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THE WEATHER
OREGON: Fair east and cloudy west portion tonight and Thursday, probably light rains near the coast, moderate temperature.

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SMITH NOMINATION ASSURED

EAST OREGON SCOUTS WILL CAMP JULY 8

District Executive Is Enthusiastic About Prospects for Outing

FINISH WORK ON CAMP BUILDINGS

Equipped for 50 Boys — Troops to Attend from Union, Wallowa, Baker, Grant Counties.

E. Russell Scott, scout executive of Eastern Oregon, returned to his offices this morning, somewhat weary physically, but enthused to his very fingertips over prospects of the Eastern Oregon Boy Scout summer camp which starts July 8 at Camp Phy on Catherine creek. Mr. Scott with W. J. Briggs, scoutmaster of the L. D. S. troop, and a number of scouts completed the mess hall last night after several days' hard work at the camp site that included not only the erection of the large camp mess hall, including dining room and kitchen to take care of 50 boys, but the building of the dining room tables and benches.

Mr. Scott describes the building as decidedly rustic, and he says that Mr. Briggs, who is to be in charge of the cooking during camp, is very satisfied with the entire layout.

Excellent Sanitation

The sanitary phase of camp is receiving a major amount of attention from the scoutmaster in his preparations. He will have the spring water tested soon to guarantee its purity, and an incinerator is to be built for daily disposal of garbage. "Last year forestry men judged our camp 100 per cent on sanitation and we are going to duplicate this record," said Mr. Scott today. He is taking every forehand precaution to safeguard the health of the campers.

The diet at camp is to be carefully supervised and the menu has been approved by the Hot Lake dietician.

"The swimming pool is going to be ideal," declared Mr. Scott. "We are giving the boys a swimming hole with plenty of depth, and in addition we have one that is absolutely safe."

Allen Camp Director

John Elliott Allen, who is to be camp director, is already in La Grande, conducting swim week and is making friends with scouts at the swim school.

"We are going to be able to handle as many boys as we can get—and we want lots of them, because it's going to be one of the finest experiences of their youth," Mr. Scott concluded today.

With Mr. Scott and Mr. Briggs on the construction work were the following scouts: Kenneth Feurheim, Woodrow Demerell, Roy Stein, Vert McClellan and Stanley Kofford and Lee Johnson, both of whom spent one day working on the hall.

MISS LEIGHTON GIVEN HONORS AT GRADUATION

Miss Lilelia Leighton has just returned from Western Oregon where she graduated from Willamette university on June 11, with high honors, being among the 20 leading students in scholastic standing this last year. Miss Leighton received high honors in Latin, her major subject all four years, and was senior scholar which made her a student teacher in that subject. In addition to her scholastic achievements, Miss Leighton was manager of her sorority, Alpha Phi Alpha, was president of the Classical club for two terms, was a member of the Pheiodosian Literary society and the Women's Athletic association.

Miss Leighton, before returning to La Grande went to Madras, Ore., where she has accepted a position for a year as a teacher in the high school. She will teach Latin I and II, Caesar, shorthand, typing, and will assist in glee club and have charge of girls' athletics. "I'm very well pleased with the school, as it is a large, new stucco building, modern in every way and I am sure I shall enjoy my work there," Miss Leighton says.

Robert C. Ayers To Speak at Elgin

Attorney Robert C. Ayers has accepted an invitation to make the address at the airport dedication at Elgin on July 2, it was learned here today. The dedication program will be one of the main community events of the year at Elgin and hundreds are expected to attend.

Seat G. S. Birnie As President of Local Rotarians

Presentation of Gavel Follows Report of International Convention in Minneapolis.

Today's meeting of the La Grande Rotary club, the last of the Rotary year, was featured by a report by G. S. Birnie on the International convention of Rotary clubs held at Minneapolis last week. Mr. Birnie, who took the office of president today succeeding J. T. Longfellow, was the delegate of the local club and returned home yesterday afternoon after attending the convention.

