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300 ENROLLED FOR TRAINING SCHOOL TODAY

Fourteen Student Teachers and Five Instructors in Charge

FOURTH AND FIFTH CLASSES ARE FULL

Room for Twenty More Beginners in the First Grade Classes; Normal Enrollment 86 Today.

Three hundred children enrolled at Central school this morning for the training school which is being conducted in connection with the summer branch of the Oregon normal here.

Grade students who wish to do extra work in some subject, or who are desirous of making up a failure are having an opportunity to do so in this teacher's training school, although attendance at the school does not absolutely mean that students will be graded in whatever subjects they are taking.

Enrollment at the normal has increased to 86 today. "We are getting along very nicely both at the normal school and with the opening of the training school," declared Mr. Longfellow today.

ROAD MEETING WILL BE HELD AT IMBLER GYM

A good roads meeting will be held tomorrow evening at Imbler in the gymnasium building at which the coming road bond issue will be explained in detail to voters of the Imbler community.

Another invitation has been extended to the good roads committee of the Pleasant Grove grange at Summersville to attend an open meeting to be held at 8 o'clock on June 25 to discuss the bond issue.

Labor Council To Meet This Evening

An important meeting of the Central Labor council will be held this evening at 8 o'clock at the regular meeting place above the Imperial pool hall, according to Ben Halliday, president of the organization.

FIND STOLEN AUTO

A light coupe belonging to Earl Zuelzer which was stolen Monday was found last night at about 7 o'clock near North Tooeley, by officers. The car was not damaged and had apparently been discarded when the gas tank was exhausted.

MAKES \$25 BY READING WANT AD

His circulation manager recently called on a rancher east of Union who did not take the Observer. The man said he was saving all his money to buy work horses and seed and consequently couldn't subscribe right then.

First of Summer Band Concerts To Be Friday Night

Varied Program Is Arranged by Andrew Loney Jr., Director; New Band Stand to Be Used

A varied program of more than usual interest has been chosen to open the summer series of band concerts, the first of which will be given by the La Grande municipal band, under the direction of Andrew Loney Jr., Friday evening, at the ball park.

The program will open with a new march just off the press entitled "Lighthouse" by the Earl of the U. S. A. Another number never before given here, and one that is very difficult of execution will be "The March to the Tournament" from the "Curtains of Granada." This is a beautiful number which is written in a manner indicative of the period represented.

The popular melody, from the musical comedy "Hissom Time" "Songs of Love" will again be heard by popular request.

The soloists for the concert will be Mr. Mattson and Kenneth Geleker, solo clarinetists, who will be heard in a clarinet duet. Encores will be chosen from the latest fox trots and novelty numbers and the program will close with the stirring overture, "Fiesta" by Leutner.

The complete concert program will be announced later.

VERDICT OF NOT GUILTY RETURNED

Jury Returns in Favor of Charles Stevenson After Deliberating One Hour

A verdict of not guilty was returned last evening after a comparatively short jury session in the case of the state vs. Charles Stevenson on the charge of illegal possession of intoxicating liquor. Only one hour was needed for a decision on the case which was tried yesterday in circuit court before Judge J. W. Knowles, Stevenson and John Woodell were indicted several weeks ago on three liquor charges, both demanding separate trials on each charge.

It is probable that neither Stevenson or Woodell will be tried again in this term of court.

Local Golf Club Has Instructor

The La Grande country club now boasts a professional instructor, Jack Renner, who assumed duties this morning. Mr. Renner, who for a number of years was connected with the course at Walla Walla, Wash., where he consistently produced fine players, arrived here Monday, completing final arrangements for his work yesterday.

Rev. Bentley Will Occupy Pulpit Here

Announcement has been made that the Rev. M. G. Bentley, state evangelist for the Baptist church, will serve as pastor of the First Baptist church here during the summer or until a permanent pastor is employed.

HUGH WILL BE SENTENCED TO LIFE IN JAIL

Convicted by Jury With Recommendations for Life Imprisonment

WILL APPEAL TO SUPREME COURT

Twins, Roy and Ray, Enter Pleas of Not Guilty to Five Indictments When Arraigned.

