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BAILEY IN LINDBERGH KIDNAPING?

COMMITTEES NAMED FOR FAIR-SHOW

Will Make Preparations For Annual Event to Take Place Sept. 28-29

ENLARGE POULTRY DIVISION, REPORT

Popular Model Airplane Division Continued; De-Long Heads Chamber of Commerce Group.

Several committees have been appointed for the annual Grange Fair and Home Products show and have accepted the duties. The fair will be held on Sept. 28 and 29 at the L. D. S. Recreational hall.

B. P. Webb and Arnold Voels will have charge of the poultry displays. The poultry division has been enlarged this year and an hour will be set aside for a poultry program with some prominent poultrymen addressing the spectators.

The model airplane division, one of the biggest drawing cards of the show last year, will be held again this year under the direction of E. H. DeLong.

E. A. Sayre, county school superintendent, will head the club work division, will head the 4-H economics club work division; H. C. Avery, county agent, 4-H livestock club work. This will be the first year since the Grange fair was started that the livestock does not go directly from here to the state fair at Salem. A change of dates will make it impossible this year.

The chamber of commerce committee working for the success of the fair in connection with the granges includes E. H. DeLong, chairman, A. W. Nelson, Lyle Kiddie, H. C. Avery, R. P. Tyler, Clyde Bunting and H. C. Boone.

Non-High School Board Will Meet Saturday Night

The non-high school board of Union county, elected recently in five zones, will hold a meeting in the court house here at 8 o'clock tomorrow night. It was announced today that all high schools of the county also will be represented at the meeting, which is called primarily to settle the question of transporting high school students living in non-high school districts to the high schools they will attend.

LOUIS ANSELL FUNERAL WILL BE SATURDAY

Funeral services for Louis Ansell, who died yesterday at his home here, will be held Saturday at 2 o'clock in the afternoon at the Snodgrass and Zimmerman mortuary.

WILL ATTEND C. E. SESSION

Dr. and Mrs. J. L. McPherson and children, Miss Hilda Anderson, of La Grande, Mrs. Ed Clark and twin daughters and Miss Vera Case, all of Alice, left this morning to attend the annual summer conference of the Christian Endeavor societies at Turner, Ore., which opens on Monday. Dr. McPherson and Miss Anderson will attend the executive sessions which begin tomorrow, both of them being state officers.

CITY WAITS FOR CITY TO PAY UP WARRANTS

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Of the total, \$2744.71 represent school district warrants that have come to the city in payment for something or other.

Warrants on the county general



WILL ROGERS says:

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17.—Well, flew in here this afternoon from Chicago. Come to the old fountain of rumors, to watch the hired boys work under preparation.

The town has got "coditis." Every time you come to Washington somebody is headlined, all the interest is centered there.

Last time I was here they were featuring J. P. Morgan, once the R. F. C.

But this time, all brief cases can be followed and they lead to the Hoover building. (The department of commerce building, covering the lower end of the District of Columbia and the entire northeastern part of Virginia.)

Well, this old Oklahoma Johnson is in there and he is papa in Washington now. You bring your "code" to him. He uncodes it. Records you another one, you sign it, get you a bluebird, and go back in business again. Yours,

Will Rogers.

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LIGHT, POWER CO. WILL ADD 7 EMPLOYEES

Utility Signs N. R. A. Code; Total Under Blue Eagle Here Now at 210

The Eastern Oregon Light & Power Co., operating in Union and Baker counties primarily, Thursday signed the president's national recovery act. It was announced here today.

Seven persons will be added to the company payroll as a result, two new employees in La Grande, three in Baker, one operator at the Rock Creek plant and one operator at the Fremont plant. At present 60 men are employed by the company and the total will be 67 under the N.R.A.

The addition of the seven persons will increase the annual payroll of the light and power company \$7600 a year.

One other signature was added to the N.R.A. list in La Grande since yesterday, bringing the total eligible to display Blue Eagles here to 210. A new honor list, carrying additional names, was received by the post office today although the supply of Blue

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RELIEF PROMISED FROM HEAT WAVE FAILS TO ARRIVE

Promised relief from the heat wave which has held Eastern Oregon in its grip for the last several days, has not yet arrived. Thursday's maximum, in spite of cloudy skies, was 98 above and it was the 39th day this summer with a maximum of 90 or higher. Last night's minimum of 70 above made it the second warmest night of 1933.

The weatherman's prediction today still held forth hope for cooler weather for Eastern Oregon, with partly cloudy skies forecast for tonight and Saturday.

