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OREGON: Generally unsettled tonight and Saturday. Showers near the coast tonight. Frosts and freezing temperatures in the interior tonight.

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CLUB HOUSE TO BE BUILT DURING YEAR

Blue Mountain Country Club Directors Approve Program for Work

ARCHITECT WILL BEGIN ON PLANS

C. A. Bingaman and A. J. Stange Make Offers—Greens Committee Reports on Course.

The Blue Mountain country club plans to erect a new club house before the end of this year. A directors meeting was held last evening at the chamber of commerce offices, and the building committee, of which William Siegrist is chairman, reported that tentative plans had been drawn up for the club house. These were approved and the committee was authorized to have an architect make the drawings from the plan presented, and to go ahead with arrangements to build.

Charles A. Bingaman, president of the Black Marble and Lime company, offered all of the lime necessary for the building free of charge, and A. J. Stange offered any product produced by the Mt. Emily Lumber company for the new building at absolute cost.

The greens committee, G. L. Larison, chairman, reported and the budget of the committee was discussed, which showed that the entire grounds would be fenced this year. A new tool house at the golf course has just been completed, a new putting green mower has been purchased and the old power mower will be fixed. A tractor is being rebuilt through the courtesy of the Grande Ronde Lumber company.

Grass Growing Slowly

Because of the continued cold weather the grass is growing slowly so far, but is expected to improve when the wheather becomes warmer. It has been sprinkled several times so far this spring.

W. C. Perkins, chairman of the finance committee, reported, giving the outlined program of the committee, which includes finances for the construction of the new club house.

WALLA WALLA SENDS MEN TO ROAD MEETING

Walla Walla will send a delegation to La Grande to attend the good roads meeting scheduled for tonight at 7:30 o'clock in the city hall, according to word received from over the Blue Mountains. Considerable interest is being shown in the Weston-Union county project, not only in Walla Walla but at Weston and Milton-Freewater.

The men coming from Walla Walla are to represent the Washington city's chamber of commerce.

The meeting is to not only take up the Blue Mountain project but will also consider other road work proposed in Union county. Delegates will be in attendance from Union, Elgin, and other county points it is said. G. L. Larison, chairman of the good roads committee of the chamber of commerce, will preside over the meeting.

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Apr. 8 (AP)—Father Richard's prophecy of another snow storm on April 8, was borne out today when snow, whipped by a north wind, blew into Klamath and Carpeted the hills and valleys in white.

"WHAT YOU DON'T KNOW—"

The old saying, "What you don't know, doesn't hurt you," may or may not apply in advertising sometimes—but it is certain that "what you don't know" DOES hurt a business man when it is something that would attract your trade to his counters.

Many firms "get along" because they have a small, established following of customers who are well sold on the firm's service, goods, etc. But some of them fail to "get ahead" because they neglect acquainting you and others who are not customers with logical reasons why you should be. You welcome this information, give attention to these reasons when given you in advertising messages in The Observer. The Observer constitutes your contact with the active business of the community. Fortunately, it is available to business men at the lowest cost per reader of any possible method.

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Eagles President Visits Lodgemen

D. C. Coke, state president of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, of Marshfield, was in La Grande yesterday, and was a guest of 60 members of the local lodge last night. The principal feature of the meeting was a talk by the state president on "Eagledom."

Early this afternoon Mr. Coke, accompanied by C. E. Happersett, state treasurer of the F. O. E., and treasurer of the local lodge; Robert Heether, organizer; and Bud Truesdale, of the Boise, Ida., aerie, left for Baker, where they will attend a meeting of the Baker lodge tonight.

Wednesday night about 25 members of the Eagles' lodge here and their wives attended a meeting at Pendleton. A program and dance was given there in addition to a talk by the state president. Representatives were also present from Walla Walla.

County Parents, Teachers Form Central Council

Mrs. Charles Cleaver, of Imbler, Elected President of Newly Organized Group.

A County Council of Parent-Teacher associations was organized last night when an enthusiastic meeting was held in the high school auditorium here, with representatives from the 11 parent-teacher associations of the county in attendance.

