

Five-Hour Battle At Albany Before Fugitive Killed

WEATHER FORECAST
Oregon: Fog on coast, fair in interior tonight and Thursday; no change in temperature. Local weather Tuesday: max 92, min 53 above. Clear. Today: min 69, 7 a. m. — 71. Clear.

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WHEAT HIGHEST IN THREE YEARS

LOCAL BANK ORGANIZED ON SOUND BASIS

Statement Today Stands as Proof of Progress Made Since its Opening

\$125,000 IS PAID ON INDEBTEDNESS

Deposits of First National Bank Well Over \$700,000 Representing Gain Despite Conditions.

That the First National Bank of La Grande is firmly reorganized on a sound basis and carrying on the banking business of this community and environs in able manner, is most amply proven in statement published today in answer to the June 30th call of the comptroller of currency. When the local reorganized institution re-opened for business on March 1, it had an indebtedness of \$18,000. The report of condition published elsewhere in this issue shows that on June 30th this obligation has been reduced to \$43,547. Practically \$125,000 wiped off the indebtedness of the bank in but 91 banking days! Deposits are well over \$700,000. This figure represents a gain over the figure of the first days of the bank's re-opening. Though not a large gain, when it is taken into consideration that deposits could not be expected to materially rise in this type of territory until crop returns

Polling Places For Vote July 21 Are Announced

- The thirteen La Grande polling places that will be used on July 21 at the special state and city election, were announced today by Deputy Sheriff Hugo Klinghammer. Two or three changes have been made since last year.
- The list follows:
- 1—Frank Cleavinger residence, 502 Third street.
- 2—City hall.
- 3—Stanley D. Jenkins, 2009 Cedar street, small building in rear of residence.
- 4—Lane Chapel, First and Crook.
- 5—Fruitdale school, north of Riverside park.
- 6—Tom Strand residence, third house on Portland street north of Cove avenue.
- 7—Charles Scoop residence, 1804 Washington avenue.
- 8—Court house.
- 9—House at Presbyterian church, on Washington avenue.
- 10—Methodist church, Spring and Fourth.
- 11—Packard garage, 806 Adams avenue.
- 12—H. W. Riley residence, 1409 Madison avenue.
- 13—Church of God, Spruce and X.

"OFFICIAL DIRECTORY" OF 1892 DISCOVERED

Who was who in La Grande in 1892? Old papers, taken from the walls of a sheepherder's abandoned cabin back of Hilgard recent, reveal the answer.

One copy of the La Grande Gazette carried an "Official Directory," starting with the president, Benjamin Harrison, Levi P. Morton was vice president.

Cabinet members were John W. Foster, secretary of state; Charles Foster, secretary of treasury; J. W. Noble, secretary of interior; Redfield Proctor, secretary of war; B. F. Tracy, secretary of navy; Jeremiah Bush, secretary of agriculture; John W. Miller, attorney general.

Sylvester Penoyer was governor of Oregon and J. H. Mitchell and J. N. Dolph were U. S. senators. Herman Blinger and W. R. Ellis were representatives in congress, and George E. Chamberlain, later to become senator and governor, was attorney general. George W. McBride was secretary of state, Phil Metschan was state treasurer; E. B. McElroy, superintendent of public instruction; Frank C. Baker, state printer; F. A. Moore, W. F. Lord, R. S. Bean were supreme court justices; A. N. Hamilton, Robert Clow and G. W. Colvig, railroad commissioners; and F. J. Miller, clerk of the railroad commission.

Judges of the sixth judicial district were M. D. Clifford and James A. Fee, C. F. Hyde was prosecuting attorney and W. G. Hunter a member of the board of equalization.

Land Office Officials

A. Cleaver was register of the U. S. land office in La Grande and A. C. McClelland was receiver.

J. H. Raley was joint state senator with Umatilla county and D. A. McAlister was joint state senator with Wallowa county. Representatives in the legislature from La Grande were L. H. Russell and J. A. Wright.

County officers included: Turner Oliver, clerk; J. T. Bolles, sheriff; J. S. Elliott, recorder; I. N. Sanders, county judge; Charles Hallgarth, county commissioner; E. O. Brainard, treasurer; J. S. Clark, assessor; J. L. Carter, school superintendent; J. L. Curtis, surveyor, and J. W. Snyder, coroner.

