

TORNADO WIPES OUT TEXAS VILLAGE

STREETS TO BE LIGHTED ON SATURDAY

Celebration Is Definitely Decided on at Noon Meeting Today

STREET DANCE, PARADE PLANNED

Invitations to Be Sent to Union, Wallowa County Towns, Pendleton and Baker.

At a luncheon meeting this noon at the summer hotel of the American Legion committee, merchants and city officials, it was definitely determined that La Grande's new street lighting system will be ready to illuminate and all poles will be off the streets in time for a celebration Saturday night—the night before Easter Sunday.

The program as decided upon calls for a short ceremony and the formal turning on of the entire district at 8 o'clock.

This will be followed by a parade in which the La Grande band, boy scout troops, the American Legion drum and bugle corps, new cars and stant features will participate.

Free Street Dance

Immediately after the parade there will be a free street dance on Adams avenue in the block between Elm and Depot streets. In order to give the dance crowd and spectators a carnival atmosphere and appearance there will also be distributed free of charge 1000 carnal hats, 1000 or 1200 horns and 5000 rolls of paper streamers.

Following the street dance a dance will be held at Legion hall, and this dance will be the only event to be charged for on the evening's program.

Preceding the ceremony and lighting of the district, 1000 pennies will be thrown into the streets at 7 o'clock for children of grammar school age to scramble for.

All merchants will cooperate by decorating their windows for the occasion and a prize of \$10 will be given for the best window. Other prizes offered are: \$10 for the best stant in the parade, \$5 for the best character in costume in the parade, and three prizes of \$5 and \$3 for the best stant furnished by the boy scout troops. A total of about \$200 will be raised among the business men to finance the celebration.

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ALASKAN FILM IS VIEWED BY SCHOOLS HERE

A travel movie, declared to be of special interest, is showing at the Star theater for the last time this afternoon and tonight and has been drawing record crowds. Yesterday afternoon a part of the grade school children were taken to the theater to view the film and this afternoon the remainder of the children will be given the opportunity. The school board believes "Alaskan Adventure" is worth while as an educational feature and for this reason sponsored the early dismissal of school.

THE COST OF BEING A "GOOD FELLOW"

Advertising in programs, cooperative calendars, trunk directories, etc., is something you expect but never expect to read. It is bought by the business man not as an advertising investment but because he is solicited by a friend or good customer working for what they regard as a worthy cause.

Local Teachers' Institute To Be Held Saturday

Professor Blankenship, of Whitman College Is Scheduled to Deliver Two Addresses.

The last of a series of three local institutes conducted for the school teachers of Union county will be held in La Grande Saturday at the high school building.

Russell Blankenship, of the department of English of Whitman college, of Walla Walla, Wash., will be the principal speaker of the day. The institute will start at 10 o'clock in the morning with invocation by the Rev. Henry W. Parker, followed by assembly singing, led by W. W. Nussbaum.

Blankenship to speak. Following the announcements, Professor Blankenship will give an address on "America As An Educational Motive." E. S. McCormick, superintendent of the Elgin school, will give a paper on "Our Problem."

Lunch will be at 12 o'clock and the afternoon session will begin at 1:15 o'clock with music led by W. W. Nussbaum.

Professor Blankenship will speak again in the afternoon, using as his subject "Wanted: A New Faith."

To See Track Meet

The institute will be dismissed at 2:15 o'clock, giving the teachers present an opportunity to see the dual track meet to be held between Baker and La Grande on that day, beginning at 2:30 o'clock.

Police Lock Up Doors Left Open By Business Men

"No wonder some of the business places are entered once in a while and robbed," was a remark heard at the police station this morning when a survey of the report of the night patrol disclosed the fact that the doors of five stores on Adams avenue were left unlocked or open last night when the day's labors were finished.

"We find doors left unlocked every now and then," the police declared, "and that is part of our duties, to check up on carelessness that might prove a strong temptation to a burglar or even a chance for a thief."

Testing doors is an important part of the police department's night duties. Each night a total of 854 doors in the business section are tried to see if they are locked. This doesn't mean 854 separate doors, as many of the doors are tried at intervals during the night, and if one is found unlocked an investigation promptly follows.

Prepare For First Day of Fish Season

PORTLAND, Ore., Apr. 12 (AP)—In preparation for the opening of the fishing season Friday State Game Warden Harold Clifford today directed that notices be posted on all closed streams.

Many letters are coming in from folk outside the state asking where to find the fine fishing they read about. Clifford is preparing a list with names of streams and information about hotel and camping accommodations to answer to inquiries.

