

## EAST OREGON POWER TO BE GIVEN TEST

Selection of Candidate for Governor May Be Determined by Group.

### CAUCUS OPENS AT 2 THIS AFTERNOON

Ten Men Mentioned as Leading Candidates for Nomination, Including Fred Kiddle.

The real power of the Eastern Oregon state committee, 18 in number, will be tested today at 2 o'clock in an evening when a candidate for governor to represent the republican party at the November election will be selected.

The strength of the Eastern Oregon group has been variously considered and estimated throughout the rest of the state during the last two weeks, with some expecting a solid front to be presented, and others doubtful of the binding qualities of the agreement which the majority of the 18 men signed.

#### Peare Aets For Bidwell

J. H. Peare, of La Grande, Union county central committee chairman, is representing C. H. Bidwell, Union county state committee man, in the Portland caucus. Mr. Peare has just completed a tour of the eastern half of the state, singling out the general political situation and also interviewing state committee men.

#### State Senator Fred E. Kiddle, of Island City, was pictured in today's Oregonian with nine others as being among the leading candidates for the nomination.

#### FIRST TIME IN HISTORY

PORTLAND, Ore., July 25 (AP)—For the first time in Oregon's history, the republican state committee gathered in Portland today to select a candidate for governor. This nominee will fill the place left vacant by the death of Senator George W. Joseph, nominated at the May primary election. Senator Joseph died a month after his nomination.

Phil Metchan, chairman of the committee, said he would call the convention to order at 2 p. m. During the morning, however, pre-convention caucus held in hotel rooms throughout the city and the merits and qualifications of the ten candidates were discussed.

Those generally credited with wide knowledge of things political in Oregon today, confessed complete confusion, and the most prominent republican leaders declined to make any prediction as to the outcome. The delegates themselves, in general, are bewildered. "I don't know if there are unacquainted with one another and until they arrive here had no opportunity for an exchange of views on candidates or anything of the kind," said Metchan.

The ten men upon whom political conversation generally settled today were Tom B. Key, state treasurer; Julius L. Meier, Portland business man; Alfred E. Clark, Portland attorney; Phil Metchan, state chairman; Ralph S. Hamilton, Bend, speaker of the house; representative, Fred E. Kiddle, Island City; state representative, A. C. Marsters, Roseburg banker; Jay H. Upton, Prineville, state senator; George Neuner, Portland, U. S. district attorney; C. E. (Pop) Gates, Medford, banker and highway commissioner.

It was expected nominations will not be reached until Saturday afternoon. This afternoon's session was to be occupied with routine affairs, questions of procedure and passage of resolutions, among other things. Whether the chairman will be selected before or after the candidate is chosen, was another question to be taken up. When all these things have been disposed of the convention will adjourn for the day.

## OFFICERS FIND NO TRACE OF MALONE, HAYS

Continued search for Spike Malone and George Hays, who escaped from the county jail Wednesday night, was fruitless and this morning the two were still at large. Malone and Hays overpowered Tom Berde, jailer, Wednesday evening after he had locked two trustees in their cells, and taking his keys, opened the doors of the prison and made their escape.

Malone is charged with liquor law violation and Hays is facing charges of larceny in a dwelling place.

**WEATHER TODAY**  
7 a. m. 55° above.  
Minimum 45° above.  
Condition: partly cloudy.

**WEATHER YESTERDAY**  
Maximum 86, minimum 60 above.  
Condition: partly cloudy.

**WEATHER JULY 25, 1929**  
Maximum 95, minimum 52 above.  
Condition: clear.

## Title Men Open Convention; Hill Gives Welcome

Business Sessions Under Way Today — Banquet and Trip to Lake Will End Meeting.

With a fair crowd of title men in attendance at the morning session, largely devoted to welcoming talks and responses, and committee reports, the annual convention of the Oregon Title association gets under way at 9:30 o'clock at the La Grande hotel, convention headquarters.

