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U.S. CURRENCY 25 PER CENT SILVER BASE

President Will Sign, Bill Tonight Increasing Silver Backing.

WASHINGTON, June 18 (AP)—President Roosevelt will sign tonight at 8:45 the legislation for increasing the amount of silver used as backing for the nation's currency.

NRA COMPLIANCE BOARDS DISMISSED

PORTLAND, June 18 (AP)—Volunteer NRA compliance boards in every county of Oregon have been released from their duties and responsibility.

Children Will Be Admitted Free To Plunge Tuesday

Opening of the Crystal Plunge swimming pool was planned today at the La Grande Lions club luncheon.

The pool will open Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock and be open until 5 o'clock. All children will be admitted free on opening day.

Members of the Lions club are urged to come out to the high school field every Wednesday night for the weekly kittenball game at 6 o'clock.

DeMolay Members Enjoy Wallowa Lake Trip Over Weekend

Nine DeMolay members from La Grande enjoyed a weekend outing at the McClay cabin at Wallowa Lake, during which various sports were featured in the program of entertainment.

Harry McClay accompanied the group of boys, and those who made the trip were Carl Hanson, Jack and Bob McClay, Arlo Noyes, Bob Zweifel, Robert Reuter, Elbert Wattenberg, Walter Dahl and Charles Skinner.

MORTGAGE CASE HEARD IN COURT

The civil case involving the settlement of a mortgage, in which Aida A. Chambers is the plaintiff and the Hot Lake sanatorium represented by Harry McKinlay, trustee in bankruptcy, was opened this morning in the circuit court.

This case is being heard by Judge J. W. Knowles without a jury and preliminary testimony was heard this morning.

LONDON JUDGES DOFF WIGS TO HEAT WAVE

By B. C. Pugh (Associated Press Foreign Staff) LONDON, June 18 (AP)—It is all most unusual—even irregular.

Lord Merrivale, that famous judge, actually discarded his wig in court today. The most dignified police in the world, as represented by the bobbies at Rochester, discarded their uniforms and directed traffic in their shirtsleeves.

As England steamed through another humid day with no rain in sight to relieve the country-wide drought, 500 police, armed with birch brooms guarded the Ascot health and race course from the danger of fire.

At 1 p. m. the temperature in London was 81 degrees in the shade, 1 degree higher than yesterday.

A guard was kept everywhere against wastage of water. Critics of the Trafalgar square fountains were quited by a public announcement that the water there is used over and over again, being pumped into the air from the reser-

Take A Tip From Heathen Chinese



HOLLYWOOD, Cal., June 17—See where one strike is ended. Nobody won anything, but you always "wood" the agreement in such a way that it looks like both sides gained something.

China (by far the smartest nation in the world) has a word that I don't know how in the world we live without. It's called "face," saving face. We have it just as much as China does and call it by a hundred other things, but it all gets back to the same thing—"face."

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AUDIT OF STATE LIQUOR STORES SHOWS PROFIT

State Was \$26,000 Ahead In First 3 Months Of Liquor Sales

SALEM, June 18 (AP)—All but five of the 23 state liquor stores showed a profit from the time of their inception early in February to May 1. It was disclosed by the audit of the liquor control commission made public by the state board of control here today.

Total receipts from license fees revealed a profit of \$31,152. Money taken in was \$93,600 with expenditures to date of \$62,448. The gallonage tax receipts were \$40,972, with expenditures of \$533, showing a profit of \$40,438. The audit, prepared by S. W. Starr of the state department, made the observation that the bookkeeping staff of the commission had charged some expenses of operation against the license fund which should have been charged against the store fund, but no irregularities were noted.

The five stores which showed losses were: the Jersey Street store in Portland, and stores at Oregon City, La Grande, Grants Pass, and Milwaukie. The 11th and Alder street store in Portland showed the largest gain of the total profits of \$26,220. Its net was \$6,833. It was followed by the fifth and Oak street store of \$6,633. The Ontario store, near the Idaho line, was third with \$2,421.

