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SLAUGHTER HOUSE FIRE DAMAGE HIGH

Flames Destroy Grande Ronde Meat Company's Riverside Building

LOSS IS BETWEEN $10,000 AND $12,000

No Insurance Carried on Plant — New Building Will Be Erected Immediately, Report.

The largest fire of the summer for La Grande — although it was outside of the city limits—occurred early this morning when the Grande Ronde Meat company's slaughter house was destroyed, in spite of every possible attempt to save the building and its contents.

The loss will be between $10,000 and $12,000, it is estimated today by F. A. Epling, of the company. No insurance was carried on the building.

To Rebuild Immediately

Mr. Epling announces that the slaughter house will be rebuilt immediately, practically on the same site—at the end of Umatilla avenue near Oak street, along the Grande Ronde river. A crew of men are busy today on preliminary work but definite plans for the building have not been completed.

The fire alarm was turned in at 12:50 o'clock this morning, and the fire truck was rushed to the scene. Finding that no water connections could be made with the small truck and with only chemicals available then, a hurry call was sent in for the pumper truck which fought the fire for more than two hours, pumping water onto the flame.

Wind Fans Flames

A wind fanned the flames and also sparks over a large territory. Firemen today felt lucky that the sparks did not do more serious damage. As it was, some of them fell onto the roof of a nearby house, causing some loss, but this also was extinguished by firemen.

The origin of the fire is not definitely known, although it started in the engine room. Earlier in the evening there was no sign that anything was wrong.

The result was turned in for the fire department at 2:30 o'clock, quite a large crowd of persons witnessed the fire.

Following the fire, Mr. Epling wired to Chicago, where a new curing outfit was en route to La Grande and had the shipment held up until new equipment is loaded in, when the carload will continue on to this city.

It is expected that a new slaughter house will be in operation within 30 days.

BAND CONCERT WILL BE HELD FRIDAY NIGHT

Another outdoor band concert is scheduled for Friday night, Aug. 3 by the high school band, it is announced this morning by Andrew Laney Jr., director of the La Grande municipal band.

The concert will begin promptly at 8 o'clock. The program will be given tomorrow or Friday.

Jubilee Wul Be Given at Hot Lake

At the invitation of Dr. W. T. Ely the Union stake primary of the L. D. S. church will present the children's jubilee, which was given here on July 24 with between 200 and 300 children participating, at the Hot Lake sanatorium tomorrow night at 7:30 o'clock. The elaborate program was arranged under the direction of Mrs. Ellen Stoddard, president of the stake primary, and was given before about 500 people at the Recreational hall last Tuesday night when it was proclaimed a memorable demonstration. Children from the entire stake, Baker, Union, Imbler, La Grande and Mount Glen are in the choir which includes clever drama, singing and dramatic numbers.

GIVE UP APPEAL

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 1 (AP)—Owners of the Canadian four-master Pescawha have formally abandoned appeal of the government's libel on the craft and her cargo of liquor.

WEATHER TODAY
7:30 a. m.—53 above.
00 p. m.—75 above.
Conditions: Partly cloudy.

WEATHER YESTERDAY
Maximum 85 above, minimum 61 above.
Condition: Clear.

WEATHER AUG. 1, 1927
Maximum 81 above, minimum 54 above.
Condition: Clear.

Conference At Lostine Takes On New Aspect

Meeting Originally for Christian Endeavorers, Will Be Open to All Denominations.

An inter-church conference for young people between 15 and 25 to be held Aug. 20 to 27 on the Southfork of the Wallowa river and which will be sponsored by the Wallowa county ministerial association, according to the Rev. Weston K. Shields, of Wallowa who explained that this is an outgrowth of plans of originally announced to hold a Christian Endeavor summer conference. "The scope has been widened so that an invitation has been extended to all young people of all churches to take advantage of the benefits of this outing," said Mr. Shields in announcing the splendid faculty which has been summoned for the conference and in detailing plans for the seven-day gathering. The conference will be unique in that its scope is not limited by creed or sect and it will provide it is believed, a splendid study conference and profitable week for all young folk.

