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COMMISSION ADOPTS TIME SAVING PLAN

La Grande Clocks to be set Forward an Hour at 6 a. m. Monday.

PLAN IN EFFECT UNTIL SEPT. 7

This City is First in Oregon to Return to Time Schedule Used in War Time.

The city commission formally sanctioned the daylight saving time for La Grande at an adjourned meeting in the municipal building last night, and set Monday morning at 6 a. m. as the official time for moving up the hands of the clocks one hour.

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Many Events On Railroad Meet Here On Sunday

Golf, Rifle and Trap Shooting, Tennis, Baseball, Track, Horseshoes, Swimming Included.

The Portland-La Grande athletic meet here Sunday, staged by railroad workers, assisted by amateurs from this city and district, has all the aspects of a "miniature" U. P. system meet, according to members of the local athletic club.

Although only one event on the day's program is in the nature of an elimination contest, most of the events held each year at the system meet are duplicated.

The winner of the baseball game will play the Walla-Walla-Spokane game winner for O-W honors and the coveted trip to the system finals.

Approximately 100 are to come here from Portland, including several officials among whom will be General Manager and Mrs. J. P. O'Brien.

Golf First on Program Golf at the La Grande course with the country club furnishing the competition for the Portland team will open the program at 8:20 a. m.

Charles Reynolds is in charge of local arrangements. The tournament will consist of 18 holes, with about 18 players on each team.

Four events start simultaneously at 9:30 a. m. at different locations. Rifle shooting is scheduled to take place at the Lone Tree well also held by the La Grande Gun club, separate from the competition between Portland and La Grande, in which the La Grande ladies U. P. team will also take part.

The track meet will be held at the high school field, with the regular list of events, and a horse-shoe tournament is to be played on the city courts, with club members engaging in a round robin.

The tennis teams, one from Portland and the other from the city tennis club, will also start play at 9:30.

At 10 a. m. two five-man teams will engage in a 50-yard event at Lone Tree.

Baseball at 2:30 The baseball game is scheduled for 2:30 at the high school field, and will be preceded at 2:15 by a 50-yd contest for all children of the city.

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8-Room Dwelling Place Destroyed By Flames Today

A two-story, eight-room dwelling place at 312 C street, owned by Tom DeBorde and occupied by Mr. Jenkins, was destroyed by fire early this morning.

The building is a total loss. Mr. DeBorde carried insurance on the place but was not prepared today to say just how much the loss will amount to, although it will run into a considerable figure.

The origin of the blaze is unknown, although it started at the back of the house. Both the regular truck and the pumper truck were called to the scene at 2:20 o'clock, extra hose being supplied by the pumper which was otherwise not required.

The fire had such a start that it was impossible to extinguish it. Shingles on a nearby house caught fire but this was quickly put out. Absence of wind prevented damage to surrounding buildings.

The recall was at 3:35 o'clock.

Professor Horner Speaks At E. O. N.

Prof. John B. Horner, of Oregon State college and an authority on an Eastern Oregon Normal school, spoke at the E. O. N. assembly at 10 o'clock this morning.

Mr. Horner, in a very interesting address, dwelt to some extent upon this section of the state, also touching upon the history of the territory.

Mrs. H. E. Inlow sang two vocal solos which were greatly appreciated.

Mr. Horner will have here this evening for Western Oregon. Yesterday he spoke before schools in Umatilla county.

Savages Forfeit Title to Imbler

The game to have been played here tomorrow morning at 10:30 o'clock between Imbler and Enterprise High schools for the championship of Union and Wallawa counties, has been called off by Coach King, of Imbler.

Enterprise forfeited the game to Imbler, thereby giving the Imbler team the title.

The reason for the forfeiture was that about five of the Enterprise boys were declared ineligible. The Enterprise team, although far below its usual strength, will play an exhibition game at Imbler tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

LIGHT VOTE BEING CAST OVER STATE

Six Polling Places in La Grande Count About 70 at 11 O'clock.

OBSERVER WILL RECEIVE RETURNS

Election Extra Will be Issued Tonight as Soon as Definite Trend is Established.

The Evening Observer will receive election returns, both local and state. The state returns will be received on the Associated Press leased wire automatic printers and this service will continue until 1 a. m.

