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EAST OREGON CONVENTION HERE SUNDAY

State President of Eagles, D. D. Hail, Addresses Delegates.

LODGE TO FIGHT PENSION ATTACK

Move to Balk Old Age Pension Law Will Be Combated; Other Activities Planned.

Workmen's compensation and the old age pension, of which the Eagles lodge has been an unflinching exponent, formed the main theme of the address which D. D. Hail, of Portland, state president, delivered yesterday before representatives of the series of this district at the Eagles hall, Pendleton, Baker, Ontario, Nysa, Burns and La Grande had delegates at the all-day meeting.

Although Oregon already has workmen's compensation laws, the Eagles are seeking improvements to aid the working classes, Mr. Hail said. One improvement urged is that a doctor and attorney be selected from the community in which the injury was sustained instead of from Salem.

Two different groups in the state are now circulating petitions to balk the old age pension law championed by the Eagles lodge. The lodge will have petitions ready for circulation very soon, Mr. Hail said.

The state president also reported on the activities of aerie throughout the state and the work being done for relief of unemployed.

Arthur Cowan was initiated during the session. C. E. Hays, of Portland, was here from Portland and spoke on activities throughout the state.

Registration was followed by a banquet served at 12:30 to about 175 by the local aerie and auxiliary. Music was furnished during the banquet by Bud Shidler and his musicians, and Mrs. Adrian See sang a group of vocal numbers.

In the afternoon, the auxiliary entertained their visiting members and guests with an enjoyable program. The lodge was holding session. See sang, Milton Shultz played piano, Mrs. Curtis Shultz gave a reading as did Mrs. E. O. Morris; Miss Mildred Butcher, a piano solo, Miss Helen Miller, oriental dance accompanied by Miss Eleanor Hicks, Miss Adrianna See sang and gave a tap dance, with Mrs. Winifred Chase playing accompaniment. Junior Toveva jig danced while Mr. Shultz accompanied him. Anita Herrmann played a violin solo, accompanied by Miss Melba Shepherd.

A pre-convention dance was held at the hall Saturday evening.

Building Total For September Here Is \$1235

Building permits were issued for \$1235 in new construction in La Grande during September, bringing the total for the year to \$38,388. The August figure was \$1550.

New permits issued last week at the city office included: E. S. Fleming, \$25, to erect chicken house on N between Sixth and Seventh; El-Ray, \$100, to alter and repair a home on Sixth between M and N.

MISS GUHLEMAN HAS OPERATION

Miss Evelyn Guhleman, of La Grande, underwent a major operation at the Grande Ronde hospital on Saturday. She is recovering satisfactorily.

WILL ROGERS SAYS:

SANTA MONICA, Cal., Oct. 1.—Roscoe Turner, who just broke the west-east record, already holding the east-west, was just out. Men like Turner, Hawks, Doolittle, Post, Mattern and others who have to promote the money, risk their lives, then do things that today are considered a stunt, but tomorrow are an everyday affair.

We used to think Japanese couldn't fly, but I saw a weekly where it looked like there was millions doing it. Lindbergh says Russia has a plane for every beard. So we got to speed up, Railroads, airlines, kidnapping juries convictions and everything — what ever is going to happen to us let it happen quick and get it over with, Yours, Will Rogers

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DEATH TAKES MRS. COOLIDGE HERE SUNDAY

Prominent La Grande Woman Passes; Funeral Will Be On Tuesday.

Mrs. H. E. Coolidge, well known throughout this section of the state, passed away at her home at 1102 O avenue early Sunday morning.

Death was caused by a chronic heart ailment.

Funeral services will be held from the chapel of Walkers Funeral Home Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock with Rev. M. G. Tennyson, of Pendleton, and David I. Stoddard in charge. Burial will take place in the family

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12 ADDITIONAL MEN GIVEN JOBS IN GROCERY FIRMS

The Blue Eagle has put 12 additional men to work on full time jobs in the grocery distribution industry in La Grande, it was announced today by R. Z. Baxter, chairman of the NRA compliance committee here. Grocery payrolls have increased \$1800 per month as a result. The compliance committee has completed its report on the grocery stores, and is nearing completion on the automotive and restaurant businesses.

