

LONEY NEW MUSIC SUPERVISOR

BOARD ACTS AT MEETING LAST NIGHT

Mr. Loney to Devote Full Time to New Work in La Grande Schools

CONTRACT CALLS FOR \$1500 A YEAR

Members of Board of Education Feel New Supervisor Very Well Qualified For Duties.

Andrew Loney Jr., director of the La Grande municipal band for many years and considered one of the leading musicians in the Pacific Northwest, last night was appointed as music supervisor of the La Grande public schools at a meeting of the school board.

Mr. Loney accepted a one-year contract, becoming effective next September. The salary was placed at \$1500, and Mr. Loney will devote full time to the work as supervisor.

Some time ago the school board voted to dispense with the position of music and art supervisors in the interest of economy. At that time the board was paying \$2900 per year for a music director.

With Mr. Loney available at \$1500, the board took action last night to elect him supervisor, which leaves the music department in the same position as it was several months ago, with the exception that a distinct saving is being made in salaries.

MISS STANGE QUALIFIES IN GOLF TOURNEY

Miss Anne Stange, La Grande entry in the state golf tournament at Portland this week, shot a 102 yesterday to rank about mid-way among the 32 qualifiers. Qualifying scores ranged from 85 to 113.

Today Miss Stange was to play Miss Jean Plageman, of Multnomah club, who ended at 92 yesterday, turning in two cards of 64. Miss Stange, in qualifying, took 64 on the first nine and 48 on the second.

W. M. Heughan, 95, Passes In Idaho

William Muir Heughan, who lived a picturesque life as a miner at Starke for many years before moving to Twin Falls, Idaho, died this morning at 4:30 at his home there, according to word received by his grandson, William M. Heughan, in La Grande. Mr. Heughan was 95 years old at the time of his death, which resulted from his advanced age.

The deceased had many friends in La Grande and other Union county points. Funeral services will be held Thursday in Twin Falls.

FIRE DAMAGES DEVORE HOUSE ON W AVENUE

A residence at 1214 W avenue, owned by C. O. Devore, of Phoenix, Ariz., and occupied by Mrs. Vera Lance, was partially destroyed by fire early this morning. Estimates today were that the house was 60 per cent loss. Some of the furniture worth \$2000 was carried on the house, it is reported.

The fire started in the kitchen, according to reports, and was well under way before the alarm was turned in at 2:45 o'clock. Mrs. Lance was out of town, according to neighbors.

WEATHER FORECAST

Oregon: Fair tonight and Wednesday; somewhat warmer; moderate north to northwest winds offshore.

WEATHER TODAY
7 a. m.—42 above.
Minimum: 37 above.
Condition: Partly cloudy.

WEATHER YESTERDAY
Maximum 59, minimum 41 above.

WEATHER MAY 24, 1931
Maximum 83, minimum 49 above.
Condition: Partly cloudy.
Range—34 degrees.

Summer Session Of East Normal To Open June 13

Full Offerings of Required and Elective Courses Provided—Training School to be Held.

Organization and arrangements for the fourth annual summer session of the Eastern Oregon Normal school which begins Monday, June 13, are now completed. It is announced by H. E. Inlow, president of the Normal school. Numerous inquiries and applications have been received from teachers in service who desire to complete their normal training during the summer term. Likewise a considerable number of students who have been in attendance during the regular year will continue through the summer session in order to hasten their graduation.

Full offerings of required and elective courses will be provided in the fields of education, art, psychology, English, health, physical education, social science, history, music, geography, biology, and nature study. The summer quarter will be divided into two six-week sessions to accommodate students who cannot be in attendance for the full 12 weeks. The first six-week period begins June 13 and ends July 22 followed immediately by the second six-week period which closes August 28.

WORK-STUDY-PLAY PROGRAM FOR LA GRANDE CHILDREN
During the first half of the summer session opportunity may be had for practice teaching. A regular training

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La Grande High Grid Schedule Is Announced

The La Grande High school football schedule for next fall was announced today by Principal A. L. Gralapp, of the high school. The schedule includes seven games, four of them in La Grande and three out of town.

Attempts were made to get both Ontario and The Dalles on the fall schedule but without success, as the schools could not get together on dates.

The Tiger team will open its season against Walla Walla in La Grande on the first day of October. The second game will be at Milton-Freewater on Oct. 8 and on Oct. 15, the Enterprise eleven will play in La Grande. Wallowa comes here Oct. 22 and La Grande goes to Baker Friday, Oct. 28.

On Nov. 5 Union will play in La Grande and on Nov. 11 the Tigers will wind up their season at Pendleton.

