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THE WEATHER
 OREGON: Fair tonight and Tuesday, no change in temperature. Gentle, variable winds, mostly northerly on coast.

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MINISTERS MAKE PLANS FOR EASTER

Service Will Be Held at Gangloff Park; To Observe Holy Week

EPWORTH LEAGUE STAGES PAGEANT

Rev. Oliver Riley, Rector of Episcopal Church, Preaches Farewell Sermon Sunday

The La Grande Ministerial association, at a colloquy held this morning, made preliminary arrangements for the observance of Holy week in this city. It was also decided to hold the annual Easter sunrise service, to which the entire community is invited.

The Rev. R. L. Putnam, of the Central Church of Christ, was placed in charge of the arrangement for the sunrise meeting, which will be held at Gangloff park Easter morning.

The Rev. J. George Wals, of the First Presbyterian church, was selected to take charge of the meeting to be held on Good Friday from 12 noon to 3 o'clock in the afternoon. The program in detail will be given later.

Epworth League Pageant
Members of the Epworth League, headed by the cabinet, George Mounts, Eugene Cates, Bethmyr Miller, Mary Lou Piper, Ethel Sayre, Phyllis Peterson and Bernita Peterson, had charge of the evening service last evening at the First Methodist Episcopal church and gave a missionary pageant as a part of their efficiency program. The program was very good, it is reported, a large group of young people having an active part in the service. Mrs. V. E. Hall, the advisor assisted throughout the entire evening.

Following the processional "Three Cheers for the Yellow and White" the customary opening exercises were held with George Mounts presiding, and then a history of the general organization by Miss Ione Harriman a story of how general league works by Eugene Cates, and a recital of the work the local chapter is doing by Mr. Mounts gave some idea of the vision and purpose of the organization.

No-Decision Debate
A no-decision debate on the question "Resolved that foreign missions tend toward world peace" was given by Bethmyr Miller, upholding the affirmative and Harold Rogers, the negative. This and the pageant that followed counted for efficiency points.

The pageant "Christ Among Men" was the concluding number.

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FLOWER SHOP WILL MOVE TO NEW LOCATION

Clarks Florists expect to move into a new location in the Foley hotel building the last of this week. It repairs now under way can be completed in time. The shop, now next to the Foley barber shop, will go into the room formerly occupied by the White Lunch.

Workmen are busy today in the new location, lowering the floor of the display window, widening the door and building on an additional 17 feet at the rear. The new quarters will be 15 feet longer and one foot wider than the present room, and will also allow more light and ventilation.

Stock Show Dinner Honors Legislators

The Eastern Oregon Livestock show association is to host tomorrow night to Eastern Oregon legislators at a dinner at the Union hotel at 6:30 o'clock. Everyone interested in stock show development is invited. Tickets will be a dollar plate and reservations may be made with Tony D. Smith at Union.

WEATHER TODAY

7:30 a. m. 23 above.
Minimum: 27 above.
Condition: clear.

WEATHER YESTERDAY

Maximum 56, minimum 32 above.
Condition: clear.

WEATHER MARCH 18, 1929

Maximum 67, minimum 31 above.
Condition: clear.

Large Crowd At Band Concert In Arcade Sunday

Program Popular With Audience; Mrs. Florence Lynch Miller Appears in Vocal Solos

Opening with a fast movement and going into the slow and flowing andante of the clarinet solo, the martial overture "Raymond" started the concert of the La Grande Municipal band yesterday afternoon at the Arcade theater. Andrew Loney Jr., director.

The difficult technique of "Sambambula Fantasia," by Gavalini showed thorough mastery as it was played in variations by Roy Mattoon as a clarinet solo. The number called for an encore which Mr. Mattoon gave by playing the finale to the piece.

Herbert Selection Popular
A graphic, descriptive thing, was the "March of the Toys," from "Babes in Toyland," by Victor Herbert. The band pictured in music a children's toy land, the dancing dolls, the tin soldiers, the drum, the tops, the atmosphere of the happy, light hearted joys of childhood. The encore to this selection was "My Merry Bells," played by Ethel Mattoon and Mr. Loney as a cornet duet which was one of the afternoon's popular features.

"Liebestraum," by Liszt, played in saxophone quartet by Messrs. Brown, Zundel, Gekeler and Counsell, was followed by "Past and Present," by Brucke which was so thoroughly enjoyed that it called for still another encore.

Strange, oriental tone and they were beautifully brought out in Lincke's "Egyptian Serenade," "Aminia," "In the Clock Store," by Orth, was realistically played and was excellent in detail even to the "clinking" of the clock by use of the mallet, and "Cuckoo," "Cuckoo" call of the clock. The popular number "I Can't Give You Anything But Love," was given as an encore.