Frank Messenger, NRA executive for Oregon and Idaho, who passed through here during the weekend en route to Portland from Baker, reported that 60,000 additional men have been put to work in these two states by NRA activities.

The compliance committee here reports a wonderful spirit of co-operation from all businesses that have been interviewed.

QUALIFICATIONS BY CO. E 100 PCT.

Company E, 186th Infantry today stood at 100 per cent qualified with both small bore and large bore rifle. Both officers and men have completed sufficient firing to attain the mark. Seven men qualified on the range near Hot Lake Sunday, and next Sunday the automatic riflemen will start their bombardment of targets.

The company will drill at 7:30 o'clock tonight with the non-commissioned officers in charge of close order drill of the squad.

EXCESS RAINFALL NOW 2.74 INCHES

September, in spite of its wetness, also turned out to be one of the warmer months of the year, with 11 days with the maximum 80 above or higher, and with 13 clear days recorded.

Rain fell during 12 24-hour periods, totaling 2.40 inches, compared with normal for September of 1.22. The excess amounted to 1.18 inches and brought the season's excess to 2.74 inches. The total rainfall for the first three-quarters of 1933 amounts to 18.46 compared with normal of 13.62 for that period. The maximum was 90 above Sept.

3 and the minimum 31 above Sept. 30. The first frost of the fall season occurred the morning of Sept. 24.

October started with typical Indian summer weather, a frosty morning with the minimum at 31 above, and a clear, bright day of sunshine with the maximum 76 above. The minimum this morning was 50 and as warm or warmer weather than yesterday appeared likely.

The weather forecast was for fair skies tonight and Tuesday with the weather a bit cooler in the Eastern Oregon section Tuesday.

SHOWING OF AG EXHIBITS IS PRAISED

Prizes Awarded to Boys and Girls at Fair-Show in La Grande.

AVERY CREDITED WITH FINE WORK

More Success Predicted For Exhibitors — Previous Smith-Hughes Displays Surpassed.

Smith-Hughes exhibits at the Grande Fair and Home Products show far surpassed anything exhibited before at the event. H. G. Avery, county agricultural agent, has been tireless in his work with the livestock clubs during the past year and the fine showing they made last week is indicative of much future success.

Prizes awarded in the Smith-Hughes division were given to:

Beef class: Yearling born between Sept. 1, 1930 and Sept. 1, 1931.

Clayton Fox 1st, Clyde Kiddle Jr., 2nd, Herbert Blokland, 3rd.

Dairy: Jerseys: Heifer calf born after Aug. 1, 1932. Kenneth Ragain, 1st; Bobby Pierce, 2nd.

Yearling heifer born between Aug. 1, 1931 and Aug. 1, 1932. Roberta Bell, 1st; Gertrude Bell, 2nd; Kenneth Ragain, 3rd.

Producing cow: Roberta Bell, 1st.

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FIRE HAZARD IN LA GRANDE NOT SERIOUS

Investigation Shows Conditions Generally Good in This City.

EXISTING DANGERS ARE POINTED OUT

Fire Department and Chief Given Praise By O. M. Thurber, Seattle, Head of Survey.

There is no reason on earth why La Grande cannot continue with the favorable fire record it has maintained thus far in 1933, according to O. M. Thurber, of Seattle, manager of the public relations department of the General American companies.

Mr. Thurber and his assistants, Messrs. William Hooper, Charles Parker and Reese Lewis, expert fire prevention engineers, have finished their intensive survey of this city. They were here on a good will service visit through the courtesy of Chas. H. Reynolds, and Mr. Reynolds states such fire prevention work will necessarily be an annual affair in La Grande.

In summarizing Mr. Thurber stated: "The danger of conflagration in the congested area of your city is

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Weatherspoon's Orchard To Yield About 80,000 Boxes of Apples

With a crop of apples estimated at 80,000 boxes, the largest he has ever had on his big orchards, H. H. Weatherspoon, apple king of Union county, started picking apples this morning in his packing plant at Elgin. His orchard, north of Elgin, was a busy place yesterday with packers arriving to commence work in earnest today, while Mr. Weatherspoon and his manager, O. W. Barlow were getting the machinery in readiness at the plant.

