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64 GRADUATE THIS SPRING FROM E. O. N.

Commencement Exercises Will be Held Wednesday, June 10 at 2:30.

DR. GEORGE REBEC TO GIVE ADDRESS

Rev. Theodore Vogler, of Walla Walla, to Preach Baccalaureate Sermon on June 7.

The second annual graduation exercises of the Eastern Oregon Normal school will be held Wednesday, June 10, at 2:30 p. m. in the auditorium of the Normal school. Dr. George Rebec, dean of the graduate school, University of Oregon, will deliver the commencement address. Baccalaureate service will be held Sunday, June 7, the baccalaureate address being delivered by Rev. Theodore Vogler, pastor of the First Congregational church, Walla Walla.

The program of activities for commencement week are as follows:

Friday, June 5, 9:00 p. m. Women's League dance, Eastern Oregon Normal school auditorium.

Saturday, June 6, 4:00 p. m. All-college picnic, sponsored by the freshman class, Radium Springs.

Sunday, June 7, 9:00 a. m. Senior breakfast, Sacajawea Inn.

4:00 p. m. Baccalaureate service address by Rev. Theodore Vogler, pastor First Congregational church, Walla Walla, Wash., Normal school auditorium.

Tuesday, June 9, 8:15 p. m. Play, "The Romantic Age," presented by Sock and Buskin, Eastern Oregon Normal school organization for play production; Normal school auditorium.

Wednesday, June 10, 2:30 p. m. Graduation exercises. Commencement address by Dr. George Rebec, dean of the graduate school, University of Oregon. Normal school auditorium.

4:30 p. m. President's reception to seniors, parents and alumni in the music room.

7:00 p. m. Alumni-senior dinner, La Grande hotel.

64 to Graduate.

Sixty-four seniors expect to complete the standard normal course, and receive their diplomas. They are: Evelyn Auseon, La Grande; Marjorie Baird, Baker; Herbert W. Baker, Flora; Mildred E. Bennett, Portland; Elsa Bogue, North Powder; Charlotte Braun, Weiser, Idaho; Bessie Breshears, La Grande; Rita Burres, Wasco; Ruth Connor, Union; Dorothy Cook, Nyssa; Juanita Crawford, Athena; Mary Elizabeth Dawson, Joseph; Meda Dearborn, Ontario; Rulon Edvalson, Union; Eva Jane Erwin, La Grande; Bonnie Caroline Fraser, Richland; Ruth Gwendolyn Fraser, Richland; Mildred French, La Grande; Lowell Fuller, Elgin; Genevieve Galloway, Milton; Iona Gardiner, Nyssa; Mary Anne Gietlhuber, La Grande; Eunice Gray, La Grande; Leroy Emmett Gray, Blaine; Margaret Hall, Elgin; Elnora Hansen, Cove; Lorel O'Dell Hansen, Baker; Elma Hays, Wallowa; Bernice Heft, La Grande; Isabel Heger, Joseph; Elizabeth Hesse, La Grande;

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$5 DONATION IS RECEIVED FROM FRISCO

Another former resident of La Grande, now living in another state, has forwarded a substantial personal donation to the Mt. Emily road $2000 fund now being raised by the chamber of commerce. The first was some time ago when Bert Oakman, now living in Detroit, sent $10. Today's mail brought a $5 contribution from Miss Fanny Sommer, now in San Francisco.

Miss Sommer read of the campaign in the Observer and, heartily approving of the project, added her contribution.

R. L. Forsythe Is Dead In Enterprise

By Maida Stevenson
(Observer Correspondent)

JOSEPH, Ore, May 29 (Special) — Robert L. Forsythe passed away in Enterprise at 5:45 o'clock Thursday afternoon. He was a native son of Wallowa county, and was born in Joseph Aug. 5, 1887.

Funeral services will be held Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock at Enterprise in the Presbyterian church, with Rev. J. George Walz, of La Grande, officiating.

