

Meyers Wins State Contest

LA GRANDER IS FIRST IN COMPETITION

Eight of the Best Musicians in Oregon Compete in Finals.

SELECTED FROM TWO THOUSAND

Mrs. Flavia Sherwood, La Grande Soprano, Wins Way to Semi-Finals in RKO Event.

Alfred Meyers, La Grande basso and son of Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Meyers, was awarded first place in the Oregonian-RKO Orpheum KGW-KEX music audition contest completed in Portland last night. Mr. Meyers was judged the best of 2000 entrants, competing last night with seven other finalists.

As a result of his victory, Mr. Meyers is eligible to compete in the national finals with a 25 weeks' contract with NBC at \$100 a week as the award.

La Grande musicians, long aware of Mr. Meyers' talent, were not surprised at his victory, and today he was receiving hundreds of congratulatory messages. Throughout the last decade, Mr. Meyers has been regarded as very talented, appearing occasionally in public where invariably his delightful voice won him appreciative and immediate applause.

The time and place for the national contest have not been announced as yet, and Mr. Meyers will decide as to whether he will compete later on, it is believed.

Will Sing Tonight
La Grande people will have an opportunity to hear Mr. Meyers sing at 8:45 o'clock tonight over KEX, according to announcements. He also sang over KGW last night, following the contest.

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Dr. Poling Will Give 2 Speeches Here Wednesday

Public Meeting Scheduled For 1 P. M. and Meeting For Students to be an Hour Later.

The coming of Dr. Daniel A. Poling to La Grande on next Wednesday, Sept. 28, already is being looked forward to by a large number of the citizens of the city and valley. Dr. Poling, who is chairman of the Allied Forces for Prohibition and a supporter of President Hoover's administration, will speak at a public meeting to be held at the L. D. S. tabernacle at 1 o'clock in the afternoon. All are invited to attend.

The meeting is expected to resolve itself into a mass gathering of voters who will elect themselves a committee hearing America's greatest prohibition orator.

At 2 p. m. Dr. Poling will address the students of the county. The high schools of Imbler, Elgin, Cove and Union have received invitations to join in hearing the speaker. The Eastern Oregon Normal school is co-operating and will give its students an opportunity to attend the speech.

Dr. Poling will be in Baker at 10:30 a. m. and after speaking here he will go on to Pendleton for an evening address.

Dr. Poling is talking under the auspices of the Oregon Citizens' Committee of One Hundred.

TO MAKE 201 SPEECHES
WASHINGTON, Sept. 23 (AP)—A six-week airplane tour for making 201 speeches in 31 states today was the campaign planned by Dr. Daniel A. Poling, chairman of the Allied Forces for Prohibition, in behalf of President Hoover's reelection.

The flying schedule was announced by W. Roy Breg, director of the allied forces' activities. Dr. Poling's plane will be named the "Raymond Robinson" after Mr. Hoover's friend and prohibition worker who, before his disappearance three weeks ago, was believed to have covered part of the territory now included in Dr. Poling's itinerary.

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636 STUDENTS AT LA GRANDE HIGH

Shows Increase Over Last Fall of Six; Baker High Enrollment 610.

The enrollment in the La Grande High school at the close of this week reached a total of 636, according to announcement by Arnold L. Gralapp, principal.

This compares favorably with enrollment at a similar time last year of 630, showing a gain of six pupils will enroll during the first semester.

The enrollment, while not of a record-breaking character, indicates the likelihood that the registrations after the mid-year influx from the eighth grades, will not be far below the 700 mark.

610 AT BAKER HIGH
BAKER, Ore., Sept. 24 (Special)—Enrollment at Baker High school reached the highest point in the history of the institution this week with 610. Last year, which was the greatest up to that time, saw a total of 602 students' names placed on the roll.

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MRS. BORAH IS WORSE TODAY; SERUM ARRIVES

BOISE, Ida., Sept. 24 (AP)—Mrs. William E. Borah grew steadily worse today under the attack of ptyphoid or parrot fever from which she has suffered for eight days.

Her physician reported her condition at present as "critical."

Mrs. Borah has grown progressively worse since midnight, a bulletin from her physician, Dr. Ralph Falk, said. "Her heart weakness continues and her condition is critical. The convalescent serum was administered upon its arrival early this morning after a consultation with Drs. Stewart, Laubach and Dedman."

More serum is already on hand and an additional supply of the product, which is prepared from blood of victims of the disease who have recovered, is on the way from the bureau of public health in Washington and from Pasadena, Cal., where two nurses volunteered the blood.

