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DILLINGER ESCAPES TRAP; 2 KILLED

L. H. S. BAND RATED AMONG STATE'S BEST

Jefferson Wins First in Annual Tournament Held at Corvallis.

NEW PLAN TO BE USED NEXT YEA!

Andrew Loney Jr., L. H. S. Director, Name Chairman of Committee to Arrange Tourney

The La Grande High school band was back at school here today after a splendid showing at the state music tourney held at Corvallis Saturday. Although the L. H. S. band did not win first—which went to Jefferson High of Portland — it was grouped with Corvallis, Albany, Grant of Portland and West Linn in the "excellent" class.

Under the new plan of rating adopted this year bands are grouped in three main classses: "superior", the winner; "excellent," second place bands; and "very good," third place bands. No further rating is given.

Following the contest Saturday night Glen Woods, music supervisor of Oakland, Cal., public schools, and Dr. Glen Hayden, head of the music department of the University of California, two of the judges, sought out Director Loney, of the La Grande band, and complimented the band, declaring it was one of the most musical in class A competition. They also classed Mr. Loney as the outstanding director of any of the class

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Pleasant Grove Grange Defeats La Grande 12-7

Starting the game with the Pleasant Grove Grange nine at Imbler yesterday afternoon with a first inning scoring spree which gave it a 3-run lead for the first three frames, the La Grande town baseball team, then proceeded to commit 12 costly boots during the ensuing six frames to hand the Granger nine the game by a score of 12 to 7. This was the La Grande nine's first defeat of the season.

In the first frame Jones, Moore and D. Wilson chalked up markers for the La Grande squad by virtue of base-bingling by the latter two and Cochran, combined with an error by the Granger's shortstop when Nelson smacked a hot liner under him.

With the score standing 3-0 in its favor the local squad, apparently settled down to the business of successfully protecting its lead, behind the pitching of La Grande's new

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89 ABOVE IN CITY SATURDAY AND SUNDAY

La Grande came very nearly getting into the 90-above class over the weekend, but fell one degree short of that figure both Saturday and Sunday when the official maximum was 89 above.

The temperature this morning—the minimum for last night—was 57 above, the highest since late last summer. A breeze this morning tempered the sun's rays quite a bit.

The weather forecast for tonight and tomorrow is for unsettled weather with cooler nights in Eastern Oregon.

Need Democrat For Each Harvard Class

SANTA MONICA, Cal., Apr. 22—Well, we just got over "Be Kind to Animals" week so now you can start again writing to your congressman.

Saturday President Roosevelt had at the White House his graduating class of Harvard, 1904. There was over 300 of 'em, and all Republicans. I think he was was just quietly rubbing it in on 'em, for the press couldn't name a one of 'em that anybody had ever heard of. I think F. D., with his usual sense of humor, was just in a subtle way impressing on the boys, "If there hadn't been a Democrat in the class, youse guys would never have got to even see the inside of the White House."

It only illustrates that every Harvard class should have one Democrat to rescue it from oblivion. Yours,

Will Rogers.

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MORE MEN TO GO TO WORK ON HATCHERY

FERA to Employ Crew Starting Probably Tuesday—More Men to Get Work at L. H. S. Field.

Although official confirmation could not be obtained locally, it was learned today that a large crew of FERA workers will begin construction at the Union Fish hatchery to-

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SPRING FLOWER SHOW TO BE HELD TUESDAY 2 TO 5

Final plans are being made today for the annual spring flower show to be held on the lawn at the home of Mrs. A. L. Richardson tomorrow afternoon from 2:00 until 5:00 o'clock.

The following program numbers will be presented at intervals during the afternoon:

Violin solo, Mrs. Florence Lynch Miller.

Vocal solos, Mrs. J. W. Leonhardt.

Group of songs, LaFaun Boylen.

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GOLFERS LOSE TO PENDLETON CLUB

The La Grande country club golf team of 30 players spent an enjoyable day at Pendleton yesterday, competing in an interclub tournament, but was unable to do a great deal against the Round-Up city players on their own course. The score was 79½ to 10½ in favor of Pendleton.

Munson, of Pendleton, turned in the best card of the day, with a 73, and Charles Reynolds was low for La Grande with a 76, although he won no points.

Other La Grande scores follow:

J. M. Watson (pro) 81-0; J. C. Mur-

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Pushing Trotzky Plan in U. S.

