

Hotel, House, Livery Stable Burn At Wallowa

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HOUSE PASSES SILVER LEGISLATION

WIND SWEEPS FLAMES OVER LARGE AREA

Miller Hotel, Landmark at Wallowa, Reduced to Ashes Yesterday.

FIRE FIGHTERS SAVE TWO HOMES

One Dwelling Place and Livery Stable Razed; Loss Several Thousands of Dollars.

Fire of undetermined origin swept through the Miller hotel at Wallowa yesterday afternoon and in a very short time the one-story building of that town was in ashes. Only a very small portion of the contents of the building was saved, due to the rapidity with which the fire advanced.

It is possible that the fire was caused by a defective flue, reports to the Observer said, at any rate it began in the west end of the building and as it fanned by a strong east wind any effort to save the building from complete destruction was in vain. The loss will run into several thousands of dollars.

The crew of the Hart Construction company which is working on the road near Wallowa, was housed in the building and most of their personal effects were destroyed in the fire. Guy Patten and Jim Withersall, who are receiver and assistant, respectively, of the old Wallowa bank, were staying at the hotel and although some of their personal effects were saved, their clothing was burned with the exception of what they were wearing.

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One-Act Plays Feature E. O. N. School Assembly

Two delightful one-act plays were featured at the weekly assembly at Eastern Oregon Normal school held Tuesday.

"A Cup of Tea" by Florence Ryerson was given with the following cast: Wilford Wendall, Claude Tallent; Jane Wendall, Marian Draper; John Waring, John Anderson; Azalea Waring, Katherine Green.

"The Chinese Water Wheel" by E. H. Strachen, presenting a picture of life on a Northern California ranch, was given with the following cast: Utah Brown, Howard Walker; Sarah Brown, Jeannette McMurdo; Camille, Bonnie Ruth Thomson; Hosea Brown, Jack Smith; John Redding, Robert Long.

Special music was furnished by Guy Craig who sang two solos and was enthusiastically received by the students.

New Associated Student officers were inducted into office. These included Verdel Rasmussen, president; J. V. Conaway, vice president; Naidern Huffman, secretary treasurer; Robert Dexter, and Lynn Anderson, senior council members.

DAIRYMEN TO MEET MONDAY AT CITY HALL

The La Grande Dairymen's association has called a special meeting to be held in the La Grande city hall at 7:30 o'clock next Monday evening.

J. D. McKee, state dairy and food commissioner, and E. G. Harlan, of the state milk control board, of Salem, will be present at the meeting and bring an important message to this section. All who are interested are urged to attend.

GRANDE RONDE RIVER AT LOW POINT NOW

T. G. Barnard, watermaster of Union county, and a representative of the U. S. geological survey have made measurements of water flow in the Grande Ronde river at the measuring station below Pine Cone auto camp. They found the flow to be 2000 inches, as against 3100 inches which was recorded when measured on May 17.

Because of the serious condition in which this places those who are depending on irrigation from the river to ripen their crops, the watermaster ordered a number of irrigation ditches shut off. This shortage is comparable to the amount of water

Cuban Revolts To Be "Home Talent"



SANTA MONICA, Cal., May 30.—President Roosevelt is giving Cuba a new treaty. The "good-father" clause is taken out. All their revolutions are to be strictly "home talent."

More news down that way. Portorica is to be "wet nursed" by the interior department instead of the army. The Philippines are releasing for peace.

It won't be long now till our army will all be visiting America at one time. That's the dope, get 'em all home, add to their number, add to their training, then just sit tight with a great feeling of security and just read about foreign wars. That's the best thing in the world to do with them. Yours,

Phil Rogers.
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SALVATION ARMY EFFORT ENDORSED BY CLERGY HERE

Capt. Daniel Rody Gives Report of Work, Showing 1,566 Persons Helped This Year.

The La Grande Ministerial association today gave its unanimous approval to an effort being made by a group of prominent La Grande people to assist the Salvation Army in its effort to take care of the needy here, both transient and local, and to give them a new lease of life.

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NEARBY SERVICE CLUBS WILL HEAR 'OF U. P. JUBILEE'

Members of the semi-centennial Union Pacific celebration committee expect to go to Umatilla, Baker and Wallowa counties the first of the week where they will appear before the service clubs in those sections.

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PREDICTS FROST FOR EAST OREGON

Local frost in Eastern Oregon is predicted by the Portland weather bureau for tonight, with skies to remain generally fair over this section tonight and Friday. The threat of frost comes after a sharp drop in temperature the last two days.

Tuesday's maximum was 90 above and the minimum 60 above, regular summer temperatures. Yet Wednesday's high here was 83—27 degrees colder than the day before—and the minimum this morning was 41 above, only nine degrees above freezing point and 19 degrees cooler than Tuesday's minimum.

Chillier weather Memorial day resulted in postponement of many picnics, etc., which had been planned for the afternoon. Rain fell in many sections in Eastern Oregon, including

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Commerce Club Candidate



Miss Mildred Standley, one of the eight contestants for queen of the Eastern Oregon Livestock show at Union, who is sponsored by the La Grande chamber of commerce.

