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THE WEATHER

OREGON: Unsettled tonight and Saturday. Colder in the east portion tonight. Moderate west and northwest winds.

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SERVICES AT
SUNRISE TO
START DAYMinisterial Association to
Hold Annual Event at
Gangloff ParkM. E. MORTGAGE TO
BE BURNED SUNDAYEaster to Be Marked in
La Grande with Wide-
spread Observance in
All Churches.

Besides the usual observance of Easter Sunday in the churches of La Grande, two events are scheduled which stand out—the annual sunrise service sponsored by the La Grande Ministerial Association, and the official burning of the mortgage at the evening service of the First Methodist Episcopal church.

Unless rain prevents, the sunrise service will be held at Gangloff park to the west of La Grande about 5 o'clock. The service will start at 4:15 o'clock to awaken all who wish to attend.

Longfellow to Speak
J. T. Longfellow, superintendent of schools, will deliver an address at the service, and George S. Bingle 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. Ayres. The Rev. J. A. Hall will pronounce benediction.

The mortgage burning program at the Methodist church will be presided over by Harry S. Hamilton, district superintendent. He will give prayer following an organ prelude by Mrs. A. E. Kinman and the singing of a hymn.

Introduction of charter members of the old church, the official band that built the present church, the present official band, the past and present ladies' Aid presidents will precede greetings from past pastors and area officials.

To Give Church History
Sherwood Williams will present a brief history of the church property and H. E. Dixon will speak on the history of the La Grande church. Mrs. Sherwood Williams will speak on "The Ladies' Aid" and the Rev. H. W. Parker is to give an address on "The Emerging Church."

Then will follow the official burning of the mortgage with all

FORGETS LOAN
OF AUTOMOBILE
TO HIS FRIEND

BAKER, Ore., Apr. 15.—It's hard luck to borrow a car from a friend to take you girl to a show and to have him forget, report his car to the police as stolen and then have the police pick you up, while your girl stands helplessly.

Yes, this is what happened to a La Grande man here Wednesday night. Early in the evening Chief of Police Stout got a call from La Grande to look for a stolen coupe with license No. 1. The Baker police chief finally found the car parked along Main street. After a long wait a man and two girls approached the car.

"You are wanted for theft of this car," the chief told the startled La Grande man. "Surely you don't mean this car," the other remonstrated, and told him he had borrowed the car from his friend to come to Baker to see "put in" with the police station and then in a call to La Grande. The answer soon came: "Release him."

The owner had loaned the car, forgotten the incident, missed the machine when he returned for it and reported it as stolen.

PART OF
THE NEWS
OF THE DAY

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Make Plans For
Observance of
Boys' Week HereFour Days Will Be De-
voted to Event with
Many Organizations
Taking Part.

Definite determination to participate in the national boys' week program was reached last evening when a meeting of individuals was held at the chamber of commerce at the call of the boys' work department of the Rotary club. Dr. W. T. Phyl presiding. Rotary is sponsoring this national event but in the case of La Grande the plan is participated in by many organizations such as churches, Boy Scout, chamber of commerce, Salvation Army and others.

Customarily each day between April 30 and May 7 is made a special event for the boys but it was decided last evening that four days shall be set aside and a chairman for each day was designated. "Boys in the Church" was designated the theme of the first day and the Rev. H. K. Wallis, pastor of the Island City church, was named chairman. On Wednesday, "Citizenship" will be the theme and H. E. Coolidge, president of the chamber of commerce, is chairman. On Thursday "Boys in Industry" is the theme, and annual grammar school field "Boys in the Home and School" will be Friday's theme and it will hinge about a parade and the second annual grammar school field day. J. T. Longfellow is chairman. A. W. Nelson was named chairman of the publicity committee attending the affair.

Next Monday evening Dr. Phyl will meet the general committee, and especially the chairmen, to act further on specific details for each day that the week will be observed here.

Patterson Will
Attend Legion
Convention Here

A letter was received today by State Senator Fred E. Kiddie, who is also chairman of the American Legion state convention committee, from Governor L. L. Patterson, declaring that he would attend the July session in La Grande.

Senator Frederick Stelwer, who recently returned from Washington, will also be present for all three days. The senator is past head of the Oregon 46 and is active and is very active in legion affairs.

Congressman Crumpacker has also promised to attend and it is possible that Speaker Nicholas Longworth of the U. S. house of representatives, who has several times been mentioned as presidential timber, may also be present. Congressman Longworth will visit with Crumpacker during the summer and the Oregonian is making an attempt to have his visit coincide with the convention dates so as to bring him to La Grande.

