

JULY FOURTH JOYOUS DAY, RAIN CHEERS

Moisture Aids Farmers But Fails to Seriously Affect Celebrations

MANY PICNICS IN LA GRANDE AREA

Community Programs at Elgin, Baker and Enterprise—Wonderland Has a Big Day.

Independence day was celebrated in various ways over Eastern Oregon yesterday but the farmers of the La Grande territory are doing the most rejoicing today.

Since Monday a total of nearly one and a quarter inches of rain has fallen on land dried out by a two-month dry spell, giving new life to spring grain and hay crops and insuring farmers of a much better crop than they had anticipated.

Heavy Rain Here

Yesterday .55 of an inch of rain was measured in La Grande, where there was no celebration. At Wallawa lake, at Elgin, at Enterprise, at Baker and along Catherine creek some rain fell but not in quantities large enough to dampen the celebrants' enthusiasm. Picnics, fishing parties and community celebrations of the Fourth of July in some places the rain was only heavy enough to freshen the surroundings and give added zest to the enjoyment of the day.

Many La Grande people spent the day at Wallawa lake and at Enterprise. Picnics were a part of both celebrations with dancing in the evening.

Catherine creek and other rivers and streams in this part of the state were lined with fishermen and picnickers and all reported an enjoyable time.

Knowles Speaks at Elgin At Elgin Circuit Judge J. W. Knowles delivered the Fourth of July address before a large crowd.

An impressive parade was another feature of the Elgin celebration. In the afternoon horse races and banking contests were staged at the fair grounds and a similar program is to be given today.

Few accidents occurred to mar the day in Union and Wallawa counties.

JULY TERM OF COUNTY COURT IS UNDER WAY

The July term of Union county court got under way this morning with the usual auditing of monthly bills holding the attention of Judge U. G. Couch and Commissioner W. W. Stevens and W. R. Ledbetter. Tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock the district board is to meet at which time the petition for changes in school boundary, as considered in the June term of court, will come up.

Auditing of bills was still going on at two o'clock this afternoon when Judge Couch stated that they would probably devote the entire day to this routine work.

Del Allen Defeats Austin Rosander

Del Allen, La Grande fighter, who recently conquered Benny Dotson in the northwest elimination tournament at Astoria, added another victory to his string by getting a decision over Austin Rosander, Alaska Indian, at Enterprise Tuesday night. Rosander, tipping the scales at 135 pounds, is fighting out of Portland.

Two other La Grande men participated in the American Legion boxing card at Enterprise. Kermit Davis and Thurston Lay fought a six-round draw, and Kid Alabama and Martin Oliver fought a six-round draw.

Dr. Olinger Speaks At Rotary Meeting

Members of the La Grande Rotary club met Tuesday at the La Grande hotel for their weekly luncheon, usually held on Wednesday but advanced a day because of the Fourth of July.

Dr. Olinger, of The Dalles, gave a very interesting talk and Andrew Loney Jr. gave a five-minute autobiography.

Stolen Cars Are Recovered Quickly

Two cars were stolen in La Grande over the holiday, both being recovered. A sedan belonging to George H. Turner, 2503 North Fourth street, was stolen July 3 and found near Elgin yesterday. A coupe belonging to Raymond McKennon was stolen July 3 and found that night by the police.

H. P. Nielson Is Given Contract For Sub-Station

Will Erect New \$12,000 Building Off Cove Avenue for East Oregon Development Co.

H. P. Nielson was this morning awarded the contract for the Eastern Oregon Light and Power company sub-station that is to be built here, when bids were opened at the Eastern Oregon Development company. Announcement came through the development company.

The sub-station will be approximately a \$12,000 building located just off Cove avenue near the Island City highway.

Mr. Nielson hopes to begin excavation work next Monday. No time limit was stipulated in the contract but the building is to be finished as soon as possible.

Charles Miller is the architect. Asked this morning about plans for the structure, Mr. Miller said that it would be a brick and concrete building like the station of the company on Washington avenue.

Pulliam Visits Eastern Oregon Light and Power company, is in La Grande today from Milwaukee, and is inspecting the company's holdings here. He is accompanied by his two sons, Paige and Billy, and by Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Lottridge. Mr. Lottridge is vice president of the company.

