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THE WEATHER

OREGON: Generally fair tonight and Sunday except cloudy over the northwest portion. Frosts or freezing temperature tonight.

EAST OREGON
SCHOOL MEN
GATHER HEREAnnual Spring Meeting
of Association Is Under
Way Today.BUSINESS SESSION
THIS AFTERNOON

C. A. Howard, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, and Dr. Douglass Attend.

With approximately 40 educators of Eastern Oregon schools in attendance, the annual spring meeting of the superintendents and principals association convened at the high school this morning at about 10 o'clock. The first session was to have opened at 9 o'clock, but because of muddy roads in the county, some were delayed in arriving.

Due to the late start, the scheduled morning business session, which was to feature a discussion of athletics, was postponed until this afternoon when it will be merged with the regular afternoon business session.

To Decide Track Meet

At that time officers will be elected, the place and date of the Eastern Oregon track and field meet will be decided, resolutions will be adopted, and other similar matters taken care of.

Howard Speaks

Following an opening address by the Rev. George Albert Pollard, of the La Grande First Baptist church, on "Moral and Religious Education in the Public Schools," Mr. Howard spoke. His subject was "The Department of Superintendence," and he told in an interesting manner of the recent meeting of the department of superintendents of the N. E. A., held in Dallas, Tex., early this month. He has just returned from the south.

Mr. Howard also discussed legislation of an educational nature this morning.

Just before the noon hour Dr. Douglass addressed the group on the subject of "Tests and Measurements in the Elementary School." This afternoon he will continue his discussion, applying it to high schools instead of the lower grades.

All Schools Represented

Superintendents and principals from practically every city and town in Eastern Oregon were present this morning and the meeting already is declared one of the most successful in the association's history.

Present executive officers are both La Grande men—J. T. Long, fellow, superintendent of the local schools, is president, and E. D.

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W. B. LAYDEN TO
OPEN FACTORY
AT TONOPAH

W. B. Layden, who has operated a cigar factory in La Grande for the past three years, has closed up his business and will leave here next week for Tonopah, Nevada, where he will open up a similar business.

Tonopah, near Weepah, where one of the biggest gold rushes in history is now in progress, is regarded by Mr. Layden as an ideal place in which to open up a new business. He has been in that part of Nevada before and at that time was impressed with opportunities, which of late have grown enormously.

Mr. Layden will be the first La Grande man to leave for the Tonopah district gold fields.

MORE
CLERKS
NEEDED

When you and the buying public generally, another store with business it meets the trade growth by adding more salespeople. Business men want to serve you quickly, efficiently, and well.

But sometimes a business man overlooks other factors in his selling organization. He doesn't expect one clerk to wait on a store full of people but he may expect a small window display and customer-satisfaction to do all his advertising. And that doesn't reach his prospects. If you never hear his goods or service talked about, and if you seldom pass his window, your trade is naturally attracted to the store that constantly tells its patrons story and invites your patronage. It is the most economical customer-contact to be had in covering the La Grande territory.

"Observer Advertising—A Merchandising Service"

Senior Play Is
Praised; Second
Showing Tonight

"Adam and Eva" Successfully Presented by the Upper Classmen in Auditorium.

Whether the play "Adam and Eva" was written with just such persons as composed last night's senior play cast in mind, whether it was due to the training the cast has received, or whether it was just coincidence, each of the 10 senior students taking part in the comedy drama presented for the first time last night in the high school auditorium, enacted their roles so that those who saw it may have wondered if it had not been written especially for them.

Not only were the various characters handled in an excellent manner, but the story of the play itself was an interesting one. It centered around the extravagant family of James King, a rich man. Austin (Jimmie), the family clown, for his father's money, and Clinton De Witt, his son-in-law, Francis Newlin, Julie De Witt, his eldest daughter, Ann Stanger, Eva King, his younger daughter, Dorothy Ann Warnick, Aunt Abby Becker, his sister-in-law, Edna Hally, and Horace Higgins, his uncle, Kenneth Thompson.

Robert Sullivan took the part of Dr. Jack Delamater, his neighbor, who was anxious to marry Eva for her father's money, and Kenneth Higgins was Lord Andrew Gordon, another would-be son-in-law.