If Leon Trotzky, expelled from France because of his plans to form a fourth internationale to foment world revolution, finds refuge in America, as he hopes, he will find here about 3,000 followers. Such was the revelation made in New York by Arne Swabeck (above), secretary of the Communist League of America.

ABOUT 30 ACRES OF "WHITE TOP" LEFT IN COUNTY

County Agent Harry G. Avery, accompanied by members of the county court, spent part of the weekend inspecting the different parts of the county where the obnoxious weed, "white top," is most prevalent. He reports that the spraying which has been done has proved quite effective, and that this will be continued, in hopes that this weed will be stamped out.

In all there is approximately 30 acres of this weed in Union county, which is a very small proportion considering the vast acreages of other counties which are overrun with this weed. The largest portion of this land is located near Union, with some near North Powder and some North of La Grande.

For the spraying which was done last year a chemical compound of calcium chlorate was used, which usually kills all vegitation, but because of the deep roots of this weed, it is much more difficult to kill than ordinary weeds.

This work was done at the request of a committee from Pomona grange and other interested farmers, and Mr. Avery suggests that any farmer who is not familiar with this weed, and believes that there is a possibility that some of it may be growing on his land, should bring a sample of the weed to his office for examination.

TWO MARRIAGE LICENSES HERE

Marriage licenses were issued Saturday at the office of the county clerk to Glenn V. Dowell and Orene Doss, both of La Grande, and to Oscar Johnson, of Pendleton, and Fredericka Taal, of La Grande.

FLOWER SHOW IS GIVEN BY NORTHSIDERS

Annual Event at L. D. S. Church Saturday; Stage Transformed Into Miniature Holland.

The center of attraction at the Northside Improvement club's tulip and spring flower show, Saturday afternoon at the L. D. S. church and attended by more than 300 people, was the stage which had been transformed into a miniature corner of Holland—the source of all our tulips—through the designing and arrangements of Mrs. G. J. Price, the club president.

There were the windmill and the dyke and canals, and the bridge and the garden of lovely tulips, with a background of lilacs, pine trees, choke cherry and other blossoms with mosses, grasses, singing birds and flowering vines.

A wonderful array of flowers greeted the visitors, ranging from a tiny spray of lilies-of-the valley to the gorgeous Darwin tulips.

The judges, Mrs. A. Milne, Mrs. Turner Oliver and Miss Margaret Anson awarded prizes for displays as follows:

Darwin Tulips: Baskets: 1, Mrs. G. J. Price; 2, Mrs. J. J. Belden; 3, Mrs. William Berry. Vases: 1, Mrs. Findley Barnes; 2, Mrs. W. E. Denny; 3, Mrs. Anderson. Single specimens: 1, Mrs. Dan French; 2, Mrs. J. J. Belden; 3, Mrs. Frank Kreutz.

Cottage Tulips: Vases: 1, Mrs. Frank Kreutz; 2, J. H. Stocker; 3, Mrs. J. A. Brown.

Bivarri Tulips: Vases: 1, Mrs. W. E. Denny; 2, Mrs. W. E. Denny; 3, Mrs. Frank Kreutz. Single specimens: 1, Mrs. Frank Kreutz; 2, Mrs. Ray Cook; 3, Mrs. Neuklirchner.

Parrot Tulips: First, Mrs. W. E. Kreutz; 2, Mrs. J. G. Price; 3, Mrs. Ray Cook.

Black Tulips: Vase: 1, Mrs. G. J. Price.

Lily-flowered Tulips: First, Mrs. Lee.

Tables of choice tulips: First, Mrs. G. J. Price; 2, Mrs. Dan French; 3, Mrs. Grant.

Pansies: First, Mrs. W. L. Devine; 2, Mrs. H. Herron; 3, Mrs. Charles Piatt.

Bleeding Hearts: First, Mrs. J. H. Thompson; 2, Mrs. James.

Lilacs: First, Mrs. W. E. Kreutz;

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Building Permit Total For Year Reaches $6,535

Building work has been a bit more active this month than last, with $1,930 already spent on new construction this month, bringing the total for the year up to $6,535.

The largest recent permit was one for $1,000 issued to the Van Petten Lumber Co., for alterations and repairs to its business building at Greenwood between Madison and the O.-W. tracks.

