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THE WEATHER  
OREGON: Fair in the  
east, cloudy and foggy in  
the west portion tonight and  
Tuesday.

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PROMINENT  
CLUBWOMAN  
IS SUICIDE

Mrs. Lucille Carter Hendrickson Found Dead Here Yesterday

HUSBAND ARRIVES HOME TOO LATE

Officers Believe Strain of Recent Work and Illness Caused Her to End It All.

Her frail strength apparently breaking under the strain of work and study to which her ambition compelled her, Mrs. Lucille Carter Hendrickson, 38, prominent Oregon writer and clubwoman, took her own life at her home here Sunday afternoon.

At about 3 o'clock she called her husband at the Bowman-Hicks office, where he had just gone to look after work that had fallen behind. She had sent the children to a movie, she told him, but he better come home at once, or it would be too late.

Found Wife Dead.  
Receiving no response when he tried to reach her, Mr. Hendrickson jumped in his car and rushed to the house. The front door was locked. Hurrying to the rear entrance, he searched from room to room, and found her in the bathroom, dead. She had climbed in the tub and shot herself through the heart.

A letter in longhand asked him to look after the education of his daughter, Mary Vaughn, who is 15, and son, Willard, 13. She suggested that it might be well to place the girl in a boarding school, but added that he was to use his own judgment. "I feel that my life has been a failure," she concluded.

No Inquest Held.  
Coroner F. L. Ralston held no inquest.

Mrs. Hendrickson's poetry has been regularly published in the Oregon newspapers and in both state and national magazines of contemporary verse. Several of her poems, together with her picture and a short biography, are

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BAND TO APPEAR  
IN CONCERT HERE  
FRIDAY EVENING

The La Grande municipal band will appear in concert at the high school athletic field next Friday night, July 26, at 8 o'clock. It was announced by Director Andrew Loney this morning.

An excellent program has been prepared for the occasion which will be published in The Observer later this week.

Dr. Hamilton Preaches To  
Congregation of MethodistsTaking  
Too Many  
ChancesIf a business fails to make a reasonable profit for its owner, fails to attract customers and serve them well so that it grows—then the business becomes a liability to the community and a worry to the man who operates it.  
For a business to try to be continually successful without advertising is a long chance. Over 80% of the business firms that failed in 1925 were non-advertisers, according to recent figures. And advertising merely permits business contact with the greatest possible number of prospective clients or customers. In the Observer an advertising contract permits a business man to keep in constant touch with 3000 families for as little as 80c a day. It's an investment he cannot afford to miss.

"Observer Advertising—A Merchandising Service."

Making Plans  
For Annual  
County Fair

Financial Condition of Fair Association Good This Year, President Bean Says.

Plans are progressing in good shape for Union county's annual fair to be held at Elgin the last week in September under the leadership of Gay Dutton, who is secretary of the fair board, and manager of the fair this year, Charles Bean, president of the board, announced that financial conditions of the fair association this year are very good, with no indebtedness.

The association met at Elgin last Friday evening and at the suggestion of W. R. Lebetter and others decided that the premium amounts to be given for draft horses, beef cattle, and boys and girls club work be considerably raised over the amounts offered in previous years.

To Improve Features.  
The entertainment features, which have not been as successful in the past years as the board would like them to be, will be much improved this year. Plans are to enlarge upon this year's Fourth of July program, which was very successful from an entertainment standpoint, and add several features for the fall show.

Many details remain to be taken

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WILL SURFACE  
COVE ROADS

County Judge Announces Completion of Work on Five Miles of Mt. Glenn Stretch.

Graveling and surfacing on the county's five miles of the La Grande-Mt. Glenn market road having been completed, the construction plant is being moved to Cove, Judge U. G. Couch announced this morning. The program of work in the new location will be carried on by the county engineer, there is surfacing to be done on the Mill creek road, the Bell road, which runs east from Cove, and a stretch that leads into the fruit section from the Cove market road.

Conley Trial Is Set For 9:30 A. M. Thursday

Trial of Lester Conley on a charge of driving while intoxicated will be heard before Justice Hugh E. Brady at 9:30 a. m. Thursday. He was arrested Saturday morning, following arrest the night before by E. E. Bert, state traffic officer. Col. F. S. Ivanhoe will defend Conley.

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ENTERTAIN  
REALTORS  
IN WALLOWA

Trout Breakfast at Wonderland Resort Enjoyed Yesterday

VISITORS PRAISE CONVENTION CITY

Banquet, Following Election of Officers, Brings Sessions to Close Saturday.

Although some 175 realtors and their wives visited Wallowa lake resort yesterday in a post-convention feature, the tenth annual sessions of the Pacific Northwest Real Estate association were formally ended Saturday night with a banquet and dance at Zuber hall.

