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THE WEATHER
OREGON: Fair tonight and
Wednesday, but cloudy and foggy
near the coast. Rising tempera-
ture with lower humidity in the in-
terior Wednesday.POTATO CROP
OVER VALLEY
IS PROMISINGG. R. Hyslop, O. A. C. Ex-
tension Service Expert,
Finds Outlook RosyONLY TWO FIELDS
BELOW STANDARDUrges That Efforts Be
Made in Union County
to Rid Spud Fields of
Potato Beetle.

G. R. Hyslop, professor of farm crops at the Oregon Agriculture college, and his assistant, David C. Smith, student instructor in the same institution, have been in Union county the past few days making the first inspection of the various potato fields, which are up for certification. These potatoes, which Mr. Hyslop says will, in all probabilities from the present outlook, be able to furnish all the certified seed needed for next year, must stand two more inspections, another in the field and the third when the potatoes are in the bin.

The potatoes, which are now coming to bloom, are in very good condition, Mr. Hyslop says, and the prospects are for a very good yield and of an excellent quality. There is a large acreage in potatoes this year, close to 200 acres of which are for certification. These are all netted gems, the certified seed having been secured last spring from Weston, Redmond and Powell Butte. As Mr. Hyslop states, there will be no need to go out of the county next year for similar seed. They have done well here, with the present growth extra good and strong.

Two Fall to Pass
Of all the fields inspected, there were but two which failed to pass. In the first field, injury had been done by treating after cutting. In the second, the field had not been sprayed soon enough. According to the inspector, roguing should be done just as soon as any disease, which cannot be treated, has been distinguished.

"One thing which should be done in this county," said Mr. Hyslop, "is the launching of a campaign to clean up the Colorado potato beetle. There are a comparatively few here now, but they will become worse unless checked. They are a very serious pest and only an organized effort on the part of the potato raisers in Union county will get this county out from under the quarantine. The potato patches are so well protected in this section that an active campaign continued through two years should rid the county of this insect. It is worse this year than usual and some action should be started at once."

BAND TO PLAY
FRIDAY NIGHT
IN PENDLETON

The La Grande municipal band is to play a complimentary concert in Pendleton under the auspices of the commercial association Friday evening, July 15. It is announced today. The concert is to take place at Happy Canyon and afterwards the happy post of Pendleton will give a dance to help raise funds to finance the wedding of a large delegation to the legion convention here next week.

All members of the band will go to Pendleton and Director Andrew Loney reports that a pleasing program has been arranged.

E. L. DEVEREAUX DIES
PORTLAND, July 12 (AP)—E. L. Devereaux, head of the Devereaux Mortgage company of Portland, died suddenly last night. He had been a resident of Portland the last 20 years.

YOUR
SALES
RESISTANCE

Everyone who spends money, who buys something, has what the seller calls "sales resistance." That must be overcome before the sale can be completed. Your sales resistance is greatest when someone tries to sell you something you know nothing about—and it is most easily overcome when you know and are familiar with the goods or service that is being presented. Your sales resistance is broken down through consistent advertising because it is a recognized method by which you are informed, because you know that you can have faith in advertised things, in the advertised store. It is natural, therefore, that a business firm seeking to build confidence and overcome sales resistance should use the "Observer Advertising—A Merchandising Service."

Resurfacing Of
Branch Highway
Nearly FinishedRoad Crews to Begin
Placing Macadam on
Lostine Section Next
Week, Cutler Says.

Resurfacing work on the La Grande-Wallowa Lake highway from the rock crusher plant at Elgin for a distance of three miles toward Minam is about complete and the crusher will be moved soon to a place near the top of the Overby grade. Oscar Cutler, state highway resident engineer here, announces.

The rock crusher plant, supplying gravel for the resurfacing work near Wallowa, has already been moved from the head of the Wallowa canyon to Lostine and operations of placing macadam will start there next week.

Thomas, Stevens
To Headline A. L.
Card On July 21

Considerable interest is already being shown in the American Legion's coming boxing card, to be staged Thursday, July 21, at about 5:30 or 6 o'clock, at the high school athletic field. The card will headline Black Thomas, Jimmy Daugherty's protégé from Philadelphia, and Ernie Stevens, light heavyweight champion of the U. S. army, who has been transferred to Portland.

