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DEMOCRATIC MAYOR MAY ENTER RACE

Pendleton Newspaper Sees Jack Allen as Senatorial Candidate.

MAY SEEK KIDDLE'S POST IN NOVEMBER

Senator Kiddle, With Plans Unannounced, Will Serve as Acting Governor in Holidays.

The possibility of a race next November between Jack Allen, Democratic mayor of Pendleton, and State Senator Fred E. Kiddle, of La Grande, for the position of joint senator from Union, Morrow and Walla Walla counties, was seen today.

The East Oregonian of Pendleton announced Wednesday that Mr. Allen may be a candidate. "This is political news now circulating locally," the paper said, "and it is of interest though just how accurate the 'dope' may be is not yet known. Mayor Allen has not said what he will do but it is known he is being encouraged to run by Republicans as well as by members of his own party. The move is based on the idea that since Senator Kiddle, of Union county, has had the place for eight years, it is now time for a Union county man to have the honor."

Mentioned for Governor Senator Kiddle has not yet announced whether he will be a candidate to succeed himself next year, but unless he aspires to a higher office...

Trio of Tigers Sure To Start Against Union

With the La Grande High basketball team scheduled to get its baptism of fire here tomorrow night against the veteran Bohemians of Union, Coach Ira Woodie today was uncertain as to his starting lineup. Three veterans of last year's championship squad were slated to start, but the question of a forward and center was still up in the air.

The Story of Christmas



And the priests told Herod the king, It is written by the prophet that out of Bethlehem of Judea shall come a governor that shall rule over all the people that are in Israel.

8 SHOPPING DAYS UNTIL CHRISTMAS

SOCIETY REPORTER VISITS THE FIGHTS

By Bess Duke The immaculate haberdashery of Referee Dick Russell, the snappy shorties donned by the amateur boxers, the Clark Gable sweater worn by the new heavyweight champion, Ray Berney, the melodious "booms" showered on all heads alike struck a new note in tournament fashions and procedure last night at the Sacajawea arena.

WILL ROGERS says:

BEVERLY HILLS, Cal., Dec. 13 — Say, these gold dollar arguments are dying down. Used to pick up a paper and all you could see was that Mr. "Got His" had to say about money, but now you don't hear a peep. Everybody seems to be trying to get ahead of any kind. This would be an awful good time to pass off some Confederate money.

They are holding a big peace conference in South America, just a drive and two niblick shots away from the war.

Every time there is a big conference they always have a war to go with it. I was in Geneva a couple of years ago at a conference when Japanese recruiting officers came in and invited their delegation to go help take Manchuria. Yours,

Will Rogers

LEGISLATORS RETURN FROM SPECIAL MEET

Rep. Eckley and Senator Hess Back in La Grande From Salem Session.

State legislators from Union and Walla Walla counties, except State Senator Fred E. Kiddle, returned to their homes yesterday, and today were back at their regular occupations. Senator Kiddle had to discharge his duties as president of the senate, in preparing the senate journal, and signing bills passed.

CITY OFFICIALS ARE INVITED TO BAKER MEETING

City officials of La Grande were given an invitation at last night's commission meeting by Mayor Bert L. Harvey, of Baker, for attend the second regional conference of the League of Oregon cities to be held tomorrow at Baker.

Municipal revenue, federal aid public works, civil works and municipal liquor control will be chief topics for discussion at Baker. Since the adjournment of the state legislature is set prior to the meeting, these subjects are expected to consider steps to be taken by municipalities in controlling liquor in accordance with state laws. Data from which a model ordinance can be prepared on liquor control is expected to be gathered by...

FRIDAY LAST DAY TO SHOOT DUCKS

The open season on ducks and geese, last open season for hunters in this section, will come to a close tomorrow evening. The season has continued for approximately two months and hundreds in this county report fair hunting this fall.

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COUNT 4,957 CHILDREN OF SCHOOL AGE

Annual County Census Completed, Supt. E. A. Sayre Reports.

LA GRANDE TOTAL GIVEN AT 2,428

Of This Amount, 85 Per Cent Attending School, Considered Excellent Record.

The annual school census of Union county was completed this week, according to E. A. Sayre, county school superintendent, and reveals there are 4,957 children of school age, four to 19 years, in this county.