Mr Forsythe, who was married in 1910 to Berniece Ellsworth of La Grande, is survived by three children, Robert Jr., Elizabeth and Charles; his mother, of Woodburn, and two brothers and two sisters. He was prominent in local activities, and served as general manager of the Pacific Power & Light Co., for the county.

WEATHER FORECAST

Oregon: Fair tonight and Saturday; continued low humidity in the interior. No change in temperature. Moderate north winds offshore.

Fair Sunday.

WEATHER TODAY

7 a. m.—57 above.
Minimum: 43 above.
Condition: Clear.

WEATHER YESTERDAY

Maximum 74, minimum 47 above.
Condition: Clear.

WEATHER MAY 29, 1930

Maximum 58, minimum 48 above.
Condition: Cloudy, rain .70 of an inch.

Petitions For Ainsworth Are In Circulation

Will Be Nominated For School Director — F. A. Epling Plans to Retire From the Board.

With one new director to be elected to the La Grande board of education on Monday, June 15, petitions are already in the field for one prospective candidate—Vernon Ainsworth, employed by the mechanical department of the C.-W. and a resident of 1025 Y avenue. This morning, although there was some talk that petitions may be started to nominate Dr. William Peare, no other petitions were known to be in circulation. Dr. Peare is in Seattle today, attending the Pacific Coast conference track and field meet, and no statement could be secured from him.

Nomination of Mr. Ainsworth will put a candidate in the field from the northside, which has not been represented on the board of late. Mrs. Ainsworth, the candidate's wife, is also an active worker in parent teacher association circles, and both of them are deeply interested in school activities.

Only one position on the board of education will be vacant this year. The term of Chairman F. A. Epling ends, and Mr. Epling has announced his intention of retiring, it is said.

Other Members

Other members of the board, who hold over, are: Dr. J. L. Ingle, W. C. Perkins, Senator Colon R. Eberhard, and E. R. Ringo. Raymond O. Williams is school clerk, and receives petitions when they are completed. They must be filed not later than June 6, it is announced. The law requires nominations be made not later than seven days before the date set for the election.

The vote will be taken at Central and Greenwood grade schools on June 15, from 2 to 7 p. m.

Sock, Buskin To Present Comedy 'Romantic Age'

June—the month of sentiment and romance—when even the most sophisticated business man will give up the stock market for a night masquerading as the fairy prince who finds the girl of his dreams, after a very materialistic automobile breakdown, is the time A. A. Milne selected for his comedy, "The Romantic Age," which is to be presented June 9 by Sock and Buskin, dramatic society at the Eastern Oregon Normal school.

The play is one of Milne's early works and is very gay and romantic, the story of a girl who finds no romance in ordinary life. Melisande, the romantic young woman, who is portrayed by Marylou Piper, is contrasted to Jane Bagot, played by Jean Rayburn, who is sweet but very sensible. Melisande finally finds her fairy prince in Gervase Mallory (Lee Johnson) who calls at her home for aid after his car breaks down as he is on his way to a fancy dress ball, dressed as a fairy prince.

Melisande is somewhat taken aback and disappointed when her fairy prince calls the next day in a very loud golfing suit, and with a very snappy line of backchat, very unprincelike. However, the play proceeds in the accepted manner and Melisande finds her romance.

Miss Lena Foley, dramatic director at the Eastern Oregon Normal school, who is directing the play, states that the light comedy is especially well suited to amateur theatricals, and promises a entertaining evening for both the romantic and the practical.

The cast is well rounded out by a corps of able players who have appeared various times in Normal school theatricals throughout the year.

Alice Inlow plays the part of Mrs. Knowie, who enjoys the ill health of which she boasts constantly; Austin Dunn is at his best in the role of the successful business man and plays to perfection that role in the person of Mr. Knowie. Kathryn Metcalf is the maid.

Another romance is introduced into the play with the appearance of Gilbert Perard, a young Englishman who is "turned down" by Melisande because he lacks romance, and who

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1000 Poppies Yet To Be Sold Here

About 1000 Memorial Day poppies are yet to be sold in order to fill the quota of the American Legion auxiliary of 4000, Mrs. Victor Eckley, chairman of the poppy sale, states. The sale began last Saturday and was continued yesterday when about 200 were sold. The auxiliary members were selling the poppies again today, and announce that the final drive will be held Saturday during the parade.

