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DEPOSITS IN LOCAL BANK LOSS-PROOF

First National of La Grande Becomes Qualified Member of Fund. CERTIFICATE IS RECEIVED TODAY

Individual Deposits Up To \$2,500 Insured Against Loss As Part of New Act Over Nation.

Depositors of sums up to \$2500 in the First National Bank of La Grande are insured against loss beginning today.

Whereas, by satisfactory evidence presented to the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation it has been made to appear that the First National Bank of La Grande in the state of Oregon is a member of the Federal Reserve System, entitled to become a member of the Temporary Federal Deposit Insurance Fund and to the insuring of its deposits as provided by law from the date hereof until July 1, 1934.

Now, therefore, I, Walter J. Cummings, chairman of the board of directors, do hereby certify that the First National Bank of La Grande in the state of Oregon is a duly qualified member of the Temporary Federal Deposit Insurance Fund.

In testimony whereof witness my signature WALTER J. CUMMINGS (Seal) Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

C. E. Societies To Hold Rally Here Tomorrow

Final plans are being made here today by members of the local Christian Endeavor societies for a rally to be held tomorrow at the Christian and Presbyterian churches.

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WILL ROGERS says: BEVERLY HILLS, Cal., Jan. 1—Everbody comes to California, they see a lot of great wide, rocky, sandy creek and river beds, with not a hot water bottle full of water in 'em and they are a big joke. They wonder what they are for.

Well, yesterday they showed what they were there for. Us old settlers (that have been here five or 10 years) never saw anything like it. We are so tickled to see rain out here that we put on a big parade in honor of it.

I am writing this before I go to the big game today. I am about half mad because Nicholas Murray Butler didn't come out here with his team. Somebody ought to have told him it was a Republican convention, that's his principal relaxation. Yours, Will Rogers

MORE C. W. A. JOBS HERE RECEIVE O. K.

L. H. S. Athletic Field to Be Levelled; Flood Control Project Approved

Several more Union county C. W. A. projects were approved by Burton E. Palmer, of Portland, assistant to the Oregon administrator of the civil works administration, following an Eastern Oregon conference held in

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E. O. N. GRADUATES SUCCESSFUL IN OBTAINING JOBS

That graduates of the Eastern Oregon Normal school are unusually successful in securing teaching positions is indicated by a recent report submitted by J. A. Churchill, director of elementary teacher training for Oregon. The report gives the percent-

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DAIRY MEETINGS HERE FEB. 16-17

The Oregon Dairy association will hold a two-day convention in La Grande Feb. 16 and 17. It was announced today by Ernest DeLong. The convention, details of which will be announced later, is expected to bring quite a large gathering of delegates to this city.

RAINFALL IN CITY FOR '33 23.04 INCHES

Wettest Since 1927 in La Grande; 3.59 Inches Above Normal.

DECEMBER TOTAL IS ABOVE AVERAGE

Temperature Ranges From 16 Below to 106 Above - 1933 Year of Extremes Here.

La Grande received more precipitation in the form of rain and snow during 1933 than since the year 1927, a survey of local weather records today revealed. December's total of 3.54 inches of moisture, which is 1.16 inches over normal quota, boosted the year's total to 23.04 inches, 3.59 above normal.

The year also contributed the second coldest February day in La Grande since weather records were started here in 1888. Last Feb. 9, the mercury dropped to 16 below zero. The record is 19 below for February, made in 1890.

Also, on July 24, the mercury climbed to 106 above, one degree cooler than the all-time heat record of 107 above for La Grande.

Near-Record Year Although it broke no outstanding records, the year of 1933 was a near-record one from a weather standpoint, winding up with the warmest December here since the year 1892.

Moisture last February was the most for that month since 1926, and this December was the wettest in more than 12 years.

The temperature range, 122 degrees, was the greatest here in several years.

And the 1.05 inches of rain that fell here in a 24-hour period about 8 year ago, gave that day ranking

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Mrs. Proctor, 66, Dies Saturday At Fruitdale Home

Mrs. Eunice Proctor age 66, wife of D. H. Proctor, county assessor, passed away at her home in Fruitdale Saturday afternoon after a long illness. Mrs. Proctor is a pioneer of La Grande, having lived here for 43 years and her death came as a sad shock to her many friends. She is survived by her widowed husband; two sons, Henry, of Pocatello, Ida., and Harry, of Seattle, Wash.; and a brother V. C. Wheeler, of Hendricks, Minn.