CITY REVERENTLY HONORS WAR DEAD ON MEMORIAL DAY

Quietly and reverently the residents of La Grande yesterday paid tribute to those who gave their lives in the service of their country in the wars of '65, '98 and '17. Graves were decorated during the day and as most organizations made special effort this year to encourage the beautification of burying grounds, all were particularly impressive and unusually beautiful.

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The parade in the morning in which members of the patriotic organizations of the city participated, was under the general supervision of Captain Walter A. Bean, of the Oregon national guard, which organization headed the parade. The last remaining G. A. R. member in Union county, Comrade S. A. Anderson, held a place of honor, riding directly after the guard. Other organizations represented were the Daughters of Union Veterans, Woman's Relief Corps, Spanish War Veterans and their auxiliary, Veterans of Foreign Wars and their auxiliary, the Ameri-

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HIGH SCHOOL DAYS CLOSE FOR SENIORS

Diplomas Given Members of L. H. S. Graduating Class Tuesday.

DR. P. A. PARSONS ADDRESSES CLASS

Urges Graduates to Make the Best of the World By Striving to Live a "Good Life."

High school days came to a formal conclusion for 128 members of the La Grande High school senior class Tuesday night when diplomas were given them by Colonel R. Eberhard, chairman of the school board, following the commencement address by Dr. P. A. Parsons, of the University of Oregon. The exercises took place in the L. H. S. tabernacle, where every seat was taken and some were standing.

Urging a return to the simpler life, Dr. Parsons gave an interesting message to the graduates. "The world is in a mess—we, your elders, have made it so," he declared. "Human beings are at their best when they function as a part of society, leading a good life, helping others—that is what brings happiness. Work together, help each other and suffer together. The first two generations in this valley lived a full life—as much so as the generations of today—Let's go back to the cruder ways," he pleaded. Defining a "good life," Dr. Parsons said: "A good life results from mas-

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Baker Girl Is Leading Today For Queenship

Marjorie Hiatt, Baker entry in the queen contest for the Eastern Oregon Livestock show at Union, held a lead of 30 votes at a counting this morning, according to a telephone message from Union at noon. Miss Hiatt had 925 votes and Jean Baum, Union, in second place, had 895. Jane Smith, Union, was third with 850 and Mildred Standley, of La Grande, fourth with 785. Freda Brown, Union, was fifth with 700, Lillian Lillard, North Powder, sixth with 640, and Vesta Mitchell, La Grande, seventh with 255.

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Pointing for Junior Medley Title



With high hopes of annexing a junior medley swimming championship this trio of mermen from the Multnomah Amateur Athletic club, Portland, Ore., are in San Francisco training for a national junior medley meet. The northwest champions are, left to right: Maxine Seelinder, Vivian Shanafelt and Lois Murlin.

LA GRANDE DRUBS EMIGRANTS; BAKER SCOUTS WORRIED

There were some surprises at the La Grande athletic field yesterday afternoon when the La Grande town team and the Illinois Emigrants of the C.C.C. camp at Emigrant Springs crossed bats in a baseball game. Under the management of Gib Stokke, the La Grander came to life with a bang, and when the dust rolled away, the score stood 27 to 4 against the Emigrants! The fans were pleasantly surprised, so was the La Grande players, and also some Baker scouts were surprised—but not so pleasantly.

Baker and La Grande play here Sunday afternoon in what may decide the last half championship of the Blue Mountain league, and the Bakerites went home with something to worry about—at least so their racial expressions after the game seemed to indicate worriment.

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"WE'RE GETTING SOME TOUGH BREAKS, PAL"

The Pennsylvania's passage marked the start of the biggest peace-time review in the history of the U. S. navy. As the Pennsylvania steamed by it fired the presidential salute of 21 guns.

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GIVES UP WEIRD SUICIDE SCHEME

ALAMEDA, Cal., May 31.—Abandoning a weird dynamite suicide scheme, Frank Bennett emerged from his automobile shortly after noon today and immediately was seized by waiting police, and rushed to jail. A careful watch meanwhile was kept over Bennett's automobile.

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Wheat Today

No local or export wheat quotations today because of the longshoremen's strike, tying up shipping. Portland cash 89 cents.

CHICAGO, May 31.—Unparalleled national crop losses, reported from heat and drought whirled grain prices up late today to the extreme limit permitted, wheat 5 cents a bushel. Trading reached an enormous volume.

All hope for small grain in many parts of the west and northwest had been abandoned, trade advisers said. Wheat closed excited at the day's top, 43 3/4¢ above Tuesday's finish, July 51.05 1/2¢ @ 5¢, corn 3 3/4¢ up, oats 2 3/4¢ @ 3 1/2¢ advanced, and provisions unchanged to a rise of 30¢.

