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SAVING TIME DECISION IS DUE TONIGHT

Commission Refers Re-
quest Back to Chamber
For Petitions.

NO PROCLAMATION WILL BE ISSUED

If Sentiment is Strong
Enough, However, City
Dads May Adopt a Rec-
ommendation.

After receiving verbal requests from a chamber of commerce committee, augmented by a number of arguments in favor of daylight saving time, the city commission last night placed the responsibility for such a change squarely on the shoulders of the business and industrial interests of La Grande.

Declaring that they had no legal right to proclaim daylight saving time, in spite of custom followed in other cities over the nation, the city executives refused to take an arbitrary stand on the question, pointing out that because of lack of legal authority, there would be no way of enforcement.

Special Meeting Tonight.
However, the commissioners voted to refer the plan back to the chamber of commerce for petitions, and hold a special meeting at 7:30 o'clock tonight in the city hall to receive these petitions. In the event that the petitions indicate a majority of the business and industrial firms (both owners and employees) of La Grande desire daylight saving time, the city commission may make a recommendation that it be adopted, which would give prestige to the movement but which would not make the city commission directly responsible for its inauguration here.

Petitions are being circulated today by Secretary Albert G. Hunter and his assistants of the chamber of commerce, and it is understood that signers not only express themselves as favoring the plan, but also definitely agree to adopt the plan if the city recommends it. In other words, petition signers agree to set their clocks up an hour on the agreed date if the majority of the large enough to command success.

The commissioners last night expressed themselves individually as favoring the plan, but as an executive body, refused to commit themselves other than to state that as they are representing the majority of the people, they desire to foster any movement which the majority of the people request.

Arguments Presented.
The proponents of the daylight saving time movement were present in considerable numbers last night. L. K. Klinefelter opened the arguments for the plan and presented the chamber of commerce request to the city. Following his talks were made by Ray Murphy, who stated that (Gardner) favored it unanimously; Max Sarvis, A. K. Hunter, a representative of Bowman-Hicks, Meritt Bailey, Aug. J. Stange, Charles Reynolds, Mr. Siegrist, Hatley Richardson and others. Mr. Richardson explained that it would be necessary for him to remain open until 5 o'clock standing time if the plan was adopted, inasmuch as an important part of his summer business is from tourists and out-of-town people who trade between 4 and 6 o'clock.

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HIGH SCHOOL EXHIBIT WILL BE TUESDAY

The annual La Grande High school exhibit, which takes place each spring during the last few weeks of the second semester, will be given on Tuesday, May 20, at 7:30 o'clock, it is announced by E. D. Towler, principal. The exhibit is being held in the evening so that all fathers and mothers may attend.

The program will consist of three parts—a physical education exhibit at the L. D. S. Recreational hall at 7:30; a style show in the high school auditorium at 8:15 and immediately following this, inpection of the exhibits in all the rooms. The high school orchestra will play for the style show.

WEATHER TODAY
7:25 a. m. 57 above.
Minimum: 45 above.
Condition: clear.

WEATHER YESTERDAY
Maximum 65, minimum 55 above.
Condition: cloudy, rain .27 of inch.

WEATHER MAY 15, 1929
Maximum 63, minimum 54 above.
Condition: clear.

Scibird Sells Republican At Union; To Retire

Newspaper Purchased by
Goldfield, Nev. Couple
—Editor Ends 61 Years
in Fourth Estate.

By Mrs. L. Z. Terrell
(Observer Correspondent)
UNION, Ore., May 15 (Special).—George A. Scibird, dean of Eastern Oregon newspapermen and editor and publisher of the Eastern Oregon Weekly, Republican, yesterday disposed of his paper to Mr. and Mrs. C. Lewis, of Goldfield, Nev. Mr. Scibird will retire to make life after 61 years in newspaper work, although he will keep up his interest in the welfare of the Union weekly.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Lewis are experienced newspaper and traveled over a wide scope of territory before deciding on Union as a new location.

Mr. Scibird began his news career in 1869 at Bloomington, Ill., when he worked under his father's tutelage in publishing The Pantagraph and The Leader, both of which are still in existence.

Came West at 18.
At the age of 18 years, Mr. Scibird came west to Colorado, and located for a time at South Park, later working on The Sentinel at Fairplay. In 1876 he worked at Del Norte in the San Luis valley when he helped edit the San Juan Prospector. This town was the outfitting point to the San Juan mines at a time when the mining game was at its height.

Mr. Scibird worked as foreman of the paper until the winter of 1878 when he was called to Leadville, Colo., to help edit the Eclipse, the first daily ever published in that city.

