

Grade Schools to Burn Wood

BOARD TAKES ACTION AFTER MUCH STUDY

Five Hundred Cords Will Be Purchased Through Labor Exchange.

MAXIMUM PRICE IS SET AT \$4.00

Will Result in Savings to School Board in Addition to Helping the Unemployed.

Union County Labor exchange circles were operating with new enthusiasm today as a result of action taken by the La Grande board of education in deciding to burn wood in Central and Riveria schools this year instead of slack, and to purchase all wood needed for these two schools through the labor exchange.

The effect of this move means that approximately 500 cords of wood will be purchased through the labor exchange in the next few months at a price not to exceed \$4 a cord. It will provide a sure market for a large quantity of wood gathered by unemployed men and by wood cutters who will market their product through the exchange, and will also serve to put a large quantity of the labor exchange certificates into circulation. It also reflects the confidence of the school board in the feasibility of the labor exchange plan, and in addition probably will mean a saving to the school board of about \$600 during the coming school year.

Wood has been burned previously in Willow and Greenwood schools and this already has been contracted at \$3.80 a cord and is being delivered.

In order to make preparations for the wood-burning operations at the Riveria and Central schools, the automobile stokers are to be removed.

Although there will be some additional expenses in connection with the wood-burning program, the general savings will more than make up for this, according to members of the school board, who have considered the matter at length, going into all angles of the proposition.

School Clerk Raymond O. Williams yesterday started a crew of plumbers to dismantling the automatic stokers, which have been in use the last few years.

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MAYOR WALKER WILL CONFER WITH GOVERNOR

NEW YORK, Aug. 9 (AP) — Mayor Walker, "Jimmy" to the seven million—is going up the Hudson to Albany Thursday to fight for his political life.

Governor Roosevelt, against whose nomination for the presidency Mayor Walker voted at Chicago to the last, will be his judge.

The final official word before the hearing begins was before the governor today—a brief but rebuttal filed by the mayor last night. It assails the attack upon him by Samuel Seabury as "blatant hypocrisy."

Seabury, once an anti-Tammany candidate for governor, a jurist and more recently the chief counsel to the legislative committee out of whose investigation have grown the charges against the mayor, had no comment today upon the mayor's latest brief.

Evawynne Jones Wins \$25 Prize

Miss Evawynne Jones, student at Eastern Oregon Normal school, has been awarded a prize of \$25 for an essay on "Human Education," awarded by the Oregon Humane society.

This award was made from a fund left to the society by the late Agnes Berry, of Portland. The terms of the bequest provided that the income from the fund should be used to stimulate interest in humane affairs through the schools.

WEATHER FORECAST

Oregon: Generally fair to night and Wednesday but overcast on the coast; warmer in the interior.

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Investigation Of Killing Of Smith Continues

Transients Still in Custody — One of Them Identified as Jack Newman, Escaped Convict.

Investigation of the killing of Elton L. Smith, Union Pacific railroad detective, at Hilgard last Thursday night continued here today, with 11 transients still in custody this morning, although some of them probably will be released later today. Officers will hold four or five of the men, however, pending developments.

The search over the state for the transient known as "Shorty," believed to be the killer of Mr. Smith, was continuing unabated.

One Convict Arrested

Jack Newman, one of the transients brought to La Grande from Pendleton in connection with the shooting of Mr. Smith has been identified as an escaped convict from the Texas state penitentiary for whom there is a reward of \$25. Sheriff Jesse Breckers stated today, Newman escaped in 1927, it is said, when he was serving time for forgery, on six counts.

Deputies who arrested the man in Bend today said that Newman had a razor in a sack tied around his neck under his clothing when he was picked up.

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Tiny Baby Dies; Bonus Marcher Blames Troops

WASHINGTON, Aug. 9 (AP) — A 12-week-old baby, whose parents told physicians it suffered a release from gas during the recent evacuation of bonus marchers by federal troops, died today at Gallinger hospital.

The child's father, John Henry Myers, of Pittsburgh, told physicians his son, Bernard, was recovering from an illness but became worse following the explosion of a gas bomb.

McKinlay to Speak On Exchange Plan

Harry McKinlay, member of the board of directors of the Union County Labor exchange, will explain the exchange to the unemployed men of the city and county tonight at 7:30 at the city hall. All unemployed men are urged to attend the meeting, since their co-operation is necessary to the success of the plan which has already helped many residents of La Grande and Union county to secure work, according to Hiram T. Smith, chairman of the board of directors.

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WORLD SWIM MARK BROKEN BY AMERICAN

Eleanor Holm, of N. Y., Sends Records Shattering in Backstroke.

JAPANESE STAR BREAKS OWN MARK

Takashi Yokoyama Surpassed His Record of 4:53.2 in Semi-Finals of 400-Meter Race.

OLYMPIC SWIMMING STADIUM, Los Angeles, Aug. 9 (AP) — One world's record and two more Olympic marks were cast into the discard today as the aquatic artists of the world swept through the morning events of the fourth day of the tenth Olympiad swimming championships.

Eleanor Holm, from the New York Women's Swimming association, cut more than three seconds from her Olympic record of Maria Braun, Holland, set in 1928 and also eclipsed Miss Braun's world record of 2:21 flat set in 1929, when she propelled herself in reverse over the 100 meter

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SCHOOL TO OPEN ON SEPTEMBER 12

Teachers For La Grande System Being Hired on a Nine-Month Contract.

Announcement that the La Grande schools will open their 1932-33 year on Sept. 12 was made late Monday by Colon R. Eberhard, chairman of the school board.

Principal Arnold L. Gralapp, of the high school, returned to La Grande during the weekend from a vacation. Mr. Gralapp, who is employed by the board on a 10-month contract, will be busy from now on making arrangements for the opening of high school.