Mr. Birnie made an excellent talk first describing the trip by special train from Spokane and later telling of the various inspirational meetings during the convention. He said that there were over 2200 clubs in Rotary in various parts of the world and nearly 100 per cent had representatives in attendance. He told of meeting delegates from clubs in Europe and South America and emphasized the interest of the foreign club in the sixth object of Rotary, which is International peace.

Following his report, retiring president, Longfellow presented the gavel to the new president, Mr. Birnie.

Andrew Loney Jr. and F. L. Meyers related their most embarrassing moments.

Nearly 100 Are Taking Work In Normal Session

With 135 enrolled in the training school and nearly 100 in the normal school, the Eastern Oregon branch summer session of the Oregon normal school is well into its second week. Students are hard at work with an interesting course of study and a fine faculty in charge. There are 22 doing practice teaching at the training school of which Miss Cora L. Turnidge is in charge.

July 4 will be a holiday and the students, or many of them, have planned interesting outings for the day.

Monday and Thursday are assembly days and 11 o'clock gatherings, regular chapel exercises, are held. W. W. Nusbaum, director of music at the normal, is program chairman.

Howard Jones, of the faculty, will be in charge of tomorrow's assembly and will introduce the Rev. H. W. Parker, who will give invocation and a scripture reading, and R. S. Eakin, chairman of the school board, who will talk on "What the community expects from a teacher." There will be a musical number.

Ontario Men Will Call on La Grande

A telephone call was received by Charles A. Malboeuf, secretary of the Union county chamber of commerce, about 2 o'clock this afternoon advising him that 25 members of the Ontario chamber of commerce will arrive here tomorrow about 5 o'clock for a good will meeting with local business men. A dinner will probably be arranged and highway conditions will be discussed.

Legion Will Meet On Friday Evening

The American Legion will meet at Honan hall at 7:30 o'clock Friday night for what is termed one of the most important sessions of the entire year. It is past commander's night and the past heads of the post will be in the chairs. An especially interesting program is forecast. Election of delegates to the Medford convention will be an important part of the meeting.

HAWORTH HOME RANSACKED IN HIS ABSENCE

Discovery was made late yesterday that the home of S. A. Haworth, on the corner of Washington and Fir, back of the Sacajawea Inn, has been thoroughly ransacked by intruders during the last several days.

J. A. Arbuckle, who has been visiting the place occasionally during Mr. Haworth's absence, found the house in great disorder yesterday. It is impossible to estimate the loss until word is received from the owner, who is in Portland.

Police believe that the thefts were by boys.

FISTS SWING AS AL'S MEN GIVE PARADE

Sam Houston Hall Witnesses Police Intervention with Blackjacks

NORTH CAROLINA BANNER FLOORED

Angry Demonstrations Follow Harmony Show —Nominating Speeches Due This Evening.

HOUSTON, Tex., June 27 (AP)—Wets and drys came together in grips today before the democratic convention platform committee with a solemn prophecy by prohibitionist that the democratic party was certain of defeat in November if it did not make an unequivocal declaration for enforcement of the 18th amendment.

By Byron Price
(Associated Press Writer)

SAM HOUSTON HALL, HOUSTON, June 27 (AP)—The roaring tide of enthusiasm for the nomination of Alfred E. Smith and the deep running prohibition and deep running agitation of Catholicism was brought out against him today ending in angry words and half a dozen fist fights.

The Smith people, parading the hall in a religious liberty demonstration and with nearly every state standard in their entourage, precipitated much physical tussling and some direct blows as they sought to draw into line the standards of some of the southern anti-Smith states. The police intervened with night sticks, and there was no serious injuries.

Follows Harmony Show

The outbreak came unexpectedly just after the convention had given a real demonstration of harmony by seating without debate on a roll call a challenged Smith delegation from Louisiana. The permanent chairman, Senator Robinson of Arkansas lighted the powder trail in throwing into a prepared speech, these words:

"Jefferson glorified in the Virginia statute of religious liberty. He rejoiced in the provision of the constitution that declares that no religious test shall ever be required as a qualification for any office of trust in the United States of America."

