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THE WEATHER

OREGON: Fair tonight and Saturday. Continued mild. Decreasing humidity in the interior.

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SCHOOLS TO CLOSE WEEK FROM TODAY

Will Deliver Baccalaureate Sermon to High Graduates Sunday

COMMENCEMENT TO BE ON WEDNESDAY

Program for May 15 Services Completed — the Rev. L. H. Aves to Give Main Address.

One week from today, May 20, the public schools of La Grande will close and the children of the city will start on their three month summer vacation.

For those who complete their high school work this spring and will graduate, there is much to think about. Many will attend college and most of their three month vacation will be spent getting everything ready so as to be ready to enroll next fall.

The baccalaureate program for the graduating class, which numbers 82, has been completed. The program will take place in the L. D. R. infirmary Sunday evening at eight o'clock.

The Rev. L. H. Aves will deliver the sermon and his subject will be "Life's Investments."

Chorus to Sing A chorus of 30 voices, accompanied by the high school orchestra, will furnish music.

Miss Ruth Brewster will play the organ prelude, after which the chorus and congregation will join in singing "America." The Rev. C. V. Bond will give the invocation and the Rev. Henry W. Parker will give the scripture reading.

The girls high school girls club will sing the anthem "Gloria of Lord An" by Carl King and the boys club will sing "The American" by Mozart.

The Rev. J. A. Hall will give the benediction and the organ postlude will be played by Miss Brewster.

On Wednesday evening, May 15, the commencement exercises for the graduating class will be held at the infirmary, when Dr. Arnold Bennett Hall, president of the University of Oregon, will deliver the commencement address.

Take Flight Exams The high school seniors will give their final examinations today and on next Wednesday all of the high school students will be given their final tests.

High school will be dismissed Wednesday evening until Friday afternoon at the outbreak, when they will return to school to receive their report cards. Thursday and Friday morning will be given over to correcting papers and making out reports.

In the grade schools work will actually end Thursday noon when

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DANCE MONEY WILL GO INTO MESS KIT FUND

The first money toward the mess fund for the La Grande national guard company was raised last evening when a dance was held at the Lyman hall.

Although the attendance was not large everyone reported a good time. Paul Crave's orchestra furnished the music.

There are now being made for a second dance for the benefit of the fund, which will be Monday evening, June 15, and will be in the form of a dances for the company, which will leave June 14 for Camp Taylor by way of regular two week summer camp.

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GETTING ACQUAINTED QUICKLY

Capacity for quick acquaintance is considered a valuable business asset for any individual.

Ten La Grande High Athletes Leave For Meet

Corvallis Dopesters Place Tigers Among Likely Winners of First State Track Title.

Ten La Grande high athletes accompanied by Coach Jim Mackenzie and Levi Kunkel, arriving as assistant coach, left La Grande last night for Corvallis on the 4:10 train. The squad is scheduled to arrive in Corvallis about 11 o'clock this morning and will have almost a day's rest before entering the state intercollegiate track and field meet tomorrow.

Athletes making the trip are: Captain Kermit Davis, Leslie Ketter, Dale Charlton, Ellis Snyder, Claude Adams, Francis Nowling, Richard Lyman, Edwin McCorkle, Lynn Swartz and Shirley Price.

150 Bid Team Good-bye The depot was a place of unusual excitement and bustle last night when the crowd gathered to give the team a "send-off." It is estimated that from 100 to 150 fans were there to urge the Tigers to bring home the first state championship in this city's history.

Down at Corvallis the O. A. C. dopesters have decided that "in picking a school to carry away the all-time cup it is difficult to overlook Jefferson, La Grande, Salem and Hood River."

Distance Chances La Grande athletes will clash with representatives of those other two schools in several events and in two in particular, the Tigers have a "best bet" to defeat Garrett, of Hood River, creek miler and half miler.

Garrett, generally regarded over the state as a sure first in the half mile but Davis, of La Grande, is expected to make the Central Oregon lead over him and lay down in his best time if he comes in first. At the same time, Adams, of La Grande, is likely to give Garrett terrific competition in the mile, four believe.

Pendleton Enters Meet A last minute entry by Pendleton high school of Allen, negro jumper and hurdler, and Donald, hurdler, means a wider split of points and possibly a point or two less for La Grande.

Corvallis dope sheets figure: (Continued on Page Five)

ENTERPRISE MAY HOST TO P. E. O. Women of State Will Be Entertained at Wallowa Lake Wonderland

ENTERPRISE, Ore., May 12.—The 25th annual state convention of the P. E. O., sisterhood will be held at Wallowa Lake Wonderland today. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, May 23, 24 and 25, with Chapter 1 as host. The chapters that have volunteered to entertain the annual convention and this year the pleasure trip fall upon the Enterprise.

