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THE WEATHER OREGON: Fair tonight and Wednesday, but cloudy or foggy near the coast. Warmer in the interior Wednesday.

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LA GRANDE, OREGON, TUESDAY, JUNE 28, 1927.

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VOTING SLOW BEFORE NOON HERE TODAY

Total of 116 Ballots Cast in Seven Precincts of the City

THREE LOCAL ISSUES ARE ON THE BALLOT

Light Vote Indicated over Entire State; Not More Than Forty Per Cent Is Estimated.

In spite of the fact that a heavy vote was expected in La Grande and Union county, due to the fact that three local issues appear on the ballot, the vote was slow up until noon today, a total of 116 votes being cast in seven of the larger precincts of the city.

Fifteen votes had been cast at precinct number 19; seven at precinct number 22; at precinct number 22 at precinct three; 25 at precinct 11; 15 at precinct 12; and 17 at precinct two.

In addition to the 12 state measures on the ballot, there are two city and one county issue. The county road bond issue which calls for \$288,000; the five city commissioner plan of government; and second street water main bonds, which calls for \$45,000.

LIGHT VOTE INDICATED

PORTLAND, Ore., June 28 (AP)—Voters of Oregon today were expressing their views as to whether the state should have an income tax, which was provided by the legislature this year subject to approval of the people. Early reports from precincts in Portland and vicinity and in outlying sections of the state indicated a light vote. Late afternoon and evening voting was expected to be heavier, but election officers here and else-

Three Charged With Disorderly Conduct

Lizette Tucker, Max Lindley and Tom Nelson were arrested Saturday night at Mrs. Tucker's home on charges of disorderly conduct, and appeared before Municipal Judge C. W. Humphreys last night. Lindley and Nelson both pled guilty and were sentenced. Lindley received a \$125 fine and was placed on a jail term of 60 days. Nelson was fined \$100 and placed on a 29-day jail term with the understanding that he leave town permanently. Mrs. Tucker pled not guilty and will be tried tomorrow night.

Found Guilty; Pays \$100 Fine

Lon Byers, who appeared last night on Byers charges in the county court before Judge Hugh Bradley, pled guilty and was fined \$100 and costs. Byers paid the fine. His attorney was helpful possession of intoxicating liquor.

PIONEER DIES

Thomas Clark, pioneer settler of the Grande Ronde valley, passed away this morning at 9 o'clock at his home at Alton. Funeral arrangements have not yet been made.

CONTACT WITH THE FARM

Farmers of the Grande Ronde valley are as much a part of the La Grande community in many ways as residents within the city limits. Their homes, tastes, activities, and interests average higher than the urban citizen. Although by lives several miles away from the business area, the farmer is but a few minutes distant. He buys in town, particularly when his local merchant has attractive merchandise and service attractively presented.

The Observer is THE newspaper of the Grande Ronde valley—it's the farmer's constant contact with the community life. The news of each neighborhood, of the valley as a whole, of the cities and towns is available to the farm in no other way. Is it any wonder that 75 to 90 per cent of the rural county boxes out of most Union county post offices receives THE Observer regularly? Is it any wonder that advertisers value its columns as the most effective and economical contact with farm buying power?

"Observer Advertising—A Merchandising Service"

City Welcomes Summer Normal School Students

Addresses Are Given by A. T. Hill and H. E. Coolidge at Second Assembly Yesterday.

Welcoming addresses in behalf of the city of La Grande and the Union County Chamber of Commerce were heard yesterday by students of the summer normal school when the second official assembly convened with Director J. T. Longfellow presiding. W. W. Nussbaum opened the program with group singing which was followed by a scripture reading and prayer by the Rev. J. George Walk, of the Presbyterian church.

Two cornet solos were rendered by Master Glenn Vaden, son of Mrs. Nellie Vaden, of Union, who is a student at the school.

150 LEGION MEN ATTEND SMOKER

Hearty Enthusiasm Displayed in Regard to State Convention

One hundred and fifty legionnaires and ex-service men who were in attendance at the popular and enthusiastic luncheon and dance given by the Varsity Vagabonds added to the enjoyment of the legionnaires. A general discussion of legion convention plans followed, under the direction of the post commander, Hugh Brady, William Kelly, state officer of the 49th S was present and explained the plans of that organization to the convention.

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PLANS FILED FOR SETTLEMENT CONTROVERSY

Great Northern Asks to Be Allowed to Take over All Projects

OPERATE SOUTH FROM SPOKANE

Will Pay One-Half Operating Cost of the Part Used and of the Investment Charge.

WASHINGTON, June 28 (AP)—Full plans for settlement of the long standing railroad controversy over new construction in Central Oregon were filed today with the Interstate Commerce Commission.

The Great Northern railroad asked the commission to be allowed to take over all the construction projects undertaken originally in the territory by the Oregon Trunk railroad and declared that agreement had been reached with the Southern Pacific over all the disputed points in the program.

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Digging Itself Out of Debris Today; Highway at Arlington Passable to Light Traffic.

PENDLETON, June 28 (AP)—Weston was today digging itself out of the debris of the Sunday afternoon cloudburst which resulted in \$50,000 damage to houses, business homes, and surrounded by the water stood two feet deep in many of the houses and business buildings. Offers of assistance were declined by the Weston people who experienced their first cloudburst in history of the city.

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Fifty Attend K. P. Supper Last Night

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DON'T KNOW MOTHER IS SLAIN



The two children of Dr. Frank R. Loomis, on trial in Detroit for the murder of his wife, Grace, made their first appearance in court the other day. Neither knows of the brutal slaying of the mother; they only know that "she is gone." Janet is five and Frank is eight.

FOUR TYPES TAKE PART IN FLIGHT

Wide Range of Personalities Characterize Principals in Air Race

MINNEAPOLIS AIRPORT, OAKLAND, Cal., June 28 (AP)—Four distinct personalities ranging from the temperamental booby type to the fastidiousness of a stern man of the sea, characterized the principals in the Golden Gate-Hawaii flight drama.

The most unique of the four is Ernest L. Smith, pilot of the little monoplane of uncertain lineage which will compete against the ten-engine Fokker 15-2 of the army. Smith is the "boy" of the adventure. He carries the 21 years and his wind flying experience so lightly that he is tipped about as a dancing dervish could readily fly.

The initial flight was an unimpressive one of seven minutes duration, by the Smith and his navigator, Charles H. Carter, it meant that the thing of cloth, wood and iron on which they had worked for

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Bus Will Make First Run Between Pendleton and Portland July 1, According to Announcement.

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