

# Local News In Brief

**Boy Scouts Enjoy Hike**—Boy Scout Troop No. 2 enjoyed a hike to a spot about three miles over Fox Hill, with about 14 of them making the trip. A large group hiked to the spot Saturday morning in charge of Woodrow Damerell. In the evening they were joined by Verell Kochensberger and Harvey Carter, who supervised the evening. Games were enjoyed and amusing skills and jolly stories were enacted and told around the campfire. Kertler Saturday some of the boys passed tools. The troop returned early Sunday morning, reporting that the roads were muddy and rather slippery.

**From Wallawa**—Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Hunter, of Wallawa, are spending the day in La Grande on business. Mrs. Hunter arrived this morning from Wallawa, accompanied by Mrs. Ross Horn and Mrs. D. McLean. Mr. Hunter returned on Nov. 24 from a trip to Portland, stopping here to spend the day. They will return home this evening.

**To Pendleton**—Mrs. Clarence Deltrich recently went to Pendleton where she joined her husband and they continued to Portland together. Mrs. Deltrich expects to return Wednesday or Thursday.

**Improving**—Mrs. Lowell Williamson is improving after a three weeks illness. She is at home.

**Returned to Pendleton**—Mr. and Mrs. George Swanson returned to their home in Pendleton after spending the weekend visiting Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Cade and family.

**Have Returned**—Mr. and Mrs. Carl Douthan have returned from a weekend trip to Portland and Umatilla for business and pleasure.

**From Hot Lake**—John Hoglund, of Hot Lake, was in La Grande yesterday on business.

**On Business**—Emory Sewell was in La Grande yesterday transacting business. His home is at Meacham.

**From Portland**—Jacob Traubell, contractor, of Portland, spent yesterday in La Grande on business. He is at present employed in construction work at Huntington.

**Went to North Powder**—H. F. Godel drove to North Powder yesterday morning on a business trip.

**Has Returned**—Miss Annetta Johnson has returned to her work after a week's vacation.

**To Southern California**—Mr. and Mrs. Owen F. Wagner and two daughters are leaving this week on their way to Southern California where they will spend the winter, or perhaps longer.

**Furnishes Bail**—A. Hanson was released on furnishing \$500 bail yesterday. He was arrested over the weekend for possession of liquor.

**Attend Meeting**—Carl Helm, Bill Howard, Martin Swanson and John Arkoll drove to Pendleton yesterday where they attended a meeting of Eastern Oregon peace officers.

**Practice Postponed**—The regular rehearsal of the municipal band will be held tomorrow night instead of tonight because of the Elks dance.

**News Issue**—The Salvation Army will be presenting the Christmas number of the War Cry to the public this week. Capt. and Mrs. Jackson are anxious that each individual receive a copy of this number. It contains interesting and instructive stories and articles by leading writers, which are in keeping with the season.

**Care in Accident**—Care given by N. J. Davidson, of Portland, and T. H. Gaither were in a traffic accident at the corner of Washington and Depot yesterday, according to reports made to the police. No one was injured.

**Married Here**—Elmer Brown and Alois Moore, both of Baker, were married here Saturday afternoon by Justice of Peace L. Denham.

**Marriage License**—A marriage license was issued Saturday at the county clerk's office to Orval Barnett, of Maxville, and Grace Thompson, of Elgin.

**Tonsil Operation**—Clifford Alstott, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lay Alstott, who underwent a recent operation for the removal of his tonsils and adenoids, is reported to be improving.

**Improving**—Miss Lillian Schubert, who suffered a broken ankle about eight weeks ago, is expected to be able to walk without crutches the latter part of this week. The cast has been removed.

**Returned to La Grande**—Miss Anne Stange returned to La Grande this weekend from her work at the University of Oregon because of illness.

**Leave Here Last of Week**—Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Reed expect to leave here last of this week.



Commander John H. Towers was hurled from a "buckling" seaplane 1700 feet above Chesapeake Bay, without a parachute, and lived to be the oldest flyer in the navy in point of service. It happened in 1913.

## Odd Fellows Hold Big Meet Here Last Night

Right persons became first degree members of the Odd Fellows lodge last evening at a special meeting in the O. O. F. temple, with about 85 in attendance. Two of them, Ralph Stringham and Glen E. Burke, both of La Grande, participated in the initiation work, and then received the first degree, along with Claude S. Woodruff, Albert Keeper, Datto Conklin, D. L. Sanderson, Zack Pugh, and Ernest Pugh, all of Summerville.

