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THE WEATHER Oregon: cloudy and somewhat unsettled on coast, fair in interior tonight and Thursday, rapid cooler in interior of west portion.

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WHEAT UP SEVEN AND HALF CENTS

134 BIRTHS DURING LAST SIX MONTHS

Boys Outnumber Girls in New Arrivals 75 to 59, Records Show.

SEVEN MORE THAN LAST HALF OF '28

More Babies Born in La Grande During May Than in Any Other Month in Two Years.

During the last six months, La Grande's population has been increased by exactly 134 births by Mr. Stork, it is revealed by a check just completed by Mrs. Elizabeth Carney, at the offices of Dr. A. L. Richardson, city health officer.

During the last half of 1928 there were 59 girls born and 71 boys. The first half of 1929 (up to and including June 30) shows 59 girls and 75 boys, which is actually a slight gain in percentage for the remaining months.

More Than Last Six Months. The total of 134 is two less than the total for the corresponding period last year, but is seven more than the total for the last half of 1928. The total births last year was 263, which was 15 over 1927.

May found the most new babies in La Grande this year with 33 births. Incidentally, this was four more than was born during any month of the preceding year, January, with 29, was next on the list, closely followed by June with 25. There was 21 births in March, 14 in April and only 12 in February.

Complete List. A complete list of new babies in this city during the first six months of 1929 follows (father's name given where baby's name is unknown):

- January. J. H. Blackman (girl), John Leo Hinkle, George Olen Pollett, Elizabeth Jean Garrett, Carl W. Jengann, Mary Helen Johnson, Donald Nathaniel Evesole, May Eudora, Delmer Fred Hoxell, Barbara Kay Murray, Gary Ferrell Mitchell, Nowell David Ansoa, Nita Virginia Proffitt, George Alfred Bohnenkamp, Robert Vernon Lloyd, Dale Leon Hug, Harry Edward Peterson, Lawrence Ralph White, James T. Reed (boy), Barbara Jean Day, Charlene Henrietta Danetta Anderson, Marvin Aelo LeGore, Gloria Colleen See, Evelyn Marie Daron, Norman Dean Bay, Mildred Evelyn Cornford, Wm. Donald Mitchell.

S. M. DELEPINE TO CLOSE OUT LOCAL STOCK

Announcement was made today that S. M. Delepine, proprietor of Del's Self Service store, has accepted a position managing Williams' Self Service store at The Dalles, a member of the largest chain of such stores in the Northwest. Mr. Delepine and his family expect to leave here in the near future.

KING IMPROVING

LONDON, July 17 (AP)—It was officially stated at Buckingham Palace today that improvement noted yesterday in the condition of King George, after his operation of Monday, continued to be satisfactory. No formal bulletin was issued.

WEATHER TODAY

7:30 a. m.—57 above. Minimum: 55 above. Condition: clear.

WEATHER JULY 17, 1928

Maximum 84, minimum 61 above. Condition: clear.

Goodwill Plane Stops Here Half Hour Tuesday

"City of Portland" met at Airport by Delegation of Local Club Men and Officials.

Carrying as passengers George Wisting, manager of the Portland chamber of commerce; Harry Love, of Eugene, former state legion commander, and A. W. Nelson, president of the local chamber of commerce, the goodwill monoplane "City of Portland" arrived here at 3:05 o'clock yesterday afternoon, piloted by Vance Breese.

Awaiting the visitors at the airport east of La Grande was a delegation of local people and club members, headed by Dr. Ray Murphy, president of the Rotary club; A. T. Hill, president of the city commission; Jack Ferris, president of the Lions club, and A. R. Hunter, executive secretary of the chamber. In addition to the local group, W. C. North, secretary of the Baker chamber of commerce (was here, and when the "City of Portland" took off for Baker half an hour later, he accompanied Mr. Wisting, Mr. Love and Mr. Breese.