The banquet was presided over by Toastmaster Worrell Wilson, of Seattle, who was forced to leave half an hour before it ended. In order to catch his train, President A. H. Barnhill took his place. Music was furnished by the chamber of commerce quartet, the Pocatello Treble Clef club and Lindsay's orchestra.

Several Addresses.  
Addresses were made by Governor Walter M. Pierce, Harry H. Cutler, president of the California Real Estate association, William E. Herren, director of extension of the National association of Real Estate boards, Mrs. H. A. M. Donnell, president of the Portland women's club, Will H. Ross, of Portland, vice president of the Northwest association, F. C. McGowan, of Pocatello, Ida, Mr. Barnhill, and President Elect J. W. Wheeler, of Seattle, Wash.

Presentation of trophies and of moments of appreciation took place mid way in the affair. The introduction of officers-elect came just before adjournment.

La Grande Praised.  
Throughout the banquet, La Grande citizens and realtors were given lavish praise for the manner in which the convention had been conducted and entertainment provided. Appreciation was also expressed for the excellent dinner, prepared and served by women of the M. E. church.

During the banquet, newsboys distributed copies of a special state edition of the La Grande Evening Observer.

Victoria Wine Convention.  
At the afternoon business meeting Victoria, B. C., was successful in winning the 1927 convention and the mid-winter meeting was given to Tacoma, Wash.

Mr. Wheeler was elected president and T. W. Zimmerman, of Portland, to a fifth term as secretary-treasurer.

La Grande Man Honored

La Grande won past vice presidency when Sherrard Williams was elected to that position along with J. Fred Stayer, of Portland, for Oregon. Other vice presidents followed:

Washington: R. W. Grinnell, Spokane; Frank G. Jackson, Seattle; Idaho: F. W. McGowan, Pocatello; W. E. Brown, Boise; Montana: L. W. Trull, Bozeman; W. A. Mosbray, Anaconda; British Columbia: A. McCreary, Vancouver.

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Union Water Shortage  
Becoming More Acute

UNION, Ore., July 26. (Special)—The town of Union is experiencing the greatest lack of good water for many years, if not in its history. Samples of the water which have been analyzed show a much greater percentage of going than usual. This part of the trouble is being remedied by the installation of a chlorination plant at the intake about two and a half miles up the canyon where the water is taken from Catherine creek. A California company has been awarded the contract for this plant at a cost of a thousand dollars and the building to house it is already up. The plant will be in operation as soon as it can be put in.

Two or three other methods of getting more water and a greater pressure are being discussed by the council and citizens. Some favor a reservoir on the hillside near town, some extending the pipeline farther upstream, while some contend that a deep well would solve the difficulty.

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Chamber Secretaries  
At Wallowa Resort

Earl C. Reynolds will represent the Union county chamber of commerce at the regional meeting of secretaries at Wallowa lake today.

W. D. B. Dodson, manager of the Wallowa chamber of commerce, arrived in La Grande this morning and drove with Reynolds to the location at which he is to be speaker-general. C. C. Gignoux, assistant superintendent of agriculture for the Union Pacific system, also is expected to attend.

Secretarial problems in Eastern Oregon will be the subject of round table discussions. The meetings, which are semi-annual, were commenced in La Grande a year ago.

"Vacation" Of  
Aimee Spent  
By Sea, Claim

Nine Persons Assert That Ormiston and Woman Pastor Occupied Cottage Ten Days.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 26. (AP)—The San Francisco Bulletin says today that identification, which it declares unconvincing, has been made of a man and woman who occupied a cottage at Carmel-by-the-Sea for ten days late in May as Aimee Semple McPherson and K. G. Ormiston.

Nine persons say the story, have identified the man who rented the cottage as Ormiston, former radio operator at Angelus Temple, Los Angeles, and three of the nine are positive that the woman, who he said was his sick wife from San Diego, was the evangelist leader of Angelus Temple, who disappeared from a beach near Los Angeles May 18, and reappeared at Douglas, Ariz., a little more than a month later.

Ryan Gathers Evidence

The evidence from the residents of Carmel-by-the-Sea has been gathered by Assistant District Attorney Joseph Ryan of Los Angeles.

The house was rented by "McPherson" four days before the disappearance of Mrs. McPherson. He said that he wanted it for his wife, who would arrive a few days later. All of the persons from whom evidence has been gathered by Ryan insist that the man walked with a limp which is a peculiarity of Ormiston's.

The man and woman arrived at the cottage in Carmel at 4:30 o'clock the morning of May 19, in an automobile.

Cottage 10 Days

Ormiston is known to have appeared at the office of the state motor vehicle department in San Francisco May 21 and changed registration of his automobile from a Washington state license to a California license.

