

## ROAD BUILDING TO AID RECOVERY

### Heavy Registration Recorded For July Special Election

#### LARGE VOTE IS EXPECTED OVER STATE

More Than Seven Thousand Voters Registered In Union County.

#### IMPORTANT BILLS FOR CONSIDERATION

Prohibition Amendment, Sales Tax, Power and Other Issues Will Be Prominent.

A total of 7265 voters have registered at the office of C. K. McCormick, county clerk, for the special election on July 21, 1933. Registration closed on Wednesday and the lists have just been received from towns throughout the county, showing 3932 Republicans, 3203 Democrats, seven Progressives, 18 Prohibitionists, 30 Socialists, and 75 miscellaneous. The voters will consider several bills on the ballot at the special poll. One of the bills which is perhaps causing the greatest amount of interest generally is that designed to instruct the delegates to the constitutional convention as to whether the delegates of the counties of the state of Oregon desire the amendment of the constitution of the United States to repeal the 18th amendment, to prohibit the transportation or importation into any state, territory or possession of the United States where laws prohibit it for delivery or use. An amendment to repeal the prohibition amendment to the constitution of Oregon will also be passed upon at the same time.

Next to the prohibition question, the sales tax is probably causing the greatest furor in voting circles throughout the state. The purpose

#### NEW FARM PLANS ARE EXPLAINED

A group of farmers of the Grande Ronde valley who met yesterday afternoon were quite optimistic over the benefits possible under the new federal farm set-up, as it was explained to them by E. C. Adams, of Spokane, manager and treasurer of the North Pacific Graingrowers association, with which the Union county organization is affiliated. As Mr. Adams went over the new plan in detail and explained the different parts of it, the farmers present realized that while there might be no advantages for them this year, it would doubtless bring benefits next year and years following. Interest at the meeting was keen, it is stated, with all taking part in the discussions. A number of other meetings are scheduled for the future with all farmers invited to attend.

#### FARLEY SEES HIGHER MORALITY

NEW YORK, June 24 (AP)—Postmaster General James A. Farley expressed the hope today that "we have seen the last of the days when nearly everyone had the notion that whatever they could get away with legally was all right." "I think if there is any one reason why the people of this country have responded in the remarkable way they have to the efforts at starting a new deal," he said, "it is because they realize that not only in conventions of this sort but in the very seat of our government itself the notion is spreading that sound business and sound morals are one and the same thing.

#### 28 MORE MEN ARE CALLED TO WOODS FROM THIS AREA

Twenty-eight experienced woodmen have been called from Union county to the Whitman forest to work in the reforestation movement there. They will meet at the court house Tuesday morning, June 27, at 7:45 o'clock, from where they will leave for Baker where they are expected to arrive at noon, J. H. Peare, chairman of the Union county relief committee, announced.

The majority of the 28 workmen have already been chosen and they are Harlin Lovely, Alfred Searles, Clyde Robertson, Carl Houser, William Kelly, Fred Balme, William Haabrouck, Harold Houston, L. C. Henderson, Bill Bohns and Ellsworth Herder. La Grande, Harold Fowler, H. A. Watson, Gus Fowler, Arnold Masters, Imbler, Wesley Smith, Perry, John Hacker, Paul Churchill, Charles Kennedy, John F. Hall, Gerald Clark, Elgin, Glen Lewis, Pondosa.

#### DRAMA PROGRAMS COMING TUESDAY

From blackest treason to lulling love scenes is but a step for Richard B. Evans who will appear in two programs Tuesday at the Eastern Oregon Normal school auditorium. Mr. Evans, who resides in Pendleton, has studied drama both at Oregon State college under Miss Elizabeth Barnes, and at the University of Oregon where he is now studying for his master of art degree. The first recital will be presented in the morning before the assembly of the Normal school for the students only, while the second presentation of the day will be a public recital Tuesday evening at 8:15 o'clock.

La Grande is one of the cities of the state which Mr. Evans, accompanied by Boyd Jackson, of La Grande, stage technician, and John Richardson, of Prospect, advance agent, will tour during the summer.

