

LABOR READY FOR MONDAY CELEBRATION

More Entries are Received for Men's and Women's Walking Contests.

DAYS PROGRAM IS INTERESTING

Ben Osborne to Speak at Riverside Park — Open Horseshoe Tournament Attracts Many.

LABOR DAY PROGRAM

6 a. m.—Start men's 25-mile hike (finish about 10). 8 a. m.—Start women's 5-mile hike. 8:30 a. m.—Boys' bicycle race. 8:30 a. m.—Eastern Oregon open horseshoe tournament at municipal courts. 12:30 p. m.—Basket picnic at Riverside park. Ben Osborne speaks at 2 p. m. 3:30 p. m.—Dog-and-boy race. 5 p. m.—City vs. Labor tug of war, near new city park. 7:30 p. m.—Boxing card at high school athletic field. 9 p. m.—National guard—Labor camp at Zuber hall. Swimming meet for young people during day at Crystal plunge.

Four entries have been received for the men's labor day hike and six for the women's five-mile hike, with others expected to come in this afternoon and this evening. It was announced today, as the closing time for entries drew near.

The two hikes will be feature events of La Grande's annual Labor day celebration which will be held here on Monday, Sept. 1.

New entries for the men's hike include Ellis Watkins, who placed fourth last year, Edward Krause and William Brown, who were winners of the women's walking contest include Margaret Milne, second last year, Marcella Keith and Alta Wigglesworth.

Entries are being received by J. H. Penre, referee of the contest.

Open Celebration

The two hikes open the celebration and will be followed by boys' bicycle race, open Eastern Oregon horseshoe tournament, a basket picnic at the Riverside park, a dog-and-boy race, a tug of war, a boxing card, swimming meet and a dance.

The two walking races will both start at the post office and both will finish at Adams and Hemlock. The men's event is expected to take about four hours to complete, and will finish about 10 o'clock judges believe. The highway course will be patrolled by state traffic officers.

The boxing card in the evening is also attracting much attention due to the fact that no fights have been held in La Grande for a number of months—since the death of F. N. Ford, former boxing promoter.

Ben Osborne, secretary of the Oregon Federation of Labor, and very

J. SNODGRASS LEASES HOTEL AT BAKER, ORE.

J. G. Snodgrass, a resident of La Grande for more than 40 years and a member of the La Grande band for the last 31 years—president of the city organization for two decades—has leased the Geiser-Grant hotel at Baker and will take possession on Monday, Sept. 1. Mr. Snodgrass and his family will move to Baker, making their residence in the hotel.

The coffee shop at the hotel will be managed by Mr. Snodgrass' son, Harry.

The hotel has been remodeled, redecorated and new furnishings installed.

In connection with his removal to Baker, Mr. Snodgrass said today that he would remain affiliated with the La Grande band, being here both for recreational and business purposes.

Mr. Snodgrass was in the grocery business in La Grande for 19 years, three of which found him in charge of retail stores for the La Grande Grocery Co. For the last year he has been operating the Inland Sales Co., which he will continue with stocks both in Baker and La Grande.

E. E. Lindsay Will Visit In La Grande

According to Associated Press reports from Salem, E. E. Lindsay, secretary of the state board of higher education, left there yesterday for La Grande where, it was said, he would remain for about 10 days.

President H. E. Inlow this morning said that he was expecting a visit from Mr. Lindsay, who will come here to acquaint himself with the Eastern Oregon Normal school.

Candidates For Commission To File By Sept. 22

Amendment to Oregon Laws in 1929 Provides Earlier "Deadline" For Nominations.

In checking over the Oregon election laws the city officials have discovered that section 3934, as amended by section 1, chapter 107, laws of 1929, section 4101, provides that nominating petitions for candidates for city commissioner must be filed with the county clerk between Sept. 20 and Sept. 24. The petitions are first filed with the city recorder, J. E. Stearns, who urges that all petitions be received by him not later than Sept. 22, so as to give him time to present them to the county clerk within the time limit. Petitions may be filed with Mr. Stearns at any time up to and including Sept. 22.

The former law provided that candidates may file 31 days before the general election, but under the amendment it requires 49 days.

Must Have 263 Signers Nominating petitions must have at least 263 registered electors as signers, Mr. Stearns said. There were 263 votes cast at the last election and the law requires that 10 per cent must sign nominating petitions.

The terms of office of all three commissioners, A. T. Hill, Charles Playle and Victor Melville, expire Jan. 1. So far no petitions of nomination have been filed, and no one has definitely announced candidacy.