Mrs. Carl G. Helm, district vice president, called the meeting to order and W. W. Nusbaum led the assembly in two songs, "America the Beautiful" and the "P. T. A. National Song."

R. A. Wilkerson, principal of the Greenwood school, acted as temporary chairman and a splendid program, arranged by Mrs. Lloyd Pierce, of Island City, was given.

Alice Jeanette and Maelizabeth Cooper furnished a violin group, the two girls first playing a duet number "Alpine Violets" by Ludwig Andre, after which Maelizabeth played "La Zingana" by Carl Bohm and her sister played a negro spiritual "Sometimes I Feel Like a Motherless Child" by C. C. White. They closed the group with another duet number "Longing for Home" by A. Gangman. Mrs. Ralph Clark was piano accompanist.

Sayre Speaks

E. A. Sayre, county school superintendent, spoke on the value of parent-teacher work in the schools. He said that more time and attention is being given to child development and education today than ever before and that the parent-teacher association affords the channel whereby, if properly carried on, the teacher is given a better understanding of the child and friendly and harmonious cooperation with the parents in the home. He also stressed the value of systematized work along this line in Union county and urged the forming of the county council of parent-teacher organizations.

G. L. Dutton sang "For You Alone," after which the business of organizing was taken up.

Elect Officers

Mrs. Charles Cleaver, of Imbler, was elected president; Mrs. J. K. Charlton, of La Grande, vice president; and Mrs. Jack Dorman, of Wolf creek, secretary-treasurer.

In the absence of the president-elect the vice president took charge of the meeting and a committee was appointed to draw up a constitution and by-laws to be presented for consideration at the next meeting of the county council, which upon invitation of Mrs. Stella Huron, president of the Imbler P.-T. A., will be held in the Imbler school gymnasium Friday evening, April 22, at 8 o'clock.

The presidents of the 11 associa-

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Improvement Of Road Petitioned By Cove Citizens

Consideration of road closing petitions and a request made by a Cove delegation featured the April county court session, which closed yesterday afternoon after two days of activity.

A report be the county engineer favoring the closing of a road near Imbler, petitioned some time ago, was received and the engineer was authorized to post notices calling for a hearing to be held during the June term of court.

Another petition, asking for the closing of a street not in use, was not filed soon enough for the court to take action this term, and the matter was ordered held over until the May meeting.

The Cove delegation asked that the Lower Cove road, which was graded last year, be graveled this summer. The court decided to await until after the proposed June 28 road bond election before taking any positive action.

Auditing of bills and other routine business was attended to before the court adjourned. County Judge U. G. Couch presided and Commissioners W. R. Ledbetter and W. W. Stevens were in attendance.

SNOW FLAKES GIVE OREGON CHILL TODAY

Storm Is General over the State, Cold, Blustery Weather Prevailing

MERCURY HOVERS AROUND FREEZING

Light Flurries Noticed in La Grande During Day—Portland Has Light Snowfall.

EUGENE, Ore., Apr. 8 (AP)—A heavy snowfall which started at 7 a. m. was continuing in full force an hour later. The flakes were melting almost as fast as they struck the ground although many rooftops were whitened.

Surrounding hills were blanketed, and reports from the mountain regions bore the information that the snowfall was heavy there.

The snowfall continued steadily until nearly 10 o'clock, when only a few flakes were falling. There was a little slush, here and there, but for the most part the snow had melted as quickly as it had fallen.

Skies were overcast with an indication of further snows.

LIGHT FLURRIES HERE

Light flurries of snow, lasting only a minute or two and leaving no trace on the ground, were noticed in La Grande today. The heaviest flurry began about 1:25 o'clock this afternoon and continued for about five minutes.

BLUSTERY WEATHER

MEDFORD, Ore., Apr. 8 (AP)—Blustery weather prevailed over the Upper Rogue River valley today with a chill wind and a flurry of rain and snow at noon that lasted half an hour. The forecast is for rain and wind.

PRESBYTERIANS IN ANNUAL MEET

Three Elders Reelected—Walter H. Guild Is New Trustee

About 150 persons attended the annual congregation dinner and business meeting of the First Presbyterian church last evening in the church basement, Robert S. Eakin, elder, presiding over the first part of the business session.

