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THE WEATHER

OREGON: Fair tonight and Saturday. Continued warm. Humidity below normal. Moderate northwest winds along the coast.

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SOIL REPORT IS MADE BY W. L. POWERS

Sixty Samples of Grande Ronde Valley Dirt Analyzed by Expert

GOOD SUPPLIES OF BASES FOUND

Sulfur Supply Somewhat Limited—Quantity of Phosphate Fair; Nitrogen Content Varies

Last year Professor W. L. Powers, affiliated with the Oregon Agricultural college, conducted a soil survey in Union county for the purpose of analyzing the soils in different parts of the Grande Ronde valley in a practical way.

Word from Mr. Powers has been received that his report is completed.

"Chemical analyses of official soil samples taken at the close of the Grande Ronde soil survey last summer have just been completed," Mr. Powers writes. "Sixty samples were collected during the cooperative soil survey made by the soil department of the Oregon state experiment station and the United States bureau of soils and some 300 determinations have been made by the department of agriculture chemistry at the state experiment station.

"Analysis show comparatively good supplies of the bases—potassium, calcium and magnesium—with 12,000 to 22,000 pounds of potassium in an acre to plow depth—2 million pounds; 18,400 to 62,800 pounds of calcium and 4,000 to 20,000 pounds of magnesium.

Fair Phosphate Supply

"The phosphate supply in many Grande Ronde soils is only fair in amount with 760 to 2800 pounds in the plowed surface of an acre, indicating that on at least some soils use of phosphates may be expecte to increase seed yields.

"The sulfur supply is rather limited in these soils amounts found ranging from 20 to 900 pounds with many soils showing less than 200 pounds in the plowe surface of an acre. When it is understood that each ton of alfalfa removes about five pounds of sulfur it is obvious that few fiveton crops could be expected without sulfur applications and an explanation is found for the striking increases usually obtained from applications of sulfur or calcium sulfate to legumes on these lands. Sulfur and manure, following drainage, will help improve lands affected by alkali in spots.

Recommendations

"The supply of nitrogen in these soils ranges from 880 pounds on certain dry lands to 10,500 pounds on some of the dark meadow land—Sommerville silt loam. The supply of nitrogen varies with previous soil treatment and moisture conditions. Light early spring application of ammonium sulfate should be helpful on dry farmed grain where the young crop is too light green in color. Supplemental irrigation and rotation with leg-

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COUNTY COURT ENDS TWO-DAY SESSION HERE

County court adjourned last night after a regular monthly session lasting two days. The docket this month was exceedingly light with only a few matters outside the regular auditing of bills and filing of monthly reports. The county treasurer's report and the monthly widow pension list were heard and approved by Judge L. G. Couch and Commissioners W. W. Stevens and W. R. Ledbetter in yesterday's meeting. S. T. Simmons asked that a new warrant in lieu of a lost warrant be granted him. The court made arrangements for the issuance of a new warrant and exacted a bond to be held in the county court in case the old warrant should reappear.

MATCHING THE CITY'S GROWTH

Keeping pace with La Grande's business growth and development is not merely a question of keeping one's doors open and one's service or goods available. Rather is it a question of maintaining contact with present customers and establishing contact with new ones.

The business man who does that consistently knows that you will not lose sight of him nor will you forget his ability to serve you well. And you rightfully look for and expect to see his business messages in The Observer where they can reach the most people at the smallest possible cost.

"Observer Advertising,—
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1,200 Applaud Band At Fourth Open-air Recital

Selections Score Hit with Large Crowd of Music Lovers; Fifth Concert Due in Fortnight.

With between 1100 and 1200 persons in attendance, the fourth outdoor La Grande municipal band concert of the summer was played at the high school athletic field last night. As has been the case since the series was started, vigorous applause followed each number and it was necessary to play three encore numbers, one of which was repeated, in order to satisfy the music lovers.

The concert last night opened at 7:45 o'clock and continued for an hour. The program did not contain as many numbers as ordinarily is the case but each was selected with the knowledge that it was a "sure-fire" piece and this was borne out in the applause.

