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THE WEATHER

OREGON: Generally fair tonight and Thursday but valley fogs in the west portion tonight, mild temperature.

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STATEMENTS
OF TAXES IN
MAILS TODAYFirst Half of 1929 Taxes
Become Delinquent After
Fifth of May.ISLAND CITY HAS
THE LOWEST RATELa Grande's Valuation is
Given at \$5,577,584;
Union is Second With
\$550,828.00.

Tax statements are now in the mails in Union county, being mailed out this week from the sheriff's office, and it is announced that the first half of the tax payments for 1929 will be delinquent if not paid by May 5, this year. The second half becomes delinquent after Nov. 5.

Total taxes for 1929 to be collected in Union county this year amount to \$206,128.20, compared with \$191,123.58 subject to collection last year.

In the statements now being mailed to property owners, a number of interesting tables appear. Under the heading "Special taxes levied by cities and towns," the rate in mills for La Grande is listed at 22, with a tax of \$122,705.75. The valuation of the city is \$5,577,584.

Union Valuation Second. Union is valued next at \$550,828 and incidentally, Union has the highest rate in mills with 31.5 for a tax of \$173,633.23. Island City, with a rate of 4.5, has the lowest, although Summerville collects the smallest amount of special taxes, totaling \$202.88 as compared with Island City's \$602.06.

Island City's valuation is \$154,614 and Summerville is \$22,181. Figures for other towns follow: Elgin, valuation \$358,250; rate 10 mills, tax \$258,250; North Powder, valuation \$306,156; rate 26.6 mills, tax \$626,613; Cove, valuation \$150,010; rate 10.2 mills, tax \$1,530.10; Imbler, valuation \$119,327; rate 7.7 mills, tax \$918.52.

The high school tuition fund based on valuation of all property of county except as returned on the 1928 tax roll is \$1,15 and 23 mills \$32,924.04. Fire patrol, \$58,924.40; over at one cent per acre is \$458,941.

	Rate Mills	Tax
State	5.155	\$125,068.73
General fund	2.37	\$57,509.93
School fund	2.33	\$57,442.49
Library fund	.025	606.45
Road fund	1.80	24,261.63
Market road	.054	74,995.91
Road bond int.	1.455	35,543.31
Road bond red.	3.711	90,043.93
Indigent sold's	.04	970.46
Totals	42.2	\$465,823.41

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SELECTIONS
BY HERBERT
TO BE PLAYED

The works of the late Victor Herbert, America's foremost composer, will hold a prominent place on the program to be given by the municipal band at the high school Friday evening. An especially fine selection of Victor Herbert's best known melodies has been arranged into a very clever potpourri which will be sung by the soloists Mrs. Leal Russell, Mrs. Miller, Paul Knaus and Kermit Haglund. The few music lovers who have had an opportunity to hear the rehearsal of this Friday's program predict that it will be one of the most attractive ever attempted. A "drows" rehearsal was held at the high school last evening at which time the finishing touches were made.

The band has received a special request to play again its clever arrangement of Komberg's "Song of Love" from "Roses in Time" and this number has been added to the program.

The concert will begin promptly at 8:15 and will be free to the public, all concerts being sponsored by the city of La Grande.

Bedroom Damaged
By Fire Tuesday

A bedroom in the W. D. Warner home at 1804 Washington avenue was badly damaged by a fire yesterday afternoon. However, the alarm was extinguished by using chemicals and the flames were kept within the one room, according to Fire Chief C. T. Lindsey, who believes a cigarette was the cause of the fire.

WEATHER TODAY

72 to 84, b. 49 above, minimum 44 above, condition: clear.

WEATHER YESTERDAY

Maximum 59, minimum 47 above, condition: cloudy.

WEATHER MAR. 26, 1929

Maximum 55, minimum 29 above, condition: cloudy.

Enrollment At
Normal School
For Year Is 458Attendance at Spring
Term of School Will be
About the Same as During
Winter.

Total enrollment at the Eastern Oregon Normal school for the year starting with the summer session in 1929—has now reached the figure of 458, according to announcement by H. E. Inlow today. Mr. Inlow is president of the school.

