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Clear, fair tonight and
Wednesday. Moderate temperature.
Rising humidity in the interior.

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WHEAT YIELD
49 BUSHELS
TO THE ACRECrop on Galloway Bros.
Farm, Near Elgin Is
the Best YetMUCH OPTIMISM
OVER THE VALLEYHarvest Starting in Ear-
nest Now—Farmers Be-
lieve Yield Will Live
Up to Predictions.

With the harvesting of the wheat crop in the Grande Ronde valley just now well under way, indications are that the yield will come up to all of the early season predictions.

The best yield heard of so far since the harvest started was delivered to the Elgin warehouse Saturday. The wheat came from the Galloway brothers farm, three miles south of Elgin, where 21 acres were planted to forty-fold wheat last fall. The harvest resulted in 677 bushels of wheat, or more than 1500 bushels, averaging about 45 bushels of grain to the acre of land.

Very Good Yield
This is considered a very good yield for this county. However, there is a possibility that an even better yield will be reported here the close of the harvest season.

The harvest is just now getting a good start, and in several fields where the grain was a little later in ripening it has not yet started. A very small percentage of the harvest has been hauled to Island City Milling company warehouses, which are located at various places over the county.

Farmers are optimistic over the harvest yield and many believe it will be one of the best ever in the Grande Ronde valley.

UNION FARMERS BUSY
UNION, Ore., Aug. 9. (Special)—Repair work at the Union Flouring mill has been completed and the mill is busy receiving grain.
Most of the machines in this end of the valley have been threshing for several days and the yield is very good. Threshing along Catherine and Little creeks will begin in about a week as the grain is not quite ripe there yet.

EYES BLINDED,
'DAREDEVIL' TO
CLIMB BUILDING

Considerable interest is shown in the statement yesterday made by "Daredevil" Craig, who announced that, blindedfold, he would drive an automobile up and down Adams avenue this evening and immediately following, still blindedfold, he would seat the La Grande National bank building and do stunts on the outer edge.

Mr. Craig says that he is the only man who attempts to scale buildings blindedfold. He has many other stunt accomplishments to his credit and also declares for motor stunts, he declares.

BATTERIES NOT TAXABLE
AS AUTO ACCESSORIES

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 9. (AP)—Federal Judge O. R. Dickinson, in an opinion today held that storage batteries are not taxable as automobile accessories under the federal excise rate of 5 per cent of the selling price.

The decision was considered of far-reaching importance to the auto industry.

ROBBER GETS \$10,000

SANTA MONICA, Cal., Aug. 9. (AP)—An unnamed robber staged a robbery of William Manton, veteran messenger for the Marine Bank of Ocean Park, near here today and ordered him of \$10,000 in cash which he was transferring to a Los Angeles bank.

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 it is a question of maintaining contact with present customers and establishing contact with new ones.

The business man who does that consistently knows that he 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—
A Merchandise Service"

Power Company
Is Constructing
66,000 Volt LineWhen Completed Im-
provement Will Make a
Large Block of Power
Available Here.

Construction work will be practically completed this week at the Barker-Rails stretch of 23 miles of 66,000-volt electric transmission line which will mean the interconnection of Eastern Oregon Light and Power company and the Idaho Power company, according to J. P. Lathrop, vice president and general manager of the local utility.

Work is now being done by the pole setting and wire stringing crews in the city of Baker and the local digging and pole distributing crews have already started on the Baker to Union stretch of line, which is to be completed not later than November 1st. A crew of approximately 60 men is being employed in the work.

Double Pole Construction
The line from Durfee to Baker is of double pole construction with long spans of wire. Through Baker and on to North Powder, it will be of single pole construction and from North Powder to Union of double pole type. The line is constructed to carry 66,000 volts but the line from Baker to Union will be operated for the present at the present high voltage of the company which is 23,000 volts.

A modern 48,000 to 22,500 volt outdoor substation is to be constructed at the corner of Elm and Grace streets, in Baker. The property is now being fenced and the three large transformers, rated at 2000 k. v. a. are now on hand. The property will be improved in appearance by the planting of parking trees and shrubbery and the installation of the substation will be completed by November 1st.

All materials are on hand to complete the line to Union which will be in there with the La Grande-Union high line which was built in 1925. When completed this development will make a large block of power available for La Grande.