A change in dredging operations in Willamette slough so that angling for salmon will not be hindered by muddy water will be asked of the port commission as soon as James H. Polhemus, general manager, returns from the east, Clifford said today.

Civilian Flyers May Break Record

MINNEOLA, La., Apr. 12 (AP)—Unmindful of signs of a gathering storm, two civilian aviators today intended only to make a short flight, but they were to attempt to bring the world's duration flight record back to America.

Clouds hung low over Long Island and rain was forecast but aviators said these conditions would have no effect on the attempt of Clarence D. Chamberlin and Bert Acosta, former army flyer, to stay in the air 50 hours. The plane was throttled down to 30 miles an hour as it cruised over Mitchell Field this morning. Speed had been reduced steadily since the plane hopped off at 9:30 yesterday morning. Through slower flying the aviators hope to conserve their fuel supply of 255 gallons long enough to allow them to remain in the air until early tomorrow afternoon.

3320 KIDDIES INSPECTED BY LOCAL NURSE

Year's Work Takes Miss Marquardt into Most of County Schools

726 DEFECTS ARE CORRECTED IN YEAR

Parent-Teacher Association Also Take Active Part in Carrying Out Health Program.

Of the 3320 children attending the schools of La Grande who were inspected during the past year by County Health Nurse Miss Alice Marquardt, 147 were found to have defective vision, 780 defective throats, 63 defective hearing, 274 nasal obstructions, 213 enlarged glands, 726 carious teeth, 85 skin diseases and 232 under weight 30 per cent, according to the eighth annual report of the public health work of Union county, just completed.

During the year Miss Marquardt visited 52 different schools, made 255 visits to the same schools, made 50 sanitary inspections, 24 water analyses, sent 974 notes to the parents of children and visited 230 homes.

Many Defects Corrected

Of the defects found, about 720 corrections were made, as nearly as it is possible to ascertain.

The parent-teacher associations of the various schools are taking an active part in the health program of the county. Greenwood school serving hot lunches during the coldest months of the year, and Central and Willow schools supplying the children with one glass of milk a day. Other schools in the county are also furnishing hot lunches during the winter months, which has proved very beneficial.

The distribution of milk in the schools is yet in the experimental stage, but teachers report that in the short time that milk has been given it has proved beneficial to the children.

Personal Child's Weight

All of the teachers in the larger schools of the county have their own scales, which makes it easy for the teacher to keep a systematic record of a child's weight.

The county health nurse has not confined all of her time to the schools, however. Investigation of

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MAKE PLANS FOR SUNRISE SERVICE

Both Laymen and Ministers Will Take Part in Annual Program

Practically all plans for the annual Easter sunrise service, which will be held at Gangloff park, overlooking La Grande and the Grande Ronde valley, have been completed.

Services will come Sunday morning shortly before 5 o'clock and the plan is to awaken the La Grande people who wish to attend about 4:15 o'clock.

The services will be, as usual, under the auspices of the La Grande Ministerial association.

J. T. Longfellow, superintendent of schools, is scheduled to deliver an address, and W. W. Nussbaum will lead in community singing.

The scripture lesson will be given by Miss Gertrude Wagner and prayer will be offered by the Rev. L. H. Aves. Benediction will be pronounced by the Rev. J. A. Hall.

In the event that rainy weather occurs, the service may be held indoors.

Armour Grain Company Suspended From Board of Trade in Chicago

CHICAGO, Apr. 12. (AP)—The Armour grain company, the world's largest grain trading corporation, today was ordered suspended from the Chicago Board of Trade, under charges of dishonest and wrongful acts.

Crop Report of Week Shows No Heavy Losses

Wheat Winters Well But Growth Is Slow—Cold Weather Injures Peach and Apricot Buds

PORTLAND, Ore., Apr. 12 (AP)—The weekly Oregon crop report of the weather bureau issued today says:

"Wheat wintered well, except in a few western localities where some loss resulted from freezing and excessive moisture. Wheat is well advanced in most localities, but during the week growth was slow. Warmer weather is needed. Seeding of spring grain was delayed by wet weather and snow. Some early sown spring grain is up.

The cold weather of the winter caused some injury to peach and apricot buds in eastern counties and to tocanberries in western localities. Fruit blooms backward but some local damage may have been done by the frosts of the weeks. Peas in the Rogue River valley are in the pink stage. Spraying has been delayed by unfavorable weather.