George Anderson took the part of Adam Smith, King's business manager, who altered the extravagant ways of the family, while acting as father during the absence of Mr. King by pretending that the King company was ruined.

Following the play, a musical number was presented by the entire family to go to work. Kioskie Volder played the part of Corintha, the parlor maid, and later a partner in the chick business, with Julie De Witt and Eva King.

All ended happily with the return of Mr. King and the realization that they still had money and had learned a lesson.

Tonight the play will be repeated. The auditorium was crowded to capacity last night and an equally large crowd is expected tonight.

Stage furniture for the play was furnished by the W. H. Bohner-Lamp company and by Newlin's. Miss Mabel Bennett and Miss Zola Pearl directed the three-act comedy. Jack Durbin was business manager, and Bert Hahne stage manager, with Harold Solt, Charles Wilson and Lynn Smith as their assistants. Ivy Chaffin had charge of the costumes. William Snodgrass, the producer, Owen Schuchler the lighting and Warren Thomas the stage.

Between the high school orchestra under the direction of W. W. Nussbaum, furnished music.

SCOUT LEADERS
HEAR DR. MURPHY

Second of Series of Leadership Training Meets Held Last Night

Twenty-eight men interested in boy scout troop leadership gathered at the First Methodist Episcopal church basement last night and an enthusiastic meeting for the benefit of Union county scout troop leaders was held.

Three more men then attended the last meeting were present.

Dr. Ray Murphy was the principal speaker of the evening and he told many interesting facts in his address, which was entitled "Scouting for Health."

Work of the landerfoot class of boy scouts was taken up, including knot tying, rope making, observation tests and games were taken up.

C. H. Baxter, scout master of Union, was among the out-of-town men present.

Oregon and Idaho
Lumbermen Here

Lumbermen of Eastern Oregon and Northwestern Idaho are in La Grande today attending a monthly meeting. The visitors are guests of the Bowman-Hicks Lumber company.

E. F. Tobin will be the chief speaker of the meeting, his subject to be "Lumber Grading."

Measles Epidemic
Raging at Union

UNION, Ore., Mar. 19. (Special)—An epidemic of German measles is raging at Union at present.

Many of the students and grade school children are out of school because of the disease, and even some of the faculty members are contracting the ailment.

Disease this spring has probably cut the attendance in the Union public schools lower than it has been for several years.

CARR'S WILL
CLOSE DOORS
ON MARCH 26

Charles Roehm, Seattle, Purchases Furniture Business

J. J. CARR QUILTS
FURNITURE LINE

Store Will Be Reopened to Public April 1 Under New Management—Sale Ends Mar. 26.

J. J. Carr announced today that the Carr furniture business has been sold to Charles Roehm, of Seattle, Wash., and the present company will wind up its affairs with the public next Saturday night.

The business will be reopened Friday, April 1 under the new management. Mr. Roehm is an experienced furniture man and has been buyer for a large furniture store in Seattle.

Mr. Carr says that he will retain some stock in the new company but will no longer be in any way connected with the active management or operation.

Mr. Roehm is expected here tomorrow and will make plans for his opening, to be announced later.

In Business 24 Years

At the corner of Adams and Fir streets, J. J. Carr has managed the furniture company for nearly 24 years, having started there August 4, 1903. Now he is retiring from it and will begin in something entirely new April 1, when he will become manager of the La Grande Building and Loan company.

This company has offices in the La Grande National bank building in the same rooms occupied by J. F. Phay. The rooms will be remodeled immediately, providing a separate department for the building and loan company.

Monday the store will start on the last week of its closing out sale.

Snodgrass Is A
Member of O.A.C.
Band, Orchestra

Francis Snodgrass, of La Grande, is a member of the O. A. C. cadet band, which will play for a concert and dance here Thursday, March 31. Mr. Snodgrass, who is a sophomore in college, is playing his second year with the band in the trombone section. He will appear on the program for the concert in a trombone duet, with Naxos Dunn, of Corvallis.

E. M. McMannus, Lawrence Prosser, and Chris May, all of La Grande, have been members of the O. A. C. cadet band while they were attending the college. Mr. Snodgrass will also play in the orchestra for the dance after the concert. The orchestra, which is composed of eight pieces, three saxophones, trumpet, trombone, banjo, and drums, is a big financial help to the band as all of the orchestra men are members of the band.

