

## Dr. W. J. KERR IS NOT SELECTED

### COMMISSION OPENS BIDS ON SIX JOBS

E. B. Aldrich Presides at Today's Session of Highway Commission.

### THIRD MEMBER IS NOT YET NAMED

Secretary Hal E. Hess Gives Report on Total Receipts Collected By His Office.

PORTLAND, July 20 (AP)—Bids on six Oregon highway projects, amounting to \$67,850, were opened by the state highway commission here today.

The projects and low bidders at today's session were: Umattilla county—Furnishing 12,500 cubic yards of crushed rock in stock pile for maintenance Vinson-Nye section, Oregon-Washington highway and Linnick ranch section Pendleton-John Day highway, O. N. Pierce, Portland, \$11,500.

Yamhill county—Grading and surfacing 0.65 miles Holdrege section secondary highway, O. N. Pierce, \$5242.

Washington county—Grading and

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### CAPTAIN LOGAN TRANSFERRED TO COLORADO

PORTLAND, July 20 (AP)—Changes in Salvation Army personnel in several Oregon stations were announced here Tuesday by the divisional headquarters of the army, which supervises Oregon and Southern Idaho.

Among the changes announced were the following: Captain and Mrs. P. L. Jeffries, Portland to La Grande; Captain and Mrs. L. Trammoe, from Baker to Portland; Captain and Mrs. H. Aro, from Oregon City to Baker; Adjutant and Mrs. H. Briggs, from Twin Falls, Idaho, to Oregon City; Captain M. H. Gelanet, from Idaho Falls to Medford; Lieutenant Evelyn Kidneth, from Medford to San Francisco, as San Francisco Evangelist; Captain and Mrs. C. Logan, from La Grande to Sterling, Colo.; Ensign and Mrs. J. Pack, from Medford to Pocatello.

### Plans For Pageant Discarded Tuesday

Because of the press of duties in the American Legion and in the educational committee of the La Grande chamber of commerce, Hugh E. Brady has resigned from his post as chairman of the Washington bi-centennial committee of the chamber of commerce, and another will be appointed in his place, Harry McKinley, president, announced today.

### Limiting of Land Guns Now Favored

GENEVA, July 20 (AP)—The general commission of the world disarmament conference today received from a sub-committee the draft of a declaration to be adopted before adjournment.

At the last minute there was written in a clause providing that all heavy land guns of calibers between certain limits shall be limited in number.

### Amputation Fails To Save Boy's Life

VALLEJO, Cal., July 20 (AP)—Veral Shelley, 20, of Portland, Ore., died here today after an operation made necessary when his legs were crushed by a freight train from which he fell at Susan. Doctors at the So. county hospital said Shelley was weak from having had insufficient food for several days.

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### Pacific Coast Pear Crop Will Be Bumper One

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CORVALLIS, July 20 (AP)—Pacific coast states will produce close to 75 per cent of the nation's pear crop this year instead of the usual half, on the basis of information gathered by the United States department of agriculture and Oregon State college.

A review issued today said that the total crop of the country is estimated at only 21,500,000 bushels, which is about 2,000,000 under last year but slightly above the harvested average for five years.

With the cherry and early berry season about over in Oregon, the market interest in the pear crop is approaching harvest and to the apricot movement, now near the peak at The Dalles. The past week was the lightest in total carlots of fruit and vegetables moved from the northwest so far this season, amounting to only 618 cars.

Cherry Market Better  
Cherry shipments for the season are about 1000 cars from the north-west, compared with less than 600 last year. Union county is just starting its movement. Cherry markets

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### Keene Refuses To Recognize Burns' Protest

SALEM, July 20 (AP)—The American Legion Junior league baseball schedule will be played off as previously arranged, Roy E. Keene, in charge of the games in Oregon, announced today following consideration of a complaint made by Burns over La Grande's victory there.

Keene stated no official protest had been made, but a complaint was filed against an umpire's decision in the Burns-La Grande game. Keene said further the umpire ruled correctly in the specific play, and no protest would be recognized.

### Hundreds Swim As Lions Open Crystal Plunge

When the Lions club of La Grande formally opened the Crystal Plunge swimming pool near the Second street viaduct at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon, they were more than gratified at the crowd of swimmers that had gathered for the event.

Free swims were offered yesterday, but beginning today a small charge will be made—just enough to cover actual running expenses. The Lions plan to operate the pool on a non-profit-making basis, thus giving the community a pool at a minimum of expense.

