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ARREST THREE IN AIRMAIL SCANDAL

NOMINATE 24 FOR CHAMBER DIRECTORATE

Ballots in Mail For Members to Mark; Count Votes February 10

ANNUAL MEETING PLANS FORMING

Likely to Be Held Early in March, Following the Election of Twelve Directors.

Ballots are in the mails today for the nomination of 24 men for directors of the La Grande chamber of commerce for the coming year. It was announced by Secretary Harold Boone.

Ballots were prepared by B. C. Madill, Clyde Bunting and C. M. Wight, the committee on election.

The ballots, which include a full list of chamber members to aid the voter in selection, are to be mailed or left at the office of the chamber prior to 5 p. m. Saturday, Feb. 10.

Each member may vote for 12 on the present ballot, and the 24 receiving the highest vote will be nominated. Then on Feb. 17, new ballots will be mailed with the 24 names listed, and members will elect 12 from this number, the selection to end Feb. 24.

Then the directors will elect their officers for the coming year.

A date for the annual chamber of commerce banquet has not been definitely decided on, but it may be during the first week of March. Details on this matter will be announced later, when arrangements are completed.

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Senator Kiddle Is Speaker At Lions Luncheon

State Senator Fred E. Kiddle, who acted as governor of Oregon recently when Gov. Julius L. Meier was out of the state, gave a resume of the year 1933 from a legislative standpoint at today's luncheon of the Lions club at the Saxe-Jawia Inn.

Expressing the belief, 1933 would be referred to as the year of legislation, he said that three sessions were held—the regular session of 90 days (the longest in Oregon history) and two special sessions. He also reviewed the accomplishments of the legislature, particularly during the last special session.

It was announced that the scheduled volleyball game next Wednesday would be postponed because of a party at the C. L. Gilstrap home for Lions and the auxiliary, with Dr. and Mrs. Gilstrap, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Wight and Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Stevenson to entertain.

Two new members were introduced, State Policeman Willard A. Tubbs and Robert E. Williamson, of the E. O. L. & P. Co.

ROBERT DEAN, ENTERPRISE, ALSO A "TWIN"

Comes another man who was born on Jan. 30, 1882 thereby becoming a "twin" of President Franklin Delano Roosevelt.

His name is Robert A. Dean, and he is president of the Oregon Society of Democratic Engineers, which has headquarters in Portland. Mr. Dean, however, resides at 1000 Grant street, at Enterprise.

The Observer also extends Mr. Dean a year's subscription to this paper without charge.

WILL ROGERS says:

BEVERLY HILLS, Cal., Feb. 4 — Now that the principal thing to gamble in is money you watch the Chinamen entering into your brokerage offices. No people in the world can gamble on money exchange like a Chinaman, the quickest figures in their heads of anybody.

That money market in Shanghai makes the New York stock market look like a wake—and not a pencil in the house.

I here and now suggest to Mr. Morgenthau, our treasurer, don't monkey with a Princeton or Harvard professor when he starts out with that two billion to stabilize with. "Can" all those professors and get him a Chinaman. Yours,

Will Rogers

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PENDLETON HIGH UNABLE TO STOP TIGER SCORERS

Pendleton High school will have to wait at least another year before chalking up a win over the La Grande Tigers on their own basketball floor.

The Bucks couldn't do it Saturday night, the Tigers winning 26 to 18, and in 1933 Pendleton lost in La Grande 48 to 25. Maybe next year will be different, but not if the outcome of the second team preliminary here Saturday meant anything.

The Tiger Bees won from the Pendleton seconds 18 to 12 in two overtime periods.

The blue and white team could have won by a wider margin, but Coach Ira Woodie put in his reserves with about five minutes to play, and in the remaining time, Pendleton

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ADULT CLASSES IN EDUCATION TO BEGIN ON FEB. 7

A first meeting of classes in adult education, made possible here through a special C. W. A. appropriation for the various counties in Oregon, will be held at 7 o'clock Wednesday night, Feb. 7, at the High school building.

This was announced today by Herbert Evans, superintendent of schools, who will have charge of the classes.

Miss Cornelia Hansen will teach a class in public speaking and written English in room 5, and Mrs. Frances Thompson will teach a class in arithmetic and grammar and composition in room 6.

All persons who are interested in these classes should enroll Wednesday night, Mr. Evans said, when a definite time and place for the meetings will be determined. Present plans are to hold the classes three nights per week, but this is still unsettled.