B. F. Wyde, of La Grande, and president of the association, presided at the meeting to order and A. T. Hill, president of the city commission, delivered the address of welcome, in which he offered the delegates the hospitality of the city and briefly explained some of the things of which La Grande is proud.

To Give Report  
This afternoon, as The Observer goes to press, G. H. Crowell, of Union county, was scheduled to report to follow, with the election of officers and delegates and the selection of the 1931 convention city scheduled to take place about 3:30 o'clock, just before adjournment of the business meeting.

The big social event of the meeting was to take place at the La Grande hotel at 7 o'clock this evening, when the annual banquet will be held. Ex-Governor Walter M. Pierce, of La Grande, was to be introduced as the main speaker by the toastmaster, Ben Weathers, of Enterprise.

To Visit Wallowa Lake  
Tomorrow, beginning at 6:30 a. m., a caravan of the delegates and their wives are to leave here for Wallowa lake, to spend the day there as guests of the La Grande title men. A trout breakfast will be served in the open air at the Wallowa lake park, with Roy McCallen, of Enterprise, in charge.

Much of the time today was spent in drawing up an abstracts' bill, which will be presented to the legislature at its next meeting. This work, the main project of the year in the association, was nearing completion at presstime. The measure.

## Deer Hunting In Wallowa County To Be Excellent

WALLOWA, Ore., July 25 (AP)—Prospects for deer hunting in the Wallowa mountains are better than usual and promise to reward the nitrods liberally this fall, according to a survey of the animal population recently completed by the forest service, says N. J. Billings, local forest supervisor.

The prospects for bird shooting are poor. Some three or four years ago some malady made great inroads on the upland bird population and the past year has seen practically no gain in these birds.

Fishing remains the major attraction to take the tourist and camper into the hills and some excellent catches are reported from the higher mountain lakes and streams. The Imnaha remains a good fishing stream, especially in the lower box canyon and in the higher mountains. As usual, the good fishing is in the higher streams and in the lakes which are north accessible. John Henry lake and North Minam river, requiring a hike of from six to 14 miles, are good for trout and bass.

And the hunters continue to reward the patient and diligent fisherman the same as usual.

## Effie Boswell Commits Suicide

PENDLETON, July 25 (AP)—Miss Effie Boswell committed suicide late yesterday in the Eastern Oregon State hospital by strangling herself with a cord from a straight jacket while an attendant who had been watching her was absent.

## Order Reduction On Wheat Rates

WASHINGTON, July 25 (AP)—Substantial reduction in freight rates on wheat and other grains moving through western territory were ordered today by the interstate commerce commission effective October 1.

## Pendleton Is Sure Of New Airport

PENDLETON, July 25 (AP)—This city is now assured a new airport close to town to handle all kinds of air traffic. The city council last night passed a resolution favoring entering into an agreement with the chamber of commerce to purchase a tract near the city for construction of a new field. The old field is three miles east of Pendleton.

## SOVIET PULP WOOD DENIED ENTRY TO U.S.

Treasury Prohibits Importation of Russian "Convict" Lumber.

### ONE OF REPORTS IS MADE PUBLIC

Vessels Loaded by Convicts Poorly Clothed and Hungry; Three Shot Without Trial.

WASHINGTON, July 25 (AP)—The treasury today prohibited importation from Russia of pulp wood purchased by the International Paper company on the ground that convict labor had entered into its production.

Assistant Secretary Lowman said evidence in the hands of the treasury was that the government had withdrawn from appropriation all waters in the basin. A modified opinion, however, was handed down by the attorney general last September holding that applications might be approved if they did not conflict with federal interests. The Copco application calls for the appropriation of 1500 second feet to develop an estimated 10,007 horsepower, utilizing a fall of 411 feet.

Agreement Seen  
A telegram from Reiss to Luper yesterday stated that he was about to agree with the federal power commission on terms of a license for development of the so-called Grant power site, "predicated on a progressive development contemplating completion of the first development in five years and full development in 20 years." He inquired as to the status of the application, and whether an assurance that the license would be granted, the state would not favorably on the application.