The terms of three elders, A. S. Anderson, Dr. E. P. Mossman and C. M. Humphreys, expired last night and each was reelected to succeed himself for a term of three years.

Reports were heard from the various departments of the church and from the church officers.

A. T. Hill, chairman of the board of trustees presided over the last part of the meeting, when three trustees were elected. I. C. Bowser and W. C. Perkins were reelected and Walter H. Guild was elected to take the place of J. A. Tedford, who has moved away from the city.

C. M. Humphreys explained the ministers pension plan, whereby ministers are given a pension after having served for a period of 35 years. No definite action was taken concerning the plan.

Mr. Eakin read a letter from the new minister, J. George Walk, of Nevada, Iowa, which said that he would be in La Grande and would preach his first serman here Sunday, May 1. The church has been without a minister for several months, the Rev. W. C. Ross having gone from here to Boise, Ida., about five months ago.

Television Will Open New Roads To Civilization

Successful Demonstration Yesterday Regarded as Important Step in the World's Progress.

NEW YORK, Apr. 8 (AP)—Visions of a person at home witnessing and hearing events miles distant were a step nearer realization today.

Demonstration of a television process by which Herbert Hoover, speaking in Washington, was seen and heard in New York, 200 miles away, was hailed by Walter S. Gifford, president of the American Telephone and Telegraph company, with confidence "that in many ways and in due time it will be found to add substantially to human comfort and happiness."

"What its practical use may be I shall leave to your imagination," he added.

Some Ideas

Some idea of the possibility of practical use of television in the near future was given however, by the statement of Dr. Frank B. Jewett vice president of the American Telephone and Telegraph company, that television was further advanced than was transatlantic telephony when first demonstrated in 1915, eleven years before it was put to commercial use.

Dr. C. G. Abbott, acting secretary of the Smithsonian Institution, who has been closely identified with many scientific projects spoke over the apparatus from Washington and said that in 50 years "there may be other developments needing no apparatus whatever by means of which human thought may be transmitted at the will of the sender by the process which now we dimly recognize as telepathy."

Officials of the telephone company and guests at the demonstration talked with men in Washington. The images in Washington were clearly discernible on the small screen here, but results on the larger screen were not so clear.

Result of Years of Work

The demonstration was the result of years of research and experimentation starting with the invention of the telephone by Alexander Graham Bell half a century ago. Study will be continued in the search for higher efficiency.

The basic principles of television are similar to those of the telephone. Like telephone instruments, electrically sensitive to

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George Palmiter Is Speaker At Grange Meeting

GRANGE HALL, Apr. 8 (Special).—George A. Palmiter, state grange master, from Hood River, was the principal speaker Wednesday when Blue Mountain grange met in regular session. His subject was "Cooperation." He also discussed several bills which were before the 1927 state legislature.

M. L. Carter, of Cove, was present and sang two songs of his own composition.

Preceding Mr. Palmiter's and Mr. Carter's part on the program the grange discussed several community projects and at the close of the discussion the grange voted to improve the road leading to the hall. Master Frank Wright appointed Edward Jasper, W. H. Gekeler and Mrs. Calista Strange as members of a committee to have charge of planning the work.

It was also decided to improve the appearance of the hall and surroundings. Ed Dunn, Mrs. R. A. Masterton and Mrs. C. B. Spencer were appointed to look after the work.

W. R. Gekeler announced the grange county conference, which will be held at the Blue Mountain grange hall May 28.

Wild Flower Campaign Launched By Women's Clubs of This State

With the campfire girls working for the conservation of the national forests the conservation department of the Oregon Federation of Women's club, of which Mrs. L. L. Busey, of La Grande, is chairman, has started a campaign for the protection and conservation of Oregon's wild flowers.

Attractive posters, calling attention to the importance of protecting wild flowers and allowing them to grow, have been placed in the various schools of the city and in the public library, and the different organizations are being reminded to help preserve the wild flowers.

Protection Sought

Those interested in the campaign are urging everyone not only to learn to know the wild flowers by name and watch for their coming season after season, but to love them well enough to let them grow.

