

CITY EDITION

La Grande Evening Observer

THE WEATHER OREGON: Snow tonight, clearing Sunday. Cold wave in the east portion.

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CITY ASSETS NOW LISTED \$1,447,815

Liabilities \$913,952.30, According to Financial Statement

CASH ON HAND ON JAN. 1 \$66,622.88

Figure Larger Than at Beginning of 1928; City Treasurer's Report Also Completed

The assets of the city of La Grande now stand at nearly a million and a half dollars, according to the financial statement of the municipality just completed by J. E. Stourms, city recorder. To be exact the assets are \$1,447,815.50, liabilities total \$913,952.30 before the insertion of the item "present worth" on the liability side of the statement to affect a balance.

Baker Quintet Defeats Tigers Here, 27 to 18

La Grande Team Unable to Match Last-period Rally; Freshman Five Wins 13 to 9

The La Grande Tigers were unable to match a last period rally by the Bulldogs last night, and Baker's high school basketball quintet won 27 to 18 in the first meeting of the two fives since 1927-28.

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10 Work Horses Killed on Rail Line at Alicel

Six good work horses, all young, were killed outright this morning by the northbound train on the Joseph branch line at the crossing in front of the W. R. Ledbetter home near Alicel. Three others were so severely injured that it was necessary to shoot them immediately and one other managed to get near the Ledbetter yard where it died within a very few minutes. The horses were the property of Harry Kuhl, who lives east of Alicel. He was being hauled on the stock 14 head in all, down from the hills. Ten of the 14 head are dead.

According to reports received by phone, Mr. Kuhl's horses were on the road at the Johnson crossing, where they wandered on the right of way. The railroad's rotary plow had been along the track less than half an hour before, and great banks of snow were at either side of the track. The animals ran down the track toward the Ledbetter crossing, probably a distance of a quarter of a mile. The train was approaching from the south and seeing the animals, started whistling. With the banks of snow making a solid alley, it is believed that the animals were confused and headed toward the crossing, resulting in the terrible slaughter.

Install Officers At Friday Meeting

With Ralph Winters as installing officer, the following officials were given their posts at a meeting of the Benefit Association of Railway Employees at Eagles hall last night: Otto Geber, conductor; H. B. Clark, engineer; H. B. Myers, secretary-treasurer; L. W. Whaley, foreman; E. A. Horstman, machinist; Everett Walker, motorman; A. F. Marr, flagman, and R. Winters, brakeman.

Urges Clearing Of Snow From Roof

If the weather remains warm and snow continues, people who have flat roofs should clear them off, or there is grave danger of a collapse, according to Charles B. Miller, La Grande architect. If spots are clogged up, and rain should come with a large amount of snow on the roofs, the weight of the covering will assume dangerous proportions, he said.

Lyceum Number To Come Wednesday

Wednesday, Jan. 30, is the date set for the appearance of Burdette, character artist, who will appear on the program of the Lyceum number sponsored by the student body of La Grande High school. The performance is to be held at the Methodist church.

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Decision Made Late Yesterday

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This will be the first convention of state bankers to be held in Eastern Oregon since the 1910 meeting in Pendleton. The nearest to Eastern Oregon during the last 19 years was when the association met in Bend in 1918.

School Board Receives Bids

Bids have been received by the school board for the purchasing of chairs and stage equipment for La Grande High school to replace that damaged in the fire which recently partially destroyed the high school building.

Large Crowd At Movie Dance Here

More than 400 La Grande persons attended the American Legion movie ball last night at Zuber hall. Individual pictures were taken of dancers and many participated in the grand march of which a movie camera was running.

Alleged Fire Bug Captured Today; Man Accused of Burning 7 Hotels

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 26 (AP)—Coastwide search for the man blamed by Oregon and Washington fire marshals and hotel associations for seven hotel fires and robberies, was believed by local officers to be ended today with the arrest of H. B. McCrary, at San Bernardino, Cal. The Oregon fire marshals' office holds McCrary responsible for at least one more hotel fire, and suspects him in connection with others.

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16,000 Foot Jump Saves Army Pilot

SPRINGFIELD, Ohio, Jan. 26 (AP)—Lieut. J. B. Haddon, army air pilot, made a parachute jump to safety from his burning airplane near New Carlisle today after he had become unconscious while flying at a height of 16,000 feet in a temperature of 69 degrees below zero.

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Jardine Lays Cornerstone



Secretary of Agriculture William M. Jardine is shown with the travel as he laid the cornerstone for the new department of agriculture building in Washington, D. C. Next to Secretary Jardine is Senator Charles L. McNary, of Oregon, and on the right is Congressman Gilbert N. Hansen of Iowa, co-author of the McNary-Hansen farm relief bill and chairman of the senate and house agricultural committees, respectively.

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WEATHER TODAY 7:30 a. m.—22 above. Minimum 19 above. Condition: cloudy, snowy.

WEATHER YESTERDAY Maximum 19, minimum 18 above. Condition: snow, 2 inches (up to 7:20 a. m. today).

WEATHER JAN 26, 1929 Maximum 22, minimum 17 above. Condition: partly cloudy.

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AVIATOR AND PASSENGERS ARE RESCUED

SALE LAKE CITY, Utah, Jan. 26 (AP)—Pilot Frank Barber, of the Boeing Air Transport, and his two passengers, forced down in the snow 35 miles north and east of Elko, Nev., were rescued by a party of ranchers this morning, said a radio message received by Boeing officials here.