

Local News In Brief

COMING EVENTS

July 13, 14, 15 and 16—Free Home-makers' Institute under auspices of The Observer. July 15—Union county's 30th annual pioneer reunion. July 22, 23, 24—Convocation of Northwest Real Estate association in La Grande. Sept. 22, 23, 24, and 25—Union county fair at Elgin, Ore.

Here from Imbler—

Henry McGoldrick was in the city from Imbler today.

Visiting in Portland—

Mrs. J. R. Oliver is visiting in Portland. She will be there until after July 4.

To Wallowa Lake Today—

Ira Kennedy took his family to Wallowa Lake today, where they will remain until after July 4.

Here from Enterprise—

L. H. Irwin, who is now working at Enterprise, drove to La Grande Sunday. He returned to Enterprise yesterday accompanied by Mrs. Irwin. She returned home last evening.

Return from Portland—

Hal Rees was in the city from Union today. Mr. Rees has just returned from a three weeks trip to Portland.

On Fishing Trip—

Ed Ford, Eugene Tolls, Ralph Warden and Billy Arvey left yesterday on a four day's fishing trip on the Imnaha. They will return to La Grande Friday.

Away Over Week End—

Mrs. T. H. Maxwell and Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Maxwell spent the week end picknicking in the mountains. They returned home Monday morning.

Here this Morning—

Mrs. Elmer Volk of Imbler was here this morning on business. She returned home on the branch line train. She was accompanied by her little son, Alton.

To Make Home at Enterprise—

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Stover and little son, Glen, were in La Grande this morning on their way to Enterprise, where they will make their home. Mr. Stover has accepted a position with the East Oregon Lumber company there. They formerly lived in Portland.

In Forest Service—

R. W. Cook, of Wallace, Idaho, passed through the city this morning on his way to Wallowa. Mr. Cook is in the forest service and will be stationed in the Wallowa National forest during the summer.

To Spend Week Camping—

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hall arrived here this morning from Portland on route to Elgin. They will go to the mountains from Elgin, where they will spend a week camping.

Return from Nampa—

George Glass Jr., returned to La Grande the first of the week from Nampa, Idaho, where he visited his aunt. He went to Walla Walla yesterday.

Return Tomorrow—

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Norton will return to La Grande tomorrow from Portland, where they have been since Saturday. Mrs. Norton has been visiting her sister there besides transacting business.

Legion Society to Meet—

The "40 and 8" society of the La Grande post of the American Legion will meet this evening at 7:30 o'clock at the office of Hugh E. Brady. The purpose of the meeting is for organization and election of officers.

To Attend Reunion—

J. M. Kochensperger left Sunday evening for Junction City, Ohio, where he will attend a family reunion. The reunion will be held on his mother's 89th birthday anniversary. He expects to be away six weeks or two months.

Arrived this Morning—

A. E. Griggs, of Portland, arrived in La Grande this morning to spend a few days. Mrs. Griggs has been visiting here with her mother, Mrs. E. C. Brooks for about two weeks.

On Way Home—

Gyle Lewis arrived in the city this morning on his way home to Cascade, Idaho from Portland. He stopped in La Grande and will visit here for two days with his sister, Mrs. J. Gorsaur.

Returned Home from Portland—

Mrs. E. J. Brown and daughter, Esther, and son, Harold, have returned to their home here from Portland, where they have been visiting for the past month. Miss Esther Brown has been in Portland for two months and was joined by her mother and brother a month ago.

Here Since Sunday—

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Wotheler, who have been in La Grande since Sunday visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Burnett and Mr. and Mrs. Otto Pieper, left this morning for Gooding, Idaho where they will visit for about three weeks. They will stop in La Grande for another visit at the end of that time on their way home to Palouse, Washington.

Distributing Gum in City—

Ben H. Gow, representative of the William Wrigley Jr. Company, is in La Grande for a few days from the branch office of the company at San Francisco, Cal. Mr. Gow is driving an advertising car, which is one of 400 such cars over the United States. He is distributing packages of Wrigley's P. K's and is trying to give a sample package to every one in the city. He will be here for three or four days.

William Dole, chairman of the state highway commission, is reported to be ill at his home at Baker. He suddenly became ill yesterday and has been confined to his bed since that time.

