

HIKE TO BE FEATURE OF CELEBRATION

Labor Arranges for Third Annual 24.8-Mile Men's Walking Contest.

FIRST PRIZE TO AMOUNT TO \$100

Other Events on Labor Day Program Include Women's Hike, Picnic, Boxing and Dancing.

La Grande's labor organizations, assisted by those in nearby cities, have tentatively outlined a program for the annual celebration of Labor day, which falls on Sept. 1 this year.

At a meeting of the Central Labor council last night it was decided to offer the following prizes for the 24.8 mile men's hike, the feature of the celebration: first \$100, second \$75, third \$50, fourth \$25 and fifth \$10.

A large number of entries is expected including Nate Gray, who won the first hike two years ago and who placed second last year; Roy Purdon, last year's winner; Harry Gatt, who won the hike in 1928; and Ellis Watkins, fourth in 1929.

Route of Hike
The same route will be followed as last year—start at post office at 5 a. m. thence to Hemlock and Adams, out the Island City road, north to the Iowa school, west to Mt. Glen, then back by Riverside park, up Y to Second, then down Adams and east to the Reynolds road, back along the foothill road to Fourth street, down Fourth to the post office and then down Adams to Hemlock, the finishing point.

The women's hike, over a distance of about five miles, also will be held, starting at 7:30 o'clock. Prizes will be \$10, \$7.50, \$5 and \$2.50.

Other events on the program include a picnic with games and contests will be held at Riverside park, and a boxing match and dance back on the celebration.

Jess Gibbs, of the Pendleton East Oregonian and fight promoter in Pendleton, has agreed to stage the boxing card on a percentage basis. The card will be announced later.

CITY NOT TO ACCEPT DOE AND 2 FAWNS

At a called meeting of the city park board held last night, the board decided not to accept an offer made by a man at Huron, Ore. who has a doe and two fawns who is willing to give to the city of La Grande.

It was explained that if the deer were accepted and placed in Riverside park, considerable alterations would be required, some of them of an expensive nature.

Other matters of business were discussed during the session, including matters pertaining to the new park on Depot and Fifth streets.

August Session of County Court Ends

The August session of the Union county court, which began Wednesday morning, came to a close yesterday afternoon with the completion of routine matters.

EX-SENATOR PHELAN DIES
SAN JOSE, Cal., Aug. 8 (AP)—The late Senator Phelan died today at his home near here late yesterday following an illness which lasted since May of 1929.

Surrounded by member of his family, the former senator, who for many years had been an outstanding figure in California political, social and cultural life, lapsed into unconsciousness at 1:30 yesterday afternoon, and died three hours later.

LIBRARIAN DUE OCT. 15
SALISBURY, N. C., Aug. 8 (AP)—Miss Harriet C. Long of Madison, Wis., recently elected Oregon state librarian, has written Governor Norblad that she will be ready to take up her duties in Oregon October 15. She succeeds the late Virginia Cleaver Bacon.

DAYTON CITY MANAGER KILLED
DAYTON, Wash., Aug. 8 (AP)—W. R. Behren, Wash. Walla city engineer was killed and Stanley Royster, his assistant, gravely injured when their automobile plunged down an embankment.

WEATHER TODAY
7 a. m.—70 above.
Minimum—56 above.
Condition: cloudy.

WEATHER YESTERDAY
Maximum 95, minimum 62 above.
Condition: partly cloudy.

WEATHER AUG. 8, 1929
Maximum 89, minimum 54 above.
Condition: clear.

Water Shortage May Cause Mill To Close Down

Business and Professional Men's Organization Make an Appeal to the Public.

The Mt. Emily Lumber company, faced with a serious water shortage affecting the log pond, is expecting to shut down its sawmill operations here tomorrow, this condition to endure until relief comes in the form of rain. This situation has been known to exist for several days but was not given general publicity in the hopes that relief would come.

J. Stange, president of the company, said this morning that the crews in the woods have ceased operations, and indicated that, unless rain or other relief comes later today or evening, it may be necessary to close the sawmill tomorrow.