Over the state forest fires which had roared through fine forests during the last week, were dormant today and hundreds of weary men who had battled the flames for days were hopeful the danger now had passed.

The Galies creek and Wilson river

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A NEW USE FOR THE BIG STICK

COAL MINING PROBLEM

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fund amount to \$147.31 and county fund warrants total \$15.30.

The city's warrants, however, have the biggest total. Right now there are warrants worth \$2762.46 in the city's cash till, issued by the city, regarded now as cash, but for which no cash will be placed in the city treasury until their turn comes for retirement.

In other words, the city has taken in a number of its own warrants as payments on street assessments, but can handle them no differently than the ordinary person does the warrants he might hold until the city retires the city warrants which the city holds.

Ho hum!

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INQUIRY OF BANKS ASKED BY COUZENS

Says Poor Judgment of Bank Examiners Will Cause Loss of Millions

FEDERAL MEN ARE PUT UNDER FIRE

Couzens Asks For Criminal Proceedings in Connection With Union Guardian Trust Co.

DETROIT, Aug. 18 (AP)—Senator James Couzens (R., Mich.) today unleashed bitter criticism of Detroit banking methods preceding the Michigan bank holiday, demanded an investigation of one bank transaction with a view to criminal proceedings, and charged in another statement that "poor judgment of federal bank examiners" will cause a loss of many millions in loans made by the closed First National bank, Detroit.

Couzens testified for the second day before the one man grand jury investigating the closing of the First National bank and the Guardian National Bank of Commerce. He declared that while the condition of Detroit banks may have been known to the government, it was considered a question of judgment by federal officials whether to "wait for property to return or insist on the letter of the law and close the banks."

That, he said, was "not an easy question."

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Boys at Wallowa Lake Camp Will Be Home Sunday

After 10 glorious days spent at Wallowa Lake, the boys at the Wallowa Lake boys camp will leave their Sunday morning for their homes. The last meal to be served will be Sunday morning and therefore parents are urged to come after their sons in the morning.

Saturday night awards will be made and the outstanding boy in camp and in each of the troops will be selected at the ceremonial.

Monday morning the boys at the Wallowa Lake camp divided up into three parties and went on an overnight hike. One party of the "sick, lame, and lazy" took a short hike up to Bear camp on the Wallowa river. About 40 boys went on this short hike. Eleven boys went to Mirror

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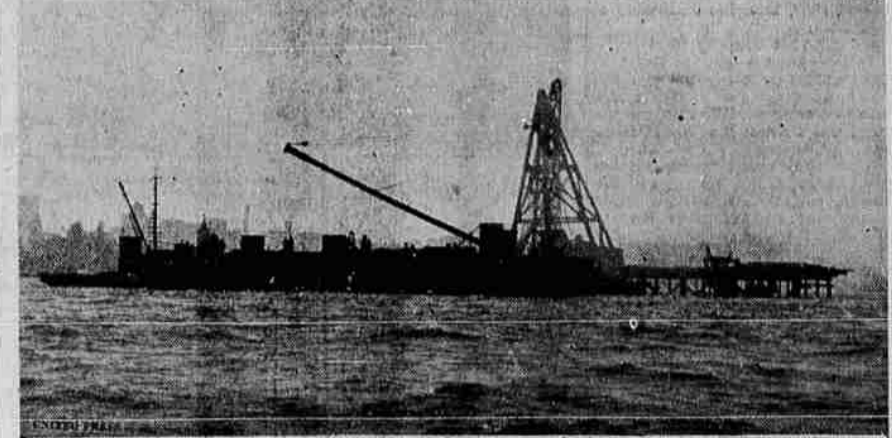
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Where Bridge Pier Will Rise in San Francisco Bay



With actual construction of the great San Francisco-Oakland bay bridge already underway, first construction scenes are shown in the above photo. With the city in the background, the constructing pier, fenders and working platform for the center anchorage of the project is pictured. A giant pier will arise here in the middle of the bay.

GROCERY STORES TO AGAIN BE OPEN SATURDAY NIGHTS

Grocery stores of La Grande, which tentatively adopted a 68-hour operation week recently, have added two more hours to the total, bringing it to 70 hours and providing for Saturday night openings.

Practically all of the grocery stores which have been opening at 7:30 p. m. and closing at 8 p. m. six days of the week, will, beginning tomorrow,

remain open until 8 p. m. Saturday nights. The other five days of the week will find the present schedule unchanged.

Reports today were that the majority of the grocery stores along Adams avenue have agreed on the new plan, although two or three exceptions were reported.