The first number on the program was Sousa's famous march, "Corcoran Cadets." Its stirring strains served as a splendid introduction for the second selection, scenes from Reginal de Koven's comic opera "Robin Hood."

"Hunting Scene" Scores

The "American Patrol" by Meacham was the third selection and was followed by the beautiful "Hunting Scene" by Bucalossi, one of the most popular numbers on the band's repertoire.

A characteristic piece, Hermann's "Cocoanut Dance" preceded the final overture "Raymond" by Amb. Thomas.

The concert was under the auspices of the city government and was free of charge.

Director Andrew Loney announced this morning that the fifth concert will be played in about two weeks time.

Greater O. A. C. Committee Will Meet Aug. 20, 21

Alumni, students and former students of O. A. C. are making plans for a meeting to be held at Wallowa lake on Saturday evening and Sunday, August 20 and 21, under the direction of the Greater O. A. C. committee.

Frieda Klopfenstein of La Grande and Dallas Ward, of Corvallis, are working in the interests of the committee and will meet with all of the alumni and students at the chamber of commerce offices Monday, at 8 o'clock. Definite arrangements will be made for the Wallowa lake meeting at that time. The committee is anxious for a good attendance at the meeting.

Child Falls From Fire Escape, Dies

MEDFORD, Ore., Aug. 5. (AP)—Viola Caroline Merritt, 19-months-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Merritt, was instantly killed late yesterday when she fell from the fire escape of a local apartment house. The tot, in play ran on the fire escape from a hallway and before the mother could rescue her, she slipped through the guards and toppled three stories to her death. The father is said to be employed in a lumber camp near Reedsport, Ore.

Invitations Out For 'Noose Party'

SALEM, Ore., Aug. 5. (AP)—Invitations to the execution of James Willos and Ellsworth Kelley, who are to be hanged at the state penitentiary Friday, August 19, at 8:30 a. m., have been sent out by Henry W. Meyers, superintendent of the prison. The two men were involved in the prison break of August 12, 1925, which resulted in the killing of two guards.

Falls From Dock, Dies of Injuries

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 5 (AP)—O. G. Beeler, 48, employed at the Port of Portland dock north of the steel bridge, died in the Willamette river shortly after 8 o'clock this morning, when he fell from a dock, a distance of 35 feet, struck a log boom and rolled unconscious into the water.

Approves Columbia Basin Trip Route

SPOKANE, Aug. 5. (AP)—An itinerary for the committee on reclamation and irrigation of the national house of representatives following its inspection of the Columbia basin project which will include a number of Pacific coast cities of Washington was approved by Representative Addison T. Smith, of Idaho, chairman of the committee.

"KINKY" DIES

Involved in 13 dry law scandals, accused of beating a dozen men and women, William Harvey "Kinky" Thompson, was shot by a Tacoma patrolman on whom he drew a gun, and died Wednesday. When the fatal shot was fired the patrolman had been called by neighbors who reported "Kinky" and a woman involved in disorderly conduct.

TENNIS TOURNEY TO END SUNDAY

Men's Singles and All Doubles Matches Will Be Played Sunday

Tennis fans of this section of the state are looking forward to one of the strongest doubles tournaments ever played in Eastern Oregon Sunday, five Central Oregon stars having been entered from Bend, in addition to a player or from Los Angeles, another from Walla Walla, and possibly a team from Baker.

Preceding the men's doubles, which will be played on the municipal courts, beginning at about 10 o'clock, four matches in the men's singles, which were held over from last Sunday, will be played. Boyer, of Pendleton, will play Lyle Wilson, of Imbler, and Ahearn, of Walla Walla, will play Jean Taylor, of La Grande. The first match will decide whether Boyer or Wilson will enter the semi-finals and the winner will play Stewart Merrill, of La Grande, the winner to play the winner in the Ahearn-Taylor match. The singles play will start at 8:30 o'clock.