It also was announced that, beginning in 1933, the Baker eleven will play La Grande on Armistice day. This fall La Grande and Pendleton meet on that day, with the Tigers to take 50 per cent of the net at Pendleton.

Sale of Poppies Provides Funds For Needy Vets

Many people do not realize how much is netted from the sale of American Legion auxiliary poppies the weekend before Memorial day, and what the sum provides for.

Members of the local auxiliary, in explaining the drive, which will be held here Friday and Saturday of this week, state that hundreds of thousands of dollars are cleared over the nation each spring through the poppy sales, and that from \$300 to \$400 have been cleared in La Grande each May. This money is used to aid local ex-service men and their families who are in need of the necessities of life.

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Knowles Affirmed In Appealed Case

SALEM, May 24 (AP)—The state supreme court in an opinion written by Justice Campbell, today affirmed the decree of Judge J. W. Knowles of the Union county circuit court in a suit brought by the La Grande National bank, et al, to foreclose a mortgage on livestock, given by Nellie Crum, et al, to secure payment of a loan in the amount of \$3100.

In appealing the case the defendant set out five alleged errors in the conduct of the trial in the lower court.

Japanese Troops Sweep Into Hulan

HARBIN, Manchuria, May 24 (AP)—Japanese troops operating against Chinese insurgents today swept into Hulan, about forty miles north of Harbin, and captured 500 prisoners, three armored cars and several field guns.

The insurgents fled to the Northwest. The battle was fought with only minor casualties on the Japanese side, seven men being wounded.

ALMON ROAD MEASURE IS GIVEN 'OKEH'

Would Authorize \$219,000,000 For Highway Construction.

DELAY ACTION ON DOLLAR MEASURE

Goldsborough Bill to Stabilize the Dollar May Receive Favorable Attention on Tuesday.

WASHINGTON, May 24 (AP)—The house roads committee today approved the Almon bill to authorize appropriations of \$219,000,000 for highway construction.

The measure would authorize \$100,000,000 in federal highway aid to states in both the 1934 and 1935 fiscal years and \$7,500,000 for forest roads and trails each year.

It also would authorize \$2,000,000 for highway construction on public and non-taxable lands in 1933 and 1934 fiscal years.

The house already has approved a bill to authorize \$130,000,000 for highway construction in the next fiscal year, 1933.

The Almon measure would require that \$10,000,000 of the \$80,000,000 advanced to states under previous authorizations be deducted from the 1934 and 1935 allocations.

ACTION IS DELAYED

WASHINGTON, May 24 (AP)—The

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CIRCUS THRILLS CROWDS MONDAY

Al G. Barnes Show Features Ubangi Savages, Animals, Flying Wards

Exciting and magnificent—from the grand entry, the "inaugural pageant, circusdom's perpetual appeal to children of all ages, the magnificent parade of titanic proportions" until the grand finale, the Al G. Barnes circus which showed here Monday, was a thrill. The snarling, treacherous sequence of the jungle born Royal Bengal tigers to the training of Miss Mabel Stark, the former school teacher, the world famous "Flying Wards," turning double somersaults in midair, the contortions of the acrobats and the superb showmanship of the trained animals kept the large crowd, which practically filled the

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BIRTH CONTROL BILL DEFEATED IN COMMITTEE

WASHINGTON, May 24 (AP)—The Hancock bill to legalize the distribution of birth control information was defeated today by the house ways and means committee, 29 to 4.

At a session behind closed doors, the committee ordered the birth control measure reported to the house unfavorably. This blocks any opportunity to use a discharge petition to force a house vote.

Hearings were conducted on the bill last week. Its chief sponsor was Margaret Sanger, prominent birth control advocate.

Amelia Voted Decoration

E. J. Fjeldsted, of Ogden, to Judge Livestock at Stock Show at Union

UNION, Ore., May 24 (AP)—Word has just been received from E. J. Fjeldsted, manager of the Ogden Livestock show, stating that he will be here to judge the beef cattle, sheep and hogs at the Eastern Oregon Livestock show June 8, 9 and 10.

In accepting the invitation to come and judge the livestock, Mr. Fjeldsted wrote: "I appreciate the opportunity to judge at your show and I am sure that I can be with you and help you all in putting over the most favorably known livestock show in the northwestern section."

F. W. Atkinson, of Moscow, Idaho, who is connected with the agricultural department of the University of Idaho, will be here to officiate as judge of dairy cattle.

Glenn Weaver, head of the department of vocational agriculture of the Gresham High school, will judge the F. P. A. exhibits.

