

Local News In Brief

COMING EVENTS

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.

Married—Vera Yates and Edward Lyle were married yesterday by the justice of the peace, Hugh Brady.

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Investigator Here—R. M. Green, O.-W. claim inspector in La Grande for a few days on business. He is registered at the Foley.

Visits Relatives—Minnie Hubl, who has been attending school in Portland, is in this city for a short while to visit relatives and friends before returning to her home in Alice.

Baker Visitor—Ernest Crockett, Baker, is here in La Grande in behalf of the Eastern Oregon Light & Power company. He is stopping at the Foley.

Passes Through City—R. B. Longworth passed through La Grande last evening en route to Portland. He will return to his home in Cheyenne the latter part of next week.

Baptist Supper—There will be a supper at the Baptist church tonight from 5 to 7 o'clock. All members are invited. A social and business hour will follow the supper.

Idaho Visitors—Cah Porter and his wife are spending a few days in La Grande before returning to their home in Nampa, Idaho. They are registered at the Sommer.

Contractor Here—Mr. Tranchesi, Portland contractor for the Grande-Hotel hotel, is in this city for a few days to look after his interests. He is staying at the Hotel Foley.

Left For Portland—Selon B. Cleghorn left last night for Portland on a short business trip. He plans to attend the republican meeting in Portland tonight, when William Butler, chairman of the national republican committee, will speak.

Mr. Baldoock Here—H. H. Baldoock state highway maintenance engineer, was here this morning on his way back to Salem, where he makes his headquarters, after inspecting the oiling operations in Malheur county. En route to Salem he will look over oiling work in Umatilla county. Mr. Baldoock was formerly highway engineer of the La Grande division.

Home to Palmer—J. C. French has gone to Palmer, Ore., where he will be employed.

Home From Vale—H. J. Kitcher returned to La Grande yesterday from Vale, where he has been arguing a case.

Shopping Here—Mrs. Lacey Sewell was shopping here this morning. Her home is at Elgin.

Home From Tolocast—J. G. Anson, of Tolocast, is in La Grande today. He came down for the Union Pacific dairy demonstration train.

Home Today—Miss Elvie Parks, accompanied by her mother, drove to La Grande this morning from Elgin and spent the day shopping.

In City Today—Mrs. Albert Hasmussen, of Elgin, accompanied by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Good, are among the Elgin people who are in La Grande today.

To Meet Saturday—The World Wide Guild of the First Baptist church will meet Saturday afternoon at two o'clock with the counselor, in room 7 of the Foley hotel.

Passed Through Here—Horton Miller, sheriff of Wallawa county, passed through La Grande this morning on his way home from Salem, where he went with a prisoner several days ago.

Has Broken Arm—Mix Grace, the seven-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John T. Grace, received a broken arm Tuesday evening when he fell from a fence. The injury is reported to be getting along nicely.

Have Baby Girl—Miss and Mrs. Frank Bryant are the parents of an eight-pound baby daughter born to them this morning at their home on Watson street. The little girl has been named Mary.

Home From Elgin—William D. Hindman, well known farmer of the Elgin vicinity, and J. T. Good, also a farmer of that section, were in the city today. They planned to be here this afternoon for the dairy demonstration train.

To Visit Here—Mr. and Mrs. Forest Davis, parents of Mrs. W. C. Cross, and Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Tardif, her sister and brother-in-law, arrived in La Grande today from Albany, Ore., where they make their home, and will be guests at the Cross home for several days.

Returns to La Grande—The Rev. Howard B. Smith, of this city, local missionary of the American Sunday School Union, has returned to La Grande from Baker county, where he has been looking after rural Sunday school work. He reports that the fruit in Eagle valley is badly damaged, although the growers expect some fruit. There will probably not be more than half the usual crop of peaches.

To Sing Over Radio—Word has been received here from Miss Isabella Miller, who is teaching school at Pocatello, Ida., that the girls club of the junior high school there, of which she is director, will sing over the radio from station KSEI, Pocatello, Ida., Friday evening between 5:30 and 6:30 o'clock, local time. There are 25 voices in the glee club. Miss Miller directed music in the schools here last year. She is the daughter of Mrs. M. M. Miller of this city.