In connection with the election returns, the Observer will issue an extra as soon as the trend assumes a definite nature. The extra will be sold on the streets at the regular price.

From all indications apparent shortly before noon today, the primary election vote in La Grande will be light.

Yoters started casting their ballots at 8 o'clock this morning and will continue until 8 p. m., when the polls will be closed and the counting started.

Calls to six of the 13 precincts in La Grande between 11 and 11:30 o'clock today revealed that only about 70 had voted at those polling places at that time—a figure much lighter than usual. At 11 o'clock only three had voted at precinct No. 1, and six had voted at precinct No. 12.

The heaviest vote was at precinct No. 10, where 21 had cast their ballots by 11 o'clock. However, of the 21, none was a woman.

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CHILDREN STAGE ANNUAL PARADE

Approximately 1800 Grade School Youngsters March Through City.

Preliminary to the field and track meet at the high school field beginning at 2 o'clock, approximately 1800 grade school children participated in their annual parade through the business section today.

The procession, ordinarily a colorful spectacle, was more so than ever this year, with a number of new floats and with the new color of the Ackerman school added to those of Willow, Riveria, Central and Greenwood.

The schools appeared in the above order in the parade, which was led by Police Chief Clint Haynes, Capt. W. A. Bean and the high school band directed by W. W. Nussbaum.

Attractive floats Children in attractive floats, in marching form, in athletic gear, etc., took up about a mile of street, taking over a quarter of an hour to march past a given point.

In the Riveria section La Graden's "five cents" were shown, with youngsters carrying models of the lumber mills, flouring mills, packing plants, farms, etc.

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Will Build Sixth Floor This Year

The new brick and concrete building being erected on Fir and Washington by Julius Roschen, which will be connected with the seven-story Saccawewa Inn when completed, will go up at least six stories this year, according to announcement made yesterday by Marcus Roesch, manager of the Saccawewa.

The original plans were for a seven-story building, with five stories to be erected this year and two others later.

La Grande Seeks 1931 Convention; Caravan Leaves Baker on May 21

La Grande is expecting to make a determined bid for the 1931 convention of the Oregon Cattle and Horse Raisers association at the convention May 22-24 in Klamath Falls.

On May 21 a caravan from Baker, Imbler, Wallawa and Malheur counties will form at 8:20 a. m. at Baker, and then proceed toward the South-Central Oregon metropolis.

The commercial club of John Day has arranged for a free luncheon for the outlanders and visitors forming the caravan. The night will be spent at Prineville, where dinner will be served under the auspices of the Prineville commercial club and the stockmen of Crook county.

Leaving Prineville at 7:20 a. m., on the 22nd, the caravan will arrive at Fort Klamath at noon, where the members will be guests at a barbeque luncheon given by the stockmen of that town; then will follow a trip around the Wood River valley, with the caravan scheduled to arrive in Klamath Falls in the evening.

An outstanding program is being prepared, it is said, with speakers of both state and national prominence engaged to make the program both interesting and educational.

The question of attempting to bring the convention to La Grande next year has been considered and the chamber of commerce here appointed a committee consisting of W. F. Bertell and Marcus Roesch to make arrangements or the attendance of a delegation and the presentation of the La Grande invitation.

Crowd Pleased, Thrilled With 'Haunted House'

Junior Play Presented to Large Audience Last Night in High School Auditorium!

People dreamed that there were traps in the house, chains rattling and mysterious knocks were about the homes after they had seen "The Haunted House," the junior play, presented to a capacity crowd at the La Grande high school last night.

For knocks, groans, darkness, wild green lights, an awful spirit crying "Oh, the blood of the bolts and the blood," all added to the horror and mystery of the play.

Morgan the troup, is very much of a bun and is portrayed by Tinsell Nelson. He is the first character to appear, only it is very dark and he creeps through the window.

Uses Scientific Methods Doni Poarch, in the part of the author, Duncan, probably has the outstanding character in the play and he portrays it well. He is scientific man, not a zoologist but a psychologist and attempts to solve the murder mystery by scientific methods. Those who attend the operetta remember his part as the pickle manufacturer.