With Allen C. Wright, manager of the development company, Mr. Pulliam made a morning inspection. The company president and his party were to leave this afternoon for Tacoma and Rainier park for a visit with relatives of Mr. Pulliam. This is his semi-annual visit.

Hermiston Men Purchase Fuel And Feed Firm

T. A. Galtier and J. R. Waller, both of Hermiston, Ore., have purchased and taken possession of the Young Brothers' fuel and feed business on Jefferson avenue. It is announced today. Young Brothers will retain the ice business.

Mr. Galtier is now in La Grande taking charge of the business. He is residing at 908 N. avenue. Mr. Waller, who has been in the fuel and feed work at Hermiston for the last 17 years, will arrive here in about three weeks.

Both men are experienced in the fuel and feed line and expect to carry on the Young Brothers' policies of giving excellent service and courteous treatment.

Woman And Baby Hurt In Wreck; Three Arrested

A pre-Fourth of July motor accident in which Mrs. Elden Hartley and baby sustained painful though not serious injuries occurred Tuesday afternoon by the Allee warehouse when cars driven by Mr. Hartley and C. L. Sunford collided. County officers are holding the three occupants of the Sunford-driven car, namely Lunsford, Scott Boyd and G. R. Blakely, on an open charge. Deputy Sheriff H. K. Klinghammer said today that a formal charge may be preferred this afternoon.

According to Officer Klinghammer, the three men have been working at Maxville and came here for the Fourth of July holiday. In the Hartley car were Mr. and Mrs. Elden Hartley and their baby, all of Elgin. Both cars, which were light sedans, were damaged in the collision. The car occupied by the three men has a New Mexico license.

Cherry Picking Is Starting at Union

UNION, Ore., July 5 (Special)—Some picking of Royal Anne cherries has been done this week and by Monday or Tuesday the harvesting of the cherry crop will be in full swing. The crop this year is very good in this part of the valley and the packers are offering about seven cents for the Royal Anne.

BEND TEAM WINS

BEND, Ore., July 5 (AP)—Making a sweep of three game series, the Bend baseball team yesterday defeated the Salem Senators 5 to 6. The Senators staged two rallies—one in the seventh with two runs and the other in the ninth when four runners crossed the plate.

Only the first game of the three game series will figure in the standing of the Willamette Valley league. This game Bend won by a score of 25 to 6.

LANGENBERG DIES

ROSEBURG, Ore., July 5 (AP)—Daniel F. Langenberg, aged 52 years, a resident of Salem, Ore., for the past 20 years, died in this city Tuesday night after a long illness. He was a native of Roseburg, where he spent the early part of his life, moving to Salem about 20 years ago, where he conducted a vocal studio.

TWO ITALIAN FLIERS ARE OVER BRAZIL

Radio Advances Received Land Either at Pernambuco or Rio

CROSS ATLANTIC WITHOUT MISHAP

Captain Ferrarin and Major Del Prete Hope to Complete Longest Trip in History.

RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil, July 5 (AP)—The Italian fliers from Rome, landed at 7:50 p. m. today on the beach near Natal.

RIO JANEIRO, July 5 (AP)—Radio advices reaching Rio Janeiro state that the Italian aviators, Captain Ferrarin and Major Del Prete, have reached the Brazilian coast and now are heading southward for Rio Janeiro.

It was not expected that they would reach the Brazilian capital before daylight tomorrow.

PERNAMBUCO, Brazil, July 5 (AP)—The Italian trans-Atlantic plane, the Savoia-64, was sighted over Port Natal at 4:05 o'clock this afternoon and it was expected that a landing would be made here about 5 o'clock.

The plane left Rome Tuesday on a non-stop flight to South America. They hope to break the distance record.

BIENOS AIRES, July 5 (AP)—A Rio Janeiro dispatch to La Nación quotes a National telegraph message from Port Natal as stating that Captain Ferrarin sent the following message this afternoon: "Arriving over Brazilian territory. We send you greetings."

CHERBOURG, France, July 5 (AP)—John Mears, now on an attempt to make a round-the-world trip, arrived at Cherbourg today.

The plane with which he will make much of the trip was disembarked from the Olympic and was being assembled at the local air field this afternoon. Mr. Mears hoped to start for Paris shortly.

