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THE WEATHER

OREGON: Partly cloudy with moderate temperature tonight and Sunday. Moderate northwest winds.

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RIVERIA WINS TRACK GAMES HERE FRIDAY

Noses Out Greenwood, Central for High Honors—1500 See Contest

TIGERS AT BAKER IN ANNUAL MEET

Victory in East Oregon Event Today Will Mean Permanent Possession of Trophy.

This week end stands out as the biggest in point of interest in track circles in Eastern Oregon...

Riveria school won the meet Friday, scoring 896 5-12 points...

The La Grande high school team, winners in 1925 and 1926, are favored to again emerge triumphant...

Hundreds Take Part In the grade school contests here Friday hundreds of school children...

Approximately 1500 spectators watched the events yesterday, which resulted as follows:

Mass Games

- Over the top (girls): Central 8th, first; Central 7th, second; Greenwood 7th, third; Riviera 6th, fourth; Central 6th, fifth; Riviera 5th, sixth; Central 5th, seventh; Greenwood 5th, eighth; Riviera 4th, ninth; Riviera 3rd, tenth; Greenwood 3rd, eleventh; Greenwood 2nd, twelfth; and Willow 5th, thirteenth.

Point Relay (girls): Central 7th, first; Riviera 8th, second; Riviera 7th, third; Central 6th, fourth; Central 5th, fifth; Riviera 4th, sixth; Greenwood 4th, seventh; Greenwood 3rd, eighth; Greenwood 2nd, ninth; and Willow 5th, thirteenth.

Punt Relay (girls): Central 7th, first; Central 8th, second; Greenwood 7th, third; Riviera 7th, fourth; Riviera 5th, fifth; Greenwood 6th, sixth; Central 6th, seventh.

STEVENSON TO HAVE TRIAL FRIDAY, MAY 13

Charles Stevenson, arrested with Charles Byrne Thursday morning when a log house on John Wood's farm near Alsea was raided and 50-gallon still found, was given a hearing in the justice court this morning. He pled not guilty and his trial was set for Friday, May 13, in the justice court. The trial will be held in the city.

Burns pleaded guilty upon arraignment and was sentenced to pay a fine of \$500 and serve 60 days in the county jail.

WHEN YOU'RE DIGGING A WELL

A few shovels full of dirt and a few strokes of the pick or drill won't dig a well. Bit-and-mines, spasmodic efforts in advertising won't arouse your interest or win your permanent patronage.

But a campaign that is carefully planned and persistently executed will accomplish something, whether it's well digging or business building. It is noteworthy that the business firms who are outstandingly successful and most widely and favorably known do not depend on an advertising campaign of a few weeks or a few months—instead, they are advertising each week and each month and each year of their business life. And it is equally significant that they, along with the greatest manufacturers of the country, prefer The Observer to any other available method for covering the La Grande territory.

Music Week Will Close With Band Concert Sunday

Municipal Organization to Appear in Recital at the Arcade Theater at 4:30 O'clock.

The closing program of music week in La Grande will be held in the Arcade theater tomorrow afternoon at 4:30 p. m. when the La Grande municipal band, under the directorship of Andrew Loney Jr. will appear in concert.

A difficult program has been selected and the band members have spent many nights in perfecting the selections.

- 1. Spanish March "King O' Spain" Prota
2. (a) Mazurka Russo "La Zarzuela" Gnanio
(b) Serenade "Moszkowski" Gnanio
3. "Marche Slave" Tschickowsky Intervall
4. "Southern Rhapsody" Hosner
5. Sextette from "Lucia" Donizetti
6. Overture "Semiramide" Rossini

Benefit Dance May 10 To Help Flood Victims

A public benefit dance, to raise money for relief of Mississippi flood refugees, will be held in the Elks home Tuesday, May 10, under the auspices of the La Grande B. P. O. E. lodge, it is announced today.

The La Grande band will play on the street before the dance and will also furnish music during the evening. No charge will be made by the band and arrangements have been made so that every cent taken in will be used for the relief fund.

