

Local News In Brief

COMING EVENTS
Apr. 10 or 20—Street lighting celebration here.
June 8, 9, 10—Union Livestock show at Union, Ore.
July 21, 22, 23—State American Legion convention in La Grande.
October (definite date not decided on)—Oregon Parent-Teacher association convention here.

In Baker—
R. B. Hollenbeck, of La Grande, was registered at the Gleaner Grand hotel at Baker over the week end.

In Portland—
George T. Cochran was a week end visitor in Portland from La Grande, making the trip for business interests.

Visits, Copper City—
R. E. Harris was a week end visitor in Baker, stopping at the Gleaner Grand. Mr. Harris makes his home in La Grande.

Home Under Quarantine—
Katherine Wisler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gustav Wisler, is ill of scarlet fever at her home at 204 Main street.

Meeting Postponed—
The Old Oregon Trail meeting to have been held here last night was postponed at the last minute until some future date.

Is Improving—
Russell Nelson, son of A. W. Nelson, is showing improvement after having been ill for the past three weeks of the after effects of measles.

Play Cast Arrives—
Troupe that will present Anne Nichols' famous comedy roadshow "Abbie's Irish Rose" in the Arcade Theatre tonight arrived here today.

Returns to Portland—
Mrs. Frank Rosebraugh has returned to Portland after visiting in La Grande for 10 days with her mother, Mrs. Harold Herron.

Lose More Men—
Company E, 15th Infantry, Oregon national guard, lost three more men last night as a result of expiration of their period of enlistment. One recruit was enlisted.

In Portland—
Mrs. P. B. Appleby has been in Portland the last two days and is expected home tomorrow morning.

Here From Wallows—
Jerry Maxwell and Bruce Cox, Wallows business men, were in La Grande today. They attended the forum luncheon of the chamber of commerce at the Sonoma hotel this noon.

29 Above Here—
Chilly nights continue to linger in La Grande, although the mid-way mark in April is not far distant. Last night the minimum registered on the government thermometer at the fire station was 29 above. At 7:30 o'clock this morning the mercury was several degrees above freezing point.

Holy Week Services—
The first evening union meeting of the La Grande Ministerial association's Holy week services was held last night at the First Methodist church with the Rev. L. H. Aves, pastor of the Zion English Lutheran church, in charge. This evening the meeting will be held at the First Baptist church, with the Rev. J. A. Hall, of the South Methodist church, in charge and tomorrow night Rev. W. Remington, of the Rev. W. P. Remington will preside at a meeting at the Episcopal church. All evening services begin at 8 o'clock.

—AND OPERATIONS
A Connecticut professor says we talk more about ourselves than anything else. He must know a lot of people who have had operations. . . . But at a bridge game, not even a new job is more important than a hole in the hole of the person at Table No. 3. . . . If the professor thinks we talk most about ourselves though, we wonder if he ever has listened in on a back fence dinner when every topic under the sun except themselves comes in for a passing. Money and business predominate in general conversation, the doctor reports, but that's not what the governors of the Carolinas were talking about.

LOCAL CLUB REFUSES TO ACT ON ROAD

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chamber of commerce membership committee.
Pierce Gets Ovation
Shortly afterwards H. E. Coe, president and chairman of the meeting, introduced the ex-governor.

Sun-tanned and appearing in better health than for many months, Mr. Pierce arose to begin his speech, but was stopped by a burst of applause that did not end until the entire group was on its feet, paying tribute to the former chief executive.

Mr. Pierce's subject was "Educational Institutions" and he dwelt at some length upon the significance of the location of the Eastern Oregon normal school in La Grande. He declared that the selection of La Grande as a site was absolutely correct—geographically, morally and in every other way.

Predicts 1,000 Students
He predicted that within 10 years the school would have 1,000 students.

Mr. Pierce gave credit to E. E. Briggs, normal school report; Senators A. H. Hunter and Fred E. Kiddle, Representatives C. A. Hunter and H. H. Weatherup, and Gov. L. L. Patterson for their part in securing the normal school here.

He predicted also that La Grande has a bright future, the brightest of any city in Eastern Oregon.

He declared that he regarded the location of the normal school here and his work in reference to the penitentiary as the two outstanding features of his administration.

SOLUTION OF PRUNE SLUMP IS OUTLINED

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of prices for prunes from Oregon and Washington over those prevailing in recent years, unless some means of increasing the demand for these prunes can be found.

Department economists declare that lack of full confidence on the part of wholesale and retail distributors in the quality of prunes from Oregon and Washington indicates the necessity for further improvement for standardization of quality. The efforts of growers and packers should be supplemented, if necessary, by state legislation which would authorize inspection and standardization of the product.