LEBOURGET, July 5 (AP)

John Henry Mears and Charles G. D. Coillier, his pilot, arrived at Lebourget today.

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BIRDS AND FISH FREED IN COUNTY

Half a Thousand Pheasants Turned Loose Today—350,000 Fish

A total of 350,000 fingerlings are now being liberated in the Grande Ronde, Minam and Looking Glass, it is announced today by A. V. Andrews, secretary of the Wing, Fin and Fleetfoot club, who received this information from R. H. Bonney, of the state fish hatchery at Union.

In addition to the fish, a second shipment of Chinese pheasants arrived in the Grande Ronde valley today from the state farm at Pendleton and were turned out this morning. There were 500 birds in the shipment, all in "the pink of condition" and likely to afford sportsmen plenty of hunting this fall when the season is declared open.

Of the fish, 200,000 are being placed in the Grande Ronde river, all about three inches in length. Half of these are Rainbow trout, 50,000 Chinook and 50,000 are steelheads.

The Minam river is receiving 50,000 salmon and 50,000 Rainbow and the Looking Glass is to be stocked with 25,000 steelheads and 25,000 brook trout.

Band Concert Tomorrow Night At Ball Park—Many Popular Numbers

A real feature of the coming concert by the municipal band, which is to be given Friday evening, July 6, at the ball park is the appearance with the band of Paul Krautz. There is ample opportunity for Mr. Krautz to display the qualities of his voice in the number chosen, "My Own United States," by Edwards. He will be accompanied by the band.

A very interesting number to be played by the band will be the descriptive fantasia "Cavalry Charge" by Laders. This selection depicts the preparation of a cavalry regiment for battle and finally entering the battle. The effects such as pistol shots, the battle noise, etc., will be handled by the percussion section of the band, Roy Bennett and Everett Rosenbaum. A new number to be played will be two dances, "Dance Turque" and "Dance des Sultans" by Polak-Dantels. This number is frequently programmed by the large orchestras in the cities and has proven very popular.

Catchy Encores Catchy Encores have been promised by Andrew Loney, director of the band, and as in the past, these encores will perhaps prove among the most popular selections on the program.

The program which will feature several patriotic selections, will open with the playing of Sousa's "Stars and Stripes Forever" at 8 o'clock sharp. A large crowd is anticipated and all are urged to come early. Concerts are sponsored by the city of La Grande.

Hickman Loses Appeal; Law And Sanity Upheld

New Trial Is Denied by California Tribunal—New Appeal to U. S. Supreme Court Likely.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., July 5 (AP)—The supreme court of California in a decision today sustained the superior court of Los Angeles which found William Edward Hickman sane when he murdered 12-year-old Marion Parker, daughter of Perry M. Parker, a banker there.

The decision in effect found that Hickman was guilty as charged, that he had a fair trial; that he was sane at time of the murder and that the new state insanity plea under which he was tried is constitutional. The decision also denied Hickman a new trial.

To Resentance Hickman Hickman pleaded not guilty by reason of insanity. He was tried first to determine whether he committed the acts alleged. Then he was tried as to his sanity, and found sane. His confession was introduced to determine if he kidnapped and killed the girl.

The decision puts the case back to the trial court for the purpose of resentencing Hickman.

The court has thirty days in which to do this and it is believed in the meantime Hickman will remain in the condemned cell at San Quentin. Hickman is also serving a life sentence for the murder of a Los Angeles druggist. In this case he was accused together with Welby Hunt, 17, his former pal. In this case Hickman again took advantage of the new law and entered two pleas, one of not guilty and another of not guilty by reason of insanity.

TO APPEAL CASE KANSAS CITY, July 5 (AP)—The fight for the life of William Edward Hickman will be carried to the United States supreme court Jerome Walsh, his attorney, said here today following the decision of the California supreme court in sustaining his conviction of the murder of Marian Parker in Los Angeles.

Pioneer Laid To Rest Here Today

John Ott, a pioneer of the Grande Ronde valley, died at Hot Lake July 2 following a short illness. Mr. Ott came to La Grande in the early 80s, his father passing on here in 1883.

