

Senator Fred E. Kiddle Not To Seek Re-election

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RAILROAD MANAGERS ACCEPT PLAN

SENATOR TO DEVOTE TIME TO BUSINESS

Will Retire From Public Life After Eight Years of Service.

JACK ALLEN ONLY CANDIDATE NOW

Kiddle's Announcement Expected to Result in New Political Activity in This District.

State Senator Fred E. Kiddle, of La Grande and Island City, representing the counties of Union, Umatilla and Morrow in the legislature the last eight years, announced today that he would not be a candidate for any public office this year. Senator Kiddle said he was prompted to retire from politics at this time by his desire to devote all his time to his private business interests.

His announcement today was regarded in local political circles as one of the most important of the present year in this section of the state. And by the same token, with only one candidate so far with his hat in the ring, it was expected that several Republicans would begin sounding out sentiment as to their prospects. So far, no candidates have developed in the Republican party and only one in the Democratic party, Mayor Jack Allen, of Pendleton, who is believed to have the "inside track" for his party nomination.

April 3, just two weeks away, is the last day for filing candidates to appear on the May primary ballot, and a lot of political hay is expected to be in the making during the fortnight ahead.

Fine Record
Senator Kiddle, during his eight years in office, has been one of the most prominent men in the state. Besides serving on many important committees, he was elected president of the senate two years ago and since then has acted as governor of Oregon during absences of Governor Julius L. Meier from the state. During his eight years of excellent service to this

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Runaway Gives Neighborhood A Thrill Monday

La Grande experienced a rather unusual event yesterday afternoon—a runaway. A real, old-fashioned case of frightened horses bolting down the street!

"It looked like old times," said Rev. J. George Walz, pastor of the Presbyterian church, who happened to be one of the spectators. The team, ownership not learned, started running on Spring avenue and tore down to the Sacajawea annex corner where the horses turned down Washington avenue, the wagon tongue coming out of the yoke about that time. Finally they wound up at the home of Mrs. Frankie Pike, stopped by a tree.

No one was hurt. It is reported, but for awhile there was plenty of excitement in the neighborhood where the horses did their stuff.

TO OPEN MCKENZIE PASS

BEND, Ore., March 20 (AP)—A rotary snow plow was being brought into Central Oregon today from Klamath Falls for work on the opening of McKenzie Pass to motor travel. The snow removal will start tomorrow, and engineers say the mountain road should be in general use before the weekend.

NEW POLICY FOR C.C.C. CAMP BOYS

A number of La Granderes who now are in their second period of enlistment in C. C. C. camps, have only a few more months to serve before they will be mustered out of the civilian service, it was learned today. Almost complete replacement of personnel of the civilian conservation corps is expected during this year under a new enlistment policy designed to accommodate probably 250,000 new recruits and spread the benefits of the program. CCC Director Robert M. Johnston announced this by direction of the president none of the present 303,323 unemployed young men and war veterans now in the forest camps would be permitted to remain more than 12

Why Not 60-Year Plan For U. S.?



HOLLYWOOD, Cal., March 19 (AP)—Talk about Russia with her five-year plan! Mussolini just saw their five and raised 'em fifty-five. Italy is out now with a 60-year plan. Smart guy, that Mussolini. He laid out a plan where if it proved at the end it wouldn't work they couldn't find him.

"A few things even we could do with a 60-year plan." Everybody could get their code signed up, Louisiana could catch up with Huey Long, get the air mail straightened out, get the bonus settled, vote on remonetizing silver and send a delegation to the disarmament conference. Yours,

Phil Rogers.

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RESERVED SEATS FOR COMEDY ON SALE TOMORROW

Reserved seat tickets for "Jewels of the Desert," musical comedy to be presented by the La Grande High school March 22 and 23, will go on sale tomorrow morning at 8 o'clock at the Glass Drug store. Ticket sales have been underway for several days and indications are that both the evening performances will be well attended.

The costumes in the musical comedy are very colorful. Miss Norma Myers and a staff of girls from the party nomination.

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FEW MORE WHEAT CONTRACTS SIGNED

A few wheat contracts, for reduction of small acreages, have been received recently at the office of County Agent H. G. Avery. The opportunity is still open for those wheat growers who did not sign the contracts last summer, to sign now. The allotment committee working on hog production control has completed its work and is awaiting the action of the state board of review. It was announced this morning, Clyde Kiddle is chairman.