A charge of \$1 a couple will be made. The Elks lodge here has already contributed \$75 toward the fund to be used in helping the Mississippi flood victims, \$25 going to the local fund and \$50 to the national fund. Money made from the dance will go toward La Grande's quota of \$500.

Members of the committee in charge are R. L. Lowe, Detale Green, C. L. Berry, and C. W. Van Fleet.

Advance Enrollment To Be Made Monday

Advance enrollment for all students attending the La Grande high school, who plan to attend the school again next year, will be held Monday. The purpose of the advance enrollment is to learn what students will want in their school work next year to assist the supervisors in making out the schedule for the new term.

During the past week E. D. Towler, principal of the high school, has visited the various grade schools to determine the number of eighth grade students who will enter according to present indications there will be between 120 and 140 students enter high school from the grade schools in the fall.

At present the high school has an enrollment of 540 students, 30 more than last spring just before the end of the school year, there being 510 at that time.

Eagles To Observe Mother's Day Here

The Fraternal Order of Eagles, founders of Mother's Day, will observe the day tomorrow evening with a special Mother's Day class in memory of all mothers. The class will be instituted in the evening at eight o'clock at Eagles' hall.

As a further observance of Mother's Day a program is being arranged for Thursday evening, May 12, when E. W. Bingham, past president of the state of Washington, will be in the city and will speak at the hall.

Officers of the Eagles lodge here were elected at the last meeting of the lodge. Mr. McNulty was elected president; Virgil Keltz, vice president; J. W. Lundia, chaplain; B. Hickman, secretary; C. E. Hays, treasurer; H. Barnes, in-charge; E. Miller, outer guard; Dr. J. A. Wonderlich, physician; Dr. J. A. Anderson and John Smith, trustees; and C. E. Hays, John Standley, H. T. Edwards, Wallace Cass and Fred Halston, delegates to the state convention.

INDIANS SURRENDER TUCSON, Ariz., May 7. (AP)—Thirty-nine Yaqui Indians who crossed the international border and were being hunted by a United States army detachment from Fort Stephen D. Little, have surrendered to border patrolman Felix Hughes, reports at patrol headquarters said today.

DEFENSE IN JACKSONVILLE TRIAL SCORES

J. L. Bonwell, Former Portland Clerk, Is Cross Examined

TESTIFIES TO SALE OF AUTOMATIC Unable to Make Identifications of Persons or Any Incidents Connected with Sale.

COURT HOUSE, Jacksonville, Ore., May 7. (AP)—The defense in the trial of Hugh De Autremant, charged with the murder of Charles O. (Coyle) Johnson, during the Skiyon tunnel train robbery more than three years ago, scored this morning through cross examination of J. L. Bonwell of Portland, Ore., former clerk for the Hauser Brothers Sporting Goods store at Salem, Ore.

Bonwell testified to the sale of a Colt's automatic pistol—the records of the store showed it numbered 130-753, the same number as on the pistol found in the tunnel while the robbery was in progress.

"Did you see the defendant Hugh, present during the sale of the pistol?" asked Attorney Collier for the defense. "I cannot say that I did," replied the witness.

"Can you say that he was present?" was the second query. "That is a long time to remember," responded the witness.

"Can you say that he was not present?" further asked the defense counsel. "I don't remember," was the reply.

The defense questioned Bonwell relative to the numerals "19-29-23" and the initials "J. L. B." upon the registration blank of the pistol.

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BOW AND ARROW EXPERTS COMING

Legion Posts over State Forming Archery Clubs to Attend Convention

An archery club has been organized in the Salem American Legion post and plans are already under way for the club members, 13 in number, to attend the state convention, which will be held in La Grande July 21, 22 and 23, according to word received by local legionnaires.

Mr. Richardson promises that the team will be one of the outstanding features of the convention in July, and declares that La Grande will have just cause to be proud of the organization.

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., May 7. (AP)—Injuries sustained when he was thrown from his horse last week near Merrill proved fatal last night for Samuel Craig, aged 72, last night in a local hospital. Craig was virtually scalped when he was thrown headlong into a pile of jagged rocks.

