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NAME SHORB HOME LOAN MANAGER

DEATH TAKES F. H. KIDDLE LATE MONDAY

President and Manager of Pioneer Flouring Mills Dies Unexpectedly.

FUNERAL SERVICE TO BE WEDNESDAY

Was Associated With Local Industry Since 1895; Prominent in Shipping, Grain Business.

Fred H. Kiddle Sr., 64 years of age, died unexpectedly at his home at Island City about 8 o'clock Monday night. He had been in poor health for some time, but his condition did not become serious until he suffered a heart attack.

With his passing, the original founders of the Pioneer Flouring Mills of Union county have gone on. He was president and manager of this organization at the time of his death, which has mills at Island City, La Grande, Elgin and Union, and warehouses at Conley, Alice and Imbler.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday afternoon at the chapel of Walker's Funeral Home at 2 o'clock with Rev. George J. Waiz in charge. Burial will take place in the family lot in the Island City cemetery.

Honorary pallbearers are J. A. Garity Sr., Charles Playe, W. H. Bohnenkamp Sr., A. T. Hill, F. L. Meyers and Chet Bidwell. Active pallbearers are Nels Nelson, Frank Perry, Clay Fox, William Wolvinkler, Elias Simmons and Ray Blokland, all members of the staff of the Pioneer mills.

Born in Illinois, Mr. Kiddle was born in Stockton, Ill., Sept. 19, 1868 and was 64 years, 11 months and two days of age. He moved to Island City in 1895 from Jefferson, Iowa, and became associated with his brother, Ed, in the Pioneer mills. He became president of this organization in 1917. He also was associated with the shipping of livestock in Union and Wallowa counties for the last 30 years and was very active in the grain business all his life.

He was a member of the La Grande Lodge No. 41, A. F. & A. M., the Eastern Star and the Modern Woodmen of America.

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Ed Wynn Wires C. T. Lindsey About New Fire Chief Gas

Every body knows about Ed Wynn—how he wired Ed Wynn to know. He lives at Hollywood, yet know, and broadcasts on the radio, and also does a bit now and then in the pictures.

Today C. T. Lindsey, fire chief of La Grande, received the following telegram, and is pleased.

Hollywood, Cal.

"Chief C. T. Lindsey:

"Personal, Fire Department, La Grande, Ore.:

"Dear friend: As a brother chief I feel it is my duty to tip you off to the new one hundred per cent anti-knock greater Fire Chief gasoline (step). We use it at our house and it is so powerful that when Auntie knocks Uncle jumps out the window (step). In fact, I drank some of it and it is so powerful my breath started a windmill on a Dutch picture in our living room (step). In closing all I can say Chief Lindsey, is by all means use it, tell your friends to use it, tell strangers to use it, tell the whole world to use it (step). As for me, I will stick to my horse. SO O O O ED WYNN."

WARMER WEATHER IN STORE TODAY

The sun, unobstructed by clouds, warmed up the Grande House valley quite a bit Monday, bringing the mercury up to a maximum of 80 above in La Grande, and indications today were that this mark would be surpassed this afternoon.

The increasing warmth followed an unusually cold August day when the maximum Sunday went no higher than 67.

The nights have been chilly so far this week, with a minimum of 47 above Sunday night and 48 above last night.

The weather forecast for Oregon is for fair skies tonight and Wednesday, and warmer in the north portion.

PER CAPITA LOSS BY FIRE VERY LOW HERE

La Grande, which last summer was in constant fear of fire because of incendiary activity, goes about its work and play this summer in a complacent frame of mind.

Few fire bells have been heard, and there have been no big fires since last winter.

Interested in finding how much fire loss there had been the last half year, an Observer reporter turned to the fire chief's records today and this was his findings:

Month Fire Loss \$ 636 25

March none

April 2093.37

WILL ROGERS says:

CHICAGO, Aug. 21 — Well, we "Hillbillies" beat the "Dudes" and took the polo championship of the world, right out of the drawing rooms and into the luncheon.