Teams Entered

The drawing for places in the men's doubles has not been made yet, but the following teams are entered: Lyle Wilson, of Imbler, and Fred Fox, of Union; Boyer and Hall, of Pendleton; Jean Taylor, of La Grande, and Earl Garrison, of North Powder; D. Ballantyne, of Bend, and Mattoon, of La Grande; K. Ballantyne, and Loomis, of Bend; Cook and Miller, of Pendleton; Donis and Hickards, of Pendleton; P. Taylor and Cunningham, La Grande; H. B. Gillis, Los Angeles, and Jack Ahearn, Walla Walla.

Seven teams have already entered the mixed doubles tournament, and there is a possibility

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A. A. SCHRAMM ELECTED NEW BANK CHIEF

Will Succeed Frank C. Bramwell as Superintendent Sept. 1

SALEM WILL GET STATE OFFICES

New Policy to Be Adopted, Including Removal of Headquarters from Portland.

SALEM, Ore., Aug. 5. (AP)—A. A. Schramm, of Corvallis, was today unanimously elected by the state banking board as state superintendent of banks to succeed Frank C. Bramwell. He will take office September 1.

Simultaneously with announcing the election of Schramm the board announced that the main office of the banking department will be removed from Portland to Salem.

Schramm was formerly with the Ladd and Bush bank in Salem for a number of years. Next he served several years as a state bank examiner under former Superintendent S. G. Sergeant. Since retiring fro mthe latter position he has been cashier of the Corvallis state bank.

When Bramwell resigned Wednesday of this week he offered the board his services if at any time advice or information is needed from him after his retirement. He recommended that the board elect his successor as soon as possible explaining that delay would work against the banking interests of the state.

To Adopt New Policy

It is understood that a new policy will be adopted by the banking department in that the members of the board, who are the governor, the secretary of state and the state treasurer, will keep in close touch at all times with the official acts of the superintendent and his policies will be subject to the approval of the board. Heretofore it has been the policy of the board to allow the superintendent practically full authority.

Mmembers of the banking board

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Walla Walla To Send 40 Golfers Here on Aug. 14

In order to determine positions on the La Grande country club team which will play with Walla Walla here on Sunday August 14, each La Grande golfer must play a qualifying round of 18 holes on or before Wednesday, August 10, it was announced today. The scores made in this qualifying round, together with those in previous tournaments, will be used as a basis for determining the exact order of play against the Washington team.

The Walla Walla club has signified its intention to bring at least 40 men and it will be necessary that all La Grande players qualify for this tournament. The committee will appreciate cooperation in this connections.

Jack Benner, the club professional, has been placed in charge of the maintenance of the course in connection with his regular position. Installation of a new fence for the driveway will begin immediately at the course.

20th Annual Convention of State Editors in Session at Roseburg

ROSEBURG, Aug. 5 (AP)—The twentieth annual convention of the Oregon State Editorial association opened here today with a record attendance. Over 100 persons registered this morning and more are expected this afternoon, while some will arrive tomorrow for the Bandon trip.

The convention opened with an address of welcome by Mayor Hoech, after which messages of greeting were read from Governor I. L. Patterson, Frank B. Irvine, editor of the Oregon Journal, Portland Press association, National Editorial association and Colorado Central association. Hal E. Hoss, secretary of the state association, was elected as a vice president in the National Editorial association representing Oregon.

Marsh at Dana, of Portland, who was to have spoken this morning, was called home, and E. H. Kipp, of the Portland chamber of commerce, made a brief address, explaining the prune situation to the growers, and showing the effort that is being made to organize to improve the market.

A burlesque was put on in place of the paper which was to have been given by George Putnam, of the Salem Capital Journal. Mr. Putnam was to have given an address on "The Decay of The Editorial," but was unable to be present. However, the paper was read, written in Mr. Putnam's distinctive style, roasting every editor of the state. Elbert Bede conducted a vitrolitic discussion in which he criticized the paper most severely. After the convention had been brought to fever heat by the statements, the chair announced that Mr. Bede had written both the address and the response.

Committee appoints were as follows:

Resolutions—E. E. Brodie, Oregon City; R. H. Jonas, Prineville; A. E. Voorheis, Grants Pass; Eldon Sackett, McMinnville; C. C. Chapman, Portland.