Robert Osterling as Jack, the bridegroom is the leading man and he and his bride, Lois Bailey, as Emily supply the romance; for they have come to the haunted house to spend their honeymoon.

Iris Hughes, as Helen the wife, puts a lot of action into her part, and is as hysterical and temperamental as an authors wife could be. Most of the grade school children at the matinee suspected her of the murder.

Isabel, the woman in the case (Thelma Strain) is the poor victim, the one who is murdered. She seems to be well known especially among the men characters.

Extra, the constable has an accent all his own, sounds like a farm, and he also has a weak heart and is very nervous. Ed, the millman, is another popular suspect and is well portrayed by Jack Kincaid. The man's dumbness and adenoid look is amazing.

A Jocal Flatfoot The huge man in the play is Woodrow Damers as Grogan, the detective and what a flatfoot he is. Raymond Cook plays the constable.

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IMBLER GIRL POPPY POSTER PRIZE WINNER

SALEM, Ore., May 16 (AP)—John Blew, student in Grant high school, Portland, is winner of the American Legion auxiliary poppy poster contest for Oregon. C. A. Howard, state superintendent of schools, announced today.

Second place was taken by Zella Hilsley of Corvallis high school and third by Doris Handley of Medford high school.

In the junior high school division first place was taken by Claire Beeler of Hillsboro, second by Rose Hoover of St. Helens and third by Ethel Spiering of Albina Homestead school, Portland.

In the intermediate grade first went to Emma Coe, of Imbler, second to Clyde Martin of Newport and third to Lawrence Kellogg of Medford.

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J. Ross Leslie To Be At Wonderland

JOSEPH, Ore., May 16 (Special)—"You can say I'll be associated with C. A. Binghamton at Wallawa lake this summer, but don't hang any titles on me," said J. Ross Leslie when asked what he was going to do, now that he is back in Wallawa county once more. He arrived by car Tuesday afternoon with his friend, Mr. Duncan, from Klamath Falls, and Mrs. Leslie came in yesterday afternoon on the stage.

Mr. Leslie declined to elaborate on his duties at the lake this season. Several years ago he managed the Wonderland and made an outstanding success of it, and his many friends are glad to see him back.

"The Wallawa country certainly looks good to me after southern Oregon, and I'm back to stay," he continued. "It's the greenest place in Oregon."

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WOMEN AID MAHATMA GANDHI



Women are playing an important part in the civil disobedience campaign of followers of Mahatma Gandhi, Indian nationalist leader, who was recently arrested by the British. Here are three women volunteers carrying nationalist flags during a recent parade in Madras.

231 Gold Star Mothers Arrive In France Today

CHERBOURG, France, May 16 (AP)—This former war time port of American debarkation today greeted 231 gold star mothers of the United States who arrived on the steamship America at 2:45 p. m.

The liner came into port escorted by two French military planes. An enthusiastic reception was given the party.

Every member of the party arrived in fine health and spirits, greatly affected, however, by the tumultuous welcome.

Officials representing the government and the port administration met the mothers as they came ashore and gathered on the railway station platform adjoining the dock.

A crowd of several thousand assembled on the dock cheered as the boat came in and while the mothers slowly disembarked.

There were masses of flowers waiting for them among which were fourteen huge bouquets from Bentley Post, American Legion.

There also were many flowers for Mrs. Sarah G. Thompson, of New York, who had been elected president of the group on board the ship; Mrs. Eva Lindsey, of Bethel, Ohio, dean by virtue of her age, and Mrs. Felipa H. Crespin, Omaha, Neb., the youngest mother in the party.

Mrs. Thompson, as group leader, will place a wreath on the grave of the unknown soldier tomorrow.

Many of the mothers were in tears as they walked down the gangplank, and few eyes were dry in all the crowd when Madame de Rolance of the Society of French Women; General Verillon, of the French Combatants, and other officials had finished speaking for the government and city of Cherbourg.

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Flow of Natural Gas at Roseburg

ROSEBURG, Ore., May 16 (AP)—A flow of natural gas was struck today to have been retracted in a well drilled at the Vincent Freshern place, near here. In an effort to secure water for domestic purposes, a well was bored 140 feet where a heavy flow of water was struck.