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Lookout Station On Mt. Harris Is Near Completion

The new lookout station on Mt. Harris is now under construction, the road has been completed and the telephone line leading to timber will soon be in operation, according to L. C. Morehead, district fire warden.

The lookout is being built on the highest point on the mountain, which is 5,366 feet above sea-level, a total of 86 feet more than a mile. From this station the view to the north and east is very good, covering parts that could not be seen by any lookout in past years, Mr. Morehead says.

Referring to the forest fire conditions, Mr. Morehead pointed out yesterday that May 15 (today), to Oct. 1 is designated as the closed fire season and anyone wishing to do any burning on or near forest or brush lands, will be required to get a permit from a warden or ranger before any burning is done. Permits will be issued on request providing such burning can be done without endangering adjoining property. Stockmen, loggers, lumbermen and the general public are urged to assist in the prevention and suppression of fires. Anyone having knowledge of a fire burning during the closed season is requested to report it to the fire warden at once.

**Has Confidence In
The Wheat Market**
WASHINGTON, May 15 (AP).—Expressing confidence in the wheat market situation, Chairman Lorge of the farm board said today he did not believe the price would go to 87 or 85 cents a bushel, as he said had been predicted by market observers some time ago.

He asserted the grain stabilization corporation has accomplished its purpose of preventing any big fluctuation in prices.

Tearing Down Two Wooden Buildings

Workers are now engaged in tearing down the Garby blacksmith building and the place formerly occupied by the Mother's lunch, both located on property belonging to Julius Roehch.

When these two wooden buildings are razed, workers will begin the erection of a modern brick structure extending from the Chevrolet garage to the Mackey building, the new structure to become a part of the Larison Chevrolet garage.

Boy Knocked Down When Hit By Car

Johnny Fitzgerald, school boy, was knocked down and bruised when struck by a car yesterday afternoon on W. avenue between Spruce and Greenwood. The boy, however, was not injured seriously.

According to the police, the boy darted out from behind another car and B. B. Collins, of 1501 W. avenue, who was driving slowly along the street, was unable to avoid the child.

QUITS ARMY



Christian Reece Cagle, all-American Army football player, yesterday resigned from West Point when he learned that he was married, in violation of the academy rules. Cagle had previously planned to resign from the service to coach at Mississippi A. and M. college and accept a business offer as well.

NAME OFFICIALS FOR FIELD MEET

W. M. Pearce to Serve as
Director of Field Day
for Grade Schools.

Selection of officials and arranging of the order of events were completed yesterday for the fifth annual elementary school field day here tomorrow.

The day will begin at 1 o'clock with a parade of school children from Ackerman, Greenwood, Willow, Central and Riveria, through the business section, and following this the events will be run off at the high school athletic field.

The officials have been selected as follows: Parade: Marshal of the day, Capt. Walter Bean; assistant, Lieut. Jess Andrews.

Referee and starter: Lee Reynolds. W. C. Perkins, Herbert Browning, Ernest De Long, G. H. Chaymond.

Clerk of course: Ira Woodie. Judges of finish: Charles Reynolds, Jas. Rosenbaum.

Timers: J. H. Pearce, J. E. Reynolds, Jas. Rosenbaum. Judges of jumps: A. W. Nelson, Albert Currey, Paul Meyers.

Judge of field events: Warren Gilbert. Assistants: Donald Dalton, Virgil Conley, Vernon Patton.

Inspectors of track: Fred Nowak. (Continued on Page Two)

Enterprise And Imbler To Play Here Saturday

Under High school's baseball team, Eastern Oregon champion for a number of years, will face its 1930 chance to win the title in La Grande Saturday morning at 10:30 o'clock, when it will play the Enterprise High school team, champion of Wallowa county, for district honors.

The game was arranged for the morning because the Eastern Oregon Normal school and Whitman college play at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

Both Imbler and Enterprise have one game to the credit in a three-game series, which Saturday's contest is the deciding one. Enterprise won the first game at Enterprise 12 to 1 and Imbler was victorious at Imbler Tuesday 11 to 4, scoring seven runs in the first inning.

A small charge will be made for the contest, according to Coach King, of the Imbler team.

JUNIOR PLAY TO BE STAGED THIS EVENING

Tonight some of the characters in "The Haunted House" make their initial performance in dramatics, the first play of their high school career, and from the production given yesterday their debut will be a success. Seats are selling rapidly with some good downstairs places left for both tonight and Friday, also several in the balcony. This is the annual drama sponsored by the junior class and directed by Miss Catherine Sartain.