WEEK END PARTY
AT LAKE RESORTGreater O. A. C. Commit-
tee to Sponsor Gather-
ing at Wonderland

A group of students and alumni of the Oregon Agricultural college met last evening at the chambers of commerce offices here to make plans for a week end party to be held Aug. 20 and 21 at Walden lake under the auspices of the Greater O. A. C. committee.

Miss Frieda Klopferstein, who is chairman of the committee in Eastern Oregon, is also general chairman in charge of the party. Several committees were appointed last night to assist her in making arrangements.

The party is for all O. A. C. students, alumni and friends in Baker, Unionville, Wallawa and Union counties. There will be a dance and lunch party Saturday evening at the lake and breakfast Sunday morning. About 100 persons are expected to attend.

Surprise Flight
Is London Rumor

SOUTHAMPTON, Eng., Aug. 9. (AP)—The possibility that Captain Frank T. Courtney is preparing for a surprise getaway on his transatlantic flight in the flying boat "White" was suggested today in some quarters in the Courtney camp. The likelihood that this surprise might be sprung tomorrow or Thursday also was hinted at.

Old Folks Will
Picnic At Union
Tomorrow, 2 P.M.

UNION, Ore., Aug. 9. (Special)—The Women's Christian Temperance Union committee in charge and Roy Conklin, chairman of the day, have about completed the arrangements for the annual Old Folks picnic which is being held at Goodland lake on Wednesday afternoon of this week. A program will begin at 2 o'clock and will probably be as follows:

Invocation, Jacob Kohler; address of welcome, Mayor M. S. Levy; response, Mrs. Belle Wright; roll call; talk, the Rev. Mr. Dickinson; solo, Glad Pratt; of La Grande; solo, Robert Wilkerson; reading, Agnes Padlock; talk, the Rev. Mr. Levi; solo, Edna Baxter; talk, C. L. Caldwell; solo, Tom Smith; remarks, the Rev. Mr. Braden; talk, Dunham Wright of Medford Springs; and benediction.

The women have prepared and will serve all present with an additional picnic dinner at the close of the program. Other forms of entertainment will round out the afternoon.

In order that no one will be unable to be present and enjoy the picnic on account of inability to reach the grounds, there will be a number of cars ready to call at each home and take the old folks to the grounds.

TIME BOMB FOUND

CHICAGO, Aug. 9. (AP)—A dynamite bomb with an electrical timing device set to cause an explosion at 11 o'clock tonight was found today in a dilapidated building adjoining the subway office at 1201 West Madison street. The infernal machine was found by a hula who heard the clock ticking. He informed the police.

AIR RACE TO
ISLANDS WILL
BE THRILLERThirteen Flyers to Hop
Off From San Francisco
on Next Friday\$25,000 OFFERED
TO RACE WINNERBennett Griffin, Oklaho-
ma Entry, to Start First
—Jack Frost, of Frisco,
Last on List.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 9. (AP)—The \$25,000 Dole prize air race to Honolulu next Friday held the beacon light of interest on the Pacific coast today.

With places in the starting line fixed by drawings here in which Bennett Griffin, Oklahoma entry, came off with first place assigned to his Traveler monoplane, the Dole flyers reached the warm-up stage today.

Over night the list of entrants was cut from 15 to 13, when Frank L. Clark, Hollywood flyer and Robert Fowler, pioneer San Francisco airman, withdrew. Clark has a small monoplane and Fowler was unable to purchase or build a plane before the start Friday.

Order of Take-Off

The following placed the starters in the drawing (take-off order at the fields indicated):
1. Bennett Griffin, Oklahoma City, Oakland airport.
2. Norman Goddard, San Diego, Oakland airport.
3. Charles W. Parkhurst, Loma, Ill., Oakland airport.
4. John A. Pedlar, Detroit, Mich., Oakland airport.
5. Captain William P. Erwin, Dallas, Tex., Oakland airport.
6. Frederick A. Giles, Detroit, Mich., Oakland airport.
7. Major Livingston Irving, Berkeley, Cal., Mills field.
8. Captain James L. Griffin, un-declared.
9. Art Goebel, Hollywood, Mills field.
10. Martin Jensen, Honolulu, un-declared.
11. Leut. George D. Covell, San Diego, un-declared.
12. Arthur V. Rodgers, Long Beach, Oakland.
13. Jack Frost, San Francisco, Mills field.

At Mills field, south San Francisco and the Oakland airport the Dole flyers made ready for the hop-off by undergoing investigation supervised by Lieut. Ben Woot of North Island air station, San Diego.

