

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) Oregon Parent-Teacher association convention here.

Go to Walla Walla—Lou Harris and wife drove to Walla Walla yesterday to spend the day visiting friends.

O. A. C. Visitor—Lucy A. Case is here for a few days from Corvallis. She is stopping at the Sommer.

At Foley—Buck Smith and wife are here from Paisley, Idaho and are registered at the Foley hotel.

Baker Visitor—Madame Jeanette is in La Grande for a few days on business before she returns to her home in Baker. She is stopping at the Foley hotel.

From Spokane—H. C. Farrell, Spokane, is spending a few days in La Grande on business. He is stopping at the Foley.

Accepts Position—Inez Hughes Barrie has accepted a position at the Lavender Lunch. She has recently returned to this city.

From Salt Lake City—L. C. White, Salt Lake City, is in La Grande for a few days visiting and is stopping at the Hotel Foley.

Here From Tacoma—Mrs. P. V. Perret is a visitor in this city from Tacoma.

Returns on Branch—Al Hartow, road master, returned last night on the branch train. He has been taking care of business in the branch towns.

Here Today—E. R. McKee was a business visitor to La Grande today from North Powder.

Returns to Portland—E. W. Lazell, who has been visiting in this city while attending to business, returned to his home in Portland last night on train No. 22.

Had Tonsils Out—R. L. Kunz, 1805 Pennsylvania avenue, underwent a tonsil operation yesterday. He is reported to be getting along nicely.

Here From North Powder—W. E. Lund was here from North Powder yesterday. He was among those who viewed the Union-Pacific-Oregon Agricultural college dairy demonstration special here yesterday.

To Install Officers—The Moose lodge will install officers for ensuing year this evening when a meeting will be held at Eagles hall. There will be visitors chosen from Union.

Received Lamp—Dr. J. A. Wenderick received an ultra-violet lamp yesterday, which will be added to his equipment in his office over the L. and L. drug store. The lamp came from Chicago and is one of the latest things of this kind obtainable.

Store Opens Tomorrow—Thrift Grocery No. 81 cash store will open Saturday in the rooms across the tracks on Fir street previously occupied by the Harris Grocery. The rooms have just been repainted and new fixtures installed. This is the fourth Thrift store opened this spring; the others being at Elgin, Wallawa and Joseph.

Passed Through Here—Coach Paul Schuster, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Dolan and Ed Allworth, of the Oregon Agricultural college, passed through La Grande this morning on their way to Baker. They will return to La Grande tomorrow and will be guests at a luncheon of alumni and former students at O. A. C. at the Sommer hotel tomorrow noon.

Attended Convention—George Birnie and Elmer Stoddard, accompanied by their wives, motored to Tacoma to attend the Rotary convention. Mr. Birnie returned to La Grande yesterday morning and reports all who attended had an enjoyable time. Mr. Stoddard is stopping in Portland for a few days before returning to his home here.

Ranger Exams—The U. S. service commission will hold an open competitive examination for park ranger in La Grande in the near future. C. J. Mackey announces. Applications must be on file in Seattle, Wash., not later than May 28 and the date for assembling of competitors will be stated on their admission cards and will probably be about 10 days after the close of receipt of applications. Vacancies in Crater, Lake, Glacier, Mount Rainier, and Yellowstone parks, with a salary of \$1,680 per year minus \$180 for quarters are to be filled. Applicants must have had at least one year's experience in out-door vocations in which they have demonstrated ability to perform the required work.

M. I. A. CONTESTS WILL BE HELD IN TABERNACLE HERE (Continued from Page 1)

City in June as the next, where contestants from the membership of the M. I. A. all over the world will meet.

The contest also includes a one-act drama, "The Unequal Yoke" by Blanche Kendall McKee, and an old-fashioned dance "The Lancers."

The public is cordially invited to attend all contests. Judges for tonight will be Mrs. George S. Birnie and Mrs. O. E. Silverthorn from La Grande with two to be chosen from Union.

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FOREST WEEK TO END SATURDAY

Union County and La Grande Winding Up Their Programs

National forest week ends tomorrow, April 29, but forest officials urge that the people not forget the value of conservation of the national forest with its close.

An intensive and carefully worked-out campaign against forest fires has been planned by the forest service and is now waiting for the days when the woods are dry. Supervisors of national forests are laying out their work programs with a view of mobilizing their men at a moment's notice to fight fires. More guards than ever before used are being recruited from forest road crews. Telephone lines will be put in the best conditions, and trucks for transportation of men and equipment are being purchased. The weather bureau is prepared to flash out any news of the approach of dangerous weather.

Generally Observed Forest week has been generally observed in La Grande and Union county the schools and civic organizations of the city taking an active interest. Each of the grade schools and the high school have held talks on the value of the conservation of the forests. Material on forest week was also mailed to the rural schools throughout the county school superintendent's office.

During the week Gerald Tucker, forest ranger here, has addressed all of the boy scout troops of the city, asking their cooperation to prevent forest fires.

