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NAME COMMITTEES FOR U.P. EVENT

RALPH HURON IS SELECTED AS CHAIRMAN

Features of Big Celebration Here Next July Are Discussed.

PIONEER MEETINGS WILL BE INCLUDED

Parades, Coronation of a Queen and Other Events Planned For Two-Day Jubilee.

The Union Pacific Old Timers' club Semi-Centennial celebration, on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of the coming of the railroad to La Grande, is assuming stupendous proportions. Committees met last night at the city hall and announced developments for the two-day celebration which will be held in La Grande on July 20 and 21.

Ralph R. Huron was appointed general chairman of the celebration and Angus McAllister, vice chairman, by the combined railroad and chamber

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Application For Use Of L. H. S. Field Granted

The school board, in session last night at the offices in the L. H. S. building, granted an application of the committee in charge of the U. P. railroad anniversary celebration here next July, for use of the L. H. S. athletic field. The board also agreed to co-operate in furnishing seats, etc.

The board, during the evening, discussed the delay in approval of the C. W. A. projects although not in a critical manner. The board's projects were approved by the local C. W. A. board and mailed to Portland the evening of Nov. 27.

The remainder of the meeting was occupied with routine matters. Unfinished business was cleared up—for the first time since the High school fire in 1932.

The STORY of Christmas

And again to the shepherds the angel of the Lord spoke, saying, This shall be a sign unto you: You shall find the babe, your Saviour, in the city of David, wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

16 SHOPPING DAYS until CHRISTMAS

WILL ROGERS says:

BEVERLY HILLS, Cal., Dec. 4 — Talked to the Philippine delegation going through here on their way to Washington. Missed seeing Manuel Quezon, their very able leader.

They will be a unique delegation in Washington and one that I believe the president will welcome, for they are asking for liberty and not money. A thing like that is unheard of.

Why can't we set the Philippines free now? We kept 'em for years just on account of their sugar.

When they take you off liquor, you crave sugar and sweets. Well, today we go back on a liquor diet, so they can take us off sugar. That automatically sets the Philippines free. Yours,

Will Rogers

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MORE C. W. A. PROJECTS UP FOR APPROVAL

Local Board Puts O. K. on La Grande, Cove and Imbler Applications.

Five more civil works projects for this county were approved by the local board at a meeting held at the court house yesterday afternoon, including one for La Grande to employ about 22 men.

The La Grande project is for re-

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LA GRANDE P. T. A. SUPPORTS LIQUOR CONTROL MEASURE

The La Grande City Council of Parent Teacher Associations went on record as favoring the liquor control bill now in the senate and passed a resolution Monday afternoon at a meeting at the Sacajawea Inn. A copy of the resolution will be sent to the senate.

C. M. Wight, manager of the Liberty theatre, was the principal speaker of the afternoon, discussing phases of the new NRA code effecting the motion picture industry.

A. L. Gralapp, principal of the High school, discussed visual education and told of the equipment that the High school has for showing pictures.

Mrs. Herbert Evans reported that the Riveria P. T. A. study groups have completed their series of study hours and that the Ackerman Training school is progressing with their study of child training.

RELIEF GIVEN TO 814 IN NOVEMBER

The Union county relief committee held its monthly meeting Monday afternoon at the court house, devoting much of its time to routine matters.

During November 204 families in Union county received general relief. There were 814 persons in the 204 families.

Also, government pork was distributed to 264 families, the pork amounting to a total of 2,868½ pounds.

Relief expenses during November amounted to $2,973.26.

ARRIVAL OF REPEAL SEES FEW CHANGES

Oregon Generally Marking Time Until Legislature Completes Work

SUPPLY OF WINES DUE THIS WEEK

Scarcity of Legal Hard Liquor at Present; Bootleg Stuff Will Not Disappear Soon.

When repeal went into effect in the United States today, it resulted in very little change in La Grande.

New supplies of wines and liquors have not arrived here—are not expected before Thursday—and so far as sale of stock already on hand is concerned, there has been very little in the way of restriction since early last month when the 36th state voted for repeal. Officers have kept their eyes open for over indulgence or intoxicated drivers, but otherwise, because of lack of state enforcement laws, there has been no particular effort to keep the city dry.

