

138 SENIORS STEP OUT OF HIGH SCHOOL

Receive Diplomas at Commencement Exercises at L. D. S. Tabernacle.

DR. JAMES GILBERT DELIVERS ADDRESS

Gives Advice to Young Men and Women - Discusses Advantages of College Training.

The end of one period of achievement and the beginning of another in the lives of 138 graduates of La Grande High School was celebrated last night as the graduates, dressed in formal gray caps and gowns, received their diplomas at the L. D. S. tabernacle from Dr. J. D. Taylor, principal of the La Grande High School, who guided the first period achievement to a successful end.

Many of the graduates will start immediately on their life work without further school preparation, and advice to the "vocation hunters" was presented in an unusual and charming manner by Dr. James Gilbert, head of the department of economics at the University of Oregon, in his address on "Choosing Life's Work." All the graduates, however, will leave, and the difference in a man is not hereditary but is caused by a difference in environment, work, and education. Since the world is a wide range of opportunity in occupations in America, which he characterized as the land of opportunity, and ambition makes a man what he is, education is making men fit for some special work now, and each man can find some job to fit his peculiar capacities.

Dr. Gilbert does not feel that all high school graduates should go to college, but only those who through tests and examinations prove to have a mind which is capable of taking advantage of what a college has to offer, and if a man has the "right stuff" in him he will go to college. He said that a college education is a course which is about three miles long. A graduate should try to get the best in life in way of preparation for his chosen "vocation," not altogether influenced by money, but by the influence of the vocation he follows, he should be an upright, straightforward American citizen, with a high character, based on national consideration and his leadership based on intelligent co-operation. Dr. Gilbert added:

Largest of the 138 seniors, the largest graduating class in the history of the La Grande High School, were presented their diplomas before the eyes of parents and friends who packed the L. D. S. tabernacle. F. A. Epling, chairman of the school board, read the names and gave the presentation speech, and Mr. Fowler handed the sheepskins to the graduates.

Miss Barbara Hatt played the entering march on the pipe organ while the graduates, in a single file, proceeded down the aisles from the rear of the auditorium, the former taking their places on the platform, and the latter taking their places in the front of the room.

Rev. J. George Walz, pastor of the Presbyterian church, pronounced the invocation. Miss Genevieve Adler

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EMPLOYMENT CONDITION IS SOME BETTER

WASHINGTON, May 28 (AP)—Secretary Doak today announced that reports received by the labor department indicate a slight improvement in employment conditions during May.

"Employment trends," said the secretary, "are better, our reports show, than they were in recent months. We have no figures but our check shows just a little improvement in May as compared to April. It will be some time, however, before data is available."

"In making this statement we are considering seasonal conditions and everything else that goes into the situation. May will show a better situation than April."

Court House Will Cost \$265,000.00

MEDFORD, Ore., May 28 (AP)—The Jackson county court today announced tentative arrangements had been made whereby J. G. Link, architect associated with Doigman and Beverman, Inc., of Portland, will prepare plans and specifications for the new \$265,000 Jackson county courthouse.

L. B. Humphreys has been appointed supervisor and inspector of plans and construction.

The four-story structure will be built of reinforced concrete and brick with pressed brick and trimmed with terra cotta.

WEATHER FORECAST
Oregon: Fair to clear, with a few clouds; no change in temperature; decreasing humidity.
Moderate changeable winds offshore.
Fair weather over the week-end.

WEATHER TODAY
7 a. m. 58 above.
Minimum: 47 above.
Condition: Clear.

WEATHER TUESDAY
Maximum: 71, minimum: 45 above.
Condition: Clear.

WEATHER WED, 29, 1930
Maximum: 79, minimum: 54 above.
Condition: Cloudy.

All Patriotic Organizations March Saturday

La Grande to Pay Tribute to Dead Soldiers and Sailors - G. A. R. Service at Cemetery.

