

RAILROADERS IN ATHLETIC MEET SUNDAY

One Hundred Twenty-five
Portland People Come
to La Grande.

VISITORS DEFEAT LOCAL BALL TEAM

Honors Throughout the
Day About Evenly Di-
vided, With Both Win-
ning Several Events.

The athletic meet held yesterday between the Portland and La Grande O. W. clubs—the first of its kind in this section of the state—found the two teams splitting honors in various events, and the visitors—at the conclusion of the day—were declared the winners of the meet.

Throughout the day the two teams competed in various events, ranging from golf to baseball, and from foot races to swimming. Portland won the elimination baseball, the visiting golf team was defeated, La Grande took the horse races, but the local team won by a margin of targets.

Interest was keen throughout the day in the various events. The La Grande country club, the city tennis club, the city horse show team and the La Grande Gun club all assisted the railroaders in the entertainment of the visiting delegation.

Track Meet Hard Fought.
The Portland O. W. club won the track meet Sunday morning at the city school field 57 to 47, the margin of supremacy being the relay. A La Grande victory in the relay would have left the tally knotted at 52 all.

With the one event remaining, both Portland and La Grande were even in first places. La Grande, Portland, won the 440, 880 and mile.

A. H. Pearce, A. A. H. commissary, acted as referee, and Lee Reynolds was starter.

The summaries:
100-yard dash: Taylor (P), and Pease (L), tie for first; Buffington (L) third. Time 1:12 seconds.
200-yard dash: Taylor (P), Pease (L), Robertson (P), Pease (L). Time 2:43 seconds.

Quarter mile: LaVelle (P), Pease (L), Grant (P). Time 5:51 seconds.
Half mile: LaVelle (P), Martin (L), Robertson (P). Time 12:53.
One mile: Nelson (P), Pease (L), Miller (L), Horstman (L). Height 10 feet.

Shot put (16 pounds): Nelson (P), 21 feet 11 inches; Engberg (L), 21 feet 11 inches; Taylor (P), 21 feet 11 inches.

High jump: Miller (L), Killeen (P), LaGrain and Puckett (L), tie for third. Height 5 feet.
Broad jump: Jacobson (L), 13 feet 6 inches; Taylor (P), 13 feet 5 inches; Killeen (P), 13 feet 2 inches.

Discus: Engberg (L), Nelson (P), McMaisters (L). Distance 115 feet.
Javelin: Rosenbaum (L), Nelson (P).

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ECKLEY TALKS AT LUNCHEON OF LIONS CLUB

Ed Eckley, who came to this country 52 years ago and who was for many years editor and publisher of a newspaper in La Grande, was the speaker at the Lions club luncheon in the Saco-Jones Inn today afternoon. His talk, dealing largely with his experience in the newspaper game, was intensely interesting. He described in detail a memorable "scrap" over his readers when James G. Blaine was nominated for president. In those days, Mr. Eckley said, it was difficult to be able to find a fresh piece of news and set it in print before all of the subscribers knew of it.

In reviewing the pioneer era, Mr. Eckley said that although the early citizens of this valley had many inconveniences, he knew of no cases of them suffering from "unmolested hardship."

Normal School Trims Whitman Saturday, 4 to 1

Mountaineers Wind up
Intercollegiate Season
With Victory Over Bor-
leske's Nine.

The Eastern Oregon Normal school baseball nine, which has had its ups and downs this season, wound up its intercollegiate season here Saturday afternoon by trouncing the Whitman college team 4 to 1 in a well played, interesting game. Whitman had won the eastern half of the Northwest conference and is to play Willamette for the conference championship either Wednesday or Thursday. This was the second victory over Whitman this spring and also kept the Mountaineers state clean, as Bob Quinn's La Grander won over the Missionaries last fall in football and did not meet them in basketball.

McCully pitched a masterful game for the home team and received good support, both at the bat and in the field, from his team mates. Five errors chalked up against the Normal school came at times when they did not effect the score to any great extent.

McCully Allows 5 Hits.
While McCully was striking out nine Whitman men and allowing only five scattered singles, the Mountaineers found Turner for a long hit including one lusty three-bagger—and scored one run each in the first, second, fifth and sixth frames. Whitman's lone score came in the second and was due to an error in the outfield and a single by Reese, with DeVoe scoring.

