

Local News In Brief

COMING EVENTS
July 13, 14, 15 and 16—Frem
Homemakers' institute under
auspices The Observer.

July 15—Unk county's 24th
annual pioneer reunion.
July 23, 24, 25—Convocation of
Northwest Real Estate associa-
tion in La Grande.

Leave Tomorrow—
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bingham
will leave Thursday for Walla-
wala Lake, where they will spend
the summer.

To Visit at Tacoma—
Mrs. B. W. Bailey and children,
Connie, Dorothy and Mary, left
yesterday for Tacoma, where they
will spend a month with friends.

Guest of Aunt—
Miss Eledice Maxwell, of Boser,
stopped in La Grande Tuesday
on her way to Joseph, where she
is to be the guest of her aunt, Mrs.
Roxie Daggett.

Home from Walla Walla—
Grover C. Hodgen returned
home Tuesday morning from Walla
Walla, where he attended the
funeral of his father.

Sprains Her Ankle—
Mrs. E. Marks sprained her an-
kle Tuesday afternoon on a down-
town street when she stepped off
the curb on a ridge at the edge of
the pavement. She is getting
about on crutches.

Left this Morning—
After visiting at the F. B.
Barnes home here for several days,
Mrs. Dudley Blackburn left this
morning for her home at Pendle-
ton.

Home to Baker—
Mr. S. B. Willett returned to
his home at Baker this morning
after visiting at the home of her
daughter, Mrs. C. O. Murchison,
for the past week.

Mrs. Murphy's Parents Arrive—
Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Griffith, par-
ents of Mrs. Hay F. Murphy, ar-
rived in La Grande yesterday from
their home in Kansas City. They
will be guests at the Murphy home
for some time.

Here from Hawaii—
Miss Carol Currey, daughter of
Fred B. Currey, arrived in La
Grande last night to spend the
summer vacation here. She is a
teacher on the Island of Maui, Ha-
waii, and will return to the Island
of Hawaii for the 1926-27 term.

Returns from Corvallis—
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cleaver
have returned to their home at
Imbler from Corvallis. They were
in La Grande yesterday. Mr. Cleav-
er was a witness in the Blacking-
ton case.

Visited Parents Here—
Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Lasky left
this morning for their home at

Forest Grove, Oregon after visit-
ing here during the past week
with Mrs. Lasky's parents, Mr. and
Mrs. Homer Taylor.

Here from Portland—
Don E. Lilla, of Portland, was
in La Grande today on business.

Here from Joseph—
W. E. Loeffel, of Joseph, was a
business visitor to La Grande to-
day.

In Kentucky—
Mrs. F. A. Epting has gone to
Kentucky, where she will spend
the summer with her mother.

In City Today—
J. H. Dobbin and W. H. Holmes,
both of Enterprise, were transac-
ting business in La Grande today.
They returned to their Wallawa
county homes this afternoon.

At Haines Today—
Mrs. A. W. Wall and daughter,
Dorothy, and son, Rex, are visit-
ing at Haines today. They will re-
turn to their home here this even-
ing.

Here from West Virginia—
After traveling all the way
from Hinton, West Virginia, L. D.
Thompson arrived in La Grande
last night, and this morning con-
tinued on his way to Enterprise
where he will be a guest of his
daughter, Mrs. John Samuels.

Examination to be Monday—
Examinations in cosmetic ther-
apy for Eastern Oregon students
will be held at the shop of E.
Juchie Daley Monday. Mrs. Daley
has recently been reappointed
chairman of the state board of
cosmetic therapy.

To Visit Mother—
Mr. and Mrs. Jim Harrison left
Monday evening for Hoquiam,
Wash., where they will spend the
fourth of July with Mrs. Harri-
son's mother, Mrs. Viola Steele.
On their return trip they will
spend a few days in Seattle with
friends and relatives.

88 Above Yesterday—
Indications that the prevalent
heat wave had passed its peak
were roughly shattered yesterday
when the official thermometer re-
gistered a maximum of 88 degrees
above, equal to the second hottest
day of this year. Temperatures for
the past few days follow: Monday
90, Sunday 88, Saturday 90, Fri-
day 100, Thursday 98, Wednesday
94.

Leave Here Tomorrow—
Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Blood will
leave La Grande tomorrow for
Portland, by auto. From there
they will make a coast-to-coast
trip by train, stopping at Salina,
Kansas, where Mrs. Blood's sister
and her husband will join them;
they will visit in Kansas City,
Chicago, Buffalo, Philadelphia,
Niagara Falls and New York City.
When they return they will make
their home in Portland. Mr. Blood
has retired from the services of
the O.-W. company here, after
being with the company for 40
years.

