

PATTERSON ADDRESSES REPUBLICANS

Gubernatorial Candidate Attends G. O. P. Committee Meeting

COUNTY PLEDGES TICKET SUPPORT

Democratic Press Scored in Resolution - Wallowa County Report Optimistic One.

The Union county republican central committee, meeting in the Sommer hotel last night, affirmed its support of L. L. Patterson, Frederick Steiner, and other candidates for office on the party ticket.

The democratic press was scored for its pro-election attitude but no mention—either pro or con—was made of Senator Robert N. Stanford's independent candidacy for United States senator.

Following a chicken dinner, several candidates, including L. L. Patterson, of Zola, candidate for governor, addressed the gathering.

Patterson Speaks Mr. Patterson was introduced by Chairman J. H. Poore as "a man who has always made good" in whatever undertaking he espoused.

Mr. Patterson emphasized his intentions of forming and carrying on a strictly business administration. Touching on the good road question, he said he favors a slight reduction in the license price for used cars, which are not on the tax roll.

STEPS TAKEN IN CAMPAIGN FOR ARMORY

On Major R. H. Haron's urgent recommendation, the steps to be taken toward the establishment of a much-needed armory for use of national guardsmen in La Grande, directors of the chamber of commerce, at their meeting last night at the Sommer hotel, authorized the appointment of a special committee, with the request that other civic organizations of the community do likewise.

The present national guard quarters in Zeller hall are entirely inadequate to the needs of Company E, the major pointed out. The necessity of providing a suitable armory has existed ever since the present company was organized about two and a half years ago.

There is already existent a fund of about \$11,000 toward the building of an armory. The American Legion corps raised \$1,000 of that amount. The additional \$10,000 came from A. J. Stange. When the old V. M. C. A. building had to be sold to satisfy mortgages and debts Mr. Stange bought it, and when he later disposed of the place to the L. O. F. lodge, he turned the profits over to the American Legion, as a trust fund for a future armory.

Elgin Jolly Pipers Organize New Chapter at Dinner and Smoker

SAUCE FOR THE GOOSE

You read advertising because of the interesting things you find in it. If you read how you can save money—that's interesting. And if you read what's new in style—that's interesting. If you read how some firm has improved its service—that's interesting. If you read about new designs in furniture, in jewelry, in cars, in washing machines—that's interesting.

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"Observer Advertising—A Merchandising Service"

Boy Winner Of Club Prize At Community Fair

Allen Mills, 13, Takes First Honors in Event at Cove Yesterday

Allen Mills, 13-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Mills, maintained his reputation as a horticulturist yesterday when he won the \$25 cash prize offered at the Cove Community fair for the best club work in gardening.

Allen scored 18 points on his exhibits and report, Frank Brothers, 12, crowding him in that count with but one point less. When the accompanying garden stories were judged, however, the Mills boy's effort left no doubt of his right to the prize.

Luck was all against him when he started his project, the young gardener wrote, a sharp freeze and the explorative disposition of one of his father's old white sows combining to dash some of his best hopes. But as the season advanced, Lady Luck smiled, and even turned a bit of negligence to profit for him.

Onions that he forgot to thin found a market in La Grande.

To date, Allen records, he has realized \$41.88 in sales, and figures that vegetables still unharvested will bring him at least \$12.50. He reckons his net profits at \$47.65.

Young Mills won his way to the state fair at Salem last year through his rating at the Union county fair, and looks forward to the possibility of his being sent again this fall.

To Exhibit at Elgin Cove club workers will be some of the leading exhibitors at Elgin this week, in the opinion of E. A. Sayre, county school superintendent, who viewed their displays at the Cove Community fair yesterday.

ELGIN FAIR TO OPEN TOMORROW

Exhibits Arriving at the Grounds Today—Good Program Promised

The annual Union county fair, which vies with the Wallowa county fair for first honors in Eastern Oregon, this side of the Blue Mountains, will open at Elgin tomorrow with the best exhibits and the best entertainment program in its history, according to promises of members of the fair board.

Exhibits, both stock and otherwise, are arriving at Elgin today although a goodly share will not be placed until tomorrow.