Bridge Engineer Here—

G. F. Paxson, assistant state bridge engineer of Salem, was in the city this morning. He was on his way to Baker and the Snake river, where a bridge is now under construction. He will return to Salem over the John Day highway.

Taken Home Yesterday—

L. Denham, attorney of Elgin, was in the city yesterday. He was accompanied home by his daughter, Miss Louise Denham, who became ill while here last week on her way home from school, compelling her to stay here a few days.

Deliver Stock to Market—

P. A. Sanday passed through La Grande this morning on his way to Enterprise and from there will return to his home at Flora, Mr. Sanday is just returning from Portland, where he delivered five carloads of beef cattle and one carload of hogs to the Portland market. He reports that the market is not so good as it has been.

Marketed Stock in Portland—

Henry Hansen was in La Grande this morning on his way home to Enterprise from Portland, where he marketed stock Saturday. He delivered four carloads of hogs, four carloads of beef cattle and two decks of lambs to the Portland market. He reports that prices received were fair.

To Arrive July 7—

Mrs. W. P. McAdory, accompanied by her mother and sister, Mrs. William Hunt and Mrs. Lulu Baird will arrive July 7 from Birmingham, Alabama. Dr. McAdory has rented the Wessler home at 304 Main avenue and will move in as soon as they arrive.

Here this Morning—

W. L. Teutsch, district agricultural agent working in Marion, Yamhill and Lynn counties, was in the city this morning on his way to Wallowa county, where he will assist in a number of field meetings. Mr. Teutsch is an extension worker of the Oregon Agricultural college.

Visiting in City—

Mr. and Mrs. L. I. Funk, of Tampa, Florida, are visiting in La Grande guests at the L. Faus home on First street. Mr. and Mrs. Funk have a number of acquaintances here as they formerly made La Grande their home about 17 years ago. He was in the employ of the O. W. company while here. They plan to be in La Grande about a week.

ACCUSE DAD OF SLAYING DAUGHTER

(Continued from Page 1) France during the way that his brother is chairman of the board of King county commissioners has not influenced the jury's verdict in not filing the charge sooner. "I have been influenced by the fact that the girl who was murdered was his own daughter. I found it difficult to believe without complete investigation that a man would kill his own daughter. I have gone into all the circumstances and I believe that the man was sane—that there was no possibility of escape. I have deliberated maturely. Now I am ready to act."

ARNOLD B. HALL SPEAKS AT IOWA CITY CONFERENCE

IOWA CITY, Iowa, June 29.—Arnold B. Hall, president of the University of Oregon, attacked the members of the legislature here today, charging that they were "fraught with difficulty and friction, in an address here last night before the community conference which opened at the University of Iowa. Dr. Hall contended that unless the problems of government inherently require unyielding treatment throughout the country they should be left to the local initiative and management. "One of the forces of genuine reform," he said, "is the spontaneous interest of the community and nothing more destructive of community spontaneity than the life within." Illustrating friction growing out of unlimited uniform regulation, Dr. Hall cited the child labor problem, which he said was closely linked with education and the industrial and economical life of a community. Dr. Hall said another important problem was the relation of public opinion to law enforcement.

Charles Ponzi Taken By New Orleans Cops

NEW ORLEANS, June 29 (AP)—Lucian Andrea reached New Orleans last night as a captain's mess man on an Italian ship and Charles Ponzi, sought as a fugitive by Massachusetts and Texas authorities will reach Houston, Texas this morning. The financial "wizard," who is credited with making millions of dollars, was arrested here yesterday by George Lacy, a Houston deputy sheriff and accompanied the Texas officer to Houston last night. He was masquerading as Lucian Andrea but confessed his identity under questioning.

Plan National Fruit Conference in Chicago

PORTLAND, Ore., June 29 (AP)—A nationwide conference of fruit men to lay plans for educating the public on the benefits of eating fruit and for improving the fruit growing industry will be held in Chicago September 9-10, according to an announcement made yesterday by Paul Stark, of Louisiana, Mo., president of the American Pomological society who is heading a party of 66 fruit growers from 17 eastern and middle western states on a tour of the northwest fruit districts. The party completed a trip through the Willamette valley yesterday and left last night for a tour of the Yakima and Wenatchee districts in Washington.