In planning a program to extend the knowledge of prunes from Oregon and Washington among consumers and the trade, growers must take into consideration the lack of uniformity in the size of the crop from year to year; the relatively small supply of these prunes as compared with California prunes; and the difficulty of the average consumer to distinguish between the two products. Such a program, however, calling attention to the product, and teaching the public the methods of preparing Italian prunes should aid in creating consumer recognition and possibly preference for the product.

Other practices recommended by the department are the careful growing and delivery of prunes of a uniform quality, regularity of supply and cooperation among growers. Between 35 and 40 per cent of the Northwestern prune crop is handled by farmers' cooperative marketing associations, which, according to the economists, should form the nucleus of a well-organized production and merchandising plan. Better prune prices will be gradual and significant from a long-time point of view rather than for the immediate future.

Prune growers to whom the returns of recent years have not been satisfactory and who find it difficult to effect these improvements, said the report should consider whether there are other farming alternatives to which then can turn with profit.

OFFERS AID IN O. C. FIGHT
SALEM, Ore., Apr. 12 (AP)—Victor P. Moses, county judge of Benton county and chairman of the Oregon and California land grant association, made up of the 13 counties receiving money from the government as refund for Oregon and California grant land taxes, has written to County Judge Hunt of this county offering the aid and resources of the association to fight the demand of the state for a share of the tax.

DE AUTREMONT TRIAL ON MAY 2

Is Accused of Murdering C. O. Johnson, Brake-man, in Hold-Up

MEDFORD, Ore., Apr. 12 (AP)—Hugh De Autremont, Shikyou tunnel train bandit and slayer suspect, will go on trial May 2, in the circuit court at Jacksonville on the indictment alleging that C. O. Johnson, of Ashland, Ore., a brakeman, came to his death at his hands, according to a decision made public this morning by District Attorney Newton C. Cheney.

Johnson at the time of his death was an extra brakeman, riding on the train which was held up Oct. 11, 1923, in the Shikyou tunnel. Johnson was en route to Dunsmuir, Cal., where he had been assigned to railroad duty. While the holdup was in progress he left his seat in the smoking car and proceeded toward the locomotive.

As he came around the corner of the engine and in the dim light of the tunnel portal, the evidence indicates, according to officials, he met the robbers. A desperate struggle ensued and the condition of the ground afterwards showed that Johnson, a powerful, built man, had waged a vigorous fight. He was killed by a gunshot wound and when the robber party arrived was dying.

Other Charges

Hugh De Autremont, with his fugitive twin brothers, Ray and Roy, are also indicted in this county for the murder of Sydney Bates, of Dunsmuir, Cal., Marvin Benz, fireman, of Ashland, and E. E. Daugherty, mail clerk, Ashland. All who saw the bandits were slain.

Johnson lived practically all his life in this city and Ashland, where he has relatives, and was well known.

JEFFERSON DAY DINNER NEARING

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lured largely to the interest in the campaign of New York's governor. Twelve hundred reservations for the dinner have been made. James W. Gerard, former ambassador to Germany, will be toastmaster.

Senator William H. King, of Utah; Representative Edgar Howard, of Nebraska, and Mayor Walker are listed among the speakers.

COOLIDGE IS HOST TO REPUBLICAN LEADERS

WASHINGTON, Apr. 12 (AP)—A group of republican political leaders, experienced in the ways of politics, gathered today at President Coolidge's temporary residence, to eat a breakfast of lunch, wheat cakes and sausage and to talk over various things, but according to the guests, "nothing important" was discussed.

The gathering, which coincided with the planned departure of Chairman William Butler, of the republican national committee, was described by those who attended as "social." The guests were Chairman Butler, C. Bascom Slump, the president's former secretary, and long hailed as an astute political worker. Everett Sanders, secretary of the president; Senators Curtis, Smoot, McNary, and Keyes; Representatives Snell, New York; Bogg and Burton, Ohio; Treadway, Mass.; Hersey Maine, and R. B. Creager, republican national committeeman for Texas.

Chairman Butler accompanied the president to the white house and from there he went to committee headquarters to prepare for his departure on a trip which will take him to all parts of the United States. Mr. Butler has said his journey would be for the purpose of tightening up the party organization for the 1928 campaign, and not in the interest of any candidate.

Coolidge Silent
Soon after President Coolidge had arrived at the white house he was visited by Senator Willis, republican, Ohio, who called to tell him he believed he would be re-nominated and re-elected. Senator Willis gave no indication of Mr. Coolidge's reaction to the talk.

Sensor Willis, who has just toured the country, declared "only an earthquake" could keep Mr. Coolidge from another term. Governor Smith, of New York, will be the democratic nominee, he predicted.

"President Coolidge can carry Iowa right now against any republican candidate, including Mr. Lowden," the senator continued. "He will carry every state in the west beginning with Pennsylvania, against Governor Smith who probably will get New York and some of the southern states."

