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CITY ELECTS COMMISSION IN NOVEMBER

Terms of all Three Present Executives Expire at End of Year.

NO CANDIDATES ANNOUNCED YET

Regular Meeting of City Dads Held Last Night—Paving Project to be Advertised.

Although the public attention is largely focused on the gubernatorial campaign and its developments in Oregon, local electors are facing a municipal election this fall on the same day of the general election.

Three commissioners are to be elected, as the terms of office of Commissioners A. T. Hill, Charles Playle and V. R. Melville all expire at the conclusion of this year.

City Recorder J. E. Stearns stated this morning that nominating petitions must be filed not later than 31 days before the date set for the general election. The petitions are to be filed with the city recorder, then certified by him to the county clerk.

The present commissioners have made no announcements as to whether they will be candidates for re-election, and so far, no other names have been advanced.

Only the three commissioners are elected under the city manager form of government followed here. The commission then appoints a city manager and municipal judge, and the city manager appoints the other department heads.

COMMISSION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS ON PAVEMENT WORK

At last night's regular executive meeting of the city commission, a hearing was held on the improvement district for the paving of Eighth street near the Eastern Oregon Normal school. There were no remonstrances so the city recorder was authorized to advertise for bids to be opened on Aug. 20 at 7:30 p. m.

Another improvement district was acted upon, when sewer district 3-7, in the neighborhood of block 44, Chaplin's addition, was created. A hearing on the improvement will be held Aug. 27 at 7:30 p. m.

Oiling Discussed

The problem of settling dust satisfactorily on the north side was discussed and the city manager was authorized to prepare a cost estimate on oiling of streets, to be presented next Wednesday night. W. C. Crews, city manager, and one member of the commission will go to Baker sometime during the coming week to investigate conditions there.

Commissioner Melville reported that a man at Huron, Ore. had a tame doe and two fawns, which he is willing to give to the city of La Grande. This was referred to the city park board, which is to meet at 7:30 o'clock this evening.

The salary list in the amount of $5,644.42 for the month of July was ordered paid.

PROGRAM FOR BAND CONCERT IS ANNOUNCED

The program for the La Grande municipal band concert to be given at Riverside park Friday evening at 8 o'clock, was announced today by Andrew Loney Jr., director.

The program follows:

1. March, "The Adjutant" ..... Weldon
2. Overture to "Orpheus" ..... Offenbach
3. Fantasia for piccolo, "The White Blackbird" ..... Damare
   Dolph Siegrist
4. "Tunes from the Talkies" ..... Arr. Godfrey
   INTERMISSION
5. Grand Scenes from "The Chocolate Soldier" ..... Straus
6. (a) "Chinese Patrol" ..... Fliege
   (b) Anvil Chorus from "Il Trovatore" ..... Verdi
7. Characteristic "The Wedding of the Rose" ..... Jessel
8. "Procession of the Sardar" from "Caucasian Sketches" ..... Ippolitow-Iwanow

Encores will be selected from the latest popular numbers and novelty selections.

August Session Of Court Nearing End

The August session of the county court was nearing an end this afternoon, with the commissioners just about through with the bills, and preparing to consider the docket, not of usual length. Matters before the court included a petition asking for a rebate of taxes, and a few applications for county aid and widow's pensions.

YIELDS OF FIELD CROPS INCREASE IN CALIFORNIA

SACRAMENTO, Cal. (AP)—Estimates of California's field crops for 1930 show an increase over 1929 with the exception of hay, rice and alfalfa.

Barley and wheat head the list of increased crops. The barley yield is estimated at 29,854,000 bushels, and wheat at 13,566,000.

Other yields forecast by the California agricultural department include beans, 5,553,000 bushels; rice, 5,940,000 bushels; hay, 5,130,000 tons; potatoes, 5,320,000 bushels; oats, 4,928,000 bushels; alfalfa, 4,040,000 tons; corn, 2,795,000 bushels; sweet potatoes, 1,244,000 bushels.

WEATHER TODAY
7 a. m.—69 above.
Minimum: 62 above.
Condition: partly cloudy.