In honor of the dead soldiers and sailors the veterans of American wars will take part in an impressive parade Saturday, Memorial Day, followed by services at the Masonic cemetery. The parade will start at 10 o'clock. The Grand Army of the Republic, veterans of the Civil war, are sponsoring the parade, but since only two survive in La Grande, they are being assisted by a committee from the Spanish American war veterans, including Commander Henry C. Alexander, Putnam Yeck and C. B. Platt.

All patriotic organizations are participating in the event, and they are requested to meet at 9:45 at the armory on Washington avenue. The line of march is from the armory on Washington to Greenwood, up Greenwood to Adams avenue to Fourth street.

Clint Haynes, chief of police, and parade marshal, will lead the procession, mounted on horseback, and will be followed by color bearers from the marines, the sailors, and the soldiers. Following the color bearers will march the municipal band.

Patriotic organizations will march in the following order: Grand Army of the Republic; Women's Relief Corps; Daughters of the American Revolution; Sons of the American Revolution; Veterans of the Civil War; Spanish American war veterans and auxiliary; Company E, 18th Infantry, Oregon national guard; American Legion, led by drum corps and followed by the Legion auxiliary; Boy Scouts of America.

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Scout Program For Summer Is Being Arranged

A summer program of activities for the Boy Scouts was formulated recently by the local scoutmasters. This program includes a treasure hunt, which is to be staged on Sunday, June 6 at 2 p. m. with the participants meeting at the high school.

The boys will work in patrol units of at least three, and will travel over a course which is about three miles long.

A court of honor is to be held on Monday, June 15 in the evening at a place to be announced later. A board of review will be held the preceding Monday night, June 14, at the usual place about 8 o'clock.

A swimming meet between the troops has been planned for the second Friday in July, at the local swimming pool. The local boys will attend the Walla Walla council camp, since the Eastern Oregon council has been discontinued.

All Boy Scouts are urged to meet at the announced formation place for the Memorial Day parade. The various troops will march in units. Those attending the scoutmasters' meeting were Lowell Fuller, Robert Long, Eugene Briggs, Dr. C. Polly and E. Stevenson.

Here's A Mistake With A Happy Ending

Mistakes happen in the best of families, they say.

This is a case something like that, although it has its happy ending.

When Hi-Dad honor pins were awarded some time ago to La Grande High school students, somehow or other one name—that of Helen Newlin—was overlooked.

When the omission was discovered, prompt measures were taken to make up for it. Yesterday Helen received her pin at an assembly at the high school, and instead of being honored at that session.

Another Search For Missing Man

By Mrs. L. Z. Terrall (Observer Correspondent)

UNION, Ore., May 28 (Special)—A searching party composed of Merle Murchison, Grover Duffy, Glenn Lloyd, Merlin and Truman Alexander, all of Cove, returned home Monday after an unsuccessful scouring of the higher hills about Bald mountain in the morning. The party expects to return in a week or ten days.

TWO SCHOOLS WILL HALT "RECRUITING"

Oregon, Oregon State Agree to Keep Representatives Out of Field.

EDUCATION BOARD CONTINUES MEET

Higher Fees to Augment Revenue - E. C. Sammons Opposes Haste in Formulating Program.

PORTLAND, Ore., May 28 (AP)—After having confined the first day of its session to consideration of a joint brief filed by Oregon and Oregon's two larger institutions of higher learning, the state board of education today resumed its attempt to formulate a definite plan through which recommendations of the recent federal educational survey would be worked out.

Dr. Arnold Bennett Hall of University of Oregon and Dr. W. J. Kerr of Oregon State college, in a joint agreement covering 18 points, proposed that a uniform basis for high school "contacts" be adopted. The two schools agreed, too, that during the summer of this year, neither institution should have a slight change in its field.

"Recruiting" to Stop
Thus so-called "recruiting" of students will be stopped. This recruiting was said to be "responsible for many of the atrocities carried on in the name of higher education."

