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THE WEATHER OREGON: Fair and colder in the east, cloudy in the west tonight, Friday cloudy with rain in the west.

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LEGION WILL NOT SPONSOR STREET SHOW

Organization Ousts Carnival Plans for 1930 by Vote of 24 to 13

MEMBERSHIP NOW AT HIGHEST PEAK

Drum Major Raymond Williams Resigns Due to Census Work—State Commander Coming.

By a vote of 24 to 13, the La Grande post of the American Legion decided at its March meeting in the Saccawewa Inn last night not to sponsor a carnival in the city during 1930.

The action against the sponsoring of a carnival followed considerable discussion, with several members taking up the question both pro and con.

During the last few years the legion has sponsored carnivals, twice for the purpose of securing funds for sending the drum corps and delegates to the state convention.

This year preliminary plans favored the giving of a carnival in order to augment the scholarship fund for the Eastern Oregon Normal school students.

Opposition Encountered Considerable opposition has been encountered and recently, when the matter was taken up with the city commission, that body indicated that it would not favor granting any privileges other than in ordinary accordance with the city without sponsorship from local organizations.

The legion, discussing other plans of raising money, also voted against a suggestion to solicit the business men.

A membership report was made, showing the present number of war veterans in the post as 320, the largest in the post's history.

The previous high mark was in 1924 when 316 members were secured. The campaign for members is still under way.

Drum Major Resigns The drum major, Raymond O. Williams, resigned his position for this season, due to the fact that he has been appointed assistant to Census Supervisor McElroy.

State Commander Coming A special meeting will be held here on April 2, to greet State Commander Sidney George. Mr. George will tour Eastern Oregon, stopping at Hubbard Mar. 31.

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WHITMAN GLEE CLUB TO COME HERE MAR. 31

The Whitman All-College Glee club with a personnel of 31 students will appear in La Grande on March 31. The club is made up of 14 men and 17 women and is directed by Howard B. Pratt, head of the Whitman conservatory of music.

The club has a varied program consisting of choral ensemble numbers, a campus symposium, "The Dance of the Attillites," a group of orchestra numbers, and selections by the men's and women's quartets.

The high class musical offerings combined with collegiate humor form a program that will be interesting to all.

During the two weeks the group will be on tour from March 28 to April 14 stops will be made in 15 cities in Oregon, Washington and Idaho.

WEATHER TODAY

72-84, m-22 above, minimum 22 above, condition: unsettled.

WEATHER YESTERDAY

Maximum 45, minimum 25 above, condition: traces of snow, moisture .15 of inch, cloudy.

WEATHER MAR. 6, 1930

Maximum 54, minimum 25 above, condition: clear.

WELL CHOSEN



Betty Van Felt, picked as queen of the Okaday, Cal., Almond Blossom Festival, and well picked, say we.

RETURN COCHRAN TO LIBRARY BOARD

Appointment Ratified by City Commission — Library Circulation Big

George T. Cochran, city attorney, was returned to his position as a member of the city library board last night, President A. T. Hill making the appointment and the commission ratifying this action.

Mr. Cochran has served on the library board since 1912.

Concerning the affairs of the library, Mr. Cochran stated during the meeting that the demands on the institution resulting from the establishment of the Eastern Oregon Normal school here are greater than had been anticipated.

Despite the fact that the Normal school is establishing a library also.

Circulation for February in the city manager's report for the week, the circulation of the library for February was listed at 11,158, an average daily circulation of 484.

The report also stated that on Mar. 1 the daily circulation soared to 703 for one day.

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Whitman Man Will Judge Debators

Robert Eakin, attorney of this city who is particularly interested in education, met with the debate team of the Normal school Tuesday afternoon. After hearing their arguments, he gave some very valuable suggestions to the debaters and a helpful talk.

The students have been working enthusiastically under the excellent supervision of Miss Amanda Zabel and their progress in this activity is very favorable, considering the fact that this is the first season.

Judge J. W. Knowles, of the circuit court, will preside at the debate Friday evening, March 7, in the Normal school auditorium.

The judge selected is Mark Harris, from Whitman college at Walla Walla. Mr. Harris is in charge of forensics and debate in that college.

Class Ad Contest Is Now Under Way

A classified advertising contest, in which The Observer, Perry's Jewelry store and the La Grande Theater, Inc. are co-operating, is now being run in The Observer.

New questions appear every Monday and Thursday, and also the winners for the previous questions appear on those days.

These winners are to be published on the Monday following each week.

Dopesters Expect La Grande And Wallowa to Play Championship Tilt

Sale of tickets among students for the sub-district basketball tournament to be played in the L. H. S. Recreational hall Friday and Saturday is now under way in the high school, with each class taking part in the contest which will count in the point system competition.

Business men may secure season tickets to the tournament at the door on Friday.