"Most stock wintered well, but a few correspondents report stock thin. Much feeding has been done and feeding continues in many places. A good crop of lambs is being dropped, but there is some complaint that ewes are short of milk.

Birnie Ousted By Patterson; Peare Chosen

SALEM, Ore., Apr. 12. (AP)—Dr. George S. Birnie has been ousted from the state board of examiners in optometry by Governor Patterson and replaced by Dr. William M. Peare, who was re-elected by Governor Brown on Aug. 6, 1922. Both men are residents of La Grande. The other two members of the board are Dr. Floyd Dayton, of Portland, and Dr. Henry Morris, of Salem. Dayton's term of office expires the 30th of this month. Morris' term has two years yet to run.

Three reappointments to the board of regents of the University of Oregon were announced yesterday as follows: C. C. Call, of Portland; Mrs. G. T. Gerlinger, of Dallas; and Henry McKinley, of Baker. All were former members of the board whose terms had expired. Their terms will continue for 12 years.

SALEM, Ore., Apr. 12. (AP)—Governor Patterson this morning announced the appointment of two new members to the board of regents of the Oregon Agricultural college, and the reappointment of J. K. Weatherford, of Albany, to serve another term.

State Senator Herbert J. Elliott, of Perrydale, Polk county, is named to succeed Sen. H. Brown, state senator from Marion county, and Fred Yates, of Corvallis, attorney in the successor to Mrs. Mary Kinney, of Astoria.

Thrift Grocery Will Be Opened In Near Future

The opening of Thrift store No. 59 at Joseph and plans for starting a smaller grocery in La Grande were announced today by J. C. Snodgrass, district manager for Thrift and Service Grocers, who has just returned from Joseph.

Speaking of the Joseph store he declares it is one of the best in the chain and started off with fine patronage. The chain now consists of three Thrift grocery stores, and four Service stores.

On next Monday the company will take over the Harris Grocery on North Fir street where it will open the first Thrift store in La Grande. The store will be closed for about ten days to allow workmen to renovate and remodel the building, and when reopened will be one of the finest groceries in this city. Mr. Snodgrass promises.

"Eternal Flapper" Weds A. O. Brown

NEW YORK, Apr. 12 (AP)—After a separation of more than 12 years, Edna Wallace Hopper, 65-year-old "eternal flapper," has been reunited with A. O. Brown, whom she married in 1907, and will leave soon for Europe on a "second honeymoon."

Miss Hopper and Brown had not seen each other since their separation until they met 19 days ago at a party given by "a very dear friend" of both. Both declared they had been divorced.

STEWART TO SPEAK

PENDLETON, Apr. 12 (AP)—Senator Frederick Stewart of Pendleton has accepted an invitation to speak at the annual meeting of the Portland chamber of commerce May 29, at which time it is said that the entire Oregon delegation in congress will be present.

COMMUNISTS VICTIMS OF CHIANG GUNS

Cantonese General Raids Red Labor Union Headquarters in Shanghai

FIRING STARTLES FOREIGN DISTRICT

Reports Indicate That the Northern Troops Are Following Nationalists Across Yangtze.

SHANGHAI, Apr. 12 (AP)—One hundred Chinese were killed and two hundred and fifty were wounded in fighting resulting from further raids in the native suburbs of Shanghai this afternoon by General Chiang Kai-Shek's troops engaged in routing out the reds.

The casualties were mostly among the communist supporters. The shooting was plainly heard in the international settlement causing considerable excitement.

The general strike called by the red labor unions as a protest against the raids, which began yesterday, has rendered nearly 100,000 workers idle and delayed a number of Chinese owned steamers.

General Pai Tzu-chang, commander of the Cantonese troops in the section, issued an official proclamation tonight dissolving the general labor union.

FACES TWO ENEMIES

SHANGHAI, Apr. 12 (AP)—Chiang Kai-Shek's Cantonese troops today found themselves faced with fighting foes both along the Yangtze battlefield and in Shanghai itself.

Northern forces, following up their recent successful advance, crossed the Yangtze to the south bank near Kiangyin half way between Nanking and Shanghai.

At the same time the red labor unions here aroused by Chiang's attempts to suppress them, went on general strike. Fifty thousand men are idle and union leaders claim more will follow.

Some Disorders

Disorders broke out in the native sections of the city. Two attacks were made on the defense barriers of the international settlement, although the leaders claim the strike is not of an anti-foreign character.