County Is Sending Carload of Stock To The State Fair

Union county is the only county that sends a carload of stock by rail, made up by members of the Four-H club, to the state fair and in the past three years, it has led all other counties in livestock exhibits, both at the state fair and at the Portland International. H. O. Avery, county agricultural agent in charge of the livestock clubs, stated this morning.

The best exhibit in regard to quantity and quality has just been completed at the Grande Fair and Home Products show, from which the best have been shipped to the state fair.

The exhibit includes 30 pure bred hogs, 22 sheep and nine cattle belonging to 25 or more club members, among them a number of state champions of former years.

Union county will be represented by eight boys and girls at the state fair, including a stock judging team, members of which are Troy Becker, of Cove; Clayton Fox, of Imbler; Truman, Irwin, of Island City.

Although some of the exhibitors left on Wednesday with the stock, others plan to leave tomorrow, accompanied by Mrs. Lena Winburn, who will help with the exhibits.

TUE DALLIES WIN
PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 24 (AP)—Scoring their first touchdown in the first five minutes of play, The Dalles High school football team last night moved right ahead to a 25 to 13 victory over the Benson Tech team of Portland. The game was played in Multnomah stadium.

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LIBBY DENIES SHOOTING OF HER HUSBAND

New York Sun Publishes Copyrighted Interview With Torch Singer.

FIRST WORD FROM HER SINCE DEATH

"I Didn't Shoot Smith," She Tells Interviewer—Plans to Name Child After Reynolds.

NEW YORK, Sept. 24 (AP)—Libby Holman Reynolds, facing the two great climaxes of her 23 years of life—motherhood and trial for the slaying of her husband—told Ward Morehouse, in a copyrighted interview published today by the New York Sun:

"God in heaven knows that I did not kill Smith Reynolds."

The interview, obtained by the Sun writer at the unnamed rustic retreat where she is awaiting the calling of her trial and where she is preparing clothing for the baby to be born of a marriage severed by gunfire early last July, quoted the former Broadway torch singer as saying:

"It is knowing that I am going to give birth to the child of the man I loved that affords me my only gleam of happiness, that gives me my desire to live at all. The fact that within four months I will have a child—his child—makes me strong enough to fight for a complete and absolute vindication."

Her first interview

The interview granted the Sun's columnist was the first in which the husky-throated Broadway singer has spoken for publication since her 20-year-old husband, and heir to the tobacco fortune of the late R. J.

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No Hostile Farm Demonstration Is Held Likely

WASHINGTON, Sept. 24 (AP)—Harmon E. Spangler, Iowa's Republican national committeeman, told newspapermen today he did not expect a hostile demonstration from striking farmers when President Hoover goes to Des Moines Oct. 4 for his first campaign speech.

Milo Reno, president of the national farmers holiday association, has announced plans for a parade of 20,000 farmers on President Hoover's arrival in the Iowa city.

Spangler, while House speaker, dismissed the situation with newspapermen after a conference with President Hoover about the trip to Iowa.

"I don't believe," he said, "that the people of Iowa would want to put on any hostile demonstration. They have too much respect for the president of the United States to do such a thing."

The president also gave attention to plans for Oct. 7, set aside by Republican women as "Hoover day" when he will deliver a radio address.

The chief executive today abandoned plans for spending the weekend at his Rapidan camp in the Virginia mountains.

Mrs. William Short Dies During Night

Mrs. William T. Short died at the Grande Ronde hospital last night after a long illness.

The body was taken to Walker's funeral home and arrangements for funeral services will be announced later.

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Attendance At 4-Day Cooking School at 1200

Observer's Kitchen Chautauqua Comes to a Close Friday With Final Demonstration.

About 1200 women attended the four-day Observer Kitchen Chautauqua which was held this week under the direction of Miss Alice Gray, home economist, at the Sacajawea Inn. Three hundred and fifty were present yesterday for the closing day when Miss Gray baked "pies as you'll like them."

A variety of different pastries were prepared and suggestions were given for Christmas dinners. Color was stressed throughout the chautauqua by the economist who pointed out the importance of attractive color schemes and colorful food combinations.

Like a bright summer day, the "Sunshine pie" was yellow and golden brown. Bake a golden brown pie shell and when it is cold, Miss Gray suggested, remove to the most interesting golden colored plate that can be found. Into the shell put a mixture of one and one-half cups of whipping cream, well whipped, and flavored with any desired fruit flavoring one cup of sugar. After the mixture is put in the pie shell very lightly and arranged on top, she said, put half rings of lemon-yellow pineapple, golden apricot halves and rich red cherries pricked with almonds.

