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THE WEATHER

OREGON: Fair tonight and Tuesday. Frosts and freezing temperature in the east portion. Warmer in

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REYNOLDS IS
GIVEN \$3,685
BY VERDICT

Plaintiff Gets Approximately One-Fifth of Sum He Sought

NOTHING ALLOWED
FOR LAND DAMAGE

Both Sides in Case Considering An Appeal—City Commission to Decide Soon.

Findings for the plaintiff in the sum of \$3,685, the jury that tried Lee Reynolds' typographical error damage suit against the city of La Grande in circuit court last week returned with a verdict at 11:55 p. m. Saturday, giving its money here by a five-minute margin the necessity of returning to the courtroom again this morning to deliver in a body their sealed report.

Reynolds had asked for \$22,285.50.

Findings Itemized

On the request of plaintiff's counsel, the jury reported its assessment of damages in itemized form, as follows:

For injury to his business... \$3,000

For permanent injury to land... None

For loss of time... 200

For doctor and hospital bills, nurse services and medicine... 450

For depreciation in value of dairy cattle... None

For loss on dairy equipment... None

Total... \$3,685

Major Claim Disallowed

Reynolds in his complaint, it will be remembered, based the major part of his claim on damage to his land, which he estimated at \$16,000—half the price he testified he contracted to pay his attorney for the ranch. He had asked \$5,000 for injury to his business; \$300 for loss of time; \$500 for loss on cows and dairy equipment; and \$485 for doctors, nurses, hospital and medicine bills. The last-named amount was allowed without reduction.

Both Linggo & Wright, attorneys for the city, and Green & Hess, who represented Reynolds in his suit, expressed indecision this morning about appealing to the supreme court. Mr. Hess said he had not yet discussed the matter with his partner.

City May Appeal

The city's attorneys indicated an appeal might be made. "While we are gratified that the jury allowed the plaintiff less than a fifth of the amount of damages he alleged, on the other hand, we have felt that there was no legal liability on the part of the city. We will discuss the decision with the city commission at the next regular meeting before we decide about submitting the case to the supreme court," Mr. Linggo explained.

EL DORADO A
SUCCESS. MOOSE
CLUB REPORTS

Although no definite figure on the amount of money made from the El Dorado, the Moose lodge at Zillah held Thursday, Friday and Saturday of last week under the auspices of the Moose club this morning, the show was a decided success. Saturday night a record crowd was in attendance and everyone reported a good time.

The proceeds from the show go toward the fund for dependents on Moose lodge here.

TAKING
TIME FOR
ADVERTISING

There are very few successful business men these days who say they can't take time for advertising. Even the owner of the smallest shop knows that advertising (selling contact with the buying public) is the most important part of his business.

The man who hasn't time for advertising hasn't time to serve you best, hasn't time to keep you informed as to the interesting things in his business, hasn't time to tell you how and why he can satisfy you in every way. So it is that most business men advertise because they value this daily contact with you. In the Observer they have that contact at minimum cost per reader.

"Observer Advertising—A Merchandising Service"

Experiment In
Potato Culture
Now Under Way

Routh McKennon Expects to Increase Yield at Small Cost

By JACK O'DAY

An experiment perhaps never before attempted in the Grande Ronde Valley in the preparation of ground for farming, is being carried on this fall, by Routh McKennon at his ranch near Allev.

Although this experiment, which it is hoped will materially increase crop yields without too greatly increasing costs—has gone so far as to result in the summer-fallowing and seeding of about 65 acres, it still is, in reality, only in its earlier stages of execution. Would improve Spud Land

For several years Mr. McKennon, a son of L. L. McKennon, of La Grande, has been known as one of the Grande Ronde's extensive potato growers, and it is because of these years of experience both with "good" and "bad" years, dry years and normal years, that he has decided potato ground here can and should be improved to insure increases in yield and quality.

The present potato digging season, that has almost closed here, the rancher says, has an added object lesson to him and caused him to decide more definitely that something should be done.

Frost and Drought in 1926

"Just now," said Mr. McKennon in an interview, "I am interesting myself in experimenting on only with potato ground, though later I do expect to better the quality of everything I grow through some fertilization process."