Mr. Heacock Opens
New Offices Here

O. M. Heacock has opened up a modern optical parlor and testing room on Adams avenue, next door to the Star theater, and is now prepared to scientifically test eyes and grind glasses.

Although Mr. Heacock has been in the radio business for some time he has had over 25 years of practical experience in the scientific fitting of glasses and grinding lenses for 10 years. From 1907 until 1917, he was in the exclusive optical business in La Grande.

Services Held at
Episcopal Church

Good Friday services started at noon today at St. Peter's Episcopal church with a fairly large crowd in attendance, and will continue until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

The services are under the auspices of the La Grande Ministerial Association and seven ministers are taking part in the program. They are R. C. Ayres, the Rev. C. V. Dunn, the Rev. J. A. Hall, the Rev. G. A. Pollard, the Rev. H. K. Wallis, the Rev. L. H. Ayres and the Rev. Oliver Riley.

The missionary society of the Christian church is also conducting Good Friday prayer service today at the Central Church of Christ.

Tent Show Will
Come to La Grande

The Rose City Vaudeville and Ministerial show will present a number of attractions in La Grande next week in its big tent theater which will be erected in time for the Sunday night performance.

Music, singing, dancing and comedians will add to the interest of the shows. Marcus Marcell, native man of the west, will be featured. He will speak on new life, health and success.

The show will be under the special direction of A. C. Moll.

PROGRAM FOR
CELEBRATION
IS COMPLETEA. T. Hill, Commission
President, to Give Ded-
icatory SpeechBAND AND QUARTET
TO FURNISH MUSICPoor Weather Will Not
Result in a Postpone-
ment, Legion Commit-
tee Chairman Says

Regardless of the weather, La Grande's celebration of the completion of its street lighting system will be held tomorrow night. Dr. Ray Murphy, chairman of the American Legion committee in charge, announced this morning. Rain, however, might result in calling off the street dance but this is not definite.

More and more publicity is being given to the celebration over Eastern Oregon. The chamber of commerce here is also taking an active part in publicity arrangements and has extended invitations to business organizations in nearby towns to attend.

The chamber of commerce has played an important part in reference to the street lighting district from the start, and it was Earl Reynolds, secretary, who circulated the petition before the district was created, and assisted in the first arrangements.

Hill to Preside

Following the penny shower at 7 o'clock tomorrow night for children of grammar school age, the La Grande municipal band will appear in concert at the intersection of Depot and Adams on a platform especially constructed for the celebration. The concert will continue until almost 8 o'clock.

At its conclusion A. T. Hill, president of the city commission will deliver the dedicatory address and at a signal by him at 8 o'clock the lights will be turned on.

Just before Mr. Hill's speech, the chamber of commerce quartet—G.

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TIGERS TO MEET
BAKER TOMORROW

East Oregon Champions
to Face Strong Team
From Copper City

La Grande high school's track and field team will participate in its first interscholastic meet of the season tomorrow at the athletic field when the Baker Bulldogs will furnish the opposition.

The Tigers, champions in 1925 and 1926, have a chance to repeat this year. It is believed, and tomorrow's results will be eagerly awaited with this in mind.

The meet will start at 2:15 o'clock with Lee Reynolds in charge as starter and referee.

Tentative entries for La Grande as announced by Coach Ian MacKenzie this morning are as follows: 100-yard dash: Smutz, Koffer, Snyder, Charlton.

220-yard dash: Smutz, Newlin, Koffer.

440-yard dash: Smutz, Newlin, K. Davis and Daniel.

880-yard run: K. Davis, Anson.

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LONG WORMS

This is Prof. W. H. Coe, of Yale, scripping in the ocean off the Scripps Institution of Oceanography at La Jolla, Cal., for reported 100-foot sea worms. He already has classified some 75 varieties, some reaching lengths of 7 and 8 feet.

Butler Visits
Colorado; Says
East Backs CalG. O. P. Leader Refuses
to Commit Self on Pro-
hibition and Presiden-
tial Outlook.

DENVER, Apr. 15 (AP).—William M. Butler, chairman of the republican national committee, arrived in Denver today on an "investigating" tour which will take him to the west coast before he returns to Washington.

Although in his position as chairman, he is the spokesman for the republican organization of the nation, Mr. Butler was especially wary and non-committal on his arrival today.

"Do you think prohibition will form one of the main issues of the next campaign?" he was asked.

"Prohibition now is an issue. Whether it will enter into the campaign next year is a question that will be determined by the party. The national organization merely is the machinery for carrying out the will and wishes of the members of the party."

