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THE WEATHER
Oregon: Fair tonight
and Friday, cooler in the
interior tonight, warmer in
the interior of the south
portion Friday.

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CITY DADS
WILL GIVE
BAND \$400Sum Will Finish Paying
for New Uniforms Re-
cently OrderedSEWER DISTRICT
IS REASSESSEDCommissioners Discuss
Stuccoing of Municipal
Building—Work Begins
Next Month.

The La Grande municipal band, which will be the official musical organization at the Pendleton Round-Up and Happy Canyon, the town's night show, will play the job in snappy new uniforms.

That was decided upon several days ago, when an order for 28 new suits was made up.

The new development is when the uniforms are delivered they will be paid for.

During the last three weeks the local band has been raising money for the uniform fund and yesterday the total stood at \$274—two hundred from a Pendleton-La Grande ball game and the other \$74 in donations.

City Gives \$400

Last night at the regular meeting of the city commission, after a ten-minute period of discussion, a motion was passed appropriating \$400 to finish paying for the uniforms. Commissioner R. P. Landis brought up the matter and spoke favorably for such an appropriation. President A. T. Hill and Commissioner Charles P. Layton agreed with him and when the motion was presented, the vote was unanimous.

The uniforms will probably arrive here a few days before the Round-Up opens. Five other musical organizations—the Round-Up band, the Milton-Proctor band, the Pendleton American Legion drum corps and the La Grande American Legion drum and bugle corps—will also furnish music although the La Grande band will be the official dispenser of tuneless selections.

Tomorrow night the La Grande band will appear in open air concert at the high school athletic field, at 8 o'clock.

District Reassessed.

Other business attended to last night by the city commissioners was the adoption of a resolution assessing sewer improvement district No. 2-3 and setting Wednesday.

GUARDSMEN TO
HOLD SHOOT ON
RANGE SUNDAY

About 10 members of the La Grande unit of the Oregon national guard will shoot for records Sunday at the rifle range near Hot Lake. Rifle shooting is a part of the training of the guard members and since the local guardsmen returned from summer camp several have practiced at the range every Sunday. Lieut. Walter Bean has been in charge of the practice.

To obtain a record of expert, a man must score 235 out of 250 shots; sharpshooter, 224, out of 250, and marksman 195 out of 250.

Earl Reynolds May Assist In
East Oregon Normal CampaignBuying
Another
Dimension

What is newspaper circulation? Is it only the number of papers printed, or the number of family heads who receive it, or the number of homes to which papers are delivered?

Or is circulation the number of papers distributed MULTIPLIED by the good will toward that paper, the eagerness with which it is read, the confidence in its truth, its fairness, its desire to serve?

The OBSERVER advertiser buys an extra dimension—circulation PLUS at the lowest read-er-cost in Eastern Oregon.

"Observer Advertising—A Merchandising Service"

10 Members
of Faculty
New To CityPrincipal E. D. Towler
Announces Plan for the
Coming Semester of
High School.

Ten new teachers, comprising half of the high school faculty, are named in the annual announcement to parents that E. D. Towler, principal, is preparing to dispatch from his office this latter part of this week.

"The situation is rather unusual with us, but nothing to be concerned about," the principal explained this morning. "For the last several years, we have been able to retain a number of teachers despite offers of higher salaries from other schools. This year, several of them have decided to leave, and we have had to decide simultaneously that they ought not to hazard their chances for advancement."

Familiar Names Missing

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Campbell, who are enrolling this fall for special work at John Hopkins university, Miss Florence Thompson, who goes to Portland to teach in a private school, Miss Junita Van Burg, who has accepted a position in Los Angeles, are among the familiar names missing from this year's teacher roll.

The list as announced by Mr. Towler follows:

Miss Carolyn Bauman, modern languages; Miss Mabel Bennett, English, and department of girls; Miss Ethel Buckford, English and mathematics; Miss Anna M. Davis, commercial; Miss Lois G. Davis, home economics; A. W. Hawk, science; Miss Bertha Hays, commercial; Miss Lela E. Holt, mathematics; Miss Ruth Johnson, science and physical education; Miss Anna Laura Lee, English; Miss Alta E. Little, mathematics; E. A. McEachran, machine shop; Ian V. MacKenzie, mathematics and physical education; W. W. Nussbaum, music; Miss Zella Peard, English; Owen Richey, manual training; Miss Laura E. Thomas, history; W. W. Thomas, history; Miss Eleanor E. Vernon, Latin and English; Miss Stella Winters, home economics.