"Take my potato crop this year for example," he went on. "Ray Norval and Clair McKennon, of Imbler, and myself, planted 45 acres of potatoes about a mile and a half north of Imbler. We prepared the ground in what we decided was 'good shape' and the soil seemed as good as we wanted for this particular crop."

"The crop, which we have just harvested, indicates that the ground was all right but because of the freeze last spring, the drought during the summer resulting from lack of rains and lowering of the water table due to absence of snows for three winters, plus the hard early frosts this fall, made it impossible for the good

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CHILDREN OPEN
PICTURE EXHIBIT

Display at Honan Hall Includes 150 Masterpiece Reproductions

La Grande school children—art devotees of the first order—opened their first picture exhibit at Honan hall today, with 150 hand-tinted reproductions of masterpieces on display. The exhibit, if for everyone, all proceeds from the affair to augment the public school picture fund.

Mrs. H. H. Cleaver will give the art talk on this evening's brief program. "The Characteristics of Flemish Painting" will be her subject. Miss Lois Nelson will play a piano number, and Miss Joan Williams will sing.

The exhibit hall will be open each school day this week from 9 a. m. to the evening crowd disperses.

Business Men to
Hear of Art Work

Children from the Central school will give an art class demonstration for the enlightenment of the business and professional men who attend the regular monthly meeting of the Union county chamber of commerce, Tuesday, Mrs. Stella Ingles, a central primary instructor, will have the class in charge.

Music for the meeting will be furnished by Leo Clifton Bryant, who will play violin numbers.

Robert Withycombe, of the Union state experiment farm, will give a report on the progress of the irrigation station.

Dr. Johnson Talks
At Rotary Session

Dr. Weston T. Johnson, of San Francisco, Pacific coast secretary of the Presbyterian board of foreign missions, spoke to the Rotarians at their luncheon meeting at the Elkey hotel today on changing conditions in the Orient.

America has a great opportunity in moral and spiritual leadership in view of the adoption of occidental methods and operations in China, Japan and other countries of the Orient, the speaker declared.

Dr. Johnson will address a special meeting at the Presbyterian church this evening.

WOMEN HURT
WHEN HACK
OVERTURNED

Three Indians and Girl, 9, at Hospital Following Wreck

CONDITION OF ONE
IS SAID CRITICAL

Car Driven by John Lindsey, Who Was Blinded by Approaching Lights, Hits Vehicle.

Their unlighted back ditched by a car driven by John Lindsey, of Island City, who struck them from behind, three Umatilla Indian women and a nine-year-old girl were injured—two of them seriously, last evening near the J. Miller place on the La Grande-Island City highway.

The accident was the most serious of several reported at sheriff and police headquarters in La Grande this morning as Sunday's toll.

The injured women are: Mrs. Gertrude Williams, 29; suffering from internal injuries and shock, made critical by her imminent motherhood.

Mrs. Edith Hall, 32; fractured back, near pelvis, and severe strains.

Miss Carrie Abraham, 17; injuries in the region of the right elbow and the right chest, and a sprained ankle.

Agnes Hall, nine-year-old daughter of Mrs. Hall; slight internal injuries.

Two Children Escape

Two small children who escaped hurt are playing around the hospital today, awaiting word from the Umatilla reservation, where all

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Boosters For
Armory to Meet
Tomorrow Night

A citizen's armory committee, a booster organization for the armory bill which will appear on the ballot at next month's election, will be formed tomorrow evening, Oct. 12, when the armory committee appointed by the American Legion post, the chamber of commerce and the Rotary club, will meet at the city hall with delegations from other clubs and organizations of the city for that purpose.

The members of the present committee hope to have people from all parts of the town join in campaigning for the armory bill. Any club that has not received a letter is asked to send representatives also. Individuals interested in the armory measure are invited.

After the organization of the committee has been completed, the system to be followed in raising money for the armory will be discussed. A report will be given of what has been accomplished so far, besides a general discussion by the committee members of what they expect to do.

Definite figures on the cost of the building and the ground space it will occupy will be given, also its advantages to the citizens of La Grande in addition to the national guard company here.

