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400 ATTEND
BANQUET AT
SACAJAWEAPioneers Are Honored and
Oregon Admission Day
Is CelebratedGROWTH OF CITY
IS REMEMBEREDYesterday and Today
Compared During Pro-
gram—Pierce Sees La
Grande in New Era.

"La Grande surrounded by moun-
tains blue,
"Where the eagle builds her
nest—
"He has chosen this spot for his
new hotel,
"In all its loveliness.

"So here's to Mr. and Mrs. Roesehl!
"And here's to their kith and
kin!
"For building for us this beautiful
spot—
"The Sacajawea Inn."

Thus did Mrs. J. T. Richardson
propose a toast to Mr. and Mrs.
Julius Roesehl last evening, when
400 pioneers and sons and daugh-
ters of pioneers assembled in the
beautiful ball room of the new Sa-
cajawea Inn, as the first event of any
proportion to be staged there.
Throughout the entire evening, as
the hundreds of guests inspected
La Grande's newest hostelry, or
enjoyed the things prepared for
them in the banquet hall, there was
the constant recalling to mind of
the contrast between conditions in
this valley when most of those last
evening first arrived here, and the
beautiful little city of today.

The festivities in connection with
the second annual banquet to be
given by the Sons and Daughters
of Pioneers organization, opened
at 7:30 o'clock, when after a ses-
sion of delightful informal sociabil-
ity, the company were invited to
the banquet hall. Six long tables,
laid with the length of the banquet
hall were very prettily with their
simple decorations of cut flowers.
After grace by the Rev. Oliver
Riley, the hundreds of guests were
seated and a lovely repast was serv-
ed in four courses. Campfire girls
of La Grande, performing this ser-
vice, gracefully and expeditiously.

Program Follows Banquet
The program prepared for the
evening, immediately followed the
banquet. Senator Albert B. Hunter,
president of the organization,
speaking brief words of welcome to
the guests and introducing Fred
Curry, who as chairman of the
program committee, served as toast-
master during the remainder of the
evening.

Mr. Curry first introduced M. L.
Carter of Cove, who fifty years ago
was one of the best known settlers
to the Grande Ronde valley, and
who, during all the intervening
years, has sustained that reputa-
tion. Mr. Carter with his family,
and R. Lavin with his, gave a
number of old favorites, includ-
ing "Turkey in the Straw" and
others of the same period. Mr.
Carter was followed by Miss Daisy
Robb who sweetly sang "Sweet
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DOKIES WILL
FORM WOMEN'S
SOCIETY HERE

An open meeting of the D. O. K.
K. lodge will be held this evening
for the purpose of organizing the wom-
en's auxiliary to the lodge, known
as the Nomads. R. E. Byers has
been delegated by the Imperial
Palace to have charge of the meet-
ing. The charter will be open for
25 days for organization. All
wives, sisters or daughters of do-
kies are eligible for membership
in the Nomads.

After the meeting tonight re-
freshments will be served. Several
visitors are expected from outside
of La Grande.

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"Observer Advertising—
A Merchandising Service"

Marble, Lime Co.
Stockholders
Elect OfficersFew Changes Made in Di-
rectorate; Charles Bing-
aman Again Named as
President.

The annual stockholders meet-
ing of the Marble and Lime com-
pany was held at Enterprise in
the county court house there
Monday and Tuesday, when offi-
cers and directors of the company
were elected.

Only a few changes were made
in the board of directors. Charles
A. Bingaman, of La Grande; L. E.
Jordan, of Walla Walla; J. A. Bur-
leigh, of Enterprise; John Bonn,
of Union; S. D. Keltner, of Enter-
prise; all re-elected as members of
the board. W. E. Leffel was elect-
ed to take the place of J. Ross
Leslie, resigned, and E. W. Laxell
was elected as a member of the board.