Questioned regarding the outlook in the country for the next election Mr. Butler said that as he viewed the situation the country had enjoyed such a remarkable reign of prosperity under the present administration, taxes had been reduced to such an extent, and business economy had so guided the every action of the administration that he found a remarkable solidified support throughout the country for President Coolidge.

Concerning the prospects of President Coolidge again becoming a candidate for the presidency next year, Mr. Butler declined to make any statements.

"The entire east is solidly behind the present administration. The middle west and the west, I find, feel much the same way and this situation is especially gratifying, naturally, to the administration."

Mr. Butler will remain in Denver until Sunday when he will leave for Salt Lake City, Ogden, San Francisco, Portland and Spokane. He plans to return directly home from Spokane.

Zweifels Bring
In First Strings
Of Trout Today

Although several fishermen went out this morning—the first day of the open season—in spite of the cold weather, few had returned at noon and reported their catch.

Two catches—the first of the season—were brought in about 10:30 o'clock, one bunch of speckled beauties, 23 in all, being brought in by Nate Zweifel. The other consisting of 33 trout, was caught by Rube Zweifel and his son, Harry. The fish are on display in the window of Lilly's Hardware store today.

Many fishermen who had planned on taking advantage of the first day of the open season gave up the idea yesterday, when it was found that many of the nearby streams were muddy, because of the few days of warm weather, which started the snow melting. It is thought that a large part of those who went out today are fishing in Wallawa county.

MacDowell Club
Going to Chicago

The MacDowell Munkie club of Portland, consisting of about 50 prominent women, will pass through La Grande this evening on Train No. 18, en route to Chicago, a telegram received by J. H. Kenney announced this morning.

The MacDowell club was the only western chorus invited to put on a complete program at the national convention week, April 15, the telegram declares.

School Children
To Select Bird

PORTLAND, Ore., Apr. 15 (AP).—School children of the state are to select by popular vote an official state bird. Initiated by the Oregon Audubon society, the election will be held under the direction of the Oregon state teachers association, and will close May 16.

Six birds have been named as follows:

Varied thrush, known also as Oregon thrush, meadowlark, junco, or western snowbird, song sparrow, white-crowned sparrow, bluebird.

George Cochran Is
Elected by Lodge

HEND, Ore., Apr. 15 (AP).—Andrew P. Davis, of Marshfield, was named grand commander of the Knights Templar of Oregon, at the close of the first annual convocation here yesterday.

Other Knights Templar officers included: deputy grand commander, Fred A. Inniss, Portland; grand captain-commander, Wilson E. Brock, Pendleton; reviewer, George T. Cochran, La Grande.

U. S. WARSHIP
TURNS GUNS
ON CHINESEDestroyer John D. Ford
Silences Northerners
Who Shot at MeianRADICAL, MODERATE
CANTONESE SPLITWar Between Two Fac-
tions of Invading Army
Likely—Eugene Chen
Replies to Powers

By the Associated Press
War between the radical and moderate sections of the Cantonese nationalists in China looms as a distinct possibility.

A conference today (Friday) at Nanking, called by the moderate leader General Chiang Kai-shek, and reported to have been attended by a majority of the Kuomintang, the Cantonese political party, decided to break with the Cantonese extremists at Hankow.

It was indicated that a new government would be formed at Nanking. Human province, southwest of Hankow, is reported in British dispatches to be the scene of "terrible brutalities" among the Chinese, with "a monstrous form of bolshevism" in control. Red Hunan troops are said to be closing in on Hankow.

U. S. SHIP IN RATTLE

WASHINGTON, Apr. 15 (AP).—The destroyer John D. Ford today fired upon Chinese northern troops using her four-inch guns, loaded with shrapnel shells, and silencing the fire which the Chinese had directed upon the Standard Oil ship, Meian.

Official reports on the incident reaching the navy department said the northern troops were entrenched about the Ford in the Yangtze river opposite Nanking and had been firing upon the oil ship and exchanging with Chinese national troops on the Nanking side of the river.

British Ship Helps
The Ford at first returned the fire with its machine guns, the report said, and the British cruiser Emerald, anchored alongside, also turned its machine guns upon the Chinese. The Chinese ceased firing at the Meian and concentrated upon the Ford, which was

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BABE SMASHES
OUT HOMER IN
FIRST INNING

NEW YORK, Apr. 15 (AP).—Babe Ruth, polecat on his first home run of the season today in the opening inning of a game between the Yankees and Athletics. It was a line smash into the right field stand off Howard Ehmke after two batters had been retired.

CHICAGO, Apr. 15 (AP).—Hack Wilson, Cubs' centerfielder, connected with a home run in the second inning of the Chicago-St. Louis game today. Sherdel was pitching for the Cardinals.