Increased emphasis on physical education and music is marked in the outline of the 1926-27 school.

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GOLF COURSE
SEEDING NEXTCountry Club Has Spent
More Than \$5,000 to
Date on Grounds Near
Island City.

At a meeting of the Blue Mountain Country club's directors held evening at the office of the La Grande Grocery company, G. L. Larson, chairman of the greens committee reported expenditures of \$5158.19 to date on the course, that is being constructed by the club on the organization's grounds near Island City.

The sprinkling system is in operation, and will have the ground in fine shape for seeding by Sept. 10, the chairman told the directors.

A vote was passed authorizing the appointment of a membership committee. Announcement of the personnel will be made shortly. Earl C. Reynolds, secretary, said this morning.

On a motion carried at the executive meeting of the committee fostering the movement for the establishment of a normal school in Eastern Oregon at Baker Wednesday afternoon, the directors of the Union county chamber of commerce will be asked to grant Earl C. Reynolds, executive secretary, a leave of absence for two months in order that he may carry on the proposed campaign in behalf of the measure, which will be presented for public approval at the general election in November.

Dr. W. T. Day, president of the Union county chamber, was out of town today, and could not be reached for a statement. The directorate will have a meeting Monday evening, however, and the matter will come up for discussion, and perhaps decision, at that time.

Reynolds Silent.

Mr. Reynolds declined to express his attitude toward the offer until he has the consensus of the directors.

Yesterday's session of the committee, following a luncheon at

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STORMS HIT
OVERSTATE;
FRUIT HURTWind in La Grande Last
Night Stiffest of the
Summer SeasonMEDFORD, ALBANY
REPORT DAMAGEPrune and Blackberry
Crops in Willamette
Valley Suffer—Loss
Runs in Thousands.

What is believed to have been the heaviest wind storm of the season struck La Grande last night, accompanied by a light shower of rain. The storm, which apparently did little material damage, followed three days of hot weather, with the thermometer registering maximums of 101, 102 and 92 above.

Storms were general over the state, according to reports by The Associated Press.

RAIN HITS EUGENE

EUGENE, Ore., Aug. 26 (AP).—Thunder and lightning greeted Eugene last evening and the showers which accompanied it are continuing today.

The lightning, which continued for a few minutes following the rain, was reported to have caused a few moments following.

SALEM CROPS DAMAGED

SALEM, Ore., Aug. 26 (AP).—Heavy rains last night, amounting to a total of .54 of an inch by 7 o'clock this morning, are thought to have seriously damaged the grain crop in this district and caused thousands of dollars damage to hop vines. The rain continued in a steady drizzle this forenoon.

ALL OF U. S. WET

NEW YORK, Aug. 26 (AP).—Much of the United States was wet today. There has been unrelenting rain since St. Swiftn's day and especially during the last week. California, Nevada and Arizona, having sunny summer weather. In fact, in Los Angeles and vicinity the mercury has been in the hundreds.

The traditional 40 days of rain after a rainy St. Swiftn's day has run into 42 in New York and the weather bureau gave no hope of relief for many of the deluged sections either today or tomorrow.

Crops Damaged

While rainfall has not been continuous throughout the period, there has been enough to damage cotton crops in the south and endanger hundreds of acres of grain in the Midwest. The corn crop, however, has benefited and the wetness is said to have put western winter wheat fields into excellent condition for plowing.

The protracted spell of rain has been generally east of the Mississippi.

WILLIAM BERRY
SUES C. WILSON
FOR COMMISSION

Alleging that his former partner collected and failed to divide certain real estate commissions earned by the firm, William Berry appeared in equity court today with a suit against C. Wilson for an accounting.

Judge Hugh E. Brady said Eugene Ashwell appeared for the plaintiff. The defendant was represented by E. H. Ringe. Testimony for the complainant had been about completed at noon when Judge J. W. Knowles, presiding, declared the midday recess. Prosecution of the case is expected to close before the afternoon is over.

Henry Hill, L. S. Weeks, Charles Andrews and the plaintiff appeared on the witness stand this morning.

Mr. Berry is no longer engaged in real estate business here. He has been farming since the first of May.

Special Meeting of
Legionnaires Called

There will be a special meeting of the general membership of the La Grande post of the American Legion tomorrow evening at 7:30 o'clock, at the city hall. Commander Harley H. Richardson urges that every member be there, as matters of importance pertaining to the 1927 state legion convention, which will be held here, will be discussed.

Preliminary plans for the convention will be made at the meeting and possibly some of the committee heads appointed.