A fine evening of the possibilities of the community, the members hit on the idea of chartering the Wonderland lodge for three days, for which time as guests will be entertained except members of the society. All rooms will be reserved for the P. E. O. women, the dining room will be theirs and they will hold their meetings in the dining and adjacent lobby. The building is well heated and is provided with all modern conveniences, early days and cold nights will only add to the enjoyment. Rain would be the only unsympathetic weather condition.

The session will open with luncheon Monday, on arrival of guests from the outside world. In the afternoon the delegates will be registered and that evening a reception will be held with addresses by Mrs. Alice Short, business president. A musical program will be given under direction of Mrs. A. K. Parker and will feature the madrigal club, with a song in Indian costume, and other numbers.

Another entertainment feature (Continued on Page 5)

A. G. S. Officers Are Given Posts

Next year's officers of the Associated Girl Students of the La Grande high school were installed yesterday afternoon at a special girls' assembly held for that purpose.

Miss Corbelle Hanson, outgoing president, acted as installing officer. Miss Edwelling Malone was installed as president, Miss Catherine Buckner as vice president and Miss Dorothy Hession as secretary-treasurer.

The outgoing officers Miss Hanson, president; Miss Jean Williams, vice president; and Miss Edna Spokeley, secretary-treasurer, each gave short talks.

Miss Marie Bennett, dean of girls presented the A. G. S. with a copy of the picture "A. G. S. for girls for the next year."

Editors of the Mimic, L. H. S. Annual

This year's Mimic, dedicated to Superintendent J. T. Longfellow, in addition to the usual departments devoted to faculty, classes, sports and other activities, gives much space to educational history in La Grande. One of the most interesting parts is a photograph of the first school house in La Grande.

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TO STATION WAR PLANES ALONG COAST

Government Plans for Further Fortification of the Northwest

CHINESE TROUBLE CAUSE OF MOVE

Combat Aviation to Be Sent to Portland Soon — National Guard Units May Be Formed.

PORTLAND, Ore., May 12 (AP).—Plans by the United States army for development of aerial forces in the Pacific northwest were discussed by Brigadier General William E. Gillmore, assistant chief of the army air service, who passed through here last night en route to Me-Idra, Ore., where his son, Lieutenant "Bill" Gillmore, will be married tomorrow.

Combat squadrons of airplanes are to be moved to the Pacific coast, the air service is to be given the latest type of pursuit and battle planes, and the national guard is to be added in developing aviation, said General Gillmore.

Chinese Trouble Cause "The Chinese situation is going to make us change our national air service department, and that change is going to be in favor of the aerial coast," he said. "The army is developing its aviation around Puget Sound, with a fine station at Sand Point, near Seattle. So I think the army will put in its chief air fields in the vicinity of Portland. It would be a natural thing for us to build up our services along the Columbia river."

"Some combat aviation is going to be sent here as soon as possible. There will be either pursuit or bombing planes sent first and we will continue to build up the air forces of the northwest."

Parrot planes of the latest type are to be sent for use by the Portland reserve flyers and the army is going to try to interest the Oregon national guard in putting in an airplane squadron, in addition to the squadron the regular army will establish.

The Arcade Theater will pay all expenses and every cent taken in its admission and from sale of tickets will be turned over to Mrs. Bess Palmer, of the local Red Cross organization, to be added to La Grande's donation to the flood sufferers.

Mrs. Robert Eckles, president of the Neighborhood club, will appoint a committee of women to sell tickets for this purpose. The tickets to be sold for 25 cents each. It is hoped that from \$75 to \$100 will be raised by this means, which will put La Grande "over the top."

The Salvation Army reported this morning that it has \$62 on the bank ready to send and has already dispatched one chest for \$25.

The Salvation Army is also making a last urgent appeal for more cash donations and for clothes, bedding, etc. The latter can be sent to the sufferers free of charge in express.

Mrs. Palmer, of the Red Cross, announced that the following donations have been made: M. Knapp, Lumber company, \$112; Paul B. Ayer, Kameta, \$19; and J. B. Dodson, \$5.

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Hospital Open House Attracts 5-Score Persons

Chapter I of P. E. O. Presents Musical Program, Part of Observance of Day Here.

More than 100 persons called at the Grande House hospital yesterday afternoon when open house was held there in observance of national hospital day.

Chapter I of P. E. O. furnished a musical program during the afternoon, according to the annual custom, and the nurses of the institution served punch. They also assisted in showing the visitors about the building.

Flowers were in every room of the hospital, furnished by the P. E. O. members and the doctors of the city.