A new admission feature this year in the season tickets good for the three days of the show. It is understood that the Union commercial club will sponsor a drive for the sale

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Livestock Men And Railroads Both Hard Hit

Two Groups Present Evidence in Freight Rate Hearing Held in Salt Lake City Today.

SALT LAKE CITY, May 24 (AP)—Western livestock growers and railroads operating in western states contended for and against decreased freight rates on cattle, hogs and sheep at an interstate commerce commission hearing today.

The hearing, being held by Chester E. Stiles and Arthur S. Parker, examiners for the commission, is on a former order of the commission reducing the rates, to bring its information down to date.

Earnings figures for a group of western railroads, presented by W. B. Burris, assistant auditor for the Southern Pacific, showed a deficit of \$9459 in their joint operating revenue for the first three months of this year, as against a net income of \$3,269,397 for the first three months last year.

Against this evidence the livestock men presented testimony of disastrous conditions.

"We must get cattle and sheep back to where they were in 1914 or get (Continued on Page Eight)

GASOLINE PRICE DROPS

The price of gasoline dropped to 19 1/2¢ a gallon in La Grande today. The reduction amounted to two cents. Gasoline formerly selling at 22 cents. Some places here were selling at 20 cents.

In some Western Oregon cities, gasoline prices were advanced as much as a cent and a half today, according to the Associated Press.

One Jockey Killed, Two Others Injured

CLEVELAND, May 24 (AP)—Bainbridge race track, scene of many a serious spill in seasons past, had on its record today another spectacular smashup, probably the worst of them all.

One jockey was killed and two others injured, one of them critically, when five horses piled up in a struggling mass in yesterday afternoon's third race, a \$600 claiming event for four year olds and up.

Charles Pegg, 20, of Catonsville, Md., up on Choriater, received fatal injuries and died in an ambulance. His skull was fractured.

Jose Hernandez, 18, of New Orleans, and William Carroll, 20, of Clifton, Ky., were in a hospital today. Hernandez with a fractured left arm and possible internal injuries, and Carroll injured internally and in a serious condition.

Mac Hoke Named On State Board

SALEM, May 24 (AP)—Mac Hoke, of Pendleton, today was appointed by Governor Meier as representative of animal industry on the Oregon board of agriculture to succeed Robert Bond whose term has expired. Bond also lives at Pendleton.

Hoke's term will expire July 1, 1937.

Father, Son Drown Off Oregon Coast

MARSHFIELD, Ore., May 24 (AP)—Oscar O. Benson and his son, Earle, 11, drowned at the mouth of Chetco river near the California line Monday when their boat was capsized by waves. The two, with Frederick P. Wallace of Los Angeles, were on a deep sea fishing expedition in a small power boat, and had reached the bar at the change of tides.

Aviatrix Pays Visit Today To Prince of Wales

WASHINGTON, May 24 (AP)—The senate today passed a bill to authorize President Hoover to award the distinguished flying cross to Amelia Earhart Putnam for her transatlantic solo flight.

The legislation, offered by Senator Walcott (R., Conn.) was approved by the senate unanimously without debate.

VISITS PRINCE OF WALES
LONDON, May 24 (AP)—Mrs. Amelia Earhart Putnam paid a visit to the Prince of Wales at historic St. James' palace this afternoon at the prince's invitation.

This was a signal honor for the young flier who landed near Londonderry, Ireland, last Saturday and thus became the first woman ever to conquer the Atlantic by airplane without the help of a man in the pilot seat.

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WOULD PLACE HAWAII UNDER ARMED RULE

Congressmen Britten Sees Japanese Menace in U.S. Possessions.

FLOYD GIBBONS GIVES TESTIMONY

Expresses Opinion Hawaiian Islands of Japanese Extraction Would Destroy U. S. Defense.

WASHINGTON, May 24 (AP)—The opinion that if the homes of Japanese in Hawaii were searched "you would find numerous plans for the destruction of our docks" was expressed today before the house territories committee by Representative Britten (R., Ill.).

Explaining his bill to put the Hawaiian Islands under military control, Britten asserted he was "not shaking a red flag at Japan" because "our relations with her are just as cordial as with any country in the world."

"But," he added, "that condition may not prevail ten years from now."

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Condon Offers \$25,000 Reward For Ransom Sum

BECKETT, Mass., May 24 (AP)—Dr. John P. Condon, Lindbergh ransom negotiator, who came here yesterday with Walter C. Goodwin of the Bronx, N. Y., to the summer shack of the latter, today, through a representative of a Springfield newspaper, dictated a message to the mysterious "John" to whom the aged doctor tossed \$50,000 of Colonel Lindbergh's money in a Bronx cemetery.