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Mrs. Myers Dies Here On Sunday; Burial Tuesday

Another pioneer of the Grande Ronde Valley was removed from the lists of the living yesterday afternoon when Mrs. Rachel Margaret Myers, who came to Oregon about 60 years ago, died at her home at 1002 First street after a long illness.

Her death was a sad shock to her many friends, although her condition had been critical.

Mrs. Myers, who was born in West Virginia, leaves two daughters and three sons: Mrs. Claire Hamilton, of Summerville; Dr. Belle Myers, of La Grande; Clyde Myers, of Summerville; John L. Myers, of Portland, and Dr. R. R. Myers, of Las Vegas, Nev.

Funeral services will be held tomorrow afternoon at 1:30 o'clock at the Summerville chapel. She will be laid to rest beside her husband.

Baseball Club Meets Tomorrow To Plan Season

The La Grande Baseball club will hold a meeting Tuesday night, at 7:30 o'clock, at the city hall. President Joe Keeney announced today. He urges that all directors of the 1929 club, all players and interested fans be present.

Plans for the 1929 season will be discussed and officers may be elected. Besides the club officers, a La Grande director for the Big Mountain league executive board, may be named.

Mexican Robbed Of \$60 Sunday Night

A young Mexican, whose name was not listed on the records, reported to the police last night that he was robbed earlier that evening of \$60 in a house on the north side of the track. His story was that he was knocked down by three or four men and the money taken from him while he was overpowered. Police are investigating the case today.

English Teacher Resigns Position

Miss Ethel Rickford, who for the last four years has been a teacher of English at the La Grande High school has resigned her position and has left for her home in Hood River, Ore. It is understood that she is to be married soon.

Mrs. Harvey P. Matthews, of this city, has been employed to take Miss Rickford's place for the rest of the school year.

REBELS QUIT TORREON AS LOYALS NEAR

Mexican Government Reports Revolutionary Army On Run

ESCOBAR ARRIVES AT CHIHUAHUA

More American Soldiers Sent to Border as Precautionary Step; Torreon Bombed Sunday

MEXICO CITY, Mar. 18 (AP)—The government announces that the rebels are put to flight and have evacuated Torreon in full flight.

The rebels were fleeing, apparently toward Chihuahua City, it was said, at Chapultepec Castle. Federal cavalry under General Benigno Serrano expected to occupy Torreon at 5 p. m.

General Almazan, leader of the federal armies advancing against Torreon from Monterrey, telegraphed the presidential palace from San Pedro de las Colonias that the rebels began their flight from Torreon at sunrise this morning. They were completely evacuating the city, Almazan said.

ESCOCAR IN CHIHUAHUA

WITH THE REVOLUTIONARY ARMY AT ESCALON, Chihuahua, Mar. 18 (AP)—General Jose Gonzalo Escobar, chief of the revolutionary forces, arrived at the head of his command this morning from

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LAUNDRY HERE IS SOLD TO BATLEY

L. F. Dunn, Former Owner, Has Been in Business for 32 Years

L. F. Dunn started a new era in his life today. For the last 32 years he has been engaged in the laundry business in La Grande but today he made announcement of the sale of the Standard Laundry to Martin G. Batley, of Twin Falls, Ida.

The property will not go into strange hands as Mr. Batley, 1912, is known to La Grande. In 1912 he graduated at La Grande High school. His parents, who lived here then, were engaged in the orchard business. In 1916 Mr. Batley graduated at the University of Oregon.

He arrived in La Grande Thursday and will be joined within the next ten days by Mrs. Batley and their five-year-old son, Billy.

Mr. Dunn to Stay Here.
Mr. Dunn has no definite plans for the future except that he will remain in La Grande. "I have been in the laundry business for 32 years and I think I should have a change," Mr. Dunn asserts.

The new owner plans several changes in the laundry including the installation of new equipment. Seventeen persons are employed there.

Mr. Dunn was associated in the laundry business with his brother, C. S. Dunn and L. B. Moe in La Grande for many years until 1925 when he became sole owner of the laundry. In 1928 he was connected.

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Farm Population of United States Is Smallest in 20 Years, Is Report

WASHINGTON, Mar. 18.—The farm population of the United States is now the smallest in 20 years, reports the bureau of agricultural economics, U. S. department of agriculture, which estimates the farm population of 27,519,999 persons on Jan. 1, 1929, as compared with a peak of 32,000,000 persons in 1909.