Clam Feed Held By Union Club; Cornell Speaks

Game Warden Outlines Plans for Future Work — Guests Present From Three Counties.

By W. V. Connor (Observer Correspondent) UNION, Ore., March 6 (Special)—Wednesday evening in the club cabin at the state fish hatchery grounds, over a hundred sportsmen gathered for the annual clam feed of the Union Sportsmen's club.

Hunters and fishermen were present from Union, La Grande, Baker, Hot Lake, Enterprise and other points in Eastern Oregon to take part in the clam feed and discuss matters pertaining to fish and game.

At 7:30 the hall was crowded and the feed being first on the program the men sat down to a real feast, with clam galore.

As Dr. W. T. Poy said, there would be no use for any one to go clam hunting any more—all the clams had been gathered, cooked and consumed. Besides the main dish there was coffee, beans, salad, hot buns and apple pie.

The tables were decorated with carnations in what looked suspiciously like beer bottles—filled with water.

At the close of the feed cigars were passed and President U. L. Caldwell of the local club took charge of the meeting. First the men listened to two vocal numbers by a quartet of Union girls, Nellie and Vallie Goetsen, Leona Spray, Helen Hulac and Erla Clark.

Several Speakers Among the men who were called upon for remarks were: Pat Burke, secretary of the Baker and Hot Lake clubs; Tracy Holt, host; president of the La Grande Gun club; H. E. Coolidge, of La Grande; Game Warden Cornell; of Union county; Dr. Poy, of Hot Lake; L. A. Wright, of Union; member of the state commission; George Rogers, game warden of Wallowa county; and Doc Fellows, Baker county game warden.

Mr. Cornell outlined the work done by the La Grande, Union and local clubs in order that this part of the state and especially the Union county might raise all its own Chinese pheasants. He distributed a circular.

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WEST OREGON GROUP CLOSES EASTERN TOUR

The delegation of city officials and business men from Hood River, after an overnight and morning visit at Baker, returned to La Grande yesterday at noon and spent three hours in this city, at luncheon and in inspecting city projects, especially the lighting system.

Because of lack of time, it was unable to visit several local points of interest, but the visitors left with a wealth of information about the lighting system and other city plans.

During the noon hour six of the men were guests of the La Grande Rotary club.

They left here about 3 o'clock and were scheduled to drive straight through to Hood River, excepting for a stop en route for dinner.

The Little Shop Opens Next Week

The opening of The Little Shop, which is the name selected for the La Grande store of Val Jensen, will be staged some time next week, according to Mr. Jensen who was here Tuesday.

The work on the new room next to Glass Drugs is being completed rapidly and a large quantity of merchandise has already arrived.

Taft Spends Good Night

WASHINGTON, March 6 (AP)—William Howard Taft spent a comfortable night, attending said this morning in reporting that his condition appeared unchanged from yesterday.

Famous Beauty Commits Suicide

NEW YORK, March 6 (AP)—Christine Norman, 42, whose portrait was painted by Neysa McMein as one of the twelve most beautiful women in the United States, committed suicide early today by jumping from a window on the 20th floor of the Hotel Warwick.

Miss Norman was one of the members of the original "Peg O' My Heart" company and was the estranged wife of Knos S. Booth.

Payne Resigns His Salem Pastorate

SALEM, Ore., March 6 (AP)—The Rev. Robert L. Payne, second when controversy has raged in the First Baptist church here since he came to Salem nearly two years ago, again submitted his resignation at a business meeting of the church last night and it was accepted by a vote of 72 to 29.

There were 19 blank ballots. Mr. Payne, having requested his friends to vote blank, it is believed last night's action will end the troubles of the congregation as far as Payne is concerned. Mr. Payne said he had been invited to enter evangelistic work in the south.

BATTLE FOR PROHIBITION CONTINUING

Prominent Catholic Layman Defends the 18th Amendment.

MONSIGNOR FOLEY SCORES THE WETS

Bringing Back Light Wines and Beers as Panacea for Evils Called "a Lot of Rot."

BATTLE FOR—1 had front WASHINGTON, March 6 (AP)—Patrick H. Callahan, a prominent Catholic layman from Louisville, Kentucky, today took up defense of the 18th amendment before the house judiciary committee with a challenge to any one who sought to align prohibition with Protestantism alone.

He said the charge had been made that prohibition was Protestantism and purposely planned to interfere with Catholic services by "ultimately making it impossible to offer up the sacraments of the mass."

He said that as a Catholic layman he held the same influence as other leaders in the dry movement.

Says Farmers Not Hurt Callahan took the stand after Representative Burnett, republican, South Dakota, had denied previous testimony that prohibition was working a hardship on the farmers by curtailing grain markets.

Burnett said North Dakota had prospered under 41 years of prohibition.