One of the features of the afternoon was a double steal on the second inning, when Price, in the sixth inning, that sent Price home safely. Hopkins could have been thrown out but the Whitman infield, caught by surprise, instead attempted to catch Price.

Three Slaves Hitting Hoops.
DeVane, Price and Rea shared batting honors. DeVane hit safely three times, bringing in two runs, and fled out to the outfield in his fourth time at bat. Price hit twice and Rea accounted for the extra-base hit and scored on a fielder's choice.

The Normal school outplayed Whitman in nearly every department, even stalling two more bases than the Missionaries.

Following the game here, Coach Horleske, upon his return to Walla Walla, learned that Mrs. Horleske's father had died Saturday in Seattle.

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Riveria P.-T. Scrapbook Wins Oregon Honors

The publicity scrapbook, containing records of the activities of the Rivera Parent-Teacher association was chosen as an Oregon entry at the convention of the National Congress of Parents and Teachers which is held at Denver this year. The announcement comes from Mrs. Howard C. Newton, manager of the publicity bureau of the Oregon Congress of Parents and Teachers, that the Riveria Parent-Teacher association is one of eight associations to be honored. In considering the distribution of associations, three were chosen from Portland, and five from the rest of the state.

La Grande is proud to have one of her entries chosen as "one of five"—Clarkamas, Fossil, Riveria, Muddy Creek and Haines. Every state, no matter how large or how small, is entitled to equal entries at the national convention, which means there will be 384 books on display.

Mr. O. R. Maxam, publicity chairman of Riveria P.-T. A. this year, directed the work on their scrapbook.

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Harry Avery To Speak at Luncheon

Harry G. Avery, county agriculturalist, will be the speaker at the chamber of commerce luncheon tomorrow at noon at the La Grande hotel. Mr. Avery will give a forecast of the agricultural, horticultural and livestock outlook for this year.

Canvassing Union County Vote Today

An official canvass of the Union county vote in Friday's primary election is being made at the county court house today, but was not completed in time for printing in today's issue of The Observer. It is expected, however, that the official vote of this county will be ready for publication tomorrow.

GIRL FLIER FORCED DOWN

BATAVIA, Java, May 19 (AP)—Amy Johnson, British aviator, has landed on a sugar estate at Tonal, near Tegal, on the island of Java, forced down when she ran out of petrol.

STORM, FLOOD IN ARKANSAS CAUSE DEATH

Three Thousand Homeless
as Result of High
Waters, is Report.

TORNADO SWEEPS OVER TERRITORY

17 Known Dead and a
Hundred or More Hurt
—Refugee Camps are
Established Today.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., May 19.—(AP)—One section of Arkansas was overrun with flood waters today with an estimated 3,000 persons homeless and heavy property damage and another section was recovering from a tornado which killed at least 17 negroes, and injured a hundred or more.

Flood waters spread over an area of fifty square miles in the South Arkansas oil fields, inundating many oil field camps and three or four small towns. The Red river bottoms of Southwest Arkansas rapidly were being submerged as hundreds of residents evacuated.

A tornado early yesterday struck the village of Elaine, and a large plantation in Phillips county, adjacent to the Mississippi river, killing 17 negroes, injuring a hundred, and creating a missing list of six others.

A million dollars worth of damage to the oil industry was estimated by Standard Oil company of Louisiana officials to have resulted from the overflow of Smackover creek. The high water sent the Red Cross and national guard troops into the area with medical supplies, food, clothing and blankets to care for the homeless.

Refugee camps were established at Smackover, 10 miles north of Ekdorad.

While Red Cross officials grappled with the situation at Smackover, the swirling waters of Red river further west reached the top of levees and further rises were anticipated.

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DR. HUTCHINSON HERE ON SUNDAY

National Officer of W. C.
T. U. Addresses Meeting
in M. E. Church.

Dr. Hutchinson, of Los Angeles, one of the national officers of the Women's Christian Temperance union, was a visitor in La Grande during the weekend and while here addressed a meeting held yesterday morning under the auspices of the local organization, at the Methodist church. During her address on numerous passages of scripture which had to do with love which must find its expression in service. Dr. Hutchinson pleaded for her hearers to get together and stand together in the matter of world prohibition, which she stated, was the greatest question facing the world today, world peace not even excluded. "If the church people would stand together in the matter of the enforcement of the 18th amendment, there is nothing that could stand before it."