Visiting Clubs Here—Miss Helen Cowell, assistant state club leader and Oregon Agricultural college extension worker, arrived in La Grande last night and will be here for two days visiting the boys' and girls' clubs in Union county. She and E. A. A. county school superintendent, left here this morning to visit the Fruitdale, Mt. Glen and Island City clubs, and tomorrow will visit other clubs in the county.

Home From Baker—E. Russell Scott returned to La Grande this morning from Baker, where he organized two new boy scout troops. Mr. Scott is scout executive of the Eastern Oregon-Tri-county council. One of the new troops at Baker is in the Catholic church and has 35 members. The other is in the Baptist church and has 33 members. H. E. Murray is scout master of the Baptist church troop and Elmer Arthur is his assistant.

Red Cross Chapter—The local chapter of the Salvation Army has received an appeal from the national organization for aid for thousands of persons homeless in the Mississippi flood districts. Through Major A. E. Baynton, head officer of the Oregon division, local officers have also been instructed to collect money and clothing to be forwarded to the army's relief headquarters at the devastated area. "Commander" Evangeline Booth advises that the deplorable situation in the flooded area will be acute for many weeks, and that we must help with money and clothing," the officer states.

MAY BE STRANGLERS WORK
 PORTLAND, Ore., Apr. 28 (AP)—Four women mysteriously slain here in October and November last year, but police to work on the theory that one at least was a victim of a murderer who had killed women in other coast cities.

Mrs. Blanche Meyers, the last victim, not her death Nov. 23, under circumstances similar to that of Mrs. Mary McConnell, of Philadelphia, last night. A man, to whom she rented a room, was missing after she was found strangled with an apron, her body being hidden under a bed. A diamond ring and watch were stolen by the slayer.

Mrs. Mabel Fluke was found dead Oct. 22 in a house she had for rent, having been strangled with a broom handle. Diamond rings and other jewelry were missing.

The body of Mrs. Virginia Grant was found October 29, behind a furnace in the basement of a house she had for rent. Valuable jewelry was missing.

Mrs. Beata Wither's body was found jammed in a trunk at her home, October 19, and no solution of her mysterious death was ever reached.

Completion of the alliance was announced here yesterday by Mike Gorge, president of the West Coast Corporation. The theater organizations will retain their separate identities but will be managed directly by the combine which is in Los Angeles.

Theatrical properties of the Public theaters, involved in the merger, include the Metropolitan and Million Dollar theaters here; the Granada, California, St. Francis and Imperial in San Francisco, a 4,000-seat house being built in Seattle and a 2,000-seat theater under construction in Portland.

With and carelessness are chief causes of calf diseases. Cleanliness is necessary in feed, pens, bedding and stalls or other utensils.

STRANGLER MAY BE IN THE EAST

Murder of Philadelphia Woman Similar to Slayings in Portland, Ore.

PHILADELPHIA, Apr. 28 (AP)—Police today were unable to definitely assign a motive for the murder of Mrs. Mary McConnell, 53, who was found strangled under a bed in her home in West Philadelphia last night.

A cloth, such as used for dusting furniture, was tied tightly around her throat, and a smocking had been draped over the neck as though to hide the knot.

Denial was made by police that there was any sign of a hard struggle between the woman and her assailant. The house was in an orderly condition.

The police were baffled in assigning a motive by the fact that, while three rings were missing, other pieces of jewelry and many valuable articles about the house were not disturbed.

A description was obtained from a neighbor of a man seen leaving the house about 4 p. m. yesterday. He was described as about five feet, 7 inches tall, weighing about 135 pounds. He had sharp features, wore a light grey felt hat with a black band and a dark grey coat.

Mrs. McConnell's husband is a traveling salesman and was away from home when she was killed. The body was found by her daughter, Mrs. Alice Donavan, a school teacher, and her husband, John Donavan.

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DeMolay Leader To Visit Loc Here Tomorrow

Roy Dickerson, one of the head men of the order of DeMolay for boys in the United States, will arrive in La Grande tomorrow and will attend a meeting of local DeMolay tomorrow evening.