Following lodge an entertainment and banquet was given, at which "Uncle" Jimmie L. Woodruff, owner of a fifty-year Odd Fellows medal, talked on the progress of the organization, John Wagner, of Summerville, spoke on the fraternal benefits, mentioning the home and charity work of the organization. Members of the Hoboken lodge assisted in the banquet.

An invitation was extended by the Summerville members to the local group to assist them in conferring the third degree work, Dec. 28, when a large crowd of the organization members is expected to attend. Those receiving degrees last evening will be the ones to participate in the degree work at the Summerville meeting.

## Abe Martin



One would think that a great big healthy nation like ours, with its matchless statesmen, writers and inventors, would figure out some other way to help the farmer, except by loaning him money. "I don't believe I'd like to live in a great big Jakey New York where they're green enough to pay \$2 to see a movie picture," said Tom Noon, today.

## CATHERINE CREEK

By E. H. Miles (Observer Correspondent)

CATHERINE CREEK (Special)—The drought of many weeks during the week Monday and Tuesday when a fine rain fell and to further add to the delight of the farmers the weather has remained pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Kingsbury made a trip to Union last Saturday.

Arthur Monday and family made a trip to La Grande last Saturday.

Miss Frances Godsey spent several days at the home of Ed Fiekle this week.

Mrs. E. H. Miles spent last Thursday visiting at the home of her brother, W. J. Green, of Union.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Miles were pleasantly surprised last Saturday night when about 50 of their friends arrived at their home about 8 o'clock and spent the evening dancing. Dainty refreshments were served late in the evening.

Ben Stotland is hauling timber from the hills for posts.

The farmers of this district who are members of the Farmers Co-operative Creamery company of Eastern Oregon turned out 100 percent to attend the annual meeting held at the K. P. hall in Union on Wednesday.

Mrs. W. E. Fiekle was in Union on business on Wednesday of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Fiekle and Arthur Busiek made a trip to Hot Lake Thursday afternoon to visit Robert Busiek who recently underwent an operation. They report him to be recovering rapidly which is good news to Robert's many friends and neighbors of this vicinity.

Penfield and Joe Griffin. The two, who were 3500 feet down the slope, said they were driven out by smoke from the explosion which, they said, occurred 3500 feet down the slope, where most of the miners were working.

**Three Accused For**—Sixty-nine men were known to have gone to work in the mine this morning, only three of them had been accounted for at 1 p. m.

Workage in the mine and the danger of poisonous gases slowed the work of rescue crews as they attempted to reach the barrier which imprisoned the men. Many hours, it was estimated, would be required to dig through the barrier.

A crowd of several hundred persons, many of them anxious wives and children of the entombed men, gathered at the mine entrance. Screams of the women pierced the air as the rescue work went forward.

**Cause Unknown**—Cause of the explosion had not been determined. The miners worked with electric lamps.

The mine, formerly known as the Little Helen, is one of the oldest coal properties. It having been opened before statehood. It is what is known as a "slope" mine, slanting from the entrance for a distance of 2500 feet. At that point there is a level chamber of 180 feet which graduates into another slope of 2400 feet.

Officials of the Old Town commission are studying the explosion.

Relief work was being organized by the state workers.

Miller D. Hay, state mine inspector, was reported on his way here from Oklahoma City by automobile.

**NEW BILLIARD RECORD**—DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 14 (AP)—A new world's record for high run and best game as well as for the fastest game ever played in a world's championship pocket billiard tournament is in the possession of Erwin Rudolph of Chicago today. Another mark, that of an average of 19.72 for 275 points made in three games also is claimed for this sensational cueist who defeated Spencer Lively of Los Angeles, by 125 to a minus two in four innings in the Recreation building last night. Rudolph made an unfinished high run of 111, breaking the mark of 101 made by Ralph Greenleaf against Jerome Keogh in 1924. He also broke the best game mark of five innings which was held jointly by four other players. He equalled the five inning mark against Joseph J. McCann in his second game. Rudolph also claims the record for speed, running out the 125 points in 37 minutes.

**OFFER \$100,000 FOR CAPTURE OF REPUTED KILLER** (Continued from Page One)

robbling gang in Michigan, Iowa, Wisconsin and other states. The arsenal found in the Burke home in St. Joseph—where he posed as a gentleman of means—is being shipped to Major Goddard, ballistic expert of the mass murderer investigation. Should the intricate characteristics prove the same in his study of the bullets and weapons, Chicago police will be convinced, they say, Burke is the killer of the Moran men.