The auxiliary buys the poppies from the veterans, and the veteran is paid one cent for each poppy, and the remainder of the money made in La Grande will be used for relief work during the coming winter, Mrs. C. E. Shewmaker, president of the auxiliary, states. In this way one who buys a poppy aids, not only the veteran in the hospital in Portland, but also the veterans in this vicinity who are in need of help.

W. B. Rogers Dead Following Stroke

W. B. Rogers, a resident of La Grande since 1885, died this morning at the home of his daughter, Almo Rogers, in Lewiston, Ida. during a visit. He left here about two weeks ago and suffered a stroke of paralysis four days ago. The body will arrive here tomorrow morning and funeral services will be held Sunday afternoon at 1 o'clock. Burial will take place in the Summerville cemetery with Snodgrass and Zimmerman in charge.

He leaves four children, Frank and Guy, of La Grande; Mary Murchin, of Island City, and Almo, of Lewiston; two brothers, W. C., of Spokane, and John, of La Grande; one sister, Mrs. John Shira. He was born in Wisconsin 69 years ago.

G. A. R. DEAN

Hiram W. Reynolds, 102, said to be the oldest living veteran of the Union army in the Civil war, lives at San Diego, Cal. He will ride in the Memorial day parade there—although he was disgusted because he and his comrades weren't going to march.

SUGGESTS PLACES TO ENJOY OUTING

Roads From La Grande All Lead to Sightful Spots For Picnics.

MEMORIAL DAY PROGRAM

The Memorial day program for La Grande follows:

10 a. m.—Patriotic organizations in parade up Adams avenue.

Following parade — Procession will move to cemetery for G. A. R. services at the G. A. R. plot.

Noon—Dinner for war veterans.

Memorial day will be observed as a holiday, with all business places, courts, administration offices, etc., closed.

"If you want to see a road that is pretty," Mrs. H. M. Bay, 3-A representative in La Grande, suggests that any road leading out of La Grande will take picnickers to a veritable paradise within a few hours time, and suggests that La Granders who plan to take advantage of the two-day holiday over Memorial day start out directly after the parade which is being held in the morning, and drive

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FLAG DAY TO BE OBSERVED BY THE ELKS

Flag day, June 14, will be observed by the B. P. O. Elks at a fitting ceremony at Riverside park, according to plans made at a meeting of the lodge last night at the Elks temple. Sherwood Williams is exalted ruler and presided at the meeting.

It is mandatory on Elks lodges to conduct services on flag day, to which the public is invited, Mr. Williams states. The program will include an address by a speaker from outside La Grande, music by the municipal band, and special music by La Grande artists.

Airport Will Be Subject at Forum

The possibilities of an airport for La Grande and the Pacific Northwest Air tour which is being conducted during the last of June and the first part of July, will be discussed at the meeting of the chamber of commerce Tuesday at 12:05 o'clock at the Sacajawea Inn. The airport committee, under the chairmanship of W. C. Perkins, aviation enthusiast, will have charge of the discussion on the two projects. Dr. C. L. Gilstrap and Gene Walker are the other members of the committee.

Miss Hilderbrand Buried At Cove

Miss Permelia Hilderbrand, who died yesterday afternoon at the home of her sister, Mrs. Kelly, of Cove, was laid to rest this afternoon in the Cove cemetery following funeral services at 3 o'clock in charge of the Snodgrass and Zimmerman mortuary.

Miss Hilderbrand has been an invalid for several years. She was born in Iowa Jan. 11, 1868 and was 62 years 11 months and 17 days of age.

WYKOFF BREAKS RECORD

FRANKLIN FIELD, Philadelphia, Pa., May 29 (AP) — Flying Frank Wykoff, Southern California ace and the defending champion, smashed the intercollegiate A. A. A. A. record in the 100-yard dash today when he sped the century in 9.6 seconds. It displayed the former meet mark of 9.7 which Wykoff had shared with Al Leconey, of Lafayette, and Henry Russell, of Cornell.