Mr. Dickerson's home is in Kansas City. He comes to La Grande from Walla Walla, Wash., where he is meeting with DeMolay members of that city today. He is making a tour of the United States and visiting various DeMolay organizations.

The meeting in La Grande has been called for 8 o'clock tomorrow evening and an invitation has been extended to all Masons to attend. Dinner will be served at 6 o'clock in the Masonic hall.

A delegation from Pendleton will be here including: Fred Schmidt, Tom Robertson, Charles Ostrander, Hubert E. McVie, Laverne Clark, James A. Crosswell, G. P. Miller, Earl Stillwell, H. E. McLean, Roy Cooperthwaite and Nellie O. Wright.

Mr. Dickerson plans to leave here on train No. 18, going east.

Rum Runners of West Coast Are Willing to Quit

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Senator Carter Glass' Views On Al Smith Given

NEW YORK, Apr. 28 (AP)—Senator Carter Glass, of Virginia, in the current issue of Review of Reviews gives his views of Governor Smith as a presidential possibility. He writes:

"Should Governor Smith in a square stand up contest, get the democratic nomination for the presidency upon a sound and sane declaration of fundamental democratic doctrines and policies—one

BUTLER REFUSES TO COMMIT SELF

Pointed Questions Get Nothing as to Whether Cal Will Be Candidate

PORTLAND, Ore., Apr. 28 (AP)—William M. Butler, chairman of the republican national committee, was noncommittal when asked pointed questions here, on his arrival today on his tour of the west. When asked if President Coolidge is going to run for re-election he replied:

"I have no comment to make." "What will be the issues of the campaign?" he was asked.

"Well, that will have to be determined. The convention will make its platform when it meets." "Where will this gathering be held?"

"The west seems to be very strong for San Francisco although there is some demand for it in the east. But of course the national committee will have to decide. Detroit is making a strong bid for the convention. So are Omaha, Cleveland and Chicago. I am only one member of the committee."

Butler was unable to say where he will go after interviewing republican leaders at Seattle and Spokane.

Shocked to Death
 He said he was profoundly shocked by news of the death of Senator A. J. Beveridge, of Indiana, yesterday. "He was an extraordinary man able and a devoted and loyal citizen and public official. My acquaintance with him was an inspiration and my regard for him was sincere."

Butler, who was accompanied by William V. Hodges, Denver, treasurer of the national committee, was met here by Ralph E. Williams, vice chairman of the national committee, Phil Metzchan, chairman of the republican state committee and Jack Day, county chairman. Williams spent a week with Butler and Hodges in California and will accompany them to Seattle and Spokane.

Other Views Presented
 Views of Glen L. Shaver, chairman of the democratic national committee, and George W. Olvany, leader of the Tammany Hall, over the two-thirds rule prevailing in the democratic convention were set forth in today's newspapers.

"Tammany is against the old two-thirds rule and also the unit rule," Mr. Olvany said. "Majority rule is a sound democratic principle and New York democrats will be found fighting for it. The unit rule also ought to be abandoned."

"There is no good reason why the convention should not adopt a rule under which a delegate could rise in his place and register

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of which is not the avowed right to sell or buy or transport intoxicating liquors—he should not, and I venture to think he would not, be made a sacrifice to religious bigotry in Virginia or the south or the country."

An attempt to make "antagonism to prohibition a test of party loyalty" in next year's presidential election, the senator asserts, would result in "swamping" of the democratic party.

Chairman Shaver, New York papers say, has sent literature to members of the national committee designed to uphold the two-thirds rule, believing that it is essential to maintenance of a proper balance of power in national conventions.

The larger northern states, like New York, Pennsylvania and Illinois, acting in concert, the chairman is credited with contending, would be able in the absence of the old rule to form combinations fast and rough.

TWO ARRESTED
 GRANTS PASS, Ore., Apr. 28 (AP)—E. W. Wolf and J. W. Wynne were placed under arrest here last night upon advice from Eugene that the men were wanted in Lane county on charges of transportation of liquor. The men will be turned over to Eugene officers tonight at Roseburg.

A pinch of curry powder is sometimes filled with lima beans.

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