

CITY
EDITION

La Grande Evening Observer

THE WEATHER

OREGON: Cloudy tonight and Sunday. Moderate temperature. Gentle variable winds.

VOLUME XXVI.

MEMBER ASSOCIATED PRESS

LA GRANDE, OREGON, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 1927

MEMBER ASSOCIATED PRESS

NUMBER 72

HEAVY LOSS OF LIFE IN NEW ENGLAND

\$383,536 TO
BE RAISED IN
TAXES IN 1928County Budget Calls for
\$426,486 with Receipts
Set at \$42,950LIBRARY REQUEST
IS NOT GRANTEDTotal of Estimated Expenditures Larger for the
Next Year Than 1927
Budget Allowed.

Union county's budget for 1928, prepared yesterday by the budget committee, totals \$426,486—\$18,723.34 more than the budget for 1927, which totaled \$407,762.66. The entire budget was carefully considered by the budget committee and amounts added where necessary and totals cut down when possible.

The biggest increase in the entire budget came in the market road fund, a total of \$65,000 being allowed for this item, or \$25,000 more than this year.

\$383,536 to Be Raised
Estimated receipts for the year 1928 will total \$42,950, which will leave \$383,536 to be raised by tax levy, as compared with \$383,463.66 this year. The estimated receipts this year were higher than listed on next year's budget, the amount for 1927 being \$44,950, or \$2000 more than the 1928 estimate.

Increases
The increase in the general fund amounts to \$1833, the total estimated expense for 1928 being \$84,411 as compared with \$82,578 this year. There was \$67,118 to be raised by tax levy this year and \$72,461 in 1928, the estimated receipts this year being higher than for next year. This year's figure was \$15,450 and the new estimate is \$11,950.

A total of \$250 more was allowed for the sheriff's office for next year, the fund for traveling expense, service of papers, etc., being increased a little and \$100 more added for office supplies and expenses. The amount allowed for 1928 is \$555 and this year the total was \$3275. An additional \$100 was also allowed the tax collecting department. This year the department was allowed \$1650 and next year it will be given \$1750.

The same amount as last year of \$7035 was allowed for the clerk's office, and the treasurer's office was given \$1536 for 1928 as compared with \$1591 for this year. The assessor's office was given the same amount as last year, \$4980, and the official court reporter was allowed \$1200.

The county school superintendent's office was allowed \$200 more than this year, \$100 extra being allowed for boys' and girls' club work, in which the school superintendent is active, and a small amount being added for office supplies.

(Continued on Page 5)

2,069 PUPILS
ENROLLED IN
SCHOOLS HERE

Total school enrollment in La Grande at the end of the second term is given as 2,069, by Supt. J. T. Longfellow. This is an increase of 41 over the figures for the same time last year, when the total enrollment amounted to 2,028.

The high school student body now numbers 565, which is the largest in local history, it is said.

PROGRESSIVE
BOTH
WAYS

When you stop to consider the business firms that are aggressive, up-to-the-minute in their methods, goods and service, you find that most of them are aggressive and constant advertisers.

The very fact that they value your trade and favor enough to keep constant contact with you through advertising messages in the Observer indicates the right-standing ability of these firms to satisfy you when you spend your money. An aggressive advertiser usually means an aggressive business man—and an aggressive business man means the best merchandise, the best values and the best service that he knows how to provide. He knows that permanent business success is built only with satisfied customers.

"Observer Advertising—
A Merchandising Service"

Light and Power
Company's Home
Near Completion

Officials Expect to Move
Into New Building on
Elm Street About 15th
of November.

The Eastern Oregon Light & Power company's new \$45,000 office building, said to be among the finest of its kind in this part of the state, is rapidly nearing completion, and officials believe, will be opened some time around Nov. 15. The exact opening date has not been determined and now depends to some extent upon the arrival of interior material. The building, however, is practically completed and the installations of the furnishings is well under way. Located on Elm street across from the city hall, the building presents an unusually attractive appearance, combining architectural beauty and modern convenience. The structure is 30x35 and is a one-story brick. A cement court and drive leads into the basement from the side alley and will be used in transporting freight. The basement is already stocked with merchandise and hardware. The interior of the building is finished in oak while the floors are maple. Steel office equipment throughout is being installed. A large part of the furniture and display cases are already in the building.

La Grande Team
Withdrawn From
Field at Union

During the first half of the Union-La Grande second team football game at Union yesterday afternoon, the two eleven-men evenly matched, see-sawed back and forth upon the field, both managing to drive over a touchdown. At half time the score stood La Grande 7, Union 6.