GORDON BIRNIE CALLED BEYOND LAST EVENING

Gordon Birnie, son of Mr. and
Mrs. George S. Birnie, passed
away yesterday evening at 5:30
o'clock after an illness of only two
days. The little boy was born July
27, 1913. He is survived by his fa-
ther and mother and his grand-
mother, Mrs. Harriet McDonald.

His brief life has been a joy to
his family and to a great host of
friends in this community. He was
an unusually bright child, taking
great pleasure in his school work
and in play. His clear, thought-
ful mind and his deep spiritual
perception always held him close
to that heavenly home that is now
his, and made him especially dear
to the loving members of his fam-
ily and all who knew him.

In peace and joy his life will go
on through eternity until that
blessed morn when "those angel
selves which we have loved long
since and low awhile." The fune-
ral services will be held on the
lawn at the home, 504 Fourth
street, Thursday morning at 10:30
o'clock conducted by the Rev. Ol-
iver Riley of the Episcopal church.
The body is at the home, and
friends have been invited to call.

Home from California—
Mrs. Elizabeth Denny returned
home this morning after a
two-weeks vacation trip to Cali-
fornia. Mrs. Denny is manager
of the ladies' ready-to-wear de-
partment of West's store here.

Here for Visit—
Miss Eleanor Glass arrived here
last night from Salem, where she
has been since the close of school.
She will be here indefinitely. At
present she is a guest at the home
of Mr. and Mrs. J. Donald Meyers.

Arrived here Yesterday—
C. N. Teed arrived here yester-
day from Kuna, Idaho. He is in
the forest service and will be
stationed at Mt. Emily an lookout.

Left this Morning—
Miss Lois Turner went to Ent-
erprise this morning where she
will make her home with her
parents. She has been visiting
with her aunt, Mrs. James O'Neal.
The Turners recently moved to
Enterprise from Baker.

Home from Spokane—
Mrs. Henry Sommer returned to
her home here this morning from
Spokane, Wash., where she has
been visiting for the past month.

To Enterprise for Fourth—
Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Millington,
of Baker, were in the city this
morning on their way to Enter-
prise, where they will spend the
Fourth, of July.

Conclude Visit Here—
Mrs. Gale Johnson and son,
Bobbie, of Portland, and her
mother, Mrs. G. W. Johnson, of Flora,
Ore., who have been visiting here
for a few days at the home of Mrs.
A. E. Lock, at 2015 Spruce street,
continued on their way from Flora
to Portland this morning.

Home Tomorrow—
Mrs. M. E. Longfellow, who has
been visiting here at the home of
her son, J. T. Longfellow, will
leave tomorrow for her home at
Mountain Home, Idaho. Mrs.

HALL AGAINST NATIONAL LAW

IOWA CITY, Ia., June 29. (AP)
—Through his criticism of national
prohibition Dr. Arnold B. Hall,
president-elect of the University of
Oregon, has diverted attention of
the fourth annual commonwealth
conference from local self govern-
ment problems.

Prohibition is the greatest na-
tional scandal in the history of this
country, was the statement made
by Dr. Hall, which precipitated an
argument on the eighteenth amend-
ment.

Favors State Laws.
Dr. Hall considers the Volstead
enforcement act as the greatest
mistake in the history of the govern-
ment but is a staunch advocate
of state and local prohibition. He
made it plain that he favored state
laws prohibiting liquor but opposed
national measures.

"Without the eighteenth amend-
ment," he declared, "every state in
the union with the exception of
four, would be dry today." He did
not name the four which would be
wet.

Longfellow's sister, Miss Esther
Longfellow, who accompanied her
to La Grande about two weeks
ago, will remain here two or three
weeks longer.

Returns from Inspection Trip—
M. Stephenson, state highway
bridge engineer, stationed here,
returned yesterday from Central
Oregon and John Day, where he
has been inspecting bridges under
construction there. He was away
two weeks during which time he
also visited for a short time in
Portland with his mother and sister.

Met Sister Here—
Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Bartholmew
and son, Walter, and baby daugh-
ter, Mary Ann, were in La Grande
this morning from Sumpter, where
they have their sleep during the
summer. They met Mrs. Barthol-
mew's sister, Mrs. Mamie Isensee,
and her two children here. Mrs.
Isensee and her family will spend
two or three weeks visiting them.
The Bartholmews' make their
home at Pendleton.