WEATHER YESTERDAY
Maximum 94, minimum 65 above.
Condition: partly cloudy.

WEATHER AUG. 7, 1929
Maximum 92, minimum 53 above.
Condition: clear.

Drum Corps And Drill Teams Of 2 Cities Parade

American Legion Furnishes Demonstration—Post Nominates for 1930-31 Officers.

La Grande took on the appearance of an American Legion convention city for half an hour or so last night, with two drum and bugle corps and two women's drill teams parading Adams avenue. The stirring music of the drums and bugles, the colorful uniforms of the marchers—both men and women—and the crowded streets brought memories of a few years ago when this city was host to the legionnaires and auxiliary members of Oregon.

Baker, which will entertain the state convention next week, sent her drum corps and auxiliary drill team to La Grande and the local organizations joined with them in a parade and concert, preceding the meeting of La Grande post No. 43 in the Sacajawea Inn, which was followed by a dance.

Past Commanders Report

Last night's meeting was past commander's night and the following occupied the offices and reported, in order of service:

J. L. Ingle, forming of post and suppression of I. W. W. ideas; Fred E. Kiddle, tried to scatter flowers on cemetery during Memorial day services from airplane; memorial certificates given to relatives of men killed in France; victory medals given returned soldiers and sailors; Roy Currey, no victory medals so had to give out cider and doughnuts to get a quorum; Ray Murphy, auxiliary formed; Ralph Huron, troop of cavalry formed for Harding celebration at Meacham; trees planted on Victory way; Fred E. Kiddle put over as state commander; $839 raised for overseas graves fund; Ray Williams, largest membership yet attained; put drum corps on feet; successful auto show; Otis Palmer, drum corps sent to Prineville; show "Man Without a Country" shown to school children; street decorations sold; $1700 raised for endowment fund for widows and orphans of service men; trip made to Legion mountain back of Ice lake; Harley Richardson, starting of state convention plans; organized drill team; Hugh E. Brady, carried convention plans out, most successful held to date; C. L. Thompson, purchased gold uniforms for drum corps; acquired cemetery plot and endowed same for use of ex-service men; acquired $10,000 for armory; C. V. Talbott, drum corps to Salem; flag pole raised on cemetery plot.

Nominations Made

Nominations for officers for 1930-31 also took place, with the election to be held next month. Those nominated follow:

Commander—Norman Desilet, Jesse Andrews, Oscar Johnson.

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Government To Open Lane For Proposed Road

Surveying of the road from Owsley lane to the summit of Mt. Emily is to be done during part of this month and during September, previous to the making of a lane through the trees and burning and piling the brush, for which $1000 has been appropriated for this fiscal year, according to forestry officials.

Of interest among proposed roads is one which will complete a good road along the summit of the Blue mountains. At present there is a good road from Dayton, Wash., to the Tollgate ranger station; the part yet to be completed is from the Tollgate ranger station to Kamela along the summit. It is expected to complete that stretch in a few years for it is included in the road plans, officials say.

This afternoon A. W. Nelson, Sherwood Williams, W. R. Ledbetter, Gerald Tucker, forest ranger, and J. F. Irwin, forest supervisor for the Umatilla forest, are leaving for a trip along proposed roads in the Blue mountains. They will start near Kamela and expect to return Saturday.

Funeral Services To Be On Friday

The funeral of Albert Coffin, who passed away early Tuesday morning, will be held at the chapel of Walker's Funeral Service home Friday morning at 10:30 o'clock, and burial will be in the family plot in the Elgin cemetery. Mr. Coffin was a pioneer resident of Union, having spent his boyhood days there and moved away some years ago to Montana, and was spending his vacation here with his brother Edgar Coffin, of Pumpkin Ridge. He is also survived by two nieces, Mrs. Jessie Pratt, of Seattle, and Mrs. Georgia Farmer, of Los Angeles, who are both here for the funeral.

Union, Ore., Girl Beats Off Attacker

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 7 (AP)—Lorraine Belle, attractive 23-year-old girl from Union, Ore., fought off an assailant early today who attempted to attack her near the home of John Tichenor, where for the past three weeks she has been employed as a maid. Her clothes were nearly torn from her in the struggle.