About a dozen new students have enrolled since and during the last weekend for the spring term, but due to eleven others completing their work at the end of the winter term, the attendance this quarter will be about the same as possibly less than that of the preceding period.

Enrollment for the spring term is still continuing. The term started Monday and will end June 15. The summer quarter will begin June 16 and end Aug. 29, with the first six-week period closing on July 25 and the second one opening July 28.

E. O. Speaking
Contest To Be
Held On Apr. 4

The Eastern Oregon Interpretation and extemporaneous speaking contest involving high school orators from Union, Walla Walla, Baker, Grant, Malheur and Harney counties will be held in the auditorium of the Eastern Oregon Normal school April 4. Each high school has been invited to send representatives with Mar. 28 set as the final date for replies.

A gold medal and \$10 will be given the winner in each division; a silver medal and \$5 to the student placing second. The winner from Union and Walla Walla counties, and a winner from the other four counties will be entitled to compete in the state contest at Corvallis.

The dramatic and forensic clubs of the Eastern Oregon Normal school are planning entertainment for the participants, under the chairmanship of Miss Amanda Zabel, head of the English department, who has a committee of students and faculty members assisting her.

50 Lodge Members
Attend From Here

About 50 members of the Odd Fellows and Rebekah lodges of La Grande attended the district association meeting last night in the K. E. hall at Union with about 250 persons from Summerville, Elgin, Cove, Union and La Grande present.

An entertaining program of vocal duets, instrumental solos, piano duets, readings and a skit was presented by members of the Union lodge. Mrs. Frank Sturgill announced the program numbers. Initiation in the third degree was exemplified by the Rebekah order.

Mr. Conner, of Union, presided as toastmaster and a number of impromptu talks were given at a luncheon following the program. Later dancing was enjoyed to music played by Mrs. H. Conrad and Mr. Hardy of Summerville; Miss Ben Houston and Mr. Minnick of Union.

Tells Of Orient
At Rotary Lunch

Eugene Schrader, traveling passenger agent of the Dollar Steamship line, gave a lecture, accompanied by moving pictures, of Oriental countries including Japan, China and the Philippines during today's Rotary club luncheon in the La Grande hotel.

Members of the high school orchestra cast presented a skit which was greatly enjoyed. The presentation indicated that the orchestra would be very successful.

Play Presented
At E. O. N. Today

"The Romanesque" by Rostand, a French play, was presented by a cast from the play production classes of the Eastern Oregon Normal school under the direction of Miss Lena Foley at the weekly assembly of the school this morning, with about ten students participating.

A skit from the high school orchestra "Pickles" to be presented April 4 and 5, was also given.

750 Convicts In
Missouri Mutiny

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Mar. 26 (AP)—Seven hundred and fifty prisoners in the Missouri penitentiary mutinied this afternoon refusing to move out of the prison dining hall until they were "fed some meat."

Disatisfied over the noon menu, the prisoners said they would remain in the dining room and prison officials at 2:30 p. m. were marshaling forces to cope with the situation.

JOSEPH AND
PIPER BOTH
ENTER RACEPortland Attorney Files
as Candidate for Re-
publican NominationPIPER SEEKING
DEMO NOMINATIONRetired Railway Mail
Clerk Would be Govern-
or—Democrats Win in
Kansas City.

PORTLAND, Ore., Mar. 26 (AP)—With the filing of Ed S. Piper, Portland, for the democratic nomination for governor, today, the number of Oregon democrats seeking the office mounted to four, with A. C. Hough, Josephine county attorney; Edward F. Bailey, Lane county; and George F. Wilbur, Hood River, completing the array to date.

Piper, a few years ago, sought the democratic nomination for secretary of state. He is a retired railway clerk and has participated in various democratic round tables here and in other sections of the state.

JOSEPH, PIPER FILE. SALISBURY, Ore., March 26 (AP)—George W. Joseph, of Portland, one of the candidates for the republican nomination for governor, and Ed S. Piper, of Portland, one of the democratic candidates for the gubernatorial nomination, were among those who filed their declarations of candidacy with the secretary of state today.

