

Tourist Travel Increasing Here--Big Year Expected

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BUSINESS OUTLOOK IS ENCOURAGING

OREGON TRAIL TRAVEL GAIN IS REPORTED

Motorists Show Increase Over 1933 First Quarter in La Grande. GOOD YEAR AHEAD FOR MERCHANTS Sales to Tourists Expected to Increase With Substantial Gains in Registrations.

Since Jan. 1, a total of 168 tourists have registered at the La Grande chamber of commerce offices, representing a considerable increase over the first three months of last year, when the figure was only 138 on Mar. 31. The figure on Mar. 31 of this year was 108, a gain of nearly 100 per cent. Since April 1 the rush of registration has been quite heavy.

So far, most of the tourists are from the far western states, with only a few from Nebraska, Oklahoma, etc., and only one car has come through from an eastern state—that from New York City, which indicates to local observers, that the real tourist rush—with the eastern and southern states heavily represented—is still in the future.

While La Grande showed a gain of a substantial nature for January and February of this year, the registration of tourists in Oregon as a whole showed a 25 per cent decrease as compared with January and February of 1933. During March, however, the state figures leaped from

"Eastertide" To Be Presented At Church Sunday

The cantata "Eastertide" by Daniel Frothero, will be presented at the Presbyterian church Sunday evening, April 8 at 7:30 o'clock by the Presbyterian choir, Andrew Loney Jr., directing. The cantata is full of refinement, beauty and delicacy, with an excellent interpretation of the Passion and Resurrection story, all of which will be told in an appealing manner with music and song, it is announced. The program follows: PART I. THE PASSION Chorus, "There is a Green Hill Far Away." Solo, "When the Morning Was Come," Mrs. W. H. Boltenkamp Jr. Baritone solo, "And Pilate Asked Them," Ralph Gelbel. Chorus, "We Found This Man Perverting the Nation." Baritone solo, "Then Pilate Called Jesus," Donn Pearch. Chorus, "And They Were Instant With Loud Voices." Bass solo, "When Pilate Saw That He Prevalled Nothing," Austin Dunn. Chorus, "His Blood Be Upon Us," Organ, "The March of Calvary," Mrs. Harley Richardson. Bass solo, "Now From the Sixth Hour There Was Darkness," Donn Pearch.

MILK CONTROL AGENT HOLDS MEETING HERE

Tom Cuning, representative of the state milk control board, conducted a meeting of milk salesmen, distributors and producers at the city hall this morning, explaining the requirements for carrying out the new law, and answering a number of questions put by local men. Some argument developed during the meeting in regard to certain points of the new law. Mr. Cuning is to go to Baker this afternoon to hold a similar meeting there. He met with the Pendleton milk group last night.

SUNTAN BENEFICIAL BUT SUNBURN ISN'T

With the sun-bathing season very near, and merchants already laying in stocks of brief bathing suits, shorts, sun-back pajamas and overalls, etc., the old question of whether the sun's rays really do one much good comes up for frequent discussion. The Observer is in receipt of an article written for the Associated Press by Dr. Iago Galdston, prominent authority on the question of sun-bathing.

Make Yale A C. C. C. Camp?

HOLLYWOOD, Cal., Apr. 5 — Out to the studio here where we are working night and day on a picture come Dr. Professor Angle of Yale. I had always thought that a fellow from Santa Barbara named Harkness was the angel of Yale. This was an awful nice fellow and a very pleasant, charming wife. He wanted me to help him on a couple of things. Wants to get Yale made a C.C.C. camp and have education put on the basic industry list. He is looking for five men for the line and three backfield men. He is on his way to Honolulu, where he has heard of a quarterback. Yale is doing all she can to get back among the 400 of football teams. He is doing all he can to get Yale graduates to take up some other work than "braintrusting." He thinks it's a business that won't last. Yours, Phil Rogers. © 1934, McNaught Syndicate, Inc.

WHISKEY CREEK ANGLERS ENJOY THE BEST LUCK

Fishing yesterday, on the opening day of the season, was good, had an indifferent, depending largely upon where one fished. Whiskey creek appeared to yield the best catches of the day. Bill Zigler and son returned to La Grande last night from Whiskey creek with 50 trout, the biggest reported catch of the day. Henry Parsons of La Grande, also caught 21 fish in the same creek. A group of Union men made some nice catches of trout in Wallowa river yesterday using clusters of salmon.

