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THE WEATHER Oregon: Fair tonight, cooler extreme north. Tuesday fair, slightly warmer in south and central portions. Gentle variable winds.

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PIRATES WIN FROM BAKER SUNDAY, 11-3

Cecil Duff's Twirling Is feature of First Game of League Season

5 DOUBLE PLAYS DURING CONTEST

Earwood Cracks in Sixth, La Grande Counting 6 Scores—Drop First Ball From Plane.

La Grande, Blue Mountain league champions in 1928, opened the season yesterday afternoon with a crushing victory over the Baker club, 11 to 3. Cecil Duff's masterly pitching, coupled with 19 hits and some Elephant misplays, put the Pirates on top along with Pendleton, who defeated Enterprise 2 to 1 yesterday at the Round-Up City.

In his opening game, in spite of the cold weather during this spring that gave him little opportunity to get into first class condition, Duff struck out 13 men and held the Baker boys to nine scattered hits, of which two were of the scratch variety. Duff has a lot on the ball, good control and a fast one that hops. His curve breaks right now and had more than one opponent fanning the air.

Earwood Blows Earwood, Baker pitcher, who played in the same league last year with Duff, checked a good game until the sixth inning, when he lost control, walking three men and allowing two hits, one a two-bagger by Knight. Duff then singled, scoring Moore who got a free pass to first and advancing Knight to third. Earwood walked King, filling the bases, and then walked Helms, allowing Knight to come home. At that point Baker injected Palmer, a pitcher in his teens, into the fray. Palmer walked Stokke, sending Duff in and then Murchison sacrificed to enter field, accounting for another score. Sylvester singled into right field, scoring Helms and Stokke. McKennan, next up, hit into a double play, ending the inning. That had inning run the score up to 10-3.

During the remainder of the game Palmer pitched nice ball, holding the Pirates to two hits, one run and striking out Helms and Stokke. Baker scored two runs in the opening inning on two hits, a sacrifice and an error. Duff stopping the scoring with a strikeout. In the Pirates half Helms and Stokke singled but Sylvester hit into a double play, retiring the side.

Stokke's Hit Counts The Elephants went down one, two, three the next inning. McKennan and Earwood whiffed. McKennan struck out. Moore fled to third and with two down, the carnage started. Knight drove a hot one at Brown, who muffed the ball. Duff got a walk and so did King, filling the bases. Then another walk, a second error by Brown and a screeching two-base hit by Stokke, brought in Knight, Duff and King.

Two extra hits in the fifth left Stokke on third and Murchison on second when Sylvester ripped out a slow one in the infield. Stokke

GUARDSMEN TO RECEIVE PAY THIS EVENING

A total of \$500 in armory drill paychecks for members of Company E, 186th Infantry, are to be distributed tonight following the regular drill. Capt. W. A. Bean announced this afternoon. A good turnout is expected.

A new second lieutenant and first sergeant also will be announced tonight. Promotions are also in store for other men. Preparations are now being made for the June encampment at Camp Clatsop and it is announced that enlistments for camp must be in by May 15. The Guardsmen, which describes the camp this year, is ready for distribution.

Target range is being prepared and target practice will begin next Sunday for those who have qualified on the indoor range.

WEATHER TODAY 7:29 a. m.—47 above. Minimum: 28 above. Condition: partly clear.

WEATHER YESTERDAY Maximum 69, minimum 31 above. Condition: partly cloudy.

WEATHER APR. 22, 1929 Maximum 69, minimum 25 above. Condition: clear.

J. T. Longfellow Describes New Education Plan

Speaks on "Equality of Educational Opportunity" at P.-T. Meeting Here Saturday.

"Democracy and Education go hand in hand. Without education democracy cannot exist, for it is dependent upon an enlightened people for its proper functioning and continuance," said J. T. Longfellow, superintendent of La Grande schools, in a speech on "Equality of Educational Opportunity" which he delivered at the afternoon session of the meeting of the county parent-teacher association held in the La Grande high school Saturday.