HOOD RIVER, Ore., May 7. (AP)—Tetanus, following an injury sustained when a toy pistol exploded, caused the death today of ten-year-old Troy, son of A. A. Shelby, automobile man of The Dunes. The boy is a grandson of the Rev. Troy Shelby, pioneer number of Odell.

Peace Is Near at Hand in War-Torn Central American Republic Today

MANAGUA, Nicaragua, May 7. (AP)—General Jose Moncada, commander in chief of the liberal forces has issued a proclamation to the liberal troops to disband their arms until 1928 when an American supervised election will decide to whom leadership of the country rightfully belongs, has been decided upon by Henry L. Stimson, who, as President Coolidge's personal representative, is endeavoring to end the warfare.

A truce between the liberals and conservative armies terminating today, was to disclose whether both factions would surrender their arms to the American marines in conformance with Stimson's request, and while the Washington government believed the liberals would aid in the pacification of the country, some liberal leaders held that "the marines under Admiral Koller will have to fight" to disarm their troops.

The principal barriers to a peaceful adjustment of the civil trouble, as Stimson sees it, have been the insistence of the liberals that President Diaz should relinquish his post, and the inability, under existing circumstances, to guarantee a fair election, inasmuch as he considers no neutral candidate now available he has reported that best results would obtain from continuance of the Diaz administration until another year hence when, under American supervision, an election can reflect the true wishes of the Nicaraguan people.

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Umatilla Rapids Bill Will Be Re-introduced

Decision Reached Today at Conference in Portland; Oregon Will Support Project.

PORTLAND, Ore., May 7. (AP)—The Umatilla rapids project bill will be re-introduced at the next congress, according to decision reached today at a conference between the Umatilla rapids league trustees and U. S. Senators McNary and Stewler and Representative Crumpacker.

Senator McNary who fathered the bill at the last congress said that measure will be pushed concurrently with bill for the Boulder dam and others which are similar.

In all probability the measure will be referred to the committee for hearing and he suggested that the trustees of the association be prepared to present their arguments with respect to the various features involved, including reclamation, development of hydro-electric energy and canalization of the Columbia river.

Efforts will be made to have the federal government establish a national policy for projects in which there are involved other features than reclamation. Heretofore only reclamation has received approval of the federal government.

Oregon's entire congressional delegation has pledged support to the project.

Local Drill Team Is Preparing For First Appearance

The women of the American Legion auxiliary here have organized a drill team of 28 members, under the leadership of Harley Richardson, which is thought to be the first Ladies Auxiliary drill team in the state.

Although the team has been organized primarily for the state American legion convention to be held here in July, it will be a permanent organization in La Grande and will make its appearance in the near future at a special feature dance.

The first appearance of the team will be at Enterprise Friday evening, May 13, in conjunction with the legion drum and bugle corps, when a special dance will be held there under the auspices of Chief Joseph post of the American Legion of Enterprise, for the benefit of the state convention fund.

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Weather Outlook Is "Fair, Normal"

SAN FRANCISCO, May 7. (AP)—The weather outlook for the week beginning May 8 was announced today by the United States weather bureau as follows: Fair western states; The outlook is generally fair weather and normal temperature but with local frosts at the beginning of the week over Nevada, Idaho and probably the east portions of Washington and Oregon.

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THIS IS STATION M-O-T-H-E-R



She is the modern mother who sits here, old cars clamped 'neath the headphones, listening with joy and interest to that voice "out there." And in the next day or two, many, many programs will be flashed over the air for her ears. In La Grande tomorrow will be observed as Mother's day and the feature will be church programs in her honor.

PARIS- NEW YORK TRIAL TOMORROW

Nungesser, Coli Ready to Start Non-Stop Trans-Atlantic Flight

PARIS, May 7. (AP)—Captains Nungesser and Coli are ready to take to the air tomorrow before dawn on their flight to New York flight if the expected improvement in weather conditions over the Atlantic is confirmed by final assemblage of meteorological data at midnight.