Black Thomas is now in training at Hot Lake and is in splendid condition for the coming fray. It is reported.

This promises to be the best card ever staged in La Grande. The main event, supported by Del Allen, local fighter, and Benny Wolf, Hebrew flash of Philadelphia, in a six-round semi-final. Three four-round preliminaries will be scheduled, participants to be announced later.

Circus To Arrive
Early in Morning

Children and quite a few grown-ups of La Grande are eagerly awaiting tomorrow—circus day. The Al G. Barnes circus, larger than during its past visits to this city and with a new feature pageant, will arrive early in the morning and by noon will be erected on the grounds next to the court house.

The show will be presented both in the afternoon and evening. Mr. Barnes, owner of the circus, will be in La Grande tomorrow on his first personal visit to his show this year.

Armory Entered;
Equipment Taken

Members of Company E, 180th Infantry held their first drill last night since returning from Camp Chase, where they experienced 15 days of field training. Incidentally, following the finding of some equipment near the Zeller hall, a check last night revealed the fact that someone had entered the armory while the troops were in camp and stole some equipment. Captain G. L. Dutton and other officers and the police are investigating the theft.

Two more were collected in the company last night, bringing its strength to 67 men.

Normal Assembly
Held Yesterday

The regular Monday assembly was held yesterday at the summer normal school, with J. T. Long, county president, Mr. Longfellow, called upon the Rev. Oliver Riley, who opened the meeting with a scripture reading and prayer. Following this W. W. Nudum, director of music in the school, led the assembly in song songs. G. L. Dutton sang several selections which were well received by the audience.

The assembly adjourned following an additional announcement concerning the normal school picnic which is being sponsored by the Union county chamber of commerce.

Train Strikes Car;
Fifteen Are Slain

TOLEDO, Ohio, July 12 (AP)—Fifteen persons are believed to have been killed when a New York Central train struck a T. and I. traction car in the outskirts of the city at 4 p. m. today.

WEDDING AND
FIREWORKS TO
BE FEATURESPyrotechnic Display Dur-
ing Legion Convention
to Take Drama FormFIRST OF KIND IN
EASTERN OREGONFormal Wedding to Pre-
cede Old Oregon Trail
Episode—Bend Post
Head Wires Plans.

Two of the most outstanding features of the American Legion state convention—which opens here Thursday, July 21, and ends the following Sunday with a trip to Wallowa lake—will be the fireworks display and public wedding, which will take place on Saturday evening, the last day of the convention.

The fireworks display will be first of its kind ever staged in Eastern Oregon, and is expected to attract a large crowd from all of the three surrounding counties. It will be the only feature of the three-day convention for which an admission fee will be charged.

In Drama Form
The display will be a pyrotechnic drama of the Old Oregon trail, consisting of eight set pieces. The drama will start with the early pioneers to Oregon, will then show Captain Vancouver's ship coming up the Columbia river, the Bridge of the Gods when it crumbled and fell, the prairie schooners, Indian battle scenes, a portrait of one of Oregon's governors, and a cowboy roping a steer.

The fireworks will be given through a loud speaker. In addition to the pieces there will be a number of rockets, star shells, etc. The last piece in the display will be the American Legion emblem and the American flag.

Formal Wedding
Just prior to the fireworks, which will take place at the athletic field beginning at about 5 o'clock, the public wedding will be held. Miss Blanche Reed is to be the bride and Albert Lamb, the groom. The wedding will be formal, all participants being either members of the legion auxiliary or legionnaires.

The Sheridan band will furnish music for the wedding, and the ceremony will be performed by a legation. A cash gift of \$20 and \$100 in merchandise will be given the couple by the legion.

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FEELING IS LESS
TENSE IN GENEVAViscount Cecil Calls on
Hugh Gibson, Discusses
the British Proposal

GENEVA, July 12 (AP)—Viscount Cecil, of Chelwood, one of the British delegates at the naval conference, called on Hugh Gibson, American chief representative, today for a further discussion of the new British proposal. This proposal fixes the maximum figure of 10,000 tons for cruisers but is accompanied by the condition that larger ships continue to be reduced to the minimum number. It is understood that the British could hope to keep within the above maximum tonnage of 10,000, or even 12,000. They are unable to commit themselves further, however, and even indicate that their building programs would probably bring the tonnage up much higher by 1932.