The Smith parade with its flaming consequences started during the cheering that greeted this pronouncement and did not end for ten minutes. Afterward without apparent after effect the convention went through some routine business and recessed until 7:15 p. m. when nominating speeches probably will be held.

Fists Fly

A fist fight broke out in the North Carolina delegation today over possession of the state standard when a demonstration was started in the democratic convention over reference to the religious issue by Senator Robinson of Arkansas, permanent chairman.

Half a dozen police broke through to quell the row once but it broke out again at one moment later and the standard was broken to pieces in the struggle. The police used their black jacks but there seemed to be no blood shed.

Five policemen finally were swinging black jacks and clubs in

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EAKIN CHAIRMAN OF SCHOOL BOARD

Organization Meeting of Directors Held—Clerk Is Re-Elected

Robert S. Eakin was elected chairman and Dr. J. L. Ingle was duly sworn in as a member of the La Grande school board when the board met last night for a re-organization meeting following election. Mr. Eakin succeeds F. A. Epling as chairman. Harry E. Williams was re-elected clerk. The meeting night was set for the fourth Monday of each school month to be held at room 12 at the La Grande national bank building, just as it has been in the past.

Reports regarding repairs of motors and machinery of the heating and power system of the high school, Central and industrial arts building were made and members made mention of minor repairs and of the extending of the school lawns.

All board members, C. R. Eberhard, Mr. Epling, George Birnie, Dr. Ingle, Mr. Eakin and Mr. Williams, clerk, were present.

SCRAMBLE TO FIND RUNNING MATE GROWS

New Names and Enthusiasm Injected into Houston Battle

ROBINSON LIKELY, SUPPORTERS SAY

Hull, Hitchcock, Woolen, Baker, Barkley, Mitchell, Lejune and Others Are Mentioned.

By W. B. Ragsdale
(Associated Press Writer)

HOUSTON, Tex., June 27 (AP)—New names and enthusiasm were injected into the vice presidential free-for-all as the democratic convention today turned toward disposition of final routine details before settling down to choose a presidential candidate.

Spirit was given to the admirers of Senator Robinson, of Arkansas, with the declaration by Senator Edwards of New Jersey that he believed the minority leader in the senate would be agreeable to Governor Smith if the New York executive should head the ticket. The Edwards statement was made after a conference with several ardent Smith leaders.

South Likes Robinson

Along with this came expressions from delegates from Oklahoma, South Carolina and New Mexico that Robinson would fit well into the ticket an dprobably would draw the support of these delegations. Delaware also considered him acceptable and there was a prediction that North Dakota delegates

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Big Tim Murphy Victim of Gang Guns Last Night

CHICAGO, June 27 (AP)—The gang guns got Big Tim Murphy last night.

A machine gun barrel was thrust through the window of a sedan cruising slowly by the Murphy bungalow. Murphy's six feet three standing on the lawn was an easy target.

Fire streamed from the window of the sedan. The bed time quiet of the Rogers park neighborhood was broken by the gun's deadly rat-a-tat-tat. The knees of a giant buckled, and the blood of Big Tim stained the yard where he fell.

Two years ago Murphy stepped from Leavenworth prison after serving a sentence for complicity in the daring Dearborn station robbery of 1922.

Racketeer, mail robber, gambler—Murphy's name frequently was whispered in connection with police mysteries.

Fifteen years ago the word went around that Murphy, who had risen to power as president of the gas workers' union, had been marked for death. Yet Murphy's buck teeth continued to gleam in the Murphy smile and he lived to read the obituaries on scores of gangsters, racketeers, feudists and slayers.

But 42 years is a long time to live for one with pursuits so big as Tim's. His time came last night.

CHICAGO, June 27 (AP)—Nick Manos, 35, described by the police as an associate of gangsters, was shot and killed on a south side street today by a companion after a quarrel.