Joseph's platform as submitted to the secretary of state contains the following principles for which he declares he would work if elected:

"Devote my energies to bringing about freedom of speech and justice; abolition of the public service commission; relieving the people of the obligation of guaranteeing any return to utilities, leaving the various cities free to bargain with utilities, and placing utilities on the same basis as private business, receiving their profits or bearing their losses as the case may be; government, state or municipal development of our water power resources without cost to taxpayers; providing cheap power for industries."

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L. H. S. BAND IN
SHORT CONCERTOrganization's Ability De-
lights Audience Gathered
In the Arcade Theater.

Playing before a large crowd, the La Grande High school band, directed by W. W. Nussbaum, entertained a very favorable impression in the Arcade theater last night and today local people are more than ever confident that the band will be among the first two or three—possibly first—at the state band contest to be held at Corvallis.

Last night's concert, sandwiched in between the first and second showings of the University of Oregon movie, "Ed's Co-Ed," was for the purpose of securing funds to help finance the trip to Corvallis for the first number.

The band played the march "Hombas-to" by Farrar, a stirring number which was generally applauded. The second was Ganne's mazurka "La Carline," which was very well handled. The final number was Ellenberg's "First Heart Throbs," a descriptive selection.

The members of the band appeared in their uniforms, featuring blue and white sweaters.

The university picture, which was particularly interesting to Oregon students and alumni, was generally praised by the audience. A few La Grande students appeared momentarily during the film, including Johnny Robinson (playing in the dance orchestra) and others.

IRA ALDRICH
TO TAKE OVER
MANAGERSHIP

Ira H. Aldrich has been appointed in charge of the division membership of Portland for the Airway Electric Appliance corporation and will have charge of ten territories in his new position. He is leaving La Grande April 4 for his new home, after being affiliated with this company for about a year. His family will join him later in Portland.

Mr. Aldrich was district superintendent of the First Methodist Episcopal church for this district from 1918 to 1928; leaving for Boise where he was superintendent for a year. The next two years were spent as pastor of the church at Nampa, with another two years and a half at Bend as pastor when he was released at his request due to business matters. His present relations with the church are described as supernumerary.

A local dealer for this district to succeed Mr. Aldrich has not been announced.

Eight Men Are
Dead, 3 Missing
In Mine TunnelExplosion Early This
Morning Entombs 11 of
13 Men—Rescue Crews
Are Not Hopeful.

ARNETTSTVILLE, W. Va., Mar. 26 (AP)—Eight men were killed and three others were believed dead in an explosion that swept a section of the Yukon mine of the Crown Coal company here today. Rescue crews were endeavoring to locate the three miners unaccounted for in a heading where the blast occurred.

One of the five bodies located was that of J. H. Livingston, night foreman.

Eleven of the 13 men working near the ninth right heading of the Yukon mine were entombed shortly after 2 o'clock this morning by the explosion. Two others who did not hear the explosion and were not aware of it until the power was shut off, walked out to safety.

Caused by Gas. The explosion was believed to have been caused by gas and mine rescue crews from Morgantown and Fairmont began pushing their way to the site of the explosion 4000 feet back in the mine to determine if the entombed men are dead or alive.

The 11 entombed were cutters and scrapers. Paul Payza, a scraper, and Stanley Kendrew, a cutter were working in back of the ninth heading and were not aware of the disaster that beset their fellow workers until four hours later.

District Inspector A. B. Spencer, of Morgantown, was directing efforts to rescue the miners from the United States bureau of mines with headquarters at Pittsburgh, also was en route to the scene.

Members of the rescue crews believed that there was little chance for the miners unaccounted for.

The explosion occurred 4000 feet from the mouth of the mine. The mine was opened in 1922 and is owned by Johnstown, Pa., interests. It is a slope mine. Two hundred men are employed in it during the day and 25 at night.

Women Observe
Anniversary Of
Receiving Vote

WASHINGTON, Mar. 26 (AP)—With Carrie Chapman Catt, for forty years a suffrage campaigner, as featured speaker, the National League of Women Voters today celebrated the tenth anniversary of votes for women.