Knives Justice of Peace

J. W. Knowles was justice of the peace of the La Grande precinct and John Walden was constable.

City of La Grande officials follow: Mayor, S. R. Reeves; councilmen, first ward: David Bay, G. M. Hickey; second ward, S. R. Haworth, C. S. Dunphy; third ward, J. D. McKenney, William Stephan; marshal, J. H. McLachlin; deputy marshal, J. C. Ardrey; recorder, William B. Sargent; treasurer, Jos. Palmer, and street superintendent, H. B. W. Brown.

WILL ROGERS says:

BEVERLY HILLS, Cal., July 11 — Frank Phillips of oil fame was out the other day. Said he was going to Washington, the oil men were going to draw up a code of ethics. Everybody present had to laugh. If he had said the gangsters of America, were drawing up a code of ethics it wouldn't have sounded near as impossible.

Mary McCormick, the opera singer, was at the studio yesterday. She was just "washing up" one of those gold-rush Midway brothers. He had asked her if she couldn't use him any longer, could she kindly recommend him to some wealthy American girl, so Mary and I are going to dig him up one and we will work on a commission basis. Yours,

Will Rogers
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YOUNG DEMOCRATS PRAISE WORK OF REP. W. M. PIERCE

The Young Democratic League of Union county went on record as endorsing the work of Congressman Walter M. Pierce during his recent session of congress when the members met last night at the Sacajawea Inn. William L. Goselin, of Portland, state president, was to have been a visitor, but failed to arrive. The Young Democrats were hearty in their commendation of the work of Mr. Pierce to date and wished to publicly tender him their appreciation of his activities, they said.

HEAT WAVE HITS WESTERN STATES CAUSING DEATHS

What has all the indications of a typical June heat wave descended on the Grande Ronde valley yesterday, sending the mercury in La Grande to 92 above with as warm or warmer weather likely today. The minimum Tuesday morning was 53 above, but it was nine degrees warmer at the low mark this morning. Street thermometer.

SANDERSONS VISIT HERE

Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Lockwood have as their house guests the former's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Sanderson, and his father, S. K. Lockwood. They plan to leave Friday for their home and will be accompanied by Miss Phyllis Lockwood, daughter of their host and hostess. They live in Los Angeles. During their stay in La Grande they have been the inspiration for several outings, enjoying the fishing facilities of the Grande Ronde river. Miss Lockwood plans to remain a month there.

MAJOR ROLE



109 BABIES ARRIVE HERE SINCE JAN. 1

Sexes About Equal, With 55 Girls and 54 Boys Born in Six Months

RECORD A LITTLE BELOW LAST YEAR

More Boys Born in First Six Months of 1933 Than 1932, However; Number of Girls Less.

Equality of the sexes was more apparent during the first six months of 1933 than during the same period last year if the birth certificates are any indication. Whereas there were 68 girls and only 48 boys born during the period from Jan. 1 to July 1, 1932, during the corresponding period this year there were 54 boys and 55 girls.

The record of births which reached a high point of 112 last year during the first half dropped down to 109 for the first six months of 1933.

June holds the record for the greatest number of births with 25 reported. February was second with 23; April, 21; May, 17; March, 14; January, 9.

Elven Carman Jr. and William Kenneth Rieselund, both of whom were born in December, were not reported to Dr. W. K. Ross, county-city health physician in charge of that division, until January, 1933.

The list born during January, 1933, includes: Franklin H. Seward, Robert Frank Kelly, Michael Ross Glascock, Florence LaVerne Hart, Anita Miller, Raymond Harvey Berry, John Dean McKinnis, Mooneyen

Rotary Takes In New Members At Luncheon Today

An induction ceremony for four new members was the principal feature of the regular meeting of the Rotary club held in the La Grande hotel this noon. Past-president George Walker was in charge of the

EXAMINER DUE HERE FRIDAY

C. N. Bentley, examiner of operators and chauffeurs, will be in La Grande this weekend, and all those wishing permits or licenses to drive cars may see him at the city hall. His hours will be: Friday—10 a. m. to 5 p. m.; Saturday—8 a. m. to 5 p. m.

PRESIDENT IS CONSIDERING WAGE ORDER

Roosevelt Devoting Major Part of Time to Studying Business Codes.

NEW AVENUES OF TRADE POSSIBLE

F. R. to Confer With Secretary Ickes About First Projects For Public Works Program.

WASHINGTON, July 12 (AP)—President Roosevelt today approved the first list of projects under the \$3,300,000,000 public works program and Secretary Ickes prepared to announce the projects tomorrow.