Charles A. Bingaman was re-
elected president; L. E. Jordan
was re-elected vice president, and
J. A. Burleigh was re-elected sec-
retary. H. M. McGoldrick, of Im-
bler, was elected treasurer, to take
the place of F. H. Gaultier.

Financial Report
Mr. Bingaman gave the finan-
cial report of the company, and
told of the programs made during
the past year. He reported that
the factory, which is located about
a mile out of Enterprise, is nearly
completed and will begin operat-
ions soon, also that the market
outlook is good.

Several of the Union county peo-
ple attending the meeting had
never visited the plant took ad-
vantage of the opportunity to do
so, and all seemed to be well
pleased with the plans so far.

Mr. Bingaman returned to his
home here last night after attend-
ing the meeting.

Eakin Speaks Of
Abraham Lincoln
At Rotary Meet

Robert S. Eakin was the main
speaker at today's Rotary club
luncheon in the La Grande hotel,
his topic being "Lincoln" in ob-
servance of Lincoln's birthday an-
niversary. He gave a very pleasing
discourse on Lincoln and read both
writings of the man and tributes
to him by foreign nations and dis-
tinguished men.

Mr. Eakin pointed out that his
greatness was such that it not
only resulted in universal respect
and honor on the part of Ameri-
cans but also on the part of civil-
ized people throughout the world
since Lincoln's administration.

Dr. Ray Murphy, chairman of
the program committee, announced
a Washington's birthday program
for next week with the Rev. Oliver
Riley as main speaker.

William Crowe, of Mandanque,
Mich., an out-of-town Rotarian, at-
tended the meeting.

**Two Plead Not
Guilty Before
Knowles Today**

Pleas of not guilty were entered
by both H. G. Hipp and C. H. Har-
rison when they appeared before
Circuit Judge J. W. Knowles this
morning at 9 o'clock. The date of
their trials have not yet been set.
Hipp was indicted by grand jury
for burglary not of a private
dwelling, and Harrison was charged
by the grand jury of possession
of a still.

Subpoenas to about six witnesses
from Bend must be filed for the
Hipp case when it is set. Sheriff
Hess has heard said this morning.

Hipp is a Weiger, Pines, and Har-
rison is a La Grande man. He was
arrested by the sheriff at Bend.
Harrison is a La Grande man. He
was arrested by the sheriff at Bend.
Deputy Hugo Klinghammer when a
still was confiscated about the first
of January near La Grande, offi-
cers say.

Bible Class Elects
Mr. White President

Every Man's Bible class of the
Central Christian church elected offi-
cers last evening when a busi-
ness meeting was held at the
church. Leslie White was elected
president, Walter Price, vice pres-
ident and W. W. Thomas, secretary.
Dr. J. L. McPherson is the teacher
of the class.

A meeting of the Women's Bible
class was held at the same time,
and after the adjournment of the
business sessions the members of
the two classes joined for a social
hour and refreshments.

Airplane Crash
Kills U. S. Surgeon

DAYTON, O., Feb. 15, (AP)—
Captain Thomas H. Miller, post sur-
geon at Wright field, was killed and
Captain Edward Lavett, chief en-
gineering officer at the airport, was
injured seriously when their plane
fell just outside of Fairfield east of
the post today.

STEPHENSON
ON STAND IN
INDIANA CASEFormer Klan Leader De-
clares Efforts Made to
Kill Him RecentlyCOURT HEARS OF
JACKSON'S OFFERGovernor McCray's Son-
in-Law Says He Was
Present When \$10,000
Proposition Was Made

INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 15 (AP)—
Testifying as a state witness in
the trial of Gov. Ed. Jackson to-
day, D. S. Stephenson, former
grand dragon of the Ku Klux Klan,
charged that an effort had been
made to kill him since he was sent
to the state prison on a murder
charge in November, 1925.

Stephenson also declared he was
prevented from testifying in his
own defense at his murder trial at
Noblesville, Ind., because he had
been threatened by Hiram W.
Evans, imperial wizard of the Ku
Klux Klan, that he would be killed
as he sat in the witness chair.