The presidents of the two schools agreed at the suggestion of the board to ask their student organizations to eliminate their "promotion committees."

B. F. Irvine, board member, said "Don't put out educational institutions like like mail order houses. An institution of higher learning should be a legitimate thing, that lives unaided by publicity, advertising and contacts. Let those that want education come after it."

Through recommendations of student fees agreed upon by the two presidents, and adopted by the board, nearly \$300,000 annually will be added to revenue.

Under this recommendation Oregon State will increase its summer session work fees by \$10, bringing an increase of about \$12,000. Fees of non-resident students will be increased by \$12 a term, bringing in an additional \$17,000.

While several board members expressed impatience at delay and

CITY DADS TALK PEDDLER PROBLEM

Proposed Ordinance Read Once and Then Laid on Table For a Week.

Although the city commissioners were in session only two hours last night, most of the time was spent in discussion. The peddlers' ordinance, proposed by a group of farmers and merchants, and the discussion on this item took at least half of the time.

The only things included in the ordinance, according to city officials, and not now on the city official books, are: different license prices—ranging from \$5 per day for peddlers on foot, to \$15 a day for those on horseback; and the insertion of the word "wholesale" as descriptive of peddling activities. Hereafter "wholesale peddlers" have been outside of the provisions of the ordinance.

E. D. Whiting, Mrs. Wilson and Mr. Parlett spoke on behalf of the ordinance. The city commissioners stated they were willing to do anything that would help matters, but wanted additional time to study the question, so the matter was laid on the table for a week.

A proposed water tap ordinance, making price changes according to type of road broken, was read and then placed on the table for a week. A garbage ordinance had been prepared, but no action was taken on it last night.

Early in the meeting, the city recorder, J. E. Stearns, read a letter of appreciation for street lights installed, signed by property owners in the Ninth and N streets district. Other matters of a routine nature were attended to. City Manager A. B. Cherry, in his weekly report, announced that work at the intake has been started. Two loads of pipe have been delivered and the other loads will leave here today.

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STORM PICKS CRACK TRAIN FROM TRACK

Tornado in Minnesota Lifts Empire Builder Off its Rails.

ONE KILLED, MANY HURT IN ACCIDENT

Steel Coaches Save Scores of Passengers From Probable Death; Motorists Sound Alarm.

FARGO, N. D., May 28 (AP)—Dashing along at a 50-mile-an-hour clip, a crack Great Northern empire builder, coast train deliriously eastbound from Seattle to Chicago, was picked up like a toy from its tracks and wrecked by a tornado eight miles southeast of here late Wednesday. One life was lost, more than a score injured—one probably fatally, and scores of passengers shaken up by the fierce accident.

The death resulted when Andrew Anderson, of Montevideo, Wash., was hurled from the train through a window and ground to death beneath the wheels of the following coach. Mrs. Emily Hannan, Seattle, suffered a broken back and was said by physicians today to have a slight chance for recovery.

Mrs. M. T. Trol, Minot, N. D., also was said to be in a serious condition at a Fargo hospital where many of the injured were taken.

An infant daughter of Mrs. Hilda Quagley, Winchester, Wash., who also was injured, suffered a seriously bruised head.

The train had crossed the North Dakota-Minnesota line and was near Sabin, Minn., with Engineer B. E. McKee, of St. Paul at the throttle. The entire twelve-coach train

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WOMAN GIVES HER VIEWS ON BIRTH CONTROL

PITTSBURGH, Pa., May 28 (AP)—Dr. Lewis Seymour Mudge, of Philadelphia, today was elected moderator.

PITTSBURGH, May 28 (AP)—One of the first three women chosen a commissioner to the general assembly of the birth control movement in the U. S. A. said today that in her opinion, birth control "is right so long as it means the safeguarding of a physically deficient wife's health, of the mother, and of the child, and that the conditions justify an ethical and intellectually unit beings."

