

## Few Close Races In County Primary

### VOTERS WILL GO TO POLLS NEXT FRIDAY

Three More Days of Campaigning Remain For the Candidates.

### MOST RACES ON REPUBLICAN LIST

Most of Incumbents Expected to Win Out in Party Contests — Commission Race in Doubt.

- WHERE TO VOTE IN LA GRANDE ON MAY 20
- Precinct Place
  - 1—Frank Cleavinger, 502 Third street.
  - 2—City Hall.
  - 3—Willard Moss, 2105 Cedar.
  - 4—Lane Chapel, First and Crook.
  - 5—Frank Wood, Fruitdale, north of city park.
  - 6—Mrs. Tom Strand, Portland street, third house north of Cove avenue.
  - 7—Charles Stoop, 1094 Washington.
  - 8—Court House.
  - 9—House at Presbyterian church, 1310 Washington.
  - 10—Methodist church, Spring and Fourth.
  - 11—Bulck garage, 806 Adams avenue.
  - 12—H. W. Riley, 1409 Madison.
  - 13—Church of God, Spruce and X.

Three more days of campaigning after today, and then candidates for party nominations will leave the decision up to Oregon's electorate, which will go to the polls Friday from 8 a. m. to 8 p. m.

As is usually the case, the greater share of interest over the state, and in Union county is centered on the Republican ticket, which has more contests and also a larger following.

### MISS BURKE IS DEAD; FUNERAL NOT ARRANGED

Miss Bess Burke, a resident of La Grande for 20 years or more, died about 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon. She had been ill for the last 10 years, suffering from diabetes and Bright's disease.

### Mrs. Slusher Has Chance to Recover

Mrs. Lee Slusher was taken to the Grande Ronde hospital Saturday night in a very critical condition, caused, according to reports, from drinking lysol. Today she was reported to have an even chance to recover. She was being kept in an oxygen tent.

Details were lacking on the case, but officers believe she attempted suicide while in a despondent mood.

**WEATHER FORECAST**  
Oregon: Fair tonight and Tuesday; temperature above normal in the interior; gentle north winds offshore.

**WEATHER TODAY**  
7 a. m.—55 above.  
Minimum: 43 above.  
Condition: Clear.

**WEATHER YESTERDAY**  
Maximum 60, minimum 35 above.  
Condition: Clear. Range—33 degrees.

**WEATHER MAY 16, 1931**  
Maximum 60, minimum 52 above.  
Condition: Cloudy, rain .03 of an inch. Range—8 degrees.

### Students Will Receive Honor Pins Tomorrow

Seven Girls and Five Boys in Upper 10 Per Cent of Senior Class Will Receive Awards.

Seven girls and five boys, members of the senior class at the La Grande High school, form the upper 10 per cent of the class according to scholarship attainments, and will receive Hi-Dad honor pins tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock at a student body assembly in the high school auditorium.

Jointly with the making of the awards, Miss Sylvia Turn and Frank Tyler will play piano solos. Hi-Dad honor pins will be awarded to Nora Bishop, Peggy Hohnkamp, Virginia Bramwell, Arline Conrad, Raymond DeLong, Robert Eakin, Marie Floberg, Carl Helm, James Leslie, Ruth Murchison, Sally Sieglist and Willie Torrence.

### Wright Players Present "Nero" Saturday Night

The Wright California players who produced the drama, "Nero," at the Church of Christ Saturday evening lived up to their most excellent reputation, and delighted the audience with their superb acting and dramatic interpretation. Interest was sustained from the first moment when a Christian girl was accosted by the despised of Christians, Saul of Tarsus, until the closing moment when the very household of the tyrant, Nero, had been won by Christianity's charms.

The costumes and draperies used in the production were unusually attractive, and splendid scenic and lighting effects were obtained. Words of highest praise were heard on all sides as the production came to a close.

### Valley Girl, 11, Is Injured By 'Unloaded' Gun

A gun that was "not loaded" caused a painful injury to Miss Mildred Fishman, 11-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Fishman, yesterday. George, her nine-year-old brother was playing with the gun and had pulled the trigger several times, and believing that it was not loaded, playfully discharged the gun toward his sister, his father, Mr. Fishman, reports.