Mrs. Towler Is Elected Chief Of Women's Club

At a called meeting of the La Grande Neighborhood club held at the La Grande hotel at 7:30 o'clock last night, Mrs. E. D. Towler, recording secretary, was unanimously elected as president to fill the place vacated by the resignation of Mrs. R. E. Westenhaver. The club accepted Mrs. Westenhaver's resignation with regret.

The usual procedure was followed in selecting the recording secretary, as for many years the precedent has been observed of elevating the recording secretary to the presidency. This precedent was established many years ago.

Mrs. E. P. Mossman, chairman of the board of the directors, which acts as the club's nominating committee, presented Mrs. Towler's name. The office of recording secretary will remain vacant until the middle of next month, when another called meeting will be held to elect a recording secretary and also to receive members for the neighborhood club.

"I wish to tender my resignation as president of the Neighborhood club," Mrs. Westenhaver's letter read. "I regret very much being unable to fulfill the duties as president this coming year, and appreciate more than I can express the honor bestowed upon me as president of the club. I wish to thank those who have so kindly operated with me this summer in planning the year's work. To the new president and club members, I wish success this coming year and though I will not be in the city, I wish to watch with much interest the club activities throughout the year."

Herbert Browning will be chairman of the B. P. O. Elks 49 show committee this year, it was announced today. Other members of the committee have not been selected.

Herbert Browning Heads Elks Show

The annual show will be held about the middle of October, although the actual dates have not been decided. The lodge is planning on making the 1930 show greater than any in the past. Proceeds from the show will be used to defray the expense of providing Christmas baskets for the needy and for the community tree for the holidays. Christmas day. Last year nearly every child in La Grande was present at the tree.

Jessie L. Beddes Passes On Today

Jessie Louisa Beddes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Beddes, passed away at her home in La Grande this morning at 6:20 o'clock after a long illness. She was born Oct. 13, 1897, and was 22 years 8 months and 17 days of age. Funeral services will be held at the Snodgrass and Zimmerman mortuary at 2 p. m. Monday. Burial will be in the L. D. S. section of the Masonic cemetery.

Besides her parents, she is survived by two brothers and seven sisters. Joe, of Perry; Mrs. Lee Clower, of Bend; Mrs. Mary Davison, of La Grande; Mrs. Paul Lamm, of Palmer Junction; Mildred, Vera, Rhea, Annie and Joel, all of La Grande, besides other relatives and friends.

Grant Funeral To Be Held Tuesday

Funeral services for Mrs. Anna I. Grant, who passed away earlier this week, will be held at the Snodgrass and Zimmerman mortuary Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The Rev. C. W. Jones, of Bend but formerly of La Grande, will officiate. Burial will take place in the Masonic cemetery.

ADMITS SHOOTING OFFICER

ALTUS, Okla., Aug. 30 (AP)—Vernon Robison, 28, confessed to officers today that he and his brother, George, 30, engaged in a gun fight near here last night in which Deputy Sheriff Elmer L. Carter was killed and Doc Whit, night police chief, was wounded. He blamed the brother, who was critically wounded, for the actual shooting.

FOR COMFORT



Dr. Thomas Darlington, former health commissioner of New York City, wants men to wear the Russian blouse he has on for health and comfort.

TO FOLLOW NEW THEATER POLICY

Inland Theaters Announce Plans—Arcade and Granada to be Redecorated

Leasing of the La Grande Theaters, Inc., by the Inland Theaters circuit, effective Monday, Sept. 1, and which was announced in yesterday's issue of The Observer, will bring about an immediate change in policy, and the methods of operating and providing the best talking pictures obtainable, which the Mercys have developed and found successful elsewhere, will be introduced at once.

This announcement came today from the new owners of the Arcade and the Granada theaters.

Among the changes which will be made immediately, Frederick Mercy stated, are redecoration of both theaters, installation of new and modern loge seats, additions to the projection and sound equipment which will mean distinct improvement in the quality of the sound reproduction and a change in the name of one or possibly both of the theaters. In addition to this the fronts of the two houses will be altered and redecorated.

"It is our aim," declared Mr. Mercy, "to give La Grande two theaters which will be of good quality."

Will Ship 7000 Barrels Flour To The Orient

All four flouring mills operated in this county by the Pioneer Flouring Mills of Inland City, are working day and night at present to fill an order for 7,000 barrels of flour for the Orient, it was learned today.

The local flouring mills have been shipping large quantities of Eastern Oregon flour to China for a considerable period of time, but this is the first large order since the first of the year, and is announced that by the first of September, from 90 to 95 per cent of Union county's wheat crop will have been harvested. The yield this year is slightly more than last season, and is of good quality.

