

La Grande Responding To Roosevelt's N. R. A. Plan

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GRAND COULEE DAM GETS APPROVAL

PRESIDENT'S AGREEMENTS BEING SIGNED

A. Ritchie & Co. and Lee Reynolds Among the First to Adopt Plan

BADGES, STICKERS DUE ABOUT AUG. 1

Honor Roll in Post Office Probably Will Not Be Posted Until Next Tuesday or Later.

WILL ROGERS says:

BEVERLY HILLS, Cal., July 27 — Well, the London conference closed today. It just disbanded today, but it ended the day it started.

There is no better place in the world to find out the shortcomings of each other than a conference.

Of course, we leave as the principal villain. We were supposed to bring the pie that they were to eat. When we didn't bring it, the banquet was a total loss.

Where is the next conference? We just love to confer. Yours,

W. C. Rogers

TORRID WAVE IS BROKEN IN EAST OREGON

Mercury Goes No Higher Than 90 in La Grande Thursday Afternoon

The heat wave that has endured in the Grande Ronde valley most of the present week, slumped yesterday afternoon and the highest the mercury could climb in La Grande was 90.

This was in sharp contrast with the 103 above Wednesday and the 106 above Monday, and apparently indicated the return to normal warmth.

The heat wave started last Sunday with a high of 100 and for consecutive days saw the 100 mark reached or better. The minimum last night was 83 above, 17 degrees cooler than the low mark of Wednesday and Tuesday. The sky remained clear.

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PLANS GO AHEAD FOR BIG PIERCE PICNIC SUNDAY

Friends of Representative Walter M. Pierce will gather at Riverside park Sunday to honor the congressman, who will present an informal address on political subjects.

The picnic will open at 11 o'clock for lunch with those attending furnishing their own baskets. Lemonade and coffee will be served by the committee in charge.

Mr. Pierce's address has not been definitely scheduled but will be in the form of an informal talk following the lunch hour.

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BOYS' CAMP AUG. 9 TO 20; STAFF NAMED

All Youngsters Over 10 Years Eligible to Attend Wallowa Camp

HARVEY CARTER TO BE IN CHARGE

Busy Days Ahead For Boys Who Participate—Small Fee to Take Care of the Expenses.

All boys over 10 years of age are eligible to attend the annual Wallowa Lake boys' camp that will be held at the lake from Wednesday, Aug. 9, to Sunday, Aug. 20. It was announced today.

The entire cost of the 11-day camp per person will be \$7.50, \$1 of which is required as registration fee, the balance payable before leaving for camp to Frank Wyde, 203 Depot street.

Transportation to and from the camp will be arranged by the camp.

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SWIM WEEK WILL OPEN ON MONDAY

The third of a series of swim weeks will open Monday at Crystal Plunge and continue for eight days with instruction in swimming and lifesaving conducted by Ben Osterling and Arthur Steffen, members of the Porpoise club.

The swim weeks are a part of the Red Cross program and contribute materially to safety since instruction is given not only in swimming but also in resuscitation.

Several deaths by drowning already have been prevented through the activities of swimmers who had studied Red Cross lifesaving.

Instruction in junior and senior lifesaving will be held every day at 10 o'clock. At 2 o'clock in the afternoon beginning and elementary swimming will be taught.

Tests will be given at the end of the eight days in both swimming and lifesaving and appropriate Red Cross awards will be made.

Edwin Kirby and Don Johnson, who operate the pool for the Lions club, wish to assure parents that the water in the plunge is clean, since

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WHEAT CROP ALLOTMENTS MADE PUBLIC

Figure For Union County is Set at 682,730 Bushels, 54 Pct. of Average.

FARMERS' BENEFITS HELD AT \$191,164.40

Twenty Cents a Bushel Will Be Payable This Fall and Eight Cents More Next Spring.

Wheat production allotment for Oregon under the plan for control of production sponsored by the national agriculture act is 11,450,585 bushels, being 54 per cent of the average production for the five-year period, 1928 to 1932, which was 21,505,000 bushels, it was announced late Thursday.

Union county's allotment was placed at 682,730 bushels, also figured on the 54 per cent plan, and since farmers' benefits will amount to 28 cents per bushel—20 cents payable this fall and the remaining eight cents next spring—it means a benefit to Union county of \$191,164.40. Benefits depend, of course, on farmers signing

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Dr. Oliver Riley, Ex-La Grander, Dies In Denver

Rev. Oliver Riley, former rector of St. Peter's Episcopal church, died suddenly last night in Denver, Colo., where it is believed he was attending a church meeting, according to a telegram received from Mrs. Riley this morning by Miss Pauline Lohrle.

Dr. Riley left La Grande four years ago last March and took over a pastorate at Scotts Bluff, Neb.

Details of the death have not been received here although Miss Lederle was told that Mrs. Riley plans to leave Denver today to take the body back to Scotts Bluff.