Miss Belle had just left an owl street car when two men drove up in a car and halted a few feet away. One man, described as under the influence of liquor, staggered out of the car muttering unintelligibly and seized the young woman.

Two Drunks Fined In Municipal Court

Two men, both charged with drunkeness, were tried in municipal court last night with Judge C. M. Humphreys presiding.

Bruno Garcia was fined $25, which he paid, and Oscar Nelson was fined $20 or given 10 days in jail. The prisoner selected the latter and is serving his time today.

FESS NAMED CHAIRMAN OF REPUBLICANS

Claudius H. Huston, of Tennessee, Submits Resignation Today.

LUCAS TO ASSIST OHIO SENATOR

Retiring Leader, in Closing Address, Charges "Unjust and Unwarranted Attacks."

WASHINGTON, Aug. 7 (AP)—Claudius H. Huston, of Tennessee, submitted his promised resignation as republican national chairman to the party's executive committee today direction of the fall campaign was turned over to Senator Fess, of Ohio, and Robert H. Lucas, of Kentucky.

Fess, a staunch administration supporter, was appointed chairman of the national committee.

It had been announced Fess would be made provisional chairman, pending a fell meeting of the committee to select a permanent chairman.

Ratification Unnecessary

James Francis Burke, general counsel, said, however, it had been found the executive committee had full powers and Fess' selection would not have to be ratified later.

Lucas, present commissioner of internal revenue, was named executive chairman. He will carry the burden of directing the party forces in the approaching campaign and will resign his treasury post soon to devote his entire time to the new job.

Both Fess and Lucas were present at the meeting and made brief addresses.

In submitting his resignation, Huston said he was conscious of his own integrity, but was putting the interest of the republican party ahead of personal considerations to the organizations might might select a leader free from the present factional opposition.

Charges Unjust Attacks

"No man in political life," he said, "has ever been subject to more unjust and unwarranted attacks."

The new alignment of the republican organization leadership went through as forecast many weeks ago when agitation was at its height for Huston to step aside.

The Tennesseean's testimony before the senate lobby committee that he deposited in his broker's account $36,100 he had collected for the Tennessee River Improvement association before turning the money over to the association started the uprising against his chairmanship among "young guard" senators and house republicans up for re-election.

George Deb Keim, Edgewater Park, New Jersey, a retired banker, was appointed secretary of the national committee to succeed Representative Franklin, Fort, New Jersey, resigned.

Other vacancies on the national committee filled at the meeting were Ernest Lee Jahncke, assistant secretary of the navy, national committeeman from Louisiana, to succeed the late Emile Knutz. Ezra R. Whitte, Coeur d'Alene national committeeman.

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100 MEN BATTLE FOREST FLAMES

Fire Spreads Over Mile Front—National Forest Lands are Closed.

PORTLAND, Aug. 7 (AP)—A forest fire of incendiary origin burned near Breitenbush Springs today with more than 100 men fighting its spread over a mile long line.

Santiam forest headquarters heard the fire started at three different points.

A fire on Silk creek, west of Cottage Grove, Ore., was controlled, according to C. V. Oglesby, western Lane county supervising warden. This fire, also, is believed to have been of incendiary origin. Damage was nominal.

Despite extremely dry conditions the Umatilla national forest fire situation has been kept in hand, Pendleton foresters said. Fifteen small fires were started by lightning Monday but were controlled easily by rangers.

The mercury registered 102 at Pendleton yesterday afternoon. Strong northeast winds today fanned forest fires on Humbug creek in the Breitenbush district, Lane county, while 100 men sought to check the fire which has swept over 270 acres, half timber and half slashing.

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Dry League Sees Another Wet-Dry Battle In 1932

Anti-Saloon Organization Fears Democratic Party—Bigger War Chest is Urged.

LITTLE POINT SABLE, Mich., Aug. 7 (AP)—Executives of the Anti-Saloon League of America, gathered here in conference, already are preparing for another wet and dry fight in the 1932 presidential election.

