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OPEN BIDS ON ELGIN-WESTON ROAD

UNIVERSITY WOMEN HERE FOR SESSION

Eastern Oregon Normal School Women Hostesses at Opening Tea

STATE OFFICIALS ARRIVE IN CITY

Several Delegates Taken to Wallowa Wonderland Today; Big Banquet at 6:30 Tonight

State officers, women high in educational circles throughout the state of Oregon, are gathered in La Grande today for the 10th annual conference of the American Association of University Women which opened this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock with a tea given by the Associated Women Students of the Eastern Oregon Normal school to the visiting officers and delegates.

Mrs. Virgil Earle, of Eugene, state president; Mrs. John Plankinton, president of the Portland branch; Mrs. L. T. Merwin, of Portland, state publicity chairman; Mrs. Kate Jameson, of Corvallis, vice president and chairman of the membership committee; Mrs. H. R. Laglett, of Corvallis; Mrs. G. A. Johnson, chairman of the North Pacific division fellowship committee; Miss Amanda Zabel of La Grande, secretary - treasurer; Mrs. C. E. Ash, of Astoria; and Mrs. William A. Purcell, of Portland, have important roles in the two-day conference.

Dr. Morris Chenoweth, of the department of philosophy, of the University of Idaho, will be the principal speaker at the banuet tonight for which about 150 reservations have been made. The banquet will be held at 6:30 o'clock at the La Grande hotel ball room.

Mrs. Fred E. Kiddle is chairman of the banquet and luncheon committee and is assisted by Miss Blanche Clark, Miss Kate Houx, Miss Mabel Doty and Miss Agnes Palmer.

Delegates Visit Wonderland

Several of the delegates were taken to Wallowa Lake today by Miss Mabel Morton, of the hospitality committee. Miss Dorothy Kirby and Miss Imogen Russell complete the committee.

Musical numbers have been furnished for the conference by Miss Jennie Peterson, Miss Kathryn Sartain and Miss Florence Day.

Mrs. L. T. Merwin, former state president, was to preside at the branch presidents' section meeting this afternoon at 4 o'clock.

Following the banquet tonight the La Grande branch of the A. A. U. W. will be hostesses at a reception for the visiting delegates.

The sessions tomorrow will open at 8:45 o'clock in the morning with the meeting of fellowship chairmen with, Mrs. Johnson. The business meeting will follow at 9:30 o'clock when the nominating committee, headed by Dr. Lewa Ager, of La Grande, will report. Reports of standing committees will be given as follows:

Treasurer's report, Miss Amanda Zabel, La Grande. Report of standing committee: Membership, Dean Kate W. Jameson, Corvallis; educa-

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County Budget Committee Will Meet Tomorrow

The county budget for 1934 will be tentatively drawn up at a meeting of the budget committee in the court house tomorrow, beginning at 9 a. m.

Besides the members of the county court, Judge U. G. Couch and Commissioners W. R. Ledbetter, of Alicel, and Tom Johnson, of Cove, the following are members of the committee: J. J. Foley, of La Grande; J. A. Gaskill, of Alicel, and George Benson, of Union.

WILL ROGERS Says:

BEVERLY HILLS, Cal., Oct. 13—We are celebrating Columbus day here and he never even saw California. (Chamber of commerce fell down again.)

Old "Eric the Red" from Garboland already had a home in America where he spent his summers, but this Columbus was quite a fellow. He is the only man then or since who ever had a queen pawning jewels, Columbus was an Italian, but he made Spain pay his fare.

The other night up to Charley Chaplin's house I met Emil Ludwig, the world's greatest biographer, who has written more thing about big men than Walter Winchell has about little ones. Well, Ludwig tells me that Napoleon was an Italian, too. He was just operating under the auspices of France. Lafayette saved the United States. Pershing and some Englishmen saved France. Can't find where any local boy ever made good at home.

I got to get with this Ludwig and go into history deeper when Chaplin ain't around. Yours in search of facts,

Will Rogers.

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ROMAN COINS OF ANCIENT MAKE ON DISPLAY AT TEA

B. W. Van Wormer, exhibiting Roman coins that were made before the time of Christ, received the recognition for having the oldest display at the antique tea sponsored by St. Peter's guild yesterday afternoon and evening at Honan hall.

Mrs. Nellie Neill with 23 entries was given the prize for the greatest number, contributing materially to make up the total of 213 antiques registered by Mrs. Philip Lockwood and her committee during the show.