Tigers Score Three Touchdowns
In Final Period, Winning 28 to 0

Wallawa high school fought La Grande almost to a standstill in the first three periods here Saturday afternoon but a Tiger rally in the last quarter upset the opposition and netted three touchdowns before the game brought the battle to a close.

The final score was La Grande 28, Wallawa 0—sweet revenge for the Tigers who met on Louisa last in an Eastern Oregon championship because of an early season defeat by the Wallawans.

First Score in Second

The first touchdown of the game was scored in the second period. Snyder carried the ball over and Baker kicked goal. Silver, of Wallawa, got away for the visitors' longest run.

During the third quarter the score remained unchanged—7 to 0—when the Tigers, with the ball on Wallawa's 16-yard line following a pass to Snyder, sent Lyman through center for two plunges that netted a score. Baker kicked goal.

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ST. LOUIS WINS
FIRST WORLD
CHAMPIONSHIP

Cardinals on Way Home Today to Jubilant Missouri City

ALEXANDER SAVES
GAME FOR MATES

Fourth Inning Rally Netted Three Runs That Were Sufficient to Down Yanks.

By Brian Bell

NEW YORK, Oct. 11 (AP)—Athletes whose vim and vitality gave the cowboys of St. Louis a chance to ring again when many Missourians feared they were to be forever mute, were bound today for St. Louis figuring how much one can buy with \$5,584.51. This sum represents the money to be paid each member of the St. Louis Cardinals for winning the world's series. The New York Yankees are calculating the purchasing power of \$3,417.75 and reflecting that the difference in the size of the checks was determined by one \$50,000 run. The Cardinals won the seventh and deciding game of the world's series 3 to 2.

A \$50,000 strike out was engineered by old master Alexander. Two plays and a hit by Thewissen also meant money, and Yankee misuses were costly.

Alexander, Thewissen Star

In the final pulsating, contented played under sudden skies threatening to sweep with the Yankees at any moment, age and youth showed the way. Grover Cleveland Alexander, 39, and Thomas Joseph Thewissen, 23, claimed between them the place in the sun they would have had if there had been a sun.

When he tucks away his check each Cardinal may reflect that he has to thank an old man, as ball players go.

Alexander had no place in the original cast for the seventh game. He started on the bench with the comforting thought of a well pitched victory Saturday and another the previous Sunday.

Knuckled From Game

The offerings of Holmes for the inspection of Yankee batsmen were just one knuckle ball after another, and in the seventh inning with the bases full and the score 2 to 2 he was shocked to discover that he had practically knuckled himself out from the ball game. He rubbed

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Three Arrested
On Deer Charge

Charged with illegal possession of a female deer, George Andrews, R. W. Blackman and Arthur Graham, all of Island City, were hauled into justice court this morning by F. M. Brown, chief deputy state game warden, and H. E. Meads, another state deputy, who ran over to the violators yesterday while on a hunting excursion. The carcasses had been mutilated in an effort to disguise its sex, it is alleged.

Graham pleaded guilty and submitted to a fine of \$50. The others, Andrews and Blackman, pleaded not guilty. Their trial is set for 1:30 p. m. Tuesday at the city hall. A jury will hear their case.

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Coolidge Greet
Legion Members
In Philadelphia

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 11 (AP)—Shock troops from every state govern the city today and an official communique tonight apprised the Philadelphia sector was captured without casualties for the eighth annual convention of the American Legion.

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Special Session

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CASH & CARRY PYLE AND HIS PROTEGES



Left is Mr. Harold "Red" Grange, professional pusher of the pliska. Right is Suzanne Lenglen, professional net artist. Center is C. C. "Cash and Carry" Pyle, mentor, manager and commercializer extraordinary of amateur athletic prowess. The trio soon will begin their drive against the great American pocketbook.

AIMEE'S RANSOM
LETTER STOLEN

Important Document Is Missing from L. A. Police Station

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 11 (AP)—The Examiner says the original \$500,000 ransom letter in the Aimee Semple McPherson case, which was sent from San Francisco May 24 to Mrs. Minnie Kennedy, mother of the evangelist, has mysteriously disappeared and is believed to have been stolen from the files of the Los Angeles police department.

The loss of the letter which was signed "The Avengers" and demanded payment of the half million dollars for the safe return of Mrs. McPherson, was confirmed last night by Herman Cline, former chief of detectives.