The planing mill, which employs a considerable group of men, will continue operations, as the output is not affected by the condition of the log pond.

Dry Period Is Cause
Seepage and evaporation, plus heavy drains upon the river during the present warm, dry period by farmers with prior water rights, were given as the cause for the lowering of the log pond level. During the last week or more there has been a furnishing of about 100,000 gallons daily but this is insufficient to maintain the level.

However, business and professional men's organizations and others have been making an appeal to the public to use water in moderation in the hopes that this will create a surplus sufficient to maintain the log pond to a depth that will permit continued operations of the sawmill.

Of course, it is said, any surplus will be furnished the sawmill by the city. It is estimated today that 300,000 gallons daily would keep the mill operating until the rains come, and it is believed that by conservation of water, this could be supplied without necessity of the Bowman-Hicks Lumber company is not facing the same difficulty that the Mt. Emily company is because the former mill, located here for a great

Why A Chamber Of Commerce?

"Why a Chamber of Commerce?" was asked of P. A. Epling, president and manager of the Grande Lumber company, who has been a La Grande business man and a member of commerce for many years, and is now a member of the board of education for La Grande schools.

"Here's what Mr. Epling said about it: 'A great deal of the extensive work of the chamber of commerce is not known about by the majority of the citizens. Every citizen ought to take an active part and he ought to know why it is being done. Such an interest must be taken if we are to get greater results.'

"To cite examples of what has been accomplished, our study of agricultural problems last year accomplished more than could possibly be done by the chamber of commerce in the promotion of an understanding of agricultural problems. This was a worthwhile work in the community and it is hoped that the Grande together in their study of agricultural problems. This fall we may have a joint program in which the Blue Mountain game will have its first La Grande business men's home products show. Such an exhibit will demonstrate the cooperative spirit of the two groups."

PRUNE GROUP DECIDES UPON '30 WAGE SCALE

ROSEBURG, Aug. 8 (AP)—The Douglas cooperative prune growers association yesterday announced the wage scale adopted by directors to apply to prune orchards during the coming season. The scale is considerably lower than last year, due to general economic conditions and the prospect for a low priced fruit.

The scale:
Haulers, shakers, trayermen, \$3.50 per 10 hour day; trayermen, \$4.12 per 10 hours; pickers, 5 cents large box runner; 4 cents small size, and 3 cent additional bonus for staying through season.

Fifteen growers were placed in nomination with two to be elected by ballot. The ballot will be held at 8 o'clock by the municipal band. Directors were asked by the federal drug and food administration to make recommendations as to percentage tolerance of brown rot to be permitted during the season. No definite recommendation was made but it was suggested, the words "merchandise" pruned fruit, used in describing the dried fruit.

Band Concert At City Park Tonight

Another concert in the series at Riverside park during the summer season will be given this evening at 8 o'clock by the municipal band.

A number of favorite selections have been selected for the program, and encores will consist largely of popular numbers. The concert is sponsored by the city.

Claude L. Berry Reports on Meet

Claude L. Berry, who recently returned from the Elks national convention at Atlantic City, N. J., gave a report of the convention at the regular meeting of the lodge last night. The annual 49 show was discussed and it was moved that a committee be appointed. The next regular meeting will be Sept. 4, the first Thursday of next month.

AIR TRAVEL WILL UNITE ALL NATIONS

Col. Lindbergh, in First Formal Radio Address, Looks Into Future.

UNIFORM FLYING LAWS ARE URGED

Airplane, Airship are Placing Time and Distance on New Scale of Relativity, He Says.

NEW YORK, Aug. 8 (AP)—Col. Charles A. Lindbergh's radio address tonight will be transmitted by at least five short wave stations for listeners anywhere in the world.

Speaking on "International aviation" from a single microphone in the studios of the Columbia Broadcasting system, his voice will go out on the 140 or more stations which comprise the National Broadcast chain and the Columbia network. He will talk from 10 to 10:15 p. m. E. S. T.

At least one Australian station, located in Sydney, plans to re-broadcast the speech, which also will be read in German by broadcasting over Germany's network of stations.