The funeral will be held from the chapel of Walkers Funeral Home Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock with Rev. W. H. Hertzog in charge of the service. Burial will be in the family plot in Island City cemetery.

Probe Cruelty Charge at Home for Blind Children



That children of the Arthur Sunshine Home and Kindergarten for Blind at Summit, N. J., were "disciplined" by being thrust under cold showers and having their mouths taped, was the testimony of teachers at the maturation given when investigation of the charges began. Here Mrs. Gladys Krautler, superintendent (at right of table), testifies in her own behalf in the presence of nurses at the home.

BURGLARS ENTER LA GRANDE HIGH SATURDAY NIGHT

School re-opened in La Grande today after the holiday vacation, with classes in both high school and the grade schools resumed.

But at the high school, some time was spent this morning by teachers and others, checking their belongings to see if all was well. The building was entered by burglars Saturday night and although considerable damage was done, nothing of value was reported as missing with the exception of some stamps from the city school superintendent's office.

Entrance to the building was made through a window on the southeast end, the intruders breaking the glass and entering Mr. King's room. Then they went to the furnace room and broke in there, obtaining tools which they used to enter other rooms, including the offices of Supt. Herbert Evans, Principal A. L. Grapp and five class rooms. Doors were pried open and damaged considerably.

Although repairs were made over the weekend and all was in readiness for study this morning.

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LA GRANDERS ASKED TO AID FLOOD RELIEF

Rev. Paul De F. Mortimer, chairman of Union county urges all citizens of La Grande to contribute quickly to the relief of hundreds of families driven from their homes by floods in the Pacific northwest. This chapter's quota is \$125.

A. L. Schaefer, Red Cross manager in the Pacific area, advises the local chapter that there is great desolation and distress in Western and Central Washington and Northern Idaho. Contributions to the Pacific northwest flood disaster relief fund may be made at La Grande Investment Co. office.

Baby Anson First To Arrive Here New Year's Day

Being the first baby of 1934 born in La Grande is such a momentous event in the life of Baby Anson, day-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Anson that her parents are still hard put to select a name that will be fitting for the baby. The 8-pound daughter was born yesterday at the Grande Ronde hospital at about 3:30 p. m. About 55 minutes after Baby Anson was born Gerald Lee Stoddard greeted 1934. He was born to Mr. and Mrs. Marion Stoddard at their home at 1903 Adams at 4:25 o'clock. The baby weighs 8 1/2 pounds.

REGISTERING AT E. O. N. FOR TERM

Registration was under way today at the Eastern Oregon Normal school and a number of new students have registered for work. President H. E. Inlow announces. Classes of the winter quarter will begin tomorrow morning on regular schedule.

KNOWLES AT HOME AFTER HOLIDAY TRIP

Judge and Mrs. J. W. Knowles returned Sunday from Portland where they spent the holidays with their daughter, Mrs. E. G. Brown, and her family, and with their son, Everett W. Knowles, and family. Judge Knowles will preside at the adjourned term of the circuit court which will open next Monday with the case of the state of Oregon vs. Louis May, charged with non-support. Judge and Mrs. Knowles found the roads in good condition on their return trip but they report considerable fog.

THROWN FROM TRUCK, ELGIN MAN KILLED

Carl Thomas Stowe, 29, Fatally Injured in Accident; Dies Here Today

Carl Thomas Stowe, young Elgin man, was fatally injured early Sunday morning on the highway the other side of Elgin, when he was thrown from a careening truck. He died at an early hour this morning at the Grande Ronde hospital. Reports are that internal hemorrhage caused his death.

Mr. Stowe was riding in a truck with his brother, Ed, who was driving, according to officers, when the machine left the highway. The driver managed to get it back onto the road, but Carl was thrown from the vehicle, striking a fence and his body breaking one of the rails. In spite of the force of the impact, there were few bruises and no broken bones, it was reported.

He was rushed to La Grande for medical aid, but his injury was too serious to prevent death.