The Faculty

Walter L. Van Nuys, D. D. of Portland, is to be dean of the faculty while others will be Norman K. Tully, D. D., of Salem; the Rev. Monroe Everett, student pastor at Corvallis, Miss Caroline Rasmussen, of Milton, the Rev. Paris E. Wells, D. D., of Enterprise and the Rev. Mr. Spencer, who was with the American forces in Siberia during the world war.

A plan whereby each group, either from a city, church or community, will provide individually for its own camping equipment and food supplies has been adopted by the sponsoring body. A registration fee of two dollars will be charged to provide the general camping equipment as the seats, tents etc. The association members expect to have four large tents and three log cabins at the site—15 miles out of Lostine. This, they believe, will house most of the young people. They believe that this plan of camping by groups will be more satisfactory in various ways.

Expect Large Attendance

The social side of the camp is not to be neglected and there will be sports, singing and games. Mr.

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Russian Horse Buyers In City After Animals

Dr. K. A. Alexandroff, chief inspector, and Dr. Andreus, veterinarian, both official representatives of the Soviet government were registered at the Seaujawea Inn last night—here from far away Russia to buy horses.

They were accompanied to La Grande by Georges Howitt, Portland horse buyer, of the firm of Howitt and Rabe, who have a contract with the Soviet government.

Yesterday the men were taken to Enterprise by Howard O'Brien and Duncan McDonald, where they inspected a bunch of horses but were unable to get enough for a carload. They will return later.

This morning Mr. O'Brien took the men to North Powder where they expect to buy at least two carloads, and they will also visit other points in Eastern Oregon and Southern Idaho before returning to La Grande in a few days.

These men are buying horses that measure 15 hands or more, weigh 900 to 1100 pounds and are from three to seven years old.

This is about the class of horses being shipped to connories and opens a market that will give local men a chance to dispose of this class stuff, which is said to be a drug on the local market.

B. of L. E. Chairman Visits La Grande

General Chairman C. A. Roberts from Portland was present at the meeting of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, Division No. 162 yesterday afternoon at the K. of P. hall. The session was a particularly interesting one and a number of special reports were heard. Chairman Roberts spoke on topics pertinent to the organization.

Milk Prices Go Up in La Grande

Aug. 1 is significant in more ways than one in La Grande. It not only marks the beginning of the final month of summer but this year it sees an increase in milk prices to 12 cents a quart. Single pints will sell at eight cents and where more than one are purchased the price will be seven cents. The increase was announced some time ago, effective today, and yesterday notices of the increase were delivered to milk patrons throughout the city.

In Portland today a similar increase is noted, with milk going up to 12 cents.

U. S. ATHLETES SWEEP FIELD IN THE VAULT

Droegemueller, Carr and McGinnis Place First, Second and Third

BUD HOUSER WINS PLATTER EVENT

Percy Williams, Canadian School Boy, Scores Second Victory by Taking 200 Meters.

OLYMPIC STADIUM, AMSTERDAM, Aug. 1 (AP)—After seeing Percy Williams of Canada romp away with the 200 meter crown for a double in the prints and Sidney Atkinson of South Africa win the 110 meter high hurdles American field event performers came to the rescue today to win the discus and pole vault and give their country two of the four championships decided.

The weight of the field event performances as well as the winning of places in the other events ran in the American total of points to 173 for the games thus far, tripling the score of Great Britain which was the nearest rival with 55. Canada moved up to third with 28 points and Finland had 23. Germany 22 1-2, Sweden and South Africa 14.

OLYMPIC FIELD, AMSTERDAM, Aug. 1 (AP)—Percy Williams of Canada won the 200 meter championship at the Olympic games today, performing the remarkable feat of winning both of the Olympic prizes as he captured the 100 meter crown on Monday.

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NEW STORE WILL BE ESTABLISHED

Stevens and Vanenglen Chain to Be Opened in Grace Building

Another large addition to La Grande business firms, in line with the general expansion of the city, was announced this morning by J. L. Hedden when he made public the fact that the Stevens and Vanenglen chain stores will open a large department store here within the next several weeks in the new Grace building across from the Seaujawea Inn. The store, Mr. Hedden says, will be one of the most modern and best equipped in Eastern Oregon and will handle full lines in dry goods, ladies' ready-to-wear, women, children's and men's shoes and men's furnishings.