To This State Engineer Luper replied that "permits will be issued under your water rights application when we receive notice from the federal power commission of its beginning and completion of construction to be fixed in the license." Luper informed Reiss that the present application covers only the development of the first dam, and that a larger development is contemplated the application should be amended.

"But we see no reason," he added, "why a permit may not be issued for the development." Just what that means is not clearly understood here.

## SLASHINGS FIRE UNDER CONTROL

Part of Sheep Herder's Camp Burned—Loggers Help Fire Warden.

Fire broke out yesterday about 1 o'clock in the afternoon on cut-over land of the Grizzly Lumber company, and for a time threatened a band of sheep belonging to Joe Cuhna, according to L. C. Morehead, fire warden. The herder's camp was partly burned, but the crew saved part by throwing it into the creek.

The fire, in old slashings made last year, spread very rapidly and burned about 10 acres before being brought under control by the state warden's force and crew from the Mt. Emily logging camp. It was necessary to keep a crew at work throughout the night to prevent further spread of the fire.

A crew of about 20 men was at the scene of the fire a short time after it started, preventing it from spreading over the entire slashing area which consists of several thousand acres.

Thirteen fires have been reported in the Union county state patrol area this month, only three of which were caused by lightning.

In speaking of smoking, Mr. Morehead points out that cigarettes will burn rapidly in low humidity such as experienced yesterday, and urges all to be careful when in areas where fire could be started.

## Wallowa Pioneers Picnic Saturday

ENTERPRISE, July 25 (AP)—On the school grounds at Wallowa, the annual reunion of the Wallowa County Pioneers' association will be held Saturday, July 27. The business session will be held in the forenoon, followed by the picnic dinner. Each family attending is asked to provide a well filled lunch basket and dinner will be spread family style on tables.

The tentative program arranged by D. W. Sheehan, president of the association, opens with an address of welcome by the mayor of Wallowa, and the presentation of the present world wheat situation, has been decided upon by the farm board.

Paul V. Maris, director of the Oregon extension service at the state college here, has been advised the two agriculture leaders will hold the meeting in Pendleton.

## Hyde and Legge To Meet in Pendleton

CORVALLIS, July 25 (AP)—A meeting in Pendleton August 9 at which Secretary of Agriculture Iyze and Alexander Legge, chairman of the federal farm board, will talk their views on the present world wheat situation, has been decided upon by the farm board.

## Realization Of Klamath Power Plans Expected

Federal Government Will Approve Application for \$7,000,000 Project, is Report.

SALEM, Ore., July 25 (AP)—Immediate license from the federal power commission and permit from the state to development of the Grant power project, \$7,000,000 project of the California-Oregon Power company on Klamath river 16 miles west of Klamath Falls are indicated by an exchange of telegrams between State Engineer holding state applications, attorney for the power company who is now in Washington, D. C.

The application of the California-Oregon Power company for this development was approved in 1927. For years it was held up because of an opinion of the attorney general that no applications for rights in Klamath basin could be approved for the reason that the government had withdrawn from appropriation all waters in the basin. A modified opinion, however, was handed down by the attorney general last September holding that applications might be approved if they did not conflict with federal interests. The Copco application calls for the appropriation of 1500 second feet to develop an estimated 10,007 horsepower, utilizing a fall of 411 feet.

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## Liquor Parties End With Falls; One Man is Dead

SEATTLE, July 25 (AP)—Ralph Kennedy, Portland salesman, plunged from the fifth floor of a hotel to his death here last night. Hospital attendants said he received a fractured skull and internal injuries.

Police were told the fall followed an alleged drinking party. Kennedy was here last night at the Hotel Edwards, all of Seattle, were named as other participants. They were questioned but not held.

## Thea Rasche Hurt In Airplane Crash

BERLIN, July 25 (AP)—Thea Rasche, Germany's flying fraulein, was injured today when her plane crashed on route from Tempelhof to Warnemunde. The plane fell from a height of 120 feet and was wrecked.

The aviator had just taken off when something went wrong with her plane. Observers on the Tempelhof field said the girl probably was, into a sudden gust of wind when it was rising. Her injuries were said to be slight.