The bureau's estimate also shows a decrease in farm population during the past year despite improved agricultural conditions and a slight increase in industrial employment. The Jan. 1, 1929, figure compared with a farm population of 27,519,999 persons on Jan. 1, 1928.

The decrease in farm population the past year would have been much greater were it not offset by an excess of births over deaths, the figures revealing that in the movement of population from and to farms, 1,367,000 persons left farms during the year, and 1,367,000 persons moved from cities to farms.

Movements Slow Up

The movement away from farms showed up somewhat during the year as compared with immediate preceding years, but the movement from cities to farms was also smaller. Thus it is shown that

Judge Hardy On Trial Today In Senate Chambers

Aimee Will Not Be In Sacramento Until Later; Hardy Is Charged Accepting "Love Gift"

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Mar. 18 (AP)—The senate of the legislature resolved itself into a high court of impeachment today for the purpose of trying the impeachment of Judge Carlos S. Hardy of Los Angeles for misdemeanors in office. The sergeant at arms of the senate went to the assembly to inform that body and escort the five prosecuting managers to senate chambers.

Aimee Simple McPherson from whom Judge Hardy is charged with accepting a \$2500 "love gift" check will not be in the capital as the trial opens. The evangelist of Angelus Temple is expected to be called later when a charge of obstructing justice in connection with her alleged kidnapping is aired.

Judge Hardy was shown a message from Minnie Kennedy, Mrs. McPherson's mother last night warning her to get out of the state to be deceived "by a show of friendship and Parisian gown" by Mrs. McPherson. He remained quiet. His son, however, laughed: "Ha, ha, ha—very amusing," he said.

Masons To Attend Meeting in Baker

Keystone Chapter No. 15 of Royal Arch Masons, of Baker, will entertain at a district convention Friday, Mar. 22, when members of La Grande Chapter No. 9 will be among the guests in attendance. The La Grande delegation will include five candidates.

The convention will include a banquet at 8:30 Friday evening. The dinner will be followed by initiatory work when the most excellent masters degree will be exemplified by the Baker chapter. The degree is an elaborate one and all preparations have been made to put it on in good shape, announces H. E. Dixon, of the La Grande chapter.

The initiation Friday night will be one of the preliminaries to the meeting of the grand chapter of the Royal Arch Masons of Oregon to be held in La Grande the second week in April. All La Grande members are urged to attend the Baker meeting.

Tells Of His First Job

"I say will be a doctor, Jake will be a farmer and Ernest will be a lawyer." That simple statement made with a tone of finality quite a number of years ago influenced the lives of three boys who, are now men. Roy is a widely known doctor in Los Angeles, Cal. Jake has a farm near the old home in Kansas, and Ernest R. Ringo is a lawyer known in La Grande.

The influencing statement was made by a lawyer friend of Mr. Ringo's father who used to visit at the Ringo home in Kansas. "I believe, his assertion did have something to do with deciding our future work," Mr. Ringo says with a laugh.

"I always wanted to be a farmer—a stock man, and even now I like it. My first job was herding a big bunch of cattle on the Kansas prairie. I remember once a frightful storm came up and all day I worked like fire to keep the cattle from scattering. I had a dandy cow pony and never would have succeeded if it hadn't been for that. I was about 16 years old. I got a dollar a day."

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FAILED SATURDAY, SO IS TRYING AGAIN



Captain Ira C. Eaker, chief pilot of the "Question Mark," who took a prominent part in keeping the plane up in the air during the recent endurance test, hopped from Brownsville, Tex., Saturday morning in an attempted dawn-to-dusk flight to Panama. He failed to complete his trip on time. However, Eaker hopped off this morning from Panama in another attempt, this time a dawn-to-dusk flight to Brownsville. The Boeing single-seater pursuit plane he is using has a 145-mile cruising speed and possibilities of 175 miles an hour. Captain Eaker and the plane are pictured above.

Jazz Orchestra To Play For Wedding Ball

OSLO, Mar. 18 (AP)—The ancient choir seats of Our Saviors church, severely plain in their Lutheran simplicity, will hold royal guests from many lands when Prince Olaf, heir to Norway's throne, claims his bride, the Princess Martha of Sweden, at noon Thursday.

But the distinction and popularity of the youthful couple and the dignity of their relatives will make the event imposing.

The wedding of Olaf and Martha will take place according to the Lutheran ritual, for the state religion of both Norway and Sweden is of that communion.

A jazz orchestra, "The Jazzing Students," will furnish the latest American dance tunes for Prince Olaf and Princess Martha and 200 of their friends at a ball at the royal palace tomorrow night.