Praise Efforts Much care was shown on the Grande Ronde Ranger district with campfires last season, according to K. H. McCool, district ranger of Cave. There were several hundred campfire permits issued to parties camping in the district during the summer. Mr. McCool reports that there were no areas closed to campers even when the fire hazard was very high, and not one campfire got away. He is convinced that a great deal of care was taken by those who built the campfires and is hoping that the same precautions will be practiced during the coming season. The Big Minner river, where many fires got out of doors last year during the summer, is located in his district.

HOLDS DEMONSTRATION COVE (Special)—The interest of forest and Union and the campfire girls and their leaders, assisted by the forest ranger, Keith McCool, held an interesting demonstration meeting Monday evening at the Morris hall. Besides the demonstration Mr. McCool made a short talk.

FLOOD WATER RUSHES INTO LEVEE BREAK (Continued from Page 1)

ultimately will return when the waters have receded and the state has repaired the breach made in the levee.

State and city have guaranteed all of the residents compensation for the damage the waters may do to their property; but even in the face of this they temporarily gave up their homes with reluctance, if not with stronger feelings. Some of the inhabitants of the two parishes refused to leave, preferring to remain and take their chances with the flood waters than to become refugees in a camp for six weeks or more.

While a deliberate break was ordered in lower Louisiana the Mississippi river higher up was smashing at the levees with such force that a large army of men worked night and day to strengthen those of the west bank in the hope that they could withstand the great flood crest bearing down to the south.

Greenville today and augmented help by the parent stream from the Mississippi delta.

Louisiana Flooded Northern Louisiana was being inundated in places by waters flowing southward from breaks in the Arkansas river levees. In South-eastern Arkansas as well as that surging through crevasses in dyke along the Red river and smaller streams.

A new area in Mississippi near Yazoo City was under water as a result of the break of a levee on a canal there and the flood was running into the streets on the lower end of the little Mississippi city.

Additional towns in Arkansas were threatened and the refugee situation there was becoming increasingly acute. Additional hundreds were being made homeless over the whole area daily and the Red Cross faced a tremendous task in concentrating and caring for them.

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"Inevitably gave way."

"They became as intimates," he said, "as any two beings can be. But this woman is not being tried for adultery."

"It was Judd Gray who first mentioned insurance and advised Mrs. Snyder that her husband ought to be covered. Mrs. Snyder spoke to her husband and he said to get the insurance man."

"After the premiums had been paid they decided together that the financial burden was too great. She went to the insurance company twice to see about conclusion and was advised that she could not withdraw her premiums for three years."

"So the Snyders let it stand. And that is the proof that Mrs. Snyder never had a secret insurance motive to kill her husband."

Borrowed Money In the meantime, the lawyer said, Judd Gray was borrowing hundreds of dollars from Mrs. Snyder, never to repay it.

"We will show you," he shouted, "that Judd Gray was the individual personality behind all this, that he was continually broke and planned to get money by whatever means."

"On March 5 they met and he gave her a package which he said contained a reducing 'hip roller' she had wanted."

"When she got home and opened the bundle there was the cash weight."

"Gray, following his nefarious plan had enclosed a letter in the bundle in which he said he was coming out on March 7 to 'get the governor' and put his weight under the pillow in mother's room."

"There were also powders in the bundle 'to give the governor at supper.'"

"Judd Gray came on March 7 and asked if she would let him do it."

"She said, 'Judd, you're crazy. No, never.'"

"Then he threatened her but she was adamant and he went away."

Matter Dropped After this, Hazelton said, the matter was dropped until March 16, when Mrs. Snyder got a letter saying he was going to 'do the job' on March 19, enclosing more powders.

"She threw the powders away," he said, "and she had returned the cash weight before."

"But you can realize what her condition must have been. She acted just as you or I would."

"She went to the card party and returned expecting to see Gray, and she did see him in the dark of her mother's room."

"When her daughter and husband were asleep she went to Judd Gray. She had put a bottle under the pillow and he had drunk most of the whiskey."

"She sat on the bed and he kissed her."

"He asked if she meant 'to go through' and she said no, but he said he would do it himself."

"She begged and pleaded and cried. She got him down stairs. He had a revolver in his hand and threatened her."

Says Gray Was Killer "She ran upstairs and while she was in the bathroom she heard a heavy thud. She rushed out and there she saw Judd Gray straddling the prostrate form of Albert Snyder and beating him to death."

"She tried to drag Gray off, but he pushed her and she fell, fainting away."

"When she came to the deed was done, and the bloody print of Gray's hands where he had pushed her was on her breast."

Hazelton said Gray then told the woman that she must help in the robbery with "because they were both in on it now and the blood on her gown would convict her."

"He planned the alibi and then revealed that the insurance was his motive. When she knew at last that not love of her, but only love of money had actuated him, she became terrified and did blindly what she did. For she knew then that she was in the power of a mercenary monster."

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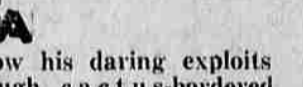
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