CO-OP RELIEF BILL PASSED

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stores from its provisions, it must
go to conference between the two
chambers for adjustment of the
differences.
Little Delay Expected.
Little delay in final enactment
of the bill, however, is expected
to result from the changes, and
house leaders held today's pro-
gram open to expedite the progress
of the measure toward the
White House. Nothing else of
major importance remains on their
state for action prior to adjourn-
ment, which they hope to bring
about at the end of this week or
early next week.

HALF OF BOY QUOTA RAISED

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million of four, said at noon today
that he and his helpers expect to
get the remaining \$1250 Thursday
morning. J. H. Larson, J. J.
Carr and Floyd McKennon are his
assistants.
The meeting last night was ad-
dressed by W. D. Janin, of Ev-
erett, field representative of the
Boy Scouts, Dr. W. P. Poy, as
chairman of the committee of 29,
presided.

Guardsmen Return Home This Morning

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fors, by General George A. White,
Troops Entrain.
The first call was sounded Tues-
day morning at 2:20 o'clock and
by 5 o'clock the guard members
were on the train and ready to
start for home.

The trains arrived in Portland
yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock
and were there until 9 o'clock
last night. The Baker and Union
companies returned home on No.
6 with the La Grande unit and
the Pendleton company returned
home on train No. 24.

"There was the least sickness
ever known in a guard camp this
year," Major Huron said. "The
'medics' were mostly ornaments."
According to Major Huron, it is
not likely that the national guard
summer encampment will be held
at Camp Jackson again. The next
encampment will probably be
nearer Portland and the coast,
where more guard companies are
located.

Francis P. Robinson Receives High Grades

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eug-
ene, June 29. (Special)—Francis
P. Robinson, of La Grande, a
freshman in pre-law, is named on
the list of students receiving excep-
tionally high grades at the Univer-
sity of Oregon during the spring
term. The list, which names 193
students, 57 women and 52 men, in-
cludes only those who have re-
ceived no grade of less than B in
all studies, physical education and
military training excepted, and has
been compiled from the grade
sheet, or "scandal" sheet which has
just made its appearance.

Sometimes, when we have a
headache the next morning, we
think we'll have it operated on by
a true surgeon.

STATE NEAR END OF ITS CASE TODAY

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fense, challenged the introduction
of the exhibit on the grounds that
Blackington had signed the pages
without being able to read them.
The defendant's glasses were
broken the day before, he said,
while fellow prisoners in the main
jail were subjecting him to a kan-
garoo trial.

The sheriff, called to the stand,
said with a pulled-up smile that
something of the kind had hap-
pened.

Document Admitted.
Court adjourned without action
on the document, which was ad-
mitted the first thing this morning.

Testifying from his regular stand
and recording in shorthand his
own testimony, H. R. Hanna, court
reporter, told of being called to
the prisoner's ward Tuesday evening
and of making a stenographic
record of questions asked by Pome-
roy and answered by Blackington
concerning the fire.

From a transcript, he read the
defendant's story of the whole af-
fair, which appeared to accord in
most details with the theory to
which the defense is adhering.

Tells of Actions.
Blackington, in the statement,
told of coming from California to
look after the property, make ar-
rangements with Farnan for re-
newing the contract, and get some
household goods that his wife want-
ed. He said that he spent the time
partly in La Grande, with his
daughter and the rest at Imbler,
staying at the Watson house. The
candle, he said, he purchased to
look through his goods, found it
would not serve and borrowed a
lantern, for which he purchased 10
cents worth of kerosene, filling the
bowl once. There was but a small
quantity—five or six tablespoonsful
—in the can when he set it aside.

The candle, with papers and a
small amount of kindling, he said
he burned in the stove in the of-
fice, after making sure that the fire
was in good condition.

He carefully extinguished the
fire an hour before he left the of-
fice at 5 o'clock Sunday afternoon,
he reiterated.

Having fastened the doors and
windows, he knew there was no
means of entrance but by climbing
in through the attic, the statement
read.

Insurance 8 Months Old.
Blackington, according to the
notes the court reporter read in
his testimony, said that insurance
on the warehouse was not more
than eight months old. He had
insured, he said, because he had
always been afraid of a fire there.

The title to the place had been
in the name of his sister, M. Alice
Blackington, then another sister,
M. E. Blackington, who willed it
back to the former at her death.
A few months ago it was deeded to
the defendant's son, J. Clarkson, in
consideration of his having paid
off a \$500 mortgage. Both Miss
Blackington and her brother sign-
ed the transfer, to insure its legal-
ity, it was explained.