The gun discharged a bullet which penetrated Mildred's leg about half way between the knee and the thigh. The bullet went through the flesh and lodged in the girl's underclothing.

### Betty Gow Denies Suicide Rumors

HOPEWELL, N. J., May 16 (AP)—Betty Gow, the nurse of the murdered Lindbergh baby, was at the Lindbergh home and in good health today, despite persistent rumors she had committed suicide.

The rumor, apparently based on a statement made on some unlicensed radio station, began to circulate yesterday, and had spread across the country today.

### Coshow Case Not To Conclude Today

DALLAS, May 16 (AP)—Judge O. P. Coshow, defendant in one of the five trials charging officers of the Empire Holding company with intent to defraud, was warmly defended by Oscar Hayter, defense council, in a talk which lasted from the opening of the Poik county circuit court this morning until late in this afternoon. Arrested Goldstein, special prosecutor in the trial, was to follow the defense counsel's plea, and it was not expected that the case would reach the jury today.

**COMMITTS SUICIDE**  
FOREST GROVE, May 16 (AP)—John Geagan, 68, living at the Masonic home here, shot and killed himself Sunday. He came to the home in 1925 from the vicinity of Baker. Geagan had been in ill health and partly paralyzed for some time and was despondent. He left no record of relatives.

### BLUES SCORE VICTORY IN FIELD MEET

Central-Riveria Team Wins From Red Aggregation Saturday.

FINAL SCORE 4185 TO 2595 POINTS

Some Excellent Marks Made in Individual Events — Reds Tug of War Team Victorious.

Rolling up over two thousand points in the track games during the afternoon, the Blue team won an overwhelming victory in the grade school field day 'tild at the La Grande High school athletic field Saturday morning and afternoon.

The final score was: Blues 4185, Reds 2595. The scoring was divided as follows: Mass relays: Blues 1562½, Reds 1137½; Tug of war: Reds 100, Blues 0; circle-dodge ball: Reds 75, Blues 75; baseball games: Blues 375, Reds 225; individual contests and relays: Blues 2172½, Reds 1057½.

Some excellent times were chalked up in the afternoon track events, including a 10.8 in the 80-yard hurdles, 12 seconds in the 100-yard dash and 55 seconds in the boys' 400-yard relay (class II).

### OPEN HOUSE AT L. H. S. TOMORROW

Manual Training Exhibits in Gymnasium; Program to be at 7:30 p. m.

### California Frog Breaks Record With Great Leap

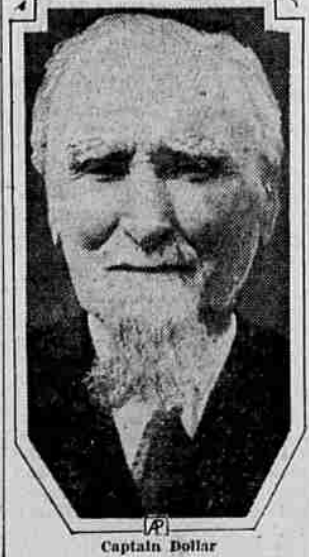
ANGELS CAMP, Cal., May 16 (AP)—With a single record-smashing spring, Budweiser, pride of Stockton, Cal., today leaped into unquestioned leadership of the world's jumping frogs.

In a cool but astounding performance at the Calaveras county frog jumping jubilee yesterday, he smashed his own record set last year by two feet with a hop of 13 feet five inches.

### Borah and Harrison Clash

Captain Robert Dollar, "Grand Old Man of the Pacific," Dead Today

SAN RAFAEL, Cal., May 16 (AP)—Death came early today to Captain Robert Dollar, the "Grand Old Man of the Pacific" who started a round



Captain Dollar

### Tragedy, Success Mingle In Story Of Scaling Peaks

Mount McKinley Conquered by Group of Men But Two Lose Their Lives in the Attempt.

WASHINGTON, May 16 (AP)—Tragedy and success mingled in reports that reached here today of the first scaling of both peaks of Mt. McKinley in Alaska by a party which found dead on its descent a member of the Allen Carpe band that attempted to reach the icy heights.