The couple occupied the cottage for ten days but the man was not there all the time. Those who are connected by Ryan with the sending of a telegram from Oakland on May 21 addressed to Mrs. McPherson's mother in Los Angeles telling her her daughter was safe.

After the disappearance of the couple the owner of the house received a letter from New York signed McIntyre asking a return of part of the rent. A recent letter signed by Ormiston to the Los Angeles district attorney said that he was in New York.

SMALL CROWD  
SEES PAGEANT

250 Persons Witness the Final Presentation of "Spirit of America," Spectacle Praised.

Although the second presentation of the historical pageant, "Spirit of America," was very successful, only about 250 persons attended. Professor R. J. Hammer in the role of Chief Joseph and W. S. Leroy, who equally as good as on the previous night, Charles Runyan, in the part of Chief Too-Hoo-Su, also took part in the dialogue.

Probably the most impressive scene during the entire pageant was that depicting the death of Chief Joseph, after he and his people had been driven from Wallowa.

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Traffic Cops Tackle  
Red Grange For a Loss

CHICAGO, July 26. (AP)—"Red" Grange, the gridiron speedster, found it more difficult to outdistance two county highway policemen early today than to shake off tacklers. The motorcycle pair of "Red" and charged that he was driving his auto at 45 miles in Justice, a village near Chicago. Grange, who only recently returned from his film making expedition in Hollywood, Cal., was accompanied by his father. The professional football star posted a cash bond of \$25 and was released.

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Batteries—Yde, Adams and Gooch; Vance and Dabney.MA BEATEN  
BY MOODY  
IN TEXAS

Attorney General May Claim Election Without Run-Off Primary

HAD MAJORITY OF 387 THIS MORNING

Davidson, of Houston, Is Poor Third with Moody Leading Mrs. Ferguson by 109,000 Votes.

DALLAS, Tex., July 26. (AP)—Attorney General Dan Moody's majority in Saturday's democratic gubernatorial primary suddenly jumped to 3,555 over all opponents when the 1:30 tabulation of returns was announced. On the previous count he had only 154 majority.

DALLAS, Tex., July 26. (AP)—Attorney General Dan Moody today apparently had more than an even chance to claim his election but with Governor Miriam A. Ferguson and possibly succeed her, without a run-off primary as the titular head of Texas democracy.

As the Texas election bureau resumed its count of Saturday's primary election, Moody was leading Mrs. Ferguson by nearly 100,000 votes, and a 372 majority over the combined totals of all his democratic opponents.

Davidson Poor Third

Linch Davidson, the Houston business man, running third, had less than a third of Moody's total and less than half governor Ferguson's.

Moody's brightened prospects for unopposed nomination stimulated renewed confidence today as to whether Mrs. Ferguson will execute her promise to resign if Moody leads her by one vote in the first primary. Her offer was contingent on Moody's agreement to resign as attorney general if she should lead him by 25,000 votes, and he accepted.

Of the 677,527 votes already counted, Moody has 338,547, Mrs. Ferguson 230,095 Davidson, 109,846, Mrs. Kate M. Johnson, 13,611, Mrs. Edith Williams, 3,855 and Rev. O. F. Zimmerman, 5,983. These figures represented returns from 238 of the 352 counties with 55 completed.

Ferguson Is Hopeful

Former Governor James E. Ferguson, husband of the governor in statement Sunday, counseled his supporters not to give up hope.

Moody said "There is no doubt of the success of our cause" and disclaimed any "doubt that the result is a personal victory."

"It is," he asserted, "the triumph of the principles of free government and democracy in which the people of Texas believe."

The first state wide republican primary conducted mainly to establish the party in Texas is attracting little attention as a contest. Its main significance centers about the fight of the "regulars" and Congressman Harry M. Wurz.

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## Stumping California By Air



Merle Mitchell wants to do everything she can to help the campaign her father, William D. Mitchell, is making for governor of California. So she has taken to stumping the state by airplane. This photo shows her peering out of the cockpit of her plane.

FIRE DAMAGES  
SIUSLAW TOWN

Cushman Loss Estimated at \$55,000—Everett, Wash., Lumber Co. Plant Wiped Out.

EUGENE, Ore., July 26. (AP)—Fire destroyed three of the new and largest buildings at Cushman early yesterday morning, causing a loss estimated at more than \$55,000, and leaving the fruit and berry growers in the lower Siuslaw valley with no place to market their product.

The store, cannery, warehouse and post office were destroyed by the flames.

EVERETT, Wash., July 26. (AP)—Fire virtually wiped out the plant of the Walton-Lumber company here last night, entailing a loss of half a million dollars. The Walton-Venue plant and the Everett Pulp and Paper company, properties totaling \$2,000,000 in value, were threatened for a time.