In a short recess this morning the
defense argued the incompetency of
evidence in regard to insurance in
a case in which the defendant is
charged with the "burning in the
nighttime the property belonging
to another." Judge J. W. Knowles
denied their motion to exclude
references to the age and value of
the building, explaining that in the
attempt to establish guilt for one
crime the state is privileged to in-

PROCTOR TESTIFIES

Dave Proctor, county assessor,
was called upon to produce rec-
ords of assessments of the Blacking-
ton warehouse, in which the
property value in 1925 was fixed
at \$400.

On the insistence of the defense,
and over John S. Hodgkin's protest
that it was not proper cross-ex-
amination, the assessor was allow-
ed to exhibit also the records of as-
sessment in the case of the Imbler
elevator, which was valued at \$9,-
000, and the Martin warehouse at
\$1300.

Excludes Records.
Judge Knowles later excluded all
these records from the evidence, on
the grounds that assessment values
are generally known to be unreli-
able in establishing the definite
value of property.

F. A. Leavitt, master mechanic
for the O.-W. R. & N., a railroad
man for 27 years, testified that all
three of the engines that passed
through Imbler the day of the
fire were inspected by him on their
return run and found to be in
good condition so far as spark
screens are concerned. He stated
further that engines through Imbler
operate with a drifting throttle,
lessening and danger of fire start-
ing from sparks.

Defense, in cross-examination,
asked the mechanic if he could not
recall fires within two or three
years up the branch, where he said
the precautions were greater than
those taken on the regular line.
Leavitt said he remembered fires
to which trainmen had been sent
as volunteer aids, but that he had
no means of knowing that the
blaze in any case had been started
by sparks from an engine.

Hazen Recalled.
E. J. Hazen, Imbler station agent,
whose testimony an attempt was
made to impeach yesterday after-
noon, was recalled by the state this
morning to relate his remembrance
that the wind was blowing from
the north the day of the fire. Haz-
en said Tuesday that 42 hours
without sleep combined with his
month end work and the excitement
of the fire investigation led to the
account for his statement in jus-
tice court hearing that Blacking-
ton had appeared natural when he
bought his ticket for Island City
before the fire.

How is your DEP?



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GAINES IS HELD IN SEATTLE JAIL

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"That's just what happened," Stern
told officials Gaines said to him.

Arraignment is Friday in upper
court. Robert S. MacFarlane,
Gaines' attorney, said he would
ask for a trial next month.

"I am confident that Wallace
Gaines will be cleared," Robert S.
MacFarlane, his attorney, said. "I
believe the state's case is so weak
that the court will not require any
defense but will direct an acquittal
at the conclusion of the state's evi-
dence."

MacFarlane declared that he did
not believe Stern's testimony would
be "worth a whoop." "It was ob-
tained under the third degree. We
can show he made a contradictory
statement. Even a strong man
might waver under seven hours of
questioning."

"Unfortunately, the sheriff's of-
fice has a candidate to succeed Matt
Starwich at the September pri-
mary. They are trying to make
out that this candidate, Under
Sheriff Archie Hutchinson, is a
great detective and that he and
Sheriff Starwich solved the mystery
of the Gaines murder, when they
are further from the solution than
any one else because they haven't
even begun to work on the right
trail."

C.J. Bradley Boys' Bathing Suits 79c
Boys' Cotton Bathing Suits, navy blue, gold trim; sizes 30 to 36.

The prisoner slept well last night.
In New York, a cartoonist tried
to kill himself, perhaps because
he drew a G. O. P. cartoon with-
out an elephant.

ARCADE TODAY - THURSDAY
POLA NEGRI
Good and Naughty
A Paramount Picture
TOM MOORE FORD STERLING
MALCOLM ST. CLAIR PRODUCTION
Comedy - "The Greenhorn"
Spotlight - "The Animal Celebrities"
Friday - Doug. MacLean in "That's My Baby"

On the Screen at last!
The Still Alarm!
Featuring William Russell and Helene Chadwick
Fire! Fire! Fire!
The deadly signal is shouted! Horses gallop through the streets, men grow wild, women faint, the flames mount, the water fails. A lone fireman shoots through the smoke! A spectacular rescue! Here is drama. It will thrill, haunt, grip you.
STARTS Thursday
TONIGHT
Pete Morrison in "Chasing Trouble"

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