La Grande Town Team Noses Out Halfway Club, 3-2

The La Grande town baseball team came from behind at Halfway yesterday afternoon and nosed out the Halfway nine to win its third game of the second half of the Blue Mountain League split season by a score of 3 to 2, and consequently go into a tie with Halfway for second place in the league.

Halfway started the tallying in the second frame when with none out Calderwood and Alexander smacked out resounding doubles in succession, and Hockett plastered a single over third base to score two runs.

Alexander, Halfway hurler was working in nice form, whiffing 12 of

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A 1910 Speedster Goes Up Again



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JUNIORS LOSE IN OPENING GAME TO WALLA WALLA 9-3

Visitors Pile Up Early Lead With Barrage of Three Baggers in First Two Innings.

The La Grande juniors opened their season Sunday by losing to the Walla Walla juniors, 9-3, in a game played on the high school field.

Too many big bats for Walla Walla in the first two innings piled up an early lead that was never threatened. Dyer, lead-off hitter, got a single. Johnson went out, then Dirmeyer walked and Taylor hit to load the bases. Blackman, next man up, hit a three-bagger against the left field fence to bring in three runs, and Blackman came in when Colombo hit another three-bagger two men later. Colombo led off third, but the four-run lead lasted throughout the game.

Walla Walla got two more runs in the second when Dyer hit another triple. La Grande's opening score came in the last half of the second when Walden worked around the bases and came rolling over the home plate on Allen's hit.

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MANY KILLED IN EXPLOSION OF GAS TANKS

12 to 20 Die in Jamestown Blast; Ford Plant Also Has Accident.

JAMESTOWN, N. Y., June 18 (AP)—Between 12 and 20 persons were reported killed, and from 40 to 50 injured here this afternoon when three 20,000 gallon gasoline tanks exploded while a crowd of several hundred persons were watching firemen battle a blaze believed caused by an electric spark.

A reporter for the Jamestown Evening Journal estimated the death list might reach a score. He said many were lying in the field where the crowd had gathered to watch the fire. All ambulances in the city were called, and the Jamestown fire department called for help from nearby small communities.

The tanks belonged to the Richfield Oil company. The property is located just inside the city limits on the road to Bemus point.

Seven Candidates Now In Race For Celebration Queen

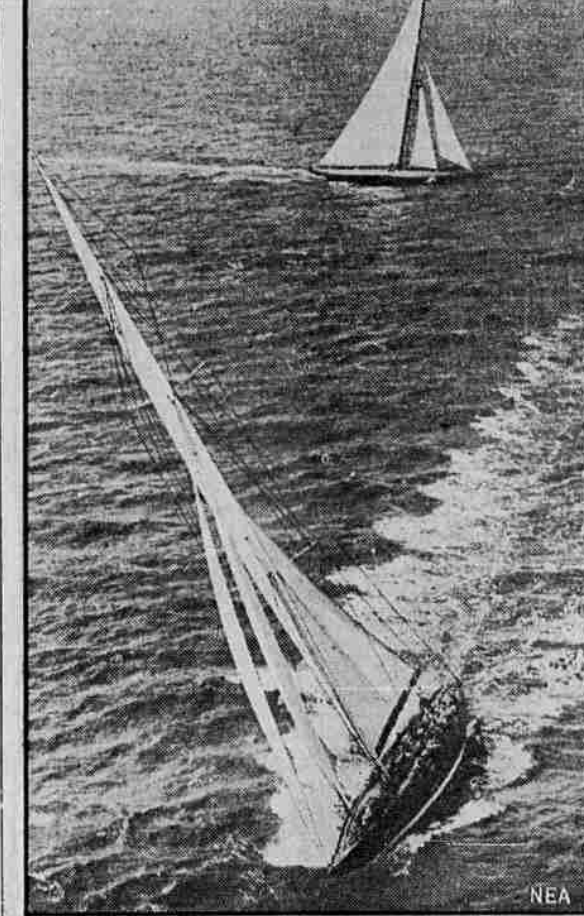
With the entrance of Vadis Baxter, Dorothy Wall and Patricia Clark into the race for queen of the Semi-Centennial celebration, the number of candidates has been brought to seven.