Silvery-haired, 70-year-old Mrs. Catt, who said "Innumerable odds and ends of claims to equal rights in the younger generation of women voters, springing from New York, over the National Broadcasting company chain, she said that 'there are social problems enough boiling and seething around every woman of us to keep an army of keen thinkers and doers busy for a generation or so in order to clear them all away.'"

She told of how the pioneer suffragists, "marching upward on the last lap of their century old campaign, spied old age coming down to meet them." But she did not sorrow, she said, for glancing back they saw a younger army of whom they said "come, take hold, and finish."

As unfinished problems she cited the wages, hours, working conditions, and trade union status of the women in industry.

INVITE EIGHT
GOVERNORS TO
TRAIL DINNER

ST. LOUIS, Mar. 26 (AP)—Governors of eight states along the route of the Old Oregon Trail have been invited to attend a "pioneer dinner" in St. Louis April 18 as a part of the opening program of the covered wagon centennial celebration, commemorating the start of the first covered wagon expedition into the west. Gov. Norblad of Oregon is included.

President Hoover is to be invited to address the guests at the dinner over the radio. Hoover has issued a proclamation asking for national observance of the covered wagon centennial.

Honeymoon Ends
And Bride "Escapes"

SPOKANE, Wash., Mar. 26 (AP)—Police here today were attempting to untangle the complications which started when Nova Paul, 22-year-old El Monte, Cal., daughter of a merchant, eloped with Donald Carlyle, 21, of Los Angeles, to Yuma, Ariz., two weeks ago and was married.

After the ceremony, a four-party honeymoon, including Louis Bowman and Harold Nelson, of Los Angeles, was started. Everything ran smoothly until they reached Portland, Mrs. Carlyle said, and there she found her husband already had a wife and child.

In Hood River, Ore., the next day she abandoned Carlyle and the two men.

MIDWEST IS
DIGGING OUT
FROM STORM"Freak of Nature" Sends
Brief Cold Wave and
Snow Into Area.SEVERAL DEATHS
REPORTED TODAYFive Inches of Snow in
Detroit—Conditions
Worse in Chicago Than
Elsewhere.

CHICAGO, March 26 (AP)—A beleaguered city grinned and grunted as it plowed to work today through the greatest snowstorm Chicago has ever known. Sixteen inches of snow had fallen in the city at 6:30 a. m. surpassing all previous records for continuous snowfall, and the end was not yet. Successive storms at times have piled to greater depths, but this March storm already 36 hours old, has never had an equal in weather bureau records. The heaviest previous fall was 14.9 inches Jan. 6 and 7, 1918.

Chicago, Mar. 26 (AP)—Winter's echo faded away today in most of the midwest but its dying gasp breathed sporadic snows and continued cold.

Spring's return had many fets to vanquish—states covered with snow and slush, communication lines hampered by sleet, highways clogged with drifts and airplanes held at their hangars.

Small clicks, large and small, thousands struggled throughout the night to make it possible for millions to get to work this morning. Impassable streets were gradually cleared, urban transportation lines were partially freed and suburban schedules restored somewhat to normalcy.

Ships Held in Port.

Shipping was held in port on the lower Great Lakes and waves still lashed angrily at shorelines. In Chicago, Lake Michigan tore away at outer drives and seawalls, only recently repaired from the winter rampages. In Milwaukee, the harbor master gave promise of renewed shipping by late today.

In Ohio the blast raged on early today with a sleet storm that centered over Toledo and a blizzard in the central part of the state. Weather forecasters warned of snow and sleet in northeast Ohio, with a general statement elsewhere.

Five Inches of Snow. In Detroit, the snowfall had stopped but left a five inch cover.

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Hall Speaks At
W. C. T. U. Meet

"Citizenship via Prohibition" was the subject of the meeting of the W. C. T. U. yesterday afternoon in the La Grande hotel with Mrs. Putnam Yeck in charge.

Senator Charles Hall, republican candidate for governor, gave a short talk, advising that the war against the liquor traffic was the subject of the meeting of the United States outline and adopt a program for full enforcement of all laws; thus building a wall around the eighteenth amendment.