Musical Program Mrs. A. L. Richardson sang two numbers, "Mother O' Mine" by Burleigh and "Little Bit of Fellowship" by Morris. Mrs. Harley Richardson played a piano group, "Good Night" by Levin and "Melody" by A. J. Brown. Mrs. Hal Johnson sang "The Green is in the Grass" by Willoughby and "Song of the Robin" by Anna Case; Mrs. C. S. Moore sang "The Song of Songs" by Moya and "A Hilltop" by Cox. Mrs. Ray Putler sang "Flourish Song" by Godard and "Hark the Robin's Song" by Lynes. Miss Ann Stanky sang "Alone in Love's Garden" by Hill and G. L. Fuller sang "From the Land of the Skyline Water" by Cadman and "Give a Man a Horse He Can Ride" by O'Hara.

Mrs. H. A. Zurbick headed the P. E. O. committee in charge. Assisting her were Mrs. G. L. Dutton, Mrs. E. A. Epling, Mrs. C. H. Bidwell and Mrs. L. Donham.

WEATHER UNFAVORABLE

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FLYERS WAIT FOR WEATHER TO CLEAR UP

Chamberlin, Bertaud and Capt. Lindbergh Ready to Cross Ocean

NO REPORT FROM NUNGESSER, COLI

President Coolidge Sends Message to France, Expressing Sympathy and Hope.

By the Associated Press Intensive search on sea and land still brings no tidings of the finding of the French aviators, Captains Nungesser and Coli, two four full days overdue at New York on their flight from Paris.

Reykjavik, Iceland, sent word today that a watch on the Icelandic waters had failed to sight the intrepid "White Bird." The minister of posts at St. John's, Newfoundland, has received word that Fletcher Beck, on Round Island, Placentia, heard the hum of an airplane last Monday in the fog overhead but this and other reports that the whir of a motor in the fog had been heard by three residents of Harbor Grace, has led to nothing tangible in the hunt for the French nees in the wilds of the British colony.

Weather conditions were none too favorable today for the planned early Saturday morning for Paris. Captain Lindbergh spent today over his plane "The Spirit of St. Louis" and says he does not propose to hop off until the weather is promising.

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DOROTHY MACKAYE TELLS OF VISITS

Film Actress Takes Witness Stand Today in Paul Kelley Trial

HALL OF JUSTICE, Los Angeles, May 12 (AP).—Miss Dorothy Mackaye, actress widow of Ray Raymond, admitted today as the witness stand today in the trial of Paul Kelley for her husband's murder, that she had heard Raymond order Kelley from his home. She denied that she heard Kelley tell Raymond the order was because he was in love with Mrs. Raymond.

Miss Mackaye at first was controlled, but under the rapid fire questioning of Assistant Prosecutor George Kemp, she fidgeted and groped for replies. During a brief bit up in the questioning, she bit her lips and appeared ready to cry.

"Do you remember an occasion when Raymond ordered Kelley to leave your home?" Kemp queried. "Yes, sir."

"Is it true that Kelley took you home every night from the theater house?" "Every night while my car was laid up for repairs."

"How long was that?" "About ten days."

Visited Her Room "Did he visit your dressing room at the theater?" "Yes, sir."

"How many times?" "I don't remember."

"What do you remember?" "That Kelley and many other men made it a practice to visit my dressing room."

"Did he ever visit alone?" "Yes, sir."

Telegram Read A third telegram was identified as containing words that Miss Mackaye testified to be sent to Kelley. It bore his former place address in Los Angeles and was dated March 28, being sent from San Francisco.

The telegram read: "Can't phone tonight. Letter following. All my love. DOT."

"The telegram was entered as evidence and then read aloud to the jury."

CANT VEERY MARRIAGE

BALTIMORE, Md., May 12 (AP).—Careful search of the marriage records of Cecil county at Elkton for July and August, 1926, 1927 and 1928, failed to disclose the name of Ray Raymond or Dorothy Mackaye. Miss Mackaye testified yesterday in Los Angeles at the trial of Paul Kelley, film actor, for Raymond's murder that she married Raymond on "Grains Green," Maryland August 1, 1921.

"There is no 'Grains Green' in Maryland, although several towns (Continued on Page Five)

Judge Sentences Mrs. Snyder, Gray To Die June 20

Appeals May Be Entered — Six Months May Pass Before a Decision on These Is Given.

QUEENS COUNTY COURT HOUSE, N. Y., May 12 (AP).—Mrs. Ruth Brown Snyder and Henry Judd Gray today were sentenced to die in the electric chair at Sing Sing the week of June 20, for the murder of Mrs. Snyder's husband, Albert Snyder, magazine art editor.

