

Local News In Brief

Club To Meet—The Carleton club will meet tomorrow evening at the home of Mrs. Jack Blatt with Mrs. Blatt and Mrs. Al Herman as hostesses.

Went To Union—Miss Mae Straton spent yesterday at Union in the interest of her photographic business.

On Vacation Trip—Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Alexander are on a two weeks vacation trip to the coast.

Went To Portland—A J. Stacey left on train No. 24 last night for Portland on business. He will return home tomorrow.

Camping at Lake—Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bohmkamp and party left last night for Wallawa lake where they will spend a week or more at their cabin.

Vacationing in Portland—Mrs. George H. Walker and children are spending their vacation in Portland, Hillsboro, Corvallis and at the Newwatt beach.

Visited Friends Here—Mr. and Mrs. W. Wilson of Boise stopped in La Grande last evening on their way home from Portland. They visited with their friends, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie White, while here.

Returns to The Dalles—Miss Ruth Starr returned Sunday to her home in The Dalles after visiting here with her uncle and aunt. Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Allen, for a week or so.

Going To South Fork—Captain and Mrs. E. W. Ely will drive to the South Fork of the Wallawa tomorrow and will spend the rest of the week there camping and fishing, returning Saturday or Sunday.

70,000 MEN INVOLVED IN PAY DISPUTE

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Following conferences at Chicago between representatives of the union, the roads and John Williams of the federal board of mediation, this increase was satisfactory to the labor organizations, but they contended the working conditions were more important and negotiations were dropped.

Strike Ballots Mailed—Strike ballots were then prepared and the last of them were mailed from Chicago yesterday.

The Chicago conferences started July 16 and finally were dropped August 8. The original demands for the 10 to 18 per cent increase were made several months ago.

Whitney said acceptance by the unions of the 7 1/2 per cent offer would have discriminated against western conductors and trainmen, giving them lower wages than those in effect on eastern and southern roads.

Cites Court Action—The head of the trainmen said standard basic rates for conductors, trainmen and yardmen established while the roads were under government control had been upheld in a decision by the federal board of arbitration on March 1, 1927, that raised salaries of western yardmen equal to those of similar employes in the east and south.

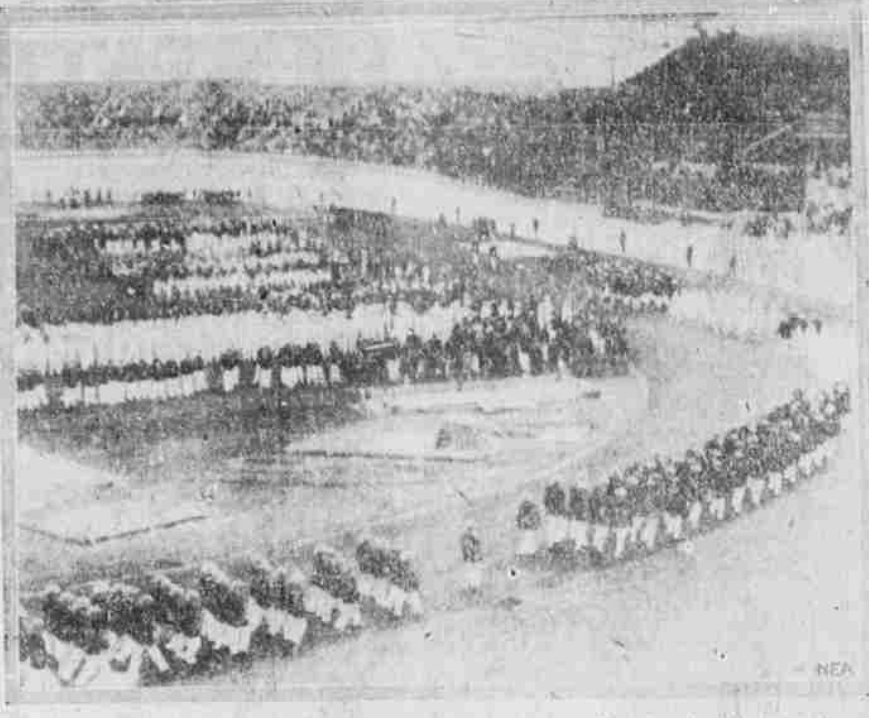
"It is fundamentally right that standard rates for these classes should prevail, and since the employes of the western railroads earn \$3,000 or more more in annual income for the roads than the eastern employes, these figures prove that the men working on the western roads are the more valuable producers," he said.

C. P. Included—Whitney also pointed out that western roads have refused to follow those of the east and south in paying 24 cents a day to trainmen and conductors handling United States mail.