The democratic party, they concede, will then be stronger than it was in 1928 and in the words of Dr. F. Scott McBride, national superintendent of the league, chances of having democratic nominee friendly to prohibition "are not very hopeful."

Gathered yesterday for the opening session of their conference in a little church almost hidden by sand dunes, on the eastern shore of Lake Michigan, the league executives from all over the U. S. heard reports predicting few reversals for the cause of prohibition in the fall elections.

Alarmed at Democrats

Although those elections are the immediate concern of the league, principal alarm was expressed over the activities within democratic ranks thus far in advance of the next presidential election.

To counteract those activities, Dr. McBride urged accumulation of a bigger war chest, strengthening of state organizations and planning a definite offensive against the wets.

"I am of the opinion, Dr. McBride said, "that the time is over-ripe to go to the public with a challenging call and a program. A more adequate fund for a more adequate program is demanded if we are to meet the needs of the day."

Sounds Cheerful Note

Dr. McBride sounded a cheerful note in his report of the political situation to date.

"So far," he said, "twenty primary elections have been held. In most districts and in most states the primary is the real election. We have not forgotten, however, in caring for the primaries, the non-partisan methods of the league. Particularly in these districts where the vote is likely to be close in the election, we have made it a point to win drys in both major parties.

"These 20 primaries have embraced most of the doubtful districts. They have proved to be a cross section of the country, extending from Oregon to Maine and embracing the very critical states of Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Illinois. It is within

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HYDE RETURNS FROM TOUR OF DROUTH AREA

WASHINGTON, Aug. 7 (AP)—Secretary Hyde said today after a conference with President Hoover that county agents in the drouth areas would be asked by the administration to furnish data on the damage.

The agriculture secretary said on the suggestion of the president questionnaires would be sent farm agents immediately asking them for detailed surveys on both the actual damage and the suffering caused by dry weather and intense heat.

Hyde returned today from a tour of farm regions and immediately talked with Mr. Hoover. While asserting the situation was serious, the agriculture secretary said there was always a tendency to magnify disasters and that general rains now would save a great deal of the crop.

Russian Pulpwood Discussions Held

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 7 (AP)—Dr. Wilson Compton and W. S. Shaw, National Lumber Manufacturers association trade extension managers, tomorrow and Saturday will continue discussions of the Russian pulpwood situation with more than 100 Pacific northwest lumbermen expected for the two-day meeting of the national organization and the West Coast Lumbermen's association.

Besides Dr. Compton and Shaw, A. C. Dixon, national organization president, will speak. The trade extension department of the national association called the meeting and west coast lumbermen have been invited.

Awaiting Decision Of Prison Board

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 7 (AP)—California supreme court justices today awaited decision by the state prison board as to whether Warren K. Billings could legally be brought here from his cell at Folsom prison to make his own defense on application for a pardon.

This legal phase called a halt to sensational testimony by Ed Cunha, former deputy prosecutor, who charged Billings and Thomas J. Mooney with being members of a gang of "blasters."

Rains and Cooling Winds Bring Seasonal Temperatures to Nation

CHICAGO, Aug. 7 (AP)—Rains and cooling winds brought seasonal temperatures today to most of the heat-seared areas.

Southern Illinois still sweltered, however, in a withering wave that ranged upwards from 100 degrees. Wells, streams and reservoirs have been burned dry. Farmers are carting water from oases for their families and beasts.

Showers splotched the midwest and northwest, bringing a cool respite. Up in Aberdeen, S. D., two inches of rain late yesterday clogged sewers and stood in streets. The rain was general over Northeastern South Dakota and Southern North Dakota. St. Paul was cooled off with a 10 degree drop.

The precipitation pushed south into Central and Southern Nebraska. Omaha was swept by a rainstorm and the thermometer dropped 26 degrees in two hours—from 96 to 70. In Lincoln, a half inch of rain brought a heat drop of 22 degrees. Over the state, the temperatures ranged below 90.

Southwest Iowa was doused with a good downpour last night, leaving the southeastern counties the only part of the state still in need of a good rain.

Throughout the southwest, the hottest part of the nation two days ago, seasonable temperatures generally prevailed.