After defendant showed any motion as Justice Townsend presiding pronounced sentence. Mrs. Snyder was dressed in black, the same costume she wore during the trial. A matron stood on each side of her, but beyond a clapping and unclapping of her hands, she did not show the strain.

Gray's figure was tense. He stood about five feet from his blonde paramour but neither looked at the other.

Motions Denied Prior to imposition of sentence, counsel for both Gray and Mrs. Snyder made motions asking that the verdict be set aside. Justice Scudder denied the motions.

A crowd not nearly so large as the smallest to attend the trial was in the court room when sentence was imposed. There was no demonstration. Sentence was pronounced first on Mrs. Snyder, the Queens village housewife, her blonde hair exposed beneath her black hat, looked her head as one receiving a benediction, but her earnest salesman lover, when his turn came, stood erect, staring squarely at Justice Scudder.

May Enter Appeals Appeals from the sentences are contemplated. It is expected that six months will elapse before decision on these appeals are given.

Court attaches said Mrs. Snyder and Gray would be taken to Sing Sing next Monday.

Counsel for Gray denied reports that Gray had asked the privilege of saying good-bye to his erstwhile paramour. Jail attendants quoted him as saying he "wanted only to see her in heaven."

The murder of Mrs. Snyder's husband on the night of March 19, was described by District Attorney Richard Newcomb as "the most brutal in the history of New York."

Snyder was hit on the head with a sash weight, chloroformed and strangled with picture wire.

Mystery Veils Cause of Raid On Soviet Home

LONDON, May 12 (AP).—Deep mystery continued to day as to the reason for yesterday's raid by Scotland Yard detectives and uniformed police on the offices of Arcos, Ltd., Soviet commercial agency in London.

Arthur Henderson, laborite, asked Sir William Johnson-Hicks in the house of commons this morning for full information, to which the home secretary replied: "Information was placed before me Wednesday evening by the police division which authorized them to apply for a warrant to search the premises of Arcos. The warrant was granted, and entry was made yesterday. The search is now progressing. I am not able and shall not be able for a day or so to give any further information."

Pressed by other laborites, the home secretary issued only promises that the fullest information would be forthcoming at the earliest possible moment.

Vigorous formal protests against the raid were lodged with the British foreign office this morning by A. P. Romanoff, Russian charge d'affaires.

Walluski Wisp Is Captured; Forgets

ATHENS, Ore., May 12 (AP).—Athletes today were trying to ascertain the identity of the Walluski Wisp, a rummy reeler, who has been living in the wilds of Clatsop county for four years. The elusive "wild man" was captured last night by two men out hunting for deer.

"Though in excellent physical condition, the 'wisp' had lost his memory and could give no account of his life previous to his appearance in the woods here. All he could explain was that he had been a soldier. He had been living practically on milk taken from cows."

Officers were trying to determine whether he was a demented veteran who escaped from the veterans hospital at American Lake in December, 1924.

BROADBENT MAN SUICIDES MAINTHELD, Ore., May 12 (AP).—Ernest W. Broadbent, 25, brother of Bruce Broadbent, Roseburg pioneer, died early today near his ranch home at Broadbent, the coroner's report saying that death was due to suicide.

Broadbent's son, Eugene, was reported to have said he thought he heard his father say as he was dying, "I've taken poison."

TODAY'S GAMES

NATIONAL LEAGUE PHILADELPHIA (AP) R. H. E. Chicago 1 2 3 Philadelphia 4 8 2 Batteries Kaufman and Hartnett, Grant and Wilson.

NEW YORK (AP)—R. H. E. St. Louis 11 11 9 New York 1 7 3 Batteries Sheridan and O'Farrell; Piffenburgh, Carlson, Obeyesekere and Devereaux, Cummings.

LEVEE GIVES BEFORE PUSH OF OL' MIS'

Loss from New Flood to Run Around \$10,000,000 Estimates Indicate

MANY THOUSANDS WILL BE HOMELESS

Refugees Flee Before On-rushing Waters with Scant Apparel — Some Chilled by Exposure.

NEW ORLEANS, La., May 12 (AP).—Their conquest of the upper valley complete the flood waters of the Mississippi today charged through two crevasses the Big Bend section of the Bayou des Glaives levee, 150 miles northwest of New Orleans, to invade the fertile sugar and rice districts of South Central Louisiana.

The course of the waters, as charted by engineers would take them through five new parishes affecting 195,000 persons, covering an area of 1,875 square miles, or 1,195,720 acres.

BATON ROUGE, La., May 12 (AP).—The tremendous pressure of the greatest Mississippi river flood in history finally broke down the Big Bend levee today at Moreauville on the Bayou des Glaives.

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