The curtain is at 8:15 o'clock in the high school auditorium. Among the selections to be played by the high school orchestra under the direction of W. W. Nussbaum are: "Blue Egypt" by George L. Cobb, "Funeral March of a Marionette" by Gounod, and "Toy Grenadiers" by Leo Edwards.

STORK EXPECTED
LONDON, May 15 (AP).—An Oslo dispatch to the London Daily Mail today says Princess Martha expects an accouchement during the summer.

CO-OPERATIVE CREAMERY TO BE AT UNION

Announcement Assures
This County of Large
Industrial Plant.

SURVEY MADE TO DETERMINE SITE

Union and Wallowa County Milk and Cream will be Handled in This District.

Location of a new industry in Union county became assured today with the announcement that the Payette creamery will build a creamery at Union this summer with a capacity of more than a million pounds of butter annually. Permanent location of the plant in this county means the addition of several families, a large payroll and the handling of Union and Wallowa county cream—which formerly went to Payette—at the Union plant.

The announcement followed the decision of a representative of the Challenge Cream and Butter association who yesterday completed a survey to determine the location of the plant on behalf of the Payette co-operative, of which the Union plant will become a unit. Union was chosen primarily because the survey revealed that the creamery could be operated more economically there, it is said. W. B. Hopkins, from California, made the survey.

Another reason for selection of the Union site reported by Mr. Hopkins, was that approximately five-eighths of the cows represented on contracts among producers were being milked in territory adjacent to Union.

Wallowa to Have Plant Some Day
Wallowa county was not considered in the survey, Mr. Hopkins stated, as the contracts taken in the Wallowa district are regarded as only temporary, the expectation being that eventually the Wallowa valley will need its own manufacturing plant.

An area near a standard oil warehouse and a plant at Union will be utilized for the site. In addition to manufacturing butter, plans for the plant will provide for installation of equipment to manufacture casein, semi-solid.

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Candidates In Their Last Day Of Campaigning

Final campaigning for nomination at the Friday primary election was in progress today over the state and in this district, although local candidates, except those seeking the republican nomination for Union and Wallowa representative, are without opposition. In this race, Representative T. G. Johnson and his opponent, L. C. "Bill" Allen, both of Wallowa, were building the last of their fences.

With the exception of this one race, local interest centers on the gubernatorial contests and in the democratic race, Walter M. Pierce, of La Grande, is matched against Oswald West, both former governors.

All Urged to Vote
Although predictions indicate a tight vote tomorrow, last minute

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EDITOR SCIBIRD SELLS PAPER



George A. Scibird, of Union, yesterday sold the Eastern Oregon Republican to Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Lewis, of Goldfield, Nev., and will retire from newspaper work after 60 years active participation. Mr. Scibird is pictured above on his horse. Riding is one of his favorite pastimes.

Club Women End Convention; Vote For Prohibition

Enforcement Resolution
Unexpected—Mrs.
Charles N. Bilyeu, of
Dallas, New President.

SALEM, Ore., May 15 (AP).—The 1930 biennial session of the Oregon Federation of Women's clubs closed here this noon with the formal installation of officers by Mrs. G. J. Frankel of Portland, retiring president. An unexpected feature of the closing session was the endorsement by the convention of the enforcement of the national prohibition act. One dissenting vote was heard. No invitations were extended for the next session of the state federation to be held in 1932.

Mrs. Charles N. Bilyeu, of Dallas, was formally inducted into office as president of the Oregon federation for the coming two years as the close of uncontested election. Mrs. Bilyeu's strongest opponent, Mrs. G. L. Buland of Portland, withdrew from the contest following a fervent plea by Mrs. Ivan Martin of Salem, who nominated Mrs. Bilyeu, that the highest office in the federation

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TEN RESCUED AFTER PLANE DIVES TO SEA

HONOLULU, May 15 (AP).—Staff Sergeant Joe Becker, stationed at Luke field, near here, lost his life in the forced landing of an army bombing plane in the ocean channel between the islands of Maui and Hawaii yesterday.

Ten other men of the army and navy air force were saved by other planes and surface vessels. The ten rescued by army and navy planes and by surface vessels were members of a navy bombing plane forced down yesterday upon the ocean between the island of Maui and Hawaii and of two army amphibian planes and one navy seaplane which flew to their aid.

Twelve men were reported to have been the total number carried by the four planes. Whether the one unaccounted for lost his life was not immediately known.