Presley Mauney obtained a permit to build a garage on Cedar between Adams and Washington, to cost $60, and M. J. Gos took out a permit to alter his garage on Adams between Fir and Greenwood, work to cost $50.

Asks $518,000 Love Balm of Peer

Angela Joyce, former "Miss England," now a motion picture actress, disrupted staid British society when her attorneys filed a London writ asking £100,000 from Lord Revelstoke, alleging breach of promise. Miss Joyce is shown in Hollywood looking at a picture of his lordship.

2D SPEECH ARTS TOURNAMENT TO BE ON SATURDAY

The second annual Speech Arts tournament sponsored by the Eastern Oregon Normal school, in which high schools of Eastern Oregon will participate will be held this Saturday, April 28. The program for the day opens with the preliminaries in extemporaneous speaking at 10:30 in the morning. The preliminaries in one-act plays begin in the afternoon at 1:30 o'clock and this program will be followed by a tournament dinner in one of the La Grande hotels.

In the evening at 8:00 o'clock, the finals will be presented, those speakers and those one-act plays being included which have been given high-

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NEW MANAGER AT LA GRANDE BOOK COMPANY

M. N. Hooper this morning began his duties as manager of the La Grande Book and Stationery Co., taking the place of Cecil Myrick, who was forced to resign because of ill health. Mr. Myrick has not announced his future plans. Hooper, who comes here from Los Angeles with 15 years of merchandising experience, announced that he planned to increase the stocks and add some new lines. No changes in personnel are planned.

2 LA GRANDE STUDENTS IN WINNING LIST

Janice Matott and Roy Fleshman Score High in Declamatory Contest.

Twenty-five young people coming from the four corners of Union county participated in the annual declamatory contest Saturday evening in the auditorium at the Eastern Oregon Normal school, and several hundred people from that same territory were present to hear the contestants. County Superintendent of Schools E. A. Sayre, was in charge during the evening, announcing the groups and also the special musical numbers which were vocal numbers by Miss Mary Eliza Angell accompanied by her sister, Miss Lily Belle An-

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JACOBSON GIVEN FIVE-YEAR TERM

ABO, Finland, Apr. 23 (AP) — David Werner Jacobson, former Michigan school teacher, was pentenced to five years imprisonment today as a spy.

With him was sentenced Mme. Marie Emma Schul, who likewise was found guilty of espionage. Her term was fixed at eight years. Jacobson was alleged to be a member of an international ring of spies operating in Finland.

FALKS HERE FROM BOISE

Mr. and Mrs. Leo J. Falk were among the out-of-town visitors in La Grande over the weekend. Mr. Falk is manager of Falk's store, with headquarters at Boise.

Wheat Today

The price of local cash wheat stood at about 45½ cents bulk here today, according to quotations at the Pioneer Flouring Mills. Portland cash 65 cents. Export bid 69½ cents.

CHICAGO, Apr. 23 (AP) — Selling out on the part of last week's buyers, together with lack of any broad new speculative demand, served today to drag wheat prices down.

Lower quotations were in the face of reports showing increased need of rain in states that embrace about 50 per cent of the wheat producing area of the United States.

Wheat closed unsettled, ½ to 1c lower than Saturday's finish. July 76 to 76⅛c, corn ¼ to ⅜c down, oats ¼ to ½c off, and provisions showing 5 to 15c decline.

JUST BEFORE PRESSTIME

EXPLOSION TOLL IS 146

NEGRO ON TRIAL SLAIN

TWO OREGONIANS DROWNED

DOUGLAS CO. TO BUY GAS

SARAJEVO, Yugoslavia, April 23 (AP) —Rescue workers abandoned all hope today of finding any survivors in the depths of the blast-wrecked Kakanjo coal mines. Officials included in a death estimate of 146 the 86 men still unaccounted for.

CROCKETT, Tex., April 23 (AP) — Frank Brisby, negro, was shot to death in a crowded courtroom here today while a jury was being selected to try him for murder for the killing of J. M. Ellis, a white man.

KLAMATH FALLS, April 23 (AP)—Two men were drowned while driving logs on Sprague river this morning, according to telephone messages from the Crater Lake Lumber company. Art Hagerty and a man named Carson were the victims.

