

Seven-Cent Reduction In La Grande Gasoline Price

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STRIKE CLOSES BIG AUTO PLANT

GAS PRICES DROP TO 18 CENTS HERE

Some Major Companies Make Reductions Saturday, Others Today

RESULT OF "WAR" IN MILTON AREA

First Gasoline Price Slash to Develop in the La Grande Area in Many Months

With the exception of one all major oil companies in La Grande had reduced the price of first structure gasoline seven cents to 18 cents here at 1 p. m. today, the price including the six-cent state and federal taxes. The other company, the Standard Oil, was expecting word momentarily to cut its price.

Union Oil Co. was first to lower the price Saturday afternoon, and Texaco, Richfield, Associated and Vette followed suit the same day. Shell Oil received word to meet the competitive price early today.

This is the first gasoline "war" to develop here in many months, and is an indirect result of a price battle in the Milton-Enterprise, Walla Walla, Pendleton country. With gasoline selling at an extremely low price west of the Blue mountains, W. C. Perkins, of the Perkins Motor Co., began trucking the gas to La Grande late Friday and selling it at 16 cents. His price continued Saturday until the big companies sent through orders to compete. Today Mr. Perkins was charging 18 cents also for first grade gas. For awhile Saturday it was believed that the "war" across the mountains would come to an end, which probably would have resulted in the general prices here remaining unchanged.

Gasoline stations with reduced prices did a heavy business over the weekend, and in this connection, Fire Chief C. T. Lindsey warned motorists today against unlawful storing of gasoline within the city limits. He said that state law provided that all gasoline over five gallons be stored in metal tanks four feet underground.

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Four Building Projects Under Way This Week

Four building permits were issued at the city office last week, bringing the year's construction total to \$425. Up to April 1 the total stood at \$4605.

The largest permit was issued to Ray Goodenough, to alter and repair Grandy's brick business building on Adams between Elm and Fir. The amount involved was \$350.

W. R. Parker took out a permit to alter and repair a home on Depot between U and V avenues, work to cost \$225, and Henry Gore is altering a residence on Cedar between Washington and Main, the work to cost \$190. M. E. Peterson is spending \$55 to alter a building on Court between Fir and Greenwood, to be used as a garage.

EDUCATORS OF TWO COUNTIES MEET TONIGHT

The Union County Schoolmasters' Club will hold its final meeting of the year this evening at North Powder, a joint session with the Baker Club. Supt. Kratt, at North Powder, has arranged for a banquet and program.

A large attendance is expected from La Grande, Union, Imbler, Elgin, Cove and other valley points.

SNOWBOUND IN BUS

EN ROUTE TO EAST

Just as a reminder to local people that the weather everywhere is not so balmy and sunny as it is in La Grande, comes a card from Miss Bess Duke, formerly with the Observer, who is en route to New York city by motor bus.

"We are enveloping Irvin S. Cobb senses of humor," she writes, "about the joys of traveling by motor bus what with being snowbound in Rawlins, Wyo., and wrecked on the highway,

Will Talks Of Trained Fish

SANTA MONICA, Cal., Apr. 8.—We haven't heard of our president now in days; we haven't heard of Dillinger in days. You don't reckon he could be on there with 'em?

I will say one thing about a Democratic president fishing (maybe he hasn't caught anything), but we don't have to look at pictures in the papers of his dragging some poor little trained perch in. The Republicans would get a camera man before they did their bait.

One summer here one poor fish got so he would get his picture taken then take the hook out of his mouth and go back and wait for the president the next day with a new photographer. Yours,

Phil Rogers
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LA GRANDE CLUB NOSES OUT COVE IN 12TH, 7 TO 4

Behind unexpectedly strong early season hurling by Bus Courtney, the La Grande town baseball team slapped out a 7 to 4 victory over the Cove Cherry Pickers in their Blue Mountain league debut at Cove yesterday afternoon in a 12-inning fracas which

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W. H. SCHROEDER DIES IN SLEEP

William H. Schroeder, a resident of Union county for the last 29 years, died during his sleep last night at his home at Island City. He had not been in the best of health for some time.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p. m. Tuesday at the Snodgrass and Zimmerman mortuary, with burial at Island City.

Mr. Schroeder was born Oct. 1, 1844 in Germany and was 90 years, six months and nine days of age. He was widely known over the valley and his death was a sad shock to his many friends and to his relatives. Besides his widow, he is survived by four sons and three daughters, B. W. Schroeder, J. J. Schroeder, Clara Hannan and Hulda Hermann, of Island City; Mary Sturhan and Henry W. Schroeder, of La Grande, Mo., and Charles A. Schroeder, of Hamilton, Ill. He also leaves a brother in Missouri and a number of grandchildren.

SCHOOL RESUMED AFTER VACATION

School was resumed in the city system today, following nine days of spring vacation. Classes started off smoothly at the four grade schools—Willow, Riveria, Central and Greenwood—and at the high school, Spring vacation at the J. H. Ackerman Training school was held during March, coinciding with the interval between the winter and spring terms of E. O. N.