Nominations—Elbert Bede, Cottage Grove; Ralph Cosbie, Albany; S. S. Smith, Medford; J. C. Thomison, Hood River; Verne McKinney, Hillsboro.

Necrology — George Prichard, Portland; Carl Abrams, Salem; Miss Gregg, Eugene.

Following the taking of a group photograph, the convention adjourned until 2 p. m.

The afternoon session is to include addresses by Robert W. Sawyer, of Bend, and Luke S. May, of Seattle.

Tonight the editors are to be entertained at the Roseburg Country club.

Thinks Gibson Labored Under Misapprehension

Admiral Jellicoe Explains Value of Armed Merchant Ships in Interview in Geneva.

GENEVA, Aug. 5. (AP)—Hugh S. Gibson, chief American delegate to the late tri-partite naval conference, evidently labored under a misapprehension in making his statements regarding the value of armed merchant ships to Great Britain Admiral Jellicoe, former commander of the British grand fleet, declared today.

This statement was made by Admiral Jellicoe when questioned by British newspapermen regarding Mr. Gibson's statements on the subject in which he referred to Admiral Jellicoe as his authority.

German raiders which preyed upon allied commerce during the world war were the type of armed merchant ships referred to by Admiral Jellicoe, not ordinary liners, he explained today.

Explains Difference

"The converted merchant ship is for defense of trade, not attack," declared the admiral. "The German raiders were disguised men of war. They required many months to equip as such, and their guns were carefully concealed, so that when boarded they would not appear to be what they were."

With the passing of the tri-partite conference, interest here is turning toward its possible effect upon the preparations which the league of nations has been making for a general disarmament conference.

Visit Gibson

Count De Clauzel, France's permanent representative at the league of nations and French "8,194.34" at the naval conference, visited Mr. Gibson today to discuss the league's disarmament activities. It is understood that Mr. Gibson told the French representatives that he was heartily in favor of proceeding with the league's disarmament endeavors and that he saw no indication of any lack of interest on the part of the United States government in the work of the league's preparatory committee on disarmament which is scheduled to meet here again in November.

Said one prominent observer, here even express the opinion that the league's commission, by tenacious application and with the help of interested governments may succeed in solving some of the problems while the tri-partite parley was unable to overcome, possibly even the formidable question of cruiser tonnage limitation. Since the matter limiting auxiliary craft also is pending, the impression prevails here that it is all the more important for the United States to continue active collaboration with the league's disarmament studies. Indeed, it is reported in responsible quarters that the United States contemplates cooperating with the league in this direction to the fullest extent.

SEES NO BUILDING RACE

WASHINGTON, Aug. 5. (AP)—While the administration has yet to formulate its policy, it is regarded as certain in twell informed circles here that the collapse of the Geneva conference will not bring on a cruiser building race between the United States and Great Britain.

This view is predicated upon several elements in the present situation the known views of President Coolidge that the navy should be fashioned solely to the needs of national defense, the economic problem with its relation particularly to tax reduction, and the expressed hopes of the plenipotentiaries to Geneva and of Secretary Kellogg that ultimately that accord will be reached.

Liquor Fracas Ends In Shot and Arrest

ROSEBURG, Aug. 5. (AP)—Charges of assault with intent to kill were filed against Roy Hanley, Los Angeles, after he was alleged to have fired a shot at Jack Bailey, Medford, prospective bridegroom.

According to Sheriff Starmer, the affair involves bootlegging operations. Hanley, whom officers decline has been engaged in rum running between Portland and Los Angeles, some time ago asked Bailey to introduce him to a Medford bootlegger. Bally did so, and subsequently the bootlegger took a 180-gallon consignment from Hanley, agreeing to pay for it after sale. The bootlegger, however, failed to make good and Hanley blamed Bailey the sheriff stated.