BULLETINS
From Over The Nation

CONGRESSMAN DIES

WASHINGTON, May 29 (AP) — The death today of Representative Mooney, of Ohio, was the fifth among members of the new house and the third among the Democrats. The political division of this body now stands: Republicans 216; Democrats 214; Farmer-Labor 1; four vacancies.

The seat left vacant by the death of Representative Aswell, Democrat, Louisiana, has been filled by election of another Democrat, John Overton.

NEW BROAD JUMP RECORD

FRANKLIN FIELD, Philadelphia, Pa., May 29 (AP) — By the scant margin of one-eighth of an inch, Leoine Boyle of the University of Pennsylvania set a new intercollegiate A. A. A. broad jump record today in the qualifying tests with a leap of 25 feet, 1 inch. This displaced the previous mark of 25 feet, ⅞ inch, set by Jesse Hill, of Southern California in 1929.

SMITH, KIRKWOOD BEATEN

ARBROATH, Scotland, May 29 (AP) —Percy Alliss, British born professional, came through with a steady 58, for a total of 226 strokes today to nose out Horton Smith and Joe Kirkwood, American professionals, in the pitch-and-putt tournament at Elliott. Smith and Kirkwood tied for second place with 228 apiece.

SEVEN OCEAN PLANES READY

NEW YORK, May 29 (AP) — Seven airplanes are awaiting a favorable

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Highest Honor Is Awarded To Miss Eberhard

The highest honor which can be awarded to a senior at the University of Oregon was bestowed on Miss Dorothy Eberhard last night when she was elected to be the receiver of the Albert cup by members of the senior class according to word received in La Grande this morning. Miss Eberhard was selected from a group of three outstanding members of the graduating class to receive the Albert cup and is the first woman who has received that honor in a number of years.

Dorothy Eberhard

James Dezendorf, of Portland; Anton Peterson, of Astoria; and Miss Eberhard were nominated for the honor by a faculty committee. The Albert cup is presented by Joseph H. Albert, of Salem, and is awarded at commencement to the senior having the best record for faithful study and scholarship during his school career, opportunities considered, and who has made the greatest progress toward the ideal in character, service, and wholesome influence. Dean Hugh L. Biggs, chairman of the faculty committee and Dean of men is quoted as saying, "The cup carries a great deal of prestige and is to be regarded as one of the most coveted student awards."

Active In Campus Affairs

Miss Eberhard, who is the daughter of Senator and Mrs. C. R. Eberhard, has made a good scholastic record and has been very active in campus affairs, including membership in Kwama, freshmen women's honorary organization; vice president of her sophomore class; president of Teminids, Eastern Star organization; chairman of the Mother's day tea; a member of the Y. W. C. A. cabinet; a member of Mortar Board, senior women's honorary; on the senior ball and junior weekend committees; and a member of the faculty-student advisory committee. Miss Eberhard majors in history.

House Entered; Picture Taken By Intruder

Even pictures on the walls are not immune from intruders.

A citizen who lives at 1512 Adams avenue notified police last night that some one entered his house and stole a picture.

The police investigated and, sure enough, the picture was gone.

Another citizen, living at 1408 V avenue, reported that his house was entered and some jewelry taken.

ONE SCHOOL HEAD SCHEME IS APPROVED

Board of Higher Education Announces Policy in Resolution Today.

TIME LIMIT FOR CHANGE NOT SET

Action Conforms With Federal Survey, Also With Recommendations of Gov. Meier.

PORTLAND, Ore., May 29 (AP) — The Oregon state board of higher education announced today that it had committed itself to the policy of organizing a single, unified and co-ordinated system of higher education under one administrative head.

This policy was written in the form of a resolution adopted by the board in executive session here today at which none but board members were permitted to attend.

The resolution was released to the press at the noon recess. The resolution said the board was following not only the recommendations of the survey report but also those laid down by Governor Meier in a recent communication to the board.