Byrd to Search For Men Missing Since Saturday

NEW YORK, March 18 (AP)—No word has been received for three days from Larry Gould, geologist, and his two companions, Bert Balchen and Harold June, aviation pilots and members of the Byrd Antarctic expedition who have been engaged in an aerial geological trip to the Rockefeller mountains, according to a radio message from the south pole expedition copyrighted by the New York Times and St. Louis Post Dispatch.

Commander Richard E. Byrd is preparing to fly in search of his comrades as soon as favorable weather obtains, the message stated.

Text of Protocol To Be Sent to U. S.

GENEVA, Mar. 18 (AP)—The text of a protocol for the adherence of the United States to the world court was unanimously approved in final reading of this afternoon's session of the jurists' commission and will be transmitted to the United States immediately.

32 Vessels Amuck In Danube River

BELGRADE, Mar. 18 (AP)—Five ships and barges lay at the bottom of the Danube here today after an experience yesterday which frightened many of the old-age waterfront residents in Belgrade.

Thirty-two huge barges and other ships, suddenly released by the spring thaws from the ice-bound moving, crashed pell-mell down the river colliding with other boats and catapulting themselves against stonepiers and bridges with such force that five of them sank.

The crews jumped to safety on huge blocks of floating ice.

State Librarian Arrives in Salem

SALEM, Ore., March 18 (AP)—Mrs. Virginia Cleaver Bacon, new Oregon state librarian, arrived today from Portland to take up her duties. Mrs. Bacon said that she does not contemplate any change in the personnel of the library staff, and declared that the Oregon library system has reached a very high degree of efficiency, particularly with reference to its service to the country districts. Mrs. Bacon succeeds Mrs. Walter M. Pierce, formerly Miss Cornelia Marvin.

AIRPLANE CRASH IS FATAL TO 14

Passenger Machine, in Attempt to Land, Smashes Into Freight Car

NEWARK, N. J., Mar. 18 (AP)—Delmont Parsons, passenger in the Ford tri-motored plane which crashed near here late yesterday, died in St. James hospital today, bringing the death toll to 14.

Lou Foote, the pilot, who lies in the hospital in a critical condition, is now the only survivor of the disaster.

A huge Ford all-metal trimotored monoplane operated by the Colonial Airways crashed into a freight car loaded with steel while attempting a forced landing a mile from the Newark airport after its motors had stopped.

Hurled 50 Feet
Lou Foote, the pilot, and Delmont Parsons, a friend riding in the cockpit beside him were hurled 50 feet from the plane by the impact. Those in the cabin were flung into a heap in the forward end of the fuselage. Many were impaled on pieces of torn metal.

Witnesses said the plane appeared to be in trouble from the time it took off from the airport with its load of passengers for a trip over New York City.

It rose slightly. Persons who saw the ship just before the crash said the propellers were turning slowly as though the motors were dead. The plane was not more than 200 feet above the ground.

Foote apparently was attempting to bring the ship down on a clear space between two railroad lines, but the plane, buffeted by a high, gusty wind, lost altitude too rapidly to clear a string of cars on a siding of the Central Railroad of New Jersey.

Engaged Couple Killed
The victims included an engaged couple, Miss Gertrude Steever of Bloomfield, N. J., and Reginald Woodward, a law student who lived in Brooklyn. The girl's brother also was killed, as were two brothers, Andrew and Stephen Hagmas of Stamford, Conn.

The dead:
Bauer, Joseph, Stamford, Conn.
Boole, Anton, West New York, N. J.
Hagmas, Andrew, Stamford, Conn.
Hagmas, Stephen, brother of Andrew.
Helmstetter, Raymond, Irvington, N. J.
Henderson, Thomas, Weehawken, N. J.

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YOUNG WOMAN HOLDS FLIGHT RECORD TODAY

OAKLAND, Cal., Mar. 18 (AP)—Having remained aloft in her airplane 22 hours, 3 minutes and 12 seconds, Louise McPhetridge, former student at University of Arkansas, holds the woman's airplane endurance flight record as well as the woman's airplane altitude record.

Miss McPhetridge ended her endurance flight at the municipal airport here at 1:54:47 p. m. yesterday after staying aloft nearly five hours longer than the previous record, held by Miss Bobbie Trout, of Los Angeles, who completed a flight of 17 hours, 8 minutes, and 27 seconds last Feb. 11.

Miss McPhetridge began the endurance flight at 3:51 p. m. Saturday with 194 gallons of gasoline. When she landed she said she could have stayed up another hour, but found it hard to keep awake.