## Banish Waldemaros To Provincial Town

KOVNO, Lithuania, July 25 (AP)—Professor Augustus Waldemaros, former premier and virtual dictator of Lithuania, has been banished to an unnamed provincial town by order of the commandant of the Kovno district.

## House of Lords Takes Up Treaty

LONDON, July 25 (AP)—The naval treaty bill which passed the house of commons yesterday on third and final reading was formally read for the first time in the house of lords this afternoon.

## Wheat Today

CHICAGO, July 25 (AP)—Extreme scarcity of future deliveries of corn became an outstanding feature of the corn market today, and new high prices promptly followed.

Chicago closed strong, 3/4c a bushel higher than yesterday's finish. Wheat closed irregular, 1/4c off to 3/4c up, and corn 3/4c advanced. Provisions finished unchanged to a setback of 2c on account of meager demand.

## HUSTON WILL RESIGN POST ON AUGUST 7

Stormy Service of Chairman of Republican Committee at an End.

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### PRESIDENT GIVEN HIS ANNOUNCEMENT

Senator Fess, of Ohio, is Choice of Party Leaders — Election is Held Likely.

By Francis M. Stephenson  
WASHINGTON, July 25 (AP)—The stormy service of Claudius Huston as chairman of the republican national committee is at an end.

Mr. Huston brought a sudden close to the controversy over his leadership late last night when he told President Hoover that he would call the executive committee of the national committee together on August 7 and submit his resignation. The president approved.

Senator Fess Favored  
Senator Fess of Ohio, is the choice of the republican high command to succeed Huston and his election by the executive committee which receives the Huston resignation next month is confidently predicted.

Robert Lucas, of Kentucky, who became commissioner of internal revenue a few months ago, is slated to take over the active campaign work for the approaching congressional elections as executive assistant to Fess. And the new organization has the approval of President Hoover, who said it should get to work early next month.

## ANOTHER HEAT WAVE DUE IN MIDDLEWEST

CHICAGO, July 25 (AP)—Like an Indian camp with poised tomahawk upon its unsuspecting prey, new hot waves are sneaking up on the middlewest today.

The weather bureau, peering into its crystal, saw no immediate relief, although temperatures in the middlewest were experienced last weekend were not anticipated. "Generally speaking," said the bureau, "readings will be above normal, and temperature changes will be unimportant."

## TARIFF BILL BIG BENEFIT, HAWLEY SAYS

SALEM, Ore., July 25 (AP)—Representative W. C. Hawley, one of the authors of the tariff bill recently enacted by congress, who has returned to his home here, believes relief of the unemployment situation by fall will be one of the early results of the measure. He does not think, however, that unemployment is as serious as reported, and attributes the high unemployment estimate to the census.

"The census came at a slack time of the year," he said, "when naturally a high unemployment figure would be noted. But most of it was temporary, and by this time a great number of men out of jobs at that time are back at work."

## 5 Fatal Accidents During The Week

SALEM, Ore., July 25 (AP)—Five fatal accidents out of a total of 842 industrial mishaps were reported to the state industrial commission for the week ending July 24. The fatalities were: J. B. Lawrence, Scotts Mills, saw filer; Antone Brown, Portland, pitman; Tony Errath, Bly, choker-setter; C. W. Smith, Portland, choker-setter; Ralph Parker, Powers, choker-setter.

## Motorman's Yawn Holds Up Traffic

LOUISVILLE, Ky., July 25 (AP)—Motorman William A. Ellingworth of the street car company here championed the yawning endurance championship of something or other.

Motorman Ellingworth yawned while piloting a street car yesterday, and held up traffic for eight minutes. Surprised passengers watched the motorman stop the car, dismount and go sprawling into a drug store, his mouth wide open.

It took a doctor and volunteer helpers several minutes to get Mr. Ellingworth's jaws together, while motorists honked horns and passengers on the street cars demanded an explanation.