CODE DIRECTOR HOLDS MEETING

Arne Rae, secretary of the Oregon State Editorial association and director of the graphic arts code throughout the state, was in La Grande yesterday and conducted a meeting of the graphic arts code. Mr. Rae explained the workings of the code to a group of publishers and printers of this district who assembled here for the meeting.

Even Calendar Forced to Admit Spring is Here

Someone said there was no "winter" this year in La Grande. At any rate, the calendar refuses to agree with this statement, and therefore announces to the world that today is the last day of "winter."

Yes, spring is scheduled to arrive officially at 11:48 o'clock tonight. But most La Grande people won't sit up to wait for it!

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Socialite Held In Kidnaping



Indicted on a charge of kidnaping Dr. Isaac Dee Kelley, wealthy throat specialist, Mrs. Nellie Muench, above, socially prominent wife of a St. Louis physician, is free under \$50,000 bond. Five men, three of them underworld characters, also were indicted for the abduction, staged in 1931.

OREGON CITIES SESSION TO BE HELD AT EUGENE

Problems of interest to this city and other communities of Oregon will be taken up at the League of Oregon Cities convention to be held at the University of Oregon, Thursday, March 22, according to word received here from Herman Kehrl, executive secretary of the league. Officials from every section of Oregon will be in attendance. Invitations have been sent to the following in La Grande:

President, V. R. Melville; city manager, Angus McAllister; recorder and treasurer, J. E. Stearns; city attorney, E. R. Ringo; chief of police, P. J. Steffen; chief of fire dept., C. T. Lindsey; health officers, Dr. W. K. Ross and Dr. C. L. Gilstrap; supt. of water, Horace Knapp; Commissioners W. M. Condit and F. J. Lotties.

SON BORN TO UNION COUPLE

Mr. and Mrs. John Weaver, of Union, are the parents of a baby son born this morning at the Grande Ronde hospital.

RILEA SAYS PEACE TIME ARMY NEEDED

General Pleads For Adequate National Defense in Talk Here.

NATIONAL GUARD BANQUET GUEST

Company E Brings \$109,000 Into La Grande in 10 Years—Service Medals Awarded.

Brigadier General Thomas Rilea, commanding the 82nd Brigade, Oregon national guard, in the main address at a banquet at the Sacajawea Inn last night celebrating the tenth birthday anniversary of Company E, 186th Infantry, of La Grande, presented a strong argument for adequate national defense.

The general pointed out that Germany's high command might never have launched its ruthless submarine warfare which drew America into the World war, had it not believed two things—that the United States was too proud to fight, and if she did enter the conflict, would have little power because of lack of preparedness.

Financially, adequate defense is but a drop in the bucket compared with the cost of a war, he indicated, stating that the current appropriation for military establishments in the United States amounts to eighty-six hundredths of one per cent of the direct cost of the World war to this nation.

Turning to Company E, he congratulated the unit on the progress

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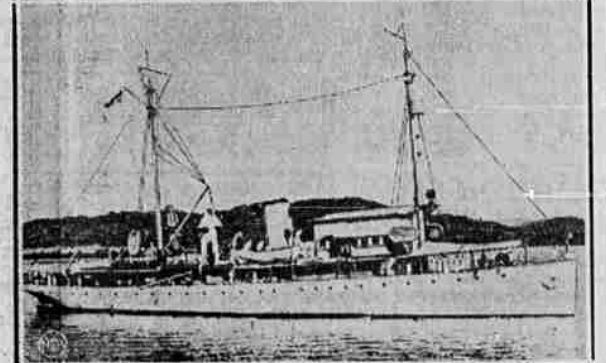
'Unloaded Gun' Is Cause of Death Of Six-Year Boy

Tragedy entered the home of former La Grande residents who now make their home in Seattle, when the grandson of Mrs. Emma Morelock was accidentally shot and killed by his brother at their home. Mrs. Emma Morelock is well known in the valley and is the sister of J. P. Morelock, of La Grande and Mrs. W. H. Russell, of Elgin.

"William Christensen, six, was accidentally shot and killed when his brother, Robert, eight, threatened him

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Daring Saves 187 as Gunboat Burns



While flames swept the U. S. gunboat Fulton, above, 50 miles from Hongkong in the South China sea, 187 officers and members of the crew were saved by the daring seamanship of the commander of the British destroyer Wishart. The British maneuvered his ship to touch the burning craft and more than 100 Americans leaped from their vessel to the deck of the rescue ship.