Mrs. Harriett MacDonald arranged the following program: piano and violin duet, by Anita Hermann and

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MORE TOURISTS STOP HERE THIS YEAR THAN LAST

Out-of-state tourist registrations at the La Grande chamber of commerce show an increase of 287 over last year, according to Miss Mae Waldorff, assistant secretary at the chamber office. A total of 1520 have received non-resident stickers there since Jan. 1, 1933, while last year at the same time 1233 had been issued.

Car registrations in other bureaus have decreased this year, according to information sent to the local chamber by Secretary of State Hal E. Hoss.

CARL HELM HOME FROM PORTLAND

District Attorney Carl G. Helm, who has been recovering from injuries sustained in an automobile accident on the Columbia River highway when his automobile collided with another last month, returned to La Grande this morning by train. His knee cap was fractured in seven places and it will be necessary to keep his leg in a cast for some time yet.

He will return to his office in the New Foley building in a few days.

Mr. Helm was injured when returning from Portland where he, accompanied by Jesse Breshears, Union county sheriff, had gone to investigate the case of Louis Stevens, slayer of John Allen, aged Cove man. Stevens is now serving a life term in the state penitentiary.

NRA PARADE WILL INCLUDE MANY STUNTS

Eagles' Mixed Drill Team to Present Blue Eagle Maneuvers

STREET DANCING TO FOLLOW MARCH

Fireworks for Big Display Arrive; Wrangler Music to Be One Feature of Celebration

URGE ALL TO PARTICIPATE

All in this community who feel that the NRA has brought them some benefits, particularly the wage earners, are urged to enter the parade Saturday night. A section has been provided for them, and the committee urges that they show their appreciation for NRA benefits by participating. The parade moves at 8 p. m. and they should be there before that time.

Additional details regarding the great NRA parade to be staged here tomorrow night beginning at 8 o'clock were announced today by the officials of the Central Labor council, in charge of the program. Also, it was announced that a street dance will begin as soon as the parade disbands, on Adams avenue between Depot and Elm streets.

For those who do not care to dance, the Blue Mountain Wranglers, and Blue Mountain Cowboys will play in front of the Liberty theatre, as long as the crowd desires. During this program there will be two-minute talks explaining the NRA and what it has done. Vocal solos also are being arranged for. The program will

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Committees On NRA Compliance Campaign Report

Reports of committees working on the compliance phase of the NRA campaign in La Grande were heard at an NRA executive committee meeting last evening. The reports were favorable, with all but nine cases reported settled. There were 42 complaints on file when the compliance work began and since then several more were filed.

Several places are yet to be contacted, but on the whole, the compliance work is progressing very well, Chairman R. Z. Baxter said.

Samuel Gompers Lives On in Bronze Memorial

Labor paid impressive tribute to Samuel Gompers, in dedication of the bronze monument to the late president of the American Federation of Labor, shown at right, in Washington. President Roosevelt is shown in silhouette as he addressed the great audience.

BUSINESS "PICKUP" THIS WEEK BEST OF SEASON OVER NATION

NEW YORK, Oct. 13 (AP)—Dun and Bradstreet said today that the "most impressive pickup of the fall season occurred this week in general trade movements."

"The first full week of seasonable weather," stated the agency's review, "brought reports from all parts of the country of sharp increases in retail distribution, particularly pronounced in rural communities, with the strong drive of the 'buy now' campaign proving a powerful stimulus to the spread of the demand for merchandise.

"The reports were accompanied by advices of labor difficulties being straightened out completely in some industries and partially in others, removing one of the most serious handicaps to progress during the last few weeks.

"Financial conditions have become noticeably easier, with work already under way to remove the last lingering traces of the almost complete cessation of banking facilities last March.

"The extent of the business uptrend since June, accompanied by the steady rise of employment and increase in payrolls, has developed a new public psychology, which is now one of spending rather than hoarding."

WILKINS HOME FROM TRIP TO MIDDLE WEST

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Wilkins have returned from a 30-day trip to the middle west. They attended the world's fair and the national convention of the American Legion in Chicago. Before returning to La Grande, Mr. Wilkins also attended a conference in Salem.

Both Mr. Wilkins, who is field inspector for the world far veterans' state aid commission, and Mrs. Wilkins were delegates to the national convention from the local post and auxiliary.

YOUNG PEOPLE PRESENT PLAY THIS EVENING

Young people of the Christian church will present a play, "Along the Missouri" at the church at 8 o'clock tonight.

Special scenery has been obtained for the play, the orchestra will furnish music and other items have been arranged for to enhance the program.