Their plane, the "White Bird," is in readiness with this last nation of gasoline in the tanks.

Somewhat reinforced running gear for the take off was substituted this morning to make certain of carrying the tremendous load of fuel properly. The departure is tentatively set for between 4 and 4 a. m.

Everything O. K. The flyers, builders and mechanics are satisfied that everything is in perfect order and no further tests are planned. Consequently the attempt will wait only the weatherman's signal.

The usual forecasts sent out by the U. S. weather bureau have been lacking here the past two days. The newspapers secured the bureau (Continued on Page Five)

Boothe Passes; Ends Long Fight Against Death

ROANOKE, Va., May 7. (AP)—Walter Boothe, farmer, had who had been kept alive more than two weeks by artificial respiration, died early today.

Death came at 6 o'clock this morning, 378 hours after he first ceased to breathe normally.

The youth had been kept alive by the work of his friends. Raising and lowering his arms to force air into lungs which collapsed April 21 when he was about to undergo an operation for a dislocated vertebra.

He suffered three distinct sinkings during his long and medically strange illness but each time he rallied and with surprising cheerfulness of courage again looked forward to the end.

Several days ago Boothe was placed upon an operating table under great difficulties and an attempt was made to adjust the vertebra which seemed to have given the trouble.

Rally Temporary Thereafter a slight improvement was noted but the rally was only temporary and by yesterday all hope for his recovery was definitely relinquished.

As death stalked before him, the 19-year-old lad smiled and encouraged his companions who, with heroic fidelity, had stood tirelessly by his bedside on human palm-tops, and now and then he spoke to his families of the mysteries of the life after death which he felt were fast drawing their curtains about him.

Would Colonize 80,000 Acres in Owyhee District

PORTLAND, Ore., May 7. (AP)—Colonization of 80,000 acres of the Owyhee reclamation project in Oregon will be undertaken by the government, if land owners agree to the government's terms, Dr. Elwood Mead, U. S. commissioner of reclamation, made the offer to Owyhee land owners yesterday, saying the government must control sales to prevent speculation.

The proposal was to make the government the selling agent at the appraised value of the land with a view to presenting a competition between world pools operating without a uniform policy.

In addition to group meetings today looking to formulation of plans for a national pool, several executives of marketing organizations were to address the conference on details of various systems now in use in Canada and this country.

The conference will adjourn today. The 1928 meeting will be held in Canada.

Brownlee Unable To Escape Death

SALEM, Ore., May 7. (AP)—Another last minute effort to avoid the death penalty failed yesterday when Albert Brownlee, sentenced to hang at the state prison here on May 17, was declared both mentally and physically sound.

An examination was made on order of Governor L. L. Patterson, following receipt of affidavits from the man's parents and from the American Legion pointing to the possibility of his being mentally deranged due to shell shock suffered during the world war.

Brownlee was committed here from Lane county after having been convicted of murder in the first degree growing out of the robbery of a pool hall at Veneta.

U. S. SUPPORT TO GRAIN PLAN SEEN

Secretary Jardine's Statement Brings Forecast of American Pool

KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 7. (AP)—Assurance of government support for a suitable national cooperative grain marketing organization from Secretary of Agriculture Jardine, today brought forecasts of a federation of American pools from delegates to the international wheat pool conference here.

In a conference with middle western growers yesterday, Secretary Jardine announced that the government was ready to give strong financial support to the right sort of cooperative marketing movement.

Long time government loans totalling \$25,000,000 or perhaps more, would be available the secretary indicated, provided the growers devised and presented an acceptable plan. The plans should be worked out in detail by the farmers themselves, he said.

The proposal of the international cooperative organization was in line with a resolution adopted by the 300 delegates urging wheat producers of the chief exporting countries to push negotiations for speedier action under a world marketing policy. Russian, Canadian and Australian delegates joined American growers in support of the resolution.

This, delegates believed, would stabilize prices and eliminate many undesirable features attributed to competition between world pools operating without a uniform policy.