Sensor Willis predicted that Governor Lowden, of Ohio, would be Smith's running mate and that this ticket would lose Ohio against Coolidge by 250,000. The republican ticket also would carry Kentucky, Tennessee and Missouri he said.

Law enforcement would be the issue in the campaign, the senator said, and the republican party must meet it squarely.

"Any party that goes into the next campaign proposing repeal of the 18th amendment," he declared, "will be wiped out of existence for 20 years," he said. Senator Willis questioned the authority of Frederick Lund, who headed the Iowa delegation which recently visited Frank O. Lowden, to offer Iowa's support to Mr. Lowden for president.

Harrowing winter wheat in the spring, unless it is weedy, was not profitable in results at the eastern Oregon experiment station. It reduces yield and retards ripening. If winter wheat is harrowed in the spring it is best sown when the soil is not badly crusted or when the crust has been softened by rain.

NATIONALIST ARMY SPLITS, SHEDS BLOOD

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division and a half on the border. Chen Expresses Regret
The Daily Mail also printed a report that the Russians arrested in the raid on the soviet embassy compound had been released but this had not been confirmed today.

Eugene Chen, in behalf of the Cantonese government, sent a message to Moscow expressing regret for the raid by the northern troops and promising strong action against the "violators of the soviet's sovereignty and dignity."

TROUBLE AT CHINKIANG

SHANGHAI, Apr. 12 (AP)—Occupation by Chinese troops of all foreign houses and the office buildings of the Standard Oil company at Chinkiang was reported in a wireless message received here today.

Sampans and junks were being kept off the Yangtze river near Chinkiang by rifle fire from steam launches. Chinkiang on the southern bank of the Yangtze, about 40 miles east of Nanking, was captured by the Cantonese when they forced the northerners out of Nanking several weeks ago. Late reports said the Cantonese had evacuated Chinkiang after suffering reverses at the hands of the northerners on the other side of the river.

FIGHTING FIERCE

SHANGHAI, Apr. 12 (AP)—The split between the moderate and radical sections of the Cantonese has developed into fierce fighting at several points.

Moderate groups, in one case using field guns, have attacked radical gatherings in Shanghai, Hangchow, Nanking and Amoy and dispersed large numbers of radical laborers.

The fighting in Shanghai occurred during the early hours this morning, when adherents of General Chiang Kai-shek, the Cantonese moderate leader and military commander in chief descended on the red labor unions in the Chapei Nanking and Pootung native sections.

Armed with machine guns, pistols and bombs, the raiders, who were in plain clothes, attacked every known union center. Twelve were killed in the various fights and 600 laborers were arrested, including Chen Tzu-shan, the chief radical leader in the Shanghai district. Many unionists were wounded.

BOYCOTT IN PROSPECT

SHANGHAI, Apr. 12 (AP)—A definite anti-British movement which may take the form of a boycott similar to those recently declared at Canton and Hongkong was launched in the native section of Shanghai today.

A great anti-British league was organized in a meeting attended by representatives of the Kuomintang (Cantonese political party), the women's association, the tram workers' union, the international settlement, the telegraph operators' union, students of the Shanghai university and others.

20,000 MEN AVAILABLE

SHANGHAI, Apr. 12 (AP)—More than 20,000 men are available for land duty in defense of the foreign settlements here. It was announced today. They include 14,000 British troops, 1,500 Americans (with 4,000 more en route), 3,000 French and about 500 representing Holland, Italy, Spain and Portugal.

There also is a foreign volunteer force numbering 1,300 and 3,272 police, the latter mostly Annamites and Chinese.

Fish Commission Names Mitchell Superintendent

PORTLAND, Ore., Apr. 12 (AP)—The new state fish commission at its first meeting today named Hugh C. Mitchell as state superintendent of hatcheries to succeed R. E. Clanton, who submitted his resignation today. Mitchell formerly held the same position.

The commission voted the office of master fish warden vacant replacing A. W. Franklin who succeeded E. L. Ballagh on Dec. 15, 1926. Mr. T. H. Hoy, auditor was made acting warden to serve until the commissioners choose a permanent officer.

Both Franklin and Clanton were allowed 60 days leave of absence with full pay.

TRANSFER TERMINAL

ROSEBURG, Apr. 12 (AP)—Orders revoking the transfer of the Southern Pacific passenger terminal from Roseburg to Eugene were received here today and a message from William Sproule, president of the Southern Pacific, to the chamber of commerce stating that passenger crews will lay over at Roseburg as formerly with the other terminals at Portland and Ashland.