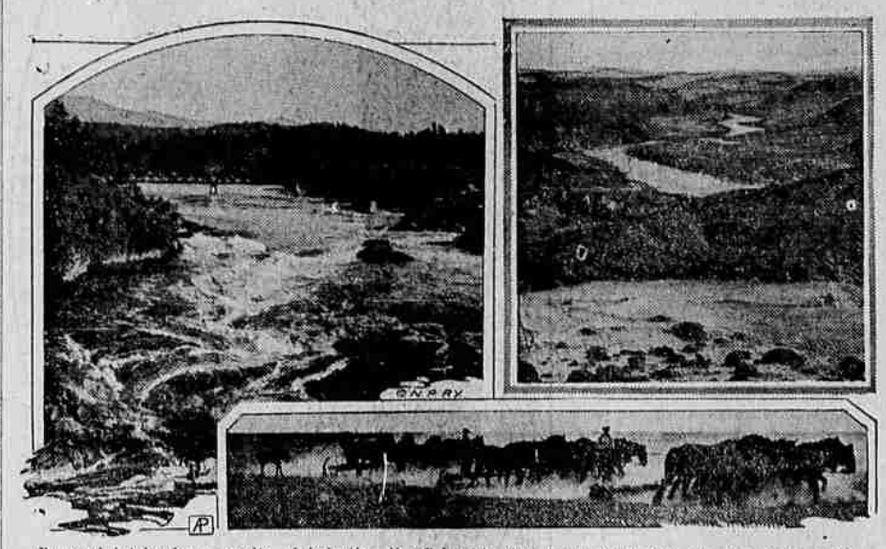
Light local showers cooled off Ohio, with temperatures generally in the 80's. One heat death was reported.

In New York City, the heat wave lingers on with no relief in sight. Thousands have been sleeping at the beaches at night and the heat caused three deaths yesterday.

Lake Michigan's winds were again good to Milwaukee and Chicago. The uplake city had a low of 65 to start the day of with, while Chicago, with a shower greeting the day, still lolled in the seventies.

Scattered sections of Northern Illinois and Indiana were also cooled off with rains.

RIVER'S POWER TO RECLAIM AREA



Proposed intake for a gravity of irrigating the Columbia river basin Clark Fork river in Idaho (left). A dam and power plant in the Columbia's old bed at head of Grand Coulee (upper right) also are suggested to pump water into land now dry-farmed (lower right).

Army Engineers Starting Work on Columbia Project

SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 7 (AP)—The job of harnessing the mighty Columbia river for agriculture and industry has been begun by army engineers.

More than 11,000,000 horsepower of electrical energy may be produced by maximum development of this largest river in the far west and its tributaries, engineers have determined after a year's survey.

Hand in hand with the hydro-electric exploitations is a reclamation project involving millions of acres of semi-arid farm land in the river's basin.

Ultimate development of the Columbia also will open a new waterway 750 miles long from the river's mouth to the Canadian border.

Maj. John S. Butler, army district engineer at Seattle, has directed study of the river which drains a territory equal to more than one-fourteenth of the nation's area.

Government engineers estimate ultimate development of the river and its tributaries will involve an investment of $500,000,000.

Markets for the power and additional crops to be created by development of the stream have been studied, in addition to power and navigation sites, needs of irrigation and other related subjects.

Construction of the first big power project on the Columbia already has begun—a $12,000,000 hydro-electric plant at Rock Island, near Wenatchee. There provision will be made for locks to carry freight boats of the future around the dam.

Two plans for reclamation of semi-arid lands of the Columbia river basin, which covers 1,883,000 acres, have been suggested.

One calls for a dam across the Columbia at the head of Grand Coulee, where glacial action once turned the Columbia from its old course into an entirely new channel.

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Roller Towel Is Needed, He Thinks

BEAVER FALLS, Pa., Aug. 7 (AP)—What this country needs, in the opinion of Policeman Louie McCullough, is a return of the old fashioned roller towels.

Take yesterday for instance. McCullough stopped in a gasoline filling station to wash up. He got soap in his eyes and couldn't find the new fangled box in which the paper towels repose.