FAR EASTERN CRISIS NEAR RUSSIANS SAY

Relations With Japan Are Near Breaking Point Due to Arrests

MOSCOW, Oct. 13 (AP)—The tightly drawn cord of diplomatic relations between Russia and Japan was stretched a bit nearer the breaking point today.

It was strained farther with reports from Khabarovsk, Siberia, of the arrest of two more soviet officials of the Chinese Eastern railway in the Japanese-assisted state, Manchukuo.

Only a few days ago, a sensation was created here with the publication of what allegedly were documents describing a Japanese plan to seize the C. E. R.

One by one, it was said, the few remaining soviets among the road's officials were to be removed, eventually giving Manchukuo complete control.

The two latest arrests reportedly were made as Soviet Consul General Slavutski at Harbin renewed his demands for an answer to his previous reports.

Meanwhile, from Tokyo came a foreign office spokesman's statement which indicated Japan's stand remained unchanged.

"Several days of careful deliberation," he said, "will precede Nippon's next move in the controversy."

RECOVERY BOARD DECIDES COURSE

WASHINGTON, Oct. 13 (AP)—NRA officials moved to override challenges of President Roosevelt's recovery powers today after joining farm administrators in rejecting proposals for minimum price mark-ups in retail stores.

Senator Wagner, of New York, bluntly forecast "they will be required to appear," as he summoned the national labor board to act today on the refusal of Western Kentucky

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Wheat Today

Local cash wheat stood today at about 45 cents bulk, according to quotations at the Pioneer Flouring Mills, Portland cash wheat 61½ cents.

Chicago, Oct. 13 (AP) — Persistent selling ascribed largely to easterners who had bought at 10 cents above prices now current drove wheat down today the maximum limit allowed.

Leading trade authorities said the chief apparent reason for collapse of the wheat market was lack of confidence by new buyers. Much notice was taken of a sharp setback in British exchange accentuating the effect of lower wheat quotations at Liverpool when translated into American funds.

Wheat closed prostrate at the day's bottom figures, 4⅞@5⅛c under Wednesday's finish, corn 2¾@3⅛c down, oats 3@3⅛c off, and provisions at 5@22c decline.

JUST BEFORE PRESSTIME

SAYS P. W. A. READY TO ACT

RIOT QUELLED IN N. Y.

LABOR DECLARES BOYCOTT

GERMAN STAND CLARIFIED

SALEM, Oct. 13 (AP) — Delay in securing approval of a P. D. A. loan and grant for construction of five Oregon coast highway bridges is due to the failure of the state public works advisory board to pass upon and transmit the applications to Washington, Senator Chas. L. McNary said he was advised from his office in the capital today.

NEW YORK, Oct. 13 (AP)—Mounted police rode their horses through crowds of rioters today at NRA headquarters at the Hotel Pennsylvania in midtown New York. Police said radicals numbering 3500 were responsible for the disorders. More than 50 arrests were made.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 13 (AP) — A boycott was declared by the American Federation of Labor convention today against goods and services supplied by Germany, Italy, Russia, China, or "any other country" which forbids free trade unionization. The executive council had recommended simply a boycott of German-made goods and service, the boycott to continue until working people were allowed to organize and the "persecution of Jewish people" ceased.

GENEVA, Switzerland, Oct. 13 (AP)—A German spokesman said today any attempt to haul up Germany and ask her to sign on the dotted line on a disarmament decision imposed by others will be followed by the withdrawal of the Germans from the conference and perhaps from the league of nations.

CLUB WOMEN OF EASTERN OREGON TO MEET OCT. 17

Several members of the La Grande Neighborhood club will journey to Enterprise Oct. 17, to attend the convention of the Fifth district of the Oregon Federation of Women's clubs. Mrs. J. L. Rosewall, of Enterprise, is president of the district and Mrs. S. B. Morgan, of La Grande, is one of the members of the board of directors.

The Neighborhood club meeting, scheduled for that day, has been postponed. All those who plan to attend are urged to notify Miss Blanche Clark, 464-W.

The Lostine Community club, the Wallowa Woman's club and the Enterprise Woman's club will be hostesses for the convention, the sessions of which will be held in the Knights of Pythias hall at Enterprise.

Mrs. Charles Bilyeu, of Dallas, state president of the Oregon Federation, and Mrs. Sadie Orr-Dunbar, of Portland, past president, will attend.

The program:

10:00—Welcome; prayer; flag salute; America, The Beautiful; Oregon, My Oregon.