The ransom letter, said to be the only handwritten one figuring in the McPherson case, is the second case of documentary evidence said to have disappeared since the investigation of Anglesia Temple's kidnapping story started. The other was the disappearance of the Carmel grocery lists a loss of which has been charged to a member of the Los Angeles county grand jury. They disappeared while the grand jury was investigating Mrs. McPherson's story.

The Avengers letter, believed by the prosecution to have been the first in a huge plot to obtain \$500,000 ransoms was written in a back-hand penmanship to disguise the handwriting of the writers. It was received by Mrs. Kennedy on May 25 and instructed her to send the money by an embassy who was

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Husband Shoots
Wife and Self
In Jealous Fit

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 11 (AP)—Shot last night by her husband, who died from a self-inflicted wound, Mrs. W. Ray Hanson, died at noon today at a hospital, Hanson, according to information received by the police, was jealous of his wife, and returning last night from Susanville, Cal., where he had gone with two of the three children of the couple, met his wife at her apartment, shot her and shot himself. He died an hour later.

Hanson, aged 39, who was a motion picture operator, was out of work some time ago, and was given employment by Elmer Buckwalter, a furniture dealer of Longview, Wash., who had been a friend of the family for seven years. A month ago Hanson quit his job and went to Susanville with two of the children and Mrs. Hanson moved to Portland.

When Hanson drove to his wife's apartment last night, she was not there and he waited outside in his auto. When she returned, accompanied by her eldest daughter and Buckwalter, Hanson followed his wife into the building. Two shots were heard, and the pair were found unconscious from bullet wounds.

The children are Dorothy, 11; Billy, 9, and Barbara, 6.

Government Loses
In Supreme Court

WASHINGTON, Oct. 11 (AP)—The government lost in the supreme court today in the Chemical Foundation case. The court sustained the sale of seized German chemical and dye patents, trade marks and copyrights to the Chemical Foundation by the alien property custodian.

The decision wrote the final chapter of one of the largest and most spectacular of the government post-war recovery suits. The highest court upheld the adverse decision rendered after trial in the district court at Wilmington, Del.

Army Flight Will
Begin December 15

WASHINGTON, Oct. 11 (AP)—The Army's (Pan American) flight will start from San Antonio, Texas "on about the 15th of December" the war department announced today.

The official itinerary of the flight also announced today, shows that Nicaragua and Ecuador will be the only countries of South or Central America which will not be visited by the flyers.

Court Refuses to
Review Hart Case

WASHINGTON, Oct. 11 (AP)—The conviction of Dr. Frank C. Hart, Portland physician, in federal court for Oregon, on a charge of violating the Mann act, will not be reviewed by the supreme court, the court announced today.

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 11 (AP)—Dr. Frank C. Hart is under five-year sentence and fine of \$5,000, since his arrest and trial he has been divorced from his first wife and has married the girl in the case, Bertha Keller.

WUCHANG TAKEN
BY 'RED' ARMY

Chang Kai-Shek Celebrates Founding of Republic by Victory

HANKOW, Oct. 11 (AP)—(Delayed). The siege of Wuchang is over and Chang Kai-Shek, commander in chief of the "Red" Cantonese army, has realized his prediction of some weeks ago that he would celebrate there the anniversary of the founding of the Chinese republic. When Chang left Canton he made his prophecy and seizure of Wuchang has been the primary objective of his advance upon the Yangtze.

The southerners occupied Wuchang this morning and it is reported that the northern commanders, Chen Kiu-Mu and Liu Yu-Chun, who have been holding the city, were made prisoners after soldiers had thrown open the gates admitting three thousand southern troops.

Southerners found a most welcome populace. Blockaded for weeks by the besiegers the civilian population has suffered a dire shortage of rations as a result of which much suffering was reported. Numerous deaths in the city, many of them at first attributed to starvation, are now said to have been due to other causes, principally to violence suffered by women and children in the mad rush to get to the rescue boats sent by the Red Cross to take as many persons as possible to Hankow.

The Cantonese took Hankow some time ago.

Ask Federation
To Aid Strikers
In Passaic, N. J.