SALEM, April 23 (AP) — Douglas county today entered the gasoline purchasing campaign started by the state board of control when the county court addressed a letter to the state purchasing department requesting information as to the best procedure to buy gasoline at reduced prices. The letter was written by W. S. Hamilton, county judge.

CANTON, China, April 23 (AP) — An army of 20,000 Communists was reported today to have delivered a crushing defeat to Nanking Nationalist government forces in a battle at Chicheng on the Kiangsi-Fukien border.

FOUR CONVICTS SLIP AWAY FROM INDIANA PRISON

MICHIGAN CITY, Ind., April 23 (AP) Four prisoners, three of them serving life terms, escaped from the Michigan City prison during the weekend, prison officials revealed today.

Leland Phillips, 26, serving a term for murder and Noah Seals, serving a three-year sentence for second degree burglary, escaped some time Saturday from the prison farm west of Michigan City. Both are white men.

Two negroes, Willard Butler, 37, and Charles Irwin, 30, both serving life terms, for murder, escaped Sunday. Butler had been employed as cook at the home of Warden Louis Kunkel on the prison grounds and Irwin was a janitor in the prison barber shop.

DAIRY CONTROL PLAN WILL NOT BE UNDERTAKEN

WASHINGTON, Apr. 23 (AP) — The farm administration decided late today against undertaking a dairy production control plan.

Motorist Killed Near Pendleton

PENDLETON, Apr. 23 (AP) — Ed Stansberry, 60, was fatally injured yesterday when his automobile skidded from the Pendleton-Cold Springs highway seven miles north of Pendleton and plunged into a ditch. A woman riding with Stansberry was only slightly hurt.

SHOOTS WAY THROUGH U.S. AUTHORITIES

Public Enemy No. 1 With Three Companions Are Pursued Today.

ONE GOVERNMENT AGENT IS SLAIN

Bullet From Federal Fire Kills Bystander—Four Wounded Along Outlaw's Trail.

MERCER, Wis., Apr. 23 (AP) — John "Wooden Gun" Dillinger, will-o-the wisp terrorist, again eluded an army of federal agents and deputy sheriffs early today in a north woods hideout, where he and six men and five women companions had hidden in an armed camp since last Friday. His latest escape cost the lives of two men and the serious wounding of four others.

Dillinger and six members of his machine gun gang were at bay in the woods of the Lac Du Flambeau resort region. They were fleeing over roads soft from melting snow, and a force of 50 was close behind.

Cornered late last night in Little Bohemia, a Spider Lake dance hall and tavern nine miles southeast of Mercer, Dillinger had had the narrowest escape of the weeks of pursuit in which the government men have trailed them about the country.

Young Women Left Behind

Three young women were left behind, and surrendered when the besieging forces filled the resort, a sprawling building housing living quarters, a bar and a cabaret, with tear gas.

The first victim, a bystander, was Eugene Boisoneau, killed outright by the federal agents' fire as he and two companions drove away from the resort.

The shots warned Dillinger and his band, who had taken forcible possession of the resort Friday, mounting a machine gun on the roof and post-

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State's Case In Klamath Murder Trial Completed

KLAMATH FALLS, Apr. 23 (AP) — Mrs. Ralph W. Horan, pale and attractive widow of the slain legislator, brought a touch of excitement to the Horace M. Manning murder trial today when she was unexpectedly called to testify for the prosecution.

Theodore Gillenwaters, Klamath county district attorney, rested the state case this morning and the way was cleared for the defense story when the court resumed this afternoon.

The sudden termination of the state case caught George Roberts, Manning's leading counsel, by surprise.

Mrs. Horan, the mother of two infant children, identified pieces of her husband's clothing and said he was right handed in every respect.