And she won't go east in years, for the west always thought you had to have a birth certificate to play it. Now every cowpuncher is herding in the heifers with a corn plaster saddle, and even the "hay heavers" have changed a pitchfork into a polo mallet.

Twenty thousand Chicagoans witnessed Sunday's social massacre. Nineteen thousand of 'em had never seen a horse, much less a polo game, so from now on, west of the Mississippi, "Old Dobbin" plows in the field only till 4 o'clock, when he will be washed, scrubbed, his teeth polished, and he goes out on the lawn to cavort in what used to be known as strictly a social recreation.

Poor old society, they got nothing exclusive left. The movie folks out-married and outdivorced 'em, the common folks took their cocktails, "near" society took to bridge. Now polo has gone to the buckwheat belt, so poor old society hasn't even been left a code. Yours,

Will Rogers

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STOCK SHOW TO OPEN ITS GATES SOON

Twenty-Fifth Annual Event at Union Scheduled For Last of This Week.

Final preparations were being made today and tomorrow at Union for the Eastern Oregon Livestock show, which will begin a three-day run Thursday. The town was being decorated, and

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GENERAL WHITE AND PARTY HERE

Major-General George A. White, of Salem, commander of the Oregon-Washington national guard; Dr. John Evans of Salem; Major Ed Hamilton, Dallas; Capt. Lee Merrill, of Portland; and G. E. Emigh, coach of the Burns High school, stopped in La Grande last night where they called on Col. R. R. Huron, commander of the 196th Infantry of the Oregon national guard. The party is en route to Wallowa county to spend several days hunting grouse and fishing in the streams there.

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LETTER SENT TODAY TO THE EX-PRESIDENT

Action to Have Hoover Testify at Detroit Due to Couzens' Suggestion

ATTITUDE OF U. S. SOUGHT BY JURY

Believes Hoover Has "Certain Facts" in His Possession Which May Clarify Matters.

WAGE STRIKES IMPERIL HUGE FRUIT CROPS

Here are scenes around the Tagus ranch, near Fresno, Cal., one of the big fruit areas where labor disputes spread, to put over 5000 workers out at strike throughout California orchards. Above—Belongings of Tagus ranch laborer dumped alongside of the highway, the concern insisting that the occupants of their cabins either pack fruit or vacate the cabins. Below—Strikers parading beside the highway in front of Tagus ranch headquarters, carrying banners urging all to continue the strike for 35 cents an hour. Inset—Pat Chambers, declared by Tagus ranch officials to be a professional agitator, arrested after three days on charge of disturbing the peace. He was released on bail.

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Man Stabbed At Powder on Aug. 11 Leaves Hospital

Arthur Gilley, of North Powder, who was stabbed at a dance hall in North Powder on Friday, Aug. 11, has sufficiently recovered to be able to leave the Baker hospital where he has been confined, and Buster Cole, also of North Powder, his alleged assailant, is being held in the Union county jail on an open charge. Gilley, a 19-year-old farm hand was stabbed twice through the left lung.

Reports from Baker state that officers arrived at the scene within a few minutes after the fight and said Cole was intoxicated and that he had a scratch above his left eye and a trace of blood on his nose. They also said he admitted being in a fight

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SCOUTS QUALIFY FOR MERIT BADGES WHILE AT WALLOWA BOYS CAMP

An outstanding record for merit badge achievements was established at the boys' camp at Wallowa Lake which closed Sunday morning. Gilbert Stein was in charge of tenderfoot candidates, Donald Higgins of second class candidates, and Woodrow Dammerell had general supervision of the swimming activities. Merit badges awarded include:

Tenderfoot—John Kepp, Ernest Woodell, Eugene Parlette, Robert Dow, John McManus, John Ralston, Wayne Williamson, Harry Carter, David Douglas, Eugene Becker, Merrill Rosenbaum and Willard Hall.