The gamut of emotions is run in Mr. Evans' program, which includes scenes from the most lasting writers of the past few ages. To prove the versatility of the dramatist's experience and his varied repertoire is but to review the numbers of his program, Shakespeare, Rostand, the Bible, Chekov and Sophocles. From Shakespeare he has chosen two scenes from "Henry VI," the first in which Richard, Duke of Gloucester

#### MRS. BUSSEAR PASSES AWAY

Mrs. Mary Isabelle Bussear passed away at her home on Indian creek yesterday afternoon, following a short illness. She was born in Indiana June 22, 1850, being 83 years and 1 day of age. She has lived in this district for the past 35 years, and leaves to mourn her loss two sons, W. F. Bussear, of Bremerton, Wash., and Arthur Bussear, of Elgin, 5 grandchildren, and 4 great-grandchildren. Funeral services will be held from the Christian church in Elgin Sunday, June 25, at 2 p. m., with Snodgrass & Zimmerman in charge.

#### Calls FDR's Son 'Just a Friend'



Miss Ruth Googin, above, pretty 25-year-old brunette of Port Worth, Tex., regards Elliott Roosevelt "highly as a friend" but regrets reports that he intends to marry her when his wife has obtained a divorce, Miss Googin's mother announced. Miss Googin previously had denied the reported romance saying: "I really couldn't say anything about that. You see, Elliott still is married." Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt characterized the reports as "ridiculous."

#### LEGION JUNIOR TEAM WORKING

Has Good Chance to Get Into Inter-district Tournament Play

Fifteen potential big league champs are training daily at the High school athletic field and promise to put La Grande on the map in the American Legion junior baseball tournament. The first game has been scheduled with Walla Walla there on July 2, a practice game, the outcome of which will have no bearing on the tournament since Walla Walla is outside the seventh district. Jimmy King, of Imbler, and Raymond O. Williams, of La Grande, are coaching the team. La Grande has the only team in the seventh district. Mr. Williams believes, and will represent this section in the inter-district tournament.

#### DR. KIRBY VERY ILL

Dr. E. G. Kirby who has been ill for more than three years suffered a severe stroke yesterday and is now paralyzed completely, unconscious and in a critical condition. Dr. Kirby has been paralyzed on the left side for almost three years and blind during the past two years, as the result of former paralytic strokes.

#### LEAVE FOR WORLD FAIR

Misses Mildred McGee, of Longview, Wash., and Marylou Myers, who teaches in the public schools in Eugene, were guests of Miss Jean Williams at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sherwood Williams, last night. Miss Williams has been visiting with her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hanson, in Tacoma, and returned to La Grande with the visitors. This morning they left for Chicago where they will attend the World's Fair. Miss Williams and Miss Myers will return to Oregon, and Miss McGee will go on to New York and sail for Germany where she has a scholarship in Y. W. C. A. work.

#### OREGON GETS SIX MILLION ROAD MONEY

Federal Funds Will Be Available for Use Early in July

#### STATE COMMISSION IS MAKING PLANS

Many Highway, Bridge Construction Programs Will Be Considered For Immediate Work.

SALEM, June 24 (AP)—Plans for allocation of \$6,100,000 highway construction funds allowed Oregon under the federal public works bill will be commenced at a state highway commission meeting in Portland next Wednesday providing regulations are announced by that time.

Announcement of regulations of construction and details regarding expenditure of the money are expected almost any time by the bureau of public roads at Washington. "We hope to receive the instructions before Wednesday so that the work may be planned at once," said R. H. Baldock, state highway engineer. Oregon's allotment of highway construction funds was \$50,000 more than had been expected.

A half dozen highway and bridge construction programs, proposed under the provisions of the federal public works bill, are ready for consideration by the commission Wednesday.

#### Walter Pierce Will Arrive In La Grande Today

Walter M. Pierce, representative from the second congressional district to the national congress, will arrive in La Grande tonight at 9:30 o'clock by train, and a delegation of local Democrats will be at the Union Pacific depot to greet him upon his return to his home here. Notification of his return was received today by friends in La Grande.

Mr. Pierce has been active in his sponsorship of the Meadowbrook flood control project and farm relief in general while in Washington, and he is expected to be able to furnish interesting accounts of the session, the first held during the Roosevelt administration.