The witness denied he had given
a parolee convict \$1,500 to employ
a Chicago gunman to kill Gov. Ed.
Jackson.

Jackson is on trial charged with
conspiracy to commit a felony and
attempt to bribe.

Evans Testifies
William M. Evans, son-in-law of
former Gov. McCray, testified to-
day that he was present when
Jackson presented a proposition
offering \$10,000 if James E. Mc-
Donald were named Marion coun-
ty prosecutor.

Evans said McCray declined the
offer. The witness said Jackson,
who then was secretary of state,
told Gov. McCray he had just come
from a conference which was at-
tended by George V. Coffin, Mar-
ion county republican chairman.

LA GRANDE WILL
ENTER TOURNEYVictory over Imbler Clears
the Way—Seniors De-
feat Alumni Sextet

La Grande high school easily de-
feated a scrappy basketball team
from Imbler last night at the L.
D. S. Recreation hall and thereby
removed the last obstacle to en-
trance into the district tournament
to be played at Union Mar. 1, 2
and 3.

The final score of the game was
37 to 19 and in a preliminary con-
test, the alumni girls were defeated
by the L. H. S. senior sextet 21
to 15. The grads were on par with
the Timmeres in floor work but
were a little off as sharpshooters,
missing more often than their op-
ponents. At half time the score
was 19 to 4 in favor of the seniors.

Three Teams Play
Coach Ralph Christie started
the first string in the game and at
the end of the first quarter the Tig-
ers had amassed 13 points to Imbler's
one. In the second frame, the sec-
ond team went in, the half time
score standing at 23-4. In the last
half the second and third team men
alternated, scoring 14 points to
Imbler's 6.

During the first quarter Braden,
forward, was unable to hit the bas-
ket, missing numerous close shots
or the score would have been greater.

On Friday of this week, the
Tigers go to Pendleton for a return
game with the Buckaroos. Earlier
in the season La Grande won here
21 to 21. The pre-tournament ses-
sion will end next week with a
game Friday at Imbler and a con-
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Mercury Drops to 7 Above Here;
Crater Park Nearly Claims Three

Following a four-inch fall of
snow Monday night, the tempera-
ture in La Grande started sliding
last evening and during last night
reached the wintry minimum of
seven degrees above zero—the coldest
since the January cold wave.

At 7:29 o'clock it had only mod-
erated two degrees the mercury at
the municipal building registering
nine above. The snow covering is
expected to prevent any damage to
crops because of the chilly weather.
Sub-normal weather is also pre-
dicted for tonight.

MEDFORD MEN ESCAPE DEATH
KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Feb. 15
(AP)—Death struck perilously
close to three Medford residents
yesterday afternoon and last night
found their way through deep
snow for over ten hours in Crater
Lake national park and finally
found food and shelter in a desert-

Load Limits Are
Placed on Trail
By State OrderOnly 6500 Pounds Allowed
Between Pendleton and
La Grande—10,000 to
the East.

Starting today, load limits are
effective on the Old Oregon Trail
highway between La Grande and
Pendleton and Baker and Baker.
Over the Blue Mountains between
here and Pendleton the load limit
is 6500 pounds, and on the other
section of the highway the limit is
10,000 pounds.

A definite date on which the load
limit would become effective was
set early so that the heavy trans-
fer trucks could be given notice
of it and arrange their schedules
accordingly.

Load limits are placed on sec-
tions of the highway every spring
to prevent the highway from be-
coming rutted and rutted during
the time when the frost is leav-
ing the ground and the roadbed is
in a weakened condition. The
frost started to leave the ground
last week, but last night's cold
weather will stop it for a short
time. Even though the weather
has turned colder the load limit
will be enforced. H. G. Smith, state
highway engineer here, said this
morning. According to him about
a week is required after the load
limit becomes effective to acclimat-
the truck drivers with the new rul-
ing.