This water came in faster than it could be baled out and later was found to be impregnated with gas. Flames shot high into the air when a match was applied to it.

MURDERER EXECUTED SAN QUENTIN PRISON, Cal., May 16 (AP)—Armando Boltares, young Mexican sentenced to hang for the killing of five members of the Alvarez-Garcia family with whom he roomed at San Fernando, Cal., died today on the San Quentin gallows.

Boltares walked calmly to his death and stood straight on the scaffold.

Wheat Today

CHICAGO, May 16 (AP)—General buying hoisted wheat values today, evidence being that North American wheat export business in the last 48 hours has amounted to 3,000,000 bushels. Liverpool houses were credited with being among today's purchasers of Chicago wheat future deliveries. For the first time in a long while, Argentina reported no wheat clearances whatever for Great Britain. On the other hand, wheat was being loaded here for lake shipment east.

Wheat closed strong, 2 1/2 @ 2 1/2 a bushel higher than yesterday's finish. Corn closed 2 1/2 @ 2 1/2 up, oats 5 1/2 @ 5 1/2 advanced, and provisions varying from 2 1/2 @ 2 1/2 a rise of 2c.

Three Children Fatally Burned

SAN DIEGO, Cal., May 16 (AP)—Three children were fatally burned and their mother, Mrs. Francisca Ybarra, was seriously burned when fire destroyed their home near Campo, a village about 40 miles east of here, at a late hour last night.

Victoria Ybarra, 4, and Sedel Ybarra, aged 17 days, were burned to death before they could be rescued from the flaming building. The mother was rescued but not before she had been badly injured.

A third child, Antonio, 7, also was taken from the flames.

MORROW FAVORS STATE CONTROL

Candidate Would Repeal Eighteenth Amendment, He Says in Speech.

NEWARK, N. J., May 16 (AP)—Dwight W. Morrow, ambassador to Mexico, who is seeking the republican nomination for the United States senate, favors repeal of the eighteenth amendment and a return to state control of liquor traffic.

In a speech last night in Krueger's auditorium, he described conditions after ten years of federal prohibition as deplorable.

"It is not fair to assume," he said, "that all resentment against national prohibition is due to a desire for unlimited license to be interpreted. There is no community in the United States that desires that. The resentment is due to the feeling that an unreasonable control is being imposed."

"State, or subdivisions of states whose sympathy is not with the law feel themselves relieved of responsibility for enforcement. They leave to an overburdened federal government, with a wholly inadequate police force, the task of carrying out a great social reform which before 1920 all the communities of the land, in one way or another were wrestling both."

"I bring you no panacea for this deplorable condition. I know of no magical solution. I cannot, however, stand before my friends and neighbors and ask for their suffrage without having them know my attitude toward this problem."

FORT WILL ENTER RACE NEWARK, N. J., May 16 (AP)—Representative Franklin W. Fort, former secretary of the republican national committee, announced today he would enter the race for the republican nomination.

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WOMAN'S BODY IS FOUND IN OREGON RIVER

HILLSBORO, Ore., May 16 (AP)—After she had been missing for twelve hours the body of Miss Helen Seelye, 25, of Wilsonville, was found in the Tualatin river near the railroad bridge this morning by a searching party. Her clothing was on the bank of the stream.

F. J. Sewell, coroner of Washington county, and a deputy sheriff, recovered the body by dragging the river near the spot where the clothing had been found.

The coroner said he had learned that Miss Seelye had left her home in Wilsonville last night, and took a train for Tualatin where she was to visit friends. When she did not reach her destination the alarm was spread and several searching parties went out.

Washington county officers said they had learned that the girl had been ill for some time.

Total Fire Loss Now At \$1,380,461

SALEM, Ore., May 16 (AP)—A report by Charles A. Lee, state fire marshal, shows that 43 of the total of 82 fires outside of Portland during April damaged rural property, the loss being \$122,895 out of the total of \$185,395 for the month. The total loss was \$969 less than for April, 1929.

The state's total loss for the first four months of this year was \$1,380,461, which was greater by \$110,000 than for the same period in 1929, the previous record year.

