

650 Women At Annual Spring Fashion Tea Today

La Grande Is The Gateway to Wallowa, "The Switzerland of America"

La Grande Evening Observer

Only Newspaper Printed in La Grande Covering Union and Wallowa Counties

VOLUME 32

EASTERN OREGON'S LEADING NEWSPAPER

LA GRANDE, OREGON, SATURDAY, MARCH 3, 1934

MEMBER ASSOCIATED PRESS

NUMBER 150

DILLINGER ESCAPES COUNTY JAIL

NEW STYLES SHOWN THIS AFTERNOON

Second Spring Exposition Presented by University Women

ATTRACTIVE MODELS DISPLAY FASHIONS

Merchants of La Grande Co-operate in Making Event Today Outstanding Success

Six hundred and fifty women, interested in the prevailing styles for spring, filled the Sacajawea Inn hall-room this afternoon when a parade of attractive models and displays depicted the latest in all lines of fashion at the second annual Spring Fashion Tea, sponsored for the merchants of La Grande by the American Association of University Women. When the grand stairway opened at 1:15 o'clock, the lobby was thronged with guests who inspected the displays on the mezzanine floor until the doors opened at 1:30 into the hall room.

Unedda Bakers Donate Wafers For Style Tea

It took sixteen hundred vanilla wafers, made by the nationally famous Unedda Bakers of the National Biscuit Company, to satisfy the fancies of some 600 ladies who attended the Style Tea this afternoon at Sacajawea Inn. These tasty cakes were the donation of the National Biscuit Company, makers of Snowflakes, Honey Maid, Graham and other fine products, to the efforts of the local branch of the American Association of University Women for their more successful presentation of this year's Style Show. That the ladies assembled enjoyed these tid bits is evident in the number consumed, an average of three to a person.

sports, afternoon, evening and night wear. Modeling for Norton's Kidney shop were Marian Christensen, Betty Lou Anson, Larry Vest, Carolyn Bohm, Mary Ingle, Sharon Palmer, Otar

(Continued on Page Four)

Colorless Tiger Team Manages To Score 22 - 20 Win

In a rough, close checking game of basketball, La Grande High school defeated the up and coming Mc-

(Continued on Page Two)

MISS ZABEL'S MOTHER DIES EARLY TODAY

Miss Amanda L. Zabel, head of the English department of the Eastern Oregon Normal school, left this morning for Valley City, N. Dak., having received word of the sudden death of her mother, Mrs. C. A. Zabel. Mrs. Zabel's death was practically instantaneous following a heart attack at 2 o'clock. She had been in her usual good health and visited with guests until a few hours before her passing. Funeral services will be held in Valley City Tuesday afternoon. Miss Zabel was called home the last of September by her father's sudden death.

PLENTY OF COONS IN EAST OREGON WOODS

Lots of people do not regard the raccoon, commonly called coon, as being a resident of Union and adjacent counties. Yet, the latest animal counts in the Umatilla and Wallowa national forests, reveal 910 of the little fur-bearing denizens of the forests making their home in this section.

Two hundred and sixty coons are reported in the Umatilla forest, but in the Wallowa forest, the number is estimated at 650. Chances are that quite a number of the coons also make their homes

Will Makes Plea For Airmen



OMAHA, Neb., Mar. 2.—The army is handling the mail very sensibly now, I left New York at 2 a. m., arrived at Chicago at 6 a. m. Weather in and around Chicago was bad. They held us there till noon. No mail in or out. You see both army and commercial are very careful. Talked to General Westover, in charge of all army flyers, and Colonel Hickam of Chicago area. They said they were taking no chances. (Some banker may lose a day's interest on his checks, but that's the worst that can happen).

And what about the flyers and the old buck privates, some of which draw only \$21 a month and have been moved away off up here from their posts? They want some money. They are eating and sleeping on credit and living off the generosity of the towns they are in. So hurry up and get busy, congress, and straighten the whole thing out. All of you say you want to, well then, do it.