While he was hunting for the towel a bandit entered the station, robbed the attendant and got away.

Colby, Kansas Has No Municipal Tax

COLBY, Kas., Aug. 7 (AP) — Colby citizens will have to worry along another year with no municipal taxes to grow indignant over.

For the third successive year the city council voted to let the municipal water plant wash away the city's bills.

During two years earnings of the plant has paid administration bills, provided $200,000 for pavements, paid for new equipment and placed a balance of $45,000 in the city treasury.

Merchants Bilked At Pendleton, Ore.

PENDLETON, Aug. 7 (AP) — Several Pendleton merchants were bilked yesterday by counterfeiters passing dollar bills for tens.

Wheat Today

CHICAGO, Aug. 7 (AP) — Sudden severe tumbles in grain values took place during late dealings today. Corn fell about 4½c a bushel from the day's top level and wheat about 4c.

Urgent efforts to realize profits after corn and all other grain had reached new high price records for the season proved to be of too overwhelming a character toward the last, with new buyers backing away, although no general break-up of drought appeared to be in sight.

May delivery of wheat showed an extreme temporary break of 5 cents a bushel from the day's top point, and September corn a maximum drop of 4¾c. Wheat and corn both closed nervous, wheat ¼ @ 1¼c lower than yesterday's finish and corn showing 1¼ @ 2¼ net decline with oats ⅜ @ 1⅜ off and provisions at 10-17 advance.

NEW AIR RECORD MADE BY HAWKS

Los Angeles Aviator Crosses the Nation in 14 Hours 50 Minutes.

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 7 (AP)— Frank Hawks, Los Angeles aviator, today holds the record for the quickest westward crossing of the United States.

Flying at an average speed of 179 miles per hour, Hawks, yesterday drove his low-winged monoplane from Curtiss Field, New York to Municipal airport Los Angeles in 14 hours, 50 minutes and 43 seconds. It was the first time a trans-continental flight had been made in full daylight. The travel air plane touched the ground here at 4:50:43 p. m. (P. S. T.,) after leaving New York at 5 a. m. (E. S. T.)

Hawks lowered by three hours, 52 minutes the recent east-west record set by Roscoe Turner. Hawks made refueling stops at Columbus, Ohio, St. Louis, Wichita, Kas., Albuquerque, N. M., and Kingman, Ariz. Turner made but one stop on his flight.

Encounters Storms

Stormy weather was encountered by the former instructor at the army flying school, Brooks field, Texas during most of the 2600 miles he flew. Rains were encountered between Pittsburgh, Pa., and Terre Haute, Ind., and severe storms from Albuquerque to the Arizona-California border. Over Arizona, Hawks said, he was forced to fly high and off his course to avoid thunderatorms.

Detracting the time taken for the five stops Hawks actually flew across the country in 13 hours and 35 minutes 43 seconds.

About 200 aviation enthusiasts hailed Hawks as he flashed across the finish line at better than 200 miles per hour. Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Hawks, the fliers' parents, and Turner were on hand.

Hawks said he was "tired and glad to get here" as he climbed from his plane. His father suggested a game of golf as they shook hands but the aviator took his mother's advice of getting some rest first.

240 Miles Per Hour

The aviator said his plane made a top speed of 240 miles an hour, but that he rarely kept it over 200. A 20-mile head wind cut his speed most of the way. He said the trip was "a pleasant one except for the bad weather." A collapsible cockpit cover protected him during the rainstorms.

Hawks turned his plane over to a force of mechanics immediately instructing them to put the ship in shape for a return trip as soon as possible.

Hawks is 33 years old and has been flying 13 years.

FILM BEAUTY AND DIRECTOR ON HONEYMOON

SANTA BARBARA, Cal., Aug. 7 (AP) —Dolores Del Rio, Mexican film star and Cedric Gibbons, studio art director are spending the first day of their honeymoon here today, while the city is in costume, celebrating its annual old Spanish days fiesta.

The couple were married yesterday in the old mission where, since 1786 Franciscan fathers have performed holy offices. The wedding was quiet, like the old adobe church they chose as a setting.