Highest in North America The main peak is 20,300 feet high, the highest in North America. Addressing Horace Albright, director of national parks, Leik said:

"Our trip successful climbed both peaks. On way down Muldrow glacier found body of Koven, companion of Carpe, and clear indication Carpe dead in crevice." "Unable to bring out body of Koven. Attempted same and nearly lost Ranger Pearson. Rest of Carpe party, Beckwith, and all, are O. K., abandoning expedition. Have wired families of Koven and Carpe, Jersey City and New York, respectively."

Carpe was regarded as probably the ablest mountaineer in America. He had climbed extensively in the Canadian Rockies and has a number of first ascents to his credit, including Mt. Bona in Alaska in 1930 and Mt. Fairweather last June. He was employed by the American Telephone company in New York.

The party that conquered the great mountain was composed of Alfred B.

### Breaks Course Record at Golf Club Saturday

Playing with her father, A. J. Stange, her sister, Miss Jane Stange, and Ken Sieglist, Miss Ann Stange broke the country club golf course record for women Saturday when she turned in a brilliant 87 for the 18 holes. In setting the new mark, she surpassed her own record of 83 which she posted last year.

The excellent weather Sunday brought out a big crowd of golfers, with the result that two matches were played in the men's spring handicap tournament, and a sweepstakes tournament also was held. Pete Russell defeated Carl Cook and E. C. Stephenson won from William Doan in the handicap play. J. Theisen, with a card of 90-90-70, won the sweepstakes. Dr. James D. Hagan was second with 98-97-71, and Charles Binger, and Jack Murphy tied for third, each card reading, 83-11-72.

### Will Open Highway Bids on Thursday

SALEM, May 16 (AP)—Bids for highway improvements aggregating a cost of more than \$700,000 will be opened by the state highway commission at its meeting in Portland next Thursday.

### Idaho Senator Calls For High '18 Income Taxes

WASHINGTON, May 16 (AP)—The senate today refused to restore the high war-time income tax rates in the revenue bill in the first major test on the compromise measure reported by the finance committee.

### McMinnville Man Drowned in Rogue

GRANTS PASS, Oreg., May 16 (AP)—Clara L. McMinnville, was drowned in the Rogue river four miles east of here yesterday when his boat overturned. His father, P. P. Loope, Lawrence Opdel, Eugene; Arnold Wildness, McMinnville, and Marvin Clark, Grants Pass, other occupants of the boat escaped. The five had been fishing. Searchers dragging the river had not recovered the body last night.

### 600 ABANDON BURNING SHIP OFF AFRICA

French Steamer on Fire—Other Vessels Assist in Rescue Work.

THREE PERSONS REPORTED HURT

Many Survivors Picked Up But Details Not Available; Ship Returning From China.

ADEN, Arabia, May 16 (AP)—Six hundred passengers abandoned the French steamer Georges Philippi five miles from Cape Guardafui, Italian Somaliland, when the vessel was discovered to be afire today.

Three passengers were known to have been badly burned. The Japanese steamer Hakone Maru was hurrying to the scene. It passed one empty lifeboat, but whether any lives were lost could not be learned.

The British ship Mahaud and a Soviet Russian vessel were already alongside the burning steamer and were aiding in the rescue work.

### GARNER AIMS MORE THRUSTS AT MR. HOOVER

WASHINGTON, May 16 (AP)—Renewing his criticism of the president, Speaker Garner said today "the truth is that just as long as President Hoover is in the White House, the people of this country will not have any confidence."

"The president sent for the distinguished author of the 'Sons of the Wild Jackass' to defend him. It must have gotten under somebody's skin. The truth is pretty effective."

"Senator Moses resorted to the old trick of confession by avoidance. He admitted what I said about the president was the truth but then said 'well, look at yourself!'"

Garner added: "The president says on one hand not to spend any more money and then on the other hand sends messages up to congress asking for appropriations of millions of dollars."

"One day he says 'build public buildings to relieve employment, and the next day he says 'don't issue any more bonds.' His statements are contradictory."

### Young Definitely Not a Candidate

LITTLE FALLS, N. Y., May 16 (AP)—Owen D. Young has definitely and finally declared he could not accept the Democratic nomination for the presidency.

His statement was contained today in a letter to John Crowley, publisher of the Little Falls Times, an old friend of the industrialist and whose paper is the "home town" paper of Van Hornesville, Mr. Young's boyhood home.

