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100 PERSONS PARTICIPATE IN FARM TRIP

Sweet Clover Fields Especially Interesting to Members of Party

FELLOWS EXPLAINS FOOT ROT DISEASE

Irrigation Test Plot at Ruckman Farm Visited—Robert Withycombe Discusses Tests.

About 100 persons, including many farmers of the county and several business men, participated in the seventh annual farm crop excursion in Union county yesterday.

A total of 100 miles was traveled during the day and the first farm visited was that of J. E. Reynolds, where sweet clover fields, used for sheep pasture and for hay, were viewed, and Mr. Reynolds told of how he planted the clover and the results received.

Visit Nelson Farm The H. J. Nelson place, between Hot Lake and Union, was the second place visited, where sweet clover fields, used for dairy cow pasture, were viewed.

From there the excursion went to the P. O. Wheeler farm near Union, where another clover field, for sheep pasture, was inspected, after which the Jim Dolbin place, near La Grande, was visited, where Mr. Dolbin's farm flock of purebred sheep was viewed, also his sweet clover and mixed pasture grasses where the sheep feed.

At the Notnagel brothers farm, near Alton, the party looked over morning-glories under control by chemicals, after which practices on overgrown land in the Frank McKeon and J. A. Gaskill places were viewed.

Test Plot Mr. Gaskill has a wheat test plot on his farm, where he is trying out more than a dozen varieties of wheat, which was also inspected.

Several wives of the men making the trip joined the party at noon and a picnic lunch was enjoyed at the Gaskill farm.

Dr. Fellows Speaks During the noon hour Dr. Hurley Fellows, of the U. S. department of agriculture, spoke on the foot rot disease of wheat, and Renwick Clark spoke on "Sweet Clover for Dairy Cattle." Both talks were followed by a round-table discussion.

Along lunch the experiment station wheat nursery plot at the W. E. Ruckman place was viewed, and Robert Withycombe discussed the plots. The irrigation test plot was then visited and the relation of irrigation to crop production was discussed.

A six-year-old field of sweet clover was inspected at the Earl Chandler farm, near Alton, and Mr. Chandler told of his results.

BAND CONCERT WILL BE HELD ON THURSDAY

The fourth outdoor concert by the La Grande municipal band is to be held next Thursday evening, Aug. 4, at the high school athletic field, beginning at 7:15 o'clock. It is announced today by Andrew Lancy, director.

Mr. Lancy states that the concert will start at 7:15 o'clock in order to permit members of the band to leave in time for engagements later in the evening.

The program is now being rehearsed and will be printed in The Observer next week.

IF YOU WERE INVITED TO SPEAK

If you were a business man and received an invitation to speak about your business—your goods and your services—before a crowd of twelve or fifteen thousand people in this territory, would you accept?

Maybe you'd be too bashful or stage-struck to speak for yourself, but you'd most certainly see that someone competent did it. It would be too wonderful a mass-sales opportunity to miss. So is it any wonder that the progressive business men of La Grande grasp a similar opportunity and talk daily to the 15,000 readers of The Observer—especially when the cost is the lowest to be had?

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Miss McLane Is Given Medal For Act of Heroism

Campfire Girl Who Saved Six-Year-Old Boy from Drowning Is Rewarded for Her Bravery.

Miss Verla McLane, 14-year-old member of the Seaside campfire girls here, who rescued Jackie Marshall, 6, from drowning in the Grande Ronde river about 19 days ago, has been presented with the Columbian rescue medal in commemoration of her heroic act.

The rescue medal is awarded by the Columbia Knitting mill of Portland to persons who, at the risk of their own lives, save others from death by drowning. This trophy, done in silver, portrays in bas-relief the rescue of a drowning man and is a beautiful specimen of the silversmith's art.

The medal was presented to Miss McLane yesterday afternoon by The Observer acting for S. K. West, of S. K. West, Inc., local Columbian knitter.

The rescue of little Jackie Marshall was the latest result of Miss McLane's campfire girl training. She was forced to swim about 70 feet before she reached the lad, who had gone under the water two or three times. After bringing him to shore she applied her knowledge of resuscitation and within a short time the boy was entirely recovered from the escape from death.