Mrs. Mina L. Silman, of Green River, Utah, mother of four children, is attending the general assembly here. Until this year, women could not serve as commissioners of the church.

Birth control, Mrs. Silman said, "is entirely wrong if it means the shirking of the responsibility of parenthood by the intellectually and physically superior."

Ask Regulation Of Motor Buses

WASHINGTON, May 28 (AP)—The Southern Pacific Railway and the American Electric Railway association today rejoined the Association of Railway Executives in urging government regulation of highway motor transport facilities.

The Southern Pacific said the "existing railway situation has been rendered more critical by diversion of highway traffic to the highways," and that "the conditions justify an early action by the commission as may be possible to assist in giving the railways equality of opportunity to fairly compete with highway carriers."

Urge Impeachment Of Gov. Horton

NASHVILLE, Tenn., May 28 (AP)—Impeachment of Gov. Henry H. Horton was recommended to the house of representatives today.

John Tipton, chairman of a special legislative committee appointed to consider whether impeachment charges should be considered, said he was engaged in the preparation of articles of impeachment. As soon as these articles are prepared, he will immediately report them to the house of representatives.

Administration forces claimed enough votes to defeat the articles of impeachment when they are presented.

Mountain Blizzard Maroons Motorists

LANDER, Wyo., May 28 (AP)—A sudden mountain blizzard enveloped two touring parties leading to Yellowstone National park yesterday and several tourists cars, carrying women and children were marooned. Reports received here today said.

The occupants of the machines suffered hardships until they were rescued by highway crews. None was in a serious condition.

LATEST FLIER-HERO



Pittsburgh's latest flier-hero, Charles Weiblen, is shown above with the three girl passengers whose lives he saved by safely landing a crippled airplane on one wheel and an axle when the right wheel of the ship collapsed just as he took off for Buffalo. Left to right, are: Faith Smith, Betty Wilson, Pilot Weiblen and Verne Phillips. The plane is shown below, with mechanics and spectators examining the broken undercarriage. Weiblen maneuvered for an hour, before he landed after efforts to lower a mechanic from another ship had failed.

Work To Begin On Cell Block At Penitentiary

SALEM, May 28 (AP)—Installation of the 180 cell fronts for the new state penitentiary cell block will be started at once, it was stated at a meeting of the board of control today, at which time the contract for the fronts was awarded to King Brothers of Portland. The fronts will be tool-proof and manufactured in Portland. Installation will be made by prison labor under supervision of the manufacturer. The contract was for \$19,885.

The matter of cell fronts has been before the board for several months, and was one of the controversies in which former superintendent of the penitentiary, Henry W. Meyers, was involved with the board. Meyers urged installation of the sliding door. The present contract calls for swinging doors, and meets with the approval of the board.

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\$25,000,000 Is Spent Annually On Indian Wards

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., May 28 (AP)—Twenty-five million dollars is expended annually to care for 350,000 Indians in the United States, J. H. Scattergood, assistant commissioner of Indian affairs, said here last night at a banquet honoring the senate subcommittee on Indian affairs.

The policy of the government, Scattergood said, "is to help the Indians to help themselves." Education, he said, is one of the most stressed items in the government's program.

Senator L. J. Frazier, of North Dakota, spoke prohibition conditions of the country and declared officials should concentrate on the problem of cleaning up surrounding cities.

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Crowley Receives Unexpected Help

MINEOLA, N. Y., May 28 (AP)—Francis Crowley, on trial for the murder of a patrolman, Frederick Hirsch, May 6, got unexpected help today from Detective Arthur Schuchman, of the New York City homicide squad.

Schuchman testified Crowley told him he did not shoot at Hirsch until the patrolman had drawn his gun and twice pulled the trigger. Each time the revolver misfired, according to Crowley's story to the detective.

Mussolini Tells Fascist Members To "Cut It Out"

Calls Halt in Fascist Violence Against Members and Property of Catholic Church.