## Ransom Money Chief Clue

### NICE PETS



If you're tired of dogs, cats, parrots, canaries and goldfish as pets, hark to the lure of the lizard. Two of the reptiles—all dressed up in their bright blue "Sunday best" ribbons—were seen here on the end of a leash held by Miss Ika Chase, prominent society woman and actress, as she strolled along a fashionable New York avenue.

### FORMER RICHFIELD HEADS CONVICTED

Talbot, Fuller and McKee Found Guilty of Theft of Huge Sum.

LOS ANGELES, May 16 (AP)—Three men accused of stealing more than a million dollars from the Richfield Oil company, which they helped to build to the third largest in California, were convicted on charges of grand theft today.

They were James A. Talbot, former chairman of the board; Clarence M. Fuller, former president, and Raymond W. McKee, former vice president.

The conviction was on an indictment charging theft of \$245,325. Still hanging over their heads are indictments on other counts of grand theft, involving more than \$700,000.

Suits also are pending against them by surety companies to recover more than \$2,500,000.

### FATAL RIOTS OCCURRING IN BOMBAY TODAY

BOMBAY, May 16 (AP)—Thirty were dead and approximately 600 injured by noon today as a result of rioting between Moslems and Hindus which has been in progress for three days.

Police fired into the mobs in several parts of the city and the situation was considered so serious that Sir Frederick Sykes, governor of the Bombay presidency, who left Saturday for Mahabaleswar, returned post-haste by airplane.

### BOISE, UNION STAKES TO BE COMPETITORS

Winners of Union stake of the L. D. B. church in the contest events held last week will compete with the winners of the Boise stake Saturday, beginning at 4 o'clock in the afternoon at the L. D. B. tabernacle, according to an announcement made today by Mrs. C. J. Black, chairman, and Elmo Clegg, publicity director.

The winners will be selected from among the participants in the two stakes in public speaking, story telling, music, drama and dancing, and the public is invited. Dancing will be enjoyed at 9 o'clock in the Recreational hall.

### Premier Inukai Of Japan Slain In Home Sunday

Young Army and Naval Cadets Blamed—Fascist Movement in Japan Suffers From Occurrence.

SHANGHAI, May 17 (AP) (Tuesday)—Japanese officials here said today they had received no information about any mutiny in the Japanese navy and did not believe anything of the sort had happened.

By Glenn Babb (Associated Press Staff Correspondent) TOKYO, May 16 (AP)—Premier Tsuyoshi Inukai, Japan's 77-year-old "old grey fox," was dead today, the second Japanese premier to die by an assassin's hand in less than a year.

Premier Inukai was shot down in his home yesterday by a band of young army and naval cadets who apparently had hatched an abortive plot to destroy the government and seize the capital.

Following the death of the premier, which occurred at 11:25 p. m., six hours after he was shot, the cabinet decided to resign and Acting Premier Korekiyo Takahashi, aged finance minister, called upon Emperor Hirohito to hand in the resignations.

The emperor instructed Mr. Takahashi and the rest of the cabinet to continue in office until they received further orders. In the meantime it was announced that the aged Prince Saichiro, last of Japan's elder statesmen, was on his way to Tokyo from his villa at Okitsu to confer with the emperor about a new cabinet.

Fascist Movement Suffers The fascist movement in Japan appeared to have suffered a nearly mortal blow as a result of the premier's assassination. General Sadao Araki, war minister, and Admiral Osami minister of the navy, turned in their resignations with the rest of the cabinet.

Both these officials, who have been considered the leading spirits of the nationalist movement in Japan, strongly disapproved yesterday's events and said the perpetrators would be sternly dealt with. Both ministers also indicated they would retire from public life.

Five public buildings were bombed simultaneously with the assault upon the premier, an attempt was made to destroy the transformer stations through which Tokyo's supply of electricity is carried, and the homes of several officials were attacked. One of the buildings bombed was the metropolitan police station, which is just across the street from Emperor Hirohito's palace.