Second Class—Bob McClay, Harold Weeks, Bob Dow, Vance Knight and Frederick Lewis.

First Class—Jack Eakin and Eugene Hochester, Eugene Becker, Merit Badges—John Biggs—Pioneering; Jack Eakin—Life saving, swimming; Jim Brimton—Swimming; Dan Biggs—Swimming; Harry Carter—Swimming; Bob Dow—Swimming; Frederick Lewis—Swimming; Eugene Winters—Swimming; Harold Weeks—Swimming; Donald Shelton—Swimming; Eugene

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PROGRESS ON COAL CODE IS REPORTED

President Cheered By Word From Gen. Johnson, NRA Administrator

By Francis M. Stephenson

HYDE PARK, N. Y., Aug. 22 (AP)—A report of progress on the solution of a single working code for the distressed coal industry cheered President Roosevelt today in his effort to complete the recovery drive by Labor day.

General Hugh S. Johnson, the in-

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WHEAT TODAY

The price of local cash wheat today stood at 53 cents, according to quotations at the Pioneer Flouring Mills.

CHICAGO, Aug. 22 (AP)—Rye earned the spotlight in the grain markets today with an advance of five cents a bushel, the maximum permitted in one day. Buying orders, especially from mills and elevators, boosted rye.

All other grains were carried a little higher in sympathy with rye after spending the most of the day in the doldrums. Erratic fluctuations, such as characterized yesterday's trading, were absent and traders said the markets were beginning to reflect the laws of supply and demand. Crop comments were generally unfavorable and trading was small.

What closed firmer and 3/4 to 1 1/4 cents higher than yesterday's finish. Corn was easy 1/4 to 3/8 lower.

Oats 1/2 to 3/8 higher, rye 4 1/2 to 4 1/4 up, and provisions steady to 1/8 advance.

JUST BEFORE PRESSTIME

KLAMATH FIREBUGS CONFESS

EASTERN GALE CONTINUES

LINDBERGH'S TAKE TO AIR

SEVEN FARMERS KILLED

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Aug. 22 (AP)—Two men arrested yesterday confessed this afternoon they were responsible for a series of incendiary fires in Klamath Falls, 21, Klamath Falls, and Wayne Cooley, 22, of Spokane.

NEW YORK, Aug. 22 (AP)—A whirlwind gale that has taken at least nine lives still stung part of the eastern seaboard today. Rain, driving down in record-shattering volume, increased damage done by waves and tide.

REYKJAVIK, Iceland, Aug. 22 (AP)—Colonel and Mrs. Charles A. Lindbergh hopped off from Reykjavik today, refusing to reveal their destination, but it was believed here that they were not leaving Iceland immediately.

LUMBERTON, N. C., Aug. 22 (AP)—Seven Lenoir county farmers were killed and three critically injured here today when their tobacco truck crashed into a seaboard airline gas-propelled passenger train running from Hamlet to Wilmington.

NEWARK, N. J., Aug. 22 (AP)—An explosion in one of the buildings of the celluloid company in Ferry street killed a man and a girl today and injured six other workers, three of them so seriously they may die.

EPIDEMIC WORST IN U. S. HISTORY DR. LEAKE SAYS

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 22 (AP)—The epidemic of "sleeping sickness" in this vicinity was described here today by Dr. J. P. Lenke of the United States public health service as being by far the most serious outbreak the country has ever known.

Two deaths during the last 24 hours have brought the number of victims of the strange malady of encephalitis to 15, while 149 persons were reported ill of the disease.

Dr. Lenke, who was dispatched here from Washington when the outbreak first became serious, said there was no reason to fear the epidemic could resume proportions of a plague, however, and that there should be no undue alarm.

"The situation in St. Louis, nevertheless, must be regarded as serious," he said, "as science knows little about the disease."

"Next in seriousness to the St. Louis and St. Louis county epidemics," Dr. Lenke added, "was the one in Spokane, Wash., during the years of 1919, 1920 and 1921. Over the three-year period 19 persons died, but the total number of patients did not compare with those already ill here."