Paint Pierce's Picture For State House

"Yes, I've been to Portland for the express purpose of having my picture painted for the State House," said Ex-Governor Walter M. Pierce this morning upon his return on train No. 24. "It had to be done and I'll be too busy on the farm for the next two months and too busy campaigning for the two months following that so I decided to go down an dhave it finished," he told the reporter. The picture is to be hung with the portraits of all Oregon's governors in the State House. The democratic candidate for congress evidently had found Portland a bit tropical for he had replaced his wide felt for a panama with a brim equally as copious. He declared that he was glad to get back and to be at work again on his farm near Island City.

AL'S BAND WAGON MOVING

With the second day of the democratic convention under way in Houston, it appears that Governor Alfred Smith, of New York, will be nominated on the first ballot, observers say. Above is a closeup of Al in action. To the left is a late photograph of Franklin D. Roosevelt, who will make the speech placing Al Smith in nomination.

Fear Six Dead Who Drifted In Part of Italia

LONDON, June 27 (AP)—An Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Copenhagen said that there was an unconfirmed rumor that Amundsen and his party were adrift on an ice floe southeast of Spitzbergen attempting to repair their plane.

The rumor was sent by Peti Frelchen from Murmansk, Northern Russia, to the newspaper Politaken. He said the report was that a fishing boat met a seal hunter who told of sighting Amundsen.

BELIEVE SIX MEN DEAD

KINGS BAY, SPITZBERGEN, June 27 (AP)—Fear that six men who drifted away on the balloon part of the Italia after its crash on the polar ice caps were dead was held today when it was learned that the airship had caught fire.

Of 16 men who left aboard the dirigible for the north pole on May 23 only six were known to be alive today. One man was killed. Three have been missing since they started afoot for land.

General Umberto Nobile said that soon after the dirigible crashed on May 25 the balloon part drifted to the east and a small column of smoke was seen rising from it after it had gone about six miles. The balloon then crashed. Nothing has been heard of the six men aboard.

Hoover To Quit Secretaryship In Near Future

WASHINGTON, June 27 (AP)—Secretary Hoover's intention to resign his cabinet post shortly in order to leave himself free for the presidential campaign was formally announced today from the commerce today. The secretary expects to have the resignation in the hands of President Coolidge before July 15.

"Mr. Hoover is devoting himself almost entirely to closing up outstanding matters in the department," the statement said, "so that he can ask the president to be relieved from the secretaryship at some early date."

Louisiana Smith Delegates Seated

HOUSTON, June 27 (AP)—The Smith delegations from Louisiana, the District of Columbia and the Panama canal zone were seated today by the democratic convention without even a roll call after the credentials committee recommended dismissal of contests against them. A minority report of "protest" was filed by Colonel Carl L. Ristine, of Missouri, who waived a record vote.

BOWERS DELIVERS KEYNOTE SPEECH

Charges "Privilege and Pillage" to G. O. P.; Calls Roll of Scandals

HOUSTON, Texas, June 27 (AP)—Summoning the democratic party to a war of extermination against "privilege and pillage," Claude G. Bowers told the democratic national convention in his keynote speech last night that the republicans had repudiated the leadership of Lincoln and openly adopted the Hamiltonian theory of government for the benefit of the wealthy and powerful.

In sentences loaded with the shrapnel of irony and invective, the New York Evening World editorial writer called the roll of the scandals of the last two republican administrations; declared the portion of the farmer had become one of thorns and thistles while other industries fattened on tariffs and subsidies; asserted that "the plunder bund of the power monopoly" was threatening to tighten its grip on public utilities; described the Coolidge policy in Latin-America as "dollar diplomacy" conducted in the interest of American business; accused the party in power of having sent "bureaucratic agents swarming over the land like the locusts of Egypt;" and warned his fellow democrats that the republicans now were seeking to "drug the conscience of the nation with the doped soothing syrup of a fake prosperity."