Supt. J. T. Longfellow, employed on a 12-month contract and now on vacation, on special leave of absence, is expected home soon and he, too, will devote the time until the opening of school in relation to preparatory work.

The teachers of the schools are being hired on a nine-month contract. Rumors that have been circulated of late that the school term would be shorter than nine months were branded as false by Mr. Eberhard, who pointed out that the school year will be nine months in length, the same as usual.

3-1 PICNIC TO BE AUGUST 14 AT CITY PARK

The annual picnic of the 3-1 association will be held at Riverside park on Sunday, August 14, and every one from Illinois, Iowa and Indiana and their friends are invited to attend. W. T. Grider, president, states, Mrs. Frank Woods is secretary.

Coffee and ice cream will be furnished by the association. Following the dinner on the lawn a program will be presented and will include music and oratory.

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Price Improvement Forecast

Reapportionment of Congressmen Gives G. O. P. Electoral Vote Gain

By Cecil B. Dickson (Associated Press Staff Writer)

WASHINGTON, Aug. 9 (AP) — Reapportionment of house representation has resulted in a possible Republican gain of twelve votes in the new electoral college.

The big shift in the voting strength of 32 states may have unusual bearing on the outcome of the approaching presidential election.

It was brought about by the transfer of 27 congressional seats from 21 to 11 states through reapportionment on the basis of the 1930 census.

Thirteen normally Republican states lost 15 seats but seven gained 21 increasing their total by six. Eight normally Democratic states lost 12 and four gained six, decreasing their total by six. That leaves a net Republican gain of 12.

Advantage Seen

With this apparent gain, and under ordinary political conditions, the Republicans would be at an advantage in a close contest between President Hoover and Governor Franklin D. Roosevelt.

Should this eventuate, the election result might be thrown into dispute when the house and senate convene on the second Wednesday of next

Arkansas Voted Under Way

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Aug. 9 (AP) — Arkansas Democrats voted today on a seven-cornered fight for governor and a similar contest over the senatorial nomination in which Governor Huey P. Long of Louisiana, campaigned for the incumbent, Mrs. Hattie W. Caraway, America's only woman senator.

The Democratic nomination in Arkansas is considered equivalent to election.

In the senatorial campaign, Mrs. Caraway who succeeded her husband, the late Thaddeus W. Caraway, sought nomination on her record. Her champion from Louisiana came with sound trucks and ballyhoo and campaigned for seven days, charging Mrs. Caraway's opponents were the "tools" of the power "trusts" and Wall street.

Northwest Heat Wave Broken

THRILLING SPILL IN PENTATHLON



Here is one of the spectacular spills in the equestrian competition of the Olympic pentathlon at Los Angeles. Lieut. Inne Petekchary, Hungary, and his mount made the fall, and neither was seriously hurt.

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BERLIN, Aug. 9 (AP) — President Von Hindenburg approved a new emergency decree today by which the German government hopes to put an end to political violence which has cost more than one hundred lives in two months.

By W. E. Brockmann (Associated Press Staff Writer)

BERLIN, Aug. 9 (AP) — The German government, plagued by two months of rioting, bombing, shooting and knifeing, prepared today to swing its mailed fist and "brutally wield" its authority to put an end to political disorders.

Returning from a holiday to find the local bloodshed and sabotage still going on, Chancellor Franz von Papen called his cabinet together to map a campaign to use the sternest measures possible, including the death penalty, to restore peace.

The text of the emergency decree which the cabinet considered in a session which began at noon, called for the death penalty in extreme cases. It also provided for special "speed" courts to deal with a whole series of crimes denominated as terroristic. Including gun toting, flooding, arson, bombing and attempts to tamper with the railways, regardless of whether loss of life was involved. The cabinet planned to put the

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Rift Develops In Ottawa Over Trade Questions

By Frank I. Weller (Associated Press Staff Writer)

OTTAWA, Ont., Aug. 9 (AP) — A rift between the Canadian and British delegations over terms for trade agreements cast a shadow over the Imperial conference here today and sent the British delegates to the Australian.

Malcolm MacDonald, son of the British prime minister and press liaison officers for the delegation, issued an announcement last night, however, emphasizing that the differences which had arisen were not such as to threaten a deadlock such as occurred in the previous conference at London in 1930.

From the beginning the negotiations between Canada and Great Britain have been the most important phase of the conference and the two delegations have made no secret of the fact that they were out to drive the best bargain possible.

The British have had to consider the effect of empire preferences on Britain's isolated position, the possible political consequences of arrangements which would cause higher food prices at home and abroad, British trade relations with Russia, where there is a population of 200,000,000 to sell to compared with Canada's population of 10,000,000.

Canada, also, has had to keep in mind the interests of its own manufacturers in seeking deals to permit the entry of British factory products in exchange for deals to sell Canadian goods in Britain.

Observers who accompanied the British delegation said every member of it had expressed a determination not to go home empty-handed.

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WEST WIND COOLS EAST OREGON AREA

Temperature Sharply Lower in La Grande as Result of Breezes.

FOREST FIRES IN WEST CONTROLLED

Spokane Reports Numerous Blazes Set By Lightning in the Inland Empire Territory.

Coming out of the west, off the cool waters of the Pacific ocean, a wind swept across Eastern Oregon and dispelled the heat wave, at least temporarily.

The mercury had reached 92 above in La Grande early in the afternoon and then the wind began, lowering the temperature noticeably until when evening came, it was many degrees lower. During the night the mercury dropped to 50 above and at 7 o'clock this morning was only four degrees higher.

All points in Eastern Oregon felt the west wind, and men in the harvest fields welcomed it after many days of sweltering work under a blazing sun. In Western Oregon the wind carried moisture enough to put a decided damper on forest fires.

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