It will be possible to continue the classes during February, but after that unless additional C. W. A. appropriations are made.

\$700. BUILDING PERMIT ISSUED

Hascall and King took out a building permit in the amount of \$700 at the city office last week, to remodel, alter and repair the meat market on Adams between Greenwood and Hemlock, which is owned by K. J. McWilliams. The market is next to Safeway Store No. 16.

This permit brought the total for January to \$2,200, compared with \$25 last January.

NEW STYLE



The thermometers may be registering zero up north, but the only temperature reading Miss Dorothy Richards was interested in when this picture was taken was that of the water at Palm Beach. Dorothy, by the way, was a member of the Deb committee for the President's ball.

IDAHO COLLEGE CAGERS TO PLAY E. O. N. TONIGHT

After more than a week without any college games, La Grande basketball fans are to see three contests here this week, all of which appear likely to be close tilts.

Tonight at 8 p. m. at the L. D. S. Recreational hall the Mountaineers will play the College of Idaho Coyotes.

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SCHOOLS OF TWO COUNTIES ASK CHANGE

Union and Wallowa Educators File Protest With District Board

NEW METHOD OF PLAY DEMANDED

Regard Placing of Baker and La Grande in Separate Sub-Districts As Unfair.

Another development in the basketball tournament situation occurred here late Saturday, when the smaller schools in Union and Wallowa counties decided to protest to the district board against the present plan for qualifying teams for the championship play-off.

All the schools in sub-district No. 1, which is all of Union and Wallowa counties outside of La Grande—and La Grande also was represented, met here with the exception of Enterprise and unanimously agreed that the present plan of placing Baker and La Grande in separate sub-districts (thus not requiring those two teams to play in elimination contests) was unfair to the other schools.

The protest asked that the district board call a meeting next Saturday and hold a hearing in order that a more fair method of determining qualifications be arrived at. A committee was appointed, consisting of Supt. Smith, of Elgin, and Supt. Kraft, of North Powder, which with the sub-district board—Supt. Conklin, of Union; Supt. King, of Imbler, and Supt. May, of Wallowa—will lay the matter before the district board if the meeting is held.

Favor Gralapp's Plan

The consensus favored a plan advanced by Prin. A. L. Gralapp, of La Grande, some time ago, for determining

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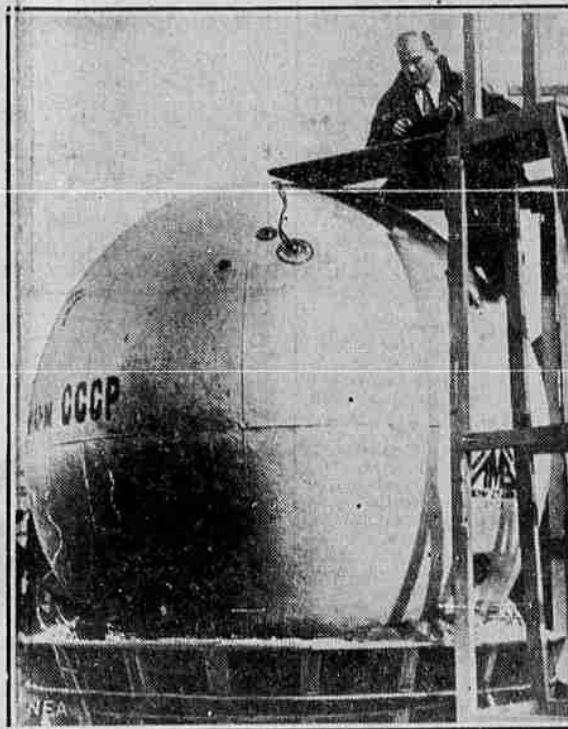
CHICAGO, SHAW, IBSEN, ROUSE TURKISH IRE

ISTANBUL (AP) — Chicago, Bernard Shaw and Ibsen all came in for a share of Turkish students' nationalistic wrath.

Several thousand young men and co-eds staged a lively demonstration here against the use of non-Turkish names by shops, theatres and restaurants.

The owner of the "Chicago Restaurant" promised to blot out the offending name. So, similarly, did other owners along the Grand Rue of Pera, who had been sporting signs such as "Artistic Cinema" and "McCow Cafe."