ROME, May 28 (AP)—Premier Mussolini, it was understood on excellent authority today, has called a halt in fascist violence against members and property of Catholic organizations.

The disorders last night, when a Catholic publishing house was attacked, Catholic papers and books burned and a portrait of Pope Pius XI trampled on the pavement, were considered by the premier to be too serious to be overlooked.

Instructions were issued that the agitation among fascist students must be stopped, and the controversy must be limited to newspaper polemics. The newspaper battle continued tonight both in the Rome journals and in Osservatore Romano, organ of the Vatican.

SCHIRRU CONVICTED

ROME, May 28 (AP)—Michele Schirru, naturalized American citizen, was convicted today of plotting the assassination of Premier Mussolini and sentenced to death by shooting in the back.

Schirru, who was tried before a special tribunal for the defense of the state, maintained an attitude of bravado until the trial was nearly ended, and then bowed his head and began to weep.

Police said that Schirru, 32 years old and a former resident of New York, had confessed to coming to Rome this year with the intention of killing Mussolini. Explosives were said to have been found in his room.

Ballot Title To Referendum Is Held As Legal

SALEM, May 28 (AP)—The ballot title of the referendum against the state police bill will not be changed by action of the supreme court, a decision handed down in the matter of the two appeals against the title Wednesday stated. The entire court, as prepared by Attorney General I. H. Van Winkle as "fair and impartial." The referendum was filed by Ed Averill.

We see no merit in any of these contentions," the decision stated in referring to the appeal of J. J. McDonald, who contended the title of the referendum was unfair. "It is not contemptuous," he said, "that the general title is a summary of the context of the act, neither that the attorney general is required to phrase the law," the court held.

In referring to the appeal from the title by Chris Kowitz, which was a friendly act, and which the plaintiff found no complaint with the title but requested a ruling on the sufficiency of the title the court stated no consideration was given to the objections set forth in the appeal.

PROHIBITION VOTE PLANNED

SALEM, May 28 (AP)—The preliminary petition for an initiative to repeal the Oregon general prohibition law was received today by the secretary of state's office, but it will be returned to Portland for signature, it was announced today.

The preliminary petition was sent by Harry B. Critchlow of Portland. The petition, which is a petition when signed will be submitted to the attorney-general for a ballot title and if the approximately 17,000 signatures are obtained four months before the next general election, as required by law, the matter will be submitted to the electorate for approval or rejection.

The matter of the repeal would put the matter of prohibition enforcement, generally, in the hands of the federal government. The matter of

Portland Woman Fatally Injured

PORTLAND, May 28 (AP)—Miss Fay Nichols, 30, was fatally injured yesterday on the Mount Hood Loop highway when her automobile was run into an embankment. Three other women in the car were uninjured.

Mrs. Fred C. Kiehle, driving the machine, told police the front wheel of the car suddenly locked and the machine skidded across the highway and into the bank.

Miss Nichols was crushed between the bank and the car.

Lincoln High Girl To Be Show Queen

PORTLAND, May 28 (AP)—Blonde, blue-eyed, slender, Rachel Florence Atkinson, 17, will rule over the 1931 rose festival here as Queen Rachel I. The young Lincoln High school senior was selected last night from candidates selected from every high school in the city.

Chided As "Lazy," Husband Slays Two

MONDOVIA, Wis., May 28 (AP)—Chided as "lazy" because he refused to fetch a pull of water, George W. Schilling, 25, shot his 30-year-old wife Lucille to death last night, then killed his mother-in-law, Mrs. John Cain, 45, and attempted to commit suicide.

BALLOON AND PASSENGERS SAFE TODAY

Professor August Piccard Reaches Height of 52,500 Feet.

NEW RECORD FOR ALTITUDE, REPORT

Scientists, on Hazardous Trip, Study Conditions Ten Miles Above the Earth.