To Plant Trees
At Gangloff Park

A public tree planting ceremony will take place tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at Gangloff park, just west of town, under the auspices of the local campfire-girl groups.

S. H. Boardman, who has charge of the tree planting work for the state highway commission, is in the city making arrangements and will supervise the work.

This is the first of a series of public tree planting ceremonies which the campfire girls here will conduct during the spring, each girl being given a tree honor after she has planted one tree in a public place.

There are about 70 campfire girls in the city, and tomorrow's planting will give about 25 an opportunity to receive an honor.

The public is invited to attend the planting.

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HILLSBORO, Ore., Apr. 15 (AP).—The state rested today in the second trial of Mrs. Eva N. Motie, charged with the murder by administering of poison of her husband, Dr. W. G. McGee, at Tillamook.

The defense immediately moved for a directed verdict of not guilty on the ground that the state had failed to produce sufficient evidence. Judge George R. Bagley overruled the motion.

State Rests In
Mrs. McGee Trial

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Apr. 15 (AP).—Klamath county court will join with 17 other affected Oregon counties in the fight to prevent the state from acquiring a part of the O. and C. grant land tax refund money. It was announced last yesterday afternoon by County Commissioner Burroughs.

OREGON BANKER DIES
SAN FRANCISCO, Apr. 15 (AP).—Samuel G. Cressler, director and former vice president of the First National bank of Lakeview, Ore., died here yesterday.

NO LONGER WED



Colonel Edward C. Carrington no longer has a wife. So the court ruled in Chicago yesterday. He, his wife and a brother, all well along in years, figured in a sensational round of trouble, which started when the Colonel, bent his brother, Campbell, with a cane. Mrs. Carrington, who denied intimacy with Campbell, was given the divorce.

WORKABLE FARM
BILL IS SOUGHT

Negotiations to Be Con-
ducted During Summer
with This in Mind

WASHINGTON, Apr. 15 (AP).—After a conference with President Coolidge today at the white house, Senator Fess, republican, Ohio, declared negotiations would be conducted during the summer between representatives of agricultural interests from all parts of the country in the hope of drafting a farm relief bill which the administration could support.

The president would never approve a measure containing the equalization fee to be levied on leased crops to handle the surplus, Mr. Fess said. Such a fee was provided in the McNary-Hauser bill, which Mr. Coolidge vetoed during the last congress.

Senator Fess predicted that the solution of the farm problem would be a bill based on low rate government loans to cooperative organizations which would be empowered to buy the surplus crops and hold them for profitable prices to the producer.

He expressed the hope that Chairman McNary, of the senate agriculture committee, would continue to take the leadership in farm legislation and that he would agree to manage a measure that called for neither an equalization fee nor a subsidy.

McNary recently announced he would draft a bill which he hoped Coolidge could support.

Toadstools Poison
Farmer And Wife

SCIO, Ore., Apr. 15 (AP).—G. L. Muzzy, a farmer near here, was in serious condition today and his wife was recovering from poisoning due to eating toadstools by mistake for mushrooms on Wednesday.

After the meal, which was eaten about 12:30 o'clock Muzzy went to work on the farm and while he was away Mrs. Muzzy was stricken and became unconscious. She recovered consciousness about 1 a. m. Thursday, and found her husband lying on the floor in the house.

She managed to attract neighbors by her cries, and both she and her husband were given treatment.

Mrs. Muzzy was able to be about today, but her husband's recovery was still in doubt.

Holds Pessimistic
View For Future

DES MOINES, Ia., Apr. 15 (AP).—Men of the future may have "spindle-legs, foot-bellies, narrow chests and toothless, chinless mouths," while future women will be slender-chipped, but unable to bear children, in the opinion of J. E. Rogers, of New York, field director of the national physical education service.

Speed of modern life, abolishment of walking and other activities and extreme diet fads are responsible for a tendency in this direction, declared Mr. Rogers, here for the national physical education conference.

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Accidents Take
Toll of Life in
State This WeekSouthern Oregon Farmer
Dies of Injuries Re-
ceived in Runaway—4
Workmen Killed.

OREGON FATALITIES
Marshfield — Logger found
dead.
Roseburg—Farmer killed in
runaway.
Portland—Chinese beaten to
death.
Salem—Four killed in week's
accidents.

ROSEBURG, Ore., Apr. 15 (AP).—Claude V. Davis, a well-known farmer of the Looking Glass vicinity, died at Mercy hospital this morning of injuries sustained yesterday evening, while getting out wood. Mr. Davis and Charles Chamberlain, a neighbor were loaded a wagon with wood and had started down the hillside from the wood yard when a line broke, causing the team to run away. Both men were thrown from the wagon. Mr. Davis falling under the wheels so that he suffered abdominal injuries, which caused his death early this morning.

