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Oregon: Rains today and tonight, clearing Sunday, cooler in the interior tonight.

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TWO ARE ELECTROCUTED IN ACCIDENT

GILBERT DAHL AND LEONARD ROBBS KILLED

Tragedy Occurred at Crystal Plunge Late Yesterday Afternoon.

RESUSCITATION ATTEMPTS FAIL

Boys' Funeral to be Held Here Tomorrow - Mr. Dahl's Body to be Sent to Spokane.

Gilbert Dahl, about 25 years of age, and Leonard Robbs, 16, were electrocuted yesterday afternoon about 5 o'clock at the Crystal Plunge, a swimming pool constructed by Mr. Dahl and G. G. Tait, which was to have been opened to the public tomorrow.

The tragedy which claimed the two young men was a sharp shock to the community, as both were well known and had scores of friends who today were mourning their loss.

An investigation of the accident was made today by electrical experts, who said that a defective motor was the cause. A state official, it is said, may also come here for an investigation.

From reports the accident was caused when Leonard Robbs came in contact with the pump intake pipe in the plunge, which was charged. It is said, from the electric motor of a portable pump outfit which was temporarily being used to pump a small quantity of water from the bottom of the pool.

Mr. Dahl Attempts Rescue. When Leonard came in contact with the charged pipe he screamed and Mr. Dahl is believed to have attempted to pull him away from the pipe, the electricity then coursing through his body. It is reported that a third man grasped Dahl and received a shock, just as Ralph Pope, carpenter at the tank, broke the wires which shut off the current. The third man opened injury.

Francis Gredlich was in the basement at the time of the accident. He rushed into the tank with two workmen and started artificial resuscitation on Mr. Dahl and instructed the others how to proceed on the other victim.

Help was immediately summoned and nearly two hours Dr. A. L. Richardson and Dr. R. G. McCoy worked on the two at the tank. They were then taken to the Grande Ronde hospital and the two doctors were joined by Dr. F. L. Tashon, Dr. Gistron and Dr. E. G. Kirby, and another hour was spent in efforts to resuscitate the men, but without success. Claude Mackey, Mr. Gredlich, Lou Shodgrass, Claude Cooper and others assisted in the attempt to save the men's lives, as did the nurses at the hospital.

Robbs' Funeral Tomorrow. Funeral services for Leonard Robbs, who was 16 years old, will be held at 10 o'clock tomorrow.

ENTERPRISE TO PLAY PIRATES HERE SUNDAY

Unless rain prevents, La Grande and Enterprise teams in the Blue Mountain league will play a scheduled game on the high school field here tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, while Pendleton is playing at Baker.

Rain has played havoc with several of the games in the season this year, stopping one between La Grande and Baker at Baker in the third inning, and marcing three or four other contests which, however, were not postponed.

Enterprise is coming to La Grande with a stronger team than on the previous visit, and a closer contest is anticipated. Cliff will pitch for La Grande with Marchion behind the log.

WEATHER TODAY. 7:30 a. m.—53 above. Minimum 53 above. Condition: Cloudy.

WEATHER YESTERDAY. Maximum 85, minimum 50 above. Condition: Partly cloudy, rain 53 of inch.

WEATHER JUNE 14, 1928. Maximum 61, minimum 45 above. Condition: Cloudy, rain .12 of inch.

Program Given For Convention Opening Monday

Annual Banquet Will be Held Monday Evening - Final Business Session Tuesday Morning.

A detailed program of the 24th annual convention of the Oregon Bankers' association, which will be held in La Grande Monday and Tuesday, was announced today by Secretary T. P. Cranmer Jr., of Portland, who arrived here during the night.

Convention headquarters will be in the La Grande hotel and the Union county chamber of commerce luncheon, to be given Tuesday at 12:30 o'clock, for outgoing and incoming officers, the executive board and distinguished visitors, will also be in the La Grande.

A breakfast conference will be held in the main dining room with Will T. Wright presiding, Monday morning at 8 o'clock, when committee reports and a general discussion will be in order.

At 9:30 o'clock there will be an opening session at which John P. Daly, association president; W. M. Huchess, manager of the Federal Intermediate Credit bank of Spokane, and Frank W. Simmons, manager of the Clearing House section, A. B. A., of New York, will make the main addresses.

A golf tournament under the chairmanship of Henry Judd, of Portland, will be held at the country club course at 2 o'clock in the afternoon and the visiting women will be guests at a lawn party at 2:30 p. m. at the home of Mrs. A. J. Stango.