Highway Conditions
Highways in this division are re-
ported to be in good condition, al-
though the Old Oregon Trail over
the Blue Mountains is reported to
be slippery and the use of chains
is advised. There was about 19
inches of snow on that section of
the highway yesterday morning,
but the highway was quickly
cleared.

The highway into Walla Walla
county is reported to be in good
condition, also between here and Baker.
Reports are that there was very
little snow fall in the Baker sec-
tion Monday night and highway
construction work has
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DR. MAYVILLE
NOT GUILTY,
JURORS FIND

After a 39-minute deliberation
the jury returned a verdict in favor
of the defendant yesterday in the
case of the State vs. A. S. Mayville.
The case, in which the state charged
that Dr. Mayville, a naturopathist,
was practicing medicine without a
license, lasted most of the court
day, with the jury retiring a little
before 4:30 o'clock and returning
their verdict just before 5 o'clock.
District Attorney Carl Helm pro-
secuted and Green and Host were
attorneys for the defendant.

This morning circuit court began
a re-trial of the case of the State
vs. Walter Mayo, of Union, on
charges of non-support of a minor
child. The case was tried in the
October term of court when the
jury disagreed. Mayo is charged
with failure to pay alimony for the
support of his young son, Billy, to
his former wife, Leon Mayo.

Eagle President
To Attend Meet

The state president of the Eagles
lodge, Guy R. Downs, will be in
La Grande Thursday and will visit
the local lodge in the interest of
the state convention of the Eagles
lodge, which will be held in La
Grande in June. It is expected
that the dates of the convention
will be set at that time.

From here the state president
will go to Baker on Friday to pay
an official visit to the Baker lodge
on Friday night. Several La Grande
Eagles plan to accompany him.

On Monday evening, Feb. 20, the
local lodge will give the first of a
series of dances for the benefit of
the state convention fund. The
Eagles hall here, Fletcher's arch-
estra, of Pendleton, will furnish
the music. H. T. Edwards is chair-
man of the committee in charge.

**Plane Repaired
And Hangar Now
Being Re-Built**

GRANDE HALL, Feb. 15 (Spe-
cial)—Leon Russell, manager of
the flying school, "Hop" Round-
tree, instructor, and some of the
pupils completed the work of re-
pairing the school airplane Sat-
urday, and for the first time since
the hangar was wrecked and the
plane damaged during a high wind
last some time ago, the plane was
taken off the field by Pilot Round-
tree in a test flight. The hangar,
which had to be re-built, has not
been entirely completed, although
the plane has been housed in it for
several days, where the work of
painting and repairing the ma-
chine could be done in more com-
fort.

As yet, the pupils have not re-
sumed their flying lessons, but it is
said that instructions will be start-
ed again as soon as the weather
permits.

**Portland Men Buy
Local Shoe Store**

The Bootery, located on Depot
street, has been purchased by
Lewis A. Schneider, of Portland,
experienced shoemaker. Mr. Lewis
will be in charge of the store,
which will be closed until Friday
when it will be re-opened to the
public.

Gay Hayden has been operating
The Bootery for the last few
years. The store was owned by
A. T. Hill.

ROMANCE BEGAN DURING WAR



A romance that began when a young soldier, stricken by gas on a
French battlefield, was soothed by an army nurse, resulted in a
marriage the other day in Indianapolis. Clifton J. Knoble, interior
decorator of Cincinnati, was the soldier and the Countess Helen
de Bourmat, first cousin to the king of Spain, was the nurse.

Here they are.

