

La Grande Fearful Of Serious Gasoline Shortage

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25,000 TAXI DRIVERS IN WALKOUT

CELEBRATION QUEEN FLOAT MODERNISTIC

Strikingly Beautiful and Appropriate to Thought of U. P. Jubilee.

CONSTRUCTED IN A CUBINISTIC DESIGN

Celebration Committee Also Announces Union Men Find Horse Needed For Pageant.

The queen's float, to appear in the Semi-Centennial U. P. celebration bearing the queen, her six attendants, three flower girls and two train-bearers, will be one of the most beautiful and striking ever seen in La Grande, advance information reveals.

According to H. H. Richardson it will depict the spirit of modernism, carrying out a modernistic design in the construction of the World's Fair buildings in Chicago. The color scheme will be silver, dull black and green, and the float will carry out a color effect, in sets of three, symbolizing the three periods of progress—early Indian romance, pioneering and modern transportation.

The Saturday pageant can go on now, George W. Benson, chairman of a Union commercial club committee of five named Wednesday to find a skinny horse for the La Grande pageant, has located a long-haired, skinny animal that celebration committee.

Salvation Army Will Sponsor Camp For Boys

Plans are now completed for a summer camp to be sponsored by the Salvation Army. The camp is being planned especially for children who would otherwise not have a chance for an outing or a vacation this year. Anthony lake is the spot selected and will include young people from Baker, North Powder, Union and La Grande.

ROOM RATES FOR JUBILEE STANDARDIZED

The Semi-Centennial U. P. celebration committee has recommended, and the recommendations have been widely agreed to, standard rates for rooms here during next week, either in apartments, private homes, etc. The hotels are handling their own arrangements.

SET OPEN SEASON ON PARTRIDGES IN FALL

Few changes have been made in the hunting season for Eastern Oregon, with the exception that the open season for elk in Union, Umatilla, Grant, Wallowa and Baker counties will be from Nov. 5 to 11, inclusive. Also, an open season on Hungarian partridges will be held Oct. 15-31 here.

Washington Now At Its Best

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 12.—Just had a fine long wait (and, incidentally, a good lunch) with the kindest and most able of our diplomats, Secretary of State Cordell Hull. We talked much of South America, where he made many friends at that conference, and that's the country where we can use some friends, too. That's our ally for our "drummers" down there. They are finally starting something that should have been started a year ago and that's this house building and repairing. The local bank or local organization loans the money, up to \$2000. The government don't spend anything, it only guarantees 20 per cent of it in case of loss, and these loans are made almost entirely on a man's name alone.

Well, just the idea of a man being trusted again is going to make the whole thing 100 per cent honest. It's the best of all the plans and Jimmy Moffett and a fine organization working it.

Washington was never prettier, not a senator or congressman here. Yours,

Will Rogers
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FIRE ON LAKE ST. CAUSES LOSS OF \$800 HERE TODAY

The fire department was called out to battle an early morning fire today at 312 Lake street, when the home of W. O. Flint caught fire from a defective fuse. Heavy damage was done to the residence before the fire was controlled, and loss today was estimated at about \$800, which is covered by that amount of insurance, according to Fire Chief C. T. Lindsey.

PUBLIC INVITED TO CEREMONY AT MT. GLEN SUNDAY

The public is cordially invited to attend the service held in connection with the dedication of the Pioneer monument near Mt. Glen, Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The monument, recently erected by the Frances Brown auxiliary to the Sons and Daughters of Union County Pioneers.

MAKE PLANS FOR C. E. CONVENTION

Preliminary plans were made last night at the meeting of the executive committee of the Grande Ronde Christian Endeavor Union, for the annual convention which will probably be held some time in September in La Grande. Miss Mildred Stoddard was appointed chairman of the program committee for the convention and Mrs. Albert W. Herrman, of Baker, was appointed chairman of the nominating committee for the officers for the ensuing year.

GAS SUPPLY IS SUFFICIENT FOR 15 DAYS

Dock Strike on Coast Felt in Interior Points of the State.

Fears of a gasoline shortage were acute in La Grande and other Eastern Oregon points today, as a result of the dock strike at Portland and other coast points. The latest survey reveals approximately enough gasoline in La Grande at present to handle the demands for 15 days.

Swim Weeks To Begin Here On Monday, July 23

Swim weeks at both Pine Cone and Crystal Plunge will begin on Monday, July 23. It was announced today by the Porpoise club, sponsoring the two, and also a demonstration will be held Sunday, July 22 at the La Grande pool preceding the opening of the periods of instruction.

The swim weeks will continue for 10 days. The week at Crystal Plunge

Salt Lake Summer Style Is Sunbonnet Symphony



Sunbonnets are all the rage in Utah this summer as the state prepares for the celebration of Pioneer Day, commemorating the founding of the state July 24, 1847, by Mormon emigrants who crossed the plains. And here are the Hunt sisters of Ogden—Alice, Rhoda and Grace—showing that the sunbonnet has all of the charm that song writers used to rave about.