20-Minute Trip. The airplane, built in Oregon and powered with a whirlwind motor, covered the distance from Pendleton to La Grande yesterday in 20 minutes. The airline distance between these two cities is approximately 42 miles, it is said.

Mr. Nelson was enthusiastic as to the performance of the plane on the two-score mile flight, describing the trip as a very enjoyable one.

The "City of Portland" has a maximum speed of 120 miles per hour and is of the cabin type, with facilities for four passengers in addition to the pilot.

Local Men Take Ride. After the greetings at the airport, Mr. Breese took to the air again for a 15-minute trip over La Grande, with four local passengers: Mr. Hill, Mr. Ferris, Mr. Hunter and H. E. Matthews. It was the first airplane ride for the first three men and they were delighted with the brief trip.

Five Pirates In .300 Class With Season Finished

With the Blue Mountain league of 1929 past history since last Sunday, when La Grande clinched second place by defeating Enterprise, team batting averages were checked today, revealing that five men who played with the Pirates during the season batted over the .300 mark.

Duff, who pitched the Buccaneers to seven of their eight wins, ended the season with the fat percentage of .412, to lead the club, and it is believed, lead the league, although complete league percentages are not available.

Second to Duff is Tex Knight, who played the first half of the season with La Grande. His percentage is .375.

Two Tie for Third. Tied for third are two of the infielders, Bus Soycooper and Spud Helms, who started several double plays this season as well as taking care of their half of the diamond. Both men batted .363.

Table with 4 columns: Name, AB, H, Per. Duff, p, 36, 15, .415. Knight, 16, 6, .375. Soycooper, 2, 14, 16, .363. Helms, 5, 44, 16, .363. Murchison, 6, 40, 13, .325. Stokke, 1b, 38, 11, .289. Moore, 1f, 34, 10, .297. King, cf, 42, 9, .214. McKennon, 2, 47, 10, .213. Garity, 1b, 19, 2, .106. Alexander, cf, 29, 5, .172. Press, o, 2, 0, .000. Oliver, o, 2, 0, .000.

Crop Conditions In Oregon Ideal

PORTLAND, Ore., July 17 (AP)—Temperature conditions during the past week were nearly ideal for all crops, the United States department of agriculture reported today in its summary of weather and crop conditions for the week ending July 16.

Day temperatures for the week, the department said, were somewhat above normal but not injurious, and night temperatures were about the seasonal average. Sunshine was adequate except along the coast where considerable cloudiness prevailed.

LAST OF THE UMPQUAS



He's the last lineal chieftain of the once powerful Umpqua Indians of Southern Oregon, is Mace Tipton, who resides at Glile, Ore. Mace is around 90, he doesn't know his age—but he's still a good hunter and woodsman. He presents a colorful appearance on visits to Roseburg, in clothes bedecked with a chief's insignia. And as a further touch of variety, Mace occasionally wears a derby hat with the tribal regalia.

PIONEER REUNION PROGRAM GIVEN

Annual Event Will Begin at Riverside Park Tomorrow at 11.

The program for the annual reunion of the pioneers of Union county and the Sons and Daughters of Pioneers, which is to be held tomorrow at Riverside park beginning at 11 o'clock, was completed today. The program, which included several numbers, will not be a long one that it will allow time for visiting.

A feature of the meeting will be the seating of the pioneers of the 60s on the stage, with the oldest among them crowned as Queen Mother.

Cars will be furnished for anyone wishing transportation. Calls are to be made to the chamber of commerce. Invocations. The Rev. Merrill G. Tompkinson. Address of welcome to Sons and Daughters. Ed. Jasper. Address of welcome to pioneers. Lunch hour. Music by orchestra.

Ambassador Dawes In English Public Eye More Than Ever After Fiery Talk

LONDON, July 17 (AP)—Ambassador Dawes today is in the English public eye more spectacularly than ever, with the English press carrying highly colorful accounts of his appearance yesterday noon at a luncheon at the "famous old Vintner's hall."