The annual banquet will be given in the banquet room of the Seawave Inn at 6:30 o'clock, to be followed by a ball beginning at 9 o'clock. The presiding speaker of the banquet is L. Starnum, vice president, and Steward King, of the spokesman, Review of Spokane, give an address on "Onward and Upward." Mr. King has a reputation as a humorist and members are anticipating an interesting and witty talk. Two guests will be entertained by a musical program given by Mrs. George Birnie, bass, of La Grande; Mrs. H. A. Parker, soprano, of Enterprise; Earl Deamham, tenor, of Baker; and Mrs. Leland Finch, soprano, of Baker.

To Elect Officers. On Tuesday, June 18, at 9:30 a. m. the regular business session will be held in the assembly hall and at 12:15 a meeting of the members.

Elks' Program Given in Honor Of "Old Glory"

With approximately 150 people in attendance, the R. P. O. Elks lodge conducted their annual flag day services in the Elks temple last night, as part of the nation's observance of the occasion.

A. C. Smith, of Baker, was the main speaker, delivering a very interesting patriotic address. Carl Helm, district attorney, read the history of the American flag. Musical numbers included vocal solos by Mrs. Florence Lynch Miller and Raymond O. Williams, and a cornet solo by Andrew Loney Jr.

Elect Dr. Murphy Head of Dental Examining Board

Word was received here today that Dr. Ray F. Murphy, who is now in Portland attending a meeting of the Oregon State dental board of examiners, of which he is a member, was yesterday elected president of the board.

Dr. Murphy's friends regarded his selection as head of the board to be a very high honor. He is expected to return home about the first of the week.

Trees, Gardens Reported Damaged

Another case of gardens and flowers being destroyed by vandals was reported today by A. H. Harvey, Clyde Wilson, George Johnson and Cliff Connors. Mrs. Harvey, who lives on Jackson avenue, said that eight trees were destroyed and potatoes were pulled up by the roots on Thursday night, or early yesterday morning. A reward for the capture of the person or persons responsible is offered by the four men.

EAST NORMAL SCHOOL WILL OPEN MONDAY

Some of Faculty Members Here, Others Will Arrive Over Weekend.

CLASSES BEGİN TUESDAY MORNING

First Day to be Devoted to Registration of Students - Summer Quarter Ends Aug. 30.

With some of the faculty members already here and the others scheduled to arrive before Monday morning, everything is in readiness for the opening of the summer quarter in the Eastern Oregon Normal school Monday morning, June 17, according to President H. E. Inlow. This will be the first classes held in the new building, which was formally dedicated earlier this month.

The workmen have practically completed the remaining work in the building, and the furniture is being placed in the various rooms. Monday will be devoted to registration of students and on Tuesday, regular classes will begin. The training school will also open Tuesday, in the Central school building, with children attending all grades from the eighth down to the first. These classes, to be held in the mornings, will be instructed by students of the normal school.

It is impossible to estimate about how many students will attend the first quarter, it was said today. Numerous inquiries have been received but until the actual enrollment is completed an accurate estimate would be impossible.

The first quarter will end on Aug. 30, and will be divided into two six-week periods. The first period ending July 28 and the second beginning July 29. The fall quarter will begin on Sept. 21, which will be devoted to registration, the classes to begin on the following day, Sept. 24.

JAMES Y. WALNUM NOT CANDIDATE

Withdraws From School Board Race - Election is to be Held Monday.

Although four men were nominated and all accepted at that time, there will be only three men appearing on the school ballot here Monday afternoon as candidates for positions on the La Grande board of education.

James Y. Walnum, nominated by leaders in the local labor organizations, changed his mind and decided not to seek office just before the clerk, H. B. Williams, arranged for the printing of the ballot. Mr. Walnum was out of town today and could not be reached for any additional statement.

WINDY CITY WINS WASHINGTON PARK

WASHINGTON PARK, Chicago, June 15 (AP)—Windy City, a Chicago-owned horse, won the \$20,000 American derby at a mile and a quarter today with Nashpar second and African third.

Company E Swinging Into Routine Work at Camp Clatsop This Week

CAMP CLATSOP, Columbia Beach, Ore., June 15 (Special)—With Company E comfortably housed and all preliminary work taken care of, members of the La Grande unit of the national guard are entering into the routine work of the field training period. The weather has been fairly good and members of the company are in good health.

Three promotions have been announced, as follows: Corporal Carl Forester to sergeant, Private George Ding to corporal and Private Samuel Walker to corporal.