## MOOSE HEAD



Rodney H. Brandon, new supreme detainer of the Loyal Order of Moose, is regarded as one of the leading sociologists and an authority on stock welfare in the United States.

## THREE BANDITS DIE AT GALLOWS

Bank Robbers Hanged Simultaneously Today at Kansas City.

KANSAS CITY, July 25 (AP)—Three bandit robbers who sprayed bullets into a republican national convention crowd in a downtown district here two years ago, were hanged simultaneously today at the gallows of Traffic Patrolman James H. (Happy) Smith, victim of their fire.

They were Tony (Lollypop) Mangiaracina, Carl Nasello, machine gunner for the gang, and John Messino, driver of the bandit car.

One of five buttons pressed by five deputy sheriffs released the trap at 6:04 a. m., sending to their deaths three of the six bandits who planned and executed the robbery of the Home Trust company June 14, 1928.

Mangiaracina and Nasello were pronounced dead at 6:31 and Messino died two minutes later.

The bandits stood erect as the nooses were adjusted. They declared they had no statements to make. Prior to their entry into the death chamber they reiterated declarations of innocence. The 200 witnesses to the execution were the father of the slain patrolman.

The trust company, in the shopping district, was robbed while a rattling machine gun sprayed walls and ceiling, terrifying employees. Explosives by their gas, the fleeing necklet poured shotgun slugs into the chest of (Happy) Smith, attracted by the uproar. Dying, he shot away the windshield of his assistant car. He yawned into a traffic semaphore tearing off a door.

The lock number was a clue which led to the speedy arrest of the trio hanged this morning.

The bandits' bullets struck four bystanders. Another died of heart failure.

## Wisconsin Woman Becomes Librarian

SALEM, Ore., July 25 (AP)—Miss Harriet C. Long, a Wisconsin woman, is the selection of the trustees of the Oregon State library to succeed the late Virginia Cleaver Bacon as state librarian. It was announced by Governor North today that Miss Long was elected at the trustee's meeting yesterday. The governor said the election was not announced following the meeting because it was not known whether she would accept the position. But news received by the governor in a telegram from Miss Long early today. The salary will be \$4000 a year.

Miss Long is now in charge of the traveling library division of the Wisconsin free library commission.

## Explosion Kills Oregon City Man

OREGON CITY, Ore., July 25 (AP)—One man was killed in a terrific explosion that shattered windows and set fire to the Pastime largest pool hall here, before dawn today. The dead man was identified as Robert Pickles, 23, of West End.

Firemen found Pickles' body in the basement after battling the flames for an hour.

The pool hall had been closed for several hours when the blast occurred. Hundreds of residents of Oregon City were awakened by the downtown blast.

## Toadstools Cause Death of Children

ROCHESTER, N. Y., July 25 (AP)—Toadstools gathered by supplementing the slender food supply of the almost penniless family of a disabled and unemployed world war veteran today caused the death of two girls.

Josephine Purm, 6, was found dead in bed early this morning. Her sister Grace, 9, died several hours later in St. Mary's hospital.

## New Witness Discovered In Mooney Battle

Hungarian in Cleveland Tells his Version of San Francisco Bombing Case.

CLEVELAND, July 25 (AP)—A new witness who said he was willing to testify that Thomas Mooney and Warren K. Billings are innocent of the preparedness day bombing that cost the lives of San Francisco, 14 years ago, told his version here today of the explosion.

Krumes, a Hungarian, said he was a 22-year-old roustabout in San Francisco at the time of the explosion. He was sitting on a fruit box on the sidewalk in direct view of the blast when it occurred, he said.

"I noticed three men who appeared to be Mexicans loitering on the opposite side of the street. I could see across the street and noticed these three men acted very suspiciously. I noticed they left Steuart street and turned into Market, walking as if they were in a hurry." Krumes' signed statement read.

Recalls Suicide  
"Almost simultaneously with their departure I noticed a stevedore standing in the curb where they had been loitering. A terrific explosion occurred. I saw debris and parts of bodies flying through the air."

It was this suitcase which evidence indicates contained the explosive which Mooney and Billings were convicted of having left there.