During the vacation period, 17 La Grande teachers went to Spokane to attend the Inland Empire Educational association meetings. During the sessions, Harold W. King, of L. H. S., was appointed chairman of the mathematics section, and A. L. Grapp, L. H. S. principal, was one of 10 Oregon educators who attended a four-state meeting of the planning movement headed by Marshall Dana, of Portland, P. W. A. regional director. Plans were drafted for an educational program for Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana at this session, it is reported.

Rivals in Race



Charles H. Martin (above) and Ulysses G. McAlexander were classmates at West Point, both served with distinction in the Spanish War, and both were outstanding major generals in France. After retirement, both established residence in Oregon. Now, both are candidates for governor. Martin seeks the Democratic nomination; McAlexander the Republican.

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'EASTERTIDE' IS SUNG BY CHOIR

The Presbyterian church choir, of 40 voices, under the leadership of Andrew Loney Jr., presented its Easter cantata Sunday evening to a capacity audience. The cantata "Eastertide," which was written by Daniel Protheroe, was in two parts, the first being the Passion and second and climax part was the Easter day.

Guy Craig, of Enterprise, was guest soloist during the evening's program, and sang "Open the Gates of the Temple" as an offertory solo. Mrs. Harley H. Richardson was organist. Solo parts of the cantata were sung by Mrs. W. H. Bohnenkamp Jr., Ralph Geibel, Donn Poarch, Austin Dunn, E. E. Hurley, Miss Corrine Ba-

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50 JOIN NEW V. F. W. POST IN LA GRANDE

State Commander Howard Sweetland, of Astoria, Presents Charter to Local Veterans

Mt. Emily post No. 2990, Veterans of Foreign Wars, was formally chartered here at a meeting at the Eagles hall Saturday night, attended by more than 125 men and women from La Grande, Pendleton and Baker, and also by State Commander Howard P. Sweetland, of Astoria.

Approximately 50 veterans joined the La Grande post, and the charter will remain open for 90 days. It was announced at the meeting. Mr. Sweetland not only presented the charter to the new organization here, but also installed officers. Fred Roberts was elected commander, George Kennedy senior vice commander, Clarence Talbot junior vice commander, Porter Dial, quartermaster, and John Landers, adjutant. Other officers will be appointed and elected at a meeting to be held April 17. During the evening Commander Sweetland gave an interesting and instructive address to the members

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Award Letters To Boys, Girls At L.H.S. Today

Basketball awards to first and second team boys and physical education awards to girls featured an assembly this morning at La Grande High school.

Couch Ira Woodie made awards to the following:

First team — Victor Bean, Ralph DeBole, Sheldon Hyde, Hughey Irwin, Orin Osborne, Earl Peterson, Marion Reynolds, Don Sitt, Vernon Stoddard, Kenneth Webb and Tom Zivkovich.

Second team — Bill Bohnenkamp, Fred Gehring, Carl Hansen, John Inseth, Frank Keeler, Paul Klein, Dallas Marshall.

Manager — Jean Pidecock.

Miss Catherine Osborne made awards to the girls as follows:

50-point award — Lorene Robertson, Patricia Clark, Patsy Jesse, Edon Chadwick, Constance Pearson, Marian Gehring, Margaret Sire.

100-point award — Kathleen Pearce, Mary Press, Estella Kube, Marjory Gray, Gloria Swan.

150-point award — Sophia Gietl-

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To Walk After Two Years in Cast



A delicate operation performed on the spine of Fay Temple Mack, above, will enable the New York stage actress to walk again after two years in a plaster cast. The actress, who has been in Cedars of Lebanon Hospital, Hollywood, for two years, had been told she never would walk again prior to the operation.

TAG SALE TO BE HELD TO FINANCE L. H. S. BAND TRIP

The La Grande High school band is \$150 short of enough money to make the trip to Corvallis for the state contest April 20-21. Quite a sum was realized from the musical comedy, "Jewels of the Desert," but because of lack of adequate facilities to take care of the crowds at the L. H. S. gym, receipts were not sufficient.

The school has decided to attempt to raise the \$150 by holding a tag

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LOCAL PEOPLE HEAR M.E. CHOIR SING AT UNION

About 50 La Grande people drove to Union last evening, 30 of them members of the senior choir of the Methodist church to present their Easter cantata "King Triumphant," at the Methodist church. Paul Knauts directed the musical presentation while Miss Genevieve Adler presided at the piano.

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JUST BEFORE PRESSTIME

DILLINGER CAR CHASED?
JOHNSON AGAINST MEASURE
YOUTH EXECUTED TODAY
ARREST 4 WITH BOGUS BILLS

HUGO, Colo., April 9 (AP)—Sheriff John Johnson said today he and deputies spent several hours, just after noon in a futile chase of a large black sedan (Packard) believed to be occupied by John Dillinger, hunted desperado, a woman and another man.

WASHINGTON, April 9 (AP)—Hugh S. Johnson, the recovery administrator, in a letter to Senator Wagner (D., N. Y.), said today in effect he was opposed to the provision of the Wagner labor board bill preventing employers from "initiating" company unions.