MEDFORD, Ore., June 22 (AP)—Hugh De Autremont, 23, Riskison tunnel bandit slayer, found guilty by a jury in the circuit court yesterday afternoon of the murder of Charles O. (Coy) Johnson during an attempted train robbery on Oct. 11, 1923, with a recommendation of life imprisonment, will be sentenced Friday morning at ten o'clock by Circuit Judge C. M. Thomas, and will be taken to the state penitentiary at Salem, Friday evening by Sheriff Jennings. Under the Oregon law, a life sentence, recommended by the jury, is mandatory upon the court.

The jury was out one hour and 24 minutes and took 2 ballots. The first was unanimous for conviction. The second was unanimous for the recommendation for life imprisonment. Retired orchardist, was selected as foreman. The actual deliberations of the jury, according to court attaches, occupied less than 20 minutes. The delay was occasioned in bringing the exhibits in to the jury room.

Will Appeal According to Fred L. Smith, of Eugene, Ore., chief counsel for the defense an appeal will be made to the state supreme court. Paul De Autremont, father of Hugh, of Eugene, after the verdict said: "But, just the idea we have quit fighting."

This morning Hugh was visited in the county jail by his mother, who also called upon her other sons, charged with the same crime—Ray and Roy, the twins. Sheriff Jennings this morning went to the cells of the twins to tell them of the verdict.

It is not known this afternoon if any of the La Grande relatives will be able to attend the funeral which will be held in Riverside cemetery at Portland. De Autremont relatives only survive, as Mrs. Jones had no children and his wife died about two years ago.

He was born in Colorado but spent his period of youth in La Grande, going through high school here and from there to the University of Oregon where he learned the dental profession. He has not been in La Grande as a resident for several years but has a number of friends who live in an entertaining, gentlemanly person.

Changes Plea; Is Fined \$100

The trial of Theodore Woods, who was arrested June 13 for the possession of intoxicating liquor, was held Tuesday. Woods pled not guilty at his first hearing but at the trial yesterday he changed the plea to guilty and was fined \$100 and costs.

REATOR ARRESTED

PORTLAND, Ore., June 22 (AP)—W. J. Madden, Portland, was arrested here today under indictment charging membership in connection with four fires in buildings in the past two years. Madden denied the charge.

Board Meets To Canvass Votes; Ready For Work

F. A. Epling Is Elected Chairman with H. E. Williams as Clerk; Directors Sworn In.

Meeting as a canvassing board, the retiring members of the La Grande board of education met last evening at the office of the chairman, C. R. Eberhard, and received the official report from the judges and clerks of the school election held Monday in the La Grande school district and determined the result to be the same as an unofficial returns published yesterday. The total vote was: George Brink, 245; Colon H. Eberhard, 259; H. A. Zorbrich, 228; John S. Hodgins, 31; Wm. Miller, 2.

Immediately following the canvass, directors-elect Mr. Brink and Mr. Eberhard were sworn in by Director Robert S. Eakin. F. A. Epling, whose term expires next year, was then unanimously elected chairman of the board for the current year.

H. E. Williams was unanimously elected clerk for one year at a salary of \$100 per month. Regular meetings of the board will be held on the last Monday of each school month, the same as last year, at the office of Director C. R. Eberhard in the La Grande National Bank building.

Little further business was transacted beyond receiving reports from the clerk and sub-committees of the board relating to the progress of repairs and improvements on the buildings and grounds. The directors also signed contracts with all of the teachers for the coming year.

Word of Robert Jones' Death Is Received Here

News of the death in Portland yesterday of Robert Jones, aged 43, and well known in La Grande where he was raised and attended high school, was received by Mrs. Kluma Harding last evening. Mrs. Jones was operated on Friday and did not rally.

Company E Still Playing in Luck; Draw Guard Monday and Tuesday

CAMP CLATSOP, Ore., June 22 (AP)—Company E, La Grande, is still playing in luck. After being guard for the week end, this unit and Company F, 154th Infantry, of Baker, Ore., drew guard detail for Monday night and Tuesday day. This was lucky inasmuch as Brigadier General George White has set aside Wednesday afternoon for a special recreation period and had guard been either a day later or a day earlier, the La Grande boys would have been minus a play period.