NIEDERER TO RETIRE WITH U. S. PENSION

Conrad Niederer is the first employe of the U. S. post office in La Grande to be retired with a pension. His services began Feb. 20, 1913 at the post office when Mr. Niederer has been a janitor at the post office for about 18 years and is retired at the age of 74 under the civil service act provisions. His last day will be August 31.

All the trees and the lawn they shade around the post office, were planted by Mr. Niederer. His first services began in 1913 at the old post office when G. M. Richey was postmaster. After moving into the new building on Washington's birthday anniversary, Mr. Richey's office was taken over by E. E. Bragg for whom he worked nine years. The last eight years and seven months have been with Ralph Huron, totaling a long time card of 17 years and seven months.

Before becoming an employe of the government, Mr. Niederer and his brother built the first greenhouse in La Grande and was affiliated in that business after coming here from his ranch in Summerville.

Mr. and Mrs. Niederer will remain in La Grande for the present and their plans for the future are not definitely decided.

J. A. MacREADY INJURED

CURTISS-REYNOLDS AIRPORT, Chicago, Aug. 30 (AP)—J. A. MacReady, of San Francisco, was reported slightly injured today when his plane fell while in a men's free for all race at the national air races. The plane fell right side up, and was not in sight of the crowd.

Julius Meier, Independent

Editor's Note—This is the concluding article of a series dealing with the three candidates for governor. Articles on Phil Metachan, republican, and Edward F. Bailey, democrat, appeared Thursday and Friday, respectively.

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 30 (AP)—Julius L. Meier, Portland merchant and independent candidate for governor, is a native of Portland, born here December 31, 1874, son of Austria Meier who established the large department store of which the candidate is head. His mother's maiden name was Jeanette Hirsch.

Educated in Portland schools, Meier was later graduated from the University of Oregon law school, receiving the bachelor of laws degree in 1895. For more than a year he was the law partner of the late George W. Joseph, who died after being nominated gubernatorial candidate at the May primaries. Meier later took charge of the store.

In 1912 Meier called a meeting of the taxpayers of four counties that resulted in the movement to build a scenic highway along the Columbia river. He is oftentimes called "The

SURPLUS OF PEACHES WILL BE MARKETED

To Turn Fruit Into Peach Butter and Sell it at Cost for Charity.

CALIFORNIA CROP SELLS AT \$20 TON

Total of \$1,750,000 Spent For Peaches That Conservation Committee Cannot Pack.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 30 (AP)—California's surplus peaches will be turned into peach butter and sold at cost to charity for the marketing throughout the nation, J. R. McCleskey, executive director of the Economic Conservation Committee of America, announced here last night.

The committee, which has undertaken the project, has purchased nearly the entire crop at \$20 a ton, he said, although \$1,750,000 was spent for peaches it cannot pack.

The product can be delivered on the Atlantic coast at 75 cents a gallon, he said, and marketed in six ounce containers at four cents a jar. To prevent disrupting the commercial market, sales will be made under contracts providing the peach butter will not be offered to the general public or sold at a profit.

Serves Double Purpose McCleskey pointed out the committee's project would serve the double purpose of providing food to the needy and relieving growers. A San Jose plant has contracted to make the peach butter, he said.

The newly organized committee maintains its headquarters at 745 Bryant street, San Francisco.

McCleskey said the committee program had the endorsement of 20 state governors, Secretary of Agriculture Hyde, the California Canning Peach Growers' association and the state chamber of commerce.

Boardman Hopes To Conquer Atlantic

ROOSEVELT FIELD, L. I., Aug. 30 (AP)—Ruebel Boardman, piloting the monoplane "American Legion 1928" in which he hopes to fly the Atlantic to Dublin, Ireland and back hopped for Boston at 1:13 p. m. today.

Boardman, who is accompanied by a 300 horsepower motor. He indicated he would not fly from Boston for a week or ten days.

Father Shoots Boy On Hunting Trip

EUGENE, Aug. 30 (AP)—Ludean Clark, 12, was shot and killed instantly by his father, Robert Clark, while hunting in the mountains near Blachly. The coroner said today he would investigate. Other information was unobtainable.

Aimee Treated By Another Physician

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 30 (AP)—Dr. E. H. Williams, nerve specialist and psychiatrist, admitted another physician to his vacation home today, where Aimee Semple McPherson, evangelist, today. She had been confined to her Malibu Beach cottage for two weeks on the verge of nervous collapse.