No Time Limit

The resolution did not commit the board to any specific time limit in working out the single system.

The report contained the remark that "the date of cosumation of which shall be determined by all factors involved."

Not one of the members of the board would offer an interpretative

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WILKINS GETS POST HELD BY F. D. M'CULLY

SALEM, May 29 (AP) — W. E. Wilkins, La Grande, was appointed field supervisor for the World War Veterans state aid commission. Wilkins succeeds F. D. McCully, Joseph, resigned. The action was taken at the meeting of the commission here yesterday.

George H. Brewster, of Redmond, was elected attorney for Deschutes county for the commission, to succeed Ralph S. Hamilton, who has removed from Bend to Portland.

IN OFFICE FOUR YEARS

Mr. McCully has been field representative of the World war Veterans' state aid commission for the last four years. He was requested to resign last weekend by the commission. He is expected to arrive at his home at Joseph today.

Mr. Wilkins, his successor, was a Meier booster during the recent campaign.

It is understood that all field representatives of the commission were notified to resign.

Louie Zivkovich Funeral Tomorrow

Louie Zivkovich, 43 years of age, passed away in Lewiston, Ida. Wednesday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock, and the body was brought to La Grande Thursday. Funeral services will be held Saturday morning at 9 o'clock at the Church of Our Lady of The Valley. High mass will be celebrated by Rev. Father Nooy and the burial will be in the family plot in the Catholic cemetery. The rosary will be recited at the chapel of Walkers Funeral Home at 7:30 tonight, and the body will lie in state until 8 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Mr. Zivkovich is survived by a brother, Nick, of Orofino, Ida., three cousins, Steve Zivkovich, of La Grande; one in Canada and one in Argentina; also by his father, three sisters and a brother in Croatia, and and Uncle, Louie Zivkovich, of Redding, Cal., and several nephews and nieces. Mr. Zivkovich was a resident of La Grande for three years, moving to Lewiston in 1926. He was a member of the Loyal Order of Moose of Lewiston and of the Croatian Fraternal union.

Several Killed In Mine Gas Explosion

WILKESBARRE, Pa., May 29 (AP)—Several men were killed in a gas explosion at Richards Colliery of the Susquehanna Collieries company at Mt. Carmel today. General Manager C. K. Gloman, at the company's headquarters here, declared he was awaiting definite information of the cause of the blast and number of men killed.

Soviet Russia's Five-Year Plan Is Developing Several Hitches

MOSCOW, May 29 (AP)—Leaders of soviet Russia are confronted with evidence of several hatches in their industrial program. Moscow newspapers published accounts yesterday of instances in which program the industrial machinery had failed to function smoothly.

The newspaper Za Industrializacia published a disclosure of "unsatisfactory conditions in the farm machinery factory at Rostov, which is one of the largest in the world, and asserted the poor work done in assembling machines amounted to a "catastrophe." The paper said the superintendent of the assembling department had been discharged because he gave out false production figures. He claimed 438 machines were ready for shipment, whereas investigation showed there were only twenty.

On May 25, for example, investigators at the Rostov plant found not a single mowing machine or binder had been turned out although the program called for 100 mowers and 110 binders. There also has been a serious drop in the production of other machines.

Workers, Sabotage Blamed

Some of the trouble is attributed to sabotage, but it is generally admitted unskilled workers are to blame.

Za Industrializacia is the organ of the supreme economic council and is generally considered an interpreter of the five year plan.

Moscow newspapers also point to the failure of the transportation system to fulfill its program for the latter part of 1930 and the first quarter of 1931. Tronsportation authorities blame the factories for failure to supply materials, while the factories blame the railways for failing to bring them fuel and other necessities.

The superintendent of the "Red October" metallurgical plant at Stalingrad has been charged with failure to carry out urgent orders for

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SEEKS MARK

Something new in aviation marks will be essayed Saturday by Juanita Burns when she'll use a little monoplane in an effort to fly into and out of 33 Southern California airports in one afternoon.