Cowboys and jockeys are on hand for the afternoon rodeo and racing programs. The pavilion is groomed for the opening of evening dances and Elgin itself is decorated in patriotic colors.

Quite a number of La Grande people are expected to attend the fair and prospects of a large attendance are promising.

Floyd McKennon Named President Of Pierce Club

A Pierce-for-Governor club was organized at a meeting of prominent democrats from all over the state of Oregon in Portland last week and Floyd McKennon of this city was elected president. Lester Masterson, formerly of La Grande but now of Salem, was chosen secretary-treasurer.

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BIDS OPENED ON LIGHTING IMPROVEMENT

Hartenbower Bros. and NePage McKenny Co. Awarded Contracts

SUCCESSFUL BIDS TOTAL \$19,001.56

Portland Company Reluctant to Accept Work - Protest May Be Filed Shortly.

At an adjourned meeting of the city commission held last night contracts for the installation of La Grande's recently authorized ornamental street lighting improvement were awarded to Hartenbower Brothers of La Grande, and the NePage McKenny company of Portland.

The bids were presented in three units. Schedule A provided for the furnishing of union metal posts, similar to the post now installed directly on the corner of Elm and Washington in front of the fire station with a height of 16 feet, and other equipment. Schedule C and B provided for the installation and furnishing of 53 600-candlepower units and six 400-candlepower units.

Bids Total \$19,001.56 Hartenbower Brothers' bid, accepted on Schedule A, was \$14,739.20. The NePage McKenny company's bid, on Schedule B and C, was \$4,262.26. The two bids total \$19,001.56. The engineers' estimate on the entire job was \$22,827.55.

Others entering bids were: H. & S. company, La Grande and Parker Schram company, of Portland.

Protest Is Expected The NePage McKenny company, however, is reluctant to accept its contract, according to its representative, who is here at present and who declares that the \$4,262.26 bid was to have covered installation of cast iron posts instead of union metal units. He declares that the former can be installed for less money than the latter and to accept the contract would result in his company losing money on the project. No formal protest had been filed this morning but such a protest is likely to be entered, according to this representative.

His statement that one type could be installed cheaper than others, made at the meeting last night, resulted in some discussion. It is felt that there would be little difference in the cost. The union metal post has to be assembled before installation while the cast iron post does not require this special work, it is said.

Protest Would Cause Delay City officials fear that the filing of a protest would result in a delay to the completion of the improvement district, which is now scheduled to be finished within 30 days.

The commission granted the Rotary club permission to erect large signs at the entrances to La Grande and continued consideration.

Arrest Man Accused Of Illegal Entrance

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DEVASTATING STORM NEAR NEW ORLEANS

Reports Say Hurricane Swerves Toward the South Metropolis

FLORIDA'S KNOWN DEAD SET AT 375

Casualty List Is Steadily Mounting - Pensacola Property Damage Is Heavy.

ASK FOR RELIEF FUNDS An appeal to the hearts and purses of Union county residents in behalf of the sufferers in the Florida storm area is broadest today by the local chapter of the Red Cross society. The national society has advanced an initial contribution of \$100,000 and calls upon the local chapters to supply additional needs. Mrs. C. N. Palmer, chairman, requests that donations be made at either of the La Grande banks.

NEW ORLEANS, Sept. 21. (AP)—At 10 o'clock today the tropical storm was centered a short distance west of Mobile and was sweeping westward toward New Orleans, an advisory hurricane warning issued by the weather bureau here said.

KNOWN DEAD 375 MIAMI, Fla., Sept. 21. (AP)—While first relief contingents were arriving here today, rescue workers continued their efforts at identification and burial of the dead, relief of the injured and the greater task of supplying food, clothing and shelter to the thousands made homeless by the hurricane which Saturday lashed the coast.

The list of known injured was placed at 1,223, which is estimated to be a complete check will reveal the injured list to be more than 1,000.

Varying reports from the entire storm area place the damage at between \$50,000,000 and \$100,000,000.

Scarcely a city or town in the storm area escaped the death toll left in the wake of the hurricane.