10:30—Roll call of presidents or

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FORD IS LOSER IN $100,000 ACTION

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 13 (AP)—Verdict of $100,000 against Henry Ford was awarded today by a jury in the suits involving the Detroit manufacturer and the Sweeten Automobile company of this city.

The jury was out three hours.

Ford sued the Sweeten Automobile company for $6,800 admitted to be due on promissory notes, and the Sweeten concern brought a counter action to recover $160,110 which it claimed it lost as a result of Ford taking over the Lincoln Motor company.

TO GRADE 6 MILES; MYERS, GOULDER LOW

Seattle Contractors Submit Offer of $96,324 for Local Project

WORK WILL BEGIN BY NOVEMBER 5

Operations to Start Eight Miles Northwest of Elgin and Then Extend Northerly

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 13 (AP)—A low bid of $96,324 was submitted here today for grading six miles of the Weston-Elgin highway in Union county, Oregon, when bids were opened by the federal bureau of public roads. The work will be part of the forest highway recovery program. Myers & Goulder, Seattle contractors, submitted the low proposal.

The work will start eight miles northwest of Elgin and will extend northerly. Metal culverts will be used. Work should be under way by Nov. 5.

The Colonial Building company of Spokane bid $99,277, and S. H. Sewell and company of Portland was next with a bid of $104,743.

Work on the first section of the Elgin-Weston road already is under way, according to recent announcement. Contract for the first part of the project was let last month. Bids were originally called for in two sections.

Sheriff Beaten And Tossed From Bridge in Texas

WICHITA FALLS, Tex., Oct. 13 (AP) —Sheriff Perry Browning was slugged and tossed from a bridge into the Wichita river here last night by three of seven men he arrested because of their suspicious actions near a railroad trestle.

The river is virtually dry near the bridge and the sheriff, after regaining consciousness, crawled to a filling station. He was taken to a hospital where physicians said they could not immediately determine the extent of his injuries.

LIMA, Ohio, Oct. 13 (AP) — Harry Pierpont, escaped Michigan City, Ind. convict, was identified by county and city police from pictures today as the slayer of Sheriff Jess L. Sarber, killed when John L. Dillinger, paroled Indiana convict and suspected bank robber, was liberated from the Allen county jail last night.

L.H.S. Students To Participate In NRA Parade

Assemblies were held today at the La Grande High school to arrange for participation by high school students in the NRA parade tomorrow evening. Miss Daphne Bowey, president of the Associated Girl Students, has been chosen by the NRA committee as one of the queens of the "Death of Depression" parade.

In the absence of A. L. Gralapp, who is at The Dalles football game, J. H. Blunt, of the social science department, was in charge. It is expected that a large number of students will participate in the parade.

Roosevelt Will Speak to Nation

WASHINGTON, Oct. 13 (AP)—President Roosevelt will address the nation for seven minutes at 10 p. m., E. S. T., tonight from the White House. His subject has not been announced.

AUTUMN LEAVES

RECALLS LOST WAGON TRAIN OF YEAR '45

The lost immigrant train of '45, or the mystery of the lost Blue Bucket mine sounds like an old Bret Harte romance when told by Clyde J. Roberts, 604 Adams avenue. Mr. Roberts has made extensive research into the district along the south side of the Crooked river in Oregon and has found the spots where gold is said to have been taken in 1845.

The wagon train has been traced by Mr. Roberts from the Malheur river west for 45 miles on the brakes of the Crooked river.

The nephew of Joseph Meads, the first United States marshal in Oregon, led the wagon train, taking it over a new trail. It became lost and when the men finally got out of the heavily wooded district they told of the mines. Mr. Roberts lived for seven years neighbor to one who was a boy in the immigrant train. From him he learned the landmarks and later went several times into the Crooked river country which is not

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CHISELERS NOT TO GET WHEAT MONEY

WASHINGTON, Oct. 13 (AP) — The farm adjustment administration is determined to cross the toil-hardened palm of the nation's wheat farmer with a bit of currency he can call his own.

To accomplish this, George C. Farrell, associate chief of the wheat section said today, the administration must spoil the plans of a legion awaiting acreage reduction adjustment payments with an eagerness equal to that of the growers.

"Chiselers are abroad in the land with all sorts of schemes for edging in on the farmers' adjustment checks," Farrell declared, "but the money is going directly into the farmers' hands without lien, assignment or attachments.

"It will be a bit of money he can call his own, something he can use to buy the wife a new hat or the 'kids' some toys.

"And incidentally that might be the best way to spend some of the

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