A few hours afterward thirteen young army cadets, corresponding to

### Mott Asks Grand Jury Probe Of Finance "Gang"

SALEM, May 16 (AP)—Grand jury investigation of what he termed a conspiracy on the part of a group of financial racketeers to violate the blue sky, banking, corrupt practices, criminal libel and blackmail laws of the state, was demanded by James W. Mott, state corporation commissioner, in a letter sent late yesterday to Bernard H. Goldstein, special attorney general.

Specific reference was made in Mott's letter to J. A. Charlesworth, alleged publisher of the "Saturday Night," a Portland publication, and Carl H. Johnson and C. A. Degraze, who were said to have launched a publication known as the "News Examiner," with J. C. Deball and Dan B. Markel as editors.

"I now have in my possession," Mott's letter continued, "copies of both of these publications in which have appeared articles carrying out this conspiracy in violation of the libel and corrupt practices laws of this state."

### More Land Covered By Flood Waters

VANCOUVER, Wash., May 16 (AP)—With the Columbia river at the 184-foot stage, an overnight rise of nine-tenths of a foot, additional hundreds of acres of lowlands have been covered by the flood waters, the highest in four years. The flood stage this level was 7.5 feet.

Several more dairymen have removed their stock from lowland pastures. There has been no report of damage, other than flooded fields. Business houses in the lower downtown section are preparing to vacate their basements.

### Wheat Today

CHICAGO, May 16 (AP)—Decidedly higher prices for grains late today followed reports indicating wheat yields in Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas and Colorado would fall much below expectations.

### AUTHORITIES ATTEMPT TO TRACE BILLS

Chief Hope of Success in Running Down Murderers of Baby.

DR. CONDON GIVES ONE DESCRIPTION

"Jafsie" Contacted Only One Person When He Paid \$50,000 — Coast Guard Still Active.

HOPEWELL, N. J., May 16 (AP)—Police turned again today to the ransom money as a chief hope for success in running down the kidnap-murderers of the Lindbergh baby.

In his morning news bulletin Col. H. Norman Schwarzkopf, superintendent of state police, disclosed that he had sent a telegram to the treasurer of the United States asking renewed vigilance in the countryside search for the bank notes.

The telegram read: "May I respectfully request that you issue another letter to all people who received copies of the lists of currency bills used in the payment of the Lindbergh ransom requesting renewed vigilance in watching for these bills and also that immediate report of the discovery of any such bills be made to these headquarters either direct or through you."

The \$50,000 ransom was paid by Col. Lindbergh through Dr. John F. Condon, aged educator who negotiated with persons he believed to be the kidnapers through a series of newspaper advertisements signed Jafsie.

Colonel Lindbergh kept a list of the serial numbers of the bills and when the baby was not returned he appealed to the treasurer of the United States.

### FREIGHT RATE HEARING WILL OPEN TUESDAY

SALEM, May 16 (AP)—Hearing of the application of the rail carriers for an increase of livestock freight rates will open in Portland tomorrow before an examiner for the interstate commerce commission. The hearing probably will continue for three days.

Charles A. Thomas, public utilities commissioner, and A. F. Harvey, rate expert for the Oregon commission, will attend the hearing and introduce testimony upon behalf of the Oregon shippers. Commercial and livestock organizations in all sections of Oregon also will be represented.

Thomas said the application first was filed several years ago, and has since been continued from time to time.

The proposed increase would advance the rates in the mountain district approximately 25 per cent over those in the central district.

### Resume Hearing On Electric Company

SALEM, May 16 (AP)—Hearing of the case involving the rates, charges and practices of the Northwestern Electric company will be resumed in Portland May 24, Charles M. Thomas, state utilities commissioner, announced today.

The hearing opened in Portland several weeks ago, when the state refused to accept the testimony. The recess was taken so as to give attorneys for the electric company time in which to examine the state's record and complete its case.

Thomas said approximately three days would be required to complete the hearing.

What's closed unsettled, 1 @ 15¢ above Saturday's finish, corn 1/4 @ 1/2¢ above, oats 1/4 @ 1/2¢ advanced, and provisions unchanged to 5 cents higher.

PORTLAND, May 16 (AP)—With wheat and December unchanged, July wheat gained 1/4¢ bu. at the closing of the Portland futures market Monday. The September was up 1/2¢ bu. Trading was of nominal character. On the merchants exchange cash wheat was stationary.