In speaking of the Volstead act, Dr. Hutchinson put this question: "Did we really want it?" and answering her own question she said, "Before 1920, 33 states of the United States were dry of their own volition; 2500—of the 2800 counties in the United States were dry; 65 per cent of the inhabitants of the United States lived in dry territory. The states were given seven years in which to ratify the amendment. Did they take it? In two days less than 13 months, 25 states had ratified it."

Numerous instances.
"Every congress since 1920," said Dr. Hutchinson, "has been drier than the one preceding." Give.

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La Grande On Daylight Saving Time Today—Some Confusion, Opposition

Although there was some confusion incident to the change, most of La Grande began business, school etc., this morning on daylight time, and the lumbering companies also started their operations on a daylight time schedule.

The Eastern Oregon Normal school and the city school system both started in this morning on daylight time, and the lumbering companies also started their operations on a daylight time schedule.

La Grander who have their clocks on daylight time may keep their time close in their minds by remembering that a train that comes in at 10:20 standard time would be due here at 11:20 on daylight time. The same holds true for auto stages, radio programs, etc.

CLOSE RACES IN WALLOWA COUNTY VOTE

Robert Chrisman Nomin-
ated Over Sid Burleigh
By Nine Votes.

JUDGE JORDAN IS BEATEN BY TEN

L. F. Allen Has Two-to-
One Vote in Wallowa
County Over Representa-
tive Johnson.

With the vote being canvassed at Enterprise today, it appeared that Robert Chrisman was nominated for district over Sylvester Burleigh, incumbent, by nine votes, according to a telephone call to the Wallowa county clerk. The count was taken from the official statements but the canvass had not been completed. George W. Pherry's name was written in by the democrats.

On the same ticket, E. H. Cole was nominated for county judge over Judge Jordan by a 10-vote majority. Democratic candidate for nomination for this position, was unopposed.

In the race for republican nomination for Union-Wallowa representative in the legislature, L. P. Allen, of Wallowa, won in Wallowa county by a two-to-one vote, securing a majority of about 250. Mr. Allen also carried Union county, assuring him of the nomination over Representative T. G. Johnson, also of Wallowa.

Gov. A. W. Norblad carried Wallowa county, with Harry Corbett and George Joseph receiving a heavy vote.

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Triad Choir To Be Presented In Baker Tonight

The Ladies' Triad choir of La Grande will be presented this evening in Baker by the choir of the Triad club. The choir is composed of Mrs. A. E. Richardson, director, and Mrs. A. E. Richardson, director, and Mrs. A. E. Richardson, director.

The Ladies' Triad choir has been an active organization for three years during which time, for the most part, the same voices have been working together giving, both sacred and secular programs.

A point of perfection has now been reached which has given the choir not only a distinct place in the musical circles of La Grande but an outstanding musical position in the state. The choir has received many invitations and this year accepted those from Pendleton, Elsie, and Baker. These, with La Grande programs, has given the choir a very busy year.

Tonight at Baker the choir will sing songs by "In Gloom in Venezia" (A Day in Venice) and John Hunt Brewer's "Herald of Spring," which will be given. The latter is considered to be the most difficult of the choir has yet attempted and it is hoped that the choir will give a very fine performance during the many rehearsals of the last six weeks say the program has a finish that will be the one of the finest ever given in Eastern Oregon.

"The Herald of Spring" which is a most charming visualization of springtime and full of rhythmic beauty, will be presented as part of the program.

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Court Refuses To Act In Fall Case

WASHINGTON, May 19 (AP)—The supreme court today refused to pass on the conviction of Albert E. Fall, former secretary of the interior of accepting a bribe of \$100,000 from Edward L. Doherty, without waiting for the court of appeals of the District of Columbia to pass on the case.

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SANDE RIDES GALLANT FOX TO DERBY VICTORY



Associated Press telephoto of Gallant Fox, Jockey Earl Sande up, at the end of the 56th running of the classic Kentucky derby at Churchill Downs, Louisville, Ky., Saturday in which Sande's mount came in first followed by Gallant Knight.