Bailey who came here to get married was eating in a local restaurant with his fiance and some friends when Hanley entered, displaying a revolver and ordered Bailey outside. Bailey told the sheriff, that after he and Hanley went outside the latter demanded money he claimed to be due him. Bailey fled and Hanley fired at him, the bullet passing over Bailey's head and smashing a glass window of a store, the sheriff said.

KISS BRINGS RESULTS

CAMDEN, N. J.—A kiss he stole 52 years ago had its sequel when James G. Angus, 86, obtained a license to marry Mrs. Elizabeth Taylor, 72.

AVIATORS IN GERMANY SET FLIGHT MARK

Remain in Air 52 Hours 23 Minutes, Breaking All Records

3,753 MILES GIVEN AS THE DISTANCE

Flyers "Shuttle" Between Desau and Leipsic—Plan to Cross Atlantic to U. S. Next.

DESAU, Germany, Aug. 5 (AP)—Cornelius Edzard and Johann Risticz brought their Junkers M-32 plane to earth at 10:13 a. m. after having established a new world endurance flight record of 52 hours 23 minutes. The former record, 51 hours, 11 minutes 25 seconds was held by Clarence Chamberlin and Bert Acosta.

Edzeard and Risticz began the grind at 5:50 o'clock Wednesday morning and spent their long hours in the air "shuttling" between Desau and Leipsic.

Cheer Flyers

The machine made a perfect landing. Both flyers were cheered wildly by a crowd which had assumed immense proportions after the news spread throughout Desau that the airmen had broken the record set by the Americans. The record was shattered at 9:02 o'clock this morning when the Junkers plane had been in the air 51 hours, 12 minutes, the start having been made at 5:50 o'clock Wednesday morning.

Now that the plane and the motor have survived the acid test, it is expected the first of the German trans-Atlantic hops will be undertaken early next week.

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Democratic Race Expected To Be East-West Fight

SIOUX CITY, Ia., Aug. 5. (AP)—Withdrawal of President Coolidge from the 1928 presidential race will not materially affect the campaign plans of the democratic party Charles W. Bryan, former governor of Nebraska and one time candidate for the vice presidency on the democratic ticket, believes.

"The campaign in 1928 will be against the Republican party as a whole for its failure to provide adequate relief for the agricultural west rather than against any individual," Mr. Bryan said.

Mr. Bryan expressed the opinion that the campaign would be along economic lines. "It will be the east against the west," he said. Any candidate, in order to be elected, must be from the middle west. The farmers are not so particular what party he comes from.

Roseburg Prune Growers Sign Up 500,000 Pounds

Unanimous Endorsement Given to Movement for State-Wide Marketing Organization

ROSEBURG, Aug. 5 (AP)—Unanimous endorsement of a state wide organization for the marketing of the 1928-29 prune crop was voiced yesterday afternoon at an enthusiastic meeting of nearly 300 prune growers and business men of Douglas county. The growers, after hearing a detailed explanation of the situation as it exists at present adopted a motion that the sense of the meeting be expressed as favoring a plan such as proposed by the committee of nine, or some similar plan, for the marketing of the prune crop for the ensuing two years.

The meeting at which this most important step was taken was one of the best of its kind ever held in Roseburg. The Moose hall was crowded to capacity by interested prune growers who were anxious to see some step taken to bring about a more satisfactory condition in the marketing end of the industry.

Dr. E. B. Stewart, president of the Roseburg chamber of commerce, presided. The attendance was made up of representative of nearly every prune growing section of the county and by a large number of Roseburg business men. Many women also were present and took part in the iscussions.

May Organize Pool

Following the adoption of the resolution favoring a state wide organization steps were taken to organize a pool of the Douglas

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LUTHER BAKER IS DOOMED TO DIE

Slayer of Washington Sheriff Found Guilty—Brothers Get Life

VANCOUVER, Wash., Aug. 5 (AP)—Luther Baker was convicted by a jury last night of murder in the first degree in connection with the slaying of Sheriff Lester M. Wood and will be sentenced to hang.

Ellis and Lewis Baker, his brothers, tried jointly with Luther, were convicted of first degree murder, but will be sentenced to life imprisonment. The jury deliberated three hours.