TEXAS AND GIRLS MUST GET ORDER

Refused Admission to France Because Working Contract Not O. K.

HAVRE, France, May 29 (AP)—Texas Guinan and her "gang", who did not attempt to land at Plymouth, Eng., from the liner Paris when she docked there, were refused admission to France today because port authorities said their working contract was not in order.

Texas and some of her friends who had come down from Paris to meet her said the contract was being sent to Havre from Paris and that when it arrived the authorities probably would let the girls land.

"I will come back," she said at Plymouth, "because England will want my company as does every civilized country. We are not out to make money. We want to make people happy."

She said she was unable to understand how stories got about that she had been barred from England.

"What are these stories that are being told against me?" she said. "I have done nothing to be ashamed of."

The Daily Express said when she sailed from New York that Scotland Yard detectives would meet her boat and prevent her from debarking, claiming she was on the government's list of barred aliens.

"I will gladly give a check for a hundred thousand dollars to any charity if anyone can substantiate statements made against my character," Miss Guinan said. "What has England against me. My parents were born in Great Britain and England was only too glad to welcome me when I worked for her during the war."

She complimented at length the 30 girls who comprise what she called her "gang."

"These girls have worked for me for years and we are all pals. They're straight and honest girls. I'm taking them around the world to show them things."

None of them drink, she said, and as for herself—"I've never had a drink and never sold a drink in my life."

Referring to a feature in her night club show, she asked: "Is it because I said I would ride down the strand on my white horse that I've been barred from England? If you can find any statute in the laws of England which make it criminal to ride a white horse I'll make you my heir."

TO CALL BIDS ON BAKER, ORE. PROJECT SOON

WASHINGTON, May 29 (AP) — Elwood Mead, reclamation commissioner, confirmed reports today that bids will be called for soon on the Baker, Oregon, reclamation project. After years of delay the project will be under construction by autumn, the commissioner said.

A contract for a million dollars worth of work on the Owyhee project in Oregon will be let soon, the commissioner said.

REAPPOINT SCHILLING

WASHINGTON, May 29 (AP)—President Hoover today reappointed William F. Schilling of Minnesota as a member of the federal farm board.

KGW ASKS MORE POWER

WASHINGTON, May 29 (AP)—Radio station KGW in Portland, Ore., today petitioned the federal radio commission asking a hearing on its application for an increase in power to 5000 watts.

Baseball Today

AMERICAN LEAGUE

St. Louis at Chicago, postponed; rain.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	R.	H.	E.
Chicago	4	9	0
Pittsburgh	3	7	3

Malone, Root and Hartnett; Kremer and Phillips.

	R.	H.	E.
Brooklyn	3	7	1
New York	2	6	1

Vance, Shaute and Lombardi; Mitchell and O'Farrell.

	R.	H.	E.
Boston	5	13	0
Philadelphia	3	9	0

Cunningham, Haid and Spohrer; Collins, H. Elliott and Davis.

American Flier Will Turn Plane Toward the West

Thomas Ash Jr. to Take Off Tomorrow From Samushiro Beach, Japan in Ocean Flight.

By James P. Howe

SAMUSHIRO BEACH, Japan, May 29 (AP) — The "somewhat cumbersome" monoplane "Pacific," in which Thomas Ash Jr., the American flier, hopes to span the Pacific without a stop, rested on the natural runway of this beach today ready to take off for Tacoma, Wash., at 7 a. m. tomorrow (5 p. m. Friday E. S. T.)

Ash landed here at 3:34 p. m. today (1:34 a. m. E. S. T.) after a 380-mile flight from Tachikawa airdrome near Tokyo. He devoted the balance of the day to inspecting and preparing his plane for the 4,400-mile journey across the Pacific. He expected to land at Tacoma from 40 to 50 hours after rising from the beach here.

The problem of getting the monoplane into the air with a ton and a half of fuel aboard was the chief concern tonight of Ash.

A section of the beach runway here was planked for about 200 yards to give him a smooth start. After the plan shoots off the planked section it will taxi along the bare beach for a mile or more. Ash planned to attain a speed of 70 miles an hour before attempting to take it into the air.