Among the more important of the 50 western roads involved are the Southern Pacific, Union Pacific, Atchafalpa, Tulelake and Santa Fe, Rock Island, Chicago and Northwestern, Burlington, Chicago and Milwaukee, Santa Fe, Denver and Rio Grande, Great Northern, Northern Pacific and the St. Louis and San Francisco.

Subsidiaries of the Union Pacific, Northern Pacific, Southern Pacific and Great Northern were included in the order for a strike vote.

WHEN THE OLYMPIC GAMES GOT UNDER WAY



This picture, rushed across the Atlantic ocean, and distributed to San Francisco by Telephoto, shows the opening parade of the Olympic games held at Amsterdam. Athletes of every nation marched in procession behind their flags.

LAKE RESORT GAINING IN POPULARITY

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For a day or two a week they may stay out a busy program. The mountain trips, which are as fine for fishing and scenic beauty as any in the west, are more popular each year.

Horseback riding, shorter hikes and fishing in the lake itself all have their particular appeal. For the weekends there is dancing and picnicking. Swimming is a major activity at the lake and boating, more so than ever before, has its part. Motor boats, privately owned, are much in evidence. On Sunday afternoon at the lake, there were four motor boats skimming smoothly over the lake more than 20 miles an hour. It is an unusual sight to see real thrills and pleasure to become more common.

Convention Attraction—Within the last four years the Wallawa lake lodge has become an increasingly frequent place for holding sectional and even state conventions. Taxes have been lowered by a state convention here that did not include a carnival trip to Wallawa lake. This coming weekend the O. S. C. students and alumni are giving a weekend party at the lake that will draw around a 100 young people. Summer conferences, among them the Methodist Episcopal church institute, are included on the busy summer program.

Dr. Straton On Warpath; Liquor Sold In Hotel

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NEW YORK, Aug. 14 (AP)—A dispatch to the New York Evening Post from Greenwood Lake, N. Y., today stated that Dr. John R. Straton, a local physician, is on a "warpath" against liquor in the town, and is privately owned, are much in evidence. On Sunday afternoon at the lake, there were four motor boats skimming smoothly over the lake more than 20 miles an hour. It is an unusual sight to see real thrills and pleasure to become more common.

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Raskob Appoints Polk As President

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NEW YORK, Aug. 14 (AP)—John J. Raskob, chairman of the Democratic National Committee, announced today the appointment of Frank L. Polk, a former member of the Wilson administration, as president of the college league for election of Gov. Alfred E. Smith as president. Polk, in accepting the appointment, promised to be a great executive and leader in the field of education and social betterment.

Glacial Dam Still Intact—No Break—SIALA, Punjab, Aug. 14 (AP)—The Punjab government received official information today that reports of the bursting of a glacial dam in Kashmir on the Shiyok river are erroneous.

Police that 20,000,000 tons of water held back by the dam would rush upon the valley of the Indus has been told for some time.

REVENGE COSTLY—NEW YORK, Aug. 14 (AP)—Frank M. Davis, a taxi driver, died today of a broken neck when he ran over the car into another automobile for a beating he had received earlier.

GAS FIRES OUT—LIVERMORE, Aug. 14 (AP)—Two fires, one of which had over 100,000 gallons of gas underground, in a shaft on the Hatch Hatch project were extinguished yesterday. They were fought by natural gas.

Here From Sumnerville—R. K. Wilson, of Sumnerville, spent today in La Grande on business.

Went to South Powder—H. E. Dixon and District Attorney Carl G. Helm drove to North Powder this morning in the interests of legal business.

Returns to Portland Tonight—Inez Hughes, of Portland, has been spending the past few days here visiting with Wilma Smith. She will return to Portland tonight.

On Business Trip—H. B. Parker, of the Northwest Merchants' Credit association, made a business trip to Ontario yesterday, meeting with the retail credit men there at luncheon. He stopped at Payette, Huntington and other points in that section during the day, meeting with business men and reports that he made arrangements for the company to take care of the business in that vicinity.

Visiting Here—Mrs. Earl Bunting, Mrs. Mattie Newton, and Mrs. Ruth Maccharty and daughter Barbara Lou, all of Portland, have been visiting since Saturday with Mrs. Clyde Bunting at her home on Adams avenue. They will return to their homes in the morning.

Here From Wyoming—Mrs. W. M. Pierson had as her guests over the weekend her sister, Miss Cecelia Wythers, of Geneva, Neb.; an aunt, Mrs. Joe Hastings, and a cousin, Mrs. Dot Page, and her three sons, of Wheatland, Wyo. They left Sunday morning for Portland and California points. The trip is being made by car.

W. C. DeMILLE WEDS WRITER IN NEW MEXICO

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M., Aug. 14 (AP)—William C. DeMille, motion picture producer, and Clara Heranger, scenario writer, were married in the drawing room of a wedding Santa Fe passenger train as it stopped here this morning.

