
The sermon was by Cardinal
Hayes, of New York.

After the benediction, the eucha-
ristic procession, more than
three miles long, filed through a
parted sea of humanity in the
ceremonial pageantry of the five-day

L. B. Metefee's Rainier
Mill Destroyed by Fire

LONGVIEW, Wash., June 24.
(AP).—The L. B. Metefee lumber
company's mill and yards located
on the Columbia river on the Ore-
gon side, below Rainier, was de-
stroyed by fire early today. Re-
ports received here did not tell
the cause of the fire, and the
amount of loss was not stated.

The Longview fire department
crossed the Columbia river on a
ferry to aid the Rainier firemen.
They confined their efforts to save
the dock and a portion of the
stored lumber.

Sheriff Declares Mystery Of
Seattle Slaying Now Solved

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SEARCH FOR
ABDUCTORS
UNDER WAYPoses Combing Border
Country for Kidnapers
of Woman PastorMOTHER GREETED
DAUGHTER TODAYFollowers of Angeles
Temple Leader Jubilant—
Los Angeles Au-
thorities to Study Case

DOUGLAS, Ark., June 24. (AP).
—Positive identification of the
woman brought to a hospital here
yesterday from Agua Prieta, a
Mexican evangelist, missing since
May 12, was made this morning
by Mrs. Minnie Kennedy, her
mother. Mrs. Kennedy arrived
from Los Angeles and went im-
mediately to the hospital where
she greeted her daughter.

The search for the two men who
kidnaped her at Ocean Park, Cal.,
on May 12 and held her captive
in Mexico until she escaped
Tuesday, was continued through-
out the decade country south of the
international boundary today.

Posed Thrown Out Now.
Yesterday Mexican federal
troops and Cochise county posse
searched the country from where
Mrs. McPherson said she came
but were unable to find a trace
of the house. Sheriff James
McDonald, Cochise county sheriff,
announced after his return that
he had possession of Mrs. McPherson's
clothing and shoes, and that
they were not damaged when
she was taken to the hospital. The
country through which she said
she wandered all night in search
of someone who would help her
escape was covered with Mexican
troops and soldiers, and she
having come from the border
was wearing a Mexican dress
or shoes of the evangelist, the
sheriff said.

At the same time, Chief of Po-
lice Percy Berwick and Mayor A. H.
Hinton, of Douglas, expressed
their belief that the story told by
Mrs. McPherson was correct.

"Certain Cases" Said.
A. B. Marchison, sergeant of
Douglas police, has announced
that his department has "certain
clues" to the identity and loca-
tion of the abductors of the
evangelist and that the search
will be continued today.

A posse headed by Marchison
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POLICE DIDN'T
ELECTIONEER IS
WALSH'S STORY

WASHINGTON, June 24. (AP).
—A story in which police in Wash-
ington superintendent of "poli-
ce," instructed members of the
force that "we expect a large ma-
jority in their respective districts
for the Pepper-Fisher election."

The letter was read by Chairman
Reed after Walsh himself, called
to the stand a surprise witness,
had insisted that no one asked him
to support the Pepper-Fisher elec-
tion, and that he made no ef-
fort to "line up the force" for the
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Starwich said late yesterday he
believed his investigation near an
end. Last night he questioned
Wallace C. Gaines, father of the
girl, for three hours and then re-
leased him.

He pronounced it improbable
that a man seen lurking near the
scene of the killing the night the
girl was slain was really the mur-
derer.

Louis Stern, said to be a friend
of Miss Gaines' father, began his
second day in custody of deputy

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