40 Entombed
In Mine At
Clymer, Penn.Explosion This Afternoon
Occurs in Coal Tunnel
—Two Bodies Are Re-
covered.

JOHNSTOWN, Pa., Aug. 26 (AP).—More than 40 miners were entombed this afternoon in the explosion at Clymer, Pa., according to reports received here. It was said that two bodies had been recovered.

INDIANA, Pa., Aug. 26 (AP).—Between 50 and 60 miners were at work in the Sample Run mine of the Clearfield Bituminous Coal company at Clymer, Pa., today when an explosion shattered the workings. Officials of the company here said the reports of the blast were meager. The fate of the miners was not known.

PITTSBURG, Aug. 26 (AP).—An explosion occurred today in the Sample Run mine of the Clearfield Bituminous Coal and Coke company at Clymer, Pa., in Indiana county. The mine is one of the largest in that field, employing several hundred men. First reports did not indicate whether any miners were trapped.

MINER HURLED
TO HIS DEATHCornucopia Man Drops
700 Feet From Over-
head Tramway to Bot-
tom of Rocky Canyon.

CORNUCOPIA, Ore., Aug. 26 (Special).—Hurting through the air for 700 feet until he struck the bottom of a rocky canyon, Joseph Kippis, about 35, was instantly killed here yesterday afternoon about 4 o'clock. Kippis, an employee of the Gold Reef Mining company, was flung from the bucket of an overhead tramway, in full view of fellow workmen, who watched his downward course with awe and terror.

Kippis' mangled body, the head battered almost beyond recognition, was recovered, Wilbur Motley, a fellow miner, was the first to reach the remains.

The cable tramway is used to carry ore several thousand feet across the canyon from the Queen of the West, a property of the mining company. Kippis is survived by a widow and three children.

Wallowa Plans Street
Dance for September 4

Celebrating the completion of two blocks of pavement on Wallowa's main street, the Wallowa Commercial association will stage a free street dance Saturday, Sept. 4 from 5:30 o'clock until midnight.

Union county people are invited to attend. There will be no charge, the entertainment being furnished by the civic organization.

Two Sentenced, Fined
By Klamath Justice

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Aug. 26 (AP).—Henry Exline was sentenced to serve six months in the county jail and pay a fine of \$500 and his partner, J. F. Ekstrom, was fined \$500 and sentenced to serve 60 days following their conviction today on a liquor possession charge. They drove here from California with 48 gallons of moonshine in a sedan.

Exline protested that this was his first bootlegging venture and that an injustice had been done. Justice R. A. Emmit refused to consider Exline's request that the case be turned over to federal authorities.

Frank T. Hart Believed
Sighted in Longview

LONGVIEW, Wash., Aug. 26 (AP).—A man resembling Frank T. Hart, alleged slayer of Thomas Lawrence, Kelo, newspaperman, sat breakfast in a Kalamia restaurant this morning at 9 o'clock, said a report to the sheriff's office. Deputies immediately set out to investigate.

The home of Hart's mother at Hildesfield was searched by law and Lewis county officers here night after he was reported seen there.

WIND WHIPS
LOUISIANA;
TWO KILLEDSeveral Injured During
Storm in New Or-
leans TerritoryWIRES DOWN OVER
MOST OF DISTRICTStreets of Smaller Towns
Littered with Wreck-
age—S. P. Passenger
Train Marooned.

NEW ORLEANS, Aug. 26 (AP).—Property damage in excess of \$1,000,000, two deaths and an inestimable amount of minor damage was the toll of the storm which roared across the eastern Louisiana coast last night, reports said today.

Damage to the rice, corn, sugar cane and cotton crops of La Fourche, Terrebonne, Jefferson, Plaquemine, Assumption and St. Mary parishes will reach \$1,000,000, the New Orleans states estimated, and business houses and residences at Morgan City were damaged more than \$150,000.

NEW ORLEANS, Aug. 26 (AP).—Two persons dead, several others injured, more than a score of small fires, crippled lines of communication and transportation, unroofed houses and other wind damage marked the passage of the tropical storm from the Gulf of Mexico last night.

Morgan City, Schriever, Des Almond, Lockport, Houma, Thibodaux and other towns in Louisiana, Fourche, Terrebonne, Jefferson and Vermillion parishes which bore the brunt of the storm were shut off from communication with the outside world.

Station Lounge Cut Off

Baton Rouge also could not be reached, either by telephone or telegraph although indirect communication from there said the storm.