At the last session of the state legislature a bill was passed providing for the conservation of certain wild flowers, prohibiting the destruction of the plants and the digging, puling up or gathering of them from public or private lands without the owners consent, also preventing the exportation and selling of the plants. A penalty for the violation of the bill was provided for.

Gives Six Rules

Six rules have been suggested to be used in the conservation of the wild flowers. They are: Pick no flowers along the roads or highways, but leave them to make the roadside beautiful; pick flowers only where they are plentiful or weedy; pick only a few from each plant, leaving plenty for seed; remember that picking such flowers as trillium and lamb's tongue not only prevents seeding up but weakens the plant by taking the whole leaf system. Prevalent picking of these plants will kill them; do all you can to save these flowers; all kinds of lilies, mission bells, yellow bells, cat's ears; hyacinth and lady slippers of any kind; put in practice this outdoor slogan of the girl scouts, "enjoy don't destroy."

RECORD YEAR EXPECTED IN AIR JOURNEYS

Numerous Long Distant Flights to Be Undertaken in 1927.

MORE COUNTRIES ARE TAKING PART

Birdmen of Four Continents Enter Various Projects, Especially the Trans-Atlantic.

By the Associated Press

Proposed 1927 flights include: Trans-atlantic: Paris-New York, Capt. Rene Fonck, Commanders Richard Byrd and Noel Davis, Capt. C. A. Lindbergh, and Capt. Charles Nungesser, for Orteig prize; Germany-United States, establishment of passenger and mail service; Spain to New York, Major Franco; Rome to New York, De Bernardi; Spain to New York to Cuba, Captains Estevez and Barboran.

North Pole: Capt. George H. Wilkins.

South Pole: Commander Byrd and Antonio Pauly.

Hawaiian: San Francisco to Honolulu, C. K. Vance; Vancouver to Honolulu, former Canadian and Australian members of Royal Air Force; San Diego to Honolulu, Lee Scheonhair.

Trans-India: British and Spanish air officers.

Atlantic-circling: French fliers.

Buenos Aires-New York: Jorge Carlotte and Hector Peirano.

Indo-China: Pelletier D'Oisy.

Samoa: Royal Australian Air Force.

Mount Everest: Jean Callixo.

PAST MARKS MAY FALL

NEW YORK, Apr. 8—If policemen were stationed along the airway cross-roads of the world this year they would have a busy time directing traffic as the birdmen of four continents zoom along the atmospheric highways to bring new glory to their homelands.

"Even if only a majority of the proposed flights are actually made," an official of the Aeronautical Chamber of Commerce of America told The Associated Press today, "there will be more countries represented in long flights this year than ever before.

"Besides the flights already announced, there also are a number of other noteworthy flights planned for the year, the details of which cannot yet be made public. Among these flights will be attempts to break existing distance, duration, altitude and speed records."

Included in the flights already announced are a race across the Atlantic, flights to the North and South poles, a circuit of the Atlantic, a jump over Mount Everest a duration flight from France to Indo-China, a Pacific race from the West coast to Hawaii, and a Buenos Aires-New York round trip.

The Raymond Orteig prize of $25,000 for the first to fly between Paris and New York will be contended for by several nations. Capt. Rene Fonck of France, whose attempt last year halted as he took off when his giant plane overturned, announced that he will try again this year. Commander Richard E. Byrd, who flew over the North Pole last year, and Commander Noel Davis, have an-

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SWIMMING TANK PETITIONS ARE CIRCULATED

An effort is being made to secure a municipal swimming tank which, in the winter, could be converted into an ice skating rink.

This morning Al Andrews, local business man, had secured half a hundred signers to a petition which would be presented to the city commissioners. The signers were all business men or heavy taxpayers.

Mr. Andrews' idea is for the city to construct and supervise a swimming tank near the Second street viaduct, utilizing the water from one of the deep wells. He also would favor planting trees around the tank, giving the place the effect of a park.

State Officials To Attend Meeting

Mrs. Saidie Orr-Dunbar and Mrs. Glendora M. Blakeley will arrive in La Grande early tomorrow morning and will attend a meeting of the Union county health association tomorrow afternoon to be held in the Neighborhood club rooms.