FRISCO PILOT IS VICTIM OF PASCO CRASH

PASCO, Wash., May 16 (AP)—An investigation was under way today to find the reason for the airplane crash which killed Al Prewitt, of Pasco, and killed the pilot yesterday.

His plane, a low-wing monoplane, was about 750 feet off the ground, witnesses said. Suddenly it staggered, the motor dropped out and the ship went into a nose dive. French, a Standard Oil company pilot, was taken from the wreckage alive, but he died first an hour later at a hospital.

French brought a tri-motored ship here for the two-day air carnival, but was driving a ship owned by J. E. Reimussen of Portland, Ore., in the fatal flight.

BASEBALL

Ames-Kan League R. H. E. First Game Washington 14-4 Philadelphia 10-0 Batteries: Hadley and Spencer; Walborn, Quinn, Maffey and Cochran; Perkins.

Americans Take Walker Cup By Score of 10 to 2

Win Seven out of Eight Matches Today—Don Moe Furnishes Most Sensational Victory.

SANDWICH, Eng., May 16 (AP)—The American Walker Cup team today retained the trophy they have won five times before by defeating the British team of star amateur golfers 10 points to 2. Seven of eight singles matches were won today and three of four four-somes in yesterday's play.

Francis Ouimet was the only American to suffer defeat in the singles play, the Bostonian falling before the deadly accuracy of T. A. Torrance.

Bobby Jones, the American captain, won from the British captain, Roger Wethered, nine and eight.

Crushing Defeat George Voigt's defeat of Sir Ernest Holderness was the most crushing, his margin being ten up and eight to play.

Harrison R. (Jimmy) Johnston, American amateur champion, defeated the British amateur champion, Cyril Tolley, five and four, and Roland Mackenzie, an alternate on the American team played in place of Jess Sweetser, defeated William Campbell, six and five.

Portland Golfers Win Don Moe, the young Oregonian, had the hardest battle, and was the only player to reach the home hole on the American team. He defeated J. A. Stout one up.

Dr. O. P. Willing had a hard fight with John Nelson Smith in a battle of runners-up in their last national championships, the Portland dentist winning two and one.

George Von Elm, whose victory over Rex Hartley, was with a margin of three and two, came with a rush at the close after the match was square after 18 holes and again after 27.

Moe Scores 67 Moe had a sensational medal score for his afternoon round, getting an approximate 67 for the 18 holes. He held all but seven except at the 15th and 19th holes. He went out in 32 strokes and covered the last nine holes in 34 with two putts conceded.

The medal score for Sandwich is 65, held by Leo Diegel, but Moe's amazing figure today can not displace that.

The victory today marked the second rout of the British amateur in a row, the 1928 engagement of the biennial competition being decided by a score of 11 to 1 in favor of the Americans.

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Son of Wealthy Nevada Banker Kills Divorcee

SAN FRANCISCO, May 16 (AP)—Charged with first degree murder, Daniel Pitt, 35, son of a wealthy Lovelock, Nev., landowner and banker, occupied a cell in the city prison today a few floors removed from the morgue wherein lay the body of Mrs. Pearl Jacobs, 26, divorcee, whom he confessed to strangling to death here yesterday.

The body of Mrs. Jacobs, mother of three children, was found on the floor of the room she occupied with Pitt after the latter had given himself up at the Bush street police station with the statement: "I have just killed a woman."

Pitt identified himself as a logger from Portland, Ore., and said he had married Mrs. Jacobs, divorced wife of a Portland engraver in Goldendale, Wash., two years ago. The marriage was illegal, however, he declared because he had a wife and children still living in Lovelock, Nev., at the time.

"She deceived me," Pitt told police. "I just grabbed her by the throat and choked her when I found it out."

Mrs. Jacobs' one Pearl Landwehr, had three children whose custody was given to their father, Milton Jacobs, Portland, Ore., engraver, after the divorce.

Tariff Promises May Be Wiped Out

WASHINGTON, May 16 (AP)—A resolution asking the senate to relieve its conferees from promises not to abandon the debenture and legislative feasible provisions was introduced today by Senator Smoot, republican, Utah, chairman of the senate conferees. He said he would bring it up Monday.