SENTENCE BOYS SATURDAY MORN

Ernest Conrad, 16, and Billy Weiss, 14, yesterday afternoon pleaded guilty before U. G. Couch, juvenile judge, to charges placed against them by the police. The two pleaded guilty to a joint charge of stealing chickens and Conrad also admitted entering a house and stealing money. The two are to be sentenced at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning, officers announced. Wiley Blaneett, policeman, reported today that Conrad admitted entering four more houses in addition to those reported yesterday. They were: Roe

SULLIVAN JOINS FERA STAFF HERE

A placement worker, Attorney Sullivan, of Canyon City, has arrived here and will be on the FERA staff in Union county. Temporary quarters for him will be established this weekend in the Sacajawea Annex. His work will include much of the investigating of those registered for work, it is stated. Under the FERA men will receive work proportionate to their family needs. For example, an unemployed man with a family of two or three, will draw less work per month than the unemployed man with a family of five or six. Half a million dollars has been allotted to Oregon for FERA purposes, according to announcement in Portland today, and it is presumed that Union county will receive a portion of this. So far, no definite word has been received here as to when work may begin.

In Death Case



Luke S. May, Seattle's chief of detectives and famous criminologist, who is in charge of the Bremerton, Wash., multi-murder investigation.

V. F. W. AUXILIARY TO BE ORGANIZED

Not only will a Veterans of Foreign Wars post be organized here Saturday evening, at a meeting to be held at the Eagles hall at 8 p. m., but a women's auxiliary to the group also will be formed.

State Will Open Bids April 26 On \$2,500,000 Work

PORTLAND, Apr. 6 (AP)—While bidding continued on the low bid for the first of the Oregon coast bridges submitted to the highway commission yesterday, the road department was making plans for opening bids on more than \$2,500,000 work April 26, the biggest single day's bid opening in the history of the state highway department. In addition to the opening of bids on the second of the five coast spans—the Coos Bay bridge estimated at \$2,255,000, the department will call for bids on \$300,000 road projects, it was announced here today. The department has \$550,000 remaining to be let out of the more than \$6,000,000 public works funds. The last of this will be awarded May 17. Award of the first bridge, the one at Waldport over Alsea Bay was expected to be made Monday. To date the low bid of Lindstrom & Pelgenstrom, Parker & Banfield and T. H. Banfield, for \$685,040, appeared in order.

Frankie Monroe Is Winner Over Ros

PORTLAND, Ore., Apr. 6 (AP)—Frankie Monroe, of Lakeview, took a clean-cut decision from Ros Dumaguiles of Manila, at St. John's last night to supplant an unpopular decision he gained over the Filipino last week. The stinging lefts of Dumaguiles, 126, gained him an early advantage, but put Monroe, 133, into a beligerent mood. In the second round Monroe traded punch for punch with his opponent, and showed race fighting form as he slugged to victory in the third and fourth rounds.

DOG DRIVES FURIOUS SOW FROM BOY, 6

WALLOWA, Ore. (Special)—A near tragedy was averted by a shepherd dog on the farm of Wayne Prince, about seven miles east of Wallowa, the other day. The family had missed a brood sow from their herd of swine and Elvin, six-year-old son, in company with his grandmother, set out to look for the missing animal. Running on in advance of the companion, the small boy came upon the hog in a brush thicket and she made a furious attack—knocking him to the ground and dragging him by one arm down into the brush. The shepherd dog then entered the scene of battle and attacked the sow, causing her to turn her attention to the dog until the boy was rescued. His coat was torn off and prints of the animal's teeth were left in his arm. His face was badly scratched and a deep gash cut in the back of his head. The Prince family feels that there is no doubt but that the dog saved the child's life. The dog escaped from the encounter unharmed.

Beauty Plus Brains Net Contract



Combination of beauty and brains netted Jean Chaburn a lucrative film contract when a sharp-eyed producer found her in a Hollywood screen chorus and signed her for seven years. Jean was born in Michigan and educated in a Los Angeles convent.

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TRIESTE, Italy, April 6 (AP)—A mysterious light emanating from the breast of Signora Monaco, a patient in Pirano hospital, is rousing wonderment in medical and official circles. The populace is most interested but is sharply divided in its views, one group affirming that a miracle is taking place and the other that Signora Monaco swallowed a flashlight.

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Latest Clues In "Orgy Killings" Point to Kimble

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