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ARMY TO FLY MAIL AGAIN MONDAY

GUN CLUB TO BID FOR '35 STATE SHOOT

Plan Announced at Annual Clam Feed Held Friday Evening

STATE GAME HEADS ATTEND MEETING

Carl Silven, E. Crockett, and Ralph Cowgill Are Among Speakers on Local Program

A determined effort is being made by the La Grande Gun club, which last night held its annual clam feed at its Lone Tree club house with some 150 or more in attendance, to bring the 1935 Oregon state trapshooting event to this city. This was revealed during the course of the program following the feed, and speakers indicated that there would be no great difficulty in obtaining the shoot, provided the club can show it is ready to entertain the three-day convention of nimrods.

Members of this club are to go to the state shoot this year to invite the association to La Grande next year, and in the meantime the club plans to make such arrangements as will be necessary on the part of a host club.

Dr. G. L. Biggers, president of the local club, announced the intentions to bid for the 1935 shoot, and Roy Farnam added to his announcement. Expressions were heard in support of the club's bid from various other cities represented, during talks made by Lou Bideier, of Union; Alva Day, secretary of the Hood River Sportsmen's club; W. D. Humphrey, secretary of the Hunters and Anglers' club at Pendleton; Hans Hacker,

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Mercury Drops To 27 Above In La Grande Today

The temperature in La Grande dropped 32 degrees Friday, as compared with Thursday, the maximum readings the two days being 72 and 50 above. The minimum Friday morning dropped from 40 above to 27 above last night, with a fairly heavy frost in La Grande, which caused worry among those who have apricot and peach trees in bloom.

It was the coldest weather experienced since February.

The forecast for the weekend is for unsettled weather with more frost in the east tonight. Next week will have frequent rains with normal temperatures, the weatherman predicts.

Chipmunks At Fire Station Appreciate 'Nerts'

Spring housecleaning at the fire station today was "the nerts." You see, they have two chipmunks there, and their quarters have not been molested for the last month. But today W. F. Gallagher decided to clean out one of their sleeping boxes—and found more than a quart of nuts inside, "singing from almonds to sunflower seeds." Visitors at the station frequently feed the chipmunks, who usually take the nuts into their quarters and hide "em—in instinctively thinking of the future. Mr. Gallagher expected to find at least another quart of nuts in the other "munk's" sleeping box.

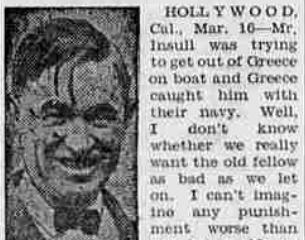
It looks as if the little animals will have plenty to eat for while, anyway.

WEARIN' OF GREEN ORDER OF THE DAY

Today is St. Patrick's day—a day which to most of the American people means the "wearing of the green." But who was St. Patrick? He drove the snakes out of Ireland? Here's a little ancient but reputable history on the subject.

St. Patrick or Patrick was the apostle or patron saint of Ireland, said to have been born near the site of Kilpatrick, Scotland. His zeal for the conversion of the pagan Irish probably between 440-460 A. D. His endeavors, history tells us, were

Will Comments On Slippery Sam



HOLLYWOOD, Cal., Mar. 16.—Mr. Insull was trying to get out of Greece on boat and Greece caught him with their navy. Well, I don't know whether we really want the old fellow as bad as we let on. I can't imagine any punishment worse than not being able to return to your own country, no matter what country it is.

Monday the house of representatives voted on the silver question. I wonder what effect it would have made on present day affairs, if Bryan had had his in '96. I reckon we could have been just as broke. You can't legislate intelligence and common sense into people. We was riding for the fall we would have gotten in anyhow. Yours,

Will Rogers

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GUARDSMEN WILL CELEBRATE 10TH BIRTHDAY MONDAY

National guardsmen of La Grande and Union and a number of invited guests will meet at the Salsalawa Inn Monday night for a dual purpose—to celebrate the 10th anniversary of Company E, 186th Infantry, of this city, and to witness the award of five-year and 10-year service medals to local officers and enlisted men.