Talks of Prosperity

"We want to know what prosperity they mean," he said. "They point to a few powerful corporations enjoying the pap of paternalistic privilege and our answer is that you cannot judge the prosperity of a people by the earnings of a privileged monopoly.

"Four million jobless men is not prosperity; a million abandoned farms is not prosperity; the failure of 4000 banks in the seven years of normalcy is not prosperity; the failure of 23,146 commercial houses in 1927 is not prosperity.

"Do they offer us their claim of the payment of eight billions, of the public debt up to July of last year?

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VESUVIUS IN ACTION; MANY SEE ERUPTION

RESINA, Italy, June 27 (AP)—Vesuvius was in eruption today. Since no fear of disaster was felt, tourists were flocking to the town at the foot of the mountain.

Small fragments fell on the road leading to the volcano but visitors kept on toward the summit apparently unafraid.

For three days there have been explosions. Fragments of molten lava have been hurled back on the cone. The cone was raised almost to the level of Great crater which crumbled on April 6, 1906. It was thought that the cone would be engulfed in the crater itself since the greater part of the lava has risen to the level of the eruptive mouth.

Kansas May Climb Onto Band Wagon

HOUSTON, June 27 (AP)—The probability that Kansas would not place the name of its favorite son, Representative W. A. Ayers, in nomination, but would throw its vote to Alfred E. Smith for the democratic nomination was forecast today by Donald Muir, of Anthony, chairman of the Kansas delegation.

Club Women Of Oregon Convene In Klamath Falls

Addresses by Dr. Reinhardt, Fred Park and Mrs. G. J. Frankel Feature First Sessions.

KLAMATH FALLS, June 27 (AP)—Oregon club women attending the twenty-eighth annual convention for the state federation of women's clubs in Klamath Falls were advised last night by Dr. Aurelia Reinhardt, president of the Mills college, to become internationally minded.

In an address reflecting wide experience, exhaustive study and careful thought Dr. Reinhardt spoke on the contribution of education to the international understanding. She stressed the universal need of thought which is not confined to the borders of each nation—so called isolation thinking. Only through a general understanding of world-wide problems only will war be barred from the face of the earth.

Dr. Reinhardt told the audience how hundreds of colleges were attempting to inculcate this in the minds of the students and urged her listeners to instruct themselves along the same plan.

Clubs Praised

Oregon Women's clubs were praised for their instructive and far reaching work in Amerizanization work by Fred Park, field director of the Americanization council. Mr. Park announced that Klamath was the banner Oregon county in Americanization work during the past year.

Annual reports of activity were submitted to the federation by Hood River Women's club, Dandon Women's club, Burns Mother's club, Coquille Woman's club, Burns Women's club, Grass Valley Women's club and Grants Pass Women's club, Lebanon Women's club, Corvallis Women's club, Forest Grove Woman's club, Heiton club, Enterprise Women's club, Eugene Monday club, Eugene Federated Women's club and Eugene Fortnightly club.

Mrs. Frankel Speaks

The address of Mrs. J. G. Frankel, state president, was the feature of the 28th annual convention of the Oregon State Federation of Women's clubs in Klamath Falls yesterday. Social amenities, which were the dominant note at the reception held last night, were temporarily shelved is delegates, under the guidance of their president, plunged into the active business before the convention.

In the keynote speech Mrs. Frankel urged each club affiliated with the state federation to center its attention on scholarship funds, institute efforts and kindergarten

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Roseburg Host To State Grand Army Veterans

ROSEBURG, June 27 (AP)—The annual convention of the state department, G. A. R. opened here this morning. Meeting with the Civil war veterans and five other affiliated organizations, the Woman's Relief Corps, Ladies of G. A. R., Daughters of Veterans, Sons of Veterans and Auxiliary to Sons of Veterans. Each organization has a separate meeting place and conducts individual assemblies. Five national officers are expected tonight to participate in the events of the last two days of the convention. All of the orders held business meetings today, and will join tomorrow in a parade at 11 o'clock and Thursday evening there will be a public reception. Friday there will be a dinner given at the Oregon soldiers home and presentation ceremonies will be conducted.