To Develop Pool Mr. Pratt will continue to make La Grande his home and plans to go ahead with the development of the swimming pool, which he recently announced he would construct on property he has purchased near the Second street viaduct and the city-arts-and-crafts wells. He expects to begin construction on the pool shortly but will not have any definite announcement to make until early in August.

In speaking of his business associations here he said, "I am very thankful to my many kind friends who have patronized my business." Mr. Pratt has sold 19 homes since he came to La Grande and he states that he will continue to handle the papers in these transactions and that they will not be transferred to another company.

Pipe Organ Will Be Installed In Colonial Theater

A new Robert Morton pipe organ, which will be installed immediately in the Colonial theater, arrived in La Grande yesterday, according to Francis Grenlich, proprietor.

Work of installing the organ will begin today but it is not expected that it will be in use until the last part of next week. It weighs about 6000 pounds and the process of setting it up in the theater will take considerable time. It cost \$7500.

Mr. Grenlich also announced that a marquee will be installed in front of the Colonial, which is now under construction in La Grande. The remodeling and redecorating of the theater is practically completed, with the exception of placing the marquee, all of which has been done by local labor.

Mr. Grenlich states that it will be his policy to furnish good pictures at a reasonable price—the same price each night.

Idaho Man Is Left With Another's Son

A family from Twin Falls, Idaho, consisting of father and mother and three children, recently started for Oregon. In Boise another man, who was coming into this state, agreed to take the Twin Falls family's trailer and one of the boys, about 12 years of age.

The two parties were supposed to meet in La Grande. A few days ago the man from the Boise county, accompanied by the boy, and dragging the George Flint trailer behind his car, arrived here but although the police have looked high and low for the others, the party of the second part is absent.

Police Chief C. H. Haynes is still continuing his search for the Flint family, which now consists of father, mother and eight children. In the meantime the other Idaho man has an extra boy and an extra automobile trailer on his hands—and doesn't know what to do with them.

Roof Fire Causes \$25 to \$30 Damage

The fire truck was called 7:14 p.m. to 1922 Cedar street at 11:25 o'clock this morning to extinguish a roof fire in the home belonging to Mrs. Hattie Owsley. The blaze, which was quickly controlled, was the result of a fire burning out, according to Fire Chief C. H. Haynes, who estimates the loss at \$25 to \$30.

Board of Regents Will Visit Burns

SALLEM, Ore., July 29 (AP)—Governor Patterson, Secretary of State Sam A. Koser and State School Superintendent C. A. Howard left today by automobile for Burns where they will spend Sunday as members of the board of regents of Oregon Agricultural College inspecting the college's experiment farm near that place. They will be joined by other members of the board. The state officials are making the trip by way of McKeon's pass.

MR. PRATT TO DISPOSE OF LUMBER FIRM

Negotiations Now Being Carried on with Spokane Wn., Interests

DOES NOT PLAN TO LEAVE CITY

Expects to Develop Swimming Pool, Which He Hopes to Install Near City Wells.

Announcement was made today that negotiations are under way between Claude C. Pratt, local lumber dealer, and Spokane interests, to purchase the Claude C. Pratt Lumber company which was founded here some two years ago and which has grown to a business of much size.

Present indications are that the deal will be closed between the first and tenth of August. Mr. Pratt, while not wishing to disclose yet the name of the prospective purchaser, announced that he was an experienced lumber man of Washington.

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TENNIS ENTRIES INCLUDE STARS

Eastern Oregon Singles Title Will Be Decided on Local Court Sunday

Variety team members of the colleges of three different states will among 25 entries in the third annual Eastern Oregon tennis tournament which begins here tomorrow morning at 8:30 o'clock, according to announcement made this morning by Park Taylor, manager of this year's tennis championships of Eastern Oregon, leading quarterfinals will be held tomorrow, including last year's title holders and runners-up, in men's and women's singles, who will defend their titles against both veterans and newcomers of the sport.