Funeral services have not yet been arranged. The body is at the Snodgrass and Zimmerman mortuary. Mr. Stowe was born in Arizona Jan. 10, 1904 and was 29 years, 11 months and 17 days of age. He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hezekiah Stowe; five brothers, Verne, of Wallowa, and Bert, Ed, James and John, all of Elgin; three sisters, Mrs. Alta Wheeler, Mrs. Rula Long, of Elgin, and Mrs. Janet Ross, of Elmer, Ida., besides other relatives.

CELEBRATION TO BE MEET TOPIC

The La Grande chamber of commerce will meet next Tuesday at the La Grande hotel, with the entire program to be turned over to a discussion of plans and budget for the 34 U. P. railroad celebration here, commemorating the arrival of the first train in this city half a century ago.

This was announced at a meeting of directors of the chamber held today at noon.

It also was announced that the city commission is investigating the feasibility of leasing the La Grande airport so that the C. W. A. might authorize its improvement.

L. W. SHIRLEY VISITS HERE

L. W. Shirley, master mechanic for the Union Pacific with headquarters in Portland, is a visitor in La Grande today where he is transacting business.

Wheat Today

The price of local cash wheat stood at about 51 1/2 cents bulk here today, according to quotations at the Pioneer Flouring Mills. Portland cash 70 cents.

CHICAGO, Jan. 2 (AP) - Higher prices prevailed in all grains today, the first trading session of the new year, but the advance was due more to a lack of pressure than to aggressive buying.

Trade was only fair with the market easily influenced. Wheat closed unsteady and near the extreme low levels of the day. A late wave of selling wiped out all earlier gains. The close was 1/4 cent below Saturday's finish.

Corn also weakened late and finished 1/4 cent lower, and provisions ruled steady to 1/8 cent higher.

JUST BEFORE PRESSTIME

- JUDGE IS REVERSED BROTHER, SISTER MURDERED TEMPERANCE ORDER ISSUED N. R. A. CODE ENJOINED

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 2 (AP)—Opinions handed down today by the state supreme court included: Nora J. Harris vs. Louis Schultzer, defendant, and Jesse Breshears, sheriff, Guy Fuller, defendants-appellants. Appeal from Union county suit involving chattel mortgage. Opinion by Justice Roseman. Judge J. W. Knowles reversed.

MASSILLON, O., Jan. 2 (AP)—Wavering footprints in the moist soil of the farmlands near the eastern edge of Massillon faded into a blind trail today for sheriff's deputies hunting Mrs. Edith Dilly McGinnis Christman, 51, for questioning in the fatal shooting of her estranged husband Roy Christman, 49, and his invalid sister Iola, 38.

SALEM, Jan. 2 (AP)—Orders regarding temperance for all employees of the state highway department were issued today by R. H. Baldoock, state highway engineer. Violation of the rules set out in the order will result in immediate dismissal Baldoock stated.

HARTFORD, Conn., Jan. 2 (AP)—A temporary injunction restraining General Hugh S. Johnson, national recovery administrator, code authorities and United States officials from enforcing provisions of the coat and suit industry code against five Connecticut manufacturers has been granted by the U. S. district court.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2 (AP)—The American Veterans association, after an investigation of the economy act, reports that "no actual hardship has been meted out to the war disabled veterans."

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2 (AP)—The reconstruction finance corporation made known today it had purchased more than \$50,000,000 of foreign gold in the administration's effort to boost commodity prices.

F. R. TO DELIVER CONGRESSIONAL MESSAGE HIMSELF

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2 (AP)—President Roosevelt notified congressional leaders today he planned to deliver his first annual message to congress tomorrow, in person. This was disclosed in authoritative quarters today as congressional leaders busily engaged in preparing for the convening of congress. It will be the first time a president has read his message in person at a joint session since the Coolidge administration.

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BANKING CODE IS EFFECTIVE FEB 1

The banking code which will change hours of operation and several items of banking practice will not go into effect until Feb. 1, in accordance with a request made by General Hugh Johnson, N. R. A. administration head, A. K. Parker, cashier, announced this morning.

Original plans called for the acceptance of the code on Jan. 1 but more time is necessary to complete the clauses of other codes throughout the country, it is said.