MOSER GOVERNOR  
DURING PIERCE'S  
STAY IN MONTANA

SALEM, Ore., July 26. (AP)—Senator Gus C. Moser, of Portland, arrived here today to serve as governor of the state for a week while Governor Pierce is attending the governors conference at Cheyenne, Wyo. Senator Moser holds the office by virtue of having been president of the senate at the 1925 legislative session. Governor Moser presided over the conference of the state land board today with the state and gravel contractors and property owners of Portland in the controversy over the digging limits to be allowed the gravel mine.

Bones Brittle a Year;  
Death Ends His Misery

KIAMATH FALLS, Ore., July 26. (AP)—An unusual case which aroused widespread interest in medical circles of the west ended today with the death of R. E. Hunsacker, Kiamath pioneer. More than a year ago Hunsacker's bones became very brittle, to such an extent that the slightest move resulted in a fracture. Court clinics worked without success in an endeavor to remedy the ailment and for six months prior to his death Hunsacker was forced to forgo all activity of any sort.

Stick of Wood Hits Man  
—May Lose Eyesight

A flying fragment from a stick of wood he was cutting cut Gus Schueier, of Reed and Hawley, near the mouth of the Snake river, was brought to the local hospital for medical attention.

WOOD 'ALKY'  
IS FATAL TO  
30 PERSONS

Canadian and American Authorities Declare War on Ring

BORDER CITIES SUFFER HEAVILY

Police Believe Poisonous "Whisky" Was Manufactured in Buffalo, New York

BUFFALO, N. Y., July 26. (AP)—Thirty deaths had been recorded today in Buffalo and vicinity from wood alcohol presumably sold at soft drink stands. Two dealers have been arrested, one on a homicide charge. The police today were seeking James Volker as the distributor of the liquor. Acting Chief of Police John S. Hamon said he would ask at least five indictments for murder.

Over the week and the death toll was 13 in Buffalo, an equal number died in Toronto and other Ontario towns and four died in Lockport, N. Y. Twenty soft drink parlors in Buffalo had been closed Saturday by the police.

Smuggled From Buffalo.  
Leo Regan, acting prohibition agent, said he was almost certain the liquor that caused the deaths in Ontario had been smuggled from Buffalo.

Six additional arrests were made today and other persons were being sought in a continued drive by American and Canadian officials in an effort to dry up the source of the poison liquor and punish those responsible for its distribution.

60 Per Cent Poison

Acting Dry Agent Regan stated that 80 per cent of the liquor being sold in Buffalo as gin contains poison. Medical Examiner Daniel Brown diagnosed most of the cases as "wood alcohol poisoning."

Officials said 60 per cent of the liquor which caused death and blindness

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SON OF LINCOLN  
FOUND DEAD IN  
BED IN VERMONT

MANCHESTER, Vt., July 26. (AP)—Robert T. Lincoln, only surviving son of President Abraham Lincoln, was found dead in bed at his summer home here today. His death was "covered" by servants who went to "check" him.

Mr. Lincoln, who had served as secretary of war, later to Great Britain and for years as president of the Pullman company, of late had been in feeble health. He would have been 67 years old on August 1.

Governors of 25 States At  
Cheyenne Conference Today

CHEYENNE, July 26. (AP)—The United States is faced with three outstanding problems—law enforcement, conservation of natural resources and control of national wide corporate monopolies—Governor Gifford Pinchot of Pennsylvania told the twelfth annual conference of governors here today.

The Pennsylvania governor classified law enforcement as the "moral problem of the nation and the conservation of natural resources as the greatest economic problem in the U. S."

CHEYENNE, Wyo., July 26. (AP)—A woman clad in black, worn for her late husband, a governor of Wyoming, and herself now his successor, Nellie Taylor Ross, welcomed 25 governors from all corners of the United States to the west at the twelfth annual conference of state executives opened here today.

Her address of welcome signaled the opening of a three-day conference at which the governors will delve into the problems of state government with special emphasis laid on state financial administration and state's rights.

## To Debate State Rights

States rights will be the subject of a tri-continental debate by the governors at Tuesday's sessions where views of state executives from widely separated parts of the U. S. will be aired on the question.

Governor Ross today was hostess to the visiting governors and their families at luncheon at the gubernatorial mansion, while a polo game between army teams at Fort A. Russell in the afternoon and the formal reception at the state capitol were entertainment features scheduled to round out the day.

Promotion of solidarity of the states, upon which "the greatness of the nation depends" is the chief purpose of the twelfth annual governors' conference, Nellie Taylor Ross, governor of Wyoming, told the assembled state executives at the opening of their three day meeting here today.

Picturing the west as a "new

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