Union Minister To
Speak at Luncheon

Important business will be taken up Tuesday at the regular chamber of commerce forum luncheon at the Sommer hotel, and all members are asked to attend, according to announcement made this morning.

Bar Association
To Hear Rossman

The Union County Bar association will hold a banquet tonight at 6:30 at the Foley hotel when Judge George Rossman, justice of the Oregon supreme court, will be the speaker and his subject will be "Windy Days on the Deep Sea." Mr. Lee was formerly a sea captain of a sailing vessel and has made several trips around the horn.

Elgin Will Build
School Gymnasium

ELGIN, Ore., Nov. 5 (Special)—A special school meeting was held in the high school rooms Thursday evening, Nov. 3, for the purpose of voting on a proposition to build an auditorium and gymnasium. The proposition carried by a large majority of 59 to 9. Frank Smith offered to donate a plot of ground to build on. This was voted on and accepted.

TWO QUAKES FELT

SANTA MARIA, Cal., Nov. 5 (AP)—Two light earthquakes were felt here early today. The duration of each was nearly half a minute. No damage was done.

CARDS SCORE
6 POINTS IN
FIRST HALF

Stanford Leads Washington
University Early
in Game Today

PENNSYLVANIA IS
VICTOR IN EAST

Minnesota Holds Notre
Dame to Tie—Princeton
Is Easy Winner—Yale
Trims Maryland.

STADIUM, SEATTLE, Nov. 5 (AP)—A wet but firm field and a cloudy day greeted the undefeated Stanford and Washington universities when the two teams came to battle in the Washington stadium this afternoon to decide, for the present, the grid supremacy of the Pacific coast conference.

A light rain began falling about an hour before the starting whistle, after a let-up of several hours this morning. Just as the battle was about to start, the rain stopped.

W. D. VAUGHN WINS
IN GOLF TOURNAMENT

Defeats Chase Bohnenkamp
in Annual Country Club Handicap

W. D. Vaughn won the La Grande country club handicap golf tournament yesterday, when he defeated Chase Bohnenkamp 9-8. As a reward for winning the tournament Mr. Vaughn has been given the cup donated by the Oregon Hardware company, which he will hold for one year, when it will be transferred to the winner of next year's tournament. The handicap tournament last about two months.

Many Pleasing Numbers in Musical

Comedy to Be Presented Nov. 7-8

"Hello, There," which will be presented in the Arcade theater Monday and Tuesday nights under the auspices of the La Grande Neighborhood club, is described by those who have been privileged to witness rehearsals, as one of the best amateur productions ever presented here.

Lorena Trickey
Tells Dramatic
Tale of Killing

Plunged a Dagger into
Heart of Smiling Slim
Harris to Prevent Drunken
Attack, She Says

LAKEVIEW, Ore., Nov. 5 (AP)—A dramatic tale of being chased by her drink-crazed paramour, J. P. (Smiling Slim) Harris, of being forced to defend her life on a lonely road on the outskirts of Lakeview at dusk of the night of Sept. 2 of plunging a long dagger through the heart of the man she loved, and of nights when the vision of "her man" haunted her, was told today by Lorena Trickey, picturesque little rodeo rider who goes on trial in this city Monday morning for the murder of Harris.

The plot of Miss Trickey will be self defense. A. S. Jettmore, her attorney, announced that he had unearthed conclusive evidence that will support the plea.

The attractive and popular little rodeo star, aided by her attorney, revealed in detail for the first time today, her version of the tragedy which ended with the death of her husband.

Lorena Wanted to Drive
"Smiling Slim" was drunk; so drunk, Lorena said, that as they were driving from the rodeo grounds towards Lakeview, that the car swerved from the road.

"You'd better let me drive Slim, you're too damned drunk," Jettmore quoted her as saying.

That remark was the match which fired the flame in Harris' mind. Cursing he reached for a wrench and raising it high struck Lorena several times, she said.

Dodging the blows and at the same time pleading with her lover to desist, Lorena jumped from the front seat into the back, opened the door, leaped off the running board on to the road and ran about 20 feet from the car.

Second Ward of
Church Presents
Several Plays

The Second Ward L. D. S. church was well filled last night when the ward presented several plays and entertainment acts as a feature of the first day of their bazaar.

A one-act playlet, "The Magic Needle," opened the program and was followed by a rendition, "Aesop's Fables," by Alice Cook, Vera Blair and Frank Dean won hearty applause with their presentation of "The Two Black Crows" and responded with an original encore. A group of young men and women then presented a group of old-time melodies in an interesting manner.