JUST BEFORE PRESSTIME

ROLPH HAS A CHANCE
PAPER CO. PLANT BURNS
CHILDREN STORM GATES
AIRPLANE ON RAMPAGE

SAN JOSE, Cal., May 31.—Physicians announced today that Governor James Rolph Jr., had shown an amazing improvement within the last few hours and expressed the belief he might eventually recover from his critical illness.

HAVANA, May 31.—The American-owned paper company, Compania Papelera, in the suburbs of Mariano was destroyed by fire today with an estimated loss of \$600,000.

CHICAGO, May 31.—An army of school children estimated at 500,000 stormed the gates of the Century of Progress exposition today and fair officials threat all entrances open to prevent a serious stampede after 25 were injured. Admission price for children today was five cents.

CROYDON, England, May 31.—A French freight airplane struck a wireless mast in a heavy mist near the airport today, skidded several houses, crashed into another and then demolished two garages, crushing automobiles inside them. Captain Ramond De Fives, the pilot, and Roger L'Hullier, mechanic, were killed.

TOLEDO, May 31.—Reports that a settlement of the threatened strike of Toledo Edison workers has been reached in negotiations between company and worker representatives emanated from an authoritative source late today while the parties still conferred.

CORD FAMILY IN ENGLAND—FLEES FROM KIDNAPERS

By Burdette T. Johns
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LONDON, May 31.—Three attempts to kidnap members of his family from his home at Beverly Hills, Cal., have been graphically described by E. L. Cord, American automobile and airplane magnate, to English acquaintances.

One of the attempts, involving the use of a mysterious airplane, was said to have resulted in the advice of a California police chief to the American millionaire to take his family out of the United States for an extended visit abroad.

It was learned definitely today that Cord had been in England since the middle of April, a date corresponding to the sensational kidnapping cases of William P. Gittle in California and June Robles in Arizona. Cord has taken a home in Surrey for the summer and it was said he does not intend to return to the United States.

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ASK GOVERNMENT TO ACT IN STRIKE

PORTLAND, Ore., May 31.—Mayor Joseph K. Carson today asked governors of the three coastal states and mayors of seaport cities, to join him in an appeal to the national administration to assume complete jurisdiction in the longshoremen's controversy.

A resolution which would authorize the Portland dock commission to function as a stevedoring concern and negotiate directly with the striking longshoremen here, was introduced at today's city council meeting by Commissioner J. E. Bennett. The 11 A. vote on the proposed settlement was to begin at 3:30 p. m. today.

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WHO WILL BE QUEEN OF U. P. CELEBRATION?

Many a feminine heart in and about La Grande is afflutter. Furthermore, there is no handsome man in the offing. To come to the crux of the matter quickly, great honor, glory, fame, pretty gown and silky things that women wear, and a crown if you please—these things are behind the pretty-pate aforementioned.

When the Semi-Centennial U. P. celebration is held July 19, 20 and 21, it will be ruled over by a queen of unquestioned beauty, grace and charm. She will ride in pomp and La Grande will pay her homage.

QUICK ACTION EXPECTED IN UPPER HOUSE

Opposition Collapses Today When Final Vote Takes Place.

ATTACKS MADE BY BOTH BIG PARTIES

Members of Democratic Silver Bloc Contend Measure is Just a "Silver Brick."

WASHINGTON, May 31.—The senate late today without a record vote ratified the new treaty with Cuba. The treaty surrenders the privilege of the United States to intervene in internal affairs of Cuba.

WASHINGTON, May 31.—The senate today passed and sent to the administration silver bill which has for its objective the use of silver to comprise backing for a quarter of the United States currency as compared with three quarters backed by gold. Early favorable senate action is expected.

Opposition that yesterday resorted to filibustering tactics in moves either to defeat or broaden the measure collapsed today when the final vote was taken.

Members of the Democratic silver bloc who wanted even broader legislation, had contended the measure was just a "silver brick" and that it would result in prolonging the depression ten years.

Republicans attacked the proposal as involving unsound monetary principles and said it was approved by the administration to meet demands of mining, speculating and other

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Wheat Lands Of Mid-West Seared By Blazing Sun

CHICAGO, May 31.—Heat and drought sent wheat prices here up five cents a bushel today, with the close a fraction under the top figures.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 31.—A blizzing sun mocked the water-hungry wheat lands today, condemning a million cattle to premature slaughter, and burning down another million bushels of wheat.

Temperatures that hit 106 degrees doomed the cattle. The government announced they would be slaughtered to relieve farmers in Minnesota, the Dakotas and Texas where feed shortages prevail.

George E. Farrell of the agricultural adjustment administration estimated the daily wheat abandonment due to roughly \$60,000. He noted that the drought conditions are especially acute in northern states.

Baseball

NATIONAL LEAGUE	
New York	2 10 0
Brooklyn	8 10 0
Schumacher, Ulie, Casteleman and Mancuso; Bengie and Sukeforth.	
Pittsburgh	5 14 1
Chicago	11 12 2
Swift, Smith, Harris and Grace; Bush and Hartnett.	
AMERICAN LEAGUE	
Washington	9 14 0
New York	3 12 4
Weaver and Phillips; Berger; Vannatta and Dickey.	



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