ILL-FATED RUSSIAN BALLOON



Commanded by Paul Fedosenko, a scientist with no stratosphere experience, the Russian balloon Syrus (above), set a new world's altitude mark when it rose more than twelve and three-fourths miles in a secret flight over Moscow. Andrew Vassenko the engineer who constructed the gondola, also made the ascension. All three members of the crew were killed when the balloon crashed in descending.

COST OF RELIEF IN JANUARY FOR COUNTY \$1,567

A total of 402 families received aid from the Union county relief committee during the month of January and the expenditures for groceries and other necessities amounted to \$1,567, according to reports made at a meeting of the committee Saturday

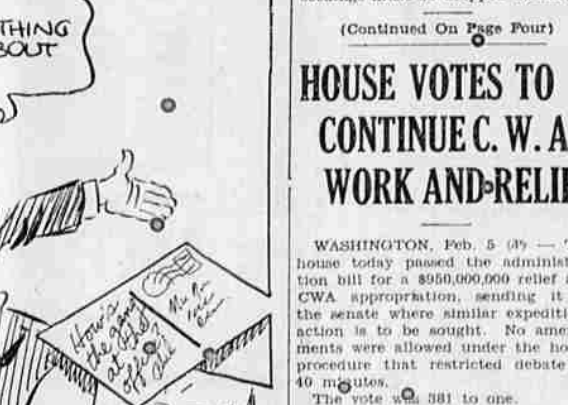
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Prizes In Candy Unfair Says Court

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5 (AP) — The supreme court held today that sale of packages of candy containing prizes to catch the pennies of the children constituted unfair competition.

The high tribunal declared the federal trade commission, in ordering R. P. Keppel and Brothers, Inc., of Lancaster, Pa., to stop merchandising prize candy packages, acted within the authority conferred on it by congress.

NEED FOR MORE POSTAL REGULATIONS



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HOUSE VOTES TO CONTINUE C. W. A. WORK AND-RELIEF

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5 (AP) — The house today passed the administration bill for a \$600,000,000 relief and CWA appropriation, sending it to the senate where similar expeditious action is to be sought. No amendments were allowed under the house procedure that restricted debate to 40 minutes.

The vote was 381 to one.

Wheat Today

The price of local cash wheat, stood at about 53 1/2 cents bulk today, according to quotations at the Pioneer Flouring Mills. Portland cash 73 cents. Export bid 77 1/2 cents.

CHICAGO, Feb. 5 (AP) — Wheat went moderately higher in price today, with considerable broadening of trade on the part of the public.

The bulk of the buying of wheat was associated with soaring of stock market values, though reports of dust storms west and southwest received much attention. A decrease of 2,916,000 bushels was shown in the United States wheat visible supply, bringing the total down to the smallest at this season since 1928.

Wheat closed unsettled, 1/4 @ 1/2 above Saturday's final, corn 1/4 @ 1/2 up, oats unchanged, and provisions showing a rise of 7 to 20c.

JUST BEFORE PRESSTIME

CATTLE BILL IS PASSED

WORK HOURS DEFINED

SILVER INQUIRY BEGINS

PINE DECISION STANDS

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5 (AP) — The house today passed the Jones bill making beef and dairy cattle a basic commodity under the agriculture adjustment act, and authorizing \$200,000,000 for payments to producers.

PORTLAND, Feb. 5 (AP) — Women may not be employed later than 6 p. m. in any mercantile establishment in this state, under a ruling adopted by the Oregon public welfare commission. So-called emergency employments are exempt. These include restaurants, theatres, janitorial services and kindred businesses.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5 (AP) — Representatives of the United States treasury have started an investigation into the position of the New York silver market. It was reliably reported in Wall street today.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5 (AP) — The United States supreme court today refused to reconsider its recent decision sustaining the order of the federal trade commission directing the Algoma Lumber company and eleven other companies on the Pacific coast to stop selling lumber and other products made from Ponderosa pine as California white pine.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5 (AP) — A one tenth of a cent tax a barrel on oil at the well and another one tenth of a cent on oil as it reaches the refinery was proposed by the house ways and means committee today by Secretary Ickes.

GENERAL MARTIN IS CANDIDATE FOR OREGON GOVERNOR

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 5 (AP) — A new hope in the future blossomed fruitfully today in the hearts of those several persons who aspire to congress from the third Oregon district, as Major Charles H. Martin, congressman, prepared to vacate his Washington, D. C., office and seek the governorship of Oregon.