Dr. Ralph Muckenfuss of Washington university, in an effort to produce an immunizing serum, has been conducting research with monkey, inoculating them with various materials

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APPOINTMENT MADE TODAY IN PORTLAND

La Grande Printer Expected to Return to City on Wednesday.

NEWS IS WELCOMED BY LOCAL PEOPLE

Home Owners of Eastern Oregon Anxiously Awaiting Word of Opening of Branch Here.

C. J. Shorb, of La Grande, today was appointed manager of the La Grande branch of the Home Owners' Loan corporation, a federal organization to aid distressed home owners, according to word received from the Associated Press in Portland. The announcement was made by J. P. Lipscomb, Oregon manager of the corporation.

News of Mr. Shorb's appointment was received with delight throughout Eastern Oregon, where hundreds of home owners have been anxiously awaiting word of action in setting up the La Grande office, through which all applications for relief from this section of the state will have to be cleared.

The appointment came as a distinct surprise to many, as it was not generally known that he was a candidate for the position. He was in Portland today and was not expected home until tomorrow.

Appointment of Mr. Shorb probable

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Grand Jury Will Quiz Politicians On Gang Rackets

NEW YORK, Aug. 22 (AP)—A showdown on the charge that some politicians work hand in glove with racketeers and gangsters was expected today.

On the even of a campaign in which embedded fusionists led by Florida H. La Guardia, will seek to drive Tammany from city hall, a county grand jury took matters in its own hands.

United States Attorney George Z. Medalle went before the New York jury today to tell of an alleged union between racketeers and some political district leaders.

He recently told a senate sub-committee investigating racketeering that such a union existed and said he was ready to go before the grand jury to corroborate his assertion if called.

District Attorney Thomas C. Crain took no action, but yesterday the grand jury subpoenaed Medalle and announced its investigation would be carried on without the presence of Crain or his assistants.

Shortly after Medalle reached the criminal courts building today Crain, chief assistant, Albert E. Unger, and Assistant District Attorney Harold W. Hastings went into the grand jury room. They stayed about 10 minutes.

Hastings said he, Crain and Unger had been invited into the grand jury room by the grand jury and that they then had been "invited out." After they returned to their offices Medalle was summoned to the grand jury room.

Today's Baseball

AMERICAN LEAGUE

First Game R. H. E.
Boston 1 7 1
Chicago 8 15 0
Rhode and Ferrell; Lyons and Grube.

GRAIN MEETING CONTINUES TODAY

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 22 (AP)—Grain men from all parts of the Pacific Northwest continued their efforts here today to come to an agreement with the federal government on a plan to export from this district the estimated surplus of 40,000,000 bushels of wheat that is having an adverse effect on the price of the product in other sections of the country.

After an all-day meeting yesterday, and an executive session last night, those at the conference intimated they were confident a definite plan will be agreed upon. The group met in another executive conference today.

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CUBAN EXPORTS ARE PICKING UP



STRIKE IN CUBA SETTLED TODAY

HAVANA, Aug. 22 (AP)—After settling a three-weeks strike of Havana harbor workers the Cuban provisional government today scrutinized other problems handed down by the deposed Machado regime as well as Gerardo Machado and his followers.

There had to do with such activities against the persons and property of Macharistas, payment of salaries overdue four to 14 months, pressing financial problems and records of the overthrown administration.

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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 all-star cast in "International House."

The advisability of having a special session of the legislature at Salem is being discussed pro and con here this week.

Rep. Victor Eckley, Fruittdale, says, "I believe a special session should be held to regulate the liquor tax. A large sum of revenue has been accrued from the horse races at Gresh-

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am and just as large a sum can be gotten from the regulation on beer."

Avery Harrison, 2012 Third street, says, "I haven't given a special session of the legislature much thought, however I do believe that the state should get some revenue from the sale of liquor if it can be done without jeopardizing the business."