Salt Lake at midnight, Beverly for breakfast. Yours, Will Rogers.

U. P. BUTTON CAMPAIGN TO OPEN TUESDAY

Women of Old Timers Auxiliary Are to Make House to House Canvass in La Grande

BUTTON AUCTION TONIGHT
The first 10 buttons to be sold in Union county will be put on the auction block at Depot and Adams tonight beginning at 8:30. The race for ownership of the first button has become keen, it is reported, and not only will the button committee give an opening for bidders to say their say, but will have some music on hand and generally make it a neighborhood get-together. "Come out and join the fun" is the word from those in charge.

Tuesday morning a systematic house to house campaign to sell the railroad celebration souvenir buttons will be undertaken by the auxiliary to the Old Timers' club. Monday afternoon the city will be divided into

(Continued on Page Two)

NEW C. W. A. WAGE SCALE FOR THIS AREA ANNOUNCED

The new wage scale adopted for C. W. A. workers was announced today by Charles B. Miller, Union county manager. It ranges from 40c to \$1.20 an hour.

During this work week, Union

FRESHMEN TALENT ASSEMBLY FRIDAY

The freshman talent assembly was held Friday afternoon at the La Grande High school, with a large audience in attendance. Some excellent numbers were presented, as

(Continued on Page Two)

"PIED PIPER" PRESENTED AT EAST NORMAL

Opera Sets New Standard for Local Productions; Large Audience Witnesses Staging

A La Grande and valley audience, which filled practically every seat in the E. O. N. auditorium last night, witnessed the finest production of its kind ever presented in this city when the Eastern Oregon Normal school and the J. H. Ackerman Training school students appeared in the opera, "The Pied Piper of Hamelin."

By far the most pretentious staging attempted by E. O. N., the opera, with its beautiful songs, delightful story, well coached cast and chorus and appropriate costumes and stage settings, set a new standard for amateur acting in this city. Direction was by Miss Jennie Peterson and Miss Florence Day.

The three leading roles, the mayor of Hamelin, the Pied Piper and the Dreamland, were taken by Kenneth Hodgen, Leo Andrew and Eileen Cochran, and their excellent voices and portrayal of their respective roles headed a near faultless performance. Others who had leading parts—without exception handling them admirably—were Darcy McCool, who

(Continued on Page Four)

Book Drive To Begin Here On Monday Morning

The book drive, sponsored by the American Legion auxiliary for the La Grande public library will open Monday morning and the committee, headed by Mrs. L. C. Morehead, is urging the co-operation of every organization and individual in the city. Funds for buying new books are very low at present, it is said, and the auxiliary feels that the drive is one way to help the library meet the increasing demands made on it.

Books may be left at the Moon Drug Co., the L. and L. Drug company, the public library, Andrews grocery and Riveria grocery. Those who have books to give and no way to get them to these places are asked to call the library or members of the committee and they will be called for.

Books given and which can not be used by the library will be sent to C. C. C. camps, hospitals or other places where a need for volumes is felt.

Miss Mabel Doty, librarian, states that editions of the National Geographic magazine will be greatly appreciated.

State Office Kissing Lands Smack Into Trouble



Charges of "promiscuous kissing in the California State Printing Office" shook political structures and started investigations that brought on heated defense and attack. Three principals are, left to right, Mrs. Minnie Haley, employee, one of those filing "kiss charges"; James F. Lyon, copy editor, who refused demands that he resign, and insisted it was all "fatherly and brotherly"; Alexander Crossan, composing room foreman, accused of kissing by Lyon.

BOY SCOUTS OF COUNTY CONCLUDE BUSY MONTH; MANY AWARDS EARNED

Boy Scout troops of Union county have joined with all scouts throughout the nation in the twenty-fourth anniversary celebration of their organization. The month of February was a busy one for all scouts. It is reported. On February 10 they listened to a national broadcast by President Roosevelt, their own president, Walter Head, and their chief scout executive, Dr. West. Several troops of the city are participating in the emergency relief program by gathering clothing and food for the needy. Many store windows have been used by the scouts to display their handiwork and to exhibit by demonstration their knowledge in fire by friction, first aid, woodcarving, and many other useful subjects.