Miss Baxter will represent the Central Labor Council, Miss Clark, 16, of 1619 Second St., will represent the La Grande Union Pacific shops, while Miss Wall, of 1206 O Ave., will be supported by the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers.

Other candidates that have been announced by various organizations include: Pave Walker, Fraternal Order of Eagles; Lorraine Dodge, Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen; Vestia Mitchell, Rotary club; and Violet Stilla, Mt. Emily Post 2990, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

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American Yachtsmen, Take Notice!



A pretty sight, to be sure, but not one to cause the American yachtsmen to turn handsprings. For that fast traveling yacht you see in the foreground pulling away from her nearest competitor at Harwich, England, is T. O. M. Sopwith's Endeavour, which will soon come to the United States in an effort to capture the America's Cup. The race was the Endeavour's debut in racing competition.

4-H Club Leaders To Discuss Plans For Scholarships

The Union county 4-H club leaders council will hold a meeting next Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock at the county agent's office for the purpose of discussing plans for providing 4-H club summer school scholarships in the years to come.

TAX REBATE TO BE MADE FOR FLOOR STOCKS

B. F. Owsley received word here late Saturday evening from Representative Walter Pierce that the measure for the rebate of the jute tax had passed both houses of congress. The rebate will include monies paid on floor stock of grain sacks.

VON PAPEN IN BOLD STROKE AGAINST NAZI

BERLIN, June 18 (AP)—The boldest public criticism of the Nazi regime which has come from anyone in authority since Chancellor Hitler's assumption of power in January, 1933, was made yesterday by Franz Von Papen, vice chancellor and premier of Prussia.

The sensational character of his remarks, delivered before students of Marburg university, is best illustrated by the fact that no Berlin newspapers printed even an excerpt. Von Papen in guarded language pleaded for the reestablishment of the monarchy.

Notice was served by the government-controlled German news bureau upon its subscribers that the speech (Continued on Page Two)

U. P. OGDEN BAND WILL PLAY HERE

Word was received yesterday by J. B. McLain, manager of the Union Pacific Old Timers celebration, that the Union Pacific Ogdan band, which is an outstanding organization of its kind in the west, would be sent to La Grande and spend four days here.

This band consists entirely of railroad men and for several years has led the grand entry at the Cheyenne Frontier Days. Among other honors it has also won first place at the Salt Lake Covered Wagon days celebration among 20 bands from Colorado, California and Wyoming.

Uniforms in which the band appear include the West Point full dress uniform, Elks lodge uniforms and the Union Pacific Old Timers uniforms, all of which will be brought with them to La Grande's celebration next month. They will appear at frequent intervals during the days of the celebration.

Wheat Today

CHICAGO, June 18 (AP)—Late rallies lifted wheat and corn today to well above Saturday's finish, more than overcoming earlier losses. Advances in prices toward the last were associated with authoritative unofficial crop reports emphasizing irreparable drought damage to small grains in large areas and also stressing extraordinary havoc wrought by chinch bugs.

Wheat closed, 3/4 @ 1 1/2 above Saturday's finish, September 95 1/4 @ 1 1/2, corn 1c to 1 1/4 advanced, out unchanged to 1 1/4 up, and provisions at a rise of 15 to 20c.

JUST BEFORE PRESSTIME

AMERICAN LABOR MAY JOIN 5,000,000 CATTLE BOUGHT MACON COMING NORTH VEON REPLACES SAWYER

GENEVA, June 18 (AP)—The prospect of American adhesion to the International Labor organization aroused enthusiasm at today's session of the International Labor conference. Applause lasting several minutes came from all sides when Harold B. Butler, director of the International Labor bureau, announced the action of the American congress authorizing President Roosevelt to arrange American membership in the organization.

DENVER, June 18 (AP)—One of the biggest cattle deals in history, the purchase of approximately 5,000,000 animals by the federal government from drought stricken ranchers, was virtually completed here today at a meeting of federal officials with representatives of 12 states.