**OBJECTS TO FARM BOARD ACTIVITIES** (Continued from Page One)

Haine said the president told the agricultural group that "interest charges must be kept down."

"That's at the heart of business stability," Barnes said. Barnes said he was in favor of cooperative marketing and had been since 1923.

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## Improvement Of Kamela Highway Still Under Way

By Mrs. C. E. Thornburg (Observer Correspondent)

KAMELA, Ore. (Special)—One of the steam shovels which were being used for the Oregon Trail work near here has been brought to Kamela to be shipped elsewhere. The other one is still being kept busy day and night. The improvements in the road widening which have already been made have been seen to be realized. To those familiar with the Kamela-La Grande highway, a wide road, such as is gradually being made, hardly seems possible.

Mrs. P. L. Brooks spent a few days in La Grande last week visiting friends and shopping. On Saturday morning she attended the school board conference which was held at the court house by Supt. E. A. Sayre. This she reports, was very interesting and helpful to school board members.

She returned to Kamela Saturday. Mrs. Pete Biever drove to La Grande Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Thornburg and son Ian spent Wednesday and Saturday shopping in La Grande.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Horstman spent Saturday shopping in La Grande. Leona Thornburg, of Joseph, who is visiting at the home of her uncle, C. E. Thornburg, went to La Grande on Wednesday to visit at the V. R. Melville home. She returned to Kamela on Friday. While in La Grande she attended the Normal school play.

Mrs. C. O. Schubert and daughter, Lillian, spent Saturday in La Grande among the Christmas shoppers. They expect to go to Portland to visit Mrs. Schubert's two daughters there during the holidays.

Miss Alta Wigglesworth went to La Grande on Friday evening to visit her sisters, Mrs. W. T. Brown and Virginia Wigglesworth, during the weekend. She returned on Sunday.

A card party was given on Friday night in the community hall at which Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Thornburg were host and hostess. Practically everyone in the community attended as well as a few outside guests. Among them were Mr. and Mrs. J. Casey and Mr. and Mrs. E. Robinson, of Meacham, Miss Leona Thornburg and Miss Helen Melville of La Grande. Those winning high scores prizes were Mrs. E. Robinson and Pete Biever. Consolation prizes were awarded to Mrs. C. Kelley and R. Riggs. After refreshments had been served dancing was enjoyed for a short time.

Mrs. P. Biever received the sad news Sunday morning of the death of her niece, Mrs. Howard Mack, of Ottawa, Kan. Mrs. Mack, who was only about 34 years of age, died after a short illness of scarlet fever, leaving her little son, Langdon, aged 3, who also has scarlet fever.

Engineer J. Carlson expects his wife and family home from Pasadena, Cal., in a few days. Mrs. Carlson usually spends the winters in California, sending the children to school there. Their school closed on Dec. 13 so they are coming north for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Tammerl spent Saturday in La Grande shopping. Mr. and Mrs. M. Broms are now living in Kamela. They moved here from Meacham. Mr. Broms is the agent here, taking the place of W. Evans.

T. Burton, who has been working the afternoon shift as operator at Kamela, has been assigned the night shift. J. Crawford is working in Kamela at present.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Burton and little son, Kasey, were in La Grande Saturday.

## Draw Up 1930 Grid Schedule For West Coast

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 17 (AP)—With their main business completed at the 1929 football schedule, the Pacific coast conference turned attention today to the minor problems attendant to the annual meeting.

Arrangement of baseball and track dates were listed for today's program while a proposal to move up the opening date of football practice also was slated to come up for discussion. Football training will start September 15 but it had been suggested that it be changed to September 23.

Practically all representatives meeting in conjunction with the graduate managers had before them the matter of whether or not to appoint a commissioner of football, said commissioner to be the final authority in all addition disputes.

**Oregon "Left Out"**—Oregon faces the unusual situation of not having a game scheduled with a California member of the "Big Four" Oregon State, however, has been matched with Southern California and with Stanford on their home fields.

Jack Benefield, graduate manager of Oregon, announced last night that Oregon will meet Drake university in a night game to be played on Soldiers Field, Chicago, Oct. 31. In 1931 Drake will come to Oregon for a game, probably to be played in Portland.