76 BOY SCOUTS TO GET AWARDS AT HONOR COURT

Twenty-four Boy Scouts will receive rank awards and 52 merit badges will be awarded at the next court of honor, the assemblage having passed the requirements successfully at a board of review held last night at Charles H. Reynolds' office. N. W. Fries was chairman of the board, assisted by A. W. Nelson, Elmo Stevenson, Harvey Carter, Lee Reynolds and Stanley Jenkins.

Star awards will be made to Eugene Parlett, Bob Dow, Hal Carter, John McManus, John Kopp and Claude Baker, all of whom are members of Troop 7. First class requirements were passed by David Leonard, Clark Berry, Richard Stoddard, Jack Mattot, Bill Warner, Clayton Klein and Willard Johnson; second class, Clyde Kiddle, Joe Johnson, Bill Neal and Mack Reher; tenderfoot, Weldon Marshall, Boyd Howard, Walter Howard, Richard Taylor, Desmond Larson, Teddy Cusick and Bill Pierce.

Those who will receive merit

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Baker Boy Drowned In Irrigation Ditch

BAKER, Mar. 20 (AP)—Yearl Roy Jeffords, 16-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Jeffords, was drowned in an irrigation ditch at the family residence late Monday afternoon.

At 4:20 Mrs. Jeffords saw the child playing in the garage and 10 minutes later found the body in the irrigation ditch. Yearl is survived besides his parents by two sisters and a brother.

JUST BEFORE PRESSTIME

HAWAII REPEAL BILL PASSES

OFFICERS, BANDITS IN FIGHT

U. S. FILES N. R. A. SUIT

EIGHT BURNED TO DEATH

WASHINGTON, March 20 (AP)—The house today passed the senate approved bill to repeal prohibition in Hawaii and Alaska. Congressional action was not completed because of minor amendments. The bills now go back to the senate.

JENKS, Okla., March 20 (AP)—Officers shot it out in a farm lane near here today with three men who, they said, may have participated in last week's \$21,500 Atchison, Kas., bank robbery, killing one and wounding another. The third escaped and their woman companion was arrested.

WASHINGTON, March 20 (AP)—The government today filed suit against the Weirton Steel company, charging it with "violating the national recovery act and the code of fair competition for the iron and steel industry."

LAFAYETTE, N. C., March 20 (AP)—Arthur McCrae, negro, and seven young negro girls burned to death when fire destroyed their home near Raeford last night.

WASHINGTON, March 20 (AP)—A congressional investigation of Nazi propaganda activities in the United States was authorized today by the house, 168 to 31.

By Stuart Moroney

(Associated Press Foreign Staff)

PARIS, Mar. 20 (AP)—Magistrate Andre Benon declared today Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gordon Swift of East Orange, N. J., had disclosed that an international spy gang operated in New York and sent them as agents to France.

Benon said that Swift, a former salesman, had uncovered the gang's operation and the part he and his wife played in its work.

He said they came here on a pay of 5,000 francs—about \$335—a month. Investigators said Germany and

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MARKET CONTROL BILL IS ALTERED

WASHINGTON, Mar. 20 (AP)—Differences between congressional advocates of stock market control legislation and the treasury and federal reserve board were reported officially today to have been composed by the revised measure introduced yesterday.

This was made known by Chairman Rayburn (D., Tex.) as the house interstate commerce committee opened hearings on the new bill.

The requirement to govern marginal trading, the Fletcher-Rayburn provisions on which drew heavy fire from Wall street.

As in the original bill a cash margin of 60 per cent would be necessary. But where the loan value of a stock in the original was limited to 40 per cent of the market value or 90 per cent of the lowest price in three years, the federal experts changed the latter to 100 per cent.

Where the marginal requirements previously would have been made applicable on all outstanding brokers accounts and bank loans on securities on October 1, 1934, the revised draft shifts this date to January 1, 1935.

The newly projected requirements, however, would go into effect on all marginal transactions made after October 1, 1934.

Wheat Today

The price of local cash wheat stood at about 52 cents here today, according to quotations at the Pioneer Flouring Mills. Portland cash 71½ cents. No export bid.

CHICAGO, Mar. 20 (AP)—Grain prices scored late advances today associated with favorable views taken by traders regarding the new grain exchange code signed by President Roosevelt.

Leading unofficial authorities in the grain trade said the code provision dealing with margin requirements would assure safety and stability of the price structure. It was declared to be sound policy that individuals interested in excessive use of grain should put up margin in proportion.