Marriage Is Too Easy, Rector Says

MACON, Ga., July 17 (AP)—Divorce should be an easily obtained as a marriage license, but it is altogether too easy to get married, in the opinion of the Rev. T. N. Lawrence, rector of St. Paul Episcopal church here.

WAR CLOUDS STILL HANG OVER ORIENT

Moscow Scene of Demonstrations Against Chinese Government

LEADERS, HOWEVER, ARE OPTIMISTIC

Troops Movements in Siberia and Manchuria Reported—some Stories Are in Conflict.

MOSCOW, July 17, (AP)—Moscow rang until an early hour today with popular protests and demonstrations against the Chinese government, despite an announcement of what was considered a conciliatory compromise from the Nanking government.

RELIEVED AND GRATIFIED

TOKYO, July 17, (AP)—Official circles today were relieved and gratified.

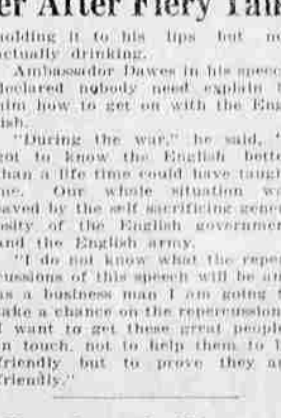
Unknown Hero And Fire Squad Rescue Horse

CHICAGO, July 7, (AP)—A horse with the high sounding name of Minerva Cheevy fell in a well yesterday, being rescued after much to-do and with great difficulty.

Moffett In Search Of Dirigible Site

PORTLAND, Ore., July 17 (AP)—Rear Admiral W. A. Moffett, in charge of the navy bureau of aeronautics, accompanied by the official board, was here today considering sites for a new dirigible base recently authorized by congress.

SHE'S BUSY



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No Loans To Be Made From Farm Fund At Present

Federal Board to Keep \$150,000,000 Until Farm Relief Policy is Determined.

WASHINGTON, July 17 (AP)—The federal farm board announced today that no loans would be made out of its \$150,000,000 fund available pending a determination of policy.

PROHIBITION SUGGESTION VIEWS GIVEN

Wickersham's Proposal Provokes Varied Comments From Governors.

MODIFICATION NOT EXPECTED, THOUGH

Question Comes Squarely Before Executives' Conference When Roosevelt Reads Letter.

NEW LONDON, Conn., July 17, (AP)—The suggestion of George W. Wickersham, head of President Hoover's law enforcement commission, that enforcement of the prohibition law be divided between federal and state agencies provoked varied comment from state governors assembled here today.

Stolen Car Found Early This Morning

A light car, belonging to William Hawkins, was stolen from the O. W. yards some time last night before midnight, he reported to the police. The theft was discovered when the owner's shift in the shop ended.

15 BANKS IN SOUTH CLOSE DOORS TODAY

TAMPA, Fla., July 7 (AP)—Fourteen banks in Southwest Florida closed their doors today, bringing to 22 the number of financial institutions to fail within the state in the past two weeks.

TODAY'S BASEBALL

Table with 3 columns: Game, Home Team, Away Team. National League Games. FIRST GAME: B. H. E. Pittsburgh 3 5 1 Boston 2 4 0 Batteries: Grimes and Hargreaves; Seibold and Spahr.

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Winnipeg Market Also Goes Higher

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More Hot Weather

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60 Million Invested

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Lethal Gas Held Cause of Deaths In Chicago Home

Coroner orders Immediate Suspension of Majority of Mechanical Refrigerating Systems.

CHICAGO, July 17 (AP)—Lethal gas escaping from a mechanical refrigerating system yesterday was blamed by health authorities for the deaths of three persons found asphyxiated in their apartment. The condition on the bodies and a leak in the building's refrigerating system indicated that methyl chloride gas, used as a refrigerant, was responsible for the deaths, Coroner Norman N. Bundenen said.

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