Dr. Riley had a host of friends in La Grande, many of whom he saw when he and Mrs. Riley were the guests of Miss Lederle last summer en route to the American Legion national convention at Portland at which he represented Scotts Bluff.

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Woman Hurls Egg At Dave Hutton But He Dodges

HOLLYWOOD, Cal., July 29 (AP)—Dave Hutton's singing act became a combination sleight-of-hand and blackout performance last night.

It was a case of now-you-see-him, now-you-don't.

His reception, it seemed, as chairman-become-torch singer wasn't with the unanimous adoration of his audience. One woman spectator who didn't like him spoke her piece with eggs.

The ammunition failed to hit. The target moved too fast, downstage to the wings.

Film Romance Now a Real One

A movie romance in which George O'Brien, cowboy actor, and Marguerite Churchill, screen favorite, played the part of lovers in a western drama developed into a real romance.



It was disclosed the other day when they filed notice of intention to wed at Santa Barbara, Calif. Here are recent pictures of the two.

JUST BEFORE PRESSTIME

LINDY PLANS OCKAN HOP

TO REVIEW VETS' CASES

MATTEN LEAVES EDMONTON

RETAILERS FILE CODE

OSLO, Norway, July 28 (AP)—Reports received today said Col. Charles A. Lindbergh, who now is on an aerial mapping tour in northern areas, would fly from Greenland to Stavanger, Norway, as soon as weather conditions permit.

WASHINGTON, July 28 (AP)—Regulations were approved today by President Roosevelt setting up 90 boards throughout the country to review presumptive service-connected disability cases of World War veterans.

EDMONTON, Alberta, July 28 (AP)—Jimmie Matten, American airman, took off from here today for Winnipeg and Toronto en route to New York. T. M. ("Pat") Reid was pilot of the plane.

WASHINGTON, July 28 (AP)—Representatives of six retail dealer organizations today brought to the recovery administration for formal submission a newly drafted composite code intended to cover all retail store lines.

DUTCH HARBOR, Alaska, July 28 (AP)—A violent earthquake of 15 seconds duration was felt in this vicinity at 8:48 a. m. P. T. (6:40 a. m. E. S. T.) today. The amount of damage done has not been determined.

SEATTLE, July 28 (AP)—Robert R. Elliott, 40, a taxi-driver, was killed early today and his body thrown out on a curb in Elliott avenue west early today. He was shot through the neck while sitting at the wheel of his cab.

PORTLAND, July 28 (AP)—The expenditure of \$6,000,000 of federal money on highways in 26 counties of Oregon has been approved by the board of public works in Washington, D. C.

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Lynch said his staff will soon prepare specifications for each piece of work and will put this information

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TRUCK DRIVER IS ASSAULTED; FACE CUT WITH KNIFE

E. M. Fannen, truck driver for the Collins Concrete Pipe company of Portland, was slashed across the upper lip yesterday by an unknown assailant who wielded a knife.

Fannen was hauling concrete from Lime to John Day and stopped at Baker for something to eat when, he believes, his assailant hid under a tarpaulin on the rear of the truck.

At North Powder the wielder of the knife, believed to be a transient, broke the back window in the truck cab with a rock and reaching through, slashed Fannen with the

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JAPAN FEARS U. S. SEEKS Foothold

TOKYO, July 28 (AP)—Japanese consuls in Poochow and other parts of China informed the foreign office today of various rumors that Americans are seeking a foothold in Fukien, a maritime province in south-east China proper.

A foreign office spokesman said the consuls are investigating the reports especially because "Japan is very sensitive" regarding the possibility of foreign influence being established in Fukien, opposite Japan's colony of Formosa, which might be menaced thereby.

He added that his office placed little credence in the rumors and until they are confirmed no action is contemplated.

Vernacular newspapers published assertions that the United States navy made a deal to acquire a naval base at Tungshan Island, and it was rumored that American capitalists are planning to invest in Fukien railways.

FEDERAL AID FOR OREGON IS APPROVED

Six Million Dollars to be Spent on Highways in 26 Counties.

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DEVELOPMENT OF COLUMBIA IS ASSURED

President and Public Works Board Both Approve This First Unit

BONNEVILLE DAM DUE FOR APPROVAL

Oregon Congressional Delegation Expects President to Put 'Okeh' on This Plan Also.

WASHINGTON, July 28 (AP)—The long deferred hope of the Pacific Northwest was realized today with approval by President Roosevelt and the national public works board of the first unit of the giant Columbia basin irrigation reclamation project—the Grand Coulee dam.

The president requested that action be speeded on the \$60,000,000 project—first of a series of developments envisioned to supply the northwest with cheap power and eventually to pour water on more than 3,000,000 acres of arid lands.

Senator Dill, said approval of the Grand Coulee dam meant the beginning of a considerable development of the northwest country.