Many Stars A survey of the entry list reveals the names of Jack Ahearn, of Walla Walla, last year's champion and a member of the Whitman varsity team which recently completed a successful season, Jean Taylor, of La Grande, last year's runner up and a member of the championship inter-collegiate team of the University of Washington this year, James Sperry, of Baker, member of the varsity tennis team at U. of O., and Lester Matlock, of Astoria, former school ace, Walter Hall, and M. A. Boyer, of Pendleton, last year's doubles champions, Park Taylor, of La Grande, Lyle, Cleve and Ray Wilson, of Juntura, Fred Fox, of Union, and Earl Garrison, of North Powder, all families in the following of the sport, are among the entries, while a number of new names including Baker and La Grande high school champions will show their colors for the first time. Miss Jean Bell, of Pendleton, holder of the women's title last year, and Mrs. Fred Fox, of Union, runner-up, will contest with four other entries from Pendleton and La Grande for the title cup. The women's matches will be played on the A. J. Stange courts.

Singles will be completed tomorrow while double matches will be played on the A. J. Stange courts Sunday. Cups will be awarded for winners in both events. A slight admission fee will be charged spectators tomorrow.

Supreme Court To Pass On Auto Law

PORTLAND, Ore., July 29 (AP)—The state supreme court will pass on the constitutionality of that feature of the state traffic law, collected by the last Oregon legislature, which prohibits gun possession in automobiles from suing the supervisor of the car for damages in case of accident.

Presiding Circuit Judge Morris yesterday upheld the feature of the law in sustaining a demurrer to the damage suit brought by Mrs. Virginia M. Stewart of Portland against The Redmond garage at Redmond, Ore., in which Mrs. Stewart seeks damages of \$20,000 against the automobile operator.

Prince Carol Still Retains His Rights

PARIS, July 29 (AP)—Former Crown Prince Carol of Romania informed the Associated Press today that he still maintains his subsidiary rights to the Romanian throne.

Adjourment Of Geneva Session Matter of Time

Final Plenary Meeting Is Unlikely with British and U. S. Delegates Unable to Agree

GENEVA, July 29 (AP)—Adjourment of the 12-parties naval conference—possibly for a certain period of time—without holding of a final plenary session is now considered a possibility here. There is a growing opinion that a public session with fireworks by both British and American delegates would do no good and conceivably might do harm.

The talk of adjourment is due to apparently irreconcilable nature of the British and American views on how naval armaments should be limited. The American firmly advocates liberty of action to construct cruisers armed with eight-inch guns within the limits of the total cruiser tonnage allowed. The British seek to have definite sizes of cruisers made obligatory.

There is some doubt as to whether the British delegates would consent to adjourning at the conference without having an opportunity to state their views again in a public session. At any rate, the idea of adjourning the conference for six months or a year in order to give the powers time for further reflection has been advanced.

ROYAL PARTY GREETED BY CANADIANS

Prince of Wales and Prince George Welcomed to Quebec

ACCOMPANIED BY PREMIER BALDWIN

Enthusiastic Reception Is Given to Visitors—Newspapermen First to Board Their Boat.

QUEBEC, July 29 (AP)—The Prince of Wales, Prince George and Premier Baldwin, visiting Canada to take part in the diamond jubilee confederation celebrations, were officially welcomed to Quebec shortly after 10:30 o'clock this morning, being given an enthusiastic reception.

The party was first greeted by Prime Minister Mackenzie King who went aboard the Empress of Australia which came into the harbor shortly after midnight. The premier accompanied the royal princes and the premier to King's Wharf where the official reception was held.

The Prince of Wales wore the uniform of the Seaforth Highlanders, while Prince George wore that of a naval officer.

La Grande Drum Corps Attends Legion Meeting

Twenty members of the La Grande American Legion drum corps returned home this morning after attending the Idaho state American Legion convention at Weiser, Idaho, yesterday.

The local corps took part in an exhibition yesterday. Only two Idaho corps were in attendance at the convention and the contest prize money was presented to the Nampa corps. The La Grande legionnaires also participated in the convention parade which took place yesterday.

Between 600 and 800 Idaho legionnaires are in attendance at the convention, which will close today.