Captain Walter A. Bean, commanding Co. E, said today Brigadier General Thomas Rilea, commanding the 82nd Brigade, was expected to be here for the meeting Monday night, and if so, would present the medals. The custom of holding an annual banquet has been continued during the last several years, with the Enlisted Men's club paying the bill. The program has not been announced, but

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SPECIAL DANCE GROUPS FEATURE MUSICAL COMEDY

Six specialty dance groups, under the direction of Miss Kathryn Sartin, will enhance the beauty and interest of the musical comedy, "Fest of the Desert," to be presented by the La Grande High school Thursday and Friday evenings in the school gymnasium.

The Soldier's chorus, accompanied by martial music and a military bearing, is composed of James Voelke, Billy Hough, Billy Neff, Jack Hendrickson, Wilfred Zurbick, John Farris, Herbert Vorus, Rex Wall, Howard Allen, Clifton Smith, Maurice Gekeler, Gordon Clark, Howard Webb, Waldron Farker and Marvin Smith.

A striking black and white chorus includes Mary Freese, Elizabeth Milne, LaVeda Millering, Roxie Zaugg, Orvaline McWilliams, LaWanda Centrell,

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STORE WINDOWS TO RETAIN FROST

The action taken recently by the city commission in protesting frosting of windows in the state liquor store here apparently, faces nothing but failure.

The state liquor control commission, in meeting in Portland yesterday, noted—after receiving the letter of criticism from La Grande—that the state liquor store windows in all state stores are frosted, so that youthful eyes might not be able to gaze on the array of bottled goods inside.

MAN ACCUSED OF 2 LOCAL BURGLARIES

Walter Lloyd, 41, Formerly of Boise, Is Bound Over to Await Action of Grand Jury

Police believe they have cleared up two local robberies of the last few days with the arrest of Walter Lloyd, 41, formerly of Boise. Police Chief Jim Steffen said today part of the stolen property had been recovered. Lloyd, who protested innocence and said that the property found by officers had come into his possession from another man, was Friday taken into the justice of peace court and Judge L. Denham bound him over to await the action of the grand jury. Bonds were set in the amount of \$500 which Lloyd could not raise, officers said, and he was taken to the county jail. The charge, it is reported, was

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Strike Outlook In Auto Plants Somewhat Cloudy

WASHINGTON, Mar. 17 (AP)—Reports reaching Hugh S. Johnson, N.E.A. administrator, were said authoritatively today to indicate that the threatened automobile strike would materialize next Wednesday unless extraordinary concessions were made from the management.

This was made known a short while after Johnson informed President Roosevelt directly that he hoped to avert strike action. The reports to Johnson came from the labor side of the controversy.

The N.E.A. administrator expected during the weekend to sound out the automobile executives further to see whether he could not persuade them into action that would bring peace.

LARGE CROWD IS PRESENT AT I. O. O. F. EVENT

A large crowd enjoyed dancing and cards Friday night at the Odd Fellows hall when the cemetery association sponsored another of its benefit programs. A program was furnished by Leo Andrews, vocalist, who sang a group of numbers; Mrs. Lynn Wright, who entertained with amusing readings; and the Orton boys of Coville, who played piano and drums. Cards were arranged and Mrs. Ed Streiff received the prize. Dancing was enjoyed to the strains of the old time orchestra and punch was served.

Mrs. Roosevelt Mingles With Natives on Tour



"The Great White Lady" was what Virgin Islanders called Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt when she arrived from San Juan, Puerto Rico, to study economic and social conditions. You see her here at the left as she chatted with natives of St. Croix during her exploration of two native villages.

LA GRANDE HIGH LEAVES MONDAY FOR SALEM; PLAYS EUGENE AT 5 P. M., MAR. 21

La Grande High school's championship basketball team, scheduled to play Eugene High in the opening round of the state tournament at Salem Wednesday at 5 p. m., will leave here Monday morning. Coach Ira Woodie said today.

The Tigers—Buddy Reynolds, Don Stitt, Earl Peterson, Vic Bean, Tom Zivkovich, Kenneth Webb, Hughie Irwin and Ralph DeBoie—will go by car and train, and will spend Monday night in Portland. They will go to Salem Tuesday morning and have been assured of time to practice on the Willamette gym floor before the tournament begins. Accompanying the team besides the coach will be Principal A. L. Gralapp, Manager Pidecock, Everett Reynolds and a few others who plan to make the trip.