The message was dictated after Dr. Condon had been informed the New Jersey legislature had voted to offer a reward of \$25,000 for information leading to the identity of the abductors and killers of the Lindbergh baby.

The message was as follows: "John: Money I gave you is useless. You can't get rid of it. Return to Colonel Lindbergh in time. Get you \$25,000 reward. 'JAPSEIE.' (Signed)"

Dr. Condon said in his opinion the offering of the reward was one of the most excellent actions since the child's body was found.

He said he was convinced "John" would accede to his personal request if he should see it and return the \$50,000 in some manner to Colonel Lindbergh.

A report this morning that Japseie with his host, Goodwin, had left the

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Ocean Air Service Facing Obstacle

ROME, May 24 (AP)—Regular air service between Europe and America could be developed if a method were devised of making an airplane alight on water even in fog were so thick that it was impossible for the pilot to see the surface, Harold Gatty, Australian who went around the world in eight days with the American Wiley Post in 1931, told the transoceanic fliers convention today.

Gatty suggested a North Atlantic route by way of Greenland, Iceland and Labrador.

NEW PRUSSIAN DIET IN HALF HOUR UPROAR

BERLIN, May 24 (AP)—The new Prussian diet convened today for a half hour of bedlam.

When the aged General Karl Litzmann opened the state parliament the Communists shouted "Down!" "Down!"

General Litzmann, senior member of Adolf Hitler's national Socialist party, delivered no speech. Thereupon the Communists taunted him. "Hitler won't let him," they cried.

The convening of the diet marked the beginning of a struggle for control of the state of Prussia, the largest unit in the Reich.

General Litzmann, throughout the session, was compelled to beat the gong for order. The Communists introduced a number of motions, all of which were tabled pending organization of the house.

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Two Races Undecided

NEW BISHOP



After seventeen ballots had deadlocked the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Atlantic City, N. J., for several days, Rev. Dr. Ralph Magee (above of Seattle, Wash., was elected a bishop.

JERSEY VOTE TO GO FOR AL SMITH

Thirty-Two Added to His Total—Newton D. Baker Praises Happy Warrior

TRENTON, N. J., May 24 (AP)—Without a dissenting voice the New Jersey delegation to the Democratic national convention today endorsed the candidacy of Alfred E. Smith for president. New Jersey has 32 votes in the convention.

Today's vote came during a "pop meeting" of the Jersey delegation preceding the state convention. Mayor Frank Hague, of Jersey City, Democratic state leader, advocated support for Smith.

Prior to today's action there had been widespread belief that the delegation would cast its first ballot for Governor A. Harry Moore.

Before the meeting Mayor Hague indicated his belief that Governor Moore's chances as a possible vice presidential candidate were as good as any one else's.

BAKER PRAISES AL SMITH
CLEVELAND, May 24 (AP)—Political leaders here discussed today the possible significance of praise given Al Smith, former Democratic presidential candidate, in a speech by Newton D. Baker, considered a possible 1932 choice for the party's nomination.

"Al Smith was fifty times as big as the platform they stood him on," Baker said last night as he addressed a meeting of the party's county central committee, which reelected the former secretary of war as chairman.

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Flying Boat DO-X Is Over Germany

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Fire Fighters In Manitoba Get Aid

WINNIPEG, Man., May 24 (AP)—Brisk showers and cold cloudy skies today relieved forest fire fighters and brought under control flames which have harried Manitoba's forest areas for days.

The worst blaze was in the Porcupine mountain reserve area, which was checked by heavy rain late yesterday.

HOOD RIVER, Ore., May 24 (AP)—Four buildings in the Odell fruit warehouse district were destroyed by fire today at a loss estimated by operators at \$30,000. Firemen said there were indications of incendiary.

Committee Favors Sales Tax on Tires

WASHINGTON, May 24 (AP)—A ten per cent sales tax on automobile tires and tubes was substituted for the rubber import taxes in the revenue bill today by the senate finance committee.

Oregon War Vets Gain Objective—Ride to Indiana

Sheriff of St. Clair County, Illinois, Offers Them Transportation to Point Farther East.

EAST ST. LOUIS, Ill., May 24 (AP)—The "bonus expedition" of 372 World War veterans, whose seizure of a H. & O. freight train resulted in calling out six national guard companies, started moving eastward at 2 p. m. today on trucks and automobiles obtained by Sheriff Jerome Munnle of St. Clair county.

EAST ST. LOUIS, Ill., May 24 (AP)—After delaying a refrigerator train for 24 hours, and bringing national guard troops to the scene, 300 World War veterans gained their objective today—another ride on their way to Washington, where they will plead for bonus legislation.