"If I can only succeed in getting the plane off the ground with a ton and a half of fuel I will feel that half the battle will have been won," said the flier.

Samushiro meanwhile went out of its way to provide a fitting farewell for the daring young American. Ten little Japanese Betsy Rosses sat up all night last night sewing together numerous strips of red and white

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Seek To Repair Damage Done To Highway Project

ENTERPRISE, Ore., May 29 — Considerable discussion of the proceedings before the Oregon State highway commission June 1 has been in order during the week. At that meeting, after some argument, the state commission deferred action on the designation of the Sheep creek road to the Imnaha, states the Record-Chieftain.

J. R. Leslie, W. G. Miller, T. O. Marks and Ralph Barton were out from the Imnaha Friday and sought information as to the attitude toward the road. Mr. Barton went on to Idaho on a visit, returning this week. Mr. Leslie was in town again Tuesday, telling of latest developments, in response to inquiries by the Imnaha Grange.

SEEK TO REPAIR DAMAGE

JOSEPH, Ore., May 29 — Proponents of the Sheep creek road moved this week to repair damage done their

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Initial Drilling Last Evening At Well Near Union

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

UNION, May 29 (Special) — The first drilling at the Blue Mountain oil well began at 9 o'clock last night and continued through the night but ceased this morning to await another driller. They expect to resume operations as soon as the other driller arrives and day and night shifts will be kept busy. Shifts will be from 12 o'clock midnight until 12 o'clock noon, and from noon until midnight.

The well is on the W. H. Hutchinson property southwest of Union. Avery Harrison, financially interested in the well, was there to see the drilling start.

Yesterday was spent in testing out the machinery and finishing up preliminary work. The drilling was to have started at 10 a. m. yesterday but one of the drillers was ill.

Walkathons Not Legal In Oregon

SALEM, May 29 (AP) — Walkathons in which women and minor girls participate and in the manner in which they have recently been conducted in Portland, are violations of the Oregon statutes, Attorney-General I. H. Van Winkle held in an opinion handed down late yesterday.

The attorney-general made his decision on the basis that women engaged in walkathons were not doing so for amusement but as an occupation for profit and thus were subject to the Oregon labor laws. The ruling followed investigation of the Portland event, where 3000 to 8000 people had paid admissions on successive days to see the contestants.

Schirru Executed By Firing Squad

ROME, May 29 (AP)—Convicted of plotting the assassination of Premier Benito Mussolini, Michele Schirru, 32 years old, an American by naturalization, was executed at dawn today by a firing squad.

He was led into the interior court of Fort Braschi and seated astride a chair with his back to the marksmen. A batallion of blackshirt militiamen formed three sides of a hollow square around him and directed a volley of shot into his spine.

Schirru died without receiving a priest who had come to offer religious comfort, but he was permitted to write a letter to his wife in the United States and another to his mother in Sardinia.

He did not flinch when they strapped him in the chair.

SELLING SMASHES RALLY

NEW YORK, May 29 (AP) — Selling of the railroad issues smashed a pre-holiday rally in stocks today and the market closed weak. Sales exceeded 2,000,000 shares.

Losses in the pivotal industrials were rather moderate but declines in the carrier shares were sharp.

TEMPERATURE 76 BELOW AT 52,500 FEET

Professor Auguste Piccard Tells Something of of His Balloon Trip.

PROVES UPPER AIR TO BE NAVIGABLE

Moon Appears Much Brighter at That Height —Alpine Scenery "Overwhelmingly Grand."

OBERGURGL, Austrian Tyrol, May 29 (AP)—Although delighted with the success of his balloon voyage to the stratosphere, Prof. Auguste Piccard, Swiss professor at the University of Brussels, regretted that he could not make certain measurements which Prof. Albert Einstein, his teacher, had requested.

"As we started," Prof. Piccard said today, "the wind suddenly became weaker, which mean that we rose much more rapidly than we had bargained for. Prof. Einstein had requested me to make certain measurements while we shot upward, but try as I could this proved impossible.