As the newlyweds left the missions they were met by photographers. Visitors in the patio asked each other who they were, and someone whispered "why, she isn't wearing stockings." One of the guests tossed a single handful of rice after them as they walked to their automobile.

Miss Del Rio was dressed in a gray suit, close fitting gray hat and gray pumps. She carried a bouquet of orchids and gardenias. Gibbons wore a blue business suit.

At the marriage license bureau the actress gave her age as 24, and stated it was her second marriage. Gibbons is 40 and also had been married once.

Endurance Fliers Near Old Record

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 7 (AP)—Dale Jackson and Forest O'Brine today were near their former world's record for refueling endurance flying at 420 hours, 21 minutes, established last year, and were ready to point their monoplane Greater St. Louis toward the present record of 554 hours held by the Hunter brothers.

At 2:11 p. m. (C. S. T.) Jackson and O'Brine had been up 415 hours and gave no indication either they or their plane was weakening. A fireworks display is planned at Lambert-St. Louis field tonight when the fliers' old record is passed.

Selling Drinking Water in Ohio—3c a Gallon

WASHINGTON, Aug. 7 (AP)—A story of drought in the Ohio valley resulting in the sale of drinking water came to the weather bureau today in a letter from Dr. L. W. Humphreys, to his brother, William J. Humphreys, meteorological physicist.

Dr. Humphreys said drinking water was selling at 3 cents a gallon in Logan, West Virginia. He added that across the river in Ohio, farmers were attempting to save fruit trees by pumping water on them with old fire engines. Rural residents in West Virginia, he said are seeking to have three months cut off the high school period in order that funds saved may be used "to buy food for poor families."

Independents To Meet Tonight To Pick Candidate

PORTLAND, Aug. 7 (AP)—Oregon independents meet tonight at the public auditorium here to nominate a candidate for governor which probably will be Julius L. Meier, Portland merchandiser.

The call for an independent rally was signed by more than 300 citizens of Oregon, who sought the nomination of Meier after the republican convention which nominated Phil Metschan, Portland hotel man, and well known state resident.

Metschan Makes Statement

In his first public statement dealing with state policies issued since his nomination, Metschan last night said development of Umatilla Rapids for power and irrigation by the federal government should be urged on congress without delay.

He said if elected governor he would ask the legislature to enter into a compact with Washington state for a division of the power and water and would recommend a delegation be sent to the national capital to work for an appropriation for the project.

American Stabbed To Death, Report

HANKOW, Aug. 7 (AP)—The Rev. Allen N. Cameron, an American missionary, was reported today to have been stabbed to death at Changsha, the Hunan province capital recently sacked by communists. The report while widely circulated lacked confirmation, but Cameron could not be located.

Cameron represented the Broadcast Tract Press of Denver, Colo., and came to China from Topeka, Kan., in 1891.

SHANGHAI, Aug. 7 (AP)—More than 500 British and Japanese soldiers and marines were en route to Yangtse valley cities today as the result of uncertain communist conditions.

Carrying 400 marines, four Japanese destroyers arrived here today from Sasebo, Japan.

Three Women Die At Grade Crossing

PLEASANTVILLE, N. J., Aug. 7 (AP) —Three women apparently sisters from Lilly, Pa., were killed at English creek crossing near here today when their automobile was struck by a Reading railroad train. The only identification found were three Pennsylvania automobile driver's licences in the names of Agnes S. Ryan, Helen Catharine Ryan and Ursula L. Ryan.

KENTUCKY STRAWBERRIES HELP FARMERS PAY DEBTS

PADUCAH, Ky. (AP)—Western Kentucky's strawberry crop this season enabled many farmers to pay off their debts for the first time in many years.

The crop yielded 212 carloads that brought a gross income of $525,000. The net price to growers averaged $4.25 a crate.

The first commercial shipment of raspberries was made from Western Kentucky this year. Dewberries also were shipped. Growers plan increased berry acreage for next season.

BLACKBERRIES PAY PROFIT

TREZEVANT, Tenn. (AP)—An acre of land planted in blackberries netted R. C. Lundy $415 net profit this year. He sold 182 crates of berries from the lot.