Several Sunday Auto Accidents; Two Men Jailed

A number of automobile accidents took place in and near La Grande over the weekend, fortunately without much injury to anyone, although some of the cars were damaged more or less severely. Two men were held in jail this morning on open charges as a result of accidents.

Peter Oliver, Indian, was arrested by Traffic Officer Dick Robertson after Oliver's car, believed to have been driven by a companion, figured in an accident near Five Point. Two of his companions escaped after the car collided with Herbert Hanna's machine, damaging it to a considerable extent. Neither Mr. or Mrs. Hanna was injured. It is said, but it is believed the Indians was hurt.

Jack Courtney is also held on an open charge after his car figured in a wreck, officers say.

Automobiles driven by Mrs. E. S. Williams and Al Hug, of Sumnerville, collided at 5:05 p. m. May 17 at Second and Grand. The accident was of a minor nature and no one was injured.

George Hillyard, 2907 North Fourth, was in a traffic accident at 6:20 p. m. on May 18 on Jefferson avenue, and K. H. McCool, of Cove, was in another accident on Fir and Adams. His fender was damaged when another car backed out from a curbing, his report says.

C. C. Conner, 2005 Pennsylvania avenue, was in a collision on Z and Russell street at 10:15 o'clock May 18. One of the cars was damaged but no one was hurt, according to reports. The name of the other driver was not known by the police.

LA GRANDE PEOPLE HURT

PORTLAND, Ore., May 19 (AP)—F. J. La Frenier, 25, La Grande, Ore., suffered possible internal injury.

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Rotary Dinner Dance Wednesday

Members of the Rotary club and their wives will attend a dinner and dance to be given Wednesday evening at the La Grande hotel, dinner to be served at 6:45 o'clock, and dancing will be held from 7 to 11 o'clock. Entertainment features will also be presented.

Mud From Mountain Wipes Out Village

SAMARANG, Java, May 19 (AP)—A stream of mud flowing from the side of Mount Tegalono has wiped out the entire native village of Lakasan in the center of Java. Forty-five inhabitants were killed, only five escaping from the avalanche.

The road near the mountain village of Saliga was destroyed over a distance of seven miles and many bridges collapsed. Rescue parties hurried to the scene of the disaster.

Wheat Today

CHICAGO, May 19 (AP)—Estimates that Kansas, Oklahoma, Nebraska and Texas will produce 10,000,000 bushels more wheat this season than indicated by the May official forecast did much today to pull wheat values down. Announcement of 4,064,000 bushels decrease in the United States wheat supply failed to act as a counterbalance, the decrease being smaller than generally expected. Frost reported in Kansas was without any market effect, as no damage was shown.

CONFIRMATION OF ROBERTS FAVORED

Senate Judiciary Committee Reports—Quick Approval is Expected.

WASHINGTON, May 19 (AP)—A favorable report on the nomination of Owen J. Roberts, of Philadelphia, to be an associate justice of the supreme court was ordered today by the senate judiciary committee.

Republican leaders planned to call the nomination up in the senate this afternoon or tomorrow and quick approval was expected. The judiciary committee voted after a sub-committee, which considered the nomination, had unanimously favored confirmation.

The sub-committee was composed of Senators Borah, republican, Idaho; Overman, democrat, North Carolina, and Hebert, republican, Rhode Island.

No protests had been filed against Roberts and the committee acted after brief discussion.

A request had been received from Norman Thomas, socialist leader, for the committee to investigate the opinions of Roberts on public utilities and social legislation, but it was decided to take no action.

Roberts was nominated by President Hoover after the senate rejected Judge John J. Parker, of North Carolina.

CHARGES EAT UP ESTATES, KAY ASSERTS

SALEM, Ore., May 19 (AP)—Exorbitant attorney fees, over payments to appraisers and heavy service charges by undertakers and sextons are eating up the estates of persons who die in Oregon without leaving heirs, and whose estates are supposed to escheat to the state, according to a statement made public by State Treasurer Kay.

The money so acquired by the state goes into the irrevocable school fund. Charges of raiding that fund are hurled by the state treasurer. He severely criticizes county courts also, declaring they are to free in allowing claims against these estates, chiefly legal and burial claims. Unless the practice is stopped Kay says that as a member of the state land board, which administers the irrevocable school fund, he will demand investigation of final accounts.