The Stevens and Vanenglen chain of department stores is operating in California, Idaho and Oregon cities. Mr. Hedden, though he is not yet able to give the definite opening date of the new store, said today that he expected to see the store opened by or before Sept. 1. He said that the store would have a 66-foot frontage, occupying three of the center spaces in the beautiful new building which is nearing completion. He has been in this city three weeks and is busy with preparations for the opening. The first shipment of merchandise for the store has already arrived and awaits unloading, Mr. Hedden stated. Extensive plans to make the store, which will be on a cash basis, modern and attractive are being taken, he adds.

"In choosing La Grande as a location for the Stevens-Vanenglen stores, the company has chosen a live city that is growing and we have firm faith in it," declared the manager today.

Mr. Hedden with his wife and three children, Grace, Ray and Lewis, have already established their home here at 1604 First street and the children will enter school this fall. Miss Grace is in high school. They formerly lived in Wyoming.

EDUCATOR IS MAIN SPEAKER AT LUNCHEON

Professor Miss Grace McFeeters, visitor here from Egypt, where he has spent the last 10 years as head of the agricultural department of the Assiut college, an American institution in Egypt, was the main speaker at the Rotary club luncheon at the La Grande hotel today.

Prof. McFeeters told in a very interesting manner of the early Egyptians and how they developed their civilization in spite of the lack of natural resources. He also spoke of the Nile river and of his work. Prof. McFeeters is a brother of S. D. Crowe and is visiting with him while on his furlough.

Gene Walker and R. H. Westenhaver told of their most embarrassing moments and Alfred Meyers sang two songs and an encore number.

C. C. Young Will Speak At Labor Day Celebration

International Organizer to Also Attend Convention, Scheduled a Week Later.

C. C. Young, international organizer for the American Federation of Labor, is to make the official Labor day address at the celebration which is being arranged for Sept. 3, it was announced today by Max O. Cullen, general chairman.

Mr. Young will also be here as a prominent attendant at the state convention the following week and will spend the intervening week in La Grande. He has long been a leader in the work of the federation and is known as an authority in the work as well as for his ability as a speaker.

Those in charge of both the Labor day celebration and the state convention expressed their entire satisfaction with the prospect of having so important a representative of the federation as Mr. Young for both programs.

Legionnaires On Way to Medford

A peppy delegation bound for the state American Legion convention at Medford was given a rousing send-off at the depot last night when they left in a special car on train No. 25. The 24 members of the drum corps, with several other legionnaires and an equally peppy delegation from Enterprise—14 strong—filled the specially chartered car. Several dozen were on hand to wish the caravan success on their trip. The drum corps will compete in the state contest and among the delegation are a number of men who will be active in the various departments of the convention.

It is said here that Pendleton will be one of the Oregon cities to seek the 1929 convention.

R. L. Edens Opens Office Here Today

R. L. Edens, formerly of San Francisco, is opening offices as a public accountant in La Grande, it is today. Mr. Edens quarters are with the Union and Wallowa county merchants association on Elm street. He comes to La Grande well recommended and is an expert in his line of business.

"I liked the town so well that here I am," Mr. Edens said this morning.

K. of P. Members To Have Picnic

A basket picnic to take place at Riverside park for all members of the Knights of Pythias, their families and friends on Sunday was announced this morning. The basket lunches will be spread at 12 o'clock and a very pleasant afternoon has been planned. A large crowd is expected. Dr. H. W. Riley is chairman with Elmer Rose and Claude Berry completing the committee in charge. Coffee, lemonade and watermelons will be provided for the picnickers by the lodge.

Partnership Is Dissolved Today

The partnership between L. W. Weeks and W. E. Buchanan has been dissolved, it was announced today, and hereafter the locks as known as the Chrysler garage in La Grande will be conducted by Mr. Weeks as sole owner.

Armand Emanual To Fight Mick Walker

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Aug. 1 (AP)—After months of dickering, Promoter Aneil Hoffman came to terms today with Armand Emanuel, young lawyer-boxer of San Francisco, to meet Mickey Walker, middleweight champion, in a ten-round bout here Aug. 27. It will be at catch-weights with Walker weighing around 165 pounds and his opponent tipping the beam at 175 pounds.