Mrs. Dunbar is from the state tuberculosis department and Mrs. Blakeley represent the nurses bureau.

General health problems of interest to everyone in Union county, will be discussed.

A tea honoring the two state officials will follow the meeting.

4 WOMEN FACE DEATH PENALTY

Charged with murdering their husbands or their sweethearts these four women face possible death sentences if found guilty. Mrs. Snyder is charged with aiding her lover in the brutal murder of her husband while he slept in their New York apartment. Mrs. Heilman and Mrs. Alma Olson of Chicago are charged with murdering their husbands, and Miss Stokes, also of Chicago, with the murder of her sweetheart, James J. Glennon.

NUDITY, OBSCENE PLAYS FORBIDDEN

Drastic New York Laws Curbing Theaters, Night Clubs in Effect

NEW YORK, Apr. 8 (AP).—Women on the Broadway stage and in night clubs must put on clothes.

This decree was issued by District Attorney Banton after the signing by Governor Smith of the Wales padlock bill which enables places of entertainment judged to have violated the licensing regulations, to be closed for a year.

"The law not alone applies to nudity but also any "obscene," undecent, immoral or impure drama, play, exhibition or entertainment," and makes theater owners and individual performers responsible for the character of the entertainment.

Warns Producers

"Those in charge of some of the plays now before the public had better go through them and cut out their filthy lines and scenes," warned the district attorney.

"And women in night clubs," he added, "had better put on clothes, too."

The district attorney expressed the belief that it would be found that theater owners are the best kind of censors.

"That, after all," he said, "is what is effective in keeping the stage clean."

New Law Drastic

Adoption of the new law, the most drastic in the history of the Broadway stage, follows months of agitation for a cleanup of the stage.

First efforts were the formation of an unofficial "play jury" by District Attorney Banton which passed on productions. When this plan failed the district attorney substituted police raids which recently resulted in court convictions and jail sentences for authors, producers and actors found guilty of producing immoral plays. The present law, most of which was written by the district attorney, was described by him as one with "teeth in it."

Library Planning Lenten Programs

The public library here is planning two Lenten programs for the remaining Saturday mornings before Easter Sunday, to be given at 10 o'clock during the regular story hour. The programs will consist of an Easter story, told by Miss Gertrude Wagoner, and colored slides illustrating the life of Christ, which will be shown by Mrs. F. J. Mossman.

The first program, tomorrow morning, will be particularly for the children of the lower grades. Next Saturday morning, April 16, the girls and boys from the fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth grades are invited to attend.

Aimee Disagrees With Mother, May Seek New Fields

LOS ANGELES, Apr. 8 (AP)—Indications were given today by Mrs. Minnie Kennedy, mother of Aimee Semple McPherson, evangelist and founder of Angelus Temple here, that the two had come to a parting of the ways and that the evangelist might be leaving Los Angeles permanently.

Mrs. McPherson yesterday left the Kennedy-McPherson home adjoining Angelus Temple and took up her residence in the former Nat Goodwin palatial home at Santa Monica. With her went her two children, her private secretary, Emma Schaffer and two other secretaries, Mae Waldron and Lois Ayres.

Mrs. Kennedy said in regard to the evangelist's departure that "while we would love to keep her here, she has made a great sacrifice for her people and while we hate to lose her, we must bear our loss."

"You know the people of New York want to build a temple for Sister," Mrs. Kennedy continued. "Many cities are calling her and she will, I fear, have to answer the call."

State Board To Abolish Stripes In Penitentiary

SALEM, Ore., Apr. 8. (AP)—No convicts at the Oregon state penitentiary will wear the traditional stripes of their kind in future, it was decided by the state board of control here today. All uniforms will be of plain gray cloth, without the red and black horizontal stripes.

Stripes were abolished at the state prison a number of years ago, but were instituted again under the administration of Warden J. W. Lillie. Lillie required a few of the most hard boiled characters about the prison to wear stripes as a special punishment. Jim Lewis, the new warden, told the board this morning that men wearing the stripes were proud of them, were often looked up to with envy by other inmates of the prison.