Most of the estates are small and consist of cash or its equivalent. He cites one estate of \$124,74. The state got none of it for 10 years, and then only \$181.15.

Union And Wallowa Counties Pay Tax

SALEM, Ore., May 19 (AP)—Oregon counties that have paid in full their first-half state taxes are Multnomah, Clatsop, Columbia, Curry, Hood River, Jefferson, Josephine, Klamath, Morrow, Union and Wallowa, according to State Treasurer Kay. The amount to date is \$1,135,883.87. The total of first-half taxes when all is paid will be \$2,316,523.92.

Infant Laid To Rest at Hilgard

SALEM, Ore., May 19 (AP)—The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ferguson, of Hilgard, passed away at his home Friday evening. The funeral was held at the home Saturday afternoon with burial in the Hilgard cemetery. Walkers Funeral Service had charge of the arrangements.

BASEBALL

GAMES POSTPONED

NEW YORK, May 19 (AP)—Rain and cold weather took their heaviest toll of the year of the major league baseball schedule today, wiping out all but two games in the American league.

The two games remaining were to be played by the Browns and Tigers at Detroit.

O. W. WOULD ABANDON 25 MILE ROUTE

Railroad Petitions I. C. C.
to Drop Robinette to
Homestead Line.

PAPERS FILED IN WASHINGTON, D. C.

Application Says Line is
Unprofitable and Would
Require Heavy Expenditures.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 19.—(AP)—Petition to abandon 25 miles of railroad from Robinette to Homestead on the Snake river was sought from the interstate commerce commission by the Oregon-Washington Railroad & Navigation company today. The application said the line was unprofitable and would require heavy expenditures to keep it in service.

RECALLS BATTLE

The request of the O. W. to abandon the Robinette to Homestead line recalls the comparatively recent campaign conducted by Idaho and Washington interests for a railroad from Homestead to Lewiston, which was actively contested by many Eastern Oregon cities, led by La Grande, and which resulted in victory for the Eastern Oregon interests when the interstate commerce commission refused to order construction of the proposed line. The Union Pacific system at that time strenuously opposed the movement.

WASHINGTON, May 19 (AP)—The important ruling was made today by the supreme court that federal courts are without authority to prevent state railroad rates from taking effect pending action on them by the interstate commerce commission.

The decision was handed down in an appeal brought by the North Dakota board of railroad commissioners, to set aside an injunction granted by a federal court, preventing North Dakota from putting into effect in July, 1929, lower distributing or jobbing class rates between certain points in that state.

The commissioners were supported by the public service commissions of 37 other states.

The court pointed out that injunctions by federal courts restraining state railroad rates from taking effect until acted on by the interstate commerce commission would have the effect of indefinitely tying the hands of such state commissions.

ZEPPELIN ON WAY SOUTH ON LONG JOURNEY

TANGIER, Morocco, May 19.—(AP)—The dirigible Graf Zeppelin, bound for Seville on the first lap of her South American flight, passed over Tangier this afternoon. She was headed southwestward along the coast and it was thought she would swing northerly toward Seville shortly.

Four of those aboard now are Americans, among them George Crouse of Syracuse, New York, who has flown with the ship before, and his sister, Mrs. Durston, of Syracuse. Four are women. Among them being Lady Grace Drummond-Hay and Frau Hammer, wife of Fritz Hammer, who has been asked to pilot the Dornier plane, Do-X on its projected flight to South America.

TWO DROWNED IN MAIN EAGLE CREEK SUNDAY

BAKER, Ore., May 19 (AP)—Mr. and Mrs. Pat Baker drowned in main Eagle Creek three miles from Sparta yesterday while on a fishing trip. Word of the accident reached here today. Although no one witnessed the tragedy, it is believed the two fell into the swiftly running stream while crossing a log. Baker's body was found by a companion a short time after the accident. Mrs. Baker's body was not recovered until last night.

Continue Search For Oakland Judge

OAKLAND, Cal., May 19 (AP)—Search for Superior Judge Edward W. Kane, who left his sick bed and disappeared last Friday, was taken up today on the Redwood canyon road in Contra Costa county, about three miles from the jurist's home.

Officers went to the Contra Costa county location after being informed by J. G. Frampton of Piedmont, that while hiking in that vicinity yesterday he saw a group of hikers circling over an area near the highway.

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