Scandal Enmeshes
Boxing Commission

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 5 (AP)—The Dundee-Huddins fight scandal today enmeshed the California athletic commission when the city prosecutor announced he had notified the three commissioners to appear before him next Monday and give satisfactory answers to the three questions, or be made parties to "the gigantic fight fraud."

Flies to Return
Home Next Week

PARIS, Nov. 5 (AP)—Both Elder and Captain George Halderman who arrived in Paris by plane last week, but not in the illustrated "American Girl" in which they hoped to fly here from New York, departed from Paris by train this morning.

THE SCORE

SYRACUSE, N.Y., Nov. 5 (AP)—Ohio Wesleyan university's team lived up to its title of the "batting bishops" here this afternoon when they held the powerful Syracuse university gridgers to a 6 to 6 tie.

THE FIRST COLD SNAP



GRID SCORES

High School (Friday)
Milton-Freewater 9, Baker high 9

College (Today)
Pennsylvania 22, Harvard 9.
Pittsburg 6, Washington and Jefferson 0 (tie).
Syracuse 6, Ohio Wesleyan 6 (tie).
Yale 30, Maryland 6.
Princeton 20, Ohio state 6.
Bucknell 20, Lehigh 6.
Dartmouth 15, Brown 7.
Westley 12, Williams 0.
New York U 20, Carnegie Tech 6.
Columbia 7, John Hopkins 7 (tie).
Villanova 13, Boston college 7.
Penn State 18, George Washington 0.
Holy Cross 7, Fordham 2.
Iowa State 7, Drake 0.
Navy 26, West Virginia Wesleyan 0.
Georgetown 27, Lafayette 2.
Purdue 18, Northwestern 6.
Wisconsin 20, Grinnell 6.
Alabama 21, Kentucky 6.
Missouri 13, West Virginia 0.
Illinois 14, Iowa 0.
Notre Dame 7, Minnesota 7 (tie).
St. Xavier 13, Quantico Marines 14.
Army 45, Franklin and Marshall 6.
Michigan 14, Chicago 9.
Cornell 6, St. Bonaventure 6 (tie).
Utah 42, Alfred 6.
Indiana 22, Michigan State 7.
Stanford 6, Washington U 0 (end of second quarter).
Montana 0, California 0 (end of first quarter).

WOMAN GIVEN
TWO YEARS IN
STATE PRISON

SALEM, Ore., Nov. 5 (AP)—Mrs. Ruth W. Lockwood, of near Turner, whose automobile struck down and killed Maynard Sawyer, Salem druggist, July 19 last, was today sentenced by Judge Percy H. Kelly to serve two years in the state penitentiary and pay a fine of \$500. She was convicted of involuntary manslaughter. Her attorneys announced they would appeal to the supreme court.

Secretaries Vote
Against \$3 Car Fee

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 5 (AP)—The state association of chamber of commerce secretaries in session here, late yesterday adopted a resolution opposing petitions now being circulated for reduction of automobile license fees to \$3 and \$5.

Turnesa Leading
Walter Hagen at
Eighteenth Hole

DALLAS, Tex., (Press Time AP flash)—Walter Hagen defeated Joe Turnesa today.

135 Killed When
Building Falls

SHANGHAI, Nov. 5 (AP)—About 135 women and children were killed today in the collapse of a building where women textile workers had gathered to form a new labor union.

RUSH RELIEF
TO FLOODED
AREA TODAY

Property Damage Reported
as Huge in Several
Affected States

RUSH RELIEF
TO FLOODED
AREA TODAY

Property Damage Reported
as Huge in Several
Affected States

MONTPELIER DEATH
LIST MAY BE BIG

Rumors Indicate Many
Score Drowned—Gov-
ernment Offers Planes
to Rescue Workers.

NEW BEDFORD, Mass., Nov. 5
(AP)—Seven persons, including
Lieutenant Governor S. Hollister
Jackson, of Vermont, lost their
lives in Barre, Vt., in the flood
waters, a radio message from the
Barre Times to The Associated
Press and picked up here by amateur
state 1BSQ today, said.

By the Associated Press

Raging rivers continued to
spread death and destruction
through the valleys of Northern
and Western New England today,
paralyzing communication, and
shrouding the extent of the disaster
in uncertainty.

While more than 30 lives were
known to have been lost, unconfirmed, indefinite reports from the
isolated area indicated that the
death toll might mount above 200.

The mystery's darkest center
hovered over Montpelier, Vt., from
which there issued vague reports
of loss of life varying from 137 to
212 persons.

The bursting of a reservoir was
said to have sent more than 10
feet of water swirling through the
city.