As a climax to their celebration, the troops are holding special banquets and meetings for the friends of scouting. Instead of holding one court of honor for all troops, the committee has allowed each troop to hold its own court and arrange its own program for the February meeting. The board of review passed a large class at the February meeting and awards were granted to the following scouts:

Troop 3: Second class: David Douglas, Bob George; cooking, Billie Roach, Dick Worrell; life saving, Dick Lott; firemanship, Billie Roach.

Troop 4: tenderfoot, Carl Stewart.

Melvin Comstock, John Smith, Clyde Pyle, Donald Pyle, Junior Sams, Phil Ainsworth.

Troop 7: First class, Leland Grapp, Wayne Williamson; second class, Jack Leonhardt, Rex Lourie, Kenneth Bray, John Busey; tenderfoot, Bill Neal, Will Spencer; cooking, Merrill Rosenbaum, Glen Kelly, Hal Carter; woodcarving, Clark Bray, Bill Free, Ernest Woodell, Walter Salmon; swimming, Wayne Williamson; safety, Claude Baker, Eugene Parlett, John Kopp; first aid to animals, Merrill Rosenbaum; public health, Bob Dow, John McManus; pathfinding, Bob Dow, John Ralston, John McManus, John Kopp; horsemanship, Clark Bray, Bob Kelly; bookbinding, John Ralston; leathercraft, Jack Murphy.

Troop 2 (Timber): Second class, Richard Wilson, Lee Richardson, Elmer Perry, Garth Westenskow, Junior Redmond, Warren McCoy, Gordon Hudson.

Troop 13: Second class, Willard Hall, Clyde Metcalf; tenderfoot, Earl Lovin, Martin Ricks; woodcarving, Darrell McCarroll; woodworking, Jack Mattot; handicraft, Darrell McCarroll.

Troop 14: Second class, Bill Ricks; tenderfoot, Victor Bettencourt; cooking, Bernard Kaepke; woodcarving, Harold Weeks; swimming, Harold Weeks, Bob Brack; first aid, Jack

(Continued on Page Two)

FOUR BURNED TO DEATH IN HOTEL FIRE

Twelve Others Injured in Early Morning Blaze in Worcester, Mass

WORCESTER, Mass., Mar. 3 (AP)—Four men were burned to death and 12 persons injured in an early fire which destroyed the Hotel Pleasant today. The loss is estimated at \$125,000. The blaze was brought under control after a three-hour fight.

The dead: William Donovan, 86, Albert P. Gaudette, a partial cripple, 45, of St. Denis, Canada, Edward P. O'Brien, 43, George Rowe, 60, of Providence, R. I. The origin of the fire is undetermined. The blaze started in the elevator in the basement and spread rapidly throughout the entire structure. Some guests made their way to the street by rope ladders. Several were rescued by newspaper men.

Donovan was first seen daubing through the first floor lobby, his clothing all ablaze. A man ahead of him advertently slammed the outside door as he fled, and the patent catch

(Continued on Page Four)

AIR SYSTEM IS CALLED RACKET

WASHINGTON, Mar. 3 (AP)—Clarence D. Chamberlin, internationally known aviator, today pledged cooperation with Postmaster General Parley in what he called efforts "to change nation's air transportation system from organized octopus racket to a business."

His telegram, made public by Parley, said commercial air lines were succeeding in building up a public belief that the contract cancellations were bad policy.

Commenting on the fact that the army is on the job, Chamberlin said "If army pilots don't know how to fly at night between two fixed air fields on charted courses they had better learn. Their biggest job in war will be to fly at night from temporary landing fields to moving ships or unfamiliar cities, deposit bombs there and return to base."

Rumors of sabotage of arm planes flying the mail, meanwhile, were not being taken seriously by Secretary Dern. He called them "absurd" and denied reports of an investigation being made.