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FINALISTS ALL SQUARE

HILLCREST COUNTRY CLUB, Kansas City, Aug. 30 (AP)—Dorothy Page, Madison, Wis., and Mrs. G. W. Tyson, of Kansas City, were all square after 18 holes of a 36-hole battle for the women's western golf title here today.

BELIEVES SON KILLED

MADISON, N. J., Aug. 30 (AP)—Mrs. Geraldine Rockefeller Dodge said today she believed a young man killed in an automobile accident near Bordeaux, France, today was her son.

Mrs. Dodge is the daughter of William Rockefeller and her son Hartley passed the crisis and everything is in her favor.

RECORDS ARE DESTROYED BY FLAMES

Fire Sweeps Big Structure Housing Federal Trade Commission.

TWO YEARS WORK LOST, IS REPORT

Papers Secured From Investigating Trade Practices, Power Industry, Etc., Burned.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 30 (AP)—Twenty-five years' work on hospitals today for treatment for injuries received in combating a general aviation fire which swept the offices of the federal trade commission and other government agencies.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 30 (AP)—Reams of government records were destroyed today by fire which swept the temporary structure housing the federal trade commission. The building had been vacated by government workers on half-holiday a short time before.

Firemen struggled vainly to save the place. After flames had jumped from the roof in several places, some fire which swept the offices of the federal trade commission and other government agencies.

The structure is bordered by several of its kind. All were built during the world war to house government departments. The fuel administration used the one through which flames raced today.

Roomful after roomful of filing cases, many containing important records of industrial cases pending before the trade commission, were destroyed by the fire or water soaked.

Data belonging to the children's bureau of the labor department also were lost. At one end of the building was stored some photographic equipment. Fear of an explosion was voiced by firemen.

POSSE FAILS TO DISCOVER SUTHERLAND

EUGENE, Ore., Aug. 30 (AP)—Vic Sutherland, 67, alleged Marcola, Ore., moonshiner, wanted for the murder of Joe Sutherland, deputy game warden, and Oscar Dooley, 35, Eugene policeman and deputy sheriff, today was believed hiding somewhere in the fastness of the Mohawk valley.

A posse, armed with high powered rifles and machine guns was combing the hills for him.

Darkness last night brought a halt to the activities of 50 possemen who sought Sutherland throughout Friday. Two men already were dead from bullets said to have been fired by Sutherland, two others were in a Eugene hospital recovering from bullet wounds.

Justice McBride Is Critically Ill

SALEM, Ore., Aug. 30 (AP)—Thomas Allen McBride, 62, who has been in court, is lying critically ill at his home here, stricken with cerebral thrombosis. He has been ill since Wednesday night when he returned from Foley Hot Springs where he had been on a vacation.

Attending physicians state the condition of the aged jurist is grave. He was resting comfortably this noon.

Justice McBride will be 83 years old on November 15 if his marvelous vitality conquers in the present grapple with death.

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WINNERS



Art Goebel (upper) and Wiley Post were winners in the national non-stop air race from Los Angeles to Chicago. Post took first place and Goebel was second.



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L. C. C. SCORED BY DR. CLARK BLACK

Commission Inflicts Wrong on Northwest Growers, He States.

PORTLAND, Aug. 30 (AP)—Dr. Clark Black, Columbia Valley association, issued a statement today charging the interstate commerce commission had "inflicted a wrong" on Pacific Northwest wheat growers by postponing from October 1 to January 1, 1931 the effective date of reduced freight rates on cereals.

The statement said, northwest wheat farmers face the "most crucial time in history."

Postponement of the date, Black said, means no benefit accrues to the wheat grower in handling the major part of this year's crop and the heavy surplus carried over last year.

"In the northwest today the interstate commerce commission should have in mind whether the producer can live as well as the carrier," Black's statement said.

"To get our rates down to the level which the serious conditions of the industry demands, we must turn to inland waterways," the statement concluded.

OFFICIALS TO INVESTIGATE ADAMS' WORK

PORTLAND, Aug. 30 (AP)—Information was received today from Washington, D. C., that an effort of E. J. Adams, Oregon resident, to bring about the sale of the Eugene municipal power plant to eastern interests while holding a position as special attorney with the federal trade commission will be investigated by that commission next week.

Adams, who was secretary to Senator Stanford during the latter's service in Washington, has held legal positions with government departments since that time and letters in the hands of the trade commission are said to indicate he is interested in the proposed sale of the Eugene plant to the P. W. Chapman company, large investment concern.

As the trade commission still is investigating the public utilities of the country under a senate resolution, its members have taken instant cognizance of the report that an attorney on the sale of a municipal plant to private operators.