Monsignor Foley, of Baltimore, wrote he had regarded the saloon as "lawless and a menace to order, decency and morality."

The letter added: (Continued on Page Six)

Commerce Club's Annual Banquet Program Issued

The complete program for the annual dinner of commerce banquet to be held at the La Grande hotel Tuesday evening was announced today, with the length of time allotted to each speaker.

Tickets are selling rapidly, indicating that many La Grander who are not members of the chamber are interested and are taking advantage of the general invitation that has been extended to railroad employees and local officers especially. Anyone interested is welcomed by the chamber provided he obtains his ticket before Saturday night.

The program follows: Serving begins at 6:45, doors open at 6:20 p. m.

Installation of officers and directors (10 minutes), George S. Brien, installing officer.

Report of Secretary A. B. Hunter (5 minutes).

Unfinished business (5 minutes), President A. W. Nelson, Vocal solo, Alfred Meyers.

Greetings from chambers of commerce (5 minutes).

"The New Depot and What It Looks Like," S. Murray, chief engineer, O.W. company (10 minutes).

Address (20 minutes), A. C. Spencer, general solicitor, O.W. O'Brien.

Imperial address (5 minutes), R. J. Green, vice president.

Musical by The Serenaders and introduction and two-minute greetings from visiting delegations will be conducted during the serving of the dinner in order to expedite the program and avoid undue duration.

Flood Death Toll Estimated at 400

TOULOUSE, France, March 6 (AP)—Straight across Southern France from Bezier and Narbonne almost to the mouth of the Garonne flood waters today slowly receded, leaving behind them a spectacle of ruin and desolation that seldom has been equalled in French history.

The dead were estimated in the neighborhood of 400, with thousands ten and twelve thousand others homeless, many of them with their entire possessions swept away. Property damage ran to billions of francs.

Normal School Club Presents One-Act Plays

Auditorium Presentation Last Night Well Attended — Will Be Repeated This Evening.

A smatch of wretchedness, a delightful wisp of fancy and a bit of humor from ordinary life were given to the audience for amusement in the three one-act plays presented last night in the auditorium of the Eastern Oregon Normal school by members of Sock and Buskin, dramatics club, under the direction of Miss Lena Foster. The plays were very well attended.

"The Last of the Lowries," by Paul Green, is a poverty story, full of worry and fear, as the last of an outlaw gang, Henry Berry Lowrie (La Fawn Boylan) comes home to see his aged mother, Cumbia Lowrie (Harriet Shearn), his sister, Jane (Ruth Snialley), and Cumbia's daughter-in-law, Maybelle (Margaret Baker).

The scene is in a miserable hut with dingy gray walls and includes the evening meal. The vocal solos by Henry Berry were entertaining. The acting requires skill, especially in the parts of Cumbia and Jane. There is sorrow and crying and as the scene comes to a close the horror and hysteria of it all grips the audience. It has an odd sensation of helplessness and the inevitable

Like Old Fairy Story One enjoyed "Figureheads" with the same delight as one did fairy stories of tiny and beautiful queens and such; for it is just as fanciful as any fairy story might be, just as foolish and just as entertaining. In the words of the prologue announced by Cecil Fosdy, it might be "anywhere and anywhere" and whisked the curtains away to reveal a room in the castle of Princess Felicia in

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CENSUS HELD UP BECAUSE OF LACK OF FORMS

The census of manufacture and distribution houses in La Grande had been delayed somewhat, according to Ray Williams, local enumerator, due to a shortage of supplies sent to this district from Washington. Practically half of the city has already been taken and a rough estimate places the retail and manufacturing plants at from 150 to 175.

Mr. Williams urges that reports be completed the day forms are received as he will leave here for Pendleton immediately after completing the work, where he will assist Archie McIntyre, Eastern Oregon census supervisor. Mr. Williams says that all reports given the enumerator are strictly confidential and no one but himself and his supervisor officers see them.

The census doesn't include businesses of a service nature, such as beauty parlors, barber shops, shoe repair shops, doctors and dentists offices and pool rooms.

Oliver Returned To Education Post

SALEM, Ore., March 6 (AP)—Herman Oliver, of Canyon City, was today reappointed by Governor Norblad as a member of the state board of higher education.

Governor Norblad was not ready today to announce the successor to Ben E. Dorris as a member of the state game commission.

Edward Hirschke, of Dallas, has declined to be a candidate. An appointment on the barbers' board of higher education must, under the law created that board, be confirmed by an interim committee composed of Senators Willard L. Marks, of Albany; Colon R. Eberhard, of La Grande; W. H. Strayer, of Baker; R. L. Eddy, of Roseburg; Harry L. Corbett, of Portland, and Norblad himself.