Wheat Today

The price of local cash wheat stood at about 54 cents bulk here today, according to quotations at the Pioneer Flouring Mills. Portland cash 72½ cents. No export bid.

CHICAGO, Mar. 3 (AP)—A tendency to adopt a waiting attitude pending new legislative developments at Washington characterized the markets much of the time today, in the end, prices showed slight gains. Wheat closed firm, at the same as yesterday's firm, at 54c higher, corn 14½¢ up, oats unchanged to 14¢ advance, and provisions unchanged to a rise of 5 cents.

JUST BEFORE PRESSTIME

SUSPECT IS NOT FLOYD
HOUSE PASSES BOND BILL
CONVICT WOMAN PHYSICIAN
UPBUILD COAST DEFENSES?

GRANTS PASS, Ore., Mar. 3 (AP)—A man held here by state police and believed to be Charles "Pretty Boy" Floyd, Oklahoma outlaw, is not Floyd, sheriff's officials determined today after comparing fingerprints.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 3 (AP)—After repulsing Democratic insurgents, the house today passed the senate-approved Fletcher-Steagall bill to permit continuance of the use of government bonds to back federal reserve note currency. It now goes to the president.

GREENWOOD, Miss., Mar. 3 (AP)—Dr. Sarah Ruth Dean, woman physician, today was convicted of the poison whisky murder of Dr. John Preston Kennedy. The jury fixed her penalty at life imprisonment.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 3 (AP)—Upbuilding of the coastal defenses of the Pacific northwest was seen today in plans of Representative Mott (R., Ore.), for development of the Tongue Point naval base at Astoria, Ore.

GREECE DECIDES TIME IS UP FOR SAMUEL INSULL

ATHENS, Mar. 3 (AP)—The foreign minister today notified the minister of the interior that Samuel Insull Sr., former Chicago utilities operator, must leave Greece.

The notification said that the final extension of Insull's permit to remain in the country has expired. Insull previously had gained repeated extensions of the permit by which he remained in Greece secure from United States government authorities who sought his extradition to face trial on charges of embezzlement and grand larceny in connection with the collapse of his middle western utilities organization.

Whether Insull will go to the United States was not immediately certain. He merely is expelled from Greece and now may go to whatever country will receive him.

It was said today that he may head for Syria.

ALICE WYNEKOOP FAINTS AT TRIAL

CRIMINAL COURTS BUILDING, Chicago, Mar. 3 (AP)—Dr. Alice L. Wynekoop, on trial for the second time for the slaying of her daughter-in-law, Rheta, collapsed today during the cross examination by the state.

The prosecutor had been taking her question by question through a statement made by her after the inquest, in which she retold her "confession."

The judge ordered the jury removed. Dr. Wynekoop was wheeled from the courtroom.

After a 24-minute recess, however, she was wheeled back and Judge Harry B. Miller ordered all spectators to take their seats.

"Blonde Vamping Venus" Divorced

LOS ANGELES, March 2 (AP)—The blonde vamping Venus of the silver screen, Thelma Todd, was divorced today from Pasquale De Cicco, theatrical agent.

Two weeks ago she packed up and left him. Their biggest job in war will be to fly at night from temporary landing fields to moving ships or unfamiliar cities, deposit bombs there and return to base.

Rumors of sabotage of arm planes flying the mail, meanwhile, were not being taken seriously by Secretary Dern. He called them "absurd" and denied reports of an investigation being made.

F. R. ACTS TO SPEED UP N. R. A. PENALTIES

WASHINGTON, Mar. 3 (AP)—President Roosevelt acted to speed up the handling of industrial violations under collective bargaining provisions of the recovery law by ordering that NRA's compliance board act on the findings of the national labor board without reviewing them.

Immediately upon issuance of the executive order, the labor board cited four companies to show cause in hearings March 12 and 13, why their cases should not be referred immediately to the compliance board and justice department.