Funeral services were held at the Snodgrass & Zimmerman chapel this afternoon at 2 o'clock under the auspices of the Elks lodge.

He was born Apr. 2, 1875 and was 52 years, three months and one day of age. He leaves a sister, Mrs. Johnny McNeely, and a brother, Fritz Ott, of La Grande.

Yellow Pup Open For Business Now

The Yellow Pup, located in a concrete building on the Hutchison property on the corner of Adams avenue and Greenwood street, is now open to business. Sandwiches and coffee will be featured.

T. O. Mead, proprietor, is also owner of the Yellow Pup, on Fir street.

The new building, just completed is being painted yellow to correspond with the name.

Auto Wreck Causes Death of Woman, 48

Grace Irene Hawkins, who suffered a fractured skull in an automobile accident recently near Echo while on her way to Elgin from California to visit her brother John Wagoner, died at the St. Anthony hospital in Pendleton yesterday morning.

Funeral services will be held at Elgin tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock and she will be laid to rest by the side of her husband, who died six years ago. The body is at the Snodgrass & Zimmerman mortuary here. Mrs. Hawkins was born June 13, 1880 and was 48 years and 11 days of age at the time of her death.

DIRECT G. O. P. CAMPAIGN



Here are the new executive officers of the republican national committee that will direct the Hoover-Curtis campaign for the presidency. They are: (1) Secretary of Interior Hubert Work, chairman; (2) Joseph R. Nutt, president of the Union Trust Co. of Cleveland, treasurer; (3) Franklin W. Fort, New Jersey congressman, secretary; (4) Mrs. Alvin T. Hart, Kentucky, vice chairman in charge of women's activities; (5) Ralph Williams, Oregon, vice chairman.

Kiddle Returns Home, Confident Of G.O.P. Victory

Frederic Kiddle, chairman of the republican delegation to the national convention in Kansas City from Oregon, arrived home yesterday after a four weeks' trip to Washington where he was in conference with Secretary Hoover.

He is confident that the Hoover-Curtis ticket is going to carry the country in November.

"The big fight on Hoover will be in the east," Mr. Kiddle said. "The coast and the middlewest are expected to stay with the republican ticket."

Mr. Kiddle gave praise to Ralph E. Williams, national committee man for Oregon and vice chairman of the national committee, declaring that he was one of the nominating powers of the convention, doing much toward securing Hoover's nomination on the first ballot.

"This also gave the Oregon delegation a powerful position in the convention," he said.

"Quite to the contrary of press reports, the Oregon delegation worked in very close harmony, voting unanimously on all questions," he said.

Mr. Kiddle had a very enjoyable trip. After attending the convention in Kansas City he went east to Washington where he was in conference with Secretary Hoover. The remainder of his journey took him to Boston, New York and Chicago on business. In Kansas, Colorado, Nebraska and some other states Mr. Kiddle said that crops were below the average. Harvesting is under way in these states.

600 Bottles Of Beer Found By County Sheriff

Six hundred bottles of beer and 50 gallons of beer mash were confiscated from a residence at 1208 Jackson avenue Tuesday night by Sheriff Jesse Hreshers and party. Charles Gehring was arrested. The sheriff and the raiding party, including City Officer Claude Cooper, a state officer and a railroad special agent, made the confiscation at the same time that city officers were raiding a neighboring house.

The beer in the making was in a 50-gallon barrel and the product itself was in pint and quart bottles, 609 in all, according to the sheriff's report. Gehring was released when he paid a \$250 bond. He may be arraigned this afternoon before County Judge U. G. Couch and at his arraignment will be charged with possession of liquor, officers say.

Australians Beat Tilden and Hunter

WIMBLEDON, Eng., July 5 (AP)—Gerald Patterson and John B. Hawkes, Australia, defeated William T. Tilden and Francis T. Hunter, United States, in the semi-finals of the Wimbledon tennis championships today 7-9, 7-9, 6-4, 6-4, 10-8.

Lowenstein, Of Belgium, Falls From Airplane

Noted Financier Plunges 4,000 Feet into English Channel—Accident Theory Held.

BRUSSELS, Belgium, July 5 (AP)—Rumors that Captain Lowenstein, killed in a fall from his private plane last night, was a possible suicide were energetically denied today at the financier's office in Brussels.