During the afternoon the long line of swimmers continued to arrive and when the day was ended, it was estimated that between 500 to 600 children swam during the afternoon, and a large number of adults also tried the plunge.

### State Organizations Have Big Part In Campaign to Elect Roosevelt

NEW YORK, July 20 (AP)—The campaign to elect Governor Franklin D. Roosevelt will be run, as was the campaign to nominate him, through the state organizations, James A. Farley, Democratic national chairman, announced today.

There will be a campaign committee, located at the Roosevelt headquarters in New York, but it will assist and co-operate with the state organizations rather than attempt to direct them, Farley said.

For the campaign there will be only one national headquarters, located in New York City. There will be no branch headquarters aside from the regular headquarters in each state.

### HEAT GRIPS EAST, SOUTH; MANY DEATHS

Country West of Rockies, However, Enjoys Milder Temperatures.

### MID-WEST WILTS; CHICAGO TORRID

Seven Drownings in New England; Ocean Breezes Bring Relief to State of Florida.

While the eastern, southern and mid-western states continue to swelter in a scorching heat wave—which already has taken many lives—the Pacific coast and Pacific northwest states are enjoying mild summer weather, with moderate temperatures general throughout the area west of the Rocky mountains.

In La Grande the last two days the maximum was 74, and last night the mercury dropped to 49 above, a comparatively cool night. Today appeared likely to top the 80-above mark, with no wind this morning and a cloudless sky. The forecast for tomorrow indicated slightly warmer weather in Eastern Oregon.

Temperatures over the nation yesterday included: Baker 69, Boise 62, La Grande 74, Chicago 96, Cincinnati 95, Denver 88, Helena 72, Kansas City

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### DEMOCRATS HONOR TWO AT BANQUET

Walter M. Pierce and Martin Fitzgerald Main Speakers at Meeting.

More than 75 Democrats and Republicans from Union county, Baker and Pendleton gathered last night at 6:30 at the Sacajawea Inn here to honor Walter M. Pierce, national committeeman, and Martin Fitzgerald, delegate from the second congressional district, who attended the Democratic national convention in Chicago. Martin King, prominent

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### EAST OREGON NET TOURNEY IS DISCUSSED

The possibilities of an Eastern Oregon tennis tournament were discussed and committees appointed last night when the La Grande Tennis club met at the office of Dr. William Pearce. The tournament will be held if the local organization is able to finance it with the money now on hand.

Robert Osterling, president, appointed Dr. Pearce and Everett Reynolds as members of the trophies committee. They will investigate available trophies which they now believe will be in the form of plaques for each of the events, singles and mixed doubles, for men and women and mixed doubles.

### Farmers To Hold Wheat

WILL SELL WHEN PRICE MOVES UP TO DOLLAR MARK

TOLNA, N. D., July 20 (AP)—Across the fertile prairie of North Dakota, expected to produce one-sixth of the nation's wheat output this year, today is heard a crescendo chorus—"hold the grain for one dollar a bushel."

And if sponsors are successful, the cry will be taken up throughout the United States.

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### PRUSSIA IS UNDER HAND OF DICTATOR

German Government Moves Swiftly Today to Halt Fatal Rioting.

### MARTIAL LAW IS CAPITAL'S DOSE

Premier Braun and Herr Severing Removed From Prussian Ministry By Von Papan.

BERLIN, July 20 (AP)—The German government, with old-time military precision, moved swiftly this morning to establish a virtual dictatorship over the huge state of Prussia and to clamp down martial law on the city of Berlin and the province of Brandenburg.

The first action was taken under an emergency decree issued by President Paul von Hindenburg this morning. It followed critical pressure upon the government to stop the political riots which have taken a toll of more than 100 dead and 1200 injured in the last three weeks.

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### TIRE, RUBBER COMPANY WILL RAISE WAGES

AKRON, Ohio, July 20 (AP)—A salary and wage increase plan effective as of July 1 and calculated to restore to all employees the 20 per cent cut from wages last January was announced today by W. G. Klaus, president of India Tire and Rubber company.

The plan contemplates adding to the wage and salary checks during the last six months of the fiscal year a sufficient amount to enable all employees to recover the pay they were deprived of by taking the cut. Klaus said, following a meeting of the board of directors.

### Rotarians Enjoy Unusual Program

The Rotarians enjoyed a rather unusual type of program at their regular weekly meeting today. Elmo Stevenson, science instructor at the Normal school, and Neph Combs, chairman of the life saving committee of the local chapter of the American Red Cross, presented the history of swimming and lifesaving activities in the United States, and explained and demonstrated the proper methods to use in taking a drowning person from the water, an applying artificial resuscitation.