Mimir Sale For
Year Opened At
L.H.S. Assembly

The 1928 Mimir staff officially
opened the Mimir sale at the high
school with a clever skit, Oriental
in theme, in a yesterday afternoon
assembly. Miss Lenore Ely is edi-
tor and Benjamin Osterling is
business manager of the 1928
year book. Miss Ayles Cook and
Miss Bertha Hantz are associate
editors while William Miller is as-
sistant business manager. Fol-
lowing the skit, Principal E. D.
Towler, Miss Ely and Mr. Osterling
talked to the students about
this year's annual and then circu-
lated subscription sheets which
were signed by a large number of
students.

The skit was original and im-
mense and received enthusiastic
applause.

It centered about a visit of the
editor to a fortune teller in an ef-
fort to determine whether the Mi-
mir would be a success this year.
Miss Ely, as editor called upon
the fortune teller, Ayles Cook, who
gave her visions of the coming
year book. Those who appeared in
the "visions" follow: Miss Mar-
tina Sams, as a faculty member;
Cleveland Wallinger and Harmon
Wolfe, members of the junior play
cast, representing a successful ac-
tivity of the year; Esther Brown
and Edward Buchanan, represent-
ing the junior-senior banquet; Ed-
ward and Sylvia Malone and
Irene Spencer representing the A.
G. S. Stuart Pennington and Wil-
liam Perry, representing the joke
section, and a German band com-
posed of Leland Hale, leader, and
Carl McGinnis, Dorothy Brown-
way, Nuchbaum, Benjamin Oes-
terling, Melvin Patner and Harold
Brown.

The staff reported that the work
was progressing very satisfactori-
ly, and that prospects of a splen-
did annual were bright. Facult-
ty members are advising the staff
this year.

Scout Campaign
Is Under Way in
La Grande Today

A campaign for funds to support
scouting in La Grande during 1928
was started this morning, and in a
week's time it is hoped that the
entire quota of \$2,500 will be
raised.

Five committees, sponsored by
the Rotary club, the chamber of
commerce, the American Legion,
the boy scouts and the railroad men
started work this morning solici-
ting the town in an effort to raise
the quota.

The chief aim of scouting is to
build character and to train for
citizenship, and it is with this idea
in mind that the committees are
making every effort to raise enough
money to continue scouting in La
Grande during the next year.

Final Arguments
In Olmstead Case

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 15 (AP)—
Closing arguments were made
today in the trial of Emory Olm-
stead, former president of the
Northwestern National bank and J.
B. Wheeler, former president of the
McCormick Lumber company,
charged in federal court with con-
spiracy to violate the national bank
laws.

Fly From Denver
To Portland, Ore.

GRANDE HALL, Feb. 15 (Spe-
cial)—En route from Denver to
Portland, in a new three-passenger
airplane (two passengers and pilot)
Mr. and Mrs. Carter and Pilot
Russell, of Portland, landed at the
La Grande air service flying field
here at 4 o'clock, Monday evening.
On their way, they stopped at va-
rious towns in Wyoming where
passengers were taken up. They
also stopped in Baker several days
for the same purpose. The plane
was housed for the night in the
mail hangar here and the trio left
the field yesterday.

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Earl of Oxford
And Asquith Is
Dead in EnglandWorld War Figure Suc-
cumbs to Disease—Was
Liberal Party Leader
Before George.

SUTTON COURTNEY, Eng.,
Feb. 15 (AP)—The Earl of Oxford
and Asquith, who, as Herbert H.
Asquith, prime minister, was an
outstanding figure of the World
war, died here at 6:50 a. m. today.

Pulmonary complications
brought death to the 75-year-old
statesman of his country home
here, the Wharf, where he had
lived since his retirement from
public life after his resignation
from the leadership of the liberal
party in October 1926.

Lord Oxford had been uncon-
scious since Monday afternoon and
his physicians said then that
death was only a matter of how
long his enfeebled heart could
hold out. A week ago the former
premier was confined to his room
with a severe cold, an acute attack
of pharyngitis followed and bron-
chitis set in.

Family at Bedside
At his bedside when he died
were the members of his family,
Lady Oxford (Margot Asquith),
his two daughters, Princess Bibes-
co, and Lady Bonham-Carter, and
his son Anthony Asquith.