CALAIS, France, July 5 (AP)—Mme. Lowenstein, who arrived here this morning, ordered that the plane on which her husband was lost, return to London.

"Let it be sold," she said, "I do not ever wish to see it again."

The plane left for Crocy at 12:30 p. m. and will be dropped immediately. Captain Drew, who piloted the plane on its tragic voyage last night, took it back, assisted by the regular mechanic.

BOULOGNE-SUR-MER, France, July 5 (AP)—The mystery whether Captain Alfred Lowenstein, noted Belgian financier, jumped or fell by accident from his private airplane while over the English channel last night, had not been definitely cleared by a preliminary police investigation today.

Aviation experts here are inclined to think that the theory of accident in that he opened the wrong door of the plane in going to the wash room was improbable.

The plane was held at the Saint Ingelvert air field today and the staff of six persons in it was detained at Calic for a judicial examination.

Fell 4000 Feet The crew said they did not see Captain Lowenstein disappear. The authorities were reticent to discuss the situation until they have finished their examination of all aboard the plane.

The version that the police pieced together is that Captain Lowenstein went to the rear of the plane toward the wash room when the machine was about five miles off the British coast, opposite Dunkirk. Ten minutes later his secretary went to the rear and falling to see him, looked into the wash room which was empty. He immediately passed a message to the pilot who turned about and flew over the spot where the captain must have fallen. The plane was then at a height of more than 4000 feet.

DUNKIRK, France, July 5 (AP)—Coast guards and lighthouse keepers all along the coast between Fort Mardyk and the Bray dunes have been directed to search for Captain Lowenstein's body. Fishermen are also being alerted.

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GOES OVER FALLS IN RUBBER BALL

Springfield, Mass., Man Conquers Niagara and Lives to Tell Tale

BUFFALO, N. Y., July 5 (AP)—Except for hunkies, Jean Albert Lussier, Springfield, Mass., was none the worse today for his thrilling experience of independence day when he went over Niagara Falls in a huge rubber ball and lived to tell of his sensations. He is one of few men who have dared the mighty cataract and come out alive.

"The occupant of the 758 pontoon was towed out into the upper river by motor boat, having abandoned a plan of being dropped from an airplane.

Head First The ball rolled and bounced through the upper rapids and over the Horseshoe falls. A weight had been placed on Lussier's feet to keep the occupant upright, but it became dislodged and Lussier went over the brink head first.

A short time later the ball was reclaimed below the precipice, was

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Oregon Trail Road In Good Shape

The weekly road report issued by the Union county chamber of commerce in cooperation with Ontario, Baker, Pendleton and Arlington organizations, shows the condition of the Old Oregon Trail highway from Ontario to La Grande to be in good condition. The information is supplied direct by the Oregon state highway commission's Eastern Oregon office. This report is sent to A. A. offices in all of the western states and is furnished to all garages, etc., in this territory.

The report in full follows: Old Oregon Trail Highway—U. S. No. 30—Ontario to The Dalles—320 miles.

Ontario to La Grande, 122 miles, re-surfaced and in good condition. La Grande to Pendleton, 54 miles, first part of re-surfacing completed, not quite dry, probably require another week to be entirely dry. No additional oiling operations on this section for at least 10 days. Heavy rock re-surfacing over stretch of 15 miles between Kamela and Dead Man's Pass, to be finished by July 12. Top re-surfacing will be started soon after, and in all probability will not be difficult travelling. Pendleton, west—next week will be some re-oiling, vicinity of Hermiston; should be completed by July 12 and dry within four or five days later. West of Arlington, some oiling operations between The Dalles and Heppner Junction, probably one way traffic being maintained. Very little inconvenience will be met with by travellers between Pendleton and La Grande; how-

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224 DEATHS REPORTED ON JULY FOURTH

Nation's Sacrifice to Celebration of 152nd Birthday Anniversary

NORTHWEST HAS LEAST FATALITIES

Lakes and Rivers Exact Heaviest Tribute—Four Are Killed in Airplane Accidents

CHICAGO, July 5 (AP)—Celebration of Independence day cost the lives of at least 224 men, women and children.