The naval experts met unofficially morning trying to figure on the replacement of the British plan.

The atmosphere of the conference continued less tense, but apparently a solution of the cruiser deadlock has not been discovered. "We are more hopeful that we have been for some time," said one of the younger attaches of one delegation today, as he emerged from a meeting of the junior members' conference which interludes to find whether any possible solution of the problem can be found by approaching H. from every conceivable angle, irrespective of anything which has gone on in the past.

Elks Convention
Elects J. F. Malley

CINCINNATI, July 12 (AP)—According to unofficial returns announced at the balloting headquarters, John Malley, of Springfield, Mass., was elected grand exalted ruler of the Elks, 5 to 1, over Lee Meriwether, of St. Louis, here today.

Los Angeles was selected for the 1928 convention.

KOZER TURNS
DOWN OFFER
BY GOVERNORSecretary of State to Re-
main in Post, Refuses
Budget PositionPOLITICAL GOSSIP
GIVEN INCENTIVERumor Has It That Kozer
Will Seek to Succeed
Kay—Both, However,
Remain Silent.

SALEM, Ore., July 12 (AP)—Political prognosticators including in their "dog day" speculations as to the probable trend of Governor Patterson's appointments are all at sea as to the likely candidate for budget commissioner, a \$4000 job authorized by the last legislature at the request of the governor but never yet filled, says the Capital Journal today.

The dopesters about the state house had it all arranged that Sam Kozer would remain as secretary of state and accept appointment to the budget post, the paper says, but something has upset the arrangement. This morning Governor Patterson admitted to the Capital Journal that Kozer had been tendered the appointment but had refused it and Kozer admitted that such was the case, explained his refusal to relinquish his present position on the ground that he had been elected to the office by the people and felt that he should serve out his term.

Eyes Treasury
Kozer's action in sidestepping the budget appointment is construed among the students of things political in Oregon as giving color to recent reports that he contemplates being a candidate for state treasurer in the 1928 elections, says the Journal. There is a general understanding that T. H. Kay, present treasurer, will not be a candidate for reelection, but will run for two years before trying to garner political honors in 1929. Kay is non-committal when questioned as regards his political ambitions.

Kozer's action in declining appointment as budget commissioner takes a lot of zest out of the complicated guesses of the ring-side speculators in that they claimed the prospects of a complicated under-cover contest for appointment to the vacant office of secretary of state with Hal Horn, present secretary to the governor, Carl D. Gabrielson, chief of the state motor vehicle division, and Roy Hiner, of Pendleton, former president of the state senate, as applicants.

This new development postpones

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Umatilla County
Grain Men Adopt
Scale of Wages

PENDLETON, July 12 (AP)—Umatilla county grain growers at a meeting near Holm yesterday adopted a wage scale for the 1927 harvest season. Drivers and sweepers will receive \$5 a day for 12 and 16-foot cut combines and \$5 for 20-foot combines. Heads tenders will receive \$4, separator tenders \$5 and a caterpillar driver \$5. Straw binders \$4, shocks up to 10 men \$2, assistant \$2, combine \$2, back \$4 for 16-foot combines, \$5 for 20-foot combines, machine oiler \$4.50 to \$4, wheat hauling, two trips \$4. This scale was set as the minimum, but farmers may vary. It was thought, however, that these figures were the most equitable.

Barrage of Noise Greets Aviators
Who Flew From Mainland to Hawaii

SAN FRANCISCO, July 12 (AP)—A barrage of noise, the initial sign of a national acclaim, greeted today the return of the aviators, Lester J. Matfield and Albert Hegenberger, here today as they came back from their heroic flight from California to Hawaii.

Whistles, bells, drums and other available sound producing instruments were brought into play in the thousands lining the water front and the hundreds cheered and sang in the harbor tonight.

The aviators were first down the Golden Gate.

Two Hours Late
The main was more than two hours behind schedule necessitating a setback in the reception program. The official reception party was taken to quarantine on a tug and not aboard the liner for the parade to the home coming celebration.