Wood End Trip

Considerable history, events of northern, etc., were brought back to camp Sunday night, along with a remarkable number of photographs. Most members of Company E went to Astoria but a file sized delegation spent the week end at Seaside—sunning themselves on the beach, admiring the scenery and bathing in the ocean and the maturose. Pin and strawberry shortcake were indulged in rather profusely.

THE DE AUTREMONT TWINS



Ray De Autremont (circled) and his brother, Roy, charged with the Riskison tunnel holdup and murders, and Ray's wife, Hazel, and 12-month-old son, Jackie Hugh. The two were captured at Steubenville, Ohio, June 8 and are now awaiting trial at Jacksonville.

HUNGER CURE IS ORDERED TODAY

Convicts Barricaded in Prison Coal Mines to Be Denied Food

LANSING, Mich., June 22 (AP)—The state penitentiary authorities today ordered the "hunger cure" treatment continued for the 225 convicts who barricaded themselves in the prison coal mines shortly before noon yesterday as a protest against refusal of a cigarette bribe.

While officials expressed regret that the 24 guards held in the mine by the strikers would also suffer from hunger, they reported fears of riotousness that the guard would be injured or molested in any way. A search of the cell house where 300 prisoners started a riot last night was made this morning while the men were at breakfast. No weapons of any sort were found. Discovery of several abandoned files in possession of leaders of the riot caused Deputy Warden R. H. Rudolph to investigate the possibility of plans for further demonstrations.

Five more convicts identified as leaders of the riot were ordered into solitary confinement on a bread and water diet along with nine others subjected to this punishment.

RESOLUTION IS PASSED AGAINST LINE EXTENSION

PENNINGTON, June 22 (AP)—Declaring that the proposed extension of the Union Pacific system from Homestead, Ore., to Lewiston, Idaho, along the Snake river, as recommended by the public service commission of Oregon, Washington and Idaho would prove an economic detriment to the communities of Eastern Oregon, the board of directors of the Pennington commercial association last night passed resolutions condemning the action of the Oregon commission.

The local group believes that the extension would divert much of the traffic now handled over the main line and would result in a general curtailment of business being conducted over the line. The directors also feel that the Oregon commission acted without taking into consideration the effect such a line would have on Eastern Oregon.

Veteran Actor Is Reported Weaker

SAN FRANCISCO, June 22 (AP)—John Drew, veteran actor, was very weak today, with fever, eating constantly on him, Lawrence Hoffman, attending physician reported. Drew, who has been ill in a hospital here with arthritis, is making a brave fight for life, however, said Hoffman, thus providing a long ray of hope.

Two Men Missing After Seaplane Goes Into Ocean

One Saves Himself by Swimming Five Miles to Shore; Fog Is Cause of Crash.

LA GUNA BEACH, Cal., June 22 (AP)—Two men are missing, but may still be floating alive on the ocean, while a third man, the pilot, saved himself by swimming five miles to shore when the seaplane the three were flying from Seattle to San Diego crashed into the ocean off this Orange county beach town late last night.

Lieutenant Commander William S. Haeber, naval officer attached to forces stationed at San Diego, and Charles Robbins, believed to have been a civilian passenger, whose home is at San Diego, are the two missing.

Lieut. Thomas G. Fisher, also of naval forces at San Diego, proved the strongest of the trio, all of whom wore life belts when the plane dipped beneath a heavy fog and struck the sea, and reached the beach shortly before midnight last night.

The plane, which made its last stop before the crash at Crescent City, Cal., ran into the fog about 8:15 p. m. last night. Lieut. Fisher said he dropped altitude in an effort to skim the ocean below the fog line. He miscalculated, however, and the ship nosed into the sea, sinking within five minutes.

The three men agreed to stick together and struck out for land. After pulling together for about an hour, Robbins became separated in the choppy sea, and the two officers struck out alone. They kept close to each other until about 11 o'clock when Lieut. Haeber appeared unable to keep the pace and after a while was separated.

Four Deaths Are Caused By Fire In Boston Today

Boston, June 22 (AP)—Four deaths resulted from a fire which destroyed the four story brick and stone residence of William L. Shearer Jr., vice president of the Patine Furniture company, on Bay State road in the back bay district early today. The dead: Janet Shearer, 15, daughter of Mr. Shearer.