Krumes said he hurriedly left the scene after the explosion, fearing he would be arrested by police as a witness or as a suspicious person.

Rarely Read Newspapers  
In the years that followed, Krumes said he worked as a sailor and rarely read a newspaper, so that he never knew Mooney and Billings had been convicted. It was difficult for him to read English anyhow, he said.

Two weeks ago he read in a Cleveland newspaper that John MacDonald, former mayor of Cleveland, had given the testimony MacDonald gave which helped convict Mooney and Billings. Krumes said he determined then.

## Parents Agree To Keep Babies Despite Mix-up

CHICAGO, July 25 (AP)—The mix-up over the Bamberger-Watkins babies was ironed out at an early morning conference today at which it was decided the babies of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bamberger and Mr. and Mrs. Watkins were never mixed up at all.

This decision, reached by agreement between the parents, was reported to that of a group of scientists who late yesterday decided the babies had been switched at Englewood hospital where they were born.

Dr. Arnold Kopel, health commissioner, was automatically informed of the decision. He said he would consider whether to pursue the case further in the interest of public policy.

The parents, apparently in complete accord, kept the babies and sent home. They said the incident was closed as far as they are concerned.

The parents had demanded an investigation following the discovery of an adhesive tape on the back of the Bamberger baby bore the name "Watkins" and a similar tape on the Watkins baby was marked "Bamberger." They now believe the babies had been washed off at the hospital when both babies were being bathed and a nurse, in haste, had put them back on the wrong infants.

The shape of the babies' head was responsible for the final agreement. The Bambergers' baby was their third. The Watkins baby was a first-born.

A committee of physicians who met with the parents tonight agreed a temporarily oval shaped head, such as the Watkins baby has, is natural in the case of a first born. The Bamberger baby's head is round.

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## Mexican Planes Crash

MEXICO CITY, July 25 (AP)—Four military aviators and one civilian were killed here today when two Army airplanes were wrecked and fell into Carranza athletic field near Valbuena airport.

One of the planes in its fall hit a man who was playing on a handball court, crushing him to death.

## JOHNNY LEHMAN WINS BEVERLY COUNTY CLAY

BEVERLY COUNTY CLAY, Ore., July 25 (AP)—Johnny Lehman, of Chicago, former Purdue star, galloped in the finals of the western amateur golf championship today by defeating T. Fisher of Portland, 8 and 7 in the semi-finals.

## BASEBALL

National League R. H. E.  
Pittsburgh 1 7 1  
New York 3 9 0  
Batteries: French, Spencer and Hensley; Mitchell and Hogan.

## SOUTH ITALY QUAKE DEATH TOTAL 2,930

Casualty Figures in Province of Avellino Mount to 2,573.

KING ON VISIT TO NEAPOLITAN ZONE

### New Quake Causes Fright, One Death — Piave Valley Hurricane Toll Reaches 22.

ROCHETTA, Sanantonio, Italy, July 25 (AP)—Italy lavished its utmost efforts today to bring relief to the thousands of victims of Wednesday's quake. Attention centered on this heart of the stricken zone with the arrival of King Victor Emmanuel to the province.

The total dead in the province of Avellino today was placed at 2,573 by General Balisogochi in contrast with the official figure of 1,828 for the province given out previously.

This together with the 357 reported dead in the five other provinces struck by the quake, made a death total thus far of 2,930.

Meanwhile government agencies of every sort were being set to work in the area checking up the dead and injured, aiding the thousands of homeless and taking stock of the huge material damage so that the work of rehabilitation proceed as quickly and smoothly as possible.

### NEW SHOCK REPORTED

ARIANO, Italy, July 25 (AP)—A new earthquake at about 10 o'clock here yesterday morning added another death to the long list mounting rapidly from the disastrous quake of Wednesday.

The registry office toppled and an elderly woman was killed when debris fell on her.

All the inhabitants were terror stricken at the new shock. An officer of the carabinieri, a militia commander and a newspaper man narrowly escaped injury.