Sheriff Wood was shot from ambush in a raid on a still alleged to have been operated by the Baker brothers.

Defense counsel indicated a motion for a new trial would be filed.

SHOULD TEACH HIM

NEW YORK — Archibald C. Weeks, sanitation expert, was cut off in the will of his wife because he failed to keep his promise to remove a pile of rubbish from their back yard.

TRAGEDY TAKES LIFE OF BEAUTY

Almost on the eve of entry into the statewide contest for honors as Miss California, hope turned to tragedy for Miss Florence Salustro, 16, chosen as Miss Gilroy, and her life was crushed out in an elevator accident in San Francisco. The inset shows Miss Gilroy in bathing costume. Above, she is at the right of a group of Atlantic City beauty contestants.

FOREST FIRE PERIL GROWS IN NORTHWEST

Hundreds of Blazes Reported over Washington and Oregon Territory

NONE ARE BURNING IN UNION COUNTY

First of Season Reported in Wallowa County—Two Set by Men; All Under Control.

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 5 (AP)—Hundreds of fire fighters today were waging a grim battle against forest fires in national forest preserves of the northwest.

Most of the fires were started by electrical storms during the past week, unaccompanied by rain. Latest reports available at the federal district forest office here showed that about one hundred fires were burning in the Columbia national forest, Southern Washington, and 108 fires on the adjacent Rainier forest.

One fire, covering 100 acres, was burning uncontrolled on Railroad creek in the Chelan forest, Wash.

Sixty-four fires have been reported in the Wenatchee national forest in the past five days.

Yacolt Fire Large

The largest firest in the Columbia reserve in what is known as the Yacolt burn, an area of 300,000 acres burned over in 1902. The old fire left thousands of snags standing, trees killed but only slightly burned. Forest officials keep a constant guard over the area, fearing the day when a blaze would get started in the tinder-like timber. At present there are four large fires sweeping over the old burn. All efforts ae being directed toward surrounding the four fires, with no attempt being made to save the forest between the fired areas.

The Vancouver army barracks has supplied mules, trucks and a squad of men to aid in taking supplies in to the fire fighters in this region.

Another large fire in the Columbia forest is sweeping over an old burn of 3,000 acres on the Little White Salmon watershed, threatening a heavy stand of yong timber.

NO FIRES HERE

No reports of forest fires have been received in Union county so far this summer.

THREE IN WALLOWA

WALLOWA, Ore., Aug. 5—The season's first forest fires in the Wallowa national forest were reported this week, with a logging crew, whose carelessness caused one, being fined when brought before Justice Spence, of Wallowa,

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YOUNG WOMAN SLAYS LOVER, THEN SUICIDES

HOLLYWOOD, Cal., Aug. 5. (AP)—Unrequited love was held by the police today to have caused Betty M. Gottlieb, 25, to slay Hamilton W. Mannon, 28, movie studio official, and then fire a fatal bullet into her own head while the two sat in an automobile about midnight.

Mannon was dead with a bullet in his brain when the police were called by neighbors who heard the shooting. Miss Gottlieb was slumped in her seat beside him with a bullet wound in the head and the gun in her right hand. She died later in the emergency hospital.

The police reported that an associate of Mannon's in the technical arts studio told them the couple had been much in each other's company for over a year but that recently Mannon had endeavored to end the friendship.

TODAY'S GAMES

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	R.	H.	E.
Philadelphia	5-12		1
Pittsburg	7	9	0

Batteries: Ferguson, Ulrich and Jonnard; Aldridge, Yde and Gooch, Smith.

	R.	H.	E.
New York	9	5	2
Cincinnati	2	7	1

Batteries: Barnes, Benge and Taylor; Devormer, Luque and Sukeforth.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	R.	H.	E.
Detroit	2	9	1
New York	5	8	0

Batteries: Holloway, Smith and Woodall; Hoyt and Collins.

	R.	H.	E.
Chicago	1	7	3
Boston	5	8	2

Batteries: Connally and McCurdy; Harris and Hofmann.

Cleveland - Philadelphia games postponed, threatening weather.