Picking of the Winter Bananas started last week, but with the recent frosts making picking more expeditious, a crew of about 62 were put on the next several weeks, or until the immense crop shall have been picked and packed. Elgin will be a very busy little center.

The Weatherspoon orchards are quite a sight as the picking starts with thousands of props necessary to

keep the heavily-laden limbs from crashing. Mr. Weatherspoon states the trees will average about four boxes. Winter bananas which are being picked first promise to bring in a crop of about 10,000 boxes alone.

PROGRAM WILL BE TONIGHT

A new series of broadcast programs will be started tonight at 8 o'clock at the Eagles hall under the direction of Arthur Bremer, chairman.

DAVE STEWART HAS OPERATION

Dave Stewart underwent a major operation at the Grande Ronde hospital on Friday. He makes his home in La Grande.

Senator Davis on Trial Again



On trial for violation of the federal lottery laws, United States Senator James J. Davis of Pennsylvania here is shown, left, leaving federal court in New York with his counsel. A previous trial, involving his conduct of charity drives in the capacity of director general of a fraternal order, resulted in a mistrial nearly a year ago. Judge Johnson Hayes, lower right, of Greensboro, N. C., is hearing the present case.

MOUNTAINEERS OPEN 1933 SEASON WITH GRID VICTORY OVER WHITWORTH, 35 TO 0

Paced by a fleet, shifty, aggressive halfback by the name of Cy Crawford, the Eastern Oregon Normal school football team crushed Whitworth college of Spokane here Saturday afternoon 35 to 0.

The game served to dedicate the new E. O. N. gridiron and the new blue and gold uniforms. Scuffling from starting to finish, the best the visitors could do was reach the 30-yard line in the last quarter, and a moment later a Whitworth back faded back and passed — and Crawford snatched the oval out of the air on the run and put 82 yards behind him for the closing touchdown of the game. Crawford scored two other touchdowns and his ball carrying was a brilliant feature of the grid battle.

Peterson, who scored the opening touchdown on a 17-yard off tackle slant in the first quarter, and Hodgins, who smashed the line for three

yards in the second period, were the others who scored. Dan Hanks, end, stepped back five times to kick goal from placement, and was successful each time for five points.

Whitworth crossed the 50-yard line but once — just before Crawford's long run. The rest of the game was fought in Spokane territory with E. O. N. held from scoring on at least three occasions.

On the whole the Mountaineers made an excellent showing for this early in the season. Besides Crawford, Peterson and Hodgins in the backfield, Brodow's defensive work at end was very good. The two Hayden brothers worked well in the line, also.

Whitworth found Ventris, halfback, its most successful yard gainer. Whitworth was heavily outmanned, although inexperienced, fought valiantly — showing promise of more strength as time passes.

In first two downs, E. O. N. chalked up 12 to Whitworth's eight, but in yardage the Mountaineers made 276

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JUST BEFORE PRESSTIME

AUTO ACCIDENT FATAL

KELLY, BATES ENTER PLEAS

COAL STRIKE WILL END

UMATILLA MAN KILLED

BAKER, Oct. 2 (AP)—Mrs. Emma I. Minear, of Medford, died this morning in a hospital of injuries sustained when the automobile in which she was riding with her brother, George W. Resor, of Vancouver, Wash., overturned on the John Day highway 12 miles from Hereford Saturday.

OKLAHOMA CITY, Oct. 2 (AP)—Albert Bates and George (Machine Gun) Kelly, alleged kidnapers of Charles F. Urmel, pleaded not guilty to state charges of robbery with firearms in their jail cells today. The charges were filed at the request of federal authorities in an effort to obtain the death sentence for the two accused abductors.

PITTSBURGH, Oct. 2 (AP)—Phillip Murray, vice president of the United Mine Workers of America, said today he will instruct 75,000 striking coal miners in Western Pennsylvania to return to work at once. After receiving a telegram from General Hugh H. Johnson, recovery administrator, Murray said he interpreted the latest stand of the H. C. Frick Coke company as recognition of the mine union.

PENDLETON, Ore., Oct. 2 (AP)—T. S. Tillson, 65, of Umatilla, died while being taken to a hospital here last night after his automobile had crashed over a bluff near here on the Old Oregon trail. The blowing out of a front tire is believed to have caused the accident.