Previous to the delivery of the talk on the broadcast chains, Col. Lindbergh spoke at 3:25 p. m. (E. S. T.) from the CBS studios, by short wave only, to various countries of the world including Sweden, where his father was born.

Types Uniform Regulations
In his first formal radio address Lindbergh urged uniform flying regulations for all nations and predicted the next few years would bring transatlantic air routes to unite continents and a network covering the world.

"To realize the full significance of this development, however," he said, "it must be considered as part of the whole system of modern transportation. For unless some radical scientific discovery revolutionizes our

SOME RELIEF IN SIGHT IN EAST

Weather Bureau Believes Drouth Over Nation Will Be Broken Soon.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 8 (AP)—President Hoover said today he would call for a meeting of the cabinet next week to discuss methods for alleviating distress from the dry spell.

The weather bureau said today "some relief is in sight for a break in the prolonged drouth."

R. E. Weightman, forecaster, explained no immediate relief was in sight, but added existing pressure followed in the course of a few days by showers and lower temperatures in the upper Mississippi valley and plain states. He said alleviation for the corn and wheat belt might come about the middle of next week.

In the meantime, President Hoover and government officials went forward with plans for the relief of the drought where distress has become acute.

Pending receipt of definite information from the agriculture department Monday on the damage

Twain Cities Clearing Away Ruins After Thursday's Tragic Flood

by soldiers searching for lost children and checking the list of missing and that if any of the missing were alive they would have been found by today.

Mayor Villaguer estimated damage in his city at \$175,000, including the \$30,000 hotel which collapsed. The damage on the Sonora side was the more severe because of the frequency of adobe buildings. Stocks of merchandise in the tourist stores on International street suffered heavily. Damage on the Arizona side, confined mainly to International street, was estimated at \$25,000.

TWO NEGROES LYNNCHED BY INDIANA MOB

Grant County Jail at Marion Stormed by Furious Group of 1,000.

FOLLOWS MURDER OF YOUNG MAN, 19

MARION, Ind., Aug. 8 (AP)—A frenzied mob of 1,000 persons which stormed the Grant county jail late last night snatched two negroes from their cells and hanged them on the courthouse square.

The victims of the mob's fury were Thomas Shipp, 18, accused of fatally shooting Claude Deeter, 23, of Fairmont, Ind., and Abe Smith, 19, who police said admitted attacking Deeter's girl companion after the shooting on a lonely country road east here.

Using sledge hammers after they were driven off once by use of tear gas bombs, members of the mob smashed a hole in the masonry beside the jail door and broke their way through two steel doors to reach the cells of the negroes.

Hanged From Window Bars
Shipp's clothing was torn from his body by the maddened men, and he was borne in a blanket to the courthouse yard and hanged from the bars of a window in the building.

Smith, borne from the jail and hanged by a group of men after they had knocked him unconscious with their fists and hammers, was thrown on the ground where a horde of screaming women trampled on him and tore his body with their nails. He was then hanged on a tree in the courthouse yard.

The mob dispersed early today after it had taken from the jail and killed Robert Cameron, 16. Today 50 state policemen and police officers from surrounding towns, armed with sub-machine guns maintained order in this city, while Sheriff Harry G. Deeter, his staff and a posse of 200 men were on duty ready to recall the national guard from its training quarters at Camp Knox, Ky., if further trouble developed.

The vengeance of the mob was appeased after Cameron was returned to the jail. It was discovered the men had intended taking Robert Sullivan, 19, who was implicated in the killing of Deeter, instead of Cameron, whose connection with the other

OFFICERS OF EAGLES LODGE GIVE TALKS

Four state officers of the Eagles lodge were present at the regular meeting of the local lodge last night.

They were with Walter Perkins, state president, from Klamath Falls; Lyle Conner, state secretary, from Pendleton; Mr. Werdman, state trustee, and C. E. Happersett, La Grande, state treasurer.