East Oregon Retail Meat Dealers Approve N.R.A. Code at Baker Meet

Retail meat dealers of Eastern Oregon at a meeting in Baker Thursday night unanimously approved the N. R. A. code recently drafted at a meeting of the Oregon Retail Meat Dealers' association in Eugene after the code had been explained by E. G. Harlan, of Eugene, secretary of the state organization.

Thirty meat dealers from Burns and Ontario on the east to La Grande in the west attended the gathering, according to F. A. Epling and M. M. Christensen, who attended from this city.

In brief, the code provides for fair competition, prevents secret rebates, concessions or allowances, prevents selling at less than cost, prevents unfair advertising, and of course the usual inclusions as to shorter hours for employees and minimum pay — as set by the federal government's national recovery administration.

Another objective is to stabilize wholesale prices to retailers, placing the meat industry on an equal basis. The code also prohibits packers and

wholesale meat dealers from selling to unlicensed retail meat dealers.

It also was recommended to the U. S. department of agriculture the urgent need for promotion of a national meat program to increase consumption of meat and meat products.

This code has many features of one adopted in Chicago in June, and from information received in Oregon, it will be adopted by the N. R. A. officials.

LOCAL MEN ON LIONS PROGRAM

H. E. Coolidge, Tom Bruce and Jack Coolidge were among those appearing on the program at the annual Ladies' night meeting of the Lions club at Wallowa last night.

Mr. Coolidge was one of the principal speakers, while Tom Bruce, accompanied by Jack Coolidge, sang "Celeste Aida" and "Evening Star" from "Tannhauser."

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JOHN P. CUMMINS KILLED BY FALL

SEATTLE, Aug. 18 (AP)—Plunging from an eight-floor window of the Olympic hotel, John P. Cummins, assistant general freight and passenger agent for the Union Pacific at Portland, was killed today. He was formerly with the railway in Omaha.

Coroner William J. Jones and Detective Lieut. Richard J. Mahoney immediately started an investigation.

Cummins arrived here at 7:45 a. m. from Portland to attend a meeting of railway officials. Fellow officials with him said they believed the fall was accidental.

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Wheat Today

CHICAGO, Aug. 18 (AP)—Profit taking by recent buyers became an outstanding feature in all the grain pits late today, and prices slipped back fast from early upturns. Wheat showed pronounced lack of aggressive support, and hit the minimum permitted for one day's decline, 5 cents a bushel.

Wheat closed weak at the day's bottom figures, 5 cents under the average of yesterday's finish, corn 1/4¢ off to 20¢ up, oats 1 1/2¢ to 3¢ down, and provisions varying from 32¢ decline to a rise of 5¢.

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JUST BEFORE PRESSTIME

RECOVERY IS CONTINUING

GERMAN TROOPER ARRESTED

CHRISTIANS SLAUGHTERED

PEAR STRIKE SETTLED

NEW YORK, Aug. 18 (AP)—Passing of the mid-summer season without appreciable slowing of the progress of recovery in business, said the Dun and Bradstreet Inc., trade review today, makes the possibility of any sizeable recession more remote with each passing week.

BERLIN, Aug. 18 (AP)—The storm trooper who struck Dr. Daniel Mulvihill, of Brooklyn, N. Y., because he failed to salute parading Nazis Tuesday night, already has been seized by the secret police and turned over to the regular police authorities, it was learned today.

BAGHDAD, Iraq, Aug. 18 (AP)—The killing of more than 600 Assyrian Christians in conflicts with the Kurds and the Iraq forces in Northern Iraq, has climaxed an international situation in which Great Britain, as the former mandatory power over Iraq, has been moved to take a hand.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 18 (AP)—The Santa Clara Valley pear pickers strike has been settled, Timothy Reardon, Governor Rolph's mediator, announced today. The pickers have gone back to work with promises of pay ranging from 25¢ to 27 1/2¢ an hour, and the pear crop is saved, Reardon declared.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18 (AP)—President Roosevelt decided today to maintain the civilian conservation corps at its full strength of 314,000 for another six months.

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OUTLINES PLAN FOR BUYING HOGS

CHICAGO, Aug. 18 (AP)—Secretary Wallace today outlined the government's emergency hog program for buying 5,000,000 swine, employing meat packers to process them, and distributing the meat to the needy.

In an address at the Century of Progress Exposition, he said that the program will be ready to go into effect in a few days and that he expects it to boost purchasing power in the corn belt substantially.