Bettie Howes, 16, daughter of Henry Howes of Boston. Alice Scott, 15, house maid. Helen McLaughlin, cook. Mrs. Annie Dickson, a governess, was rescued by firemen while clinging to the coping of an adjoining house.

The two girls and the cook were burned to death. Alice Scott was killed when she jumped from a fourth story window to the pavement.

CONVICTS ESCAPE FROM TEXAS FARM

HOUSTON, Tex., June 22 (AP)—Thirty-five long-term white convicts who escaped from the Ferguson state prison near Madelineville, 48 miles north of here at midnight last night, were believed to have been surrounded this morning in the densely wooded Trinity river valley near their camp.

Guards from the prison camp were reinforced by volunteers from all sections of Madison county, called by farm authorities to assist in the man hunt.

Most of the prisoners were described as desperate characters. All efforts to communicate with the farm by phone failed, indicating the convicts cut all wires. No one could be located to say how many were in the camp.

The men escaped through their bunkhouse and ran to a highway, where they started toward a ferry on the Trinity river, a short distance northwest of the farm. Guards hastily took up positions near the ferry and the fugitives were turned southward before they could cross the river.

Farm officials denied reports that the prisoners had committed a murder and burned houses. The officers declared the men were driven into the woods before they had an opportunity to raid nearby ranches.

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THREE DELEGATES MEET PRIVATELY

Japan Desires Agreement—Believes One Possible If All Factors Are Taken into Consideration

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The American proposal had the careful consideration of President Coolidge as well as the state and navy departments and was held to represent this country's minimum naval requirements. Therefore it was emphasized that it could not readily be scrapped to accept a foreign substitute offering less in the way of naval protection.

The British counter proposal, which would revise features of the Washington treaty concerning capital ships and aircraft carriers, it was believed in some quarters here, would not be pressed to the point of endangering the conference. The same view was taken of the Japanese proposal to maintain the status quo in auxiliary naval strength.

Mrs. Williams Is Elected Head Of Oregon D. A. R.

SALEM, Ore., June 22 (AP)—Mrs. Olive Williams of Portland, was elected president of the Daughters of Veterans for 1927 at their election held this morning. Mrs. Williams was department treasurer during the past year.

Other officers elected were Madeline Nwab, Salem, senior vice president; Bernetta Johnson, Portland, junior vice president; Carrie Hayden, The Dalles, chaplain; Cora McFarland, Portland, treasurer; Adeline Baker, Portland, Annie Stuehaug, Grants Pass, and Cora Carbis, Medford, council members; Julia K. Webster, Salem, inspector; Bertha Bergman, Salem, patriotic instructor.

Six delegates and six alternates to the national convention were elected. They are Madeline Bertha Bergman, Della Lacey, Fredwick Burton, Mabel Lockwood, Mabel Needham and Mary Brown; alternates, Maude E. Gray, Marie Bennett, Ida Phelps, Elia Rogers, Cora Hammond and Leona Hull.

Led by the remnant of the Oregon life and drum corps nearly 2000 delegates and visitors marched in the grand parade of the 47th annual encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic at 10 o'clock this morning.

COMET WILL BE VISIBLE TONIGHT

NEW YORK, June 22 (AP)—Star gazers on the lookout tonight for the Pons-Winnecke comet should watch for a "small patch of illuminated fog" visible on four after midnight in the northeastern sky midway between the horizon and the zenith. The celestial visitor will not be difficult to distinguish, say astronomers. It will be near Vega, the only first magnitude star in that part of the heavens.

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CONSTRUCTION OF BUILDING DISCUSSED

SALEM, Ore., June 22 (AP)—That the state would create an indebtedness in excess of \$50,000 and thereby violate the state constitution was the contention of attorneys for the Eastern and Western Lumber companies and Peter Pederson in combating the argument of the state yesterday before the supreme construction of a new state office building in Salem.

The state's attorneys met this argument by declaring that the money, since it is to be borrowed from the state accident compensation funds, would be in the nature of an investment.

An early decision in the case is looked for.

TODAY'S GAMES

Table listing American League and National League games for June 22, 1927, including teams like New York, Boston, Philadelphia, and Pittsburgh.