TWIN CITIES IN PATH OF FATAL FLOOD

Nogales, Ariz. and Nogales, Sonora Swept by Raging Torrent.

MANY ARE DEAD, FORTY MISSING

Among Those Not Accounted for are 25 Children—Heavy Rains Continuing Today.

NOGALES, Ariz., Aug. 7 (AP)—Salvador Estrada, commandant of the Nogales Sonora municipal police, reported after a check up at noon today only two bodies of victims of last night's cloudburst and flood have been found, both on the American side of the international line. Early this morning the Mexican police and others reported a total of four bodies. Earliest estimates of the losses, exclusive of ruined merchandise in stores, were given as $100,000.

NOGALES, Ariz., Aug. 7 (AP)—Four persons were known to be dead, forty were missing, and police of Nogales, Sonora, this morning believed deaths would total at least 25 in a torrential rain and flood which inundated the twin border cities shortly after midnight.

Surging walls of water, preceding a heavy, steady downpour, struck this border district at 11 o'clock last night and swept through the streets of both cities. Furniture, trees and parts of buildings were swirled about as rushing walls of water poured northward from the Sonora side over the international border.

At 3 a. m., the chief of police of Nogales, Sonora, made his way to the American side and said he had received reports of at least two dozen deaths, although he could make no personal confirmation.

25 Children Missing

He declared 25 children had been reported missing from their homes.

Up to 3 a. m., only one death, that of a Mexican woman, had been confirmed, but police on the American side said more dead undoubtedly would be found when daylight came. Utmost confusion reigned on both sides of the border and little could be done to confirm the many reports of deaths.

A Nogales, Sonora, hotel, of adobe construction, crumpled at 4 o'clock. It was not known how many persons were in the building at the time. Mexican police said they feared similar occurrences and that as many lives would be lost in collapsing buildings as by drowning.

Mobilizing Doctors, Nurses

Physicians and nurses were being mobilized on the American side and all space in hospitals here was made ready. Rescue work was made difficult because of darkness and the heavy rain. At 4 o'clock the skies still were pouring forth sheets of water and there was no perceptible slackening of the flood.

An American aviator, Don Phillips, visiting on the Mexican side, managed to make his way to the American city and said he had seen several small children swept away when an adobe building collapsed.

Phillips declared the business section of the Mexican city was flooded with from five to six feet of water and that debris was swirling about.

Several persons from the residential section of Nogales, Ariz., reported they had seen three baby cribs floating down Morlyavenue, but were un-

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CANNON HEAD OF EDUCATORS ORGANIZATION

SALEM, Ore., Aug. 7 (AP)—Roy Cannon, of Portland, Multnomah county school superintendent, was elected president of the Oregon County School Superintendents' association at the closing session of its annual convention here yesterday. Martha E. Mulkey, of Coquille, Coos county superintendent, was elected vice president, and Maybelle Romig, Baker county superintendent, secretary-treasurer.

The association went on record by resolution in favor of free textbooks, larger units of administration in school affairs, a more extensive program of physical education, and "a substantial state fund for the purpose of equalizing education opportunities in poor districts."

Senator Heflin Is Hurt In Accident

DECATUR, Ala., Aug. 7 (AP)—United States Senator J. Thomas Heflin, of Alabama, suffered bruises and cuts and a sprained wrist and three members of his party were cut and bruised today as their automobile crashed into a telephone pole to avoid striking a heavily laden log truck that drove onto a highway from a side road, near here.

Senator Heflin and his party were brought to Decatur in a passing bus and three of them were taken to a hospital. The senator, however, went to a hotel where a physician attended him.

BASEBALL

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	R.	H.	E.
Brooklyn	6	14	0
Pittsburgh	4	11	0

Elliott, Vance, Clark and Lopez. Kremer, Spencer and Bool.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	R.	H.	E.
Boston	1	9	1
New York	5	10	1

MacFayden and Heving; Wells and Bengough.

	R.	H.	E.
Washington	1	10	0
Philadelphia	4	6	1

Crowder, Liska and Spencer; Wahlberg and Cochrane.