Oregon State, too, drew a night game. This match with U. C. L. A. will be played in the Los Angeles Coliseum by air-light. This first time such a Pacific coast conference game has been scheduled.

**Husky Schedule Heaviest**—University of Washington was regarded as having the heaviest schedule of the northern conference, with Washington State next in line. Oregon, Oregon State, Idaho and Montana followed in that order.

The schedule for Oregon and Oregon State games follows:

September 27—Montana at Missoula.

October 4—Drake at Chicago (night game).

October 11—Open date.

October 18—Washington.

October 25—Idaho.

November 1—Open date.

November 8—U. C. L. A.

November 15—Oregon State.

## NIGHT FIGHTS

By The Associated Press

Salt Lake City—Eddie Bergin, 149, Itoek Springs, Wyo., outpointed Ikey Garfinkle, 169, Salt Lake City, (6). Art Palmer, Los Angeles, 124, outpolished Rocky Moore, Eugene, Ore. 125, (6).

Chicago—Solly Schuman, Chicago, outpointed Irish Mickey Gill, Ireland, (5).

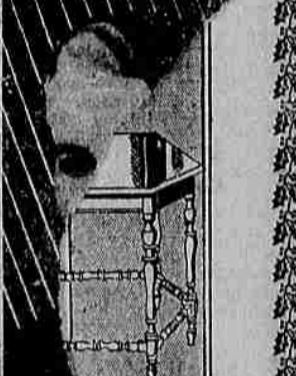
Trookon, N. J.—Paul Welker, Trenton, outpointed Myer Grace, Chicago, (10).

Boston—A. Friedman, Boston, stopped Big Boy Lawson, Boston, (5).

Indianapolis—Toney Cox, Indianapolis, outpointed Jay Boycham, Newark, O. (10); Royal Cox, Indianapolis, outpointed Ray Palmer, St. Louis, (8).

## Prof. Vincent Leaves SATURDAY MORNING

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## Two Moose Remain In Lane County

EUGENE, Ore. (AP)—Two of the moose liberated in western Lane county several years ago by the state game commission still inhabit the section, according to the annual census report of the Siuslaw national forest. Depredations of the moose were reported at first upon their liberation and farmers in the region were indignant.

Of late, however, no report of the moose was heard and game wardens were beginning to believe they had vanished. Forest rangers lived the two moose as present in the forest.

In addition to the two moose, there were 7,225 blacktail deer, 272 elk and 488 brown bear in the forest this year.

## 66 MEN ARE ENTOMBED IN COAL MINE

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Whether any of the miners were killed outright, had not been learned.

Fear was expressed that few of the entombed men would be found alive because of the poisonous gases which were believed to have spread through the mine following the blast.

The body of Frank Parker, of Krebs, a mining engineer, was not with other men, was brought from the mine shortly after the explosion.

First word of the disaster was brought up by two miners, Charles

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## FLIERS HURT AFTER TRIP OVER OCEAN

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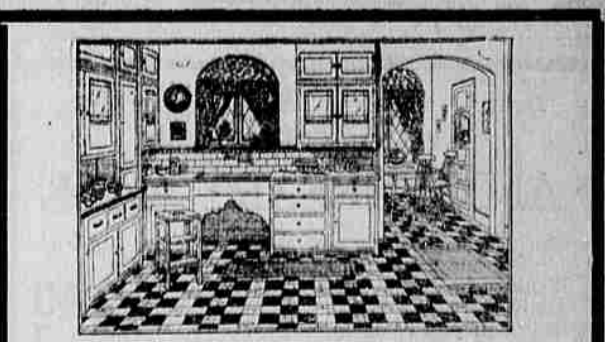
landing at Mareauja crowds of eager sightseers began to leave the surrounding countryside for the village.

First reports of the landing of the plane reached the outside world by way of a small private telegraph line to Natal.

From the meager advices which trickled over this line it appeared that the airman lost their way after striking the coast and landed at a point about sixty miles from the coast near the border line of the states of Rio Grande do Norte and Parahyba. The landing was made sometime between 9:00 p. m. and midnight (between 7 p. m. and 10 p. m. Eastern standard time). This would mean that the fliers were in the air between 36 and 39 hours.

The plane was reported to have turned over in making the landing, injuring both men.

The aviators were found by a group of horsemen from the interior who were riding toward the coast. The spot at which the machine came down was distant from habitations and it was several hours before the horsemen could reach a town where it was possible to get in touch with Natal and to give an account of what had happened.



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