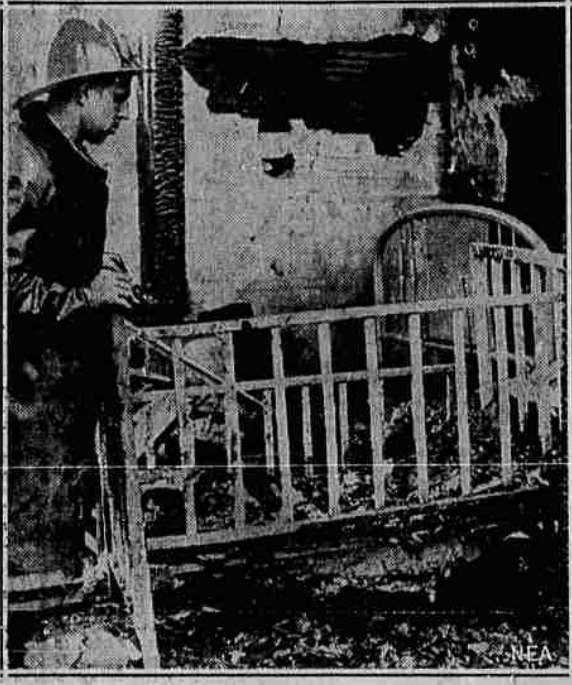
#### ROPER SAYS OUR CREDIT IS SOUND

MILWAUKEE, Wis. (AP)—The essential soundness of the credit situation in this country has prevented the utter prostration of the American economic situation, Daniel C. Roper, secretary of commerce, told the annual convention of the National Association of Credit Men. "Statistics reveal convincingly that the credit of our country is sounder today than in any previous major slump," said Roper. "Bad debt losses in the retail trade have only increased from six tenths of one per cent in 1930 to one and one half per cent in 1932—an adverse change, in view of prevailing circumstances, of a wholly inconsequential character.

#### 'PEPPER' COMES UP SMILING TO MASTER THIRD-BASE JOB

ST. LOUIS (AP)—"Pepper" Martin can "take it"—and come back for more. A disappointing 1932 season, during which a let-down from his amazing world series performance combined with injuries to make him look bad, had some of the fans "riding" him this spring. To make matters worse he failed to show up well in early games after being shifted from the outfield to third base.

#### Tragic Symbol of Celluloid Blast



This charred crib is a mute symbol of the tragedy which cost the lives of three children, injured 75 more and left four unaccounted for in the explosion of the Atlantic Pyroxylin Waste Company plant at North Arlington, N. J. The blast sent a mass of blazing celluloid into the air to ignite nearby homes. Wilbur Appleyard, Jr., 4, burned to death in the crib pictured here while three other occupants of the house also lost their lives.

#### 3 DROWN IN LAKE MICHIGAN AFTER AIRPLANE FALLS

Woman Rescued After 34 Hours of Drifting on Improvised Raft; Men Die in Cold Water.

FRANKFORT, Mich., June 24 (AP)—Mrs. Charles Rennie Jr., 27, who clung for 34 hours to the wreckage of an airplane that crashed into Lake Michigan Thursday, and watched her husband and two other men slip to their deaths, was brought to Frankfort today, weak from exposure and on the verge of hysteria. She had been picked up at 8 p. m. Friday by the Ann Arbor car ferry No. 7, which sighted her clinging to a raft fashioned from a cushion of the plane and a one gallon gasoline can.

Mrs. Rennie told how first the mechanic of the plane, Peter Keller, 24, loosed his hold on the raft, then his pilot, James Gillette, 28, and finally her husband, Charles Rennie Jr., 29, vice president of the Rennie Oil company of Traverse City, slipped to their deaths. The light raft was too fragile to hold all four, and the men clung to its sides after lifting Mrs. Rennie

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#### Chemawa Indian School Will Run On Reduced Scale

PORTLAND, June 24 (AP)—A special dispatch to the Journal from Washington, D. C., today said "Senator McNary was advised Friday by Commissioner Collier of the bureau of Indian affairs, that plans have been worked out to continue operation of the Chemawa Indian school on the basis of \$75,000 in expenditure for education of approximately 200 students of high school and vocational training classes. This would mean, the dispatch said, a reduction from about 680 pupils or more than 400 from the lower grades. Collier said his plan for elimination of Indian schools has been sustained by Comptroller General McCarl as a measure within the economy act, but that he plans to continue Chemawa and two other schools on reduced schedule," the dispatch said.