REPORTS OF 1,000 DEATHS AT SEATTLE FROM A MYSTERIOUS FORM OF INFLUENZA, accompanied by symptoms of cholera, apparently similar to what is known in the United States as intestinal influenza, are causing alarm here.

The disease is said to be spreading rapidly. Neighboring states have instituted a rigid quarantine.

War Dead To Be Returned To U. S.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Mar. 18 (AP)—Bodies of American war dead buried in northern Russia and Siberia are to be removed to the United States as soon as the graves are located. It was announced today by Eugene P. Carver Jr., commander-in-chief of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

The veterans' organization took action for the removal of the bodies as the war department could not do so because of the absence of diplomatic relations between the United States and the soviet government, Mr. Carver said.

1,000 Deaths Due To Form of Flu

TIRANA, Albania, Mar. 18 (AP)—Reports of 1,000 deaths at Scutari from a mysterious form of influenza, accompanied by symptoms of cholera, apparently similar to what is known in the United States as intestinal influenza, are causing alarm here.

The disease is said to be spreading rapidly. Neighboring states have instituted a rigid quarantine.

FLOOD PEAK PAST: DEATH LIST AT 20

Situation Still Serious in Some Communities But Rivers Are Lower

SOME TO RETURN HOME TOMORROW

Red Cross and State Authorities Taking Care of 15,000 in Alabama; Iowa Rivers High

ATLANTA, Ga., Mar. 18 (AP)—Known deaths from floods that have overrun portions of Alabama, Georgia and Florida reached 20 today with few expressed that additional fatalities would be disclosed by receding waters.

Sixteen of the known deaths were in Alabama, three were dead in Georgia and one in Florida. Elba had the greatest toll with 10 deaths listed. Two were dead in Geneva, two at Flomaton and two at Pollard.

WATERS SUBSIDING
MONTGOMERY, Ala., Mar. 18 (AP)—Subsiding waters in devastated flood sections of Southern Alabama left the work of rehabilitation uppermost in importance today as surveys were begun by relief forces.

First announcement of plans for rebuilding came from the office of Gov. Bib Graves, of Alabama, where it was said those who were able financially would be allowed to return tomorrow to the stricken town of Elba. It was added some probably would begin returning to Geneva tomorrow.

Florida also presented a brighter side to the picture of desolation and danger which has threatened for the past four days. Streams in that state were reported falling. This however, did not include the lower reaches of the Chattahoochee and Apalachicola rivers whose flow was still at flood stage.

At night with danger to highway and railroad bridges at River Junction, Fla.

Military Rule
There were no further reports of looting after military rule was instituted yesterday at Elba and Geneva.

Announcement that 3,000 units of typhoid anti-toxin had gone into the area, made by the Alabama health department.

Typhoid was feared because of possibly polluted water. The work of relief was still under way with airplanes, automobiles and motor boats transporting food and clothing into the water-swept regions.

In the Alabama area the Red Cross and state authorities were coordinated in a move to feed and clothe the estimated 15,000 homeless persons while attention also turned in Florida to Careyville.

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FIGHT ON FOR VACANCIES ON SENATE BOARD

WASHINGTON, Mar. 18 (AP)—A spirited contest is reported in progress for the two republican vacancies on the powerful senate foreign relations committee with nine applicants for the post.

The contest seems to narrow down to a race between some of the western independents and some of the "old guard." Chairman Borah, who is counted among the independents, is expected to use his influence for the candidates in this classification with a view to cementing his control over the committee.

Three republicans on the committee bolted Borah's leadership for a while on the Kellogg anti-war treaty—Moses, New Hampshire; Johnson, California; and McLean, Connecticut. The latter is not a member of the new senate.

With the prospect of disarmament conferences and resulting treaties, Borah naturally is anxious to make sure of his control in the committee.

Senator McNary of Oregon, the new chairman of the republican committee on committees, holds the answer to the filling of the committee vacancies, but he is withholding any comment until his committee meets.

Captain Eaker On Way North Today

COLON, Panama, Mar. 18 (AP)—Captain Ira C. Eaker, pilot of the "Question Mark," took off from France Field at 4 a. m. Eastern Standard time on a dawn to dusk flight to Brownsville, Texas.

MANAGUA, Nicaragua, Mar. 17 (AP)—Captain Ira C. Eaker, who is speeding to Brownsville, Texas from Panama on a northward bound dawn-to-dusk attempt, arrived at Managua at 8:22 a. m. and hopped off 10 minutes later for Guatemala City.