Winner of Auto Classic Killed In Altoona Race

Ray Keech Dead and Cliff Woodbury Probably Fatally Hurt in Speedway Accident.

ALTOONA SPEEDWAY, Tipton, Pa., June 15 (AP)—Ray Keech, winner of the Indianapolis automobile race, was killed on the wood bowl here today when his car cracked up on the east turn as the racing cars passed the 100 mile mark in a scheduled 200 mile event.

Cliff Woodbury, another well known racer, was probably fatally hurt. Keech was killed instantly. His body was mangled. His skull was fractured, the bones in his chest broken, and his left leg crushed off.

Doctors at Mercy hospital where Woodbury was taken said they did not expect him to live. Woodbury suffered a possible fracture of the skull and probable internal injuries.

ALTOONA SPEEDWAY, June 15 (AP)—Four racing cars participating in the 200 mile auto grid here this afternoon piled up on the east side of the wood bowl. Bob Robinson's car hit the rail and two other machines piled into the wreckage. First reports were that Speed Gardner's car had jumped the track, which was on fire.

The accident occurred after the racing cars passed the 100 mile mark. The men Jean Assolant, Rene Le Fevre and Armeno Lotti were accompanied by their stowaway, Arthur Schreiber, of Portland, Me., and it was generally understood that they were headed for their ultimate goal, Le Touquet, but on their return they said that they had only made a test flight.

The aviators explained through an interpreter later that they had decided not to leave Le Bourget before 3 or 4 o'clock this afternoon (between 9 a. m. and 10 a. m. eastern standard time). Shortage of fuel forced the Yellow Bird down on a rocky beach at Cape Orange west of here at 3:30 (4:30 p. m. eastern standard time) last night 500 miles short of their goal, Le Bourget flying field, Paris.

Rain Threatens To Dampen First Legion Regatta

PENDLETON, Ore., June 15 (AP)—Rain threatened to dampen the first annual American Legion motorboat regatta on McKay lake this afternoon. Five races were on schedule for today, with purses totaling \$550 for the two-day meet.

A heavy rain was falling. Queen Margaret I, Miss Margaret Riggs, of La Grande, is ruling over the two-day regatta.

SALEM, Ore., June 15 (AP)—J. Plavins, aiming at a June record dropped seven tenths of an inch of rain upon Salem and vicinity, the heaviest June precipitation here in several years. Benefits to other crops offset the damage done to ripe strawberries, farmers reported.

Scheme Results In Death of Boy

TOPEKA, June 15 (AP)—A scheme to prevent Boy's fall from switching him in the face as he walked the road resulted in the death today of Dennis Trent, 16-year-old farm boy.

He was dragged to his death after his hand attached the cow's tail to his wrist.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., June 15 (AP)—Death was the penalty fixed by a jury here today which convicted George Schneider of the murder of his young and pretty wife last March.

The verdict was returned by the jury at 9:31 a. m. after 35 hours deliberation.

YELLOW BIRD WILL GO ON TO FRANCE

Minor Repairs are Being Made by Trans-Atlantic Fliers Today.

STOWAWAY CAUSE OF FUEL SHORTAGE

Aviators, However, Seem Attached to Their Uninvited Companion on Long Journey.

PARIS, June 15 (AP)—The French air ministry late today authorized the Yellow Bird to go to the aviation center at Casaux, near Archaon, not far from Bordeaux where the plane probably will land some time tomorrow morning.

The authorization was sent after the crew of the transatlantic monoplane had telegraphed the air ministry certain minor repairs were necessary. These repairs will be made at Casaux and the plane will then continue its flight to Paris.

MAKE TEST FLIGHT TODAY. COMILLAS, Spain, June 15 (AP)—The French transatlantic monoplane Yellow Bird, took off from its landing place on the beach here this afternoon, but returned shortly afterwards.

The men Jean Assolant, Rene Le Fevre and Armeno Lotti were accompanied by their stowaway, Arthur Schreiber, of Portland, Me., and it was generally understood that they were headed for their ultimate goal, Le Touquet, but on their return they said that they had only made a test flight.

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Stowaway Blamed. Assolant the pilot blamed the stowaway for the fuel shortage and consequently the failure to land on French soil, explaining it had been necessary to release some of the precious petrol from the tanks as soon as Schreiber was discovered aboard, in order to gain height.

He had not counted on the extra weight which it estimated our fuel load," he said.