BELLEFOONTE, Pa., April 9 (AP)—Richard (Big Slim) Bach, six foot six inch youth, died in the electric chair at Rockview penitentiary today for beating 18-year-old Rose McCloskey to death in Fairmount Park, Philadelphia, after he had stoned her escort into unconsciousness.

SACRAMENTO, April 9 (AP)—Four men, claimed by federal authorities to be ex-convicts, were in custody here today and more than \$1,000 in bogus \$1, \$5 and \$10 bills was held to substantiate the claim that they formed part of a counterfeiting ring operating along the Pacific coast for months. The four arrested are Herm Sine, said to be the leader, John Reed, Charles Raymond and Claude Roberts.

15 NAVY PATROL PLANES ON 2900 MILE TRIP TODAY

SAN PEDRO, Apr. 9 (AP)—Bound for Panama on a 2900-mile flight to participate in fleet maneuvers, 15 navy patrol planes took off here today. The last plane left the waters of San Diego bay at 7:30 a. m. Although skies were overcast, the ceiling was not low for the takeoff, and visibility was good. The 87 officers and men making the flight expect to spend tonight at La Paz, Baja, California, 600 miles south of here. The first stop was expected to take about 10 hours. Commander H. R. Bogusch, whose plane was the last to leave, is in command of the flight.

NAVAL BASE, San Pedro, Cal., Apr. 9 (AP)—The United States fleet got under way for the east coast at 8 o'clock this morning. Simulating war conditions, vessels of the main force and minesweepers led the sortie out of port in clearance of theoretical mines. Actual clearance of the harbor extended over an hour and a half.

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AGAINST TONGUE POINT NAVY BASE

WASHINGTON, Apr. 9 (AP)—Admiral W. H. Standley, chief of naval operations, told Senator Steiwer (R. Ore.) today he found no need for a naval base at Tongue Point, Astoria, Ore.

BABY DAUGHTER ARRIVES TODAY

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Kleng, of Hilgard, are the parents of a baby daughter, born to them this morning at the Grande Ronde hospital. Both mother and baby are reported to be doing nicely.

BERLE SAYS WIRT'S CHARGE DUE TO JOKE

PRINCETON, N. J., April 9 (AP)—Adolf A. Berle Jr., New York city chamberlain, in an interview published in today's issue of the Daily Princetonian, said that charges of a red plot to overthrow the government were the result of a joke played on Dr. William A. Wirt "by some of the boys."

"The boys" were not identified in the Princeton undergraduate publication, but otherwise, Berle told what he described as the inside story "of the terrible scandal."

The interview follows in part: "The brain trust? Let's explode that myth right now. There is no such a thing."

"I've just heard the inside story on that terrible scandal. The good doc-

NEW LABOR TROUBLE IN EAST TODAY

Motor Products Strike Is Considered Key Problem Before U. S. Board

ENTIRE INDUSTRY HELD THREATENED

18,000 Employees of Hudson Plant Out of Work Because of Strike in Motor Products Co.

DETROIT, Apr. 9 (AP)—The Hudson Motor Car company announced a shutdown, effective at 1 p. m. today, because of inability to obtain parts, particularly those manufactured by the Motor Products company, where a strike is in progress.

Edward F. McGrady, assistant to General Hugh S. Johnson, NRA head, who is sitting with the federal automobile labor board here, said today that the Motor Products strike is considered the key problem confronting the labor tribunal, and added that the strike in the plant "must be halted" unless the booming automobile industry is to be paralyzed at the height of the production season. The shutdown at the Hudson plant throws 18,000 employees out of work. Company officials emphasized there is no labor trouble at the Hudson plant and that the shutdown was necessitated solely because suppliers could not furnish material needed to continue production.

DETROIT, Apr. 9 (AP)—Employees of the Detroit-Michigan Stove company, said by union officials to number 800,

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Stock Exchange Wins Victory In Committee Vote

By Nathan Robertson
WASHINGTON, Apr. 9 (AP)—The New York stock exchange scored an amazing victory in the senate banking committee today by a 10 to 8 vote to create a new commission to regulate the exchanges instead of giving jurisdiction to the federal reserve board and the federal trade commission.

The committee adopted an amendment to the stock market bill offered by Senator Glass (D., Va.), upsetting plans of the bill's authors and President Roosevelt to have the exchanges regulated by the two existing governmental agencies.

As it now stands, a commission of three members appointed by the president and confirmed by the senate, would be set up to exercise all the powers the bill originally proposed to turn over to the reserve board and the trade commission.

Holman Refuses To Quit Despite Grange's Demand

SALEM, April 9 (AP)—The demand of the Maclean Grange in Marion county that Rufus C. Holman, state treasurer, resign his office immediately since he is a candidate for the Republican nomination for governor brought only the remark "I don't see any reason why I should resign now," when the matter was brought to the candidate's attention. Holman did not indicate he would resign if he were nominated whether or not he would resign his office at all.

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