In La Grande the total is 2,428, of which 1,220 are boys and 1,208 are girls. Last year there was one more girl in the local district than boys, but this year there are 12 more boys than girls.

This year there are 2,056 students in the La Grande schools, or 85 per cent of those of school age, considered an excellent showing. Of the 2,428 only 372 are not in school, and some of these are too young to attend, while others are among those who graduated last spring.

The census reveals a slight decrease both in the city and county as compared with the census for last fall.

At that time the county had 5,009 youngsters of school age and the city 2,449.

Flurries of Snow Visit La Grande Along With Sun

La Grande was visited by a brief snowstorm this morning, which left half an inch of wet snow on the ground, which soon turned to slush.

The sky cleared up considerably after half an hour of wintry weather, but soon gave way to a second but lighter snowfall — and again the sun came out.

Last night was the ninth consecutive...

MEAT MARKET PURCHASED BY FLOYD KING

Floyd King, who has been with the Barnhart grocery store, has purchased the meat market next door to Safeway Store No. 16, at Adams and Hemlock, and plans to open the business to the public tomorrow morning.

DON JUAN OF THE SKY RIDE — THAT WAS WYNEKOOP



Heart breaker of the Sky Ride was Earle Wynkoop, the man of 50 loves, whose amorous entanglements were bared by the murder of his wife, Rheta, in Chicago. So numerous were his affairs that he kept a diary of smitten maidens, listing their characteristics by code. In typical pose as he tried his "line" on Mary Gorken, World's Fair cashier, Wynkoop is shown resting on a bench in all his unadorned splendor during a lull in his day's work as Sky Ride attendant.

TWO SPEAKERS AT LEGION MEETING WEDNESDAY NIGHT

H. E. Coolidge and S. H. Bureleigh were the principal speakers, discussing veteran affairs, last night when about 60 members of the American Legion met at the Sacajawea Inn.

Mr. Coolidge spoke on Spanish War Veterans' benefits and Mr. Bureleigh discussed those of the American Legion and World War vets.

Fred B. Reid, adjutant, has appointed standing committees and they will be announced tomorrow.

The drum corps, other members of the legion post and of the auxiliary plan to attend the convention of District 7 in Baker on Saturday.

J. H. PEARE RECEIVED WORD THIS AFTERNOON THAT UNION COUNTY C. W. A. PROJECTS WILL BE APPROVED

J. H. Peare received word this afternoon that Union county C. W. A. projects will be approved some time today, with the possibility many more men would be put to work here tomorrow.

Judge Wilson's Visit Recalls Pioneer Days

Like father, like son! Today Circuit Judge Fred W. Wilson, of The Dalles, is holding court here for Judge J. W. Knowles, hearing cases involving priority of mortgage liens to tax liens — quite an important question.

From 1864 to 1870 Judge Wilson's father held court in Eastern Oregon, presiding on the bench here in a building still standing in Old Town — the present day home of Mrs. L. H. Russell.

9 CHILDREN KILLED WHEN HIT BY TRAIN

School Bus Tragedy Near Crescent City, Fla.; Many Others Injured

CRESCENT CITY, Fla., Dec. 14 (AP) — At least nine elementary school children were killed and 18 others hurt, some probably fatally when a freight train crashed into a school bus six miles south of here today.

There was wildest confusion with cries of parents mingled with screams of the injured children in frantic efforts to find their little ones or aid in rescue work.

The driver of the bus, D. H. Niles, was among the seriously injured.

All available ambulances from Palatka, Deland and Crescent City rushed to the scene, loaded quickly with dead or injured and hurried away to hospitals, complicating a quick check of the casualties.

The dead: William Smith, 12; Evelyn Smith.

JUST BEFORE PRESSTIME

COLUMBIA CREW COACH DEAD LINDBERGHS AT SAN JUAN U. S. WILL NOT COMPROMISE WILL TEST LIQUOR LAW

CHATHAM, Mass., Dec. 14 (AP) — Richard J. "Young" Glendon, Columbia university crew coach, whose body was found today after an all-night search, was a victim of an accidental gunshot wound, in the opinion of Dr. C. H. Keene, medical examiner. Dr. Keene said Glendon's body was found near a fence and that the shotgun he carried might easily have been discharged while he was climbing the obstruction. He said he would report the death as accidental, regardless of a letter left by Glendon.