The aviators seemed to have developed a real fondness for their uninvited guest, and he for them. During the flight he shared what food the aviators carried with them, and he spent last night with them at the local hotel.

Dr. Woodell Named On Executive Board

SALEM, Ore., June 15 (AP)—With the selection of Medford as the convention city for next year, and a vote to continue their affiliation with the American citizens' league association, the 22nd annual convention of the Oregon Chiropractic association adjourned here shortly after noon Saturday, after a four-day session.

Members of the executive committee elected today included Dr. J. E. Woodell of La Grande.

Battle To Save Child May Succeed

CHICAGO, June 15 (AP)—Since 10 o'clock Thursday morning fifteen men with a pump and many tanks of oxygen have been striving to save the life of 18-month-old Joseph El Chama. Partly today it appeared that he might succeed.

TEXAS BEAUTY



Miss Geneva Reed, 18, was one of the contestants in the International Pageant of Pulchritude at Galveston this month. She is brunet and of an athletic type. Miss Reed was chosen from among 45 girls.

TWO BOYS FIND KIDNAPING GANG

Men who Abducted Lieutenant Governor of Idaho Sign Confessions

JULIAETTE, Idaho, June 15 (AP)—Two farmer lads, who admitted that they were "scared stiff" and then ran away, were the village heroes today—they tracked a gang of desperadoes to their "jungle" after several thousand passmen, including deputy sheriffs of three states, skilled lumberwoodmen and farmers, were nearly ready to admit that their quarry had eluded them.

Edward Alexander, 34, and Sam Bryan, 16, working on a tip of a farmer who had sold two of the highwaymen a quart of milk, found George Norman, and George Livingston, members of a gang who abducted W. R. Kinne, lieutenant governor of Idaho, and two other men after shooting and mistreating one of them.

Found Asleep. Norman and Livingston, exhausted after a day and night of skulking through country patrolled by enraged citizens, were asleep when the boys spied them. The lads gave the alarm and the men were arrested. Within a few hours "Patrol Reynolds, Frank Lane and Knute Swainland, other members of the gang, were rounded up.

After leading officers to the desperadoes, the two boys ran away and it was several hours before their identities were learned. They admitted that they were "scared stiff."

Called from his home at Oreston, Kinne identified four of the men as those who had attacked him, wrecked his car and shot Paul Kilde, who with W. L. Tribbey, attempted to rescue the official. Norman, said by officers to be the leader, was picked up by the quarry after they had tied Kinne and the other two men to trees.

Livingston, only 19 years old, appeared today in court.

SEVERED LEG DISCOVERED ON PUENTE RANCH

LOS ANGELES, June 15 (AP)—A woman's leg, severed at the knee, was found by J. E. Van Wing, on his ranch near Puente, who reported the discovery to the sheriff's office early today.

Deputy Sheriff A. L. Hutchinson who received the report said the limb, from all appearances, had been lying in an exposed position for several months. Hutchinson added that Van Wing said he had noticed the leg in a wash-draw, a week ago, but thought it to be that of an animal. The severed member will be sent by the local town engineer pending arrival of a detail of deputies who will start for the ranch later today.

Hutchinson said an examination will be made to determine if the limb belonged to the torso found some months ago in the Los Angeles river bed near Compton. Three weeks after finding at the town, a skull was discovered some distance away and both were identified as belonging to the body of Mrs. Laura Wells Sutton, missing Artesia woman. Dr. Frank P. Washaker, a retired physician is held in the county jail on charge of murder of Mrs. Sutton. Arms and legs of the torso were never found.

Young Stowaway Called "Little Rascal" By Flier

Arthur Schreiber, After Stolen Ride on the Yellow Bird, Delighted to Reach Land.

COMILLAS, Santander, Spain, June 15 (AP)—Youthful Arthur Schreiber, stowaway on the Yellow Bird, was perhaps the most lost individual in all Spain when he stepped to the beach at Oriambre yesterday after his stolen trip across the Atlantic.

He seemed perturbed until he felt the ground beneath his feet in smiles. The smiles faded and were replaced by a look of blank astonishment as he heard hundreds of voices about him clamoring in Spanish, which he did not understand, and the aviators answering in French which he did not understand either.

Introduced to Crowd. Armeno Lotti, financial backer of the flight, and one of the three others aboard, introduced him to the crowd as "our unlooked for pilot," a single French resident, serving as interpreter. Mr. Lotti was smiling but Assolant, the pilot took the matter more seriously.

"We considered turning back during the first few minutes we were circling over Old Orchard after we found him with us, but when we saw the accident to the Green Flash we thought we would better keep on our way.