The ship lingered at quarantine

until the customary formalities while the shore-bound crowds of spectators melted about impatiently.

Mrs. Matfield and Mrs. Hegenberger, wives of the flyers who came from their distant homes to greet their hero husbands, did not see them until after the main docked. It had been planned that they and Lester Matfield's sister, Mrs. Mrs. J. W. Matfield, of Hollister, Cal., should board the Maui at quarantine but the arrangements were changed.

Pier is Packed
The pier where the vessel ended its trip was packed with people whose cheers penetrated the whistles of hundreds of boats as a high pitched toll.

The flyers were first down the gangplank followed by Mrs. H. B. Claret, chief of the 30th corps area, air service, Major Ralph and other San Francisco officials. Amid the cheers of the throng the flyers greeted their relatives, posed for the few newspapermen who had not boarded the Maui and were escorted to the hotel or Market street, where the parade to escort them to the city hall was formed.

CAL IN CHAPS AND SOMBRERO



When a cowboy band from Terry, Mont., came chortling down the trail to the Black Hills game lodge where President Coolidge is vacationing, they brought along a nice cowboy suit with Cal's nickname worked on either side of the chaps. The president donned the picturesque dress of the old west and the boys whooped it up for him.

Reed Declares
Democrats Gave
U. S. Prosperity

ATLANTA, Ga., July 12 (AP)—Addressing a joint session of the Georgia legislature here today, Senator James A. Reed, of Missouri, asserted "whatever there is of prosperity today" to the federal reserve banking system, and gave to the democratic party the credit for the origin and perfection of the system.

The senator disputed "the great boast of the present administration that it has produced a condition of prosperity" and stated that no government can produce wealth. Wealth, he said, is produced by the people under given favorable conditions. There is no reference specifically in the advantages of the federal reserve system. Speaking of the prosperity claim, Senator Reed stated that the present administration was run for and by the wealthy class. He devoted a large part of his address to reviewing incidents of war and foreign use of money in politics for many years past.

DEPERS ADVERTISING
WASHINGTON, July 12 (AP)—The shipping board today deferred until October the question of advertising for sale its entire fleet of 41 cargo ships now operating out of Pacific coast ports to the Orient.Girl, 3, Injured
Painfully When
Bike Is Wrecked

Three-year-old Maria Lee Kennedy, daughter of Mrs. Alta Kennedy, was painfully injured and her cousin, Earl Coleman, received severe bruises in a bicycle accident last evening near the R. G. Coleman home at 1341 Highland street. The accident occurred when some Coleman was riding his bicycle upon the street with him. The little girl caught her foot in the spokes of the front wheel, and was thrown over the front of the bicycle. She was damaged several feet before the wheel was pulled over. The little girl was taken to the hospital where her injuries were treated and an X-ray taken. It is thought that a laceration of the foot which caught in the spokes is involved. Several teeth were knocked out and the little girl was badly bruised and skinned besides receiving the painful injury to her foot.

\$5000 Haul Made at
St. Helens, Oregon

ST. HELENS, Ore., July 12 (AP)—"They've hooked a truck up to the back door of the J. C. Pomeroy place here some time last night and hauled the place of merchandise valued between three thousand and five thousand dollars."

G. R. Thompson, manager of the store, reported to authorities 95 was at the store last night until 10 o'clock and the doors were unopened. He believes the thieves were well acquainted with the layout of the store and the robbery had been carefully planned, as they entered by the back door, over a chain-link fence, the back door, and the thieves entered the store.

BAPTIST TO MEET
PORTLAND, Ore., July 12 (AP)—The Oregon Baptist state convention will meet tonight at the Union memorial baptist church, 7 G. Taylor, president, will give the opening address and the Rev. William H. Haining, of Pendleton, will preach the convention sermon. More than 200 Baptists are expected to attend.

Supreme Court
Affirms Knowles
In Blokland SuitJudge's Decision Also Up-
held in Wisdom Case—
Bank vs. Miller Ruling
Is Reversed.