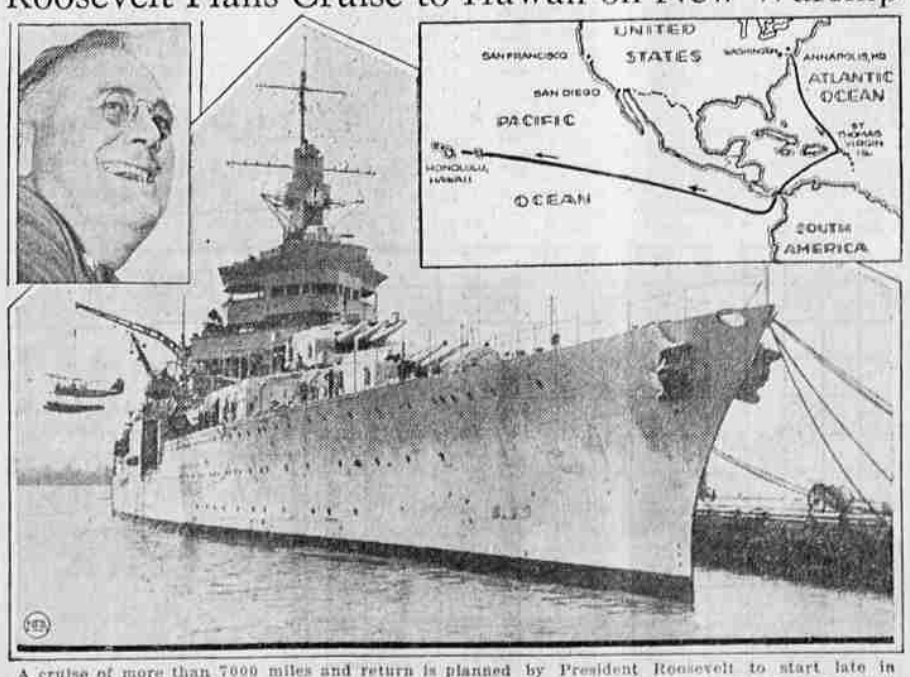
This has been regarded with importance in the state case for Horan was found shot to death in Manning's office with a revolver in his left hand.

Baseball

NO GAMES TODAY

No games were scheduled in either the American or National baseball leagues today.

Roosevelt Plans Cruise to Hawaii on New Warship



A cruise of more than 7000 miles and return is planned by President Roosevelt to start late in June, over the route pictured in the map, starting at Annapolis, going to the Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico, thence through the Panama Canal and across the Pacific to Honolulu. The navy's new 10,000-ton cruiser U. S. S. Indianapolis, shown here, is the president's likely choice for the trip.

THIS REALLY ISN'T AN ADVERTISEMENT!

Notices of arrivals of babies usually are quite attractive, but often commonplace — at least as far as news is concerned. But when the stork brought a handsome lad to the Hanson home at 1702 Adams avenue, an unusual announcement was mailed to friends after the blessed event.

At the top of a fullsized sheet of stationery was an outline of a stork carrying a youngster wrapped in the convention diaper. Underneath this appeared the caption: "Hanson & Co., 1702 Adams Ave." Then La Grande, Oregon, April 6, 1934.

Herewith is the remainder of the announcement, reprinted verbatim:

"Friends:

"Announcing the arrival of the free wheeling Hanson Commander.

"Specifications — Richard Grant Hanson.

"Make — Boy. When better babies are built, we will be too old to care.

"First appearance—March 29, 11:25 p. m.

"Weight — Nine pounds.

"Wheelbase — Twenty-one and one-half inches. Easy to handle, easy to park.

"Lighting — Bright blue lamps, automatic dimmers.

"Horn — High frequency vibrator type — loudest when fuel tank is empty. (Ask the man who owns one.)

"Tires—Yes, but never at night.

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1315 NEWSPAPERS IN A. P. MEMBERSHIP

NEW YORK, April 23 (AP) — The largest membership in its history—1315 co-operating newspapers—was reported to the annual meeting today of the Associated press.

Members of the organization heard the report of Kent Cooper, general manager, outlining the year's endeavors, voted on five members of the board of directors, and prepared to hear Cordell Hull, secretary of state, the principal speaker at the annual luncheon.

Frank B. Noyes, president, who presided at the luncheon, and who gave the annual toast to the president of the United States, also spoke briefly on the freedom of the press.

"We believe," said Mr. Noyes' prepared address, "not only that the constitutional right of the free press should be scrupulously guarded, but, beyond that, that the collection and distribution of the news should be equally scrupulously guarded that it shall not fall into the hands of special interests, whether capitalistic or communistic, but shall remain unbiased. That is our trusteeship, and, God permitting, we will honor it."

In his toast to President Roosevelt, Mr. Noyes recalled a phrase from a presidential nominating speech which stuck in his memory, and added:

"The speaker characterized his candidate as a 'happy warrior,' and to this day I can invent no more apt description of the man I have in mind

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