Timber Men End Portland Meeting

PORTLAND, Ore., March 6 (AP)—Delegates to the annual convention of the western forestry and conservation association were grumbling to their homes today following the closing session yesterday. A. S. Laird, of Pollock, Idaho, was elected president. P. C. McLeod, of Oregon, was one of the vice presidents named.

The first session of the association today was largely devoted to a discussion of a cooperative protective agency.

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Admiral von Tirpitz, Who Directed Ruthless Sub Warfare, Passes Away

BERENHAUSEN, Bavaria, Mar. 6 (AP)—Admiral Alfred von Tirpitz, leader of German naval forces during the world war, died here today.

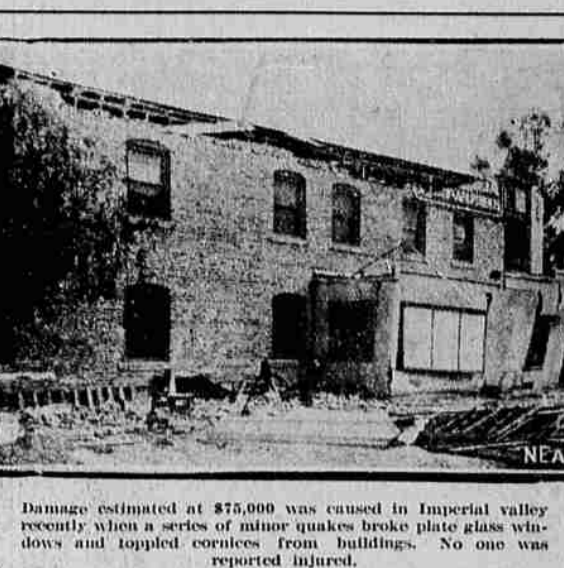
The admiral was in a hospital here. The erstwhile lord high admiral of the German navy, who began the submarine warfare which eventually drew the United States into the war and led to Germany's defeat, was 80 years old.

He had suffered for the past week with bronchitis, from which he had begun to recover. However, his heart was so weakened that he was transferred from his home at Polding, on the banks of Starnberger lake, to a sanatorium at Ebenhausem in the Isar valley, where the end came.

Cherished Two Dreams As the highest ranking official of the former Imperial German navy, Grand Admiral von Tirpitz cherished two dreams. One of them, a gigantic naval force for the empire, became a reality; the other, the institution of a ruthless submarine campaign

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QUAKE ROCKS BRAWLEY



Damage estimated at \$75,000 was caused in Imperial valley recently when a series of minor quakes broke plate glass windows and toppled cornices from buildings. No one was reported injured.

HALL IS SEEKING G.O.P. NOMINATION

Marshfield Senator Formally Announces Candidacy for Governor.

Charles Hall, of Marshfield, state senator from Coos and Curry counties, formally announced his candidacy throughout Oregon today for the republican nomination for Governor at the primary, May 16.

Mr. Hall said he would file with Secretary of State Hoss within the next few days.

At the same time Mr. Hall announced that he would support very definite statewide policies, including highway program completion, reorganization of state government and a readjustment of tax assessment. The senator pledged himself to support conservation of fish and game as a policy.

He said that if elected he would favor statewide enforcement of the prohibition laws, which he characterized as "an executive problem requiring eternal vigilance."

Mr. Hall's platform calls for a uniting of all forces in the state looking toward Oregon's development.

W. H. Guild and C. F. Roberts, second division officials, were in attendance at the Portland meeting.

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Second Division Receives Safety First Banner

At a safety first meeting held in the Union Pacific employes' club house today a safety first banner was presented to the employes on the second division of the O-W, R. R. & N. Co. for having the least number of casualties in 1929 than on any other division on the railroad.

Only twelve injuries were reportable out of which eight caused loss of time not exceeding three days. There were no fatalities.

The second division was sixth in competition with all divisions on the Union Pacific system, fourteen in number, but first on all divisions where mountain operation is performed.

"The second division of the O-W, R. R. & N. unit is the most complicated division on the entire system, as it involves operating over three mountain districts," said S. A. Brentnall, acting general safety agent.

Rieth won first place as the safest secondary yards over Seattle, The Dalles, Spokane, La Grande, Huntington and Umatilla. A banner was also presented to the employes of the Rieth yards at the safety first meeting today.

The Union Pacific system for the past several years has won the E. H. Harriman award for being the safest of all American railroads for both passengers and employes.

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COMMUNISTS STAGE WORLD WIDE PROTEST

Several Injured, Others Arrested in Riots in the Large Cities.

DISPERSE GROUP AT WHITE HOUSE

Crowd of 40,000 Broken Up in New York—Battles Occur in Detroit and Seattle.

COMMUNISTS ACTIVITIES IN BRIEF

Washington—Police use tear gas to disperse gathering in front of White House.