LIST OF CALIFORNIA FLOOD FATALITIES

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 2 (AP)—The revised death list in the Los Angeles flood of Sunday follows:

- Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Moore and daughter, Martha, 7, San Gabriel. Sherman and Toots Hubbard, brother and sister, Wilmington, drowned with the Moores when their automobile plunged through a broken bridge. Mrs. Dorothy Carter, Monterey Park. Marilyn Ghoslin, 4, Glendale. Mrs. Myrtle Adams, Montrose. Elwood Plumb, 5, Long Beach. Clyde Dowell, CWA worker, Tuljumb. Frank Geregthy, 45, North Hollywood. Mrs. Ruth X. Beal, Montrose. Mrs. Margaret Smith, La Crescenta. Chester Herrera, 12, Los Angeles. Clark Hanson, Montrose. Sam Wilson, 10, Montrose. Wilson, 10, a brother. Betty Lorraine Klans, 10, Montrose. Mrs. Vera Kato, 40, La Crescenta. Homer Higley, 28, Montrose. Winston Doty, 20, Venice. Weston Doty, 20, Venice, twin brother of Winston. Carter, 70, Van Nuys. Three unidentified men, two unidentified women, three unidentified girls. With the exception of Carter,

34 DEAD, 32 MISSING IN FLOOD AREA

Rescue Crews Searching Debris Strewn Sections of State.

SCORES OF HOUSES RAZED BY WATERS

Most Chaotic Conditions in Foothills of the La Crescenta-Montrose Region.

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 2 (AP)—Debris strewn sections of Southern California were being searched today as Los Angeles and its environs sought to count the toll of death and destruction in the greatest rainstorm and flood in its history.

Thirty-four bodies were reported recovered today in various disaster areas, 23 being identified. In addition there were seven persons killed in automobile accidents resulting from the storm. A list of 32 missing was also reported.

That would indicate a probable death toll of 66. Property damage, it was estimated, would run into millions.

The most chaotic conditions were in the foothills of the La Crescenta-Montrose area, back of the city of Glendale, in which a forest fire several weeks ago denuded the watershed.

Scores of houses were torn away by the torrents then crashed down the arroyos. Many automobiles were completely buried.

The ordinarily dry Los Angeles

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Woodin Resigns And Morgenthau Joins Cabinet

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2 (AP)—The treasury opened today under a new secretary—Henry Morgenthau Jr.—for its first day's business in 1934. The first break in the Roosevelt cabinet yesterday elevated Morgenthau to the portfolio of secretary of the treasury after the president accepted the resignation of William H. Woodin. Morgenthau had been acting secretary several weeks while Woodin was on leave attempting to regain his health. A letter to the president dated around the middle of last month, however, Woodin said he felt it best that he resign. Word that Mr. Roosevelt had accepted and named Morgenthau was not known until just before the latter was sworn in.

Arguments In Knox Law Case Delayed

SALEM, Jan. 2 (AP)—Postponement of arguments in the Klamath Falls attack on the Knox liquor law, scheduled to be heard today before Circuit Judge L. G. Lewelling here, was announced in view of the reported inability of either attorneys for the state or the defense to be in attendance.

PORTLAND, Jan. 2 (AP)—An administrator to direct and manage Oregon's state liquor control system will be appointed this week. This was announced Monday by George H. McMoran, of Eugene, chairman of the liquor control board.

EXPLAINS INSURANCE OF BANK DEPOSITS

The following is the final one of a series of informative articles, released by A. K. Parker, cashier of the First National Bank of a Grande, in explanation of how deposits in participating banks will be insured under law beginning today.—Editor's Note.

Some indication of the number of depositors and amount of deposits in the 12th Federal Reserve district is presented in the accompanying table and chart. The proportion of depositors in this area having accounts of \$2500 or less is approximately the same as in the United States as a whole, but the aggregate amount of deposits included in that size group constitutes

Table with 4 columns: Amount of Deposits (Thousands), United States, Twelfth District, Per Cent of Total. Rows include categories like \$2,500 or less, 2,500 - 5,000, etc.

In conclusion, it might be well to remember that the banker loans, not his own money, but the depositors' money. He is a trustee, responsible to his stockholders, while serving his depositors. Comptroller J. F. T. O'Connor made the following statement in a recent address: 'My purpose is to serve a great country with my limited ability. If uncounted hours in the day and long into the night will bring forth a better understanding between my department and the people, will make for a more permanent banking struc-

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