SUNNYVALE, Cal., June 18 (AP)—Captain A. H. Dressel of the naval air base here said the dirigible Macon would leave here Tuesday at 9 a. m. on a 36 hour engineering test flight. The flight will be northward, Captain Dressel said, but added that "I will not know how far north that we will get until after we have been in the air a few hours."

PORTLAND, June 18 (AP)—John B. Yeon Jr., of Portland, was today appointed chairman of the Columbia River gorge committee, to succeed Robert W. Sawyer of Bend, resigned. Yeon's appointment as vice chairman was announced recently.

PORTLAND, June 18 (AP)—A plan, "complete and effective" for the opening of the port of Portland to commerce, despite refusal of striking longshoremen to return to work, was being organized here today by shippers and steamship operators. A statement signed by E. C. Davis, president of the waterfront employers of Portland, said "so far as we are concerned, the strike ended today."

MEMORY OF COL. HURON HONORED IN SERVICES SUNDAY

Program Held For Late Commander of 186th Infantry By Guardsmen At Camp Clatsop.

TOWNSPEOPLE ARE ASKED TO REPORT AVAILABLE ROOMS

La Grande townpeople are asked by the Semi-Centennial celebration committee to co-operate in the matter of providing housing for visitors. An acute problem of finding rooms for visiting guests of the city during the celebration is imminent, unless every home having an extra room or two reports the same to the housing committee, Claude Berry, chairman of the housing committee announced today.

Registration of all extra rooms available at the time of the celebration July 19-29-31 should be made (Continued on Page Two)

ILLINOIS DENTIST KIDNAPED, KILLED

EL DORADO, Ill., June 18 (AP)—Dr. L. H. Meyers, 55, wealthy Eldorado dentist, was found shot to death on a farm near here today, apparently the victim of a kidnaping and robbery plot.

Miss Larson Here To Resume Work

Miss Madeline Larson who has been in New York the past year, on leave of absence from her duties at the Eastern Oregon Normal school and taking work for advanced credit at Columbia university arrived in La Grande last evening ready for her duties as director of physical education for women when the summer session opens. Miss Larson will occupy Miss Mildred Hawksworth's apartment during the latter's absence.

TWO MAJOR BILLS HOLDUP CONGRESS

Attempt to Adjourn Long Session To Be Made Tonight.

WASHINGTON, June 18 (AP)—Two lone strife-spangled bills, for a railway labor board and to aid bankrupt farmers, late today impaled otherwise good chances for congress to catch night trains home.

An outright filibuster against the railway labor bill tied up the senate, but leaders hoped to be able to break it and adjourn congress after approval of pending reports, adjusting differences with the house on legislation both have enacted. This was essential in order to get the adjournment sought for tonight.

Voting Hours For School Election Between 2 and 7

Polls will be open this afternoon from two until seven o'clock at Central and Greenwood schools for the election of a member of the school board to succeed Ray Buell who was not a candidate for re-election. Thirty days residence is required for eligibility to vote.

Elgin Young Woman Gets Car Injuries

ELGIN (Special)—Miss Edna Ray received painful bruises and scratches on other members of a motoring party, including the Misses Herandine Bringer and Hazel Kenesevich, Roy Kenesevich, Kenneth Ray, and Henry Dowd, suffered less serious hurts when their car blew a tire and was wrecked on the highway near the Walter Pierce ranch east of Island City Sunday morning.

CITY LIBRARY OPENS BRANCH AT GREENWOOD

The La Grande Public library is announcing the opening of a Branch Library in the reading room of the Greenwood school which will continue through the summer months, the project arranged for both adults and children. The opening date will be Wednesday from 1:00 until 5:00 o'clock and the branch will be open every Wednesday afternoon during those same hours for the summer months if patronage warrants it.

Baseball

Table with columns for team names and scores.

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NATIONAL LEAGUE New York at Pittsburgh, postponed, rain.

A Security That Has Nothing to Do With Armament