Four Persons Die In Crossing Wreck

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Aug. 1 (AP)—Four persons were reported killed and a fifth seriously injured when a Southern Railway passenger train struck an automobile at a grade crossing at China Grove near here today.

The driver of the car was seriously injured and may die.

Father Saves His Son From Coos Bay

MARSHFIELD, Ore., Aug. 1 (AP)—Hearing the cries of a drowning child, A. T. Sprague, Southern Pacific warehouse foreman, leaped from a log boom into Coos Bay last night and saved the boy. When he brought the lad to the surface he discovered it was his own nine-year-old son Vernon. The boy was unconscious.

A TWO-TIME WINNER AND LOSER

Here are two world famous runner—both two-time winners in the Olympic games. Douglas Lowe, of England, yesterday ramped home to win the 800 meters from a field of brilliant stars in the fast time of 1:51 4-5, successfully defending his title won in Paris in 1924. To the right is Charley Paddock, long known as the fastest human, and who has carried the stars and stripes to victory in former Olympic races. This morning Charley, running on a soggy track and in the rain, was eliminated in a semi-final 200-meter heat.

Intense Heat In Oregon Cause of Some Crop Loss

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 1 (AP)—Intense heat caused rapid ripening of spring and late winter grain and resulted in some damage, it also caused some delay of harvest today. This is reported in the weather bureau's weekly crop report. Some local damage was done by hail, and several large tracts of wheat were burned.

Late fruits are sizing rapidly. Intense heat caused some scald on apples and pears and ripened apricots so rapidly as to unfit them for shipping in places. Early peaches and apples are becoming more plentiful.

Cows are falling in milk due to short pasturage. Some work horses were killed by heat in Eastern counties. Turkeys are doing well.

Fires Blaze In South, Resort In Ashes Today

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 1 (AP)—Fires fanned or smouldered in widely separated sections of California grass and timber land today with many thousands of acres burned.

An incendiary fire today was sweeping from 10,000 to 12,000 acres of the Potter valley area in Mendocino county. Fire was burning on a 10-mile front threatening a part of the California national forest south and east of San Hedran mountain, in the district said by State Forester M. R. Pratt, to be notorious for the number of incendiary fires started there.

Five or six thousand acres of grass and brush in Alexander valley, Sonoma county, was swept over. Another fire threatened California's national forest from the upper lake area of Lake county.

In Plumas county the resort community of Meadow was practically destroyed when a freak wind drove a fire across the town. The fire today was burning fiercely about a half mile from the village but was believed under control.

County Share Of School Fund $8737

SALEM, Ore., Aug. 1 (AP)—The apportionment of school funds to the counties by the state land board from interest on the state irreducible school fund, made each year on Aug. 1, is this year $1.37 per capita. This is shown in a statement prepared today by G. G. Brown, clerk of the board.

The total amount distributed is $108,166.52, and the number of persons of school age in the state over 4 and under 20 years old, is 258,791.

The new apportionment by counties includes: Baker, $4481.89; Umatilla, $10,017.34; Union, $5,721.85; and Wallowa, $3471.28.

ROBBED OF $200

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 1 (AP)—Looking to a policeman's advice at the west end of the Broadway bridge, a thug slugged and robbed Capt. Gus Stephan of the Portland fire department of $200, just before noon today, and escaped.

75 MEN INJURED IN OIL EXPLOSION

Three Victims Are Expected to Die—Blast Showers Hot Liquid

LAWRENCEVILLE, Ill., Aug. 1 (AP)—Seventy-five men, employes of the Indian refining company here, were injured, several of them perhaps fatally, when 3 steel pressure stills exploded and drenched them in hot oil during a fire early today.

Twenty-seven of the more seriously hurt were rushed to hospitals at Vincennes, Ind., about 14 miles from here. It was reported that at least six of those men were burned so badly there was little hope for them to live.

Explosion of the oil pressure still occurred after a small fire had started at the still. Volunteer firefighters, employes of the Indian refinery, were called and while they were attempting to extinguish the flames, the still exploded, hurling hot oil over virtually all of the men.