"Our measurements of cosmic rays, however, which Prof. Hesz previously had measured up to 27,000 feet, were carefully conducted up to 50,000 feet."

No Statements Yet

Asked what conclusions he had made from his measurements, Prof. Piccard replied: "I don't want to make a statement yet as to that."

Prof. Piccard and Charles Kipfer, hi saide on land and in the air, obtained a measurement of the conductivity of gases generated by cosmic rays at the maximum height about four hours after leaving Augsburg Wednesday morning.

"During the first part of the ascent we were so occupied with the mechanical problem of handling the balloon that only at a height of 9,936 miles were we able to begin taking the principal measurements. We found the outside air pressure at that altitude to be 76 millimeters, about one-tenth normal atmospheric pressure," Prof. Piccard said.

Referring to a little notebook in which he had jotted down data as winds swept them over Southern Europe for a day and a night, he said he had noticed that the moon appeared much brighter than from the earth and that the Alpine scenery below him was "overwhelmingly grand."

Mercury Range 182 Degrees

The temperature within the hermetically sealed aluminum ball rose to 106 degrees Fahrenheit inside, while on the outside it fell as low as 76 below zero.

He explained his delay in landing by the fact that it was impossible to open the safety valve or the porthole until the pressure inside conformed with that of the atmosphere.

"The flight is likely to revolutionize all previous theories concerning the stratosphere," he said.

"The flight proved that the stratosphere is navigable and that man

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EAST OREGON WOOL BRINGS 14½ CENTS

CONDON, Ore., May 29 (AP) —Taking 350,000 pounds of wool, E. J. Burke of the company of Hallowell, Jones and Donald, was the largest buyer at the wool auction sales held here yesterday. A total of 450,000 pounds was sold, and 200,000 pounds withdrawn.

The Rettie estate clip was sold for 14½ cents, and Kate Russell of Condon received 14 cents for her lot.

The Oregon Worsted company, Rosenthal Brothers, Joe Lehrer and Harold Russell picked up some lots.

Details of the sale: Earl Loomis 13c; Peter Monohan, 12c; I. C. Williams 13¼c; Milt Murray 11⅝c; Silvers and Braggs 14c; Carl Shown 12¼c; Ed Wolfe 10¾c; Rettie estate 14½c; R. W. Keys 12½c; P. R. Barnhouse 12¾c; L. L. Jones 13⅝c; E. R. Laughlin 14c; James Murtha 13c; Pat Donahue 13c; Walter Keys 13c; Mrs. Russell, fine 14c, coarse 11c; Rattray 12⅝c; Howden 14c; R. E. Wright 13¼c; Palmer 13½c; Mortimore 13¼c; Nash 12½c; Oahse 13c; Huntington 13½c; Ball 13½c; Clay Shown 14½c; Welch 13½c.

Wife Killed, Hubby Hurt In Accident

REEDSPORT, Ore., May 29 (AP) — When their automobile crashed down a steep embankment and overturned, Mrs. Florence D. Langille, of Portland, was killed, and her husband, Harold D. Langille, timber broker, was injured. The accident occurred yesterday. Langille said he may have fallen asleep at the wheel. He received a broken leg and head injuries which were believed not serious. Mrs. Langille was dead when taken to a doctor's office here.

Wheat Today

CHICAGO, May 29 (AP) — Today marked the wind-up of May contracts in all grains, and proved generally unspectacular, with government sponsored agencies sellers of May wheat on all advances. Month end liquidating sales of May corn, however, found support from buyers lacking, and a fall of 3¼ cents a bushel from earlier top prices followed.

A bearish influence as to wheat was a report from a trade authority estimating 1931 domestic wheat production at 1,000,000 bushels more than was forecast a month ago by the same expert and 49,000,000 bushels more than was harvested last year.

Wheat closed irregular, ⅛c lower to ¼c advance, corn 2¼c down to ½c gain, oats 1¼c off to ⅛c up, and provisions varying from 5 cents decline to a rise of 12 cents.