Plaintiff Awarded $631.11 By Jurors

The plaintiff in the case of Carl Johansen vs. Frank Seymour, et al, was awarded a verdict of $631.11 by the circuit court jury. Johansen was suing the defendant for the value of a garage at North Powder, which Seymour is alleged to have purchased from him.

The conclusion of this case ended the short term of court that began Monday.

ROSEBURG COLD

ROSEBURG, Apr. 8 (AP)—Cold blustery weather was experienced in Roseburg today. Flurries of snow accompanied rains in the early morning, the snow not being enough to stick. High points visible from the city are tipped with snow.

U. S. TO SEND THIRD FORCE TO ORIENT

Shipment of 1500 Marines to China Will Be Made in Near Future

CONDITIONS WORSE IN HANKOW AREA

Frowning Guns of 21 Warships of Five Powers Leveled on Seat of Canton Government

WASHINGTON, Apr. 8. (AP)—A third shipment of American marines to China will be made shortly after the 1500 officers and men now in transit to San Diego complete their arrival at that port about April 12.

Decision to move the marines across the Pacific has been reached by the Washington government and negotiations for their transportation by commercial lines are now in progress.

NO CONFIRMATION

WASHINGTON, Apr. 8. (AP)—Statements by the French foreign office that the United States, Italy, Great Britain, France and Japan were preparing to present a joint note of protest to the Peking government over mistreatment of the various foreign nationals in China failed to find confirmation today at the state department.

CONDITIONS WORSE.

WASHINGTON, Apr. 8. (AP)—Conditions at Hankow, capital of the Cantonese nationalist government of China, are steadily growing worse, with lawlessness increasing, and with no apparent effort on the part of the local authorities to check it, Admiral Williams, the American commander in China, reported today to the navy department.

Although more than 20 foreign warships are gathered at the Chinese port, the American commander said evacuation of foreigners ashore was being rushed and that he was bringing pressure on all Americans to have themselves adjacent to steamers and hasten their departure.

"The Japanese evacuation of Hankow continues in large numbers," the report said. "One hundred Germans attempted to charter the steamship Chi Chuen in order to evacuate Hankow.

Japanese Shot

"A Japanese civilian was shot in the head by a Chinese soldier, outside the Japanese concession and took refuge at 3 a. m. on board the mine sweeper Pigeon.

"Fights between groups of coolies on shore are becoming more frequent. The Russians are beginning to evacuate. I am bringing pressure on all Americans who remain to base upon steamers and hasten their departure. An additional Japanese light cruiser arrived today.

"All British gunboats which were stationed above Hankow have arrived at that place. The British evacuation above Hankow has been completed. Italian merchant men above Hankow have been ordered to Hankow.

Warehouses Looted

"At Kiukiang the godown (warehouse) of the Anderson Meyer company, American exporters was looted yesterday."

The admiral also reported the landing at Shanghai of 800 additional Japanese sailors as a result of an attack by Chinese snipers upon Japanese guards ashore.

The destroyer Palmer, at Amoy, he said, had reported the seamen's strike settled and the American consular staff was allowed to return to the consulate today. The post was functioning as usual except for the post office strike which continues.

WASHINGTON, Apr. 8. (AP)—Frowning guns of 21 warships of five powers at anchor off Hankow, seat of Cantonese nationalist activities in the Yangtse river valley, bespoke today the apprehension felt over conditions at that point.

While respective naval commanders have reported that every precaution is being taken to prevent an outbreak such as occurred at Nanking, more than 200 miles down the river, which resulted in the slaying of Dr. J. E. Williams, an American missionary, and several other foreigners, anxiety over the situation nevertheless was manifest here.

State department officials had fresh in their minds the detailed report from Consul General Lauss at Shanghai, telling of the shooting of Dr. Williams in cold blood by nationalist soldiers, and plainly showed concern over the Hankow developments even though advices from Consul General Lockhart on the mobilization of the fleet at that city, as made public, did not indicate that the concentration of the war vessels had any other significance than as reflecting tension over the status of foreigners remaining there.

RAID SOVIET CONSULATE

LONDON, Apr. 8. (AP)—Sur-

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