Parading strikers attacked the headquarters of Chiang's troops in the Chinese native district. The soldiers fired, killing 20 of the attackers and repulsing the remainder.

Official advice telling of the crossing of the Yangtze by the northerners said that General Chang Chung-ai, Cantonese commander in that district, was fleeing toward Shanghai.

Northerners Ready

Foreign observers here believe the northerners have determined to strike while the iron is hot, in view of the split between the moderate Cantonese faction headed by Chiang and the radical section represented by the red labor unions and reflecting the policies of the Cantonese extremists at Hankow.

Early today a group of Chinese tried to rush the international settlement barrier and a clash followed with the Italian guards on the Ugra road. The Italians fired over the heads of the Chinese and they retreated. Last night a small force made a sally to storm the barrier, but it was soon realized that this was impossible. The Chinese then set fire to circulars which they had thrown into the barbed wire barrier, and several posts were burned.

Cause of Strike

The strike was due to General Chiang Kai-Shek's efforts to suppress the labor union.

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HER GLORY



Grace Norwood's "crowning glory" is a train. And many of the barbers whose mouths are watered and whose clippers have felt that shearing impulse as she passed by. Down in Thomasville, Ga., Grace's home-town folks contend that her indifference to the popular bob in no way injures her beauty—which is obvious.

M'NARY TO DRAFT NEW RELIEF BILL

Oregon Senator, Before Starting Home, Talks with President

WASHINGTON, Apr. 12. (AP)—Drafting of a farm relief bill that will compromise the divergent views on this question is the work Chairman McNary, of the senate agriculture committee, has mapped out for himself this summer. McNary is leaving today for his home in Oregon, but he will be in Washington again before he starts for his home in Oregon.

The senator, co-author of the McNary-Haugen bill vetoed by the president last session, has had a number of conferences at the White House recently and has reached the conclusion that this measure in the face of presidential opposition would have but little chance of becoming a law even if it should be passed again by both house and senate.

To Offer Real Aid

The new bill will be designed to offer real aid to the farmer, he said, and at the same time, will be written with objections of the president to the original bill kept in mind.

The president had been represented as desiring for enactment of relief legislation by farm leaders who have discussed the agriculture subject with him recently. Those who have talked with him, however, say that he is firmly opposed to the equalization fee principle and certain other features that were proposed in the McNary-Haugen measure.

Senator McNary has given no indication as to what features of his original farm bill would be omitted in the new measure and it is believed he will be guided to some extent by conferences to be held in the west this summer. On his trip home, he plans to stop off at Chicago to confer with heads of the American farm bureau and the national grange and

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Two Flyers Killed At Bolling Field

WASHINGTON, Apr. 12 (AP)—Homer H. Sands, administrative assistant in the commerce department's air service section, was killed and John L. Hosh, an aeronautical engineer of the department was seriously injured when their airplane crashed here today at Bolling Field.

Both men were reserve army aviators and were flying an army training plane. They went into a tail spin, while flying at an altitude of 200 feet.

Gold, Platinum Deposits Found in South Oregon

Sprague River, East of Klamath Falls, Is Field of Rich Discovery—All Claims Staked.

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Apr. 12 (AP)—Sprague River, small lumbering community 40 miles east of Klamath Falls, is in fever of excitement as the result of a discovery of placer deposits of gold and platinum.

Since Sunday, between 40 and 50 claims have been staked out. The entire community joined in a secrete pact which was religiously adhered to until the entire area was staked out.

Deposits Rich

The placer deposits assayed between \$22 and \$25 per ton in gold and between \$10 and \$11 a ton in platinum. Discovery of the deposits was made by C. W. Ebberts, employe of the Campbell-Towle Lumber company.

Ebberts, a former mining man, made the discovery. Specimens of the deposits were sent to Winemucca, Nev., for assaying.

All Claims Staked

With their claims staked out, and virtually every foot of the ore-bearing district already spoken for, Sprague River residents are now devoting their time to filing on their claims. Some of the claims are on deeded land on the Klamath Indian reservation and some on alloted land on the reservation. Mining operations will be conducted by dredging and sluicing. Whether or not the deposits are rich enough to warrant an extensive operation is yet to be seen, residents of the section state.

"However," H. E. Wolford, storekeeper of the community, said over long distance early this morning, "we have the claims staked out and are very optimistic over successful mining operations. Everybody kept quiet about it, and not a whisper seeped out of the city until we had the claims sewed up. Now we don't care who knows."