Ocean Flier Hops But Forced Back

LISBON, Portugal, June 27 (AP)—A wireless message today said that Captain Frank T. Courtney, who hopped off from Lisbon this morning for the Azores, en route to the United States, was returning. An accident to the water tube of his seaplane forced him to turn back.

Girl, 17, Confesses To Strangling Baby

OAKLAND, Cal., June 27 (AP)—Erna Jnoscheck, 17, a senior at University High school, was locked in the city jail here early today after, police said, she had admitted strangling to death Diana, year old daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Eric Lilienranz, of Oakland, for whom she worked.

Police said the girl confessed killing the baby because it was crying all the time. The parents were absent from home.

OHIO VOTES TO BE GIVEN NEW YORKER

Only One Ballot Expected by Democrats at the Houston Convention

STUMP SPEAKING FEATURES CAUCUS

Second Day Finds Most of Delegates Hoarse from Cheering — Rain Cools Temperature.

By Paul Haupert
(Associated Press Writer)

HOUSTON, June 27 (AP)—The nomination of Alfred E. Smith, probably on the first ballot became assured today when the Ohio delegation to the democratic national convention arranged to swing most of its votes, 48 in number, to the New York governor.

Coincident with the decision of the Buckeye state delegates to shift to Smith, the Oklahoma delegation decided in caucus to cast its 20 votes on the first ballot for Reed, of Missouri. The delegation is bound by the unit rule.

While not committing himself, Chairman Claude Meeker, of Columbus, Ohio, indicated that he would switch the Ohio votes before conclusion of the first ballot, if that would put Smith over.

By Bryon Price
(Associated Press Writer)

HOUSTON, June 27 (AP)—While the democratic sifting of men and issues went on toward a decision today in committee room and caucus the national convention turned again to that great American political pastime of stump speaking to fill up with partisan fervor its second daylight session.

This time the center of the speaking stage, held for a colorful hour last night by the convention keynoter, was assigned to Robinson, of Arkansas, long a democratic stalwart, leader of his party in the senate, and out in front among the candidates for second place on the party ticket. His installation as permanent chairman of the big quadrennial pow-wow furnished the occasion for a preaching of the democratic gospel with the embellishment of that pungent phraseology and commanding gesture of which he is master. His exhortation and a few technicalities of organization made up the budget of the session.

Cheer Bowers.

The second day of the convention found many of the delegates already hoarse with cheering. Crowding into Sam Houston hall last night in the wake of a downpour of rain that spilled waterspouts through the roof and drove temperatures downward to real comport, both delegates and spectators cheered to echo rousing democratic assault on republicanism and all its works, delivered by the temporary chairman and keynoter, Claude G. Bowers, of New York. Twice he stirred his hearers to crashes of noisy approval that ranked almost as demonstrations—once when he praised Woodrow Wilson, and again when he demanded that the hand of republican oppression be removed from the throat of the farmer. Before the convention goes to bed tonight it may have seen some real demonstrating, for there is a possibility that nominating speeches for presidential candidates may be made at an evening session.

Shower Wets Hall

Convention officials, while thankful for the decided drop in temperature that followed last night's thunder shower, hoped today that if any more rain is to fall during the convention period it will not come down either during or immediately preceding a session in the newly-erected Sam Houston hall. Some of the arriving delegations for the evening session found their floor sections soaked and water still dripping merrily down from the wet rafters after the shower was over.

A small torrent has descended on the speaker's stand itself and telegraph instruments in the nearby press section were flooded out. But the storm had ended in time to

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BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE

First game—	R.	H.	E.
Washington	1	4	0
Boston	4	10	0

Batteries: Burke, Lisenbee and Ruel; Ruffing and Hoffman.

	R.	H.	E.
New York	7	10	2
Philadelphia	4	5	2

Batteries: Johnson and Collins; Grove, Orwell and Cochrane.