Hack Wilson Hits His 45th Home Run

CHICAGO, Aug. 30 (AP)—Hack Williams banged out his second homer of the day in the fourth inning of today's game with St. Louis.

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"I told them when they left that their lives and welfare of their wives and children were the first consideration," Mr. Buffelen said. "Any advice I have for them now is the same as then. They may try a two-leg flight to Tacoma, stopping at either Nome or Kodiak, or anywhere else they like. I want them to make the flight if possible, but I want them to come back alive. That's first."

Denies Reports That Finding Of Andree Is Fake

"Not a Shadow of Doubt About Discovery," According to Owner of Ship Terningen.

TROMSOE, Norway, Aug. 30 (AP)—Mrs. Kathrine Horn, mother of the Arctic explorer, Dr. Horn, this afternoon gave the Associated Press a copy of a letter her son sent her from the ship Bratvaag through Captain Jensen of the seer Terningen, telling her of the finding of the arctic balloonist explorer Andree.

The letter bore the date "Between Victoria Island and Franz Josef land, 8:40-11:30 p. m." The letter read as follows:

"Dear mother, in haste, these lines sent with Terningen of Tromsoe. Up to now everything has gone according to program."

"We have found Andree on White Island. Further information about this and about expedition I have sent to the office."

"With many greetings from Gunnar."

The office to which Dr. Horn refers is that of the Spitzbergen mission to which he is attached.

TROMSOE, Norway, Aug. 30 (AP)—A. Sivertsen, owner of the sealing vessel Terningen, today denied emphatically reports of acting secretary of Copenhagen that Skipper Gustav Jensen, of the Terningen, had retracted his story about the finding of the bodies and effects of the Salomon August Andree party, headed by the Dr. Horn arctic expedition party.

Sivertsen declared that whatever Captain Jensen said is true and that the report of discovery of the Andree expedition is correct. Sivertsen continued:

"I have known Skipper Jensen for many years and whatever he says you can rely upon. He is very careful and never would tell anything he was not sure of."

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Round-Up Will Conclude With Today's Events

PENDLETON, Ore., Aug. 30 (AP)—Pendleton's annual round-up, colorful, majestic and thrilling life picture of the old west, will reach its climax today.

In addition to the regular program of riding, bull-fogging, roping, bucking and Indian parades, there will be the unusual spectacle of a covered wagon train winding slowly over hills on the horizon north of the round-up grounds and coming on to form the circular camp and barricade familiar to those who know the plains when the Indians were less friendly than now.

But regardless of other attractions, the thousands of Indians in war paint, tribal dress and gaudy blankets will present the most gorgeous picture. There will be Cayuses, Walla Wallas, Yakimas, Sioux, Utes, Klamaths, Kikkitats, and Nez Perces and they include all ages from papoose to aged Indian chief.

Championships of the world will be awarded today in various cowboy events. One of the fiercest contests is expected to be that for the Sam Jackson trophy, which takes the place of the Roosevelt trophy.

TEXAS SLAYER KILLS HIMSELF IN JAIL CELL

AMARILLO, Tex., Aug. 30 (AP)—A. D. Payne, Amarillo attorney who confessed slaying his wife, today confessed explosion ended his own life by the same means early today.

The fatal explosion was believed by officers to have been produced by a vital of nitroglycerine which Payne carried suspended about his neck.

Fellow prisoners in the county jail where the attorney awaited trial for the playing of his wife were lodged from their cells. A sleeping cell made Payne uninjured. Payne died lying face down in his cot.

He had frequently boasted he would never stand trial. Payne's wife was killed and his 11-year-old son maimed by a dynamite bomb which wrecked the family car June 12.

Weeks later he asked Gene Home, Amarillo newspaper editor, to investigate the case, saying civil authorities were making no progress.

WASHINGTON STUDIES CASE OF H. B. GROW

No Decision as to Action to be Taken in Peruvian Matter.

MAY SEND NOTE; CASE COMPLICATED

Deposed President of Peru Taken From Sick-Bed on Cruiser and Placed in Prison.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 30 (AP)—Acting Secretary Slatie said today the state department was studying the case of Harold B. Grow, American naval reserve aviator, reported facing court-martial in Peru, but had reached no decision as to what action would be taken.

Ferdinand Mayer, American charge d'affaires at Lima, called the department today concerning Grow, but did not say the airman definitely would be court-martialed.

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Charles W. Sutton, reported arrested in Peru, has been the chief engineer of that government on matters of irrigation many years. State department records show Sutton has remained in Peru nearly a quarter century but has retained American citizenship. The records first mention him in 1906 as having a contract with the Peruvian government to direct certain irrigation works.

LEGUJA IN PRISON