WASHINGTON, July 12 (AP)—President Roosevelt, while pleased with the progress toward establishing industrial codes, is considering a blanket order to provide minimum wages

June Statistics In Far West Go Above June, 1932

By Walter Warren
SAN FRANCISCO, July 12 (AP)—For the first time since the depression hit down the western slope of the Rockies to the Pacific coast, bank statistics in June indicated a higher level of general business than in the same month of the preceding year. This became known today when the San Francisco federal reserve

L. C. Smith Gives His Views On Beaver Creek Pipeline Project

The following article was submitted to the Observer by L. C. Smith, and is printed herewith:

Mr. Editor—

I have been requested to give a short description of our Beaver creek water supply system, also a few words relative to the proposed bond issue that will be on the ballot July 21. If you will permit me a short space in your Forum column I will briefly set forth some of the facts. Should any of your readers be interested in more details or figures that I am able to give in this short description I will be glad to give them any information I may possess.

The La Grande Beaver creek water supply system consists of a pipe line

White Is Smart Summer Color



HOLLYWOOD—The white costumes, touched up by contrasting accessories, are good from the ballroom to the beach these days. June Vasek wears one of the new oyster-white knitted bathing suits, with a halter neckline, backless, and girdled with brown patent leather belt. Her beach parasol is oyster white, striped in red and brown.

INSANE MAN HOLDS FORT FOR 5 HOURS

ALBANY, Ore., July 12 (AP)—After barricading himself in the sheriff's apartment on the second floor of the Linn county jail here, a man police identified as Frank Stankiewicz, 32, who escaped from the state hospital at Salem Monday, held a large force of state, county and city police at bay for more than five

Wheat Today

CHICAGO, July 12 (AP)—Taking a star role, rye today aimed apparently at the zenith, and scored approximately 25 cents a bushel advance for the last three days.

A striking feature was that for the first time some rye sold higher than some deliveries of the companion breadstuff, wheat, so high that Canadian rye is now being imported into this country. Talk was current that ownership of the limited supply of rye in the United States has been virtually concentrated in the hands of a few strong interests.

All grain closed nervous, rye 3 3/4 cents above yesterday's finish, wheat 1 1/2 up, corn unchanged to 1/4 down, oats 1/4 off, and provisions unchanged to 30 cents decline.

JUST BEFORE PRESSTIME

LINDBERGH AT ST. JOHNS TO EXTEND CIVIL SERVICE
F. R. ISSUES OIL ORDER
INDICTED MAN SUICIDES

ST. JOHNS, N. F., July 12 (AP)—Colonel and Mrs. Charles A. Lindbergh arrived here late today after a flight from Halifax, N. S.

WASHINGTON, July 12 (AP)—In an executive order changing regulations for postmaster appointments, President Roosevelt today requested Postmaster General Frazier to draft legislation to be submitted to the next congress placing all postmasterhips under civil service.

WASHINGTON, July 12 (AP)—President Roosevelt today issued an executive order prohibiting the transportation of oil in interstate commerce which is produced or withdrawn from storage in excess of the amount permitted "by any state law." It is one of the first efforts by the federal government to extend its control over the flooded oil market.

MILWAUKEE, July 12 (AP)—City Controller Louis M. Kotceck, 53, died early today from the bullet he fired into his right temple after shooting and critically wounding his chief deputy, William H. Wood, 49. Kotceck was under indictment on charges of malfeasance and faced recall.

SHEBAC, N. B., July 12 (AP)—The Italian air squadron led by General Italo Balbo arrived this afternoon at Cartwright, Labrador, ending its flight from Iceland, according to a wireless report received here.

JOHN O'CONNELL IS RANSOMED FOR \$20,000, REPORT

ALBANY, N. Y., July 12 (AP)—Reports were flying today that young John J. O'Connell Jr., nephew of the upstate Democratic dictator, would be freed by his kidnapers today after a ransom was paid.

The Albany Evening News heard the abductors had agreed to accept \$20,000, a small share of the \$250,000 demanded. The paper also said the 24-year-old son of the eldest of the three O'Connells would be released in the historic Catskill mountains, south of the city.

Dan O'Connell, one of the uncles, and the father of the hostage, were away from Dan's Helderberg mountain retreat all of the morning. A friend at the camp said they were "out for a ride." All at this remote spot, about 20 miles from Albany, were confident the boy would be released today.