PIONEERS PARADE ON OPENING DAY OF U. P. JUBILEE

J. E. Reynolds, president of the Sons and Daughters of Union County Pioneers association, is making further announcement today regarding the pioneers' part in the celebration next Thursday, July 19. Mr. Reynolds states that all pioneers are to ride to La Grande on the special

Legion Juniors Play Pendleton Sunday, July 15

The American Legion junior league team, in charge of Raymond O. Williams, will go to Pendleton Sunday for a return exhibition game. The Pendleton lads won a contest here last Sunday.

GERMANY IN PROTEST OF JOHNSON TALK

Official Representation Made to Secretary Hull—Formal Reply Made.

WASHINGTON, July 13 (AP)—Replying to an official German protest against the anti-Nazi utterances at Waterloo, Iowa, of Hugh S. Johnson, the state department said today it was "to be regretted" that the position occupied by the recovery administrator made it possible for remarks by him as an individual to be "misconstructed as official."

F. R. WILL ENJOY ISLAND FISHING

ABOARD USS NEW ORLEANS EN ROUTE WITH PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT, July 13 (AP)—President Roosevelt cruised across the Pacific today for Hawaii from Panama. In the waters of this old rendezvous of buccaniers, Mr. Roosevelt has been told, the best of the game fish in the Pacific and here today he is going to defy the superstitions of Friday, the 13th, to try his luck.

Wheat Today

The price of local new crop wheat stood at about 60 cents today, a new high for 1934, according to the Pioneer Flouring Mills. Portland cash 75 cents. No export bid.

CHICAGO, July 13 (AP)—In a sudden outbreak of speculative buying late today, wheat jumped to \$1.00 a bushel. The buying caught the wheat market temporarily bare of offerings, and prices went skyward in a hurry, with many stop loss orders forced into execution by the quick advance.

JUST BEFORE PRESSTIME

ONTARIO GETS \$22,000
RING CAN CROON TO 'EM
TRADE IN UPWARD TREND
THREE SHOT TO DEATH

WASHINGTON, July 13 (AP)—An allotment of \$22,000 to Ontario, Ore., for reconstruction of its water filtration plant was announced here by Public Works Administrator Ickes.

HOLLYWOOD, Cal., July 13 (AP)—Bing Crosby and his wife, the former Dixie Lee, screen actress, today became the parents of twin boys.

NEW YORK, July 13 (AP)—Freedom from the influences of the Independence day holiday and the heat wave of the week preceding, practically all branches of business were enabled to make considerable rebound from their previous position, and a more definite upward trend was established, said Dun & Bradstreet today in their weekly trade review.

DALLAS, Tex., July 13 (AP)—A quarrel resulting from a marital estrangement led H. B. Harris, 37, today to shoot to death his wife, Emma Harris, and Miss Patricia Kidd, 24, and then probably fatally wound himself.

NEW YORK, July 13 (AP)—An opinion that Ray J. Rives, missing co-owner of the Riverside bank of Reno, Nev., was "taken for a ride" in the trial of James C. McKay and William J. Graham, Reno gamblers, charged with misuse of the mails in a scheme to defraud.

HITLER BRANDS VON SCHLEICHER, ROEHM PLOTTERS

By Louis Lochner
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BERLIN, July 13 (AP)—Placing the credit of suppressing the revolt against his regime at 77 Hives, Chancellor Adolf Hitler charged today that Ernst Roehm, executed storm troop leader, and former Chancellor Kurt von Schleicher plotted together to take over the government.

BRITISH EXPLAIN THEIR "ALLIANCE"

LONDON, July 13 (AP)—Great Britain has reinforced the pact of Locarno but has not entered any "select alliance" with any country. Sir John Simon, foreign secretary, declared today before the house of commons. Sir John said the recent Anglo-French conversations had resulted in a greater feeling of peace and security in Europe and will greatly improve conditions on the continent if powers affected fully enter the proposed eastern regional agreement.

PARIS, July 13 (AP)—Foreign Minister Louis Barthou began work today on his pet project, an eastern European Locarno pact.

BOARD URGES ACCEPTING OF ARBITRATION

President's Committee at Frisco Asking For Early Action.

ACTS OF VIOLENCE CONTINUING TODAY

Conditions in Portland Quiet However—Gasoline Released For Use of Farmers.

SACRAMENTO, July 13 (AP)—Warning that communists are en route from Seattle to San Francisco was relayed today to Earl Lee Kelly, state director of public works.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 13 (AP)—Urging immediate acceptance of arbitration by the striking maritime unions, President Roosevelt's labor disputes board today declared that if the strikers and employers cannot be brought together some other means must be found at once to avert a complete tieup of bay district cities, already menaced by the shortage of food and gasoline supplies.