A Gigantic Project The Grand Coulee dam, only part of the gigantic project, would be a 145-foot structure, impounding waters of the upper Columbia river, near the arid part of South Central Washington. Later on, plans call for erection of a super-dam 370 feet high, upon the first dam, which is for water power only. Dill said primary power could be sold to the northwest at 2 1/2 mills and pumping power for 1 to 1 1/2 mills.

The government is to advance funds for the project, the state of

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Governor Meier Names Board On Liquor Control

PORTLAND, July 28 (AP)—Governor Julius L. Meier late yesterday appointed eleven persons as members of a liquor control commission and means of regulating liquor in Oregon in the event the eighteenth amendment is repealed. The board membership includes those against as

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Allied Printers For 30-Hour Week

UTICA, N. Y., July 28 (AP)—The Allied Printing Trades Council of the state of New York, which ends its annual convention here today, is on record as favoring the 30-hour week for printers and bookbinders to relieve unemployment and also approving the same weekly wage for the 35-hour week, recommended by President Roosevelt under the voluntary blanket agreement, as is now paid for the 44-hour week.

Today's Baseball

National League	R. H. E.
Boston	12 19 1
Philadelphia	13 20 0
(Ten innings)	
Batteries: Frankhouse, Brands and Hogan; Rhem, Jackson, Liaka, A. Moore and Davis, Todd.	
American League	R. H. E.
Detroit	2 8 1
Cleveland	7 12 1
Batteries: Sorrell, Herring and Hayworth, Pask; Hildebrand and Pytlak.	

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 an all-star cast in the "Song of the Eagle."

Nine men and two women have been appointed by Governor Meier as members of the state liquor control commission the duty of which will be to suggest ways and means of handling liquor traffic in Oregon if the 18th amendment is repealed.

R. L. Reynolds, 703 Washington avenue, believes that "treating each other as drinks in a saloon is the biggest evil. Everybody insists that the drinks are on him until a person gets too many under his belt before he knows it," he says. Mr. Reynolds believes that distribution of liquor should be regulated.

Mrs. Tom Ruckmar, 1404 Walnut street, believes, "There should be some kind of control and that governmental, but I haven't any suggestions to make for the type of organization."

K-O-M Picnic To Be August 6 In Riverside Park

Former residents of Kansas, Oklahoma and Missouri will hold their annual picnic at Riverside park on Sunday, Aug. 6. The public is invited to the event and all are asked to bring a basket dinner and their own dishes.

The program will include: An address of welcome by Rev. Paul Mortimore, J. B. Lindsey, reading by Jennie Byer, Laura Davis, reading by Mrs. L. Parks, reading by song by Betty Chudwick, song by Miss Tillie Hug, reading by Barbara Roberts, reading by Naomi Orestman, music by the Clark twins of Alce.

FUNERAL TO BE HELD TOMORROW

The funeral of Clovis De Gagne, who passed away Wednesday will be held Saturday morning at 9 o'clock at the Church of Our Lady of the Valley with Rev. Father Nooy in charge. The Rosary will be recited Friday evening at 7:30 at the Chapel of Walkers Funeral Home. Burial will be in the family plot in Catholic cemetery.

HEAT WAVE SECOND WARMEST ON RECORD

The recent heat wave, which sent the mercury to the 100 mark or higher for four consecutive days, recalls the record-breaking heat wave that hit this valley in July, 1928.

The hot spell this week, however, ranks as second to the record-breaker for duration, at least.

But to get back to July, 1928. The weather had been warm, normally warm, with temperatures in the upper 80s and in the 90s, when on July 23 the mercury soared to 102. The next

Roger Touhy Kidnap Gang Captured in Wisconsin



Four members of the Touhy gang, said to control the northwestern part of Chicago and adjoining towns were caught by Eikhorn, Wis., police and deputies. At left, police are shown holding Roger Touhy, gang leader, so that the photographer could make his picture, the first ever made by police or newspaper.

Group shows, left to right, Willie Sharkey, August Schafer, Eddie McPadden and Roger Touhy.

Wheat Today

CHICAGO, July 28 (AP)—Minimum prices on grain which have been in effect here this week were abolished today by directors of the board of trade.

The directors also adopted the proposed maximum daily price fluctuations suggested at the Washington conference, five cents a bushel on wheat, rye and barley, four cents on corn and three on oats.

Forecasters of somewhat cooler weather in Canada with probable showers in the Dakotas did much to dampen buying enthusiasm in the wheat market. In the late dealings, wheat and rye fell 5 cents from yesterday's finish.

At no time did the markets get up to yesterday's closing figures. There was no let up, however, in crop damage reports from either the Canadian or American northwest following three successive days of blistering temperatures and prolonged lack of subsoil moisture.

Wheat closed weak at the day's bottom figures, 4 1/2 to 5c under yesterday's finish, corn 3 1/4 to 4c down, oats 2 1/2 to 3c off and provisions at 20 to 50c decline.