Cove Chamber to
Meet Monday Night

The annual meeting of the Cove chamber of commerce will be held at Cove Monday night at 7:30 o'clock in the J. O. O. F. hall. Members of the La Grande chamber and their wives are invited to attend. H. E. Coulter, its treasurer, will be one of the principal speakers.

Baker Man Accused
of Drunken Driving

Jack O'Keefe, of Baker, was arrested here yesterday afternoon and was arraigned in the circuit court before Judge Hugh E. Brady on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

He pleaded not guilty. His trial was set for Monday morning, Mar. 28, at 9:30 o'clock.

Miss Weatherston
In State Prison

SALEM, Ore., Mar. 19. (AP)—After passing her first night without in prison walls sleeping soundly, Miss Harriet Weatherston this morning began serving the first day of her six-year sentence at the state penitentiary. Under existing laws it will be necessary for her to serve at least two years of her sentence before she will be eligible to parole. The law provides that a prisoner shall be eligible to parole after half the sentence has been served and that another year may be taken off for good behavior.

H. E. Dixon Speaks
at Forum Luncheon

H. E. Dixon will be the speaker at the regular forum luncheon of the chamber of commerce Tuesday noon at the Sommer hotel. "China" will be his subject, and he will tell something of the conditions there at the present time.

Jack Coulter will play several banjo selections.

MOB OF 2,000
AFTER NEGRO
STORMS JAIL

Coffeyville, Kansas Scene of Night Battle, Centered Near Prison

NATIONAL GUARD
UNITS CALLED OUT

Badly Damaged City Hall and Three Injured Men Are Today Mute Evidence of Hostilities.

COFFEYVILLE, Kan., Mar. 19. (AP)—Coffeyville awoke today with the uneasy feeling that the storming of the city jail here last night in an effort to wrest a negro prisoner from the law was but an unrealized dream in the dark.

Patrolling national guardsmen, three injured men and a badly damaged city hall, however, testified to the stark reality of the night's events.

At daybreak four men were under arrest charged with looting a hardware store, the negro sought by the mob after his arrest in connection with an attack on two high school girls, was free and county and military authorities were confident there would be no repetition of mob activity.

Officials said they did not have enough evidence to hold the negro. Neither girl could identify him as one of the attackers.

W. D. McGrath, sheriff of Montgomery county, announced that three negroes answering the description given by the girls were under arrest in Humboldt, Kan., and would be questioned today.

2000 in Mob

City officials declared their intention of starting an investigation of the mob, and officers of the city declared a damage suit would be filed against the city immediately under the Kansas mob law which holds the city responsible for mob violence. Three men constitute a mob under the law and there were virtually 2,000 men, women and children about the city hall where three attempts were made to take Curtis Smith, the negro, from the officers.

A feeling of tension permeated the town all day yesterday following the report of the attack on the two high school girls. Groups gathered on porches and discussed the affair.

Yesterday afternoon bloodhounds were put on the trail of the attackers. A crowd followed the hounds and the officers to a house in the negro quarter. There three negroes were found. They were Smith, Vangies, 29, and his brother, Guyton, 22.

Three negroes jailed.

The sheriff took the three negroes to jail. The crowd followed and grew in strength.

Women and children joined the crowd at the jail where youths encouraged by older persons started stoning the officers. The mob that two of the negroes, Vangies and Guyton, brothers, had been exonerated and released.

The youths then rushed for filling stations to obtain gasoline to set fire to the jail. The stations had been closed and they returned empty handed. An American flag was then displayed from a city hall window, but the mob feared it.

Whites, Blacks Mix

Groups then left the threat to invade the negro quarters, where upwards of four thousand colored persons live. Several fist fights occurred between whites and blacks and sporadic firing began.

William Waddle, 17, printer's apprentice, was struck in the legs by a charge of buckshot and received a pistol bullet through an arm.

The shots were fired by negroes who came to the rescue of one of their race who had been severely beaten. H. C. Waddle, 45, a factory foreman, which was injured in the rush to safety as the firing increased.