Recall Aimed At Marshal, Report

RAINSBACH, Ore., July 29 (AP)—Stirred by the fight over the proposed recall of Mayor A. E. Vench and two councilmen, residents of this city were discussing today the assertion of the editor-mayor that movement against him was really directed against City Marshal T. W. Finley.

U. O. Leonard, merchant, expressing the general opinion among those favoring the recall said today, "Finley's pernicious and unwarranted actions are hurting this town. It is not a wet and dry fight."

Boy Saved From Death in River

OREGON CITY, Ore., July 29 (AP)—James Martin saved Tony Saters, 15, near Grandy yesterday from drowning in Astoria river. The boy, with other boys on a bicycle from Oregon City, was seized with cramps while swimming.

James Wendorfer tried to snatch Saters out of the water, but the drowning youth grew frantic in his struggles and nearly choked his rescuer. The two went down. Wendorfer swam half dead and Tony floated in the bank. Then Martin leaped in and made several dives before he brought the lad from the water.

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TALK ABOUT A FAMILY WEDDING



You don't hear of many quadruple weddings but here is one in which three brothers and their sister were married recently at Birmingham, Ala. The principals were Dr. Lellias Kirby who was married to Miss Jean Harms of Ansonia; Rev. Ois Kirby, whose bride was Miss Katherine Evans of Fairfield; Rev. Taylor Kirby who was married to Miss Lucretia Hope of Birmingham; and Miss Geneva Kirby, bride of Herbert Werner, of Jersey City, N. J.

DEMANDS AIMEE MAKE SHOWDOWN

42 Branch Churches Present Request Which Evangelist Refuses

LOS ANGELES, July 29 (AP)—Aimee Semple McPherson doesn't intend to add legal knots to the tangle of her squabble with her mother, Mrs. Minnie Kennedy, over the financial affairs of Aimee's Temple.

This the evangelist declared last night in addressing her followers from the pulpit. The temple leader or whose statements on behalf of her mother during the present row have often been followed by Mrs. Kennedy's deplorable, said that her mother also was agreed not to report to the courts.

At the same time, the evangelist refused to acquiesce to a demand made by a delegation from 42 branch churches for a "show-down" in the scrap between mother and daughter.

Attorneys who have stood at the elbow of the pastor and her mother in the recent rounds of the battle of the temple leaders, however, were of the opinion that at least one point might have to be decided by the courts.

May Seed Jury The bone of contention is whether Emma Schaffer, secretary, companion and staunch supporter of the evangelist, is legally a trustee of the Echo Park evangelical association which owns the church and its holdings, valued at several hundred thousand dollars. Mrs. McPherson contends Miss Schaffer is a trustee. Her mother holds that she and the evangelist are the only legal trustees, the third having died.

The membership meeting last night failed to clear definitely the question of Mrs. McPherson's future relationship with the temple. The evangelist first had declared that she intended to give up the pastorate, perhaps within three weeks and later said she intended to remain in control with an associate pastor in charge while she carried on her planned world evangelistic work.

Won't "Desert" Last night she told her followers she did not intend to "desert" her church but was keeping a promise she had made to the hundreds of

Gehrig Hits Two Homers; Leads Ruth

NEW YORK, July 29 (AP)—Lou Gehrig connected for his thirty-fourth home run of the season in the fifth inning of the first game of the Yankees' double header with the Indians today, scoring Babe Ruth in front of him. The ball put Gehrig in a tie with Ruth for home run honors.

Gehrig crossed up the Indians when he went to bat in the 8th inning with a home smash to left field that went into the stands on the first hop for his 25th homer of the season, taking the long run lead from Ruth. Noon was on base.

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FOREST FIRE SWEEPS OVER LARGE AREA

65 Separate Blazes Flaming Uncontrolled in North Carolina

SOUTHERN OREGON ALSO HAS FIRES

Airplanes Aid in Locating Conflagrations—Call for Additional Men Is Sounded Urgently.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 29 (AP)—More than 65 forest fires, started by lightning during the past two days were reported burning uncontrolled today in the national preserves of Northern California, from Lassen peak to the Oregon line.