Mr. Longfellow described a proposed larger unit for the improvement of education in rural centers known as the county unit plan.

"Briefly, the county unit means the unified control of all the schools of the county, excepting cities and larger towns, by a county board of education, elected on a non-partisan ticket. This board has dominant control of all the schools in the county outside of the cities. It employs a county superintendent, elects the teachers on his recommendation, arranges district boundaries, sets financial limitations, determines the county school tax, appropriates funds, provides an equal length of school term throughout the county; cares for buildings and repairs, buys books and supplies; and in general, manages the scattered schools of the county just as if they were in a compact city system. The county school tax is raised on all the taxable property of the county outside

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Local Veterans Of Spanish War Seek Convention

James E. Page Camp No. 14, Spanish War veterans and auxiliary, will hold a joint meeting tomorrow evening at the L. O. O. F. for the purpose of meeting Mrs. Anna Kaye, the department president, who is on her official visit to hold annual muster call. At this meeting the veterans will again swear allegiance to the flag and country, the same allegiance they swore 31 years ago.

This camp intends to invite the state encampment to La Grande (the convention city) in 1931. These encampments are practically spoken for two years in advance, so James E. Page must get busy this year at Roseburg.

The set of colors which James E. Page camp expects to purchase from the proceeds of their dance, to be given May first at Zuber hall, will help the uniformed and armed delegates to put the convention drive over, it is said.

La Grande has the distinction of being the only city in the state of Oregon that can boast of a uniformed camp. Scout Young camp No. 2, of Portland, with a membership of nearly one thousand has a drum corps which is uniformed, but La Grande with only 41 members has more uniformed members than Portland.

The dance committee reports splendid progress in the sale of tickets and requests all Legionnaires (drum corps and members), national guard members, all ex-army and navy men, whether veterans or not, to attend this dance in uniform.

The following have been appointed to officiate at the dance: Floor, Major H. K. Huron, H. E. Williams and Mrs. W. W. Cowler; door—A. J. Mars; ticket officer, H. E. Coolidge and Harry Brenholts.

Start Flying On Tuesday At Blue Mt. Field

Flying will begin tomorrow and Wednesday afternoons and evenings at the Blue Mountain Air service field half a mile south of the government field. C. L. Dempsey announced today. At that time the air taxi service will begin and some of the first class of students will feel their wings for the first time. Several standing trips are to be made, with loops, wing-overs, etc. scheduled. Tickets for free airplane rides are to be dropped from the air and whoever gets them can go up without cost.

Mr. Dempsey expects a considerable crowd on hand for the opening and promises those who are air-minded an afternoon of thrills.

Burglars Enter Van Petten Office

Some time between 9:20 and 11 o'clock yesterday morning, some one entered the Van Petten Lumber company building by breaking a window in the yard office and stole some glass cutters pencils a few pennies and some keys according to a report made to the police who are investigating the case.

STORMSTAKE 26 LIVES IN WEST, SOUTH

Floods, Tornadoes, Wind, Hail and Rain Storms Cause Deaths

ARKANSAS TWISTER FATAL TO 13 MEN

Snow in Southwest—Mississippi on Tear Again, Flooding 200 Homes Near Canton.

By The Associated Press Outbursts of the elements—floods, tornadoes, and wind, hail and rain storms—took 26 lives in the midwest, southwest and south over the weekend; injured two score persons or more, and did hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of damage.

Arkansas tornadoes killed 13 persons, 11 of them negroes working on a plantation at Tillar. Property damage was reported from other sections of that state. Arkansas also was fighting against the rising waters of the Mississippi river, east two lives and did property damage of approximately a quarter of a million dollars. Wind and hail shattered windows in many buildings. Walton, Ky., two boys were killed when lightning struck a barn on which they had perched to watch a ball game.