SALEM, Ore., July 12 (AP)—Dividing four to three, the state supreme court today held unconstitutional an act of the 1927 legislature providing for a new state office building in Salem to be built with funds borrowed from the state industrial accident commission. There were two splits, one brought by Peter Peterson, beneficiary under the workmen's compensation act, and the other by the Eastern and Western Lumber company, an employer under that act. Both were against the state board of control. Legal questions are identical in the two cases.

The prevailing opinions were written by Justice Brown and concurred in by Chief Justice Burnett and Justices Rand and Bean. They affirmed Judge L. H. McMahon of the circuit court for Marion county. A dissenting opinion by Justice Goddard was concurred in by Justices McBride and Bell.

Other opinions today included: United States National of La Grande vs. Arthur Ben Miller, appellant, et al.; appeal from Union county; foreclosure suit; Opinion by Justice Goddard, Judge J. W. Knowles reversed.

State vs. John Wisdom, appellant; appeal from Wallowa county; criminal action involving statutory offense; opinion by Justice McBride, Judge J. W. Knowles affirmed.

A. H. Lea vs. Andrew Blokland and Mary Blokland, appellants, et al.; appeal from Union county; suit to collect money on promissory note. Opinion by Justice Bean, Judge J. W. Knowles affirmed.

Auto Accident
Snuffs Out Two
Near Ellensburg

YAKIMA, Wash., July 12 (AP)—Mrs. George Peebler, of Pendleton, was killed and her husband, land taddy injured late yesterday when their automobile went off the Ellensburg canyon road about 12 miles northwest of this city. Mr. Peebler was brought to St. Elizabeth hospital here, where he died about 8 o'clock. Sylvia and Victor Peterson, of Seattle, grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. Peebler had joined them here. They received less serious injuries. The body of Mrs. Peebler was brought here.

It was reported that Mrs. Peebler, nervous at the proximity of an almost perpendicular drop on the lower side of the road, became hysterical at the noise of rocks rolling down the hillside and seized her husband's arm, causing the car to swerve over the edge of the cliff.

Mr. and Mrs. George Peebler, who were killed in an automobile accident near Yakima late yesterday, were prominent pioneer residents of this city. Mr. Peebler was a retired farmer. He was born in Iowa and crossed the plains by ox team and settled at Lebanon and moved to this district in 1877.

Outside the capital, the loss of life undoubtedly was greater, owing to the flimsy construction of many dwellings which collapsed upon inmates before they were able to escape. In this way 30 houses in Abudis, near Bethany, crumbled, and it is feared there were many victims.

Hotel Collapses
Killed Three Indian Women
Victims

The collapse of a hotel in Jericho killed three Indian women victims. Four children were killed when a house fell at Mount of Olives and five women lost their lives at Ain Karim, the modern name for the place, where, according to tradition, John the Baptist was born.

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PONY EXPRESS
ENDS JOURNEY
TO PRESIDENT

RAPID CITY, S. D., July 12 (AP)—The pony express carrying an invitation from Cheyenne, Wyo., to President Coolidge, ended its journey at the summer white house today at 1:30 p. m.

President Coolidge, accompanied by Governor Frank Emerson, was standing on the front steps of the white house when the last pony rider threw up.

Dakota Clyde Jones, cowboy, rode the last seven-mile trip from Cheyenne, on the horse Calvin Coolidge, and he came into the white grounds on a gallop.

Ten Arrested On
Charge of Murder

DEHLIN, Ireland, July 12 (AP)—Thomas Patrick, son of Const Thomas Patrick, was one of ten men who appeared in court today charged with conspiring to murder Kevin O'Higgins, vice president of the Free State council who was assassinated on Sunday.

Patrick, who had been arrested several times previously on charges of being involved in republican activities, and the other men were arrested last night. They were remanded in custody until today. All protested against being arrested on what they called an "obviously false charge."

TODAY'S GAMES

NATIONAL LEAGUE
Cincinnati..... 2 3 1
New York..... 2 1 1
Batteries: Lugo, Nehf and Har-
grave, Plonch, Benton and Tay-
lor.

ST. LOUIS..... 3 1 1
Philadelphia..... 6 1 3
Batteries: Hafner and Snyder,
Sweetland, Scott and Wilson.

CHICAGO..... 6 1 3
Boston..... 2 3 1
Batteries: Blake and Hartnett,
Gonewick, Wertz, Mills and Hogan.