Some Planes Yet to Come

Entrants whose planes have not yet arrived in California were expected to quicken their plans for departure from home long ago today. Captain William P. Erwin expects to leave up from Dallas with his "Dallas Spirit" tonight. Captain Frederick Giles, tonight, his Detroit bomber ready for a dash to the Pacific coast; Lieut. George Covell and Lieut. R. S. Wagoner were of San Diego, putting in finishing touches on their planes; Captain Arthur Rodgers' "Pride of Los Angeles" was in the southern city awaiting christening ceremonies before a take off for Oakland; and Charles Parkhurst, flying the "City of Peoria" was ready to hop from Orem, Utah, where he landed late yesterday from Loma, Ill., with Ralph Lewis, his navigator.

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Rogue River Pear
Shipment Is Ready

MEDFORD, Ore., Aug. 9. (AP)—The first crop of Rogue river valley Bartlett pears for this season will be shipped from the orchard of H. Van Thurensburg, at Gold Hill tonight. They are consigned to New York and are extra large.

Forest Fires in The Northwest
Are Being Brought Under Control

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 9. (AP)—The Shreve King fire, in the Olympic national forest near Lake Cowardin, Wash., was one of the few remaining dangerous fires being fought today by crews from district headquarters here of the forest service. This fire was expected to be controlled tonight.

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KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Aug. 9. (AP)—Weary but still able to make his own way Dr. L. E. Gass, eye, ear and nose and throat specialist, this noon made his way back to civilization after being completely lost on the west slope of the Cascade mountain range for two days.

Dr. Gass was picked up on the lake of the woods road shortly after he had come from the timber onto the thoroughfare, by Arthur Leavitt, rocky point. He had taken the wrong trail Sunday on his return from Lake Umbagog and had wandered aimlessly for 48 hours trying to find his way out.

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Aug. 9. (AP)—Tentative plans for construction of a joint city and county isolation hospital will be discussed next Saturday afternoon at a meeting of the city council with the county court it was decided by the council last night.

Northwest Realty
Association Elects
Williams As Head

SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 9. (AP)—Sherwood Williams, of La Grande, Ore., was elected president of the Pacific Northwest Real Estate association late today. Victoria was selected for the next convention city. Mr. Williams has been active in the association for many years, and the honor of this office came as a fitting reward for his services. His home city was host to the realtors' convention last year.

International Fire
Chiefs in Portland

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 9. (AP)—The international convention of fire chiefs opened here today with welcoming addresses to which Chief Joseph N. Sullivan of Union, N. Y., responded. Unveiling of a bronze relief of the late Chief David Campbell of Portland, was a feature of the morning program.

Failure of Governor L. E. Peterson to appear to welcome the delegates drew comment at the first meeting this morning.

Trouble Causes
3 Chinese Deaths

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The structure was situated in the Chinese city on the border of the French concession and was used as a public market.

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AGAIN—WHITE HOUSE PETS



Mrs. Calvin Coolidge's private menagerie is growing during her stay in the Black Hills. Here she is shown with three new members—Ebenzer, a democratic mule, Diana, a white cat, and Tiny Tim, a clown. Ebenzer and Diana, it should be noted, are just getting acquainted.

Standard Oil To
Have U. S. Rights
On Synthetic Gas

NEW YORK, Aug. 9. (AP)—A tentative agreement has been made by Walter C. Teagle, president of the Standard Oil company of New Jersey, and the German Dye trust, whereby his company will take German patents for making synthetic gasoline from bituminous coal. Details as to terms, which have not yet reached the New York office, are subject to ratification by the directors.

The arrangement with the German Dye trust is regarded as a possible move on the part of the New Jersey company in the event of a shortage of crude oil in the future. No early production of synthetic gasoline is believed likely, partly because of the present overabundance of crude petroleum and the fact that the synthetic product cannot be produced at a price to compete with gasoline refined from oil.

Representatives of the German interests have claimed the cost process would permit production of gas at 10 cents a gallon.

Counsel Appeals
To Supreme Court

BOSTON, Aug. 9. (AP)—Counsel for Fredericko Varenti and Nicola Pardo today filed with the chief justice of the state supreme court an appeal from the decision of a Superior Court Judge George A. Kennedy denying the condemned men a writ of error. Judge Kennedy's decision was rendered yesterday.