Three negroes were killed and 25 persons were injured when another of the series of tornadoes that caromed about the south and

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CANCELLATION OF DEBT EXPLAINED

Judge Couch Reports that County Had Already Paid About \$400,000

Cancellation of Union county's debt of \$211,000 to the state highway commission, which was secured last Friday through arguments presented by County Judge U. G. Couch at the meeting in Portland, was explained by Mr. Couch today, who stated that the commission members voted unanimously to wipe out the debt.

The balance was claimed by the state to be due from this county for cooperation in the construction of the Old Oregon Trail highway through Union county.

Parts of Mr. Couch's arguments to the commission follow: "In 1919 we voted bonds for the purpose of permanent road construction in the amount of \$1,498,000, of which certain amounts were voted on different projects, appropriated by Mr. Bennett, division engineer for the state at that time. His estimate on the Old Oregon Trail...apportioned as the county's share \$388,500 as against the state's share of \$1,052,000."

"It appearing now that from available records we have spent on this highway the amount of \$388,500 from the bond fund, and in

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South Methodist Conference Is Closed Sunday

Delegates Pleased With La Grande Meetings—Out-of-Town Speakers at Mission Sunday.

"All those who attended the district conference of the Methodist Church South in La Grande which closed Sunday night were very well pleased with the sessions," says the Rev. W. S. Burgoine, pastor of the church here. "Five persons signified their desire to join the church at the services Sunday morning." Dr. W. H. Nelson, D. D., editor of the Pacific Methodist Advocate, of San Francisco, was in the pulpit.

H. S. Shangle, of Corvallis, presiding elder of the Portland district, who has been coming to La Grande for the last 27 years, made his last trip on this occasion. Mr. Burgoine announced, as Mr. Shangle soon will have another territory.

Special music from local and out-of-town sources added to the enjoyment of the sessions. Mr. Burgoine said, Mrs. Needham, of Spokane, and Mrs. Anna Compton Winn, of Weston, sang at the Friday meeting.

Services throughout La Grande were well attended yesterday.

Out-of-Town Speakers At the Lighthouse Gospel mission, with a large crowd in attendance, three services were held. The Rev. Mr. Jensen spoke in the morning, telling of China, and at the afternoon divine service, at Union, the Union Sunday school asked to be permitted to enter the Baker-La Grande contest.

Other churches reported very interesting services.

La Grande After Merchants Meeting

A vigorous effort is to be made by the business men of La Grande to have the Retail Merchants' Credit association of the Northwest hold its annual convention in this city in May, 1930. H. B. Park, manager of the La Grande credit bureau, announced today.

A delegation of business men from La Grande, including Ontario and Baker will go to Wenatchee, Wash., next month to attend the annual meeting and at that time will extend the invitation.

Business Men To Visit Island City

A chicken dinner, cooked and served by the women of the Island City Community church, will be enjoyed by members and guests of the chamber of commerce tomorrow at Island City. Cars will leave promptly at 12:05 o'clock from the office of the chamber.

Mexico To Have Heavy Liquor Tax

MEXICO CITY, Apr. 22.—(AP)—Increased taxation on alcoholic beverages and a reduction in the alcoholic content of beer has been decided upon by secretary of finance Montes De Oca as the most effective way to cooperate with President Portes Gil in his campaign against the drink habit in Mexico.

Pendleton Wins Quadrangular Meet Saturday; La Grande High Second

A Pendleton High school track and field team that showed unexpected strength turned back the La Grande Tigers at Pendleton Saturday and won a quadrangular meet with a margin of 12 and 1-2 points. The blue and white colors, which have floated at the top in track for the last several years, had to be content with second place.

When the 12th event had been run off La Grande was trailing Pendleton 7 1/2 to 7 1/2 but Tiger hopes were high with the javelin ahead. However, Temple took first with a heave of 142 feet 10 inches and Nelson, of Mac-Hi, nosed out Price for third. The 12th event settled the meet and the Buckaroos added five more points in the relay.

Three First Places Taber took first in the shot with a mark just short of 40 feet. Kefler turned in the best record in the discus with 111 feet 2 inches and Newland made La Grande's third and last first by winning the high hurdles in the fast time of 17 seconds flat.