Coach Woodie said today his squad was in excellent condition, with light practices held Tuesday, Thursday and today, and was hopeful of upsetting Eugene in the opening game. The feeling existed here that La Grande, if it plays the game at Salem it is capable of, may make a fair showing in the tournament.

La Grande drew in what looks to be

3 EUROPEAN NATIONS IN AGREEMENTS

Two Treaties Signed, One of Them Designed to Assure Austria's Independence

By Andree Berling (Associated Press Foreign Staff)

ROME, Mar. 17 (AP)—The premiers of Italy, Austria and Hungary signed two agreements today, one destined to bring their three countries closer together politically, and the other to assure the economic independence of Austria.

The agreements provide that each of the countries concerned consult the other two before taking any steps which would react upon another.

The prime effect of the pact will be to bind Austria to confer with Italy before making any move that might betray her independence—particularly, through a union with Nazi Germany.

The experts will remain behind when their chiefs return to their capitals. It will be the job of the former to work out details of the economic agreement the two primers reached in principle.

The commercial accord lists preferential duties which it is hoped will serve as a basis for a more extensive Danubian agreement bringing in France, Germany and the little entente nations of Rumania, Czechoslovakia and Yugoslavia.

The consultative pact will be opened to other nations also, it was disclosed in semi-official circles, probably the same nations mentioned in connection with the economic agreement.

Mussolini entertained last night at

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Wheat Today

The price of local cash wheat stood at about 32½ cents bulk here today, according to quotations at the Pioneer Flouring Mills. Export bid 76½ cents. Portland cash 32 cents.

CHICAGO, Mar. 17 (AP)—Response to late setbacks in securities and cotton had an unsettling effect on the wheat market today, and early gains were mostly canceled.

Bears in wheat put some stress on a tentative unofficial estimate that the United States had a prospective wheat yield of around 700,000,000 bushels for the season, with a July 1 carryover of 250,000,000, suggesting possibility of a total supply of 950,000,000 bushels. Last year the crop was 257,000,000 and the carryover 388,000,000, a total of 915,000,000.

Wheat closed nervous at the same as yesterday's finish to ½¢ higher, May 87½¢ to ½¢ corn 1½¢ to ½¢ up, oats ½¢ to ½¢ advanced, and provisions unchanged to 12 cents decline.

JUST BEFORE PRESSTIME

SNELL OUT OF THE RACE
WA III IN CAGE FINALS
LABOR UNIONS REJECT PLAN
MRS. F. D. R. IN CAPITAL

PORTLAND, Mar. 17 (AP)—Earl Snell, speaker of the house of the Oregon legislature, advised the Associated Press by telephone from his home in Arlington today that "unless there is a decided change in events, I will not be a candidate for governor."

SEATTLE, Mar. 17 (AP)—Walla Walla and Hoquiam will meet tonight for the 11th annual Washington state high school basketball championship. They entered the finals today with easy victories, Walla Walla defeating Aberdeen 44 to 27, and Hoquiam conquering Wenatchee 38 to 19.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 17 (AP)—Railroad labor unions today flatly rejected a proposal by managers that the present 10 per cent wage cut be continued until April 30, 1935.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 17 (AP)—Mrs. trip to Puerto Rico and the Virgin capital at 1:55 p. m. today from her trip to Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

NEW YORK, Mar. 17 (AP)—Lester R. Stouffer, Los Angeles, became the United States indoor tennis champion today, defeating Gregory S. Mangin, Newark, champion for the past two years.

INSULL RETURNED TO GREECE BUT MAY LEAVE AGAIN

ATHENS, Mar. 17 (AP)—Samuel Insull Sr., Chicago fugitive, suffered a new heart attack today.

ATHENS, Mar. 17 (AP)—The erstwhile "old fox" of American finance, Samuel Insull Sr., who created international complications by 18 months of dodging American authorities who seek him for trial on embezzlement charges, was returned to Greece today.

After 75 hours of escape from Greek surveillance, the S. S. Maiotis was returned to the harbor at Piraeus at 7:15 p. m. (1:15 p. m. E. S. T.). The harbor master and chief alien officer immediately boarded the vessel and told the aged fugitive that he had to get out of Greece again.