Greatest havoc was done in Miami and Hollywood, where more than 300 are known to have been killed and drowned by the rushing waters which swept in from the gulf stream.

The known injured in these two cities alone is fixed above 500 while the estimated property damage is placed at more than \$5,000,000.

Fifty-six deaths are known to have occurred at Moonhaven, Florida reported 14 dead; Fort Lauderdale, 13; Homestead, located in the Redlands district forty miles south of Miami, 19; Clewiston, 11; Coral Gables, Miami Shores, Little River and Hialeah, outlying suburbs of Miami had a combined death toll of 15; while a score of cities along the coast from Dade City on the north to Florida City on the south reported scattering casualties ranging from one to seven.

No estimate has been placed on the number of injured in other cities where the force of the wind was said to have been high.

Miami's picturesque waterfront has taken on a grotesque appearance with yachts, pleasure craft, coast guard boats and ships of all kinds east high and dry along the shores.

In Royal Palm Park, one block from the water's edge, a large stadium by its side and scattered about the tall royal palm was a number of smaller craft.

Scarcely a building in the city remained undamaged while every pane of glass in the area is reported to have been broken.

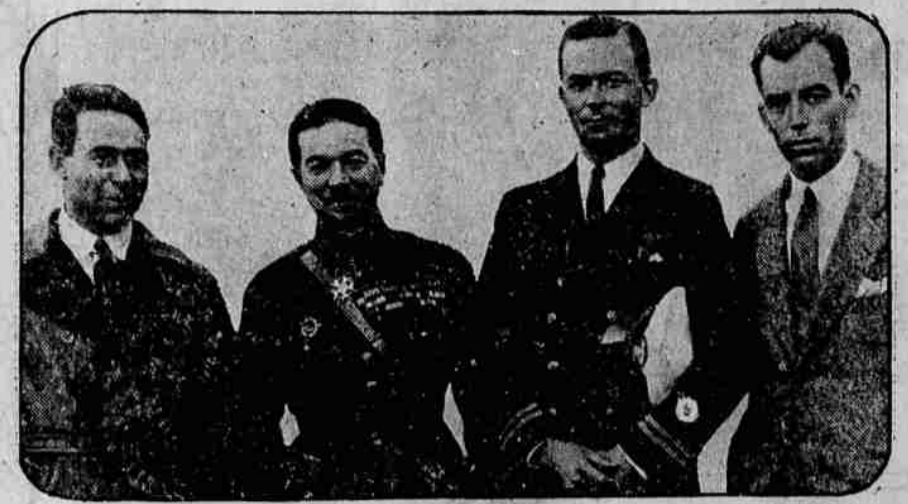
Hastily recruited forces of men yesterday began the first task of clearing the streets of wreckage.

Hollywood, located 17 miles north of Miami, was said to present the most pitiful scene in the hurricane area. Scarcely clad children cried for their parents while great numbers of homeless, many clad in bathing suits, searched among the wreckage for traces of missing relatives.

BAHAMAS HARD HIT GRAND TURK, Turks Island, Bahamas, Sept. 21. (AP)—Four thousand persons are homeless and great property damage has been caused on Turk's and Caicos islands as a result of the recent hurricane which swept from the West Indies across the state of Florida.

PENSACOLA SUFFERS BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Sept. 21. (AP)—Word communicated here

TWO KILLED WHEN GIANT SIKORSKY PLANE CRASHES



Charles Clavier, radio operator, extreme left, and Jacob Islamoff, mechanic, extreme right, were burned to death this morning when Captain Rene Fonck's non-stop Atlantic flight attempt ended in a wreck at Westbury, N. Y. Fonck and Lieut. Lawrence W. Curtin, U. S. N., left and right in the center picture, escaped by jumping. The giant Sikorsky plane, which was totally destroyed by fire, is pictured below.

CATHOLIC COLLEGE BURNS WITH LOSS OF A MILLION DOLLARS

MOUNT ANGEL, Ore., Sept. 21. (AP)—Flames believed to have started from a short circuit in a truck in the garage early this morning visited the second devastating conflagration in its history upon Mount Angel college and the Benedictine Monastery inflicting a loss estimated at \$1,000,000 in buildings, equipment, rare manuscripts and other valuables housed in the museum and libraries.