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HOWARD ASSUMES
POSSESSION OF
CATHOLIC POST

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 26 (AP).—The Most Rev. Edward J. Howard, successor to the late Alexander Christie as archbishop of Oregon City, today assumed possession of his see with appropriate ceremonies, surrounded by the highest dignitaries of the Catholic church in the west and by representatives from all parts of the archdiocese over which he is to be lord.

He arrived in Portland early today, accompanied by Monsignor Hillebrand, who has been administrator of the archdiocese, who met him in Spokane. Archbishop Howard was accompanied from Davenport, Ia., by his mother, Mrs. Marie Howard.

Dr. Hall Will Arrive
In Eugene Next Month

EUGENE, Ore., Aug. 26 (AP).—Dr. Arnold Bennett Hall, president-elect of the University of Oregon, will arrive in Eugene September 1 to take up his duties as head of the Oregon institution, according to word received here.

Regular classes of the university will start September 27, with new students coming a week before that time for registration and instruction.

TODAY'S GAMES

AMERICAN LEAGUE

WASHINGTON (AP) R. H. E.
Chicago 5 4 3
Washington 9 14 8
Batteries—Faber, Thurston and Schalk; Cronce; Johnson and Ruel.

PHILADELPHIA (AP) R. H. E.
St. Louis 6 10 2
Philadelphia 8 15 4
Batteries—Vangilder, Ballou and Schang; Grove, Quinn and Cochran.

BOSTON (AP)—Cleveland-Boston postponed, wet grounds, two games tomorrow.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

PITTSBURG (AP) R. H. E.
New York 7 13 2
Pittsburg 15 21 1
Batteries—Fitzsimmons, Ring, Scott, Porter and Snyder; McMullen, Florence; Meadows, Morrison and Gooch.

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE

SEATTLE (AP)—Seattle-Sacramento postponed, rain, two games Saturday.

Prettiest Indian Girl



Here is Esther Lee Motank, of the Cayuse Indian tribe, who is said to be the prettiest "Pocahontas" in America. Miss Motank, highly educated and a clever writer, has been selected queen of the Round-up at Pendleton, Ore., on Sept. 15-18. She is the first Indian ever chosen for this honor.

FIRE DESTROYS
FLOUR PLANTFour Buildings of Crown
Flouring Mills Burn in
Portland—Loss Is Put
at \$145,000.

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 26 (AP).—Four buildings of the Crown Flouring Mills were destroyed by an early morning fire here today, with a resulting loss estimated at \$145,000. The plant was owned by Haffour, Guthrie and company.

The cause of the fire has not been definitely determined, although it is possible it may have resulted from carelessness with matches or cigarettes in the hands of vagrants known to have frequented the deserted warehouse where the fire started at 2:10 o'clock this morning.

Stock valued at \$50,000 and machinery at \$50,000, constituted the main loss. A. G. Mills, resident manager of the owners, said. The value of the buildings destroyed is placed at \$35,000. The buildings housing the company were owned by James W. Knott, of Walla Walla, Wash.

The loss is said to be fully covered by insurance.

Man Who Figured in
Aimee Case Drowned

LONG BEACH, Cal., Aug. 26 (AP).—Russell A. McKinley, blind attorney here, who figured in the Aimee Semple McPherson investigation, together with James Law and William Miller, both believed to be of Long Beach, were found drowned here today in their automobile, overturned in a ditch.

LONG BEACH, Cal., Aug. 26 (AP).—Russell A. McKinley, blind attorney who figured in the Aimee Semple McPherson investigation, together with James Law and William Miller, both believed to be of Long Beach, were found drowned here today when their automobile plunged into a ditch near the new railroad viaduct on West Anaheim street. Search is being made for the body of a fourth man believed to have been a passenger in the car. The machine instead of being turned onto a detour was driven into the ditch filled with water. The bodies of the men were planned underneath the car.

PENDLETON WANTS LIGHT

PENDLETON, Ore., Aug. 26 (AP).—Pendleton people will vote upon the question of creating a street lighting improvement district in the November election following the passage of an ordinance last night by the city council placing the issue on the ballot.

There is that a new lighting system for the main business section of the city will be secured.

Rain Halts Tourney
After Three Matches

NEWPORT, R. I., Aug. 26 (AP).—Rain interrupted play in the Newport invitation tennis tournament this afternoon after William T. Tilden, national champion, Brian L. C. Norton, of San Antonio, and Manuel Alonso, of Spain, had won their matches in the quarter finals.

The fourth contest, between William M. Johnston, of California, and Alfred H. Chapin Jr., of Springfield, Mass., waited complete recovery of the California star from an attack of grippe. Friends indicated he might default to Chapin.