After the usual business meeting when Henry Hess and Seth Kether were initiated into membership, the lodge adjourned after a joint meeting to hear an address given by President Perkins. Mr. Conner and Mr. Hess also spoke. Later in the evening luncheon was served by Mrs. C. E. Happersett and she is leaving tonight for San Francisco where she is a delegate to the national Eagles convention.

Governor Horton Given Majority

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Aug. 8 (AP)—Governor Henry H. Horton strengthened his hold on re-nomination for another two years term as 1,859 primary electors today gave him an unofficial majority in yesterday's democratic primary of more than 38,000 over L. E. Gwynn, Memphis attorney. The vote stood: Horton 128,842; Gwynn 90,443.

Representative Cordell Hull, former chairman of the democratic national committee, won the democratic nomination for membership in the State senatorial term by a plurality of approximately 64,000 over Andrew L. Todd, Murfreesboro capitalist.

Wheat Today

CHICAGO, Aug. 8 (AP)—Corn prices pitched suddenly downward late today by a bushel on account of predictions of a general break-up of the drought before the middle of next week. Heavy selling, largely of a stop-loss character, accompanied the swift break in prices, which was followed by a rebound of about 3 to 4. The prediction of the ending of the drought was said to have been deduced from appearance of a high pressure barometric arch over North-west Canada.

The sharpest break was in the price of December delivery of corn, representing the new crop. December quotations fell to 91c against 95 1/2c earlier today. Corn closed nervous, 1 1/2c to 2c a bushel lower than yesterday's finish.

What tumbled with corn as much as 4c a bushel, and closed irregular, varying from 1/2c net decline to 1 1/2c gain. Oats 1/2c off to 1 1/2c up, and provisions unchanged to a rise of 10c.

FESS AND LUCAS NOW IN CHARGE

Senator Simon D. Fess (left), of Ohio, was yesterday named to succeed Claudius Huston as chairman of the republican national committee, and Robert Lucas (right), of Kentucky, commissioner of internal revenue, was named executive assistant to Fess in charge of campaign work. Huston submitted his promised resignation Thursday.



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Opponents Are Challenged By Prohi Backers

LITTLE POINT SABLE, Mich., Aug. 8 (AP)—The executive board of the Anti-Saloon League of America, has challenged opponents of prohibition to offer a better plan to bring temperance and sobriety to the nation.

The challenge was included in the declaration of policy and program of action adopted by the board in the last session of its two day biennial conference yesterday.

"In view of the issue talk by the wet about repeal or modification of the prohibition law, the time has come for a showdown" said the challenge made public by Dr. P. Scott McBride, national superintendent of the league.

In a preamble to the declaration of policy, the board placed blame for much of the anti prohibition agitation upon metropolitan newspapers.

"We are gratified over victories of the past," it said, "and the fact that we have held our lines although confronted with an extraordinary situation in that we now face a highly financed and well organized wet movement creating an erroneous impression, chiefly through access to metropolitan dailies."

The league inserted in its declaration of policy a threat of opposition for wet candidates and a promise of support for dries, regardless of party, in forthcoming elections.

LANDS SNAKE THAT ELUDED SPOKANE COPS

SPOKANE, Wash., Aug. 8 (AP)—Today's local hero is F. G. Brown, who caught the snake that eluded the cops who arrested the men who thought the monster came out of a little brown jug.

Emerging from his suite in the "Hotel De Gink" otherwise known as Schade's abandoned brewery which is patrolled over night by those who are in the habit of carrying a six-foot bull snake. Brown went for a stroll on Trent street, commonly called "The Skidroad," and saw a six-foot bull snake. This was the same reptile pursued for days by police after four men, carrying a jug, called for aid in determining whether the snake was real or imaginary.

He was real. Brown grasped it firmly by the neck, walked over to a snake fancier, and sold it for one dollar.

BATTLE CREEK, Mich., Aug. 8 (AP)—The drouth is getting so severe, an army of 39 rattlesnakes, driven from a swamp, invaded a farm near Belleue and attacked a flock of turkeys. Farm hands ended the fray by killing the snakes.