MODERN CATACOMBS

ROME—The eternal city is to have a modern catacombs. It will build 22 miles of roadway, which will interfere with relics of antiquity as possible. Mr. and Mrs. Kelso Draper, of Lostine, registered at Mother's Inn Saturday night. They were motoring to St. Paul, Ore., to visit Mrs. Draper's parents.

FARM RELIEF BILL PUSHED

WASHINGTON, June 29. (AP)—As the Farm relief bill was pushed along toward a vote today its author tacked on an amendment and started a new drive over the real value of the measure to the farmer. The amendment would permit collection of an amortization charge on the loans which the bill proposes to make available to farm cooperatives out of a \$100,000,000 fund. When he presented it, Senator Fess, republican, Ohio, also put into the record telegrams of endorsement of the bill signed by the federated growers and the Alabama farm bureau federation. Senator Norris, republican, Nebraska, wanted to know if they knew about the amortization amendment before they sent the messages. The white house, which has formally given approval to the bill, has declined to withhold comment although it was said President Coolidge would trust in that matter to the judgment of Senator Fess. A vote may be reported late today. One of those who attacked the administration bill was Senator McNary, republican, Oregon, whose equalization fee proposal was killed several days ago by the votes of administration republicans and organization democrats. Fess was his own daughter. I found it difficult to believe without complete investigation that a man would kill his own daughter. I have gone into all the circumstances and I believe that the man was sane—that there was no possibility of escape. I have deliberated maturely. Now I am ready to act."