As Waddle hurried through the

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LOSTINE TEAM
WINS DEBATE
CHAMPIONSHIP

UNION, Mar. 19. (Special)—After winning from Baker and thus capturing the county championship, the high school debating contest, the Union team met the Lostine quartet Thursday evening, two debating here and two going to the latter place. The decision here was the Lostine team and at Lostine the judges voted likewise, thus giving the Wallowa county team the district championship.

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GOLD STRIKE CREATES SENSATION



The gold strike at Weepah, Nev., still is a nation-wide sensation although the newest strike in Arizona is threatening to usurp it from the public eye. Hordes of stampedeers are rushing into the two states. These pictures illustrate the strike near Tonopah. Above is a group of prospectors, panning out gold. Below is the original strike.

Trigger Pullers
To Face Klamath,
Coquille Sunday

The trapshooting team of the Wing, Pin and Fleetfoot club of Union county will shoot against the Coquille Red and Gun club and the Klamath Gun club tomorrow in the Oregonian telegraphic tournament. Coquille is among the strongest but Klamath is close to the cellarship. Members hope for an even break or a double victory.

In this morning's Oregonian the club is listed as having 4 wins and 2 losses to a percentage of 92.5. According to figures here the club has 6 wins and 2 losses for a percentage of 75. With the percentage corrected, La Grande would be in a tie with Medford and Coquille for third place.

The shooting will begin at 9:30 o'clock tomorrow morning at the Lone Tree grounds.

Reynolds Will
Attend Annual
Secretary Meet

Earl C. Reynolds, secretary of the Union county chamber of commerce, and vice president of the Oregon state association of commercial organizations, here today will leave tonight for Salem where he will attend the seventh annual short course for chamber of commerce secretaries to be held at the University of Oregon beginning Monday morning, March 21 and continuing until Saturday evening, March 26.

Many interesting programs have been arranged for the six days of the meeting. Paul Clagstone, manager of the western division of the United States chamber of commerce; J. A. Horader, manager of the Boise, Ida., chamber of commerce; and H. E. Rossen, of the English department of the University of Oregon, are among the speakers.

On the last day of the meeting reports of committee chairmen will be heard. Mr. Reynolds is chairman of the membership and budget committee.

Legion Auxiliary
Dance Monday Night

A completely equipped hope chest, to be given away by the American Legion auxiliary here at a dance Monday evening, April 18, went on display today in the show window of the Richardson Art and Gift shop.

Dance tickets are to be sold by girls outside the legion auxiliary.

Five prizes are being offered by the auxiliary for the girls selling the most tickets. The first prize is \$50 cash, and second \$35, the third \$25, the fourth \$19 and the fifth five dollars. Mrs. Norman Dostler is chairman of the ticket committee and all girls desiring to enter the contest are asked to see her.

The hope chest will be on display in various store windows of the city between now and the date of the dance, which will be at Legion hall. Proceeds will go toward the auxiliary convention fund.

Shotguns Used to
Get Firm's Payroll

CHICAGO, Mar. 19. (AP)—Seven men armed with shotguns today raided the offices of the Continental Can company and after terrorizing 25 employees, escaped with a payroll of \$12,462.

The robbers entered the offices shortly after the employees had arrived for work.

PROTESTANTS STIRRED

BERLIN, Mar. 19. (AP)—Protestant church circles are greatly stirred over a communist demonstration yesterday at the Lutheran movement.

The Reichsbote, evangelized daily, claims that the communists, under police protection, planted a revolutionary red flag over Luther's head. Others climbed the statue of the hero of the reformation and covered it with placards of incendiary character.

The paper urges all protestants to "become active."

KIAMATHI, Ore., Mar. 19. (AP)—

Thrown from a horse on his way home from school, little 7-year-old N. C. Christensen, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Christensen of West Side, 20 miles west of Lakeview, was fatally injured yesterday afternoon.

Clubber And His
Victim, 11, Both
Are Near Death

Police Shoot Ex-Convict in Detroit Following His Attack on Boy with Baseball Bat.

DETROIT, Mich., Mar. 19. (AP)—A clubber and his 11-year-old victim were at the point of death in local hospitals today, while police checked up on the former in an effort to ascertain if he is the terrorist who has been operating in a number of Michigan and Ohio cities, principally Toledo.