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico, Dec. 14 (AP) — Col. and Mrs. Charles A. Lindbergh arrived here in their big red hydro-monomobile after flying the 753 miles from Port of Spain, Trinidad, at 1:35 this afternoon.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14 (AP) — Acting Secretary Morgenthau said today he had declined a compromise in the income tax case against Charles E. Mitchell, former head of the National City bank, and will proceed with the ordinary legal processes and collect the tax.

PORTLAND, Dec. 14 (AP) — I. H. Van Winkle, state attorney general, and Frank Grant, Portland city attorney, have agreed that a test of the constitutionality of the Knox liquor control law should be undertaken in the supreme court.

SEATTLE, Dec. 14 (AP) — The \$65,000 steel bridge on the Sunset highway, just above Snoqualmie Falls, collapsed and fell into the Snoqualmie river near midnight last night after a huge gasoline truck had crashed into the railing, and burst into flames.

Both Europe and America took stock today of the havoc wrought by the elements.

A northeast gale continued to whip the English coastline. Many additional deaths were reported, making 28 fatalities at least. Twelve of those who perished died when a cargo steamer was wrecked off the coast of east Suffolk.

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LIQUOR BOARD IS PICKED BY MEIER

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 14 (AP) — The three men who will constitute Oregon's first state liquor control commission were announced here last night by Governor Julius L. Meier.

They are: George McMorran, of Eugene, from congressional district No. 1; James D. Burns, of Condon, Gilliam county judge, from district No. 2; and Alex G. Barry, of Portland, from District No. 3 (Multnomah county).

The three men who will act under the Knox liquor control bill passed last week at the special session of the state legislature, have not received their commissions, but have been notified of their appointments.

Their duties will be to establish and operate state-owned stores for the sale of hard liquor in Oregon.

Wheat Today

The price of local cash wheat stood at about 48 1/2 cents bulk, according to quotations at the Pioneer Flouring Mills, Portland, cash 67 cents.

CHICAGO, Dec. 14 (AP) — Notable setbacks of grain markets took place today following a moderate show of strength earlier.

Weakness of corn became a decided bearish factor, with considerable stop loss selling in evidence. Large receipts of corn at northwestern markets attracted attention, together with reports that farmers in Minnesota and South Dakota were reluctant about accepting the government loan policy as to corn.

EXPORT SALE OF WHEAT IS HELD AGREED

Americans Indicted By International Wheat Marketing Committee.

WHEAT RECOVERY CHARGE IS VOICED

Claims U. S. Is Placing Obstacles in the Way of World Wide Gains in That Commodity.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14 (AP) — Department of agriculture officials denied today the United States is obstructing recovery of the world wheat market.

They said there was an understanding at the time of the original London conference that the United States would proceed with export sales under its quota, set at 47,000,000 bushels.

They added that to date the export association has marketed, chiefly in the far east, about 8,500,000 bushels of wheat as the first part of an intended sale of 35,000,000 bushels.

Under the plan of the Pacific Northwest Export association it buys wheat from growers in Washington, Oregon and Northern Idaho, paying them on the basis of wheat prices at interior markets, and sells the wheat at a lower price on the world market, making up the difference from funds gained from the processing tax on wheat.

This activity is one phase of the wheat acreage reduction program, since farmers who benefit from this...

Northwestern Oregon Bankers Meet at Union

The Northwestern Oregon Bankers association met in Union Tuesday evening with three prominent bankers from Western Oregon who discussed the bankers code which will go into effect the first of 1934.

Henry Freeman, cashier of the First National bank of Portland; John Ferguson, vice president of the First National bank of Coos Bay at Marshfield, and T. P. Cramer Jr., secretary of the Oregon State Bankers association, were present.

Marshfield has had a code for about eight months and Mr. Ferguson is passing on to other banks his findings.

Mr. Freeman is chairman of the banking practice committee of the state organization.

Those attending from here were A. K. Parker, H. A. Zurbirch, W. C. Perkins, M. L. Larson, Harry Anderson, C. L. Thompson and L. H. Bramwell. Counties represented in the Northwestern Oregon association are Baker, Union, Grant and Wallowa.

Strange Story Is Told in Contest Of The Keith Will

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 14 (AP) — The strange story of how he constructed an ocean view mansion for the late Miss Margaret A. Keith, wealthy spinster who ended her life last April, without ever once seeing the woman, was related to a jury in superior court by the contractor, Nicholas Burns of Beverly Hills.