"Now we were in the air we stuck him in a corner where he concealed himself before the start and he stayed there all night. We shared our sandwiches and fruit with him of course. We had not calculated gasoline to carry him, but here he is, the little rascal!"

Senoritas Take Him. The senoritas of Comillas when they discovered just what young Schreiber had done looked him for his attractive and the young aviator and his lack of Spanish proved no deterrent to amicable relations with them.

During the visit to Santander this morning Schreiber spoke of himself and the three aviators as "we" and even his French companions smiled. Assolant was explaining to him in his limited English what the spectators had to say about the failure to reach Paris.

"Oh well," the youth remarked, "I'll tell the world we're on the other side of the Atlantic, aren't we?"

Norris Favors Debenture Plan In Tariff Bill

WASHINGTON, June 15 (AP)—Simultaneous with President Hoover's signature of the debentureless farm bill today Senator Norris, republican, today announced his support for the move to confine tariff revision to agricultural commodities.

Both declared in favor of the pending Borah resolution to so restrict tariff revision.

Allen said he would support Borah's proposal "because I can't see in the hope that tariff revision was merely incidental to farm legislation."

Occasional Rains Due During Week

SAN FRANCISCO, June 15 (AP)—The weather outlook for the week beginning June 16, was announced here today by the United States weather bureau as follows: Far western states: The weather will be generally fair to California and Nevada and generally cloudy with occasional rain elsewhere in the far west during the coming week. Temperatures will be normal.

N. O. W. Convention At Baker June 19

BAKER, June 15 (Special)—A tentative program for the district convention of the Northwest Woodmen, which will be held here June 15 and 16, has been announced. The program includes musical numbers, social addresses, ritualistic work, reports of committees and election of officers.

FARM RELIEF BILL SIGNED BY PRESIDENT

Herbert Hoover Writes Name Across Measure Passed Yesterday.

APPROPRIATION IS INCLUDED IN BILL

Half Billion Dollars to be Used by Federal Farm Board to Alleviate Ills of Agriculture.

WASHINGTON, June 15 (AP)—President Hoover with a stroke of the pen today placed in effect the new farm relief policies which his administration had drawn to alleviate the ills of agriculture.

The signature was affixed in the presence of a group of congressional leaders, which included Vice President Curtis Spunker Longworth, Secretary Hyde of the department of agriculture, and a number of farm leaders of the house and senate.

Weeks of work by agriculture committees of the two houses; days of dispute between two determined bodies and countless hours of debate were closed yesterday with the senate finally according the bill without the export debenture plan so steadfastly objected to by Mr. Hoover.

The president and the congressional leaders were bathed in photographic floodlights as the chief executive wrote his name on the measure.

"This is a well signed bill," observed Senator McNary, republican, Oregon, a member of the famous McNary-Haugen team, adding that the president had gone through the motions three times.

Used Two Pens. Mr. Hoover used two pens in attaching his signature, writing "Herbert" with one and "Hoover" with the other. He handed one pen to Senator McNary and the other to Representative Haugen, chairman of the senate and house agricultural committees respectively.

It was exactly 12:08 when the bill was signed.

The new farm law embodies an authorization for an appropriation of \$500,000,000 to be used by the federal farm board in an effort to solve the surplus crop situation through a series of stabilization corporations and commodity councils.

Board of Nine Members. The farm board will consist of nine members, eight to be appointed by the president while the secretary of agriculture will make the ninth. Speculation already has been going the rounds over whom the chief executive will select and a number of names have been mentioned for the post.

Enactment of the farm bill marked the achievement on the first goal set by Mr. Hoover in calling the special session. The tariff, the other major question, (Continued on Page 5)

TODAY'S BASEBALL

NATIONAL LEAGUE GAMES. Brooklyn 8-13 2. Cincinnati 7-12 0. Baltimore 4-10 0. Boston 10-11 2. Philadelphia 10-11 2. St. Louis 12-16 2. Pittsburgh 8-12 2. Chicago 5-11 0. Washington 1-6 1. Batteries: Walsh and Herr; Lusk, Brown and Ruel; Tate.

AMERICAN LEAGUE GAMES. R. H. E. Cleveland 0-4 0. Philadelphia 1-7 0. Baltimore 1-10 0. Detroit 9-15 0. New York 2-8 0. Batteries: Ferrell and Shea; Phipps, Hothorn, Moore, Henry Sherrill and Dickay.

Called in fifth account of rain.