They told him he might even go on the same vessel if he cared to but

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DILLINGER GANG MEMBER TO DIE

LIMA Ohio, Mar. 17 (AP)—Charles Mackley, second member of the notorious John Dillinger gang to face a charge of murdering Sheriff Jess Barker, today was convicted without a recommendation of mercy by a jury of 11 men and one woman. The verdict makes mandatory a sentence of death in the electric chair.

PORT HURON, Mich., Mar. 17 (AP)—A "hot trail" marked by two more deaths snuffed the eyes of authorities toward Canada today as they hunted John Dillinger, wooden-gun desperado.

Undersheriff Charles Cavanaugh died last night of bullet wounds he suffered when he and other police trapped and fatally wounded Dillinger's negro pal-in-crime, Herbert Youngblood.

Before he died, Youngblood said that Dillinger had been in Port Huron Thursday night. Quickly there came a report that Dillinger had crossed the St. Clair river from Port Huron to Sarnia, Ont., in a rowboat with two Indians.

2,000 MASSACRED BY FIERCE NATIVES

MOSCOW, Mar. 17 (AP)—More than 2,000 persons, including members of the British consulate's staff, were reported today to have been massacred at Kashgar in Sinkiang, Chinese Turkestan, by fierce Tungan natives.

The massacre, dispatches from Tashkent said, came in a bloody battle between the rebels and the military of the recently-proclaimed "independent government."

The fighting ensued when Tungan forces swooped down upon the town and freed a garrison of Tungsans which had been besieged in a fortress by troops of the independent government.

A number were slain and wounded at the British consulate when government troops drew Tungan fire by taking refuge nearby after falling back from an unsuccessful counter attack upon the Tungsans.

Dispatches said the beaten government troops had been strengthened by a union with detachments under the command of the Emir of Chotan. Then, while this body occupied Jarkent, partisan groups of Uygurs and Kirghiz, fighting on the side of the independents, succeeded in cutting off Kashgar.

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RICKENBACKER TESTIFIES IN AIRMAIL CASE

Urges President to Purge Official Family of Its "Traitorous Element"

FAVORS RETURNING OF MAIL CONTRACTS

Also Suggests New Federal Commission to Regulate Private Commercial Flying

WASHINGTON, Mar. 17 (AP)—The army will resume transporting the airmail over nine routes at 12:01 a. m. Monday. The Seattle-Salt Lake City route is among the nine to be flown.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 17 (AP)—Col. Eddie Rickenbacker, testifying today before the senate post office committee, urged that "the president purge his official family of those traitorous elements who have disavowed him on the air mail."

Rising to his feet after reading a prepared statement, Rickenbacker said "I believe I have earned my heritage to citizenship and I want in fairness to the chief executive to

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Laughton And Hepburn Given Cinema Crowns

HOLLYWOOD, Mar. 17 (AP)—The court of film royalty opened its doors today to Katherine Hepburn and Charles Laughton.

By the acclaim of their fellow workers they were chosen last night at a banquet of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences as the actress and the actor whose work was the best upon the screen in 1933.

Miss Hepburn, spirited, red-headed eccentric of Hollywood, joined the purple by her performance in "Morning Glory," and Laughton by his act in "The Private Life of Henry VIII."

But it was a strange coronation, for neither the queen nor the king was present to wear the crown.

Laughton was in England making a picture and Miss Hepburn was in New York.

King Henry the Eighth would have been amazed at the prelate who bestowed the crowns. He was a buffoon—Will Rogers—and his garb at the banquet of film notables was a blue serge business suit.

"My purpose in being here is to give out the foot," said Rogers. He mentioned the name of the academy, which contains the noun, "Science."

"If making movies is a science, it's a miracle to me," he drawled. "This business is a racket."

Dublin Stages Big St. Patrick Parade

DUBLIN, Mar. 17 (AP)—Old Dublin led the world's Irish today in the "wearing of the green" to honor the memory of the good Saint Patrick.

The city carried on a tradition many others have all but forgotten in observing St. Patrick's day with a big parade in the grand old style.

In the line of march were thousands of Oriel and Dublin regiments of the new volunteers—dressed for the first time in their new gray-green uniforms.