The testimony of Burns was given in an effort to show that Miss Keith was of sound mind when she left her estate to her nephew, Albert C. Allen Jr., Central Point, Ore., rancher. The will is being contested by Mrs. Mary Allen Toole, niece of Miss Keith, and Mrs. Etta Keith Ekridge, sister of the decedent.

CAT, PENSIONED, WILL NOT STAY "RETIRED"

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 14 (AP) — For years "Tommy" pursued his daily grind of catching rats and mice in the Schenley Park conservatory and then the city retired him to private life on "pension" as a reward for long and faithful service.

An aging black cat, "Tommy" was pensioned at the home of Mrs. Pauline Taylor, who also had retired from the conservatory where she had been for 21 years.

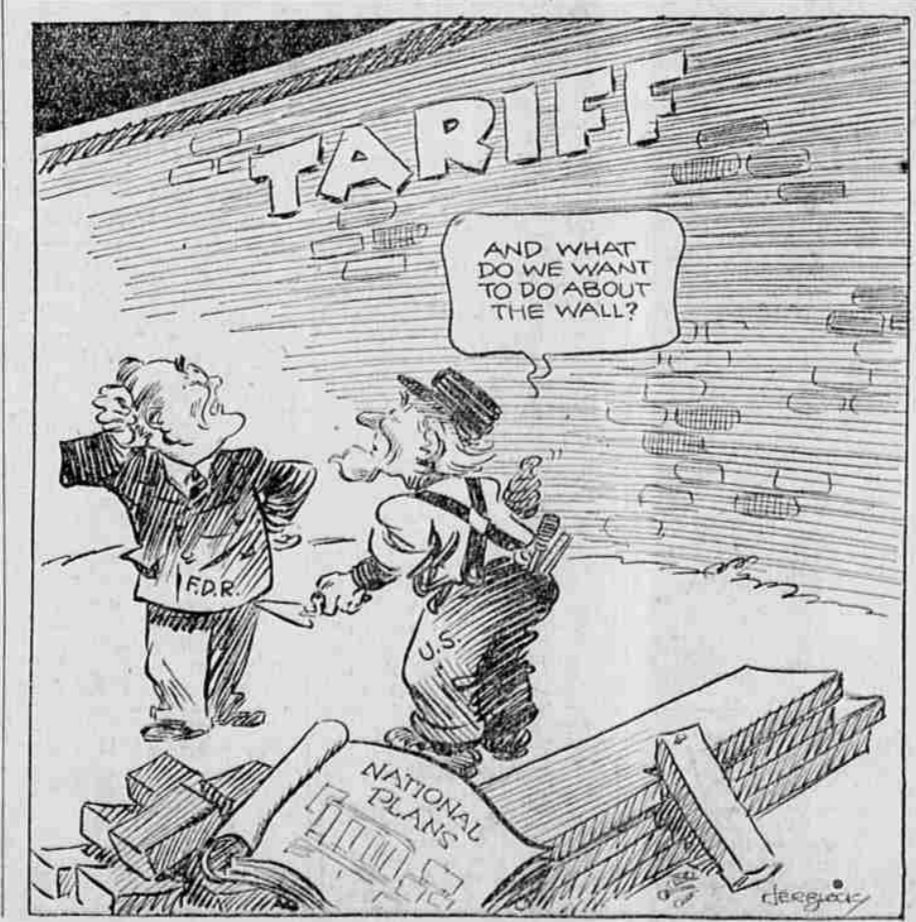
Out in East Liberty, five miles from the scene of his mouse-catching labors, "Tommy" must have brooded about his orchids and his roses; his catnaps under the un-drenched hot house pans and his daily luncheons with Supervisor Jim Parry.

He seemed bored and fidgety and then two days ago he disappeared.

Yesterday, pretty much the worse for wear, his proud tail badly smashed, "Tommy" limped into his old conservatory home, perched at the astonished Jim Parry and hobbled off to rest up for a resumption of rat-catching.

The cat had come back — through five miles of unfamiliar streets and unaccustomed dangerous traffic — back to stay, says Jim Parry.

SPEAKING OF RECONSTRUCTION



NATIONAL PLANS