DETROIT, Mich., Oct. 11 (AP)—Dr. Stephen S. Wine, rabbi of the Free Synagogue of New York, addressing the morning session of the American Federation Labor in annual convention, made a plea for assistance for the striking textile workers of Passaic, N. J. and urged the federation to launch an organization campaign in the textile industry.

The convention approved the recommendation of the legislative committee to request the federal government to prohibit enlisted men of the army, navy and marine corps from doing work generally handled by civilians.

The report affirmed the federation support of legislation excluding from this country aliens ineligible for citizenship.

Another resolution called upon the federation officials to give preference to American citizens in all employment on public works.

Gene Tunney May
Wed Rich Heiress

NEW YORK, Oct. 11 (AP)—Today's American says that Gene Tunney has matrimonial intentions and that an announcement will be made during the winter. The paper's society editor writes:

"His reported bride-to-be is said to be rich, of the social register and possessed of a daddy who is connected with the Rockefeller's."

JURY FAILS
TO AGREE IN
FRAUD CASE

Daugherty-Miller Decision Not Reached—New Trial Likely

BODY DISCHARGED
BY JUDGE MACK

Sixty-Five Hours of Deliberation in Vain—One Juror Charges Improper Conduct.

NEW YORK, Oct. 11 (AP)—The jury in the Daugherty-Miller conspiracy case, 65 hours after taking the case was discharged today by Judge Julian W. Mack without having reached a verdict.

With set, weary faces the deadlocked jury in the Daugherty-Miller conspiracy trial marched into the jury room this morning sixty and a half hours after being given the case.

With two full days and part of another of deliberation behind the jurors clumped through the corridors with the sullen expressions of men at an unpleasant task which showed no signs of completion.

On their way to the jury room the ventmen passed Harry M. Daugherty, former attorney general, and Thomas W. Miller, former alien property custodian without a glance. The defendants, however, scrutinized the tired face of the jurors keenly.

Daugherty and Miller are charged with conspiracy for bribes to permit release of \$7,000,000 war impounded assets in 1921. After five weeks in court the case went to the jury at 2:45 o'clock Friday night. Saturday, inability to agree was reported but Judge Mack refused to discharge.

Yesterday Juror Henry Van Ost, complained to the judge that vile language was being used in the jury room and that jurors was being used to make him "lay down".

Juror Murray White, whose slight illness last night caused concern to the prosecution which would have to try the case over, if a taleman had to withdraw, seemed in better health this morning.

At noon the jury sent into Judge Mack requests for more exhibits. These demanded related solely to Miller.

Soon after the exhibits were taken to the jury room, the jurors asked to be taken out to lunch.

ENCOUNTER IN
MEXICO FATAL
TO 200 INDIANS

NOGALES, Ariz., Oct. 11 (AP)—The Herald's correspondent at Magdalena today wired the news paper that 200 Yaqui Indians and about 80 federal soldiers had been killed or wounded in an encounter near Corral Station, Sonora, Mexico, the night of Oct. 6. The correspondent at Magdalena with a military convoy, based his estimate on official communications received by the commanding officer.

Church Is Facing
Foreclosure Suit

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Oct. 11 (AP)—Suit to foreclose on the Zion Lutheran church opened here this morning in circuit court with J. F. Hillman as plaintiff. Hillman alleges Everett Logan, contractor who built the church owes him \$451.91 for wages as foreman.

18 Lives Lost in
Holland Hurricane

ROTTERDAM, Holland, Oct. 11 (AP)—Eighteen lives are known to have been lost in a hurricane which raged over Denmark and Holland over the week end. Heavy damage was done, especially to shipping and many vessels were in difficulty. The liner Agatha Maria, bound for New York, and the crew of 14 was drowned. A tug sank with its crew of four on the Maas river after a collision.

YOUTH ENJOYS FLOOD

BEARDSTOWN, Ill., Oct. 11 (AP)—With ukuleles replacing guitars, row boats instead of gondolas, high school youths last night enjoyed the flood water of the Illinois river several feet deep in the streets here and surrounded the girls in Venetian style.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 11 (AP)—The American Smelting and Refining company was denied a review by the supreme court today in a case which it sought to bring against George C. Carson, who had sued for patent infringement.