Ten rescue planes arrived at Honolulu early in the afternoon and the rescue steamer Hawaii.

Waterbury Talks At Lions Meeting

Mr. Waterbury, now of Hood River but a charter member of the Yakima Lions and former president and district deputy governor, spoke during today's Lions club luncheon in the Scajawawa Inn. During a business session more nominations for officers were received, and delegates to attend the state convention in Bend June 6 and 7 were decided on. The La Grande Lions are to bid for the 1931 convention.

It was voted to resume the old plan of meeting on Mondays.

Baby Case To Be Completed Monday

PORTLAND, Ore., May 15 (AP).—Circuit Judge Gilbert said today the hearing to determine the mother of the four months old girl claimed by Mrs. George Schaefer, Portland, and Mrs. Gertrude Watson, Los Angeles and Phoenix, Ariz., will be resumed Monday and completed that day if a night session must be held.

Both women have submitted to mental tests, but results have not been announced.

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THREE GIVEN CHANCE FOR NOMINATION

Most Sections of State,
However, Find Corbett
the Most Favored.

OREGON GOES TO THE POLLS FRIDAY

Predictions Indicate That
not More Than 40 Per
Cent of Votes Will be
Cast.

By the Associated Press
On the eve of the Oregon primary to elect a governor, national committeeman, United States senator and representatives in congress from three districts besides two justices of the state supreme court and a host of other district and state officials, the apathetic attitude of the electorate appeared to be the outstanding non-combatable issue.

When the polls throughout the state open at 8 o'clock tomorrow morning and close at 8 o'clock the same night, the accuracy of previous predictions that not more than 40 per cent of the total votes in the state would be cast will be known. In presidential years the percentage of votes have mounted to slightly more than 50 per cent.

Many Would Be Governor
Although the contests for the congressional posts have caused considerable discussion, the race for governor, in which six republicans and four democrats, including the incumbent governor, A. W. Norblad, seek the office, has overshadowed all others.

Pacing Governor Norblad
for the state executive position on the republican ticket are: John A. Jeffry, Portland; Charles Hall, Marshfield; George W. Joseph, Portland; Harry Corbett, Portland and J. E. Bennett, Portland.

In the democratic camp those who aspire to the highest office are: Edward P. Bailey, Junction City; A. C. Hough, Grants Pass; Ed S. Piper, Portland and George B. Wilbur, Hood River.

Pierce Opposes West
Ralph B. Williams, present republican national committeeman, will be opposed by Charles E. Walker, Portland, while Oswald West, former Oregon governor and present democratic committeeman, will find his opposition in Walter M. Pierce, also a former Oregon governor, and former political friend of West. The eyes of the electorate are turned on this contest because of the public controversy between West and Pierce at the beginning of the campaign.

Senate Charles L. McNary
is unopposed for the republican nomination, while Elton Watkins, of Portland, is the sole democrat in this field.

Willis C. Hawley, Salem, chairman of the house ways and means committee, Washington, D. C., whose seat in congress has been the object of previous contests in the first district in Oregon, will face a fellow townsman, William A. Delzell, democrat, Robert R. Butler, The Dalles, Ore., is unopposed for representative in congress from the second district, while Franklin T. Korrell, Portland, incumbent, faces two contestants for the seat from the third district. They are Robert Gordon Duncan and L. B. Sandblast, both Portland, and both republicans.

C. A. Howard, Salem, superintendent of public instruction, runs unopposed. For position number five on the supreme court two republicans are seeking to unseat Oliver P. Coshove, Roseburg, Ore., democratic incumbent. The republicans are James U. Campbell, Oregon City, and George S. Shepherd, Portland. Harry H. Belt, Salem, incumbent, runs unopposed for position number six. C. H. Gram, state labor commissioner, also is unopposed.

Three Candidates in Race
Because of the apathetic attitude of the electorate, political observers, who have followed many Oregon elections, have refrained from outwardly attempting to se-

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200 Chinese Killed At Simakow Today

HANKOW, China, May 15 (AP).—Two hundred persons today were reported killed and \$600,000 worth of property looted by "reds" attacking Simakow, a town on the Han river 40 miles from Hankow. The reds burned the town. The Garrison fought bravely but was overwhelmed.

BASEBALL TODAY

NATIONAL LEAGUE
Brooklyn at Cincinnati, postponed, wet grounds.

New York at St. Louis, postponed, cold.

Philadelphia at Pittsburgh, postponed, rain.

AMERICAN LEAGUE
Detroit at Boston; St. Louis at New York, postponed, rain.