Mrs. Walter Pierce gave an address on "The Requirements of a Good Citizen." Mrs. Minnie Bynum sang "America the Beautiful." Mrs. Hattie Mattox, of Union, Mrs. Wood of Richmond, and Mrs. L. Paul, of La Grande, gave short talks. The Rev. Frank Hopkins pronounced devotion and benediction. As an open number, "America" was sung by the audience, followed by a pledge to the flag. The organization will meet again in two weeks.

Portland Girl Is
Kidnaped Tuesday

PORTLAND, Ore., Mar. 26 (AP)—An amazing story of a 16-year-old girl told authorities of how she had been kidnaped by two men in a red automobile late yesterday and thrown over a high embankment started police on an intensive search today.

Mary Ripple, the girl, was found shortly after midnight by James R. Dugan, head of a taxicab concern here. Her clothing was covered with mud, he said, but she was unharmed. Dugan took the girl to the emergency hospital where she told her story.

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Slugged, Buried Alive, Man Is Saved

SANTA ANA, Cal., Mar. 26 (AP)—Police of Southern California cities today are searching for two men in a blue roadster who late last night slugged Angelo Fronti, of Wilmington, Cal., buried him alive in a shallow beach grave and drove away in his automobile.

IN DISPUTE



Disagreement over who will represent United States at Rio de Janeiro beauty contest arose at Miami between supporters of Janet Eastman (below), Miss Texas, winner of the Miami contest, and Beatrice Lee, Miss Utah.

PLANTER SLAIN
BY PROHI AGENTTwo Men Fight Duel With
Guns—Deputy Admin-
istrator Held in Jail.

CLARKSDALE, Miss., Mar. 26 (AP)—The fatal wounding of J. L. Duggett, 47, prominent lumberman and planter, in a gun fight with E. S. Chapman, deputy prohibition administrator for northern Mississippi, was being investigated today by both federal and state authorities.

Charged with murder, Chapman was denied bail and held at an unnamed place. Officers said feeling against him was high.

In the shooting, which occurred late yesterday, at least a dozen shots were fired. Duggett was struck three times, once in the abdomen and once in each leg. A bullet passed through Chapman's coat collar, but he was not wounded.

Police said feeling between Duggett and Chapman reached an acute stage in January during the trial of A. D. Heister, prohibition agent.

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"SAVE OREGON
SCENERY" CLUB
TO BE FORMED

PORTLAND, Ore., Mar. 26 (AP)—The Portland chamber of commerce outdoor recreation committee yesterday took preliminary steps to organize a statewide "Save Oregon scenery league," in which members of the state highway commission, civic organizations and individuals will be enrolled as members.

The primary purpose of the organization is to save beauty spots through the state and the creation of parks and recreational areas.

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Prohi Hearings
Are Reopened In
Capitol TodayDrys Ask for at Least two
More Days in Which to
Complete Their Case—
no Decision.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 26 (AP)—After a week's recess the prohibition hearings were resumed today by the house judiciary committee, with John J. Latta of Columbus, Ohio, testifying that 77 insurance companies had found that the mortality rates had been lowered under the dry statute.

Before the hearing got under way F. Scott McBride, general superintendent of the anti-saloon league, announced that the drys would like to have at least two more days in which to complete their case.

He said, however, it had not been decided how long Chairman Graham desired the hearing to continue.

Defend Steamship Line. At the outset Representative Hadley, republican, Washington, read a telegram into the record from J. J. Donovan of Bellingham, Wash., defending the Dollar Steamship line from what he termed charges by Representative L. Guardia, republican, New York, that Latta had been dispensed on the line.

Donovan wrote he had traveled on the Dollar steamships in different parts of the world and had not seen liquor used or dispensed aboard them. The telegram also praised Captain Dollar, the 86-year-old head of the line, as a valuable citizen of the country.

Representative La Guardia interposed he would place into the record a report of the fines imposed on the Dollar ships for violations of liquor and narcotic laws at the proper time.

"I want to show that men aboard the ships have violated for the law," the New Yorker said.