The local district office of the United States Forestry department declared that all available men in the Lassen, Shasta, Trinity and Klamath districts were being rushed to the fire lines and that calls for more help had been received.

Inasmuch as the same storm that started these fires sweeping north of the Oregon line today, it was feared that additional fires were burning in the southern part of that state.

Ask For More Men The first fires were reported in the Klamath district, where 2500 acres were started yesterday. Rangers called the local office at midnight asking for more men. They were told to get help from the Lassen district. The rangers reported back that Lassen foresters could not spare men because 29 fires had started there today.

There were 41 separate fires in the Klamath region, and rangers around Shasta and Trinity sections reported that they had several fires to fight.

Airplanes were sent out over the districts to map out the locations of the conflagrations as a means of expediting the placing of fire fighters.

FIRES UNDER CONTROL

MEDFORD, Ore., July 30 (AP)—All forest fires in Crater Lake national forest were today, according to officials of local forest service and only one fire, a 20 acre conflagration at Needles Rock near Rogue river, is of any consequence.

In the past week electric storms

HUMORIST TO LOSE JOB AS CITY'S MAYOR

BEVERLY HILLS, Cal., July 29 (AP)—Will Rogers, only recently out of a hospital where gall stones were removed and recovering from an even more recent experience as a cross country flyer-race promoter in which a considerable amount of prize money was lifted from his pocketbook, has been notified officially that he is to lose his job as mayor of Beverly Hills.

A committee informed the cowboy humorist that a new state law will oust him as mayor Monday. "I bet it's a frame-up," said Will. "Just what a man could expect that had to lay defenses on his back for a month."

"None," related the sad-news committee. "Beverly Hills becomes a city of the sixth class and S. J. Spaulding, the president of the board of trustees, automatically becomes mayor."

"That makes you—" the committee went into a hurried conference. "Mayor emeritus," they declared in unison.

TODAY'S GAMES

AMERICAN LEAGUE
St. Louis 4 11 3
Boston 5 2 9
Baltimore, Gaston and O'Neill
Russell and Hoffman.

Second game—
St. Louis 3 13 1
Boston 2 9 4
Baltimore, Gaston and O'Neill
Russell and Hoffman.

NATIONAL LEAGUE
Boston 3 12 4
Philadelphia 2 8 1
Baltimore, Cincinnati and Gross
Grove and Coffey.

Cincinnati-Brooklyn game postponed, rain.

Mount Vesuvius Erupts; Villagers Ready To Flee

NAPLES, Italy, July 29 (AP)—In the face of its most violent eruption in 12 years, Mount Vesuvius this morning hurled hundreds of tons of incandescent fragments far into the air, while a huge column of lava, after nearly filling the inner crater, began to creep over the edge into "The Valley of Hell" towards the bay of Naples.

Although Professor Alessandro Maiorani, head of the observatory, renewed assurances that there was no imminent danger, part of the population of Torre Annunziata and Torre del Greco and residents of the region lying below the valley began to make preparations for a quick flight to Naples, should the column of lava continue its downward course toward their homes.

Girl, 17, Crushed To Death During Ride in Elevator

SAN FRANCISCO, July 29 (AP)—Miss Florence Sattler, 17, chosen as the prettiest girl in Oakland in a state wide beauty contest, was dead here today, and investigation was being started into an elevator accident which cost her life last night as she and three companions were riding in the elevator, according to officials of local police.

The accident occurred as 65 pretty girls, selected as the fairest in their respective cities, were preparing for a theater party. Plaintiff Miss Sattler and her three companions were riding to their rooms on the sixth floor, when according to their rooms in the Mark Hopkins hotel.

The elevator operator said he warned her to keep away from the door, but hardly had he spoken when she either slipped and fell, or caught her dress on the handle of the fourth floor door.

Instant Death The girl pitched forward so that her head caught between the floor of the cage and the frame of the fifth floor. Death was instantaneous.

The case was halted by the crash, and the operator and the three girls were imprisoned for half an hour before police and firemen succeeded in cutting through the bronze and glass doors and releasing their elevator cage.

Permanently, the elevator operator was arrested on charges of manslaughter and held under bail.

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