But while the voluntary retirement of Martin, a tough Democratic fighter in any campaign, spread sunshine among those longing for a congressional seat, it developed indecision and concern among the prospective candidates in the forthcoming gubernatorial contest.

So great was Martin's strength been rated that it had been exceedingly doubtful whether any Democrat would oppose him in the May 18 primary election should he have sought re-election.

The brief formal announcement by General Martin that he aspires to the position of Oregon's chief executive, is expected to result shortly in official filings by other gubernatorial candidates, lest they be left at the post. Sam H. Brown, of Corvallis, already has made official announcement he will run as a Republican.

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SENATE VOTE AUTHORIZES POLICE MOVE

Hanshue, Brittin, Givvin and MacCracken Face Contempt Charges.

BLACK SAYS BROWN VIOLATED STATUTE

Accused Former Postmaster General of "Divide Up" Conference.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5 (AP) — The senate today ordered the arrest of three more aviation officials in connection with the Black committee's aerial investigation.

Without a record vote, the senate adopted the McCarren (D., Nev.), resolution citing Harris M. Hanshue, president of Western Air Express; L. H. Brittin, vice president of Northwest Airways; and Gilbert L. Givvin, Washington representative of Western Air, to show cause why they should not be judged in contempt of the senate.

At the request of Chairman Black the resolution was amended to include William P. MacCracken, attorney for several aviation companies and Hoover assistant secretary of commerce for air, who already was under arrest. Thus MacCracken was placed in the same category with the rest and the entire proceedings put off until Friday. MacCracken is free on personal bond of his attorney, Frank J. Hogan.

Chairman Black told the senate today the committee felt Walter F.

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Austria Decides To Ask League For Protection

VIENNA, Feb. 5 (AP) — Austria decided today to appeal to the League of Nations to protect her against aggression from German elements.

The Austrian cabinet, after a long discussion of the Austro-German situation, unanimously decided to empower Chancellor Engelbert Dollfuss to submit its dispute with Germany to the league of nations at Geneva.

Earlier in the day Prince Ernst von Starheimberg, a member of the triumvirate governing Austria, defied Chancellor Engelbert Dollfuss and established Fascist government in the Tyrol.

He replaced the elected provincial government with a commission of Heimwehr soldiers, peasant league of officials, and Catholic storm troop leaders and told his chancellor that the Heimwehr (home guard) which he heads would support Dollfuss' anti-Nazi campaign only if Dollfuss abandoned political party rule.

27 Killed By Snow Slides in Europe

ROME, Feb. 5 (AP) — Twenty-seven persons were killed and a number injured in a series of snow avalanches followed, in some cases, by landslides in the Apennine region near Bologna and Forlino, an official report stated today.

The slides were first reported Saturday night and continued sporadically last night.

A search by relief parties was hampered by heavy snow and bitter cold.

BOY INJURED PLAYING BALL

Keith Simmons, of Union, suffered a severe eye hemorrhage when he was struck in the eye by a baseball last Saturday.

He was brought to the Bouvy hospital for treatment where it was learned that he will not lose the sight in the injured eye.

FREE-FOR-ALL FIGHT AT PORTLAND CHURCH

PORTLAND, Feb. 5 (AP) — Contending factions of the Evangelical Congregational Brethren church here required the attention of four police radio squad cars last night as what was described as a free-for-all developed over the right of the pastor, Rev. Conrad J. Wagner, to continue his duties at the church.

Considerable controversy and some court action resulted six months ago when one faction tried to get an injunction restraining the minister from continuing as pastor.

Last night, police said, nearly 100 persons engaged in a free-for-all outside the doors of the church, and fists flew and umbrellas were flung. Officers reported, however, that apparently no one was injured.

CATCH STEELHEAD AT THIEF VALLEY

Although the trout fishing season doesn't open until April 15, there is a place in this locality where anglers—impatient for a chance to land a finny prize—can do their stuff.

Yesterday a number of Baker county sportsmen fished below the dam at Thief Valley and succeeded in landing several steelhead, some as much as 18 and 19 inches in length, and one of them requiring 30 minutes to land.

There is no closed season here on steelhead, although the main run is not expected until late this month or in March. But these fish were held

back of the dam and liberated into the stream last week when the dam was opened for a short time.

The fishing yesterday was largely a matter of sitting on the bank and letting the bait of fresh eggs sink into the holes. But when Mr. Steelhead took the bait, then it was a different story—there was fight aplenty and then some!