Five buildings are leveled piles of smoldering ashes this morning and a sixth building, the main college structure, thrusts blackened stone walls into the air, the inside being completely gutted.

The main college building housed the monastery, the museum of natural history, the chemistry and biology departments, and other class rooms. The monastery and the monastic library connected with it contained 25,000 volumes many of them early editions of the bible written on parchment in 1480.

The high school part of the college started a week ago and 143 boys were at the school at the time of the fire, and 75 to 100 more were expected today to register for the college course.

Fire Equipment Inadequate Fire departments from Silverton, Woodburn and Salem were summoned and 3000 feet of hose was run to the fire. Pressure was inadequate and the water would not reach the flames as they rapidly spread from building to building.

Water was played on thousands of cords of wood piled west of the school that had become ignited and were threatening homes to the west. The post office and printing plant were saved. These two

Need New Principles. "But it must be dairying on the new agricultural principles—principles that recognize the transition from the old period when farmers trusted to the bounty of God for their produce to a new period when they recognize that man-made conditions to supplement the gifts of providence."

"I wish many improvements in La Grande since my last visit here two years ago," the orator continued affably. "You have built fine highways—there were some rough strips when I was here before. And I see many improved store fronts along the avenue."

"One thing you might do that would benefit your whole territory would be to house your chamber of commerce in an exhibition hall, where the products of Eastern Oregon could be displayed. Your situation as a base for the registration of foreign cars would make it worth your while to show your visitors what you have here."

Figes New Hotel "And I might suggest that it would pay La Grande to build an outstanding modern hotel. I am not slandering your present hotels, understand. They are adequate for local needs, and operated by gracious and capable innkeepers. But there is a class of tourists who stop only where they can be assured the very best. Ashland, Eugene, Corvallis and other towns on the Pacific highway—some of

Walter Hagen Wins From Joe Turnesa GARDEN CITY, N. Y., Sept. 21. (AP)—Walter Hagen sped through his first round match in the professional golf association championship to an easy victory over Joe Turnesa, of Elmford, N. Y., today, winning 3 up and 2 to play.

MEXICO TROOPS MAY CROSS U.S. TERRITORY The foreign office announces that it has requested permission of the United States government to allow the passage of Mexican troops across United States territory for the campaign against the rebellious Yaqui Indians.

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TWO KILLED WHEN FONCK PLANE BURNS

Disaster Halts Attempt to Fly Across the Atlantic Ocean

1,000 WATCH GIANT BIPLANE GO DOWN

Captain and Lieut. Curtin, U. S. N., Escape Death by Jumping Before Flames Spread.

WESTBURY, N. Y., Sept. 21. (AP)—Two men lost their lives this morning when the trans-Atlantic airplane of Captain Rene Fonck crashed in flames in an attempt to take off on a 3,600-mile non-stop flight to Paris. They were Charles Clavier, French radio operator, and Jacobs Islamoff, Russian mechanic. They were trapped in the closed cabin of the huge three motored biplane.

Fonck, Curtin Escape Captain Fonck, the French ace, in command of the flight, and Lieut. Lawrence W. Curtin, U. S. N., American alternate pilot, leaped to safety before the plane burst into flames.

Igor Sikorsky, Russian designer and builder of the plane, could not be located immediately after the tragedy. He was reported to have begged his team last night that the flight be postponed because of a cross wind that endangered the take-off.

An attempt was made to take off last Thursday but had to be postponed because of a gasoline leakage discovered at the last minute. Afterward Parisian friends of Captain Fonck urged him to make the flight for the honor of France, even at the risk of death.

Wheel Crash Blamed. The crash was caused by the buckling of a wheel on an extra landing gear that was to have been dropped into the ocean as soon as the plane got under way.

"I knew the wheel had crashed," said Fonck, "but could neither stop nor rise."