Wheat closed firm at the day's top level, 1½¢ above yesterday's finish, May 87½¢, corn unchanged to ½¢ higher, oats 1½¢ up, and provisions unchanged to a rise of 7c.

F. R. SUGGESTS EXTENSION OF PRESENT PAY

Position of Railway Labor Toward the Proposal Not Made Known.

CHIEF PLEAS FOR GOOD OF COUNTRY

President Also Moves in An Effort to Avert a Strike in the Automobile Industry.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 20 (AP)—Railroad managers today accepted the proposal of President Roosevelt to continue the existing wage agreement until next January 1.

The position of railway labor toward the proposal was not made known. Earlier in the day they demanded a 20 per cent increase over their present salaries, effective July 1.

The managers gave their acceptance in a letter to the president. They also made a formal offer to the railroad labor executives.

The existing wages constitute a ten per cent cut in basic pay. It expires on July 1.

In a letter to the conferring railway executives and labor officials, the president repeated his proposal for a six months extension of the present wage agreement.

"It is a profound disappointment," said the president, "to learn that no progress toward an agreement has been made at the conference."

"I fear that signs are being lost of the most important factor of all, the good of the country."

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SENATE DEMANDS LIST OF SILVER HOARDERS IN U. S.

WASHINGTON, March 20 (AP)—The senate today called on Secretary Morgenthau for a list of hoarders of silver.

It adopted without debate a resolution by Senator Robinson (R., Ind.) requesting the information if such a list was available and if not incompatible with the public interest.

The resolution said it had been "currently reported" that there had been speculation in the white metal and that "certain people" were hoarding it.

INSULL HOPES TO RETURN SOME DAY

ATHENS, Mar. 20 (AP)—Samuel Insull plans to return to the United States after the excitement of his case dies down and live in America peacefully the rest of his life, one of the aged fugitives Greek attorneys told the Associated Press today.

The lawyer, Mr. Xorox, declared he was in communication both with Insull's ship on the Mediterranean and his London solicitors who are handling the former Chicagoan's affairs.

"Insull seems happy now in calm weather," the lawyer said. "Wherever he is going now, he will make his permanent home if the United States continues to persecute him. I believe the question is a political one and that later Insull will be received

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Amelia Gives Her Views on Airmail

WASHINGTON, March 20 (AP)—Amelia Earhart Putnam, transatlantic aviatrice, told the senate postoffice committee today she would like to see a permanent air mail bill "rolled through" congress as speedily as possible with not too many restrictions against further development of the industry.

For Home Use

Dried skim milk now is sold only in wholesale lots. It contains all the food values of ordinary milk except the fat, and can be used to supplement a limited food budget or to improve children's diets.

The new paper bag, consisting of

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SOON YOU MAY BUY "A SACK OF MILK"

By F. B. Colton (Associated Press Science Writer)

WASHINGTON, Mar. 20 (AP)—Housewives soon may be overjoyed "a sack of milk" at the corner grocery as the result of a newly-invented paper bag which the agriculture department believes will preserve dried skim milk. And farmers may get a new market for the skim milk they usually throw to the pigs and calves.

Contains Food Values

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More Hard Luck Hits Byrd Party; 2 Men In Danger

LITTLE AMERICA, Antarctica, (Via Mackay Radio)—March 20 (AP)—A rescue airplane bearing Admiral Richard E. Byrd today reached Pilot William C. Bowlin and Wireless Operator Clay Bailey, ground since Saturday when their airplane was forced down 13 miles southeast of camp. They were asleep in their fur bags.

LITTLE AMERICA, Antarctica, Mar. 20 (AP)—(Via Mackay Radio)—Rescue expeditions awaited today a break in the weather which would permit them to go to the aid of two Byrd Antarctic expedition members isolated after a forced airplane landing in an uncharted ice field.

Pilot William C. Bowlin and wireless operator Clay Bailey, were forced down during a storm Sunday night while returning from a depot where they had deposited supplies 100 miles from their main base.

Rear Admiral Byrd made ready to fly a plane to their relief and a ground party was prepared to rush to the group, but high winds and

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Dowager Queen Emma Dies Today

THE HAGUE, Mar. 20 (AP)—Dowager Queen Emma, beloved for her charities and honored alike by Holland's rich and poor, died this morning of bronchitis. She was 75 years old.

The queen mother, widow of King William III and mother of Queen Wilhelmina, had suffered from bronchitis for some time, but became gravely ill only a few days ago.

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