As the former premier fought
his losing battle with death an-
other outstanding statesman of the
war, the Earl of Balfour, was con-
fined to his home near Preston-
park, Scotland on the orders of his
doctors. Earl Balfour, who is
nearing his eightieth birthday, had
an acute attack of laryngitis
which left him so weak that his
physicians have prescribed com-
plete rest for many weeks.

Lord Oxford's political career
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Lindbergh Will
Continue Flying
Despite Hazards

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 15, (AP)—Col-
onel Charles A. Lindbergh will con-
tinue his work of experimental fly-
ing despite the hazards connected
with it. He said, however, that he
had no definite plans at the pres-
ent except to try to test in private
life.

"There are so many things to be
done," he said last night. "Improve-
ments in aviation are certain. They
must come and they cannot be
made unless experiments are
made."

As Col. Lindbergh was leaving
the hangar yesterday following an
exhibition flight before 60,000
school children along the river
front, he was stopped by a reporter
who asked him his opinion of Sec-
retary of Labor David C. Mervin's
proposal.

"What is the proposal?" asked
Lindbergh.

"He says he is going to ask you
to stop stunt flying."

"Of course I can't answer that
offhand and say what my course
will be," he replied. "I don't con-
sider what I have been doing as
hazardous flying in the sense that
I have taken unnecessary risks. At
the outset when new methods of
transportation are coming into use
there must be pioneers to show the
way and some of them are killed.
But the ones who do the pioneering
are the last ones to think of the
hazards."

Mrs. Coolidge Ill
But Not Seriously

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15 (AP)—
The cold that has bothered Mrs.
Coolidge for almost a week kept
her from attending last night, a
dinner given in the president's and
her honor by Secretary Work. She
remained in her room while the
president attended the function. In
the Pan-American union building,
where the interior secretary's
daughter, Mrs. A. W. Russell, of
Evansville, Ind., was hostess.

The illness, the second in recent
years that has prevented Mrs.
Coolidge from attending scheduled
events, is expected to cause can-
cellation of her engagements for
the remainder of the week. Lieut-
enant Commander Joel T. Boone,
her physician, has directed her to
remain in seclusion but he is not
seriously concerned over her con-
dition.

Battleship Maine
Sunk 30 Years Ago

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15 (AP)—
Thirty years ago today the battle-
ship Maine, the gallant Bigbee in
command, was blown up in
Havana harbor.

Today the mast of the historic
vessel in Arlington cemetery was
a memento for a little group of vet-
erans of the war that followed to
pay tribute to the memory of the
two officers and 25 men who
were killed so suddenly in the dis-
aster 22 days after the Maine ar-
rived in Cuban waters on a peace-
ful mission.

Nearby, in the Hiding hall at
Fort Myer, Va., another group of
the United States war veterans
congregated for similar exercises.

HICKMAN AND
HUNT GO ON
TRIAL TODAYTwo Charged with Mur-
der of C. Ivy Toms,
Rosehill DruggistMOTION TO DELAY
CASE IS BLOCKEDWork of Selecting Jury
Now Under Way—
Judge Elliott Craig
Assigned to Trial.

HALL OF JUSTICE, Los An-
geles, Feb. 15 (AP)—The right of
five women and seven men who
occupied the jury box in the trial
of William Edward Hickman and
Wesley Hunt for the murder of C.
Ivy Toms to sit in the trial was
challenged by Hickman's attor-
neys at the close of the morning
session on the ground that they
had served as jurors for more than
the 20 days permitted by law. The
motion was denied by Judge Eli-
ott Craig after he had questioned
the jury and determined that none
had served 20 full days as jurors
during the last two years.

Just previously the defense at-
torneys had asked them when they
had been called for jury duty and
all said they had not been called
but apparently none had been sit-
ting on juries all of the time since.