Acts of violence continued, while the strike spread with 2,600 taxicab drivers and chauffeurs walking out at 5 a. m.

3 Executions In Nation Today—Friday The 13th

STATE PRISON, Florence, Ariz., July 13 (AP)—George J. Shaughnessy, 19-year-old Albany, N. Y. youth, with a warning that his death should be a lesson to other youths, was executed at 4:59 a. m. today in the lethal gas chamber of the state prison.

Shaughnessy, convicted of the killing a year ago of Lon Blankenship in a holdup, met death calmly.

STATE PRISON, Carson City, Nev., July 13 (AP)—Joseph Behler, 36-year-old Bryan formerly of St. Louis, Mo., was executed in the prison lethal gas chambers at sunrise today.

The convicted slayer of Maxine Armstrong, Las Vegas dance hall girl, whistled a tune as he walked into the small gas chamber from his cell across a corridor of the building.

OSASSING, N. Y., July 13 (AP)—Silver-haired Frank Canora's lonely wait in Sing Sing prison's death house is ended. He went to his death in the electric chair last night, paying for the torch slaying of his wife.

Baseball

NATIONAL LEAGUE	R. H. E.
Cincinnati	9 14 3
Brooklyn	6 9 2
Prey, Kolp, and Lombardi; Zachary, Loenard and Lopez.	
AMERICAN LEAGUE	R. H. E.
Chicago	6 10 3
Boston	7 12 3
Lee, Tinning and Harnett; Betts, Barrett, Smith and Spohrer.	
St. Louis at Philadelphia, postponed rain.	
Philadelphia - Chicago postponed; wet grounds.	

PERSEVERANCE WINS WIRTH IS NOMINATED

MEDFORD, Ore., July 13 (AP)—Perseverance was rewarded when H. E. Wirth, Medford insurance agent, was nominated as the Oregon independent liberal party candidate for governor.

A week ago a nominating convention was held by the group, but after more than an hour of waiting the meeting adjourned when the required 100 did not show up to make the nomination official.

Will You Invest Three Cents For The Good Of Your Town?

Inserted in today's issue of the Observer are two tabloid newspaper sections published in connection with the forthcoming Semi-Centennial Celebration and prepared as an invitation for all who read to visit La Grande and join with us here in the festivities marking the anniversary of the coming of the railroad to this part of Eastern Oregon half a century ago. These sections are replete in picture and story of the progress of our community over the past 50 years and in addition the features of the attractions of July 19, 20 and 21 are fully and interestingly foretold and explained.

Merchants who supported this issue with advertising space, the celebration committee and the La Grande Evening Observer joined in its output with purpose in mind of providing the local populace with a souvenir and descriptive invitation number that could be sent to friends far and near. For those too far or otherwise unable to attend, it would prove an interesting account, story and history of the city in which you, their friends, live. To those of comparatively short distance away—a few hours drive or train ride—it should act as a stimulant to come and be with you during the festival of next week.

In the interest of more wide spread promotion of the Semi-Centennial celebration—the attraction of as large a crowd of visitors to the city on the festival days as is possible to obtain—those making this invitational number possible urge one and all of the community to mail immediately to their friends particularly to those in communities nearby, one or more copies of this souvenir edition. In considering the advisability of inviting friends here, do not judge this affair upon the conduct of some, perhaps disappointing, celebrations of your past experiences either here or elsewhere.

This Semi-Centennial will be no "small town variety show." It promises and will be the most pretentious, thoroughly interesting, alive and active event of its nature ever held in this community and on a par with affairs of its kind that gain national renown. The whole hearted participation of the entire Union Pacific Railroad system, which is sending here equipment and show sufficient alone to be a stupendous attraction, is one item in itself that guarantees the big and the unusual. The presentation of pioneer and progress pageantry with hundreds of actors in the casts—the unique parades—the participation of national, state and district military organizations—the displays and operation of antique machines, equipment and vehicles, some more than a century old—all this and more with the addition of excellent festival and carnival attractions usual on such occasions, makes for La Grande next Thursday, Friday and Saturday a three-day continuous activity of festival and fun that will not fail to enthuse and receive the interest and appreciation of all who come to see.

This is your small part, Mr. and Mrs. La Grande, to help make the constant work and planning of this event over the past year a genuine success at the time of its presentation. Help bring your friends and others here to see and appreciate your town as a live, up and coming, aggressive and progressive community that knows how to make and do things.

The cost of mailing this invitational number is 3 cents postage. That will be your only cost. Extra copies may be secured at either the offices of the Chamber of Commerce or the La Grande Evening Observer, where the edition was composed and printed. They will be addressed and mailed there for you at a charge of only 3 cents to cover postage.

Put a 3-cent stamp and the address of an out-of-town friend or relative on one of these numbers and drop it in the postoffice today. You will have performed a worthwhile bit for the further assured success of not only the celebration but the permanent better promotion of the community in which you live.