INNSBRUCK, Austria, May 28 (AP)—Professor August Piccard, reaching the alpine town of Gurgl this afternoon, said his balloon flight into the stratosphere had been "magnificent beyond conception," and that he and Charles Kiefer had broken the world's altitude record by more than 12,000 feet.

They never lost control of their balloon, he said, and they gathered valuable scientific data in their long hours aloft in the metal gondola suspended from the gas bag.

The balloon itself, lying on the "Grosser Gurgler Ferner," 9,000 feet up in the Alps, is to be salvaged by a detachment of the Tyrolean Alpine Chasseurs.

"We're both very tired," the physicist said, "but otherwise we are well and happy. Our balloon is safe and the slight damage to the instruments is hardly worth mentioning."

"Yesterday was excellent for observations but the buoyancy of the balloon was so great that we could land only after the sun had gone down."

"We landed smoothly but too late to look for human habitations as we spent the night in our gondola. Early this morning, he said, they got their bearings and walked down the mountainside toward Ober Gurgl, meeting the rescue expedition as it came up.

ON WAY TO OBER GURGEL
OBER GURGEL, Oeta Valley, Tyrol, May 28 (AP)—Safe from a hazardous exploratory balloon voyage to the stratosphere, Professor August Piccard and his assistant Dr. Charles Kiefer, today were en route from their landing place on a glacier above this town to Ober Gurgl.

The balloonists, who the quarter of a century ago had been many hours, declared their trip had been a success and estimated they had reached a height of 63,000 feet, a new world record, and a new altitude record.

After 18 hours and 13 minutes in the air, swept by varying currents over many parts of South Europe, the adventurers landed safely and in

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GEORGE LOTT LAST U. S. HOPE AT AUTEUIL

ROLAND GARROS STADIUM, Auteuil, France, May 28 (AP)—Two of three United States tennis remaining hopes to win a French tennis singles title were eliminated in the quarter finals rounds today. John Van Ryn, losing to Jiro Satoh, the Japanese Davis cup player, and Helen Jacobs, card and tennis champion, defeated George Lott Jr., remaining as the sole American hope to win the men's singles. Elizabeth Ryan, the former Californian, is still in the women's singles.

London so long England can lay partial claim to her.

Van Ryn fell before the delicate stroking little Japanese star in five sets. The score was 6-8, 1-6, 2-6, 6-4, 6-3. Miss Nuthall, the United States champion, defeated Miss Jacobs, the Californian girl, in straight sets, 6-3, 6-2.

Discontinue Bend Passenger Service

PORTLAND, May 28 (AP)—Passenger service on the Bend branch of the Oregon-Washington Railroad and Navigation company railroad will be discontinued June 1, the railroad announced yesterday. There will be no change in freight service on the line.

The company said competition of buses and private automobiles made discontinuance necessary as the Bend train had been operated at a loss for several years.

STORM HITS NEBRASKA

LINCOLN, Neb., May 28 (AP)—Wind, hail and rain swept Nebraska today, injuring at least two persons, destroying livestock and poultry, and damaging property. Loss in one section was estimated at more than \$200,000.

Tornadoes struck near Pauline, Alameda and Orlan. Telephone communication was interrupted and farm buildings leveled.

Wheat Today

CHICAGO, May 28 (AP)—Helped by stock market rallies, and by improved export demand for North American wheat, grain developed strength today. It was announced that U. S. government-sponsored organizations had sold 25,000,000 bushels of the 35,000,000 bushels of wheat the farm board recently asked would be disposed of for shipment overseas, and that further sales were under way. No. 1 hard wheat, from the U. S. for July shipment, was reported purchased by Rotterdam at the equivalent of the Chicago September price.

Wheat closed irregular at 1 1/2 cent off to 1 1/4, corn 1 1/4 advanced, oats at 1 1/4, decline to 1/4 cent, and provisions unchanged to 10 cents down.