Officials of the refinery at once called for doctors, nurses and ambulances were pressed into service, taking the more seriously hurt to Vincennes hospitals.

Origin of the small fire which caused the explosion has not been determined.

Doctors said there was little hope for Robert Shields and Gene Burbank, two of the volunteer firefighters seriously burned.

FOUR SPANISH AIRMEN START WORLD FLIGHT

CADIZ, Spain, Aug. 1 (AP)—With guitars strumming a farewell four Spanish airmen hopped off this morning in a four motored seaplane on the first leg of a flight around the world in 45 days.

Three attempts were necessary before the plane, named Numancia, arose from the waters after part of its load had been lightened.

At 7:15 a. m. on the third attempt the plane took off and headed for the Azores, some 1,200 miles away. From there the airmen intend to head for Halifax and then New York.

Before leaving, Ramon Franco, pilot and commander, informed the Associated Press correspondent that he hoped to be back in Cadiz in 45 days. Captain Ruiz De Alda, who was with Franco on the first flight across the South Atlantic in 1926, was navigator aboard the plane. The other members of the crew were Emilio Gallarza, co-pilot, and Pablo Rada, mechanic.

Babe Ruth Hits 42nd Homer Today

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 1 (AP)—Babe Ruth hit his 42nd home run of the season in the first inning of the New York-St. Louis game here today. Two Yankees were out and none was on base when the Babe drove one of Alvin Crowder's shoots into the right field pavilion.

Bankers Declare Farm Conditions Are on Up-Grade

Two Enter Testimony in I. C. C. Grain Rate Hearing in Portland — Say Depression Is Over

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 1 (AP)—Farm conditions are on the upward grade in Oregon, according to two bankers who testified today at the interstate commerce commission grain rate hearing.

John C. Ainsworth, president of the United States National bank, and R. B. West, manager of the Portland branch of the San Francisco federal reserve bank, were the witnesses.

They were called by Charles A. Hart, attorney for the northern railroads, who stated these witnesses were called to "counter-balance the testimony of professional farmer witnesses who made statements tending to show that rural conditions in Oregon are still in a depressed state."

Believe Depression Over

Both bankers testified that in their opinion the farm depression was over. They based their opinions on crops, prices and the general trend of business conditions.

Following them H. W. A. McGregor, a partner in the local firm of Balfour, Guthrie & Co., and president of the Clown mills, was called by W. C. McCulloch, attorney for the Port of Portland and chamber of commerce.

Mr. McGregor declared that the differential of two cents a hundred on grain shipped to Portland from Washington state south of the Snake river is of great benefit to the farmers of that district. He said that the wheat growers received for themselves the difference that was gained by sending their grain to Portland.

The witness also said that the loss of the differential would cause the loss of wheat to this market, the farmers being forced to pay the higher freight rates to Puget sound, as the grower pays the earlier charge.

Salem Paper In New Hands Today; Started in 1850

SALEM, Ore., Aug. 1 (AP)—The Oregon Statesman, second oldest newspaper in the state, changed hands today.

E. J. Hendricks, dean of Oregon newspapermen, and one of the oldest members of the Associated Press, and Carle Abrams, sold the newspaper, together with its affiliated publications and building, to Sheldon P. Sackett and Earl C. Brownlee.

Mr. Brownlee recently sold the Forest Grove News Times, which he owned and published during the past four years, and Mrs. Sackett recently sold his interest in the McMinnville Telephone Register, which he published for several years.

Mr. Hendricks became owner of the Oregon Statesman 44 years ago. He will remain with the paper in an editorial capacity. Mr. Abrahams became associated with Mr. Hendricks in 1902, and was active in the business until his appointment as secretary of the board of control four years ago.

Established in 1850

The Oregon Statesman was established in 1850 at Oregon City, then seat of the territorial government of the Oregon country. As the seat of government moved the Statesman was successively published at Oregon City, Salem, Corvallis and then back to Salem, where it has continued uninterruptedly since.

Under the new owners the Statesman and other publications of the Statesman company will be manned in large part by the family of workers Mr. Hendricks has gathered about him. A definite program of upbuilding has been mapped out, including a complete remodeling of the Statesman building.