MARSHFIELD, Ore., Apr. 15 (AP).—Fred Brandtetter, a Coon Bay logger, was found dead in his cabin today. Near his body was found a sawed off shotgun. Brandtetter was said to have been in a demoralized condition for some time past. His family is in Germany. Condition of the body indicated that he shot himself about a week ago.

PORTLAND, Ore., Apr. 15 (AP).—Beaten and stabbed by a mysterious assailant who stepped out of the darkness at a downtown street corner early this morning, Mo Gai, a Chinese aged about 35, was taken to a hospital where he died today.

Mo Gai was not a long member and was a peaceable person. Police suspect that his assailant took him for some one else. If robbery was the motive the stricken man's screams frightened the assailant before anything was taken from the victim.

SALEM, Ore., Apr. 15 (AP).—Four men were killed during the past week in accidents subject to the terms of the workmen compensation law, according to a report issued by the state industrial accident commission today.

There were 616 accidents during the week. Names and addresses of those killed were as follows: Frank Reese, Sheridan, lumberman; R. A. Harrington, Forest Grove, engineer; Charles Anderson, Kelso, Wash.; Harry Woods, Bend, laborer.

Frenzy of Hate
Responsible For
Slaying of Two

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Apr. 15 (AP).—A frenzy of hate marked the shooting to death yesterday of Miss Mary Belle Wallace, 29, attractive senate journal clerk of Hollywood, by Harry Hill, 61, Los Angeles lobbyist, who then committed suicide.

"I hate to do this, but it was hate, hate, hate! He double crossed me," was a portion of a scrawled note addressed to the coroner, found on the body of Hill.

Miss Wallace and Hill met in Los Angeles two years ago and became sweethearts. Hill has been a lobbyist here for several years. Miss Wallace had confided to her friends here that Hill had threatened her life in fits of anger and jealousy because she had spurned his offers of marriage.

Woman Was Fearful
Just a few moments before the shooting Miss Wallace had expressed to a woman co-worker the fear that she would be shot before the close of the session a fortnight away.

Just after she uttered these words she emerged from a room on the fourth floor corridor surrounding the rotunda of the capitol. She walked into the arms of Hill, who had apparently tracked her up from the second floor when she left the senate chamber shortly before with some bills. Four shots rang out. Three of the shots penetrated the woman's body, killing her almost instantly. The fourth lodged in Hill's brain, and he died an hour and a half later in a hospital.

Breaks in the white and St. Francis river levees threatened Trumbull, Big Lake and other Arkansas towns while Tulsa and thousands of acres surrounding it were flooded when 50 feet of a protecting dike crumbled.

Between 500 and 1,000 residents of Fort Smith and Van Buren, Ark., were forced from their homes by the Arkansas river and Fort Smith's water supply was menaced by the river's invasion of the power plant there.

Six thousand acres of land at Grand Tower, Ill., was flooded while at Popular Bluffs, Mo., a wide area of land was inundated. Citizens at Metairie, Reynoldsville and Ware, Ill., were moving out following a break in a drainage canal levee while the refuge camp of the Red Cross was being moved further back to higher ground.

Laborers Fight Floods
Colonel C. L. Potter, president of the Mississippi river commission in charge of all flood control work from Rock Island, Ill., to New Orleans, La., was here yesterday.

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STORMS AND
FLOODS KILL
FIVE SCORE

More Than 100 Persons
Die in Tornadoes, Bliz-
ards and Cloudbursts

12 STATES SUFFER
DURING THE WEEK

Many Hundreds Driven
from Homes by High
Waters; Snow in Rocky
Mountain Area.

By the Associated Press
Tornadoes, blizzards, cloudbursts and floods have brought death lists in a dozen states to upwards of 100 in five days, sent scores to hospitals many with slight chances to recover, and left hundreds homeless.

The storm area extended from the central Rocky Mountain states to the Mississippi valley, where tributaries of the nation's greatest river drained a vast section to wash out or menace levees.

Texas headed the casualty lists with more than 50 dead. The lone star state toll was swelled by at least 15 tornadoes or freak storms that struck widely separated points.

Hundreds Homeless
Leaves crumbled in lower Mississippi valley states to threaten many communities. A private dyke gave way at Columbia Ky., leaving 800 homeless.

Upwards of 1,000 persons were forced from their homes at Fort Smith and Van Buren, Ark., where the Arkansas river concentrated torrents from Kansas and Oklahoma.

Little immediate relief for inundated Oklahoma points was