The four concerns, all accused of

KILLER USES DUMMY GUN TO COW GUARD

He and Another Prisoner Then Seize Machine Guns and Flee

TWO HOSTAGES ARE FREED AT PEOTONE

Notorious Bandit Heading for Chicago—Indiana State Police Take Up His Trail

CROWN POINT, Ind., Mar. 3 (AP)—John Dillinger, notorious killer and bank robber awaiting trial for murder, walked out of the "escape-proof" Lake county jail today with Herbert Youngblood, a negro prisoner—each armed with a machine gun.

Dillinger's escape from the prison in charge of Sheriff Lillian Holley whose husband was slain by a mad man, apparently climaxed weeks of planning during which he whittled a dummy pistol out of wood in his cell.

He used the pistol today to threaten a guard and force him to unlock the first floor cell in which Dillinger and four other prisoners were locked. Once outside the cell, Dillinger and his companion went to the warden's office, seized two machine guns, and departed with Deputy Sheriff George Blunt as a hostage.

They took flight to a nearby garage, stole an automobile, and forced Edward Sager, an attendant, to accompany them. They headed north toward Gary and Chicago.

At Peotone, Ill., Dillinger and Youngblood freed Deputy Sheriff Blunt and Sager, garage employee.

At Peotone, Ill., Dillinger and Youngblood freed Deputy Sheriff Blunt and Sager, garage employee.

At Peotone, Ill., Dillinger and Youngblood freed Deputy Sheriff Blunt and Sager, garage employee.

At Peotone, Ill., Dillinger and Youngblood freed Deputy Sheriff Blunt and Sager, garage employee.

At Peotone, Ill., Dillinger and Youngblood freed Deputy Sheriff Blunt and Sager, garage employee.

At Peotone, Ill., Dillinger and Youngblood freed Deputy Sheriff Blunt and Sager, garage employee.

At Peotone, Ill., Dillinger and Youngblood freed Deputy Sheriff Blunt and Sager, garage employee.

At Peotone, Ill., Dillinger and Youngblood freed Deputy Sheriff Blunt and Sager, garage employee.

At Peotone, Ill., Dillinger and Youngblood freed Deputy Sheriff Blunt and Sager, garage employee.

At Peotone, Ill., Dillinger and Youngblood freed Deputy Sheriff Blunt and Sager, garage employee.

At Peotone, Ill., Dillinger and Youngblood freed Deputy Sheriff Blunt and Sager, garage employee.

At Peotone, Ill., Dillinger and Youngblood freed Deputy Sheriff Blunt and Sager, garage employee.

At Peotone, Ill., Dillinger and Youngblood freed Deputy Sheriff Blunt and Sager, garage employee.

At Peotone, Ill., Dillinger and Youngblood freed Deputy Sheriff Blunt and Sager, garage employee.

At Peotone, Ill., Dillinger and Youngblood freed Deputy Sheriff Blunt and Sager, garage employee.

At Peotone, Ill., Dillinger and Youngblood freed Deputy Sheriff Blunt and Sager, garage employee.

At Peotone, Ill., Dillinger and Youngblood freed Deputy Sheriff Blunt and Sager, garage employee.

At Peotone, Ill., Dillinger and Youngblood freed Deputy Sheriff Blunt and Sager, garage employee.

At Peotone, Ill., Dillinger and Youngblood freed Deputy Sheriff Blunt and Sager, garage employee.

At Peotone, Ill., Dillinger and Youngblood freed Deputy Sheriff Blunt and Sager, garage employee.

At Peotone, Ill., Dillinger and Youngblood freed Deputy Sheriff Blunt and Sager, garage employee.

At Peotone, Ill., Dillinger and Youngblood freed Deputy Sheriff Blunt and Sager, garage employee.

At Peotone, Ill., Dillinger and Youngblood freed Deputy Sheriff Blunt and Sager, garage employee.

At Peotone, Ill., Dillinger and Youngblood freed Deputy Sheriff Blunt and Sager, garage employee.