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HIGH SCHOOL STUDY COURSE IS REVISED

SALEM, Ore., May 7. (AP)—Revision of the course of study in English in Oregon high schools with a view to presenting a competition between world pools operating without a uniform policy.

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Governor General Shaken In Wreck

MANILA, May 7. (AP)—Governor General Woodrow Wilson was badly shaken up and narrowly escaped serious injury today while returning to Manila from Davao as his native chauffeur shunted his automobile into a ditch to avoid hitting a pony drawn cart.

The Filipino driver swerved the car so it went over a rock pile before landing in the ditch.

A statement was issued later saying the governor general had been badly shaken.

FLOOD POWER AT CLIMAX; END IN SIGHT

330,000 Persons Driven from Homes by Ravages of Mississippi

CREST IS PASSING VICKSBURG TODAY

Gauge at New Orleans Remains Stationary—Water Rising at Head of Atchafalaya Basin.

NEW ORLEANS, La., May 7. (AP)—With 300,000 persons north of the Red and Old rivers already either driven from their homes or compelled to seek refuge on upper floors or tops of dwellings, the beginning of the end of the greatest flood in the history of the Mississippi valley was felt below the mouths of these rivers today.

Climbing gauges at the muddy current surged relentlessly toward levee tops brought renewed efforts from thousands of levee workers who have been laboring three weeks to raise the embankments to a sufficient height to withstand the predicted crest.

The gauge at New Orleans remained stationary, but between the Crescent City and the mouth of the Red river consistent rises were shown indicating that the waters which have been running free over the lands were returning to the main stream.

Water Rising The water was rising rapidly at the head of the Atchafalaya basin and engineers directed the activities of workmen to the levee line along that stretch. The dykes along the south bank of Bayou Des Glaives and along the south side of Old River will be seriously threatened as the inland sea, freed by crevasse in the main stream above, moves upon them to pass down the Mississippi.

Four different sources were sending torrents into this basin. Red river from the west, was assaulting the protecting embankment with the greatest force in its history. The crest of which was approaching Alexandria. The Ouachita from the north attacked with another huge volume of water. Overland pools were coming from the Arkansas river with still others streaming from the crevasses in the Mississippi.

Depends on Levees Engineers believed that this water would meet in the basin at the head of the Atchafalaya and if the levee line withstood the assault, it would return to the main stream, except such of it as does not move down the Atchafalaya.

Ten thousand and nine hundred (Continued on Page Five)

EARTH SHOCKS FELT TODAY IN MEMPHIS AREA

MEMPHIS, Tenn., May 7. (AP)—Earth tremors were felt early today in Memphis and a dozen or more other towns within a radius of 100 miles north and west of the city. Reports received here indicated that the tremor was slight. No damage was reported.

The first tremor was felt at 2:55 o'clock and another a few minutes later. Covington, Tenn., and Carthageville, Mo., were the most distant points from Memphis reporting having been shaken.

Several of the towns reported to have felt the shocks are adjacent to the area affected by the Mississippi river flood although none of the inundated towns experienced the tremor.

TWO TREMORS FELT POLAR BLUFF, Mo., May 7

(AP)—Two severe earth tremors shook Polar Bluff and the immediate district at 2:25 o'clock this morning. Many people were awakened by the tremors. No severe damage resulted.

TODAY'S GAMES

NATIONAL LEAGUE BROOKLYN (AP)—R. H. E. St. Louis 0 5 1 Brooklyn 2 8 7 Batteries: Sherdoff, Egan and Snyder; Vance and Deberry.

BOSTON (AP)—R. H. E. Cincinnati 9 11 4 Boston 5 11 5 Batteries: Luque, Rixey and Hargrave; R. Smith, Hearn, Robertson and Taylor.

PHILADELPHIA (AP) R. H. E. Pittsburgh 5 16 2 Philadelphia 6 12 5 Batteries: Kremer and Spencer; Trout and Wilson.

NEW YORK (AP)—R. H. E. Chicago 6 8 0 New York 4 8 0 Batteries: Root and Hartnett; Fretschmayer, Clarkson and Dever.