As far as the city of La Grande is concerned, when repeal became effective today, its old dry ordinances passed out of existence automatically. At least, that is the present opinion. And whether the city commission will take any steps pending passage of the state liquor control measure remained a question today.

Unquestionably, it is said, as soon as the legislature passes and Governor Julius L. Meier signs a liquor

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Promotions In National Guard Are Announced

Personnel changes continue in Company E, 186th Infantry, and in addition several promotions were announced last night by Captain Walter A. Bean. Regular drill was held at the armory, the next to the last drill of the quarter ending Dec. 31.

Maurice A. Port, formerly in the U. S. Navy, was enlisted.

Corporal Howard M. Peterson was appointed sergeant to succeed Sergeant Raymond C. Griffin, killed in an auto accident Armistice day, and Olin R. Nichoalds was advanced to corporal. Privates appointed privates first class were Harry E. Dawson, Woodrow Damerell, Harold Cochran and Arthur R. Steffen.

JEERS AT ROYAL POMP —THEN HAS CUP OF TEA

The show of scarlet and ermine and pomp and ceremony such as attend ceremonies when the King leaves Buckingham Palace to open Parliament is looked upon with disdain by John McGovern, Independent labor member from Glasgow. He is shown in a new photo just arrived in this country sipping tea after he had caused a sensation in Parliament by heckling the King and then shouting to the Lords and their ladies that they were a "gang of lazy, idle parasites."

HUEY LONG'S POLITICAL FORCES PUT TO ROUT IN 3 LOUISIANA PARISHES

BATON ROUGE, La., Dec. 5 (AP)—Senator Huey P. Long's political forces were put to rout by violently demonstrating citizens in three of the 12 parishes of the sixth congressional district today. They were forced to cancel the congressional election in those three parishes when the residents made a display of armed resistance to the proposed balloting.

Elsewnere in the district, the election was ordered to proceed, but balloting was light as both state highway police and armed citizens stood near the polling booths, tallying those who came to vote.

The election was designed to send Mrs. Bolivar E. Kemp, Senator Long's candidate, to the vacant sixth district congress seat in a suddenly called election, without the holding of a party primary.

The parishes of Tangipahoa, home of Mrs. Kemp, Livingston and St. Helena in the eastern sector of the district, after a week of protesting demonstrations in which the Kemp ballots were seized and publicly burned, and Senator Long and other administration leaders were hanged and burned in effigy, turned out heavily armed today to prevent the balloting.

Lee Ponder, chairman of the sixth district Democratic committee and Long's spokesman in the section, quickly announced the election had been called off in those parishes. Ponder said the cancellation was due to an injunction issued by Judge Nat Tycer late yesterday. Similar in-

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SEVEN-POUND SON IS BORN

A seven-pound son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Evans on Dec. 3 at their home in May Park. The little lad was named John David. Both mother and son are doing well.

MAJOR BILLS SIDE-TRACKED IN CAPITOL

Oregon's Liquor Control Bill to Reach Senate Tomorrow; Hearing Held

SALEM, Dec. 5 (AP)—Oregon's liquor control proposal today remained in the senate alcoholic committee as the repeal of the 18th amendment opened wide the doors to drink. It was indicated by the committee the measure would be out on the senate floor tomorrow and final action by the Oregon legislature would follow.

As the result of the house action yesterday sending the truck and bus bill back to the committee, no final action on major issues were before either house today. Committees in the meantime were busy on these bills, and with their reports tomorrow, the legislature will go into night session to clear up the work before Saturday night.

Governor Julius L. Meier said today he would not call a special session of the legislature should the solons fail to complete the work by the time the constitution provides the session shall adjourn at midnight

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AMERICANS URGED TO LEAVE FUKIEN

NANKING, China, Dec. 5 (AP)—Americans and other foreigners were advised today to evacuate the "danger zones" in Fukien province where the Nanking nationalist government is preparing to attack an insurgent provincial administration.