#### JUST BEFORE PRESSTIME

WOULD PUNISH PRICE HIKERS  
BANK ROBBER GETS \$800  
CABINET OK'S FRENCH STAND  
DELAWARE GOES FOR REPEAL

WASHINGTON, June 24 (AP)—Senator King (D., Utah) planned today to recommend to Attorney General Cummings the prosecution under the anti-trust laws of wholesalers and retailers who he said are "hiking prices without reason." "There has been an unwarranted increase in commodity prices without benefit to the producers," King said, citing particularly rubber products, bread and other commodities.

SALEM, June 24 (AP)—A lone robber who entered the Astoria State bank shortly before 11 o'clock today and held up Mrs. Edgar T. Pierce, wife of the bank's vice president and cashier, made his get-away with approximately \$800.

PARIS, June 24 (AP)—The cabinet today unanimously approved the French stand at the world economic conference for the gold standard and for regulation of world production. The action was taken at a three-hour session after a full report on the London parity had been made by Finance Minister Georges Bonnet, one of the French delegates to the conference.

DOVER, Del., June 24 (AP)—Delaware today formally ratified the proposed amendment to repeal the eighteenth amendment in the federal constitution. It was the sixth state to take such action.

#### Methodists Will Seek Retention Of Amendment

PORTLAND, June 24 (AP)—Methodist laymen of Oregon will campaign vigorously for retention of the 18th amendment and have affirmed their intention of voting "for anything that looks dry." Dr. E. Stanley Jones, world famous Methodist missionary, flayed the liquor traffic during the day. He remarked that in some Chinese provinces the only means of raising taxes is through production of opium which, in turn, is the ruination of the people. "And I want to say," he declared, "that I can see no difference between paying taxes with opium and paying them with beer. "The only difference is that the Chinese don't know any better. I never saw a nation that drank itself into prosperity and I never will. "I am deeply chagrined at my nation, which is going to the ballot box to vote back one of the scourges of the ages—trying to get back prosperity through the tears and suffering of our people."

Ernest W. Peterson, of Portland, was re-elected president of the Oregon Laymen's association of the church, a separate organization of the conference. CHICAGO, June 24 (AP)—Enthusiasm for higher prices blazed furiously in all the speculative pits on the board of trade today, with wheat soaring a maximum of 3 1/2 cents. May wheat, in which trading formally commenced Monday, crossed to above 90 cents today. Persistent abnormally hot temperatures and dearth of adequate moisture brought in new floods of sensational crop damage suggesting that United States grain yields this season would prove the smallest in 30 years. Official advices indicated that Nebraska small grains were beyond redemption. Wheat closed flurried, 2-2 1/2 above yesterday's finish, corn 1-1 1/2 up, oats 2 1/2-2 3/4 advanced, and provisions at a rise of 5 to 20 cents.

#### Wheat Today

#### PRINCE OF WALES HAS ANNIVERSARY

LONDON, June 24 (AP)—The Prince of Wales varied the routine of his busy life but little yesterday in celebration of his 39th birthday. He spent the morning at his Port Belvedere home, and motored to York House to read hundreds of greetings from all parts of the world. Then he visited Buckingham palace to receive the congratulations of his royal parents. The prince witnessed the night before a moving-picture of his own life, the exhibition of which is expected to raise at least \$250,000 for charity. The prince appears in the prologue delivering a speech on the unemployment problem. The picture was gathered in all parts of the world and cut under the prince's direction from 80,000 to 6,000 feet. One section shows his investiture as prince of Wales at Carnarvon castle when he was 17.

#### BIG PROGRAM WILL START NEXT MONTH

Large Sums Allocated To States For Highway And Bridge Work

\$400,000,000 TO BE DISTRIBUTED

#### Rules Require 30-Hour Week With Fixed Minimum Wage; Hand Labor Where Possible.

WASHINGTON, June 24 (AP)—Road building on a huge scale will get under way early next month, to become the first big expenditure in President Roosevelt's campaign for re-employment and economic recovery. Allocation to states of the \$400,000,000 highway fund has been completed by the public works board. Promulgated today were rules for spending it. Thirty-two states a week with fixed minimum pay will govern all contracts, no convict labor will be permitted, machinery must give way to pick and shovel, the actual projects must be widely scattered. The road money will be available on July 1, when President Roosevelt returns. He expects to be able to approve immediately thereafter appointment of state public works administrators who will direct expenditure of more than \$1,000,000,000 under the entire \$3,300,000,000 public works program. Army and Navy Work Meanwhile, pressing close behind the road plan for an immediate start, the army has drafted a \$150,000,000 housing and construction plan, now being scrutinized by a works board.