When the train arrived here the two boarded it and went to Miss Heranger's drawing room where the ceremony was performed. She had come from New York City. An effort was made to keep the marriage secret. DeMille accompanied his bride on to Los Angeles.

Many Fires Burn Along Coast Today

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forced to resort to backfires to save off the ravages of a mountain fire which started Saturday morning in the mountains of the Keweenaw river over an 18-mile front. This blaze was heading toward Sequoia national park.

Reports from North Fork late last night told of a fire that started 10 miles northwest of Raymond and headed eastward until it was within two miles of the Alhambra collieries.

By an effort to check this blaze a fire break was being slashed on a 10-mile front from Crooks ranch to Windy Gap, west of the Chowchilla river. This was seen as an effort to prevent the fire from spreading to the Sequoia national forest.

The fire in the Chico canyon, along the coast south of Pescadero and brought under control last night.

Two hundred acres of grass and brush land were burned over yesterday on the tunnel road, Alameda county, north of the Pacific Gas and Electric substation. Two hundred and fifty men worked for some four hours to bring the fire under control.

Forester Talks At Camp Phy Monday

John Kilms of the Whitman national forest discussed Oregon trees and forest fire prevention yesterday afternoon with 20 young "phycians" campfire girls who had a pioneer day yesterday as the opening of their week's camp. They began Monday morning with three fourths of the girls working for the "shivery" honor beads. In the morning classes some of the girls began lamp shade making, with others they dried their gypsy hand-dresses. Nature lore classes found six new flowers before the first dinner meal, at which had been served. On Monday night the "phycians" were surprised with the gift of a large box of candy from Dr. and Mrs. A. L. Richardson.

GOVERNOR SMITH COMPLETES HIS ALBANY SPEECH

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charges against Governor Smith, denied in a cablegram to former Governor Henry J. Allen, of Kansas, made public today, that he had ever retracted any of his charges. The cablegram in part follows:

"In my case against Governor Smith, I have made no retraction. On the proposition made I proved my case, got a conviction and suspended the sentence. I only did this because I felt that a debate on the subject of harlotry was not worthy of a presidential campaign."

BOYS START BURN FIRE

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SALISBURY, Ore., Aug. 14 (AP)—Boys who built a fire on a platform in a cedar tree, 100 feet from the ground, were responsible for a brush fire which for several hours threatened homes in West Marshfield and kept the fire department at work nearly all last night.

SAWMILL BURNED

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CORVALLIS, Ore., Aug. 14 (AP)—The plant of the Beaver company, operating a small sawmill 15 miles from Corvallis was destroyed by fire yesterday.

Find Toxic Matter In Capt. Lowenstein

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BOLINGBROOK, Aug. 14 (AP)—Dr. Paul, chief chemical analyst for the State Geologist, has found toxic matter in the stomach of Capt. Alfred Lowenstein, Belgian aviator who died last night.

Heavy Increase In Rates Held Up

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WASHINGTON, Aug. 14 (AP)—Heavy increases on wheat flour and bran which railroads proposed to make effective tomorrow by a reclassification arrangement were temporarily held up today by an interstate commerce commission order. The commission's order required the carriers to maintain existing rates until March 15.

Entered in Toronto Marathon

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ALBANY, N. Y., Aug. 14 (AP)—Governor Smith today notified Rev. John Joseph Straton that their proposed debate on the public career must take place in Calvary Baptist church in New York or not at all.



Nineteen-year-old Mary Virginia, California's latest swimming marvel, is one of the entries in the coming 10-mile marathon swim at Toronto. She is a former Florida diving champion and the holder of numerous swimming titles and has a great amount of winning the event. She's standing up training in Los Angeles now.

An Angler's Opportunity—BALDWIN, N. C.—The fishing should be fine in North Carolina, state fish hatcheries placed 1,000,000 fry and fingerlings in Carolina waters this season.

right to reject any or all bids by order of the commission August 1st, 1928.

J. E. STEARNS, Recorder.

CALL FOR BIDS FOR SIDEWALK CONSTRUCTION

Sealed bids will be received by the city commission of the City of La Grande, Union County, Oregon, for the construction of the sidewalk improvement district No. 185, within the city of La Grande, Oregon, according to the plans and specifications for the said sidewalk district now on file in the office of the city recorder of the said city.

A deposit of Five (\$5.00) Dollars will be required for plans and specifications, which amount will be refunded if bidder is unsuccessful and retains plans and specifications to this office.

Bids will be received to the hour of 7:30 p. m. Wednesday, August 15th, 1928, and must be accompanied by a certified check or guarantee in the sum of ten per cent of the amount bid as a guarantee of the acceptance and completion of contract if awarded. Checks will be returned to unsuccessful bidders.

All bonds in connection with this work are required to be secured through resident agents and no bond will be accepted unless written by a resident of the city of La Grande.

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