That number was shown to have died from fireworks, automobiles, drownings, heat, lightning, airplane accidents and other causes, according to figures compiled by The Associated Press today from the belated reports of Fourth of July fatalities.

Fireworks, one of the source of most Fourth of July deaths, took a dozen lives this year but was outranked by drownings which totaled more than 100 and by automobile fatalities which numbered more than three score.

Lakes and rivers, however, exacted the heaviest tribute of human life during the holiday, 108 drownings being reported. Motor car deaths ranked next with 54. Heat claimed 12 lives and lightning, three, while four were killed in plane crashes. In addition were 15 deaths attributed to other causes directly connected with America's observance of the Fourth.

Two densely populated areas—the Middle Atlantic states and the Midwest—had more than half the country's total deaths for the day. In the former there were 43 fatalities, which was five more than occurred in the Midwest.

The mountain states and the northwest had the best sectional records, with five deaths in each division.

Everywhere through the Midwest the temperature was high, contributing both to deaths by heat and by drowning. The Midwest led the country in the number of drowning with 38, although the Middle Atlantic area had only two less.

Air Toll Four The airplane accidents were at Joliet, Ill., where a pilot and two passengers plunged to death when the wing of their plane snapped, and Beaumont, Tex., where one was killed.

Three of the motor car deaths came in races, drivers being killed in Oregon, Pennsylvania and Wisconsin.

The number of persons injured, many fatally, ran into the thousands. Premature explosion of a truck load of fireworks at Lamar, Mo., injured 25 persons as 5,000 gathered in the public square to witness the display. In the larger cities the hospital list of persons hurt during observance of the day ran into the hundreds. Children, with an ordinance prohibiting the sale of fire works, school all day with fire cracker explosions, and reports from police and hospital that the number injured was probably greater than in recent years.

Postal Robbery Ring Broken Up; Three in Prison

PORTLAND, Ore., July 5 (AP)—Bringing to a close the activities of a robbery ring which preyed upon village post offices and small stores in Northwestern Oregon, Ben LeMaster, 27, was today sentenced in federal court to serve six years at McNeil federal prison. Two other members, one a woman, was sent to the county jail.

LeMaster, who has served two terms at McNeil and two at Salem, pleaded guilty to having been in charge of the ring when it invaded Aloha on the night of May 24 and stole a small amount in cash from the post office and merchandise from stores.

James Baker, who played a minor part in the robbery, must spend one year in the county jail and Mrs. Baker four months.

"Snooty" Johnson, who was wounded when captured by police was sentenced to seven years at McNeil Tuesday. Amos Jones received a like sentence and Robert Kennedy was sentenced to one year in county jail.

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2 AMERICANS ARE FREED BY BANDIT CHIEF

MEXICO CITY, July 5 (AP)—Dispatches today said that W. T. Mitchell and John F. Hooper, two American mining men who had been kidnaped on June 22, had arrived in Guadalajara. They were released by their captors without paying the \$1500 ransom demanded.

The Americans said they had been persuaded Rosario Guillen, the chieftain of the band, to allow them to return home.

They added that they had been courteously treated and well fed during the time they were held captive in the caves of Jalisco canyon, near the town of El Salvador.

Al Speaks Twice On July Fourth

NEW YORK, July 5 (AP)—Governor Smith turned his face toward the state capitol at Albany again today after two Independence day addresses in which he told what he thought of the constitution, citizenship and Tammany hall, and took a sly dig at congress.

In each of these addresses he made passing allusion to his recent nomination but on the whole he steered clear of politics.

Hoover To Leave Washington Soon

WASHINGTON, July 5 (AP)—Clearing the way for an early departure from the capital, Secretary Hoover plans to confer on Saturday with prominent eastern republicans for the purpose of establishing a campaign organization in that section.

All members of the republican national committee from the north, south and Pennsylvania and Maryland have been called to Washington for the meeting and senator Moses of New Hampshire

BASEBALL AMERICAN LEAGUE

Table with 2 columns: Team, Score. Boston 9 3 1 Philadelphia 5 8 2 Batteries: Bradley, P. Simmons and Hoffman; Hevings, Earnshaw and Cochrane.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

New York-Pittsburg, Philadelphia-Boston, postponed, rain and wet grounds.