British Law May Extend Vote To Younger Women

LONDON, Apr. 12 (AP)—Premier Baldwin announced in the house of commons today that the government will introduce a bill at the next session of parliament to give women the vote at 21, thus equalizing their franchise with that of the men.

The prime minister said it would take some time to prepare the bill, which could not be introduced before the next session, in autumn. The women who will be enfranchised under the bill probably will be able to vote in the next general elections which normally will occur about November 1929.

Mr. Baldwin's statement followed a cabinet meeting at which the franchise subject was thoroughly discussed. It is reported that Winston Churchill, chancellor of the exchequer, and Lord Kenhead, secretary of state for India, were against what was termed "fringed" vote, but that their colleagues overruled them.

The decision which the cabinet since equal franchise will add five million women to the voting list, giving them a majority of two million over the men.

Boys Dress Like Girls to Get Ride

GRANTS PASS, Apr. 12. (AP)—Better look 'em over carefully now before offering any of these girl hikers a ride. That good looking "girl" on the road ahead who looks hopefully up at the passing cars may be a girl and then again she may not.

The keeper of a roadside stand at Billard in one day counted four boys, disguised as girls, who were hiking along and who hoped by this method to secure rides from the men as they drove along.

TODAY'S GAMES

NATIONAL LEAGUE At Philadelphia: New York-Philadelphia game postponed, rain. At Cincinnati: Pittsburgh-Cincinnati game postponed, rain.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

At Washington: Boston-Washington game postponed, rain. At St. Louis: Detroit-St. Louis game postponed, rain.

KNOWN DEAD BETTER THAN THREE SCORE

Rock Springs Flooded by An Army of Relief Workers Today

STORM CAME WITH LITTLE WARNING

Few Buildings left Standing and Fire Attacked Some of These, Adding to Horrors.

FORT SMITH, Ark., Apr. 13 (AP)—Two women were killed and a dozen injured in the tornado that swept through Clifton court here last night. Approximately 100 homes were destroyed or damaged and a rain storm soaked exposed furniture and other household belongings. National guardsmen guarded the damaged property.

BOONEVILLE, Miss., Apr. 13 (AP)—Houses were torn up, trees uprooted and wire communication seriously impaired by a tornado that struck here yesterday, causing thousands of dollars in property damage.

ROCK SPRINGS, Tex., Apr. 13 (AP)—A tornado that struck this inland town last night took a toll of at least 82 lives and injured about 150 persons. The twister was the most disastrous in this section of the state.

Sixty-two bodies had been recovered from the ruins, 33 of which have been identified.

Of the injured, 20 are expected to die before night. Most of the unidentified dead are Mexicans.

Relief workers took possession of the town early today and more were arriving. Rock Springs was washed into ruins in a few minutes by a tornado from the northeast which razed all except a few buildings, roaring down a two-mile path.

31 Dead Identified

Thirty-one known dead had been identified as follows: Robert DeWitte, editor of the Edwards County Leader, and four members of his family. Mrs. Will Felts. Mrs. W. J. Adams. A Mrs. Pennington and two members of her family. Two children of J. Billings.

The Rev. Mr. Spliers of the Rock Springs Methodist church; Mrs. S. H. Child, and four children. One, Ken's baby. J. T. Cowden, his wife and two children. Charles Herrington. Charlie Baker. A Mr. and Mrs. Willis. Judge Griffin and two children. Guy Henderson and three children.

Relief workers, including physicians and nurses from San Antonio and Kerrville and a detachment of troops from Fort Clark, were delayed in arriving with aid on account of storm damaged roads.

Gave no Warning

The storm came from the northwest with little or no warning just after dark, survivors said.

Few buildings were left standing as the tornado howled in into the blackness.

Fire broke out soon after and the postoffice and a restaurant were burned.

Town Isolated

With a population of 800, Rock Springs, center of a sparsely settled rural raising section in Southwest Texas, is one of the most isolated towns of the state, and is located on a rocky dome of 2,000 feet elevation, highest county seat in Texas east of the Davis mountains.

Only the native stone construction of many of its buildings is believed to have saved the town so openly exposed, from complete razing.

The usual sardonic pranks of

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Two States Make Fruit Rules Same

PORTLAND, Ore., Apr. 12 (AP)—Oregon rules governing apples have been changed to conform to those of the state of Washington. The Washington rules governing grading and certifying of peaches recently were changed to conform to those of Oregon.

The state board of horticulture made the announcement following a two-day meeting.

Charles A. Park, of Salem, was selected president, and Charles A. Coile, of Portland, was selected secretary.