Lieutenant Curtin said: "The plane was driven full power, accelerated slowly, reaching a ground speed of 60 miles. Three-quarters of the length of the runway it seemed that the outboard auxiliary wheel collapsed carrying away the left lower rudder."

Fonck Tries to Land. "The plane veered to the left, but it was impossible to head it again on a straight course, and the plane went over the brink at the end of the runway at a speed of about 60 miles an hour. When passing over the brink, Captain Fonck pulled back the controls to effect a normal landing, at the same time throttling down his motors."

"It seemed to me that the right wheel collapsed when the plane cartwheeled on the right wing. The gas tanks were apparently ruptured, in view of that fact that live gas poured down over the still heated exhaust pipe."

1,000 Watch Cremation The plane burst into flames an instant after the two pilots leaped from it. Heavy clouds of black smoke rolled upward and the nearly 1,000 spectators crowded forward. An airplane circling overhead sounded a fire siren, and telephone calls brought the Westbury fire department within 10 minutes. They used small fire extinguishers on the flames, but these were futile. There was no water available in the middle of the field, and firemen said it would have been useless in fighting a gasoline fire. There were 2,300 gallons of gasoline in the tank.

The plane weighed more than 28,000 pounds loaded at the take-off.

Screams Rend Air. Approximately 1,000 persons had gathered to watch the start of what was to have been an epic

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Through a surety company, Rickard was prepared to cover bonds up to \$1,000,000 if necessary to prevent any court action from interfering with holding the fight.

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ORMISTON STAYS WITH HIS STORY

Angel Temple Radio Operator Declares "Confession" Untrue

CHICAGO, Sept. 21. (AP)—The Chicago Herald and Examiner today announced a statement signed by Kenneth G. Ormiston, missing radio operator in the Almes Temple case at Los Angeles, declaring "confessions" reported to have been made in his name by Attorney B. S. Hahn, of Los Angeles, to be entirely fraudulent.

"I never have had the pleasure of meeting this man," he was quoted. "Every statement he has made concerning me is untrue."

E. M. Martin, a Chicago lawyer, yesterday issued a statement on behalf of Ormiston in which it was asserted "the woman who occupied the Carmel bungalow was positively not Mrs. McPherson," and announcing that under certain circumstances the evidence of "Miss X" would be produced.

The attorney did not disclose the radio operator's whereabouts.

Stanfield Wins Slogan Suit In Supreme Court

SALEM, Ore., Sept. 21. (AP)—The supreme court today allowed a peremptory writ of mandamus in the case of Stanfield against Koser allowing Stanfield to have after his name on the ballot the words "freedom from dictatorship—Independent."

The supreme court also overruled the second petition for the rehearing in the case of the state against Ellsworth Kelley and James Wilcox.

Business Conditions In Northwest Good

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21. (AP)—Western business conditions are very good in general, in the opinion of Secretary Hoover just back from the Pacific coast. "Particularly is the population of Pacific coast and Rocky Mountain states in a cheerful and optimistic mood," the secretary said.

"Westerners are usually optimistic but they are more so at present than ordinarily and the general psychology out there has the impression that the U. S. is a good place to live."

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TODAY'S GAMES

NATIONAL LEAGUE BLOOMINGTON (AP)—R. H. E. St. Louis 3 6 1 Brooklyn 4 1 2 Batteries—Sherdel, Alexander and O'Farrell; Petty and Isberry.

PHILADELPHIA (AP)—R. H. E. Philadelphia 2 12 2 Philadelphia Meadows, Koptal and Smith; Spencer, Mitchell and Henline.

NEW YORK (AP)—R. H. E. Chicago 2 7 2 New York 5 11 2 Batteries—Roel, Osborn and Gonzalez; Fitzsimmons and Cummings.

BOSTON (AP)—R. H. E. Cincinnati 0 5 0 Boston 4 10 2 Batteries—Donohue, Menckel, Lucas and Hargrave; Gensick and J. Taylor.

AMERICAN LEAGUE CLEVELAND (AP)—R. H. E. Boston 1 4 2 Cleveland 6 10 1 Batteries—Ruffing, Harris and Gaston; Uhle and Sewell.