WITNESSES TESTIFY IN ARSON CASE

(Continued from Page 1.) that he had previously indicated in a letter read to the jury. But a frost the night of Monday, May 24, had damaged the orchardist's crop that he told the warehouse owner he would be unable to use the place again this year. He saw Blackington only once before the fire, he said, and on that occasion the latter reminded him of a bill of \$14.30 yet due for storage. Furman testified. The younger man said he would pay as soon as he could raise the money. On cross-examination, Furman said that Mr. Buchanan had not possessed a key to the warehouse, the railroad company storing goods there occasionally. Tolls of Rents Paid He said that the amounts of rent he had paid the defendant for the warehouse were: First year, \$290; second year, \$280; third year, \$300, and last year, \$295 on the smaller of the two buildings. He told of paying Clay Fox, insurance representative \$100 on Blackington's order, as part payment on storage contract by his father. A check for \$25 more he paid to the warehouse owner, keeping the remaining \$25 to reimburse himself for expenditures for lumber and labor to erect new platforms. The warehouse charge a box of apples was usually five cents, he said, except in 1924 when at Blackington's stipulation he took what business he could get for as low as one and two cents a box. Furman declined to testify that he had known Mrs. M. Alice Blackington, sister of the defendant, as the real owner of the warehouse, or that he has told her that the place had more than once been entered. He did miss a nail puller and hatchet the fall of 1924 during the apple season, and one other time that year had seen evidence that someone had broken in, he said. In his opinion, Furman declared, the warehouse was not in the best condition, nor was it especially advantageous for use in storing and packing apples. How she had seen the doors closed and the windows boarded between 7 and 8 p. m., Sunday afternoon, he did not know. He said that they were open so he could see Blackington working inside, was related by Mrs. Furman in testimony not cross-examined. Irvin Westenskow, Imbler, merchant, said he sold the defendant a five-cent candle at 8:30 p. m., Wednesday, and A. E. Golding, who lives on a farm north of the town, said he was present when the sale was made. Let Him a Lantern Mrs. Minnie Watson, who has an eating house and occasionally takes lodgers at Imbler, said that Blackington stayed at her place Tuesday and Saturday nights, and other Wednesday or Thursday. She lent him a lantern Thursday morning when he said he wanted to look for some things stored in the warehouse. The globe was dirty and the lantern empty when she gave it to him, in just about the same condition that it now appears, she said. Her daughter, Mrs. Leatha Cleaver, testified to being on the porch when Blackington returned the lantern. Mrs. Cleaver's father, H. A. Watson, said he picked it up, shook it to see that it was empty, and hung it up over the porch. After the fire, he and the station agent turned it upside down to be sure it held no oil, and only a small amount "about a drop" ran out. Reminded that in the preliminary hearing in justice court he had said about a teaspoonful, Watson, responded that it was a small amount, maybe a half a teaspoonful. Tolls of Sale of Oil A. M. Andrews, who said he sold Blackington 10 cents worth of oil, about one and two-thirds quarts, a little after noon Friday, was still on the stand when court adjourned at noon. That the strange set of circumstances from which the charge has arisen grew out of perfectly innocent situations was declared by Henry L. Hess, counsel, for the defense, when he made his opening statement at the close of the court-day Monday. Wanted to Sell Place Blackington, he said, was not embarrassed by Furman's inability to use the warehouse this year; in fact, he had declined offers of others desirous of renting the place because of his contract with the young fruit grower. He had come to La Grande for the purpose of selling the place for the owner, his son, J. Clark Blackington, if possible, because the latter preferred to have the money invested in California land. Blackington, Hess said, knew that pilfering was going on, and when he found valuable articles missing, made immediate arrangements to ship his good to California, all except some things that he arranged with a neighbor to sell. Explains Purchases The procuring of the candle, the lantern and the oil, were the natural result of his need to light the attic for investigation. The fact that he stayed at the Savoy hotel the night of the fire instead of going to his daughter's home was answerable by his daughter's absence that day on a picnic trip. The visit to the Briggs family at Island City, where he decided to go after earlier purchasing a ticket for La Grande, was in keeping with his custom whenever he came here from California. The defendant's wife sat beside him through the trial this morning, and his sister, M. Alice Blackington, was in the audience, frequently consulted. Blackington, himself, was industrious in the cross-questioning, taking notes and making numerous suggestions. Jury Drawn Monday No witnesses were called before this morning, the jury having accepted at 5 p. m., Monday, after which the opening statements were delivered. Six men responded to the special venire dwindled to two before the defense pronounced themselves satisfied. The two sides mixed in an amusing tussle over the right of A. N. Mayville to claim a physician's exemption. R. J. Green, after addressing the naturologist as Dr. Mayville, disputed the suggestion of John S. Hodgins, prosecuting attorney, to be excused because of physician's privileges. Judge J. W. Knowles relieved the situation by excusing the juror on reasons previously submitted to bench. COMMITTEE TO INQUIRE IN DAKOTA (Continued from Page 1) also heard testimony about the employment of under-cover men, some of the discharged employees of the federal prohibition unit, in the enforcement of prohibition in the Dakotas, state under a special fund raised by the Women's Christian Temperance Union. Then adjournment was taken until tonight when George W. Woodruff, the Pennsylvania attorney general, will be questioned about his connection with the W. C. T. U. fund and prohibition enforcement in general. Dakota Fund Eyed The charges of a slush fund in North Dakota were made to the committee in writing on behalf of Senator Nye, a republican and a candidate for reelection. The Coolidge administration was declared to be backing an effort to defeat the senator, and the committee was assured that every suspicious circumstance that may surround tomorrow's North Dakota primary would be reported to it for study. Committee members made no comment on the Nye charges, but they indicated that at the proper time consideration would be given to any evidence of excessive or illegal expenditures. FARGO, N. D., June 29 (AP)—Complete and specific denial that any money from sources outside North Dakota had been received or used in his campaign for the senate was made today by L. B. Hanna, Coolidge republican candidate for the republican senatorial nomination. L. L. Twitthell, state chairman and campaign manager for the independent or administration republican forces stated the entire independent campaign fund of \$24,000 was raised in North Dakota and was being spent in behalf of all the candidates on the ticket for the eleven state and four national offices.

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William Miller Quits As President of Bank (Continued from Page 1) to fill Mr. Miller's unexpired term, the office vacated was delegated to T. J. Scroggin, cashier, who will act as both vice president and general manager. L. H. Bramwell was elevated to the office of cashier from that of assistant, and C. L. Thompson was elected to succeed him in the latter position. C. A. Hinman was added to the list of directors on the board. The election of Mr. Stange to the presidency combines with the addition of Mr. Hinman to the board to make the bank one of the strongest financial institutions in the state," Mr. Scroggin said this morning. Engineers and Women Convene in Portland PORTLAND, Ore., June 29 (AP)—The Pacific Northwest Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and the Women's Grand International auxiliary opened a three-day union meeting here yesterday with about 100 delegates attending the opening session. Separate meetings of the two bodies will be held today.

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