There were persistent rumors however that the kidnaped youth would be given his freedom in New York City.

ASK POLICE TO WITHDRAW

ALTON, Ill., July 12 (AP)—Hoping that the kidnapers of August Luer, wealthy 77-year-old banker and meat packer might begin their negotiations.

LOCAL WOMEN TO GO ABROAD

Mrs. C. H. Devine returned this morning from Portland where she spent the past few days arranging for passports and other necessary papers needed for her trip to England and France. She plans to leave on July 28. She will be accompanied on the entire journey by Mrs. Guy Ellis.

MRS. W. H. GUILD VISITING HERE

Among the well known visitors in this city today are Mrs. W. H. Guild and daughter, Miss Nancy, both of Portland. Mrs. Guild formerly made her home in La Grande, where Mr. Guild was superintendent of the O-W. R. and N. second division.

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CASH WHEAT PRICE HERE TODAY AT 65

Represents Highest Price in La Grande During Last Three Years.

100,000 BUSHELS STILL BEING HELD

No Estimates Available As Yet As to Size of 1933 Crop; Much Wheat Reaching Portland.

The recent rise in wheat price, which saw local cash wheat at 65 cents today—the highest price paid in La Grande for about three years, has resulted in a considerable amount of 1932 crop wheat sales, also, it was learned today.

Approximately 100,000 bushels of last year's crop still is being held, and its value today stood at \$65,000, compared with a value of \$23,000 last December when wheat dropped to 23 cents. In other words, this particular 100,000 bushels of wheat has almost trebled in value in seven months time.

Much of the recent sales in the Grande Ronde valley took place with wheat bringing from 50 to 60 cents a bushel.

No estimates are available yet as to the 1933 wheat crop. Reports from Portland state that

Plans For Tom Thumb Wedding Friday Evening

Celebrities national, state and local are expected to attend the Tom Thumb wedding of Miss Barbara Jean Webb, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Clark Webb, and Peter Russell, son of Mrs. Myrtle Russell, Friday evening at 8 o'clock at the L. D. S. tabernacle. Mrs. G. R. Williams, president of the primary, has announced. The wedding will be followed by a reception and musical numbers have been arranged for both events.

Among those who will be represented by tiny tots at the ceremony are President and Mrs. Roosevelt, Governor and Mrs. Meier, Judge and Mrs. J. W. Knowles, Dr. and Mrs. J. L. Ingle, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Cherry, Mr. and Mrs. Angus McAllister, Judge and Mrs. U. G. Couch, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Coolidge, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Meyers, Ralph Huron, Dr. and Mrs. Clarence Gillstrap, Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Victor Melville, Congressman and Mrs. Walter M. Pierce, Senator and Mrs. Fred E. Kiddle, Senator and Mrs. Henry Hess, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Whiting, Mr. and Mrs. David I. Stoddard, Mr. and Mrs. A. K. Parker.

The wedding is being presented under the auspices of the First Ward L. D. S. church primary department.

Today's Baseball

National League	R. H. E.
Philadelphia	1 7 1
Cincinnati	4 12 2
Batteries: Elliott, Moore and Davis; Benton and Manion.	

American League	R. H. E.
Cleveland	4 10 0
Philadelphia	6 12 0
Batteries: Hildebrand, Hudlin, Bean and Pytlak; Walberg and Cochrane.	

R. H. E.	
Detroit	0 7 0
Boston	1 7 2
(11 innings).	
Batteries: Sorrell and Hayworth; Brown and Ferrell.	

R. H. E.	
St. Louis	7 2
New York	4 10 0
Batteries: Wells and Shea, Ruel; Allen and Jorgens.	

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 C. M. Wight each interviewed will be granted two complimentary tickets to the Liberty Theatre. The current attraction is Marjorie Rambeau and Eddie Quilman in "Strictly Personal."

With the world engaged in an economic conference, La Grander turns to consideration of the protective tariff.

G. N. Palmer, 703 Adams, says, "I used to be in favor of the protective tariff because I thought it was necessary but under present conditions I am inclined to believe that it isn't necessary any more."

Miss Alyce Cook, 1312 V avenue, says, "I don't believe in protective tariffs because in free trade there is more of a spirit of co-operation between people trading. If free trade is organized properly over-production could be eliminated and tariffs wouldn't be necessary."