Obituary

CHARLES CLYDE PENNINGTON
Charles Clyde Pennington was born on a farm near Albany, in Linn county, Ore., Apr. 2, 1855. The first 17 years of his life was spent in that vicinity. In 1872 he moved with his parents to Umatilla county and on Oct. 31, 1876 he was united in marriage to Hannah J. Young. Four children were born to this union, Sigmond M. and Tallie. Tallie having preceded him. Mrs. Oona L. Scribner, of La Grande, and Mrs. Mary J. Freeman, of Portland, survive him.

Mr. Pennington became a member of the Masonic lodge at the age of 23 progressing to the thirty-second degree. He came to Union county in 1881 where he engaged in farming for a number of years. In 1902 he was elected to the sheriff's office and re-elected in 1904. He was connected with the La Grande National bank for years, having served as director, vice president, and president.

He is survived by his widow, two daughters, seven grandchildren and one sister, Mrs. Alice P. Richards of Portland. Two grandchildren and five sisters having passed on.

STORMS HIT OKLAHOMA; 4 LIVES LOST

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skiffs removing persons marooned in the bottom lands. Among those rescued were Harvey Morgan, his wife and seven children, who boarded a skiff while their rescuers held a towline to prevent being swept down stream by surging flood waters.

Many sought safety in storm cellars during the storm at Mustang, where both the Baptist and Methodist churches were in ruins by the twister.

Tin Properties in Oregon Optioned

GRANTS PASS, Apr. 12 (AP)—Ninety-day options on the Young group of 20 tin mining companies in Evans creek valley with privilege of purchase for \$100,000, have been signed by the American Smelting and Refining company.

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the Guggenheim interest. Guggenheim representatives have been active here for several weeks and have been making an exhaustive investigation of the white metal properties. Satisfied through their own work that the metal in tip, they are now conducting laboratory tests in San Francisco.

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Early corn has given fair success in many sections of eastern

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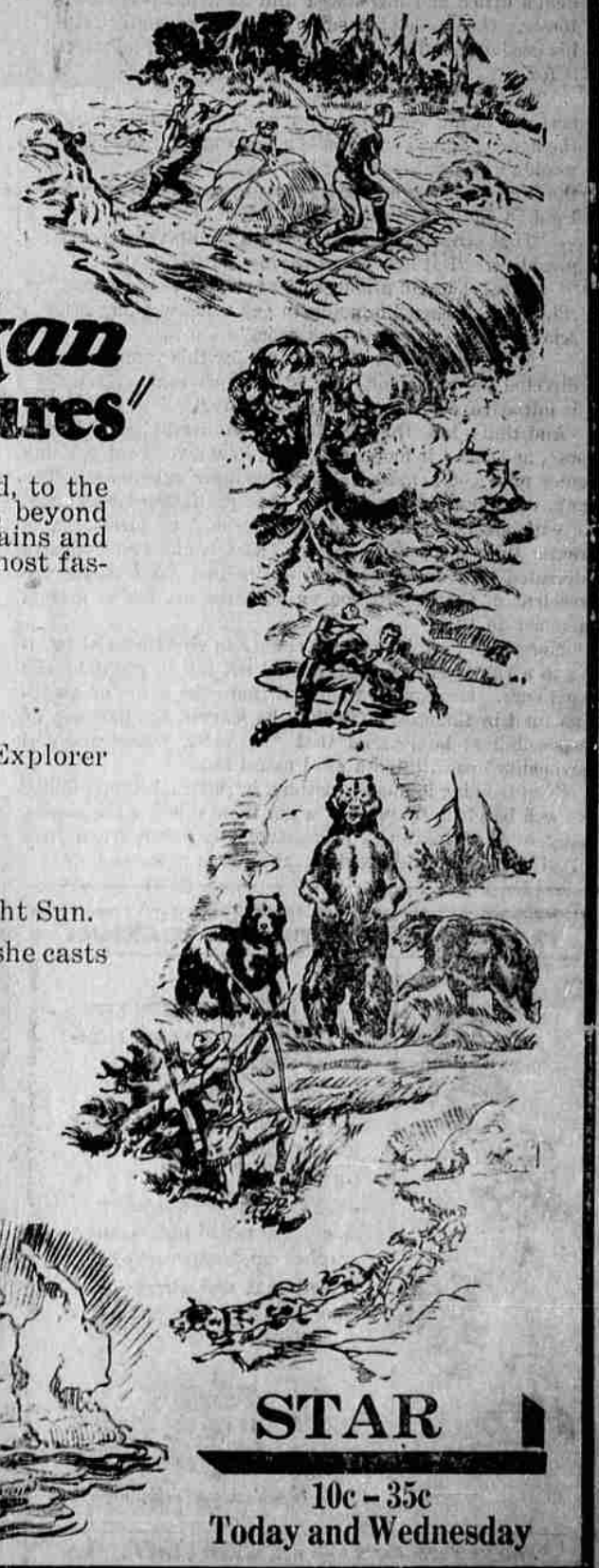
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