Most of the Americans in the southeastern province are missionaries stationed in the port cities.

Wheat Today

The price of local wheat stood at about 51½ cents bulk today, according to quotations at the Pioneer Flouring Mills, Portland cash 70 cents.

CHICAGO, Dec. 5 (AP) — Reports that rains in southwest and northwest sections of the United States wheat belt had only relieved surface moisture deficiency helped today to lift prices.

Greater activity and strength than has been the rule of late was apparent in all the grain pits, especially in wheat, and Kansas City reported mills buying wheat in that market. There was good buying here for northwest account, and some buying credited to the east.

Wheat closed firm, 2⅝@2⅞c above yesterday's close, corn 2½@3¼ up, oats 1⅝@2¼c advanced, and provisions unchanged to a rise of 20c.

JUST BEFORE PRESSTIME

ICKES ATTACKS BANKERS

LINDBERGHS MAKE READY

BRITISH IN FLAT REFUSAL

48 BANKS SEEK GUARANTY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5 (AP) — Secretary Ickes today accused a syndicate of bankers of non-cooperation with the recovery program because they demanded what he termed "the unconscionable rate of six per cent" for $13,490,000 of San Francisco bonds. He did not name the bankers.

BATHURST, Gambia, Dec. 5 (AP) — Colonel and Mrs. Charles A. Lindbergh planned today to take off at midnight (7 p. m. E. S. T.) on a projected flight to South America, 1,900 miles away.

LONDON, Dec. 5 (AP) — Great Britain's answer to Irish Free State President De Valera's question as to what Great Britain would do if a free state republic were declared was a refusal today to consider such a contingency.

PORTLAND, Dec. 5 (AP) — A Washington, D. C., dispatch to the Journal today said 48 state banks in Oregon have applied for membership in the temporary deposit guaranty system and all of them have been fully examined by examiners of the federal deposit insurance corporation.

WELLINGTON, N. Z., Dec. 5 (AP) — Rear Admiral Richard E. Byrd's Antarctic flagship arrived in the harbor late tonight.

REMEDIAL BILLS GIVEN ATTENTION BY LEGISLATURE

SALEM, Dec. 5 (AP) — Remedial legislation held the attention at sessions of the legislature late yesterday.

The senate bill to limit pre-emptory challenges in criminal cases passed the senate 20 to 1. It now goes to the house.

The senate voted to authorize the state highway commission to deed a portion of the John B. Yeon memorial park at Bonneville to the federal government.

The senate grange power bills dealing with Bonneville were re-referred to the utilities committee of the senate.

The senate approved a house bill clarifying the old age pension laws. Fraternal home inmates 70 years old would be considered residents of the county from which committed.

The emergency house bill to enable a municipality to sell bonds at less than 95 was passed by the senate.

The senate memorialized congress to appropriate $45,000,000 to complete

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HURRICANE HITS OREGON'S COAST

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 5 (AP) — A howling hurricane from the south and southeast battered the Oregon and Washington coast-line today.

The Columbia river lightship at 8 a. m. reported a 90-mile gale. The Swiftsure bank lightship in the northern sound area reported a southeast wind of 75 miles an hour.

Storm warnings were flying at all Oregon and Washington coast stations, and rain, fog, mist and rough seas prevailed.

Observers said the storm was approaching rapidly and was gathering intensity as it swept over the sea.

PROHIBITION ERASED FROM CONSTITUTION

21st Amendment Takes Place of 18th as Utah Ratifies Repeal.

LIQUOR FLOWS IN NINETEEN STATES

Governor Making Efforts to Increase Supply of Spirits Available For the Public.

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Dec. 5 (AP) —Utah completed ratification of the 21st amendment repealing federal prohibition at 3:31 p. m., mountain standard time today (2:31 p. m. Pacific coast time).

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5 (AP) — Prohibition today was wiped from the constitution, The Utah convention was the 36th and deciding one to act.

Exhortations for temperance characterized the final hours of national prohibition and the conventions, along with arguments in New Jersey and elsewhere on the form of regulation to be used.