Elks To Convene Monday Morning

PORTLAND, Aug. 8 (AP)—Oregon state Elks' convention, which will convene Monday morning at the Elks lodge here, will be the most recent hot weather here when the thermometer hovered in the late eighties, climaxed by a temperature of 91 yesterday afternoon. P. m. a minimum of 67 degrees during the night, the temperature had risen only to 80 at 8 o'clock.

Showers, which were heavy and prolonged in the northern section of the city left no record at all in the south.

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Population Of United States At 122,698,190

Census Bureau Announces Increase of 16.1 Per Cent—Oregon Increase Above Average.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 8 (AP)—Population of the continental United States for 1930 was announced today by the census bureau as 122,698,190, an increase of 19,987,570, or 16.1 per cent over 1920.

Adding in the total inhabitants of the possessions and territories of the United States, the bureau found the total population of the United States for 1930 was 124,848,644, an increase of 17,339,809 or 16.1 per cent over 1920.

This was 31,282 under the compilation made on the basis of preliminary official figures from supervisors by the Associated Press. The figures have been under revision by the census bureau since they were received from the states.

No High Change Expected
The bureau said the figures announced today also were subject to revision but it was added no considerable change was expected.

The population for the various states in 1930 as compared with 1920 includes:

State	1930	1920
Montana	630,352	548,889
Idaho	445,837	451,856
Utah	502,582	449,396
Washington	1,861,976	1,556,621
Oregon	952,891	783,389
California	5,872,009	3,426,861

Figures showing the increase and the per cent increase follow:

State	Increase	Pct.
Montana	12,457 (Dec.)	2.3 (Dec.)
Idaho	13,971	3.1
Utah	53,186	11.8
Wash.	295,346	18.1
Oregon	169,502	21.6
Cal.	2,446,148	65.5

Hoover 56 Years Of Age; Scouts Call With Gift

WASHINGTON, Aug. 8 (AP)—President Hoover today received the first of his fifty-sixth birthday anniversary gifts from a group of picked Boy Scouts from the District of Columbia.

Although the chief executive's birthday anniversary is not until Sunday, the gift, a carved buffalo head, symbol of pioneer days, was presented by Mr. Hoover, who had planned to leave Washington late today for his Virginia lodge where he will observe his birthday.

The horn was carved by the boys themselves for Mr. Hoover, who is honorary president of the Boy Scouts of America.

Superintendent Of Prison Denies Alleged Cruelty

SALISBURY, Ore., Aug. 8 (AP)—Henry W. Myers, superintendent of the state penitentiary, today denied charges made in a radio talk in Portland by Irvin Goodman that cruel punishment is practiced on unruly inmates at the state prison.

"Never, under my administration, have we shackled anyone to the bars," suspended any inmate by their wrists, Myers said. "We have no apologies to make for anything that has been done here. The prison is open to inspection by anyone anytime, and it isn't necessary that they let us know when they are coming."

The prisoner who was fatally shot by a guard in February, 1929, Myers said, was attempting to escape.

Myers declined to make any extensive reply to Goodman's charges, explaining that if he should consider it necessary to do anything about the Portland man's series of talks it would be done through the state board of control.

DRILLERS HIT PETROLEUM IN SENECA AREA

BURNS, Ore., Aug. 8 (AP)—An oil expert here today said that the flow of crude petroleum reported discovered near Seneca, Ore., while a crew were drilling for artesian water on the ranch of Herman Oliver, prominent stockman and member of the board of higher education.

Oliver, who lives at John Day, reported the discovery after workmen reached a 600-foot level. Traces of oil were found and buckets were lowered which were raised filled with heavy crude petroleum. The well was capped until the expert arrives.

Flood Undermines Bridge; Train Dives

WINSLOW, Ariz., Aug. 8 (AP)—R. E. Bixby, 42, engineer, and M. E. Burney, 41, fireman, were killed and 29 passengers were slightly injured when the engine and two cars of the Santa Fe passenger train number 8 plunged into the Little Colorado river one mile east of Joseph City, Ariz., last night. A checkup today by railroad officials showed that none of the passengers was hurt seriously.