AMERICAN IS SLAIN TODAY IN HAVANA

HAVANA, Oct. 2 (AP)—On the plea of representatives of the United States consulate, a second temporary truce was called late today after one American had been killed and at least 20 soldiers slain in a battle between officers barricaded in the National hotel and soldiers attacking them outside.

Escorted by armed guards, the Americans prevailed upon Col. Pulgencio Batista, leading the attack from his headquarters inside the battle zone to arrange a truce until citizens of the United States living in the district could be removed to safety.

The slain American, Robert C. Lotsepich, of London, O., was struck by a stray bullet as he watched the fighting with scores of others from the Lopez Serrana apartments. He was Havana manager for Swift and company.

The Ford motor company building was struck by an artillery shell. The damage was not immediately determined.

Stray bullets peppered the walls of the Castro building where an Associated Press observer was posted.

Two American newspapermen escaped through heavy fire to safety when bullets began piercing the walls of the America apartment house, where a number of Americans live.

WORLD SERIES TO BEGIN TOMORROW

NEW YORK, Oct. 2 (AP)—The New York Giants and Washington Senators prepared for a last minute "fire drill" today before they plunge into the blazing competition of world series combat in the polo grounds tomorrow. The game will start at 10:30 a. m. (Pacific coast time).

An overnight flood of New York money had forced the betting odds, favoring the Senators, down to 6 to 5 from 10 to 7, with prospects of a further shortening to even money unless stronger support developed for the American league champions.

SHORT SHARP QUAKE ROCKS CALIFORNIA

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 2 (AP)—A short and sharp earthquake which rocked Southern California at 1:10 a. m. today resulted in at least one death, injury to four persons and a light property damage.

The coroner's office reported that Mrs. Sophia Kanapow, 73, became hysterical after the shock and died a few hours later from heart trouble. So severe was the quake, which

ROOSEVELT CHEERED AT CONVENTION

Stands Firm on His Veterans' Economy Program at Chicago.

PLANS BENEFITS FOR THE DISABLED

Chief Executive Strikes at Class Distinction As An Enemy of National Unity.

CHICAGO STADIUM, Chicago, Oct. 2 (AP)—President Roosevelt backed up his veterans economy program with plain talk and a commander's smile today before the World War soldiers assembled in the American Legion convention.

He told the cheering men in blue after a tumultuous reception that greater benefits were hoped for the veterans who suffered disability in service, but he stood by his rule against "special benefits" to those who incurred injury or disease not connected with service.

Striking at class distinction as an enemy of national unity, President Roosevelt told the veterans that any suffering and destitute would be assured of the same relief the government was giving to other citizens in the same plight.

The president pounded the desk with his fist as he asserted with a friendly smile: "The fact of wearing a uniform does not mean that he (the veteran) can demand and receive from his government a benefit which no other citizen receives."

"It does not mean that because a person served in the defense of his country, performed a basic obligation of citizenship, he should receive a pension from his government because of a disability incurred after his service had terminated, and not connected with that service."

"Highlights of his record: . . . responsibility for those who suffered injury or contracted disease while serving in its defense."

"Those who were injured . . . as a result of their service, are entitled to receive adequate . . . compensation for their disabilities. To carry out these principles, the people of this country can and will pay in taxes the sums which it is necessary to raise."

"If the individual affected can afford to pay for his own treatment he cannot call on any form of government aid. If he has not the wherewithal to take care of himself, it is first the duty of the state."

"The realization of our national program cannot be attained in six months. Reemployment has proceeded only a part of the way. From week to week there will be ups and downs, but the net result is a consistent gain."

"The freeing of credits has been stopped . . . farm income has in-

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Labor Executive Pleads For Faith In The New Deal

WASHINGTON, Oct. 2 (AP)—Appealing for patience and "faith in the new deal," President William Green told the American Federation of Labor convention today that unemployment would not be eliminated until a 30 hour week was established.

Opening the 3rd annual convention, he opposed "rapid inflation and said the federation would press for unemployment insurance, adoption of the child labor constitutional amendment, adequate retirement laws for workers and the elimination of discriminations against workers 40 and 45 years of age."

Only two buildings, as far as reports to police were made and a sur-

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One Job Where The Hours Aren't Getting Any Shorter