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200,000 Bushels of
Wheat Purchased

PENDLETON, Aug. 9. (AP)—The flurry on the wheat market yesterday caused farmers and dealers in this section to talk shop and some 200,000 bushels of wheat changed hands at a price quoted at \$1.19 in the "as is" basis.

By the middle of next week the wheat harvest in the county will be 75 to 80 per cent finished. The light loads have been yielding exceptionally heavy, while the heavier loads have not exceeded a normal yield.

Coolidge Turns
Down Plea Made
For Doomed MenSacco-Vanzetti Case En-
tirely a Matter for Dis-
posal by Massachusetts
Courts, He Says.

RAPID CITY, S. D., Aug. 9. (AP)—It was reiterated at the Sacco-Vanzetti case today that President Coolidge considered the Sacco-Vanzetti case entirely a matter for disposal by Massachusetts courts.

The president knows of no appeal to him by the Sacco-Vanzetti defense counsel.

Recommendations for clemency have reached Mr. Coolidge from time to time, sent to him on what is considered to be the erroneous impression that the United States government has an interest in the case. These have been referred to the department of justice.

POLICE POSTED

NEW YORK, Aug. 9. (AP)—One thousand patrolmen were posted at Union Square today and similar detachments were placed at some 20 halls throughout the city to preserve order during what its leaders said would be the largest strike in the history of New York, called for one day in protest against the impending execution of Sacco and Vanzetti.

The strike, which Sacco-Vanzetti sympathizers said would bring out between 500,000 and 750,000 persons, began in orderly manner. The workers left their places of employment quietly and proceeded without disturbance to various meeting places. Strike leaders estimated that the walkout involved 75 to 80 per cent of the workers in the garment district, who number about 100,000. In the fur district no walkout was evident up to shortly before noon and shop heads were positive that there would be none.

Expect No Disturbance

Police expressed the belief that there would be no disturbances in connection with the sympathy strike but every precautionary measure was taken. Besides the assignment of extra police at the meeting places, armed motor-cyclers were held in readiness and special automobiles carrying beach-bombs were prepared for immediate use in case of emergency.

Edward Levinson, secretary of the strike committee, asserted that 145,000 workers had walked out this morning. He based his assertion on reports he had received from officials of local unions.

FORD OPPOSES DEATH

DETROIT, Aug. 9. (AP)—Regardless of the fairness or the unfairness of the trial of Nicola Sacco and Bartolomeo Vanzetti, they should not be executed, Henry Ford said today in reiterating his disbelief in capital punishment.

600 Legionnaires
To Sail Tonight
For "Gay Paree"

HOBOKEN, N. J., Aug. 9. (AP)—Six hundred members of the American Legion, many of whom sailed for France from this port ten years ago under far different circumstances, will embark tonight on the S. S. President Harding for the legion convention in Paris.

Seventeen war brides will accompany their husbands. It will be their first visit with relatives since they left France.

Thirty-eight states are represented in the group sailing tonight.

Bombing Suspect
Freed By Court

NEW YORK, Aug. 9. (AP)—Maurice Segel, a dentist who had been held without bail on suspicion of participation in the bombing of two subway stations Friday night, was discharged by Yorkville court today for lack of evidence.

Segel was arrested early Saturday by a patrolman who said he became suspicious when he saw the dentist peering into a window of St. Patrick's cathedral at Fifth avenue and 28th street.

Union Plumbers
Strike in Eugene

EUGENE, Ore., Aug. 9. (AP)—Union plumbers went on strike here last night, following a refusal of bosses to sign an agreement giving the journeymen \$8 a day, effective January 1.

At a meeting held in the labor temple, the journeymen plumbers voted to not return to work this morning.

As a consequence, a period of lockjacking between the union men and employers which started more than three months ago, came to an abrupt end.

BOMB EXPLODED

LONDON, Aug. 9. (AP)—A bomb was exploded in the Aldwych station of the Underground railway at 10 o'clock this morning. No one was injured.

TODAY'S GAMES

NATIONAL LEAGUE
New York..... 8 13 1
Pittsburgh..... 7 13 2
Baltimore..... 6 13 1
Washington and Taylor; Devores; Meadows, Hill and Gooch.

AMERICAN LEAGUE
New York..... 8 13 1
Philadelphia..... 8 13 1
Baltimore; Ruthen; Higgins and Walters; and Cochran.

Boston-Detroit game postponed.