The men, on their way from Portland, Ore., to the national capital, centered their attentions on a refrigerator train of 30 cars, at Caseyville.

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Akron Over Two Oregon Points During Morning

ASTORIA, Ore., May 24 (AP)—The dirigible Akron sailed over Astoria at 8:55 a. m. today, and continued its flight in a northerly direction. It was expected the navy airship would fly up the coastline to Aberdeen and then swing eastward to Olympia, thence to Tacoma and Seattle.

VISITS PORTLAND
PORTLAND, Ore., May 24 (AP)—At an altitude of 3,000 feet the huge navy dirigible Akron circled Portland today for 15 minutes, and proceeded north at 7 a. m., while thousands lined streets to view her and droning planes, sirens and whistles sounded a greeting and farewell.

Radio advices said the Akron will visit Astoria, Aberdeen, Olympia, Tacoma and Seattle in that order before turning about for the return flight to Sunnyvale, her Pacific coast home.

OVER VANCOUVER, WASH.
VANCOUVER, Wash., May 24 (AP)—The huge navy dirigible Akron took a northerly course after passing over Vancouver at 7 a. m. today. Officers at the army flying field here, while having no definite information concerning the route the "Akron" was to take, said it appeared possible the northerly course was taken to pick a hole in the low-hanging clouds and that the big ship might proceed directly to Astoria.

SALEM SEES AIRSHIP
SALEM, May 24 (AP)—Perfect weather conditions gave early risers in Salem this morning an opportunity to see the giant dirigible Akron at her best as she sailed majestically over the city with an escort of two airplanes at 5:30 o'clock.

Bathed in the bright rays of the early sun the big ship swung in from the southeast and passed diagonally over the city at an elevation of about 3000 feet headed for Portland. The roar of her motors awakened hundreds and drew them to windows, and into yards and the streets downtown.

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Tribunal Declines To Make Decision

WASHINGTON, May 24 (AP)—The supreme court declined Monday to say whether it would review an order of the interstate commerce commission which would require the Oregon-Washington Railroad and Navigation company to build an extension from Crane, Oregon, to the Southern Pacific line near Crescent Lake, Oregon.

It announced it would withhold that decision until it heard the case argued next term.

Wheat Today

CHICAGO, May 24 (AP)—Wheat prices dipped today, largely because of augmented selling incident to more than six cents a bushel advance from last week's low.

Some spot loss orders were dialogued as a result of the downswing of the wheat market, and numerous eleventh hour buyers let go of their holdings. World's available supplies of wheat showed 6,385,000 bushels decrease for the week, and totaled 403,994,000 bushels, against 417,069,000 a year ago.

Wheat closed unsteady, 1 1/2 @ 1 3/4 above yesterday's finish, corn 3/4 @ 1 1/2¢ down, oats 3/4 @ 1/2¢ off, and provisions unchanged to 17 cents lower.

PORTLAND, May 24 (AP)—With the sale of but 3000 bu., bullish interests were able to force a reaction of 1 1/2¢ bu. in July on the Portland futures market today. May was unchanged, September off 1¢ and the December down 1/2¢ bu. There was no trading outside the July.

Cash wheat was stationary on the merchants exchange. The decline in wheat here was in line with bearish Chicago.

MOTT AHEAD TODAY WITH 174 MARGIN

Official Canvass Will Be Needed to Determine the Nominee.

DELZELL LEADING BY THIRTY VOTES

In Democratic Race For Senatorial Nomination, Gleason, a Wet, Has 467-Vote Advantage.

PORTLAND, Ore., May 24 (AP)—With every precinct complete and nine counties official, the 10,454 a. m. tabulation by the Associated Press gave James W. Mott a lead of 174 over Representative Willis C. Hawley in their contest for Republican nomination to congress from the first Oregon district.

The vote was Mott 30,914; Hawley 30,740.

With 13 missing precincts from Clatsop county rounded up and the first district vote now complete but unofficial, William Delzell of Salm had a lead of 30 votes over Harvey Starkweather of Clackamas. The count was Delzell 12,077; Starkweather 12,047.

GLEASON APPEARS NOMINATED
PORTLAND, Ore., May 24 (AP)—Oregon today awaited with tense interest the outcome of three primary election fights the like of which the state has not seen in many years.

Of primary interest was the contest in the first Oregon congressional district.

TRANSPACIFIC FLIER READY FOR TAKE-OFF

TOKYO, May 24 (AP)—The ministry of communications granted Nathan Browne, American flier, permission today to land in Japan after a flight across the Pacific from Seattle.

The government designated Haneda airport, Tokyo, as the landing