#### ATTEMPT CANNERY WAGE AGREEMENTS

PORTLAND, June 24 (AP)—State welfare commissions of Oregon, Washington and California met here today in an attempt to agree with cannery and cannery workers on uniform minimum wages for women employees of canneries on the Pacific coast. It was the first time, as Governor James Rolph Jr. of California said in a message he addressed to the conference, that the three states have met "in a tri-state gathering to discuss wages and conditions in an industry upon which each state depends in part for its prosperity." The message was brought to the meeting by Mrs. Mabel E. Kinney.

#### NEW BEAUTY SHOP HERE

The Cinderella Beauty Shop will be open for business Monday morning in the Cinderella dress shop, with Miss Edell Martin and Miss Mabel MacNeil, of Tacoma, as operators. The shop has been established in the back of the store, and will specialize in all types of beauty work.

#### INQUIRING REPORTER

Each day as the Inquiring Reporter makes the rounds two persons will be stopped at random on the street corner and asked some question of the day. Through the courtesy of Manager G. M. Wigh, each interviewed will be granted two complimentary tickets to the Liberty Theatre. The current attraction is Ralph Bellamy in "Under The Sea." Do you think that the benefit derived from swim week is sufficient to make the expenses of the Red Cross worth while, the inquiring reporter asked today. Harley Richardson, 1312 Penn. Ave., who is very much interested in swimming, says: "There is no finer exercise than swimming. It promotes a self confidence in young folks. Young people should take advantage of swim week and learn to swim, because when they are older it is much more difficult. The benefits derived from swim week are worth every dollar that is put into it." Miss Myrtle Hoyt, 602 Main St., says: "As instructor I think it is very worth while because we teach youngsters to swim, and those who can swim, how to rescue a drowning person and how to make him breathe again. When you learn to swim you should teach someone else to swim. I think that the swimming classes at Cove are making real progress, because the boys and girls take so much interest in them."

## Cash Prizes For Observer Readers Who Join In Merchants Essay Contest

Beginning today on Page Three of this issue, readers of The Observer will find an interesting as well as entertaining and instructive piece of advertising dealing with the enterprise of certain local business houses. And in addition there are cash prizes to be given each week for the next 16 weeks for those readers who play the game most successfully. The page of advertisements today announces the first of series of Merchants Essay and Misspelled Word contests. In all \$96 in cash will be given—during the 16 weeks of the contest, \$6.00 cash each week to those contestants who in the opinion of the judges submit the best work. The plan is easy. No artistic or special work is re-

quired. The prize winning essays will be judged not upon fancy work but upon simple presentation of facts concerning the particular La Grande business house given as the subject of the essay for the week. First—In six of the 16 advertisements on the page, the contestant must find six misspelled words. List them on a sheet of paper and tell in which advertisement on the page they occur. Second—Then, in not over 150 words write an essay about the particular store named as the subject for the week. Mail or bring the list of words and the essay to Essay Contest Editor, The Observer, on or before the following Thursday of the next week. Winners will be announced each Saturday for the previous

week's contest as also the merchant subject for the next essay. Cash prizes will be paid as follows: First, \$3.00; second, \$2.00; third, \$1. The first prize essay will be published. Turn today to page 3 and get in the game. Read each merchant's ad thoroughly, not only to ascertain whether or not in his or her advertisement appears one of the misspelled words, but to get a better line on the character of the various businesses so from week to week as each different store is presented as the subject of the essay you will have that much ready made idea of your essays to come. Remember, if you don't win the first week, there

will be 15 weeks more to participate in a prize. Write in poetry or prose or any style you desire. Keep at it each week. Persistence must have its reward. Each one of the business houses represented on the page will be the subject of the essay some one of the 16 weeks the contest will run. Get around and get acquainted first hand with the businessmen and their stores. In that way you will be better prepared to write intelligently concerning them. Turn to Page 3 of today's Observer and find the business and subject of this week's essay. Get out your pencil and paper and who knows—you may turn up the winner.