"Inner Secrets," bananas dipped in lemon juice and sprinkled with a mixture of pastry spice and sugar, masked in jackets of left-over pastry, and baked at 450 degrees until brown, made another interesting pastry suggestion furnished by the economist.

Pried pies, for which the left over pastry may be used, were prepared by Miss Gray, who rolled the pastry thin, cut with a round cutter and then filled with spiced apple sauce or jam. A spoonful of jam or sauce was put on a round of crust, the edges of which were brushed with cold water and pressed together. They were then fried in deep fat and dusted.

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GENERAL QUILTS LEGION DUE TO BONUS STAND

LEXINGTON, Ky., Sept. 24 (AP)—Major General George B. Duncan, retired U. S. army officer, who commanded the 2nd division and units of the first division during World War, announced today he has resigned from the American Legion because of that organization's advocacy of immediate payment of the bonus.

"I would not be a part of an organization taking that kind of stand," he said. "The recent bonus march was one of the most cowardly assaults on government I have ever heard of veterans taking part in. There is every indication that they were led on by politicians. The veterans did not understand what they were doing, but politicians made them believe payment of the bonus was something that was due them."

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CURTIS ARRIVES AT LOUISVILLE

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Sept. 24 (AP)—Vice President Charles Curtis came to Louisville today to confer with state Republican leaders before continuing his campaign tour in Kentucky.

The vice president was scheduled to speak in Danville, Ky., this afternoon, and may attend the Centre college-Murray teachers football game.

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CLYDE BEERS KILLED TODAY BY COMPANION

OAKLAND, Cal., Sept. 24 (AP)—Clyde Beers, radio violinist, was shot and killed early today in the Oakland home of Mrs. Catherine Delmasco, 27. Police said she admitted shooting Beers after he threatened to kill her.

Police quoted Mrs. Delmasco's three children, ranging in age from 6 to 11, as saying Beers was a frequent visitor at their home and the shooting followed a quarrel over his drinking. "The woman has been separated from her husband for three months," G. G. O'Connell, a neighbor, who reported the shooting to police, said he heard a woman scream, and then a man shout, "If you do that again I'll kill you." For a moment all was silent, then a shot was fired.

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Lottery Trial In Gotham in Recess

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Enterprise Whips Baker 7-0

1931 Champions Show They Are Out to Repeat

Gridiron fans of Eastern Oregon viewed the result of the opening game of the interscholastic football season today with surprise.

Friday afternoon at Enterprise, the Savages, 1931 champions of this district, proved that they would make a strong bid for 1932 honors by humbling George Scott's Baker Bulldogs 7 to 0 in a hard fought game. Most fans, with the exception of those at Enterprise who realized the full strength of the team, had picked Baker to win.

The victory made two out of three wins for Enterprise over Baker in two years, the other contest ending in a tie.

Other games on Enterprise's schedule include La Grande, Wallowa, Cove and Joseph, with indications that unless the Tigers stop the Savages, it will be another undefeated march to the championship for Coach Schiller's outfit.

Many sport fans had been picking La Grande and Baker to fight it out for the title, but after the stunning upset in Wallowa county yesterday.

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F. R. LAUDS AL SMITH IN FRISCO TALK

Gov. Roosevelt Calls Him "Great Citizen and a Great Governor."

G. O. P. FAILS TO MEET CHALLENGE

So Says Democratic Nominee in Address Delivered Last Night in San Francisco.

By Walter T. Brown (Associated Press Staff Writer)

ROOSEVELT SPECIAL, EN ROUTE TO LOS ANGELES, Sept. 24 (AP)—Lauding his outstanding rival for the Democratic presidential nomination, former Governor Alfred E. Smith, before a San Francisco audience last night as a "great citizen, a great governor," Governor Roosevelt declared the challenge of "the campaign has not been accepted by the distinguished gentleman who is running against me."

The Democratic nominee concluded a 27-hour stay in San Francisco with an address to 12,000 persons in the Civic auditorium. Late last night he was en route for Los Angeles where he will stop today before proceeding on to Phoenix and Williams, Ariz.

The auditorium talk was the second in San Francisco. Before the Commonwealth club, an organization of Golden Gate business men, Mr. Roosevelt asserted "we must build toward the time when a major depression cannot occur again."

8000 at Luncheon

"If this means sacrificing the easy profits of inflation, it is a hard road, a silent luncheon audience of 2000 listening for his conclusion, then let them go and good ride."