Dolph Siegrist entertained the members of the club with two solo numbers on his flute. He was accompanied by Miss Helen Williams at the piano.

### Montana Official For Seattle Rate

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### Money Appropriated For Soldiers' Home

ROSEBURG, Ore., July 20 (AP)—The total sum of \$2,000,000, authorized by congress for constructing the Pacific Northwest national soldiers' home at Roseburg, has been appropriated, according to a message received here today from Congressman W. C. Hawley. The initial appropriation is \$1,000,000 to which the veterans' bureau added \$200,000 for building a bridge and beautifying the grounds.

The independent office bill, recently approved by the president, Congressman Hawley states, contains the appropriation of the additional \$1,000,000, which can be expended at the discretion of the federal board of hospitalization as demand arises.

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### BAPTISTS GIRD TO FIGHT REPEAL



Northern Baptists, in assembly at San Francisco, have accepted the challenge of the wets and will battle against repeal of prohibition and the "cynical, sophisticated ways of an age steeped in materialism."

National Baptist leaders shown mapping plans for the fight are, left to right, the Rev. Maurice A. Levy, the Rev. Mattison P. Jones, president, and Dr. Oscar Johnson.

### Four Policemen Are Arrested On Murder Charge

MINNEOLA, N. Y., July 20 (AP)—Warrants were issued for 13 county policemen today in connection with the death of Hyman Stark, a prisoner, after lengthy police "questioning." Four of the warrants charged second degree murder.

The officers charged with second degree murder are Lieutenant Jesse

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### Singing School Will Be Feature Of Pioneer Meet

The old-fashioned singing school, to be one of the features on the program at the annual pioneer picnic at Riverside park tomorrow, will include women from all sections of the county. It was announced today. Those participating include Mrs. Ida Mosts, Miss Mamie Woodell, Mrs. Will Adler, Mrs. Ray Fuller, Mrs. Lou Richardson, Mrs. Fred Henning, Mrs. Mable Moore, Miss Genevieve Adler, Miss John Nielsen and Miss Lydia Hug.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Miller, of Chicago, also will be on the pioneer program. She is a daughter of P. D. McCully, well known pioneer of Wallowa county.

Pioneers only will be provided with transportation from the chamber of commerce offices to the park. It was announced by officers of the La Grande chamber today.

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The four cent differential is held in abeyance following a United States supreme court decision.

### Marion Court Is Cleared By Grand Jurors

SALEM, July 20 (AP)—The conduct of the Marion county circuit court presided over by Judge J. H. McMahan reveals no cause for grand jury action, investigation of charges made against the department showed. The Marion county grand jury cleared the court of charges leveled at the judge by County Judge J. C. Slegmund.

In his letter to the grand jury Slegmund asked investigation of five matters: excess in cost of law suits in McMahan's court as compared to costs in the same court when another judge was on the bench; condition of the criminal docket with reference to number of paroles and suspended sentences; why probe into the Empire Holding company cases was asked of the Marion county grand jury with resultant indictment and costs to the county; bringing in of outside judges to try the Manning, Ripley, Erpelting, Giesy and Schwab and Archerd cases; and degree of efficiency of the court as conducted by Judge McMahan.

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### Radical Group Of Bonus Army Halted By Cops

John Pace and Two Others Arrested—White House is Placed Under Heavy Police Guard.

WASHINGTON, July 20 (AP)—The three members of the bonus seeking army taken into custody today were booked on charges of disorderly conduct and parading without a permit. Bond for all three was set at \$125.

The White House gates, closed during the morning, were opened again at noon after the prospect of disturbance had apparently passed.

WASHINGTON, July 20 (AP)—John Pace, leader of a radical group with the bonus army, and two of his followers were arrested today after a brush with police at 18th and D streets.

The radicals, closely surrounded by police, had been walking down 18th street. At D street they attempted to turn toward the White House. Police promptly turned them back.

There was a scuffle, police clubs were brandished in the air, and Pace and his companions were taken into custody. Lacking a patrol wagon at the moment, two of them were put in a police touring car and the third was held until the patrol could arrive.

Meantime, secret service officers detailed to guard President Hoover ordered the gates to the White House grounds locked to the public.

About 150 heavily armed police, some of them with tear gas bombs, were stationed in around the White House.