Pennsylvania started the ratifying at 12:50 p. m. today at Harrisburg, Pa. Ohio a little later ratified repeal of prohibition, thus becoming the 35th state to approve return of legal liquor.

When Utah gave the word, the flow of liquor was immediately legal in:

Massachusetts, Connecticut, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, Colorado, Arizona, California, Washington, Louisiana, Maryland, Rhode Island, New Jersey, New York, Delaware, Illinois, Indiana, New Mexico, Nevada and Oregon.

Total 19.

Montana, too, goes wet today, but actual sale of liquor will be delayed

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State Welfare Working Rule Is Without Force

SALEM, Dec. 5 (AP) — The state welfare commission has no authority to forbid employment of women in mercantile establishments, after 6 o'clock p. m., the state supreme court ruled today.

The decision affirmed the order in Multnomah county circuit court by Judge L. P. Hewitt who held in favor of Fred Meyer, Inc., on a state welfare commission ruling.

In the written opinion Chief Justice Rand commented that the state welfare commission has "no independent legislative powers of its own," but may "exercise such powers and such powers only as are conferred upon it by the legislature."

Legion Refuses To Bury Gangster

HURON, S. D., Dec. 5 (AP)—Members of the William Reaves post No. 7 of the American Legion here, last night voted unanimously not to take charge of the funeral of Verne Miller, gangster found dead near Detroit, Mich., last week.

Miller, former sheriff here and a former World war veteran, will be buried here Wednesday after funeral services today at his former home at White Lake, S. D.

The Boys Who Couldn't Agree On The Liquor Question

53 WASHDAYS LOOM FOR WOMEN IN 1934

The 1934 calendars, some gaily colored and others matter-of-fact presentations of the year, have made their appearance in La Grande.

And, as usual, they are being scanned eagerly for various items of interest—birthdays, holidays, paydays, etc.

For the housewife—this is tough—there are 53 Mondays on which to do the family wash! Every year there is some day of the week that passes the 52 mark, and next year it is Monday. This year it was Sunday, which gave 1933 one more day of worship than for several years.

For the man who works by the week, there are four five-payday months—March, June September and December. There were four this year also.

For the holiday seeker, the 1934 calendar isn't so bright as was the 1933 one. There are not so many two-day holidays in store. Labor day, of course offers a two-day holiday, and this year the only one.

But Memorial day comes near the middle of the week, July fourth is on Wednesday and Christmas and New Year's fall on Tuesday — not much chance of linking the holiday with Sunday to make a two-day affair of it!

Thanksgiving, of course, always falls on Thursday.

For the church-goer there will be the usual 52 Sundays, an extra one in April, July, September and December.

SOME SPEAKEASIES TO SHUN LICENSES

By Noel Thornton

NEW YORK (AP) — Repeal! Prohibition passes . . . another era begins . . . nineteen states reclaim liquor . . . now, the cavalcade of a nation turning away from thirteen years of legal dryness.

With a kaleidoscopic flickering, the scenes pass in review — from bootleggers to moonshiners, revenue evasions to taxes, speakeasies to saloons, gin to whisky.

Some 'Speaks' To Continue

Surprising are the number of New York speakeasies—the city supported 32,000 — that plan to continue doing business without a license . . . Moonshiners announce they will be doing business in the same old mountain glen, but will put out a better grade of corn . . . Helen Morgan is the only one of the famous hostesses of the speakeasy era still reigning on Broadway.

For the first time since 1920, the bartenders' ball will be an event of the winter season . . . License fees in New York are $1200, whether it be a battered Bowery bar or a luxurious Park avenue salon . . . That piquant flavor of Scotch is acquired by curing the malt with peat smoke.

Drink Mixers Planning

Drink mixers, with snow in the offing, are limbering their elbows to toss together one of Prof. Jerry Thomas' famous "blue blazers"—a heady concoction of whisky, sugar, hot water and fire . . . New Orleans already has back its Ramos' gin fizz, but what of the Old Absinthe house? . . . Pharmacists claim that really good whisky must be aged in wood four years and contain 44 to 52 per

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