Salmon Fishing Season
Poorest in History

ILWACO, Wash., Aug. 26 (AP).—The spring salmon fishing season closed at noon yesterday and marked the end of the poorest season in the history of the industry. Two main causes of lack of salmon are given by fishermen. One was the lack of a spring freshet in the river, due to the light snowfall in the mountains last winter. The other was the fact that in 1925, due to a disease among young salmon in the fish hatcheries the number of fish released that year was greatly reduced, and 1926 is the year for those fish to return up the Columbia river to their spawning grounds.

GRID SCHEDULE OUT

MEDFORD, Ore., Aug. 26 (AP).—The football schedule of the Medford high school includes games in this city with Jefferson high school of Portland and the University of Oregon freshmen, according to an announcement made today by Coach Pink Callison.

Highway Commission Considers
\$550,000 Rogue River Bridge

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 26 (AP).—At a meeting of the state highway commission here today plans were discussed for the proposed bridge across the mouth of the Rogue river between Gold Beach and Wedderburn. The tentative cost of the structure is \$550,000. It is to be of concrete construction. A toll bridge was said to be favored by the commissioners. Although this system was opposed in some quarters, the people of Coos and Curry counties were now said to welcome the plan. Tentative plans for the span have been prepared by the commission's bridge engineer.

A new bridge over the Rogue river at Gold Hill will be built this fall, bids for it having been opened Thursday morning. The award will be made at 5 p. m. The structure eliminates a grade crossing on the Pacific highway, so the Southern Pacific railroad is paying \$10,500 on the bridge the remainder to be paid by the state and county.

Many Bids Entered.

All forenoon Thursday the state highway engineer, Roy Klein, read bids on highway bridge and tier work.

There were 11 bids on grading the Alsea Mountain-Philomath section of the Alsea highway, 6.13 miles in Benton county. This is

POLITICAL
TOPICS IN
LIMELIGHTDifferences of Opinions
About Government
Economy AiredDEMOCRATS SCORE
COOLIDGE POLICYCompare the Expendi-
tures During Wilson
Administration with
Present Budget.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 26 (AP).—Differences of opinion about government economy and other political topics were brought into sharp contrast today with publication of views expressed by the democratic national committee and by Chairman Madden, of the house appropriations committee, and Representative Wood, of Indiana, chairman of the republican congressional campaign committee.

Citing figures to show that comparable peace time appropriations were greater under the Coolidge than under the Wilson administration the democratic committee concluded that "constructive economy" is evident the sort that saves at the expense and wastes at the bungler's. Mr. Madden, after conferring with President Coolidge at Paul Smith's, N. Y., on government finances, estimated that proposed expenditures for the fiscal year 1928 would be perhaps a quarter of a billion dollars less than actual expenditures in the current fiscal year. Representative Wood, who also conferred with the president, stressed prosperity as the issue in the off year elections and calculated that the republicans would wind up with a working majority of at least 35 in the house compared with 16 at present. Democratic leaders have predicted considerably larger gains for their forces.

In reaching its conclusion, the (Continued on Page 5)

COOLIDGE VIEWS
C. M. T. C. TROOPS
AT PLATTSBURG

PLATTSBURG BARRACKS, N. Y., Aug. 26 (AP).—The regiment of men from New York, Delaware and New Jersey, comprising the second citizens' military training camp of the second army corps area at Plattsburg Barracks, passed in review today before President Coolidge.

Coming here by automobile from his Adirondack camp for his first appearance at a public function since he left Washington on his vacation more than seven weeks ago, President Coolidge was given a cordial welcome by the citizens and full military honors by the troops. The regiment of citizen soldiers, 1600 strong, was drawn up on the parade grounds when Mr. Coolidge arrived and after a brief reception at the house of Colonel John H. Hughes, commanding the president stepped to a canopy reviewing stand and the troops marched by in full field equipment.

Error Believed Made

John Hainpshire, Grants Pass had his bid totalled \$128,985, but it is said by many at the meeting there was a clerical error in the total. Bids to do the resurfacing on 1.67 miles Eddyville-Budget section of the Corvallis-Newport highway. Seven bidders vied for surfacing the Drews valley-Lakeview section, 1.63 miles, of the Klamath-Lakeview highway.

Five offered to do the rubble masonry parapet wall in the Peter Skene Ogden park at Crooked river on the Fremont trail in Jefferson county.

There were eight bidders on the Goldhill bridge and 14 concerns bid on supplying the state highway department with fire stor for a year.