Edward Ballard of Fordson, Mich., an ex-convict, was shot down last night by a policeman a few minutes after he was alleged to have brutally mauled William Trustman, a newboy. Ballard, according to reports to the police based on the boy's own account, an alley en route home and battered him with a sawed off baseball bat, until interrupted by the approach of a passerby. The boy's leg was broken from a blow from the club, and he was so severely injured that recovery is not expected.

The passerby attracted by the lad's screams summoned police who immediately closed the neighborhood. They came upon Ballard a few minutes later crouched behind a telephone pole and shot him. A search of Ballard's clothing revealed in addition to the bat, a pistol, a short iron bar, three coils of rope and a number of cartridges.

The man later was identified as a former inmate of the Michigan state prison at Jackson, where he served a term for criminal assault.

A not book found in Ballard's clothing contained addresses of a number of Detroit children and their ages.

Flyers May Be
Lost in Jungles
In South America

BUENOS AIRES, Mar. 19. (AP)—The wild Brazilian jungles today held the secret of the whereabouts of Commander Francesco De Pinedo, Italy's premier long distance flyer, and his companions, in the giant hydro aeroplane Santa Maria. Not since the report that the Pinedo had been off near San Luis de Cacer-Mannaco, 130 miles away, has anything been heard from him.

Aviation experts here, including Hector Peretti, representative of the factory in Italy where the Santa Maria was built, said they had no misgivings as to the safety of the craft and its crew.

The possibility of not hearing from the flyers for some time had been forecast before. De Pinedo started the flight because of lack of communication. When he penetrated the jungles the route to his destination was over the "river of doubt" discovered by Theodore Roosevelt and across great swamps covered with dense vegetation and reeking with mud deep enough to swallow the plane if it fell.

Signor Peretti today was of the belief that the aviators were at the town of Matto Grosso in the state of that name awaiting favorable conditions for a flight to Guajara-Miren, half way between Caceres and Manaus.

Reports indicated losses would run heavy throughout the Green Forest territory. Special trains were en route to the area today, carrying doctors, nurses and supplies.

The storm apparently centered at Green Forest where upwards of 700 houses and stores were destroyed or badly damaged. Streets were filled with debris which hampered rescue crews.

Two churches were converted into dressing stations and one later was designated as a morgue. Sixteen bodies had been recovered early today.

As the storm severed power lines as well as telephones and telegraph wires, the rescuers stumbled about with lanterns, tracing the cries of injured or making spots where people were believed planned or buried by stones and timbers.

Station, School Razed

Persons arriving at Eureka Springs, Ark., 35 miles northwest of Green Forest, said the Missouri and North Arkansas railroad station, an elementary school house and a bank building were among structures virtually demolished.

Hall shattered windows in almost all business buildings and residences. No effort was made to combat the fires as the survivors milled about the streets, waiting for daylight to carry on relief work.

Women appeared scantily clad carrying crying children. Many

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COOK TO STAY
IN PEN UNTIL
CASE IS TESTED

WASHINGTON, Mar. 19. (AP)—Dr. Frederick A. Cook will be kept in the Federal penitentiary at Leavenworth until a test has been made of the right of a federal judge to release a prisoner on probation after a sentence has begun, the department of justice said today.

The former explorer and oil operator, sentenced to fourteen years for using the mails to defraud, had been ordered released, but the department announced today that it had received assurance from Federal Judge Wilson at Port Worth, who issued the order for Cook's release that he would cooperate to test his interpretation of probation law through an appeal to the circuit court of appeals.

Immigration Laws
Exclude Indians

PHILADELPHIA, Mar. 19. (AP)—For the American Indian no boundary line exists, says a decision handed down by Federal Judge Oliver B. Dickinson in the case of Paul Dado, member of an Iroquois tribe, whom the U. S. sought to exclude for crossing the Canadian border without proper immigration visas. Judge Dickinson ruled that Indians are not included among the members of alien nations whose admission to this country is controlled by existing immigration laws.

Rail Men, Employees
Favor Arbitration

CHICAGO, Mar. 19. (AP)—The Western railroads and their train service employees through their representatives today agreed to submit their wage question to arbitration. The request of the employees is for approximately one dollar a day increase.

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