The Pendleton team seemed in better condition than the Tigers, due to better weather for training over the mountains, spectators said.

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UNVEIL COLUMBUS FIGURE



The huge statue of Christopher Columbus (right) which was unveiled April 21 at Palos, Spain. In a chamber of the base are figures of King Ferdinand and Queen Isabella of Spain (left). Inset shows Mrs. Gertrude Vanderbilt Whitney, who designed the statue.

F. E. Lanzer Wins Tournament At Country Club

The spring-summer golfing program at the country club is now well under way, with the course in excellent condition and with winter rules no longer in use.

A sweepstakes tournament was played yesterday with 21 entries. F. E. Lanzer won with a gross of \$66 and a handicap of 17, giving him a net of 69. S. D. Crowe was second. His gross was \$6, handicap 16, net 17. L. K. Kihzel, gross \$4, handicap 22, net 72, was third.

Next Sunday the entire club will go to Pendleton for an intercity match and on May 14 a similar match will be held at Baker. On May 5 a sweepstakes tournament, and the qualifying round for the spring handicap tournament will be played here.

Music Week To Be Observed In City May 5-11

Music week will be held in La Grande May 5 to 11 under the auspices of the La Grande Neighborhood club in co-operation with the churches, schools and theaters of this city in observance of the national week.

Musical programs have been planned for Monday and Wednesday evenings of that week, announced Mrs. Lynn Wright chairman of the week in La Grande.

Monday night a double mixed quartet from Baker will present Liza Lehmann's "In a Persian Garden." In the ballroom of the La Grande hotel in costume under the direction of Mrs. J. A. Hoskins, of Baker, Miss Miriam Hatt, La Grande teacher, will entertain with feature dances.

The public is also looking forward to Wednesday night when a concert will be presented by the municipal band of this city under the direction of Andrew Loney Jr. It will be held in the auditorium of La Grande High school and will begin at 8:15 o'clock.

The boys' glee club of the school will also present several numbers directed by W. W. Niskaum, city supervisor of music.

Music week was inaugurated in 1926, and has grown into a national institution, Mrs. Wright says.

Enters Wrong Home And Is Shot Down

SPOKANE, Apr. 22.—(AP)—Lorenzo D. Miller, 39, was shot through the lung and critically wounded early this morning when he wandered away from an all night party, and returning, tried to enter the wrong home.

SENATE TO KEEP DEBENTURE PLAN DESPITE HOOVER

Committee Votes 8 to 6 After President Definitely Announces His Opposition to It.

WASHINGTON, Apr. 22 (AP)—President Hoover stood today, definitely and emphatically ranged in opposition to the export debenture plan of farm relief.

"I am convinced that it would bring disaster to the American farmer," he said in a letter to Chairman McNary of the senate agriculture committee, which wrote a debenture provision into the tentative bill it introduced last week.

WASHINGTON, Apr. 22 (AP)—In spite of the emphatic opposition of President Hoover, the senate agriculture committee voted today to retain the export debenture plan in its farm relief bill.

The vote to retain the debenture plan was 8 to 6. Those voting for retention were Senators Norris of Nebraska; Frazier of North Dakota; and Norbeck and South Dakota, Republicans; Wheeler of Montana, Hefflin of Alabama, Thomas of Oklahoma and Caraway of Arkansas, Democrats; and Borah (by proxy) farmer-labor, Minnesota.

Those voting to eliminate the plan were Chairman McNary and Senators Capper of Kansas, Gould of Maine and Thomas of Idaho, Republicans; and Randall of Louisiana, Kendrick of Wyoming, Democrats.

Senator Smith, democrat, South Carolina, was not recorded. Farm relief claimed overwhelming predominance of attention on both sides of the capitol today as congress entered the second week of its special session.