Lieut. Governor Dead

A wireless message from the
stricken area to the Associated
Press picked up at Binghamton,
N. Y., reported the loss of 10 lives
and among them was said to be
Lieut. Governor Jackson. A similar
message, picked up at Hudson,
Mass., however, mentioned
persistent but unverified reports
of high loss of life at Montpelier,
but made no mention of any loss
of life at Barre.

The meager reports pictured in
dim outline thousands of men, women
and children, homeless and
exposed to the rigors of steadily
dropping temperatures with food
supply cut off and without means
of appealing for help.

Property Damage Great

The damage to property, according
to early estimates, mounted
into staggering sums, with in addition
thousands of persons were
temporarily deprived of livelihood
with the paralysis of industry.

While the Green Mountain region
of Vermont and the Berkshire
region of Massachusetts were the
most seriously affected, the flood
waters were pouring over into
other New England states, New
York and the province of Quebec,
tearing buildings and ripping
bridges from their foundations.

The American Red Cross, already
providing 50,000 meals a day to the
Mississippi flood sufferers, was
mobilizing relief work for the
new victims in the east. Six workers
were rushed to the flood areas and
all local chapters were authorized
to expend their funds to meet any
emergency.

Service Crippled

Relief work was slowly handicapped
because of being cut off from
Boston and other cities of the
New England coast cut off
from the inland dairy section, were
in imminent danger of a milk famine.

While intermittent wire communication
was being maintained, it was
scarcely sufficient to keep off, ominous
silence still hovered over
Montpelier, Barre and St. Johnsbury,
Vt., and frantic efforts to
reach them by radio and airplane
were under way.

Railways Flooded

Many miles of both railway and
highway in the Green and White
mountains and Berkshire regions
were inundated, swept away, or
buried under landslides.

As the crest of the flood waters
accumulated from more than two
days of the heavy rainfall which
gushed over New England, swept
down the Connecticut river, the
water were rising steadily in the
wide valley through Massachusetts
and Connecticut but were reported
to be receding farther north.

E. S. OFFICERS AID

WASHINGTON, Nov. 5 (AP)—
President Coolidge has ordered
several army planes to fly from
Boston over the New England
flood area in the hope of obtaining
information as to the extent
of the disaster there. Mr. Coolidge
also has directed Secretary
Javis of the department to confer
with Governor Weeks, of Vermont,
to ascertain if the government
can be of any aid to the
states in meeting relief demands.

(Continued on Page 4.)

Strangler Will
Hang January 13
For His Crimes

WINNIPEG, Man., Nov. 5 (AP)—
Earle Nelson, alleged "strangler"
and "tiger man," was convicted
of the murder of Mrs. Emily
Patterson, by a jury in a
sideline court here today after brief
deliberation. Nelson immediately
was sentenced to hang January 13.

Nelson heard the verdict without
emotion, standing erect, with his
hands behind his back and his head
thrown back in his characteristic
pose.

Mr. Justice Dymart asked the
prisoner if he had anything to say
before sentence was pronounced,
without a change of expression Nelson
said: "By reason I'm not
guilty."

The court asked if he had anything
else to say and the reply was
"No, not that I know of."

There was no disturbance of any
kind in the courtroom when the
verdict and sentence were announced.

Nelson was immediately taken in
charge by his two guards and
marched back to the provincial
jail.

January 13, 1928 falls on Friday.

'Ape Man' Stirs
Portland; Makes
Attack on Woman

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 5 (AP)—
Report of an "ape man" stirred
police today, just when they were
rejoicing over the conviction in
Winnipeg, Man., of Earle Nelson,
suspected of having been the "dark
strangler" who a year ago murdered
women in Portland.

Chris Johnson, caretaker at Irigoin
Moorage, told a weird story of
meeting a "man or beast" last
night, under the trestle on the
mainland near the moorage.

Women in the neighborhood, police
admit, have been struck with
fear following an asserted attack
a few days ago reported by a woman
resident who told of fighting off
a brute of bestial proportions.

Johnson said he heard a peculiar
shriek and the man, whom police
believe may be a degenerate Oriental,
ran into the brush.

Generally Fair
Weather Forecast

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 5 (AP)—
The weather outlook for the
week starting Nov. 6 was announced
here today by the U. S. weather
bureau as follows:

For western states: The outlook
is for generally fair weather
and moderate temperatures except
that occasional rains are probable
over the western parts of Washington
and Oregon.

135 Killed When
Building Falls

SHANGHAI, Nov. 5 (AP)—About 135 women and children were killed today in the collapse of a building where women textile workers had gathered to form a new labor union.

At least 200 women and children were seriously injured. The only man known to have been killed was Yen Hsin, a local labor leader, who was attending the meeting.