### Three Dead, Four Missing After Boat Explosion

ALEXANDRIA BAY, N. Y., July 20 (AP)—The toll of the explosion of the drill boat "America" in the St. Lawrence river here yesterday reached three known dead, four missing and eight men in hospitals today with the death of Earl Russell, 17, one of those previously numbered among the injured. He died this morning from cerebral concussion.

Eight other men were injured when a ton and a half of dynamite planted on the rocky bottom of the St. Lawrence river exploded under the hull of the 150-foot boat. A second explosion occurred within the boat immediately afterward.

Two bodies were brought from the wreckage of the sunken drill boat last night.

The diver, George Fisher, recovered the bodies of Ivan Rush, 33, of La Salle, Ill., who had been in charge of the America, and Joe Blusarsack, 24, a "dynamite man," also from La Salle.

Fisher said the water was "so muddy" and the wreckage so terribly tangled that he was unable to find other bodies than the two which lay at his feet when he reached the river bottom.

The bodies of four other men were believed to lie nearby. These four were the only members of the crew of 15 unaccounted for.

Those missing today were: Arnold Freeman, 25, driller; Jimmy Priestly, 27, helper; William Alkin, 44, and Willard Chase, 22, blacksmith's helper. All were from Alexandria Bay.

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### STATE BOARD WILL INVITE EASTERNERS

"Certain Eastern Educators" to Be Asked to Attend Conferences

### STORMY SESSION OCCURS TUESDAY

Two Members of Board Ready to Resign if State College President Were Selected.

PORTLAND, Ore., July 20 (AP)—Declaration to invite "certain eastern educators," to come to Oregon to confer with the state board of higher education regarding the position of chancellor of higher education was announced by the board last night.

Following an executive session which ended a two-day meeting of the board, the following statement was issued, without comment:

"The board this evening has directed that certain eastern educators be invited to visit Oregon in the very near future with regard to the position of chancellor of the Oregon state system of higher education, to give them an opportunity to become acquainted with the members of the board and to inspect the system."

Under a new unified system recently adopted, all the institutions of higher education in the state—University of Oregon, Oregon State college and three Normal schools—will be under the direction of one chancellor, responsible only to the board. There will be a president, or lieutenant, on each campus, responsible to the chancellor.

### Ends Kerr Movement

The board's statement apparently ended a movement to have Dr. W. J. Kerr, president of Oregon State college, selected for the post.

The board attended to two substantial bits of business during Tuesday afternoon:

1. It approved the reorganization of libraries upon the campuses of the institutions in its care.
2. It established new student fees.

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### PAUL SAXMAN LOST IN SOUTH OREGON HILLS

ROSEBURG, Ore., July 20 (AP)—Parties were organized at Scottsburg this morning in search for Paul Saxman, 48, who is apparently lost on the divide between Smith river and the Umpqua river. Saxman is reported to have gone hunting Monday morning, but no alarm was felt until he failed to return Tuesday.

Yesterday evening searchers went out from Saxman's cabin about twelve miles east of Scottsburg and found his trail on Patterson creek. His tracks indicated that he had gone down stream toward his cabin, then apparently became confused and turned back in an opposite direction.

If he continued this course, he is lost in the upper Smith river district where there are no trails and travel is very difficult. Officers called from Roseburg today to aid in directing the search are reported to be arranging to obtain trained dogs from Lane county to take up the trail.

### Accident Fatal To Oregon City Boy, 4

OREGON CITY, July 20 (AP)—Accidentally shot by his 12-year-old brother, Gordon Dwyer, four years old, died in a hospital here Tuesday. He was shot Sunday while his brother, Gilbert, was playing with a revolver. The bullet pierced his abdomen. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Willis Dwyer of Estacada.

### Wheat Today

CHICAGO, July 20 (AP)—Grain price losses late today displaced early advances.

Lack of buying support toward the last accompanied an increase of sales to realize profits and to provide hedges against new crop purchases from rural holders. Fairly active in Germany was a bearish influence.

When closed unbet, 1/4 @ 3/4 down, open 1/4 @ 1/2 off, and provisions unchanged to 5 cents up.

PORTLAND, July 20 (AP)—Farmer interests were reported as striking liberal offers of wheat recently on the Seattle exchange with a sprinkling of bearishness reported at Portland. Further general losses were made by the domestic trade with Chicago still unwilling to accept higher prices offered by Liverpool. On the Portland futures market, despite the dumping of 10,000 bushels September, that option was unchanged as was the July Sale of 1,000 bushels December cost 1/4 @ 1/2 in the market. There was no change in the cash position.