Brennan Given a Chance to Recover

CHICAGO, Aug. 1 (AP)—George Brennan was given a good chance for recovery today, but there was a general sentiment among Democratic leaders that "the Napoleon of Illinois Democracy" might never again be able to resume the political leadership he has held since the death of Roger Sullivan.

There was no single personality outstanding among the state's democratic chieftains who appeared as a natural successor to Mr. Brennan, who is fighting for his life at the John B. Murphy hospital following operations necessitated by infected teeth.

Nine Killed When Steel Gate Falls

ST. CATHERINES, Ont., Aug. 1 (AP)—Nine workmen were killed today when a steel gate in the Welland canal at Thorold, Ont., collapsed, precipitating 28 men to the bottom of the canal.

REPUBLICANS SEEK SUM OF $4,000,000

Campaign Figure Fixed at Conference of Party Leaders Today

HOOVER CATCHES MESS OF TROUT

Smith Reluctantly Quits Seashore—Will Confer with Raskob in New York This Week.

Washington — Republican campaign fund of $4,000,000 called for today.

Hampton Roys — Governor Smith winds up short vacation.

Shasta Springs — Hoover moves into new fishing territory, after catching 13 trout yesterday.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1 (AP)—A republican campaign fund of $4,000,000 was called for today by Chairman Work of the national committee.

The figure was fixed at a conference of party leaders here including J. R. Nutt, committee treasurer; Jeremiah Milbank, eastern treasurer; Franklin W. Fort, committee secretary, and Herbert L. Gutterson, executive secretary.

Active solicitation of funds will begin very soon, Nutt said. Meanwhile many contributions are coming into the republican till from all sections of the country, he reported.

The 1924 campaign of the party has been estimated to have cost a little more than $3,000,000.

HOOVER'S LUCK IMPROVES

SHASTA SPRINGS, Cal., Aug. 1 (AP)—The lure of the mountain trout brought Herbert Hoover to the Mount Shasta region where he hoped to have better luck today than smiled upon him yesterday in the Klamath river section to the northward. There he made a good catch, but the rainbows were too small to furnish real sport.

After failing to find any sizable fish around the Brown Camp region, the republican presidential candidate decided suddenly to personally investigate reports that there was good fishing in the Pit and McCloud river near the base of the gigantic Shasta mountain which dominate the plains here for scores of miles.

Camp was broken suddenly at Brown's, Hoover and his party of more than 40 setting forth for Shasta Springs immediately after dinner. Two and a half hours later the 78-mile run by automobile had been completed, most of it over the Pacific highway which wind around the hills and across the valleys, through Yreka, Weed and Shasta City.

Half way across Mount Shasta came into view, its snow clad peak catching the last violet rays as the sun disappeared over the distant Siskiyou mountains.

Soon after the full moon, almost the color of the gold once plentiful in the Klamath region, peeked over the giant mountain, turning the snow clad peak to a silvery gray.

The nominee retired soon after the arrival here as he wanted to be up and away soon after the dawn for fishing places recommended to him by anglers of 1898 vintage. He had with him his favorite rod, broken near the end but

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BRITISH FLIER EN ROUTE TO NEWFOUNDLAND

HORTA, Island of Fayal, Azores, Aug. 1 (AP)—Captain Frank T. Courtney, British aviator, who has been waiting for a favorable opportunity to take off from the Azores on a transatlantic flight to Canada, hopped off for Newfoundland late this afternoon.

The British airman who made an unsuccessful effort to take off on July 26 had extremely favorable weather conditions. There was a bright sunshine and a moderate sea. The wind was from the north.

BASEBALL

American League

	R.	H.	E.
Boston	7	9	2
Chicago	4	7	0

Batteries: Harris, Settlemire and Hofmann; Hyslop, Faber and Crouse.

	R.	H.	E.
Philadelphia	6	9	1
Cleveland	4	9	0

Batteries—Rhinks and Cochrane; Hodin, Bayne and L. Sewell.

National League

St. Louis at Boston, Cincinnati-New York and Pittsburgh-Philadelphia postponed, rain and wet grounds.