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Pinchot's Plea Is Answered By \$2,500,000 Sum

WASHINGTON, Sept. 24 (AP)—After a controversy that began even before the relief law was enacted, Pennsylvania today had a \$2,500,000 advance from the Reconstruction corporation for aiding the needy in three of its largest counties.

With the money, voted yesterday by the corporation directors for Philadelphia, Allegheny and Northampton counties, came also an 800-word public statement which said in part: "If there has been any failure to grant relief to the poor and distressed of Pennsylvania, the fault lies with the governor and the legislature of that state and not with the Reconstruction Finance corporation."

... any statement to the contrary, no matter by whom made, is not true."

Governor Gifford Pinchot has charged repeatedly in public statements that the "great rape" was causing starvation in Pennsylvania by delaying the relief loan. Tuesday he took the dispute to the White House, asking by telegram a personal audience, but was told by President Hoover in a return message that corporation actions were independent of his influence.

The corporation directors opened their public statement by saying that "in view of the many misstatements which have issued from Harrisburg ... we desire the people of Pennsylvania to know the facts."

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AGRICULTURAL WAR BECOMING SERIOUS

CHICAGO, Sept. 24 (AP)—Milk strikes in some of America's principal centers, and the threat of such a movement in the nation's metropolis, today gave a more serious aspect to the agricultural war for higher prices which started in Iowa more than a month ago.

Producers throughout a large section of the country awaited with interest developments in New York, where stoppage of the flow of milk from upstate to New York City, estimated at nearly 4,000,000 quarts a day, was threatened.

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Japanese Plane Speeding East Over Pacific

Three Aviators Hope to Reach Nome From Tokyo By 7 O'clock Tonight, Pacific Time.

TOKYO, Sept. 24 (AP)—Three Japanese aviators were speeding along over the northern Pacific today, headed for Nome, Alaska, and San Francisco on a goodwill flight from Japan to the United States.

The flight, sponsored by the Tokyo newspaper Hochi Shimbun, which sponsored two earlier flights that came to grief last year, began at 5:35 a. m., today from Semushiro. At 10:15 a. m., the radio station at Oshima picked up a message from the plane's radio giving its position then as 20 miles off the southern end of Kurofu island in the Kuriles, about 750 miles northeast of Tokyo.

The weather was reported good. The three aviators were Eiichi Babe, pilot; Kiyoshi Honma, navigator, and Tomoyoshi Ishita, radio operator.

The schedule calls for stops at Nome and Fairbanks, Alaska, and San Francisco, but emergency supplies have been laid down at White Horse and Hazelton, Canada, and Seattle.

May Reach Nome Tonight

The plane carried fuel for 40 hours flying and the fliers hoped to cover the 2670 miles from Semushiro to Nome in a little more than 30 hours. That should bring them to Nome about 5 p. m., today, Nome time, or 7 p. m., Pacific standard time.

Preparations have been made for emergency landings, if necessary, at Paramushiro and at Petropavlovsk, Russia, but the fliers hoped to make the flight to Nome without a stop.

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LEADERS IN INDIA ADOPT COMPROMISE

Mahatma Gandhi, Weakening From Hunger, Approves Agreement

COUNCIL DENIES JAPAN'S REQUEST

League of Nations Making Preparations to Consider Report on Far East Very Soon.

FOREIGN NEWS OF TODAY
Mahatma Gandhi, growing weaker steadily, approves agreement for submission to London government.

League of Nations council denies Japan's insistent requests for delay in considering Far East report.

POONA, India, Sept. 24 (AP)—Leaders of the caste Hindus and the untouchables, who have been striving for three days to draft a compromise plan on the electoral question which would halt the death fast of Mahatma Gandhi, reached an agreement today.

The agreement followed several anxious hours in the earlier part of the day when a new rift among the negotiators arose at the same time that Gandhi's physician pronounced his condition to be growing grave.

The plan was to cable the agreement to Prime Minister Ramsay MacDonald at London immediately in the hope it might be accepted by the British government in time to persuade Gandhi to end his fast today.

Gandhi's condition grew weaker and his voice falter as the day progressed. He suffered recurrent attacks of exhaustion which prevented him from drinking water, which has been his only sustenance during his fast.

Nevertheless Mr. Gandhi formally approved the agreement reached by the political leaders, removing the last obstacle to its submission to the government at London.

JAPANESE REQUEST DENIED
GENEVA, Sept. 24 (AP)—Denying Japan's insistent requests for further delay, the League of Nations council decided today to consider the Lytton commission report on the Far East on Nov. 14. The report will be published Oct. 1.

There have been reports both here and in Tokyo that if the report