The plan should increase prices of swine, possibly 25 to 30 per cent, he asserted, and at the same time provide relief to farmers heavily stocked with swine but with short feed supplies due to drought.

The program calls for purchase of 4,000,000 pigs weighing 25 to 100 pounds at from 6 to 9 1/2 cents a pound, and 1,000,000 sows soon to farrow, weighing a minimum of 275 pounds, at market prices on the day marketed plus a bonus of \$4. The purchases are to be complete by about October 1.

He said the meat will not be sold in competition with that sold in regular trade channels, and that inedible portions which will be converted into by-products "should be distributed in such a manner as not to upset the market."

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THREE SLAYERS Put To Death In Sing Sing Chair

By Raymond Crowley

OSWINGTON, N. Y., Aug. 18 (AP)—Three times six equals eternity for three.

That's Sing Sing mathematics — a multiplication example for murderers.

With the precision of a slide rule, the machinery of doom took life last night from three men. The operation took 18 minutes, divided neatly into periods of six minutes each.

John Jordan, 33, was first. His lips formed the word "frame-up" as they strapped him into the electric chair.

George Swain, 21, was next, six minutes later. He was convicted, with Jordan, of killing two men while holding up a restaurant in Astoria, Queens.

Last came Stephen Withers, 30, a patriot. He slew his father, Charles, in Hopkinton, because his father wouldn't lend him money.

Do you consider horse racing a sport or a racket? Is the problem of the inquiring reporter today.

Mrs. Steve Huth, 11, F. D. I. believes, "Horse racing is a sport as long as it's run legally, but when it ceases to be run legally it becomes a racket."

Lee Reynolds, 602 Pennsylvania avenue says, "I think it can be both. You can make a racket out of a marble game—it depends on the per-

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U. S. AGENTS ARE SILENT ABOUT CASE

Neither Confirm Nor Deny Reports Published in Denver Newspaper.

FOIL ATTEMPT TO ESCAPE FROM CELL

Bailey Already Charged With Abduction of Oklahoma Oil Millionaire, Kansas City Killings.

DALLAS, Tex., Aug. 18 (AP)—The kidnaping of the infant son of Col. and Mrs. Charles A. Lindbergh in 1932, and an attempt to escape jail, today had become entwined in the round-up of a wide-spreading kidnap and robber gang whose reputed leader, Harvey Bailey, is in jail here under heavy guard.

Federal operatives neither confirmed nor denied reports published in the Rocky Mountain News at Denver that two of its agents had been assigned "for life" if necessary, to determine if Bailey or Albert L. Bates, a confederate held prisoner in Denver, had any connection with the abduction and death of the flier's son.

The police guard over Bates was increased to eight machine gunners after Chief of Police Albert T. Clark discovered three bars of Bates' cell had been hacked through and a weapon-like metal pipe was within his reach.

Prompted by rumors that an attempt might be made to liberate Bailey, Dallas officers took unusual precautions to safeguard him.

Bailey, charged with the abduction of Charles F. Urschel, Oklahoma oil millionaire, also has been named by the department of justice as the operator of a machine gun which mowed down four officers and their prisoner, Frank Nash, at Kansas City June 17 in an attempt to free Nash.

Speedy prosecution of Bailey and four other suspects held in jail here for the kidnaping of the oil operator, was anticipated as a result of special assistant attorney general Leslie Salter being sent to Oklahoma City to press the government's cause against them. Salter left Chicago by plane last night.

The four under arrest with Bailey were R. G. Shannon, at whose isolated farm in Wise county Bailey was arrested last Saturday; Shannon's wife; their son, Armon; and Armon's wife. The Shannons were anxious to make the \$50,000 bond set for each but protested it was more than they could raise. Bailey's bond was set at \$100,000.

NO NEWS AT TRENTON

TRENTON, N. J., Aug. 18 (AP)—Major Charles Schoffel, of the New Jersey state police, said today no information had been forwarded here as to Harvey Bailey's possible connection with the Lindbergh kidnaping. "Until that time," he added, "questions cannot be answered."

URGES HUNTERS TO BE CAREFUL WHILE IN HILLS

With the grouse season scheduled to open in Union, Wallowa and Baker counties next Sunday morning, due to a change in the open season announced last Monday by the state game commission, hunters are being urged to look over their abrogations, high topped boots, etc.

And at the same time, there comes a plea to grouse hunters from the forest service office at Wallowa.

It reads:

"Within the last couple of weeks the forest and range lands in Wallowa county have dried out to the extent that now the fire hazard has reached the danger point. Each day from now on that low humidity and

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