House Progressing Not only had President Hoover's declaration against the export debenture plan focused interest on this subject, but the house had reached the last day of its general debate on a farm relief bill which meets his views and the senate was at the beginning of a discussion of its measure.

As the principle piece of legislation recommended by President Hoover, both chambers are giving farm relief right of way.

The first week of the session has clearly pointed to difficulties in prospect over other proposals in the administration program.

Disagreement Brewing Disagreements appear to be brewing most actively within the republican fold in the senate. Senator Reed, republican, Pennsylvania, is prepared to lead a fight against the executive's proposal for repeal of the national origins clause of the immigration act and also against the sharp limitation which he desires on tariff limitations.

INTRODUCE TWO BILLS WASHINGTON, Apr. 22.—(AP)—Bills proposing both repeal and postponement of the national origins immigration quota basis were introduced today by Senator Nye, republican, North Dakota, and will be taken up tomorrow by the senate immigration committee.

Supreme Court Rules Against Harry Sinclair

WASHINGTON, Apr. 22.—(AP)—The supreme court ruled today that Harry F. Sinclair, unless pardoned, must serve three months in jail for refusal to answer questions before the senate Tespot Dome committee.

Sinclair had appealed from a recent decision of the court which upheld the sentence of three months in jail imposed upon him but the highest court today refused to reconsider that opinion.

Missing Airplane, Body Discovered

RYDNEY, N. S. W., Apr. 22.—(AP)—Six airplanes were headed today toward the fastness of the Blue Mountains in the state of New South Wales where the plane Kookaburra of Lieutenant Keith Anderson was seen yesterday with a body beneath one of its wings.

The planes, carrying food and medical supplies, sought to learn the fate of Lieutenant Anderson and Robert Hitchcock, who 12 days ago started in search of the then lost Southern Cross.

Hunting Owner Of Six Machine Guns

CHICAGO, April 22 (AP)—Search for Frank Thompson, of Kirkland, Ill., who is alleged to have purchased six machine guns from a sporting goods dealer here, just before the massacre of seven Moran gangsters, was intensified tonight following the arrest of Thompson's wife, Vera, who police said, threw additional light on the case.

HOOVER ASKS OBSERVANCE OF ALL LAWS

Life and Property More Unsafe in U. S. Than in Other Nations

LIQUOR LAW ONLY ONE OF PROBLEMS

Fears "That Respect for Law as Law Is Fading From Sensibilities of Our People."

NEW YORK, April 22 (AP)—President Hoover, in an earnest appeal to his fellow citizens to observe the law, declared here today that life and property in the United States "are relatively more unsafe than in any other civilized country in the world."

In his first address since his inauguration, delivered at the annual luncheon of the Associated Press, the chief executive said he was wondering whether the time had not come "to realize that we are confronted with a national necessity of the first degree, that we are not suffering from an ephemeral crime wave but from a subidence of our foundations."

"In order to dispel certain illusions in the public mind on this subject," Mr. Hoover said, "let me say at once that while violations of law have been increased by inclusion of crimes under the eighteenth amendment and by the vast sums that are poured into the hands of criminal classes by the patronage of illicit liquor by otherwise responsible citizens, yet this is but one segment of our problem."

Tremendous Problem He explained that he cited the extent of murder, burglary, robbery, forgery, and embezzlement because only a small percentage of these could be attributed to the eighteenth amendment, and he asserted that of the total number of convictions for felony last year less than eight per cent came from the source of the dry law.

"What we are facing today is something far larger and more fundamental—the possibility that respect for law as law is fading from the sensibilities of our people," he continued.

"No individual has a right to determine what law shall be obeyed and what law shall not be enforced. If a law is wrong, its rigid enforcement is the surest guaranty of its repeal. If it is right, its enforcement is the quickest method of compelling respect for it."

Mr. Hoover said there were two

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TODAY'S BASEBALL

REDS DOWN PIRATES (CINCINNATI, Apr. 22 (AP)—The Reds staged a late rally here today and defeated the Pirates 1 to 4, after being blanked for six innings.

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