Lumbermen Meeting In Portland Today

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 8 (AP)—A joint meeting of the National Lumber Manufacturers' association and the West Coast Lumbermen's association will be held in Portland today and tomorrow.

More than 200 lumbermen are expected to attend the meeting. The question of a United States embargo on Russian timber is expected to have a prominent place in the discussion.

The convention was postponed one day because of the death of George S. Long, chairman of the board of the Weyerhaeuser Timber company.

INDEPENDENT GROUP NAMES J. L. MEIER

Oregon Voters to Have Three Men to Choose From for Governor.

METSCHAN, BAILEY COMPLETE LINEUP

Meier Makes Acceptance Speech After Nominated by a Unanimous Ballot.

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 8 (AP)—With the nomination last night of Julius L. Meier, Portland merchant, as independent candidate for governor, the Oregon election will have three candidates to choose from when they go to the polls to elect a governor in November.

Phil Metschan, Portland hotel man, was chosen as the republican candidate at a recent meeting of the state central committee. This was the first time in the history of the state a republican candidate has been named in that manner and resulted from the death of Senator George W. Joseph, who was nominated in the May primaries. Edward W. Bailey, Junction City, was nominated in the primaries as the democratic standard bearer.

Senator Joseph was elected on a platform of free speech, municipal and public development; of hydro-electric power and the abolition of the public service commission.

Reason for Split
When the republican central committee nominated Metschan, followers of Joseph charged it had "squeaked" the platform which won the support of more than 50,000 voters in the primary election and immediately announced they would place an independent candidate in the field. Meier's nomination last night was the outgrowth of that announcement.

Meier formerly was associated with Joseph in a Portland law firm and previous to the republican state convention had agreed to become a candidate for the nomination. When the state committee failed to endorse the Joseph platform, however, he withdrew from the race. He has received 10 votes in the final ballot on which Metschan was nominated. Metschan polled 20 out of the 30 votes.

4000 Attend Convention
Four thousand persons attended the convention last night at which Meier was nominated. More than 3500 delegates from the state assembly candidate who would carry on the platform enunciated by the late Senator Joseph.

Meier was nominated by an unanimous ballot by the secretary after the 4000 independents, without a dissenting vote, had supported a motion calling for such a ballot. In his acceptance speech Meier said he has no intention of going into politics.

"If elected," he said, "I am not going to Salem as governor but as a member of the legislature. I expect to be in the United States. I expect to go without promise or pledge, uncontrolled by any political machine."

J. H. PEARE ATTENDS THE RECLAMATION CONGRESS ON AT BURNS, ORE.

BURNS, Aug. 8 (AP)—The Oregon reclamation congress opened yesterday with a representative statewide attendance for the first time in its history. The congress is a session to consider development problems related to irrigation and drainage.

Prior to the opening session, the Hines Lumber company entertained delegates to the congress through the two-million-dollar plant which is turning out nearly 400,000 feet of pine lumber daily.

Following the session, Mayor G. N. Johnson, President J. James T. Clack, and others gave the annual address in which he advocated united support of the new federal plan for refinancing irrigation and drainage districts.

Police to Watch the Intersection of a Busy Street
R. B. Butler, The Dalles representative, will speak later with Senators McNary and Steiwer both on the program later. Today the program was devoted to an inspection of the new branch of the experiment station with Governor Norblad and several members of the state board of higher education present.

Uncle Found Alive After 'His Funeral'

BALTIMORE, Aug. 8 (AP)—Nephews and nieces who yesterday believed they had attended the funeral of their uncle William L. Lewis, came back from the cemetery to find they had buried a stranger. They discovered their uncle alive and well and standing at the intersection of a busy street.

BASEBALL AMERICAN LEAGUE

First game: R. H. E. Chicago 1 1 2 Philadelphia 5 9 0 Braxton and Berg; Grove and Cochrane. R. H. E. Second game: R. H. E. Philadelphia 4 9 0 Lyons and Tate; Shores and Schang, Cochrane.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

First game: R. H. E. New York 9 15 1 Pittsburgh 1 11 3 Walker and Cochrane; Meine, Chagnon and Root.