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Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me.—Psalm 51: 10.

WELCOME B. OF L. E. AND AUXILIARY

La Grande today is welcoming some 300 members of the Western Union Meeting association of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and the Grand International auxiliary of the B. of L. E. for their annual conventions, to continue this year for three days, overlapping the opening events of the Semi-Centennial Union Pacific celebration. And in extending the glad hand of greeting to its visitors, the city also fully realizes that it is unusually honored in having this opportunity—since it is the first time in history such a convention has been held in any city with less than 100,000 population.

Engineers and their ladies from eleven western states and three Canadian provinces are here to go about their convention business, enjoy the city's hospitality, and finally join with La Grande and its guests in attending the celebration. Particularly interesting to the delegates, this celebration is expected to be, since it deals primarily with the things that are uppermost in their lives—railroads, locomotives, and the development of the transportation on steel rails. Fifty years ago the first railroad passenger train came into La Grande, and today the town—which largely owes its present importance to that event half a century ago—is reliving its 1884 celebration.

These B. of L. E. delegates with years of adventurous, thrilling work with these vehicles of iron and steel, especially those who are old timers on the railroad, can appreciate the full significance of the celebration—the grateful tribute of a community that owes its all to that early day iron horse and all that went with it. They, too, will thrill with the unfolding of the parades, pageantry and spectacles that will go to make up the jubilee, and also go to make their stay here doubly enjoyable.

We hope your stay here will be both profitable and pleasurable, Brotherhood members and your ladies, and we only hope that some day, before too many years roll by, that La Grande will again have the honor of being your host on a similar occasion.

Sally Finds Her "Bubble" Dance Exciting

CHICAGO (AP)—Take it from one who knows, waiting a couple of o'clock feathers is child's play compared to the intricacies of "hiding" a bubble behind a transparent "bubble".

The authority for this is none other than Sally Rand of World's Fair fame, who took time out between shows to talk of her art and her troubles.

Of the latter there seems to be no end. Last year it was the reformers who dogged her every footstep insisting she wear something more substantial than a piume.

This year it's the wiles of a capricious air-filled balloon that are giving the little lady sleepless nights.

The other night Sally was doing an admirable job of dancing behind the balloon when suddenly it bounced away and there was Sally all alone.

"I was petrified, just petrified," she said. "For a moment I didn't know what to do. Thank goodness a breeze came along and waddled it back."

By the next night she had—with the aid of stage mechanics—everything under control. That is, she did until—boom—and the balloon was gone—out of the reach of friendly breezes or human hands.

And what did Sally do? She ran for dear life. The explosion she thinks was the work of some unscrupulous person with a pin stuck in the end of a cane.

SCHOOLBOYS AGAIN IN SCIENCE TALKS TO BRITISH OFFICIALS

LONDON (AP)—The men who run John Bull's national affairs are going to school again.

A series of lectures has been organized by the British Science Guild so that public men may be kept in touch with the latest developments in scientific progress by leading scientists.

Prime Minister Ramsay MacDonald was present at the first lecture at which Sir William Bragg, director of the Royal Institution, was the speaker.

The lectures are kept as simple as possible. Sir William's subject was refrigeration, both from the scientific and practical points of view—and he drove home his points about molecules and heat by the use of a billiard table, balls and a tennis racket.

TODAY IN OREGON—ELGENCE MILL BURNED

EUGENE, July 17 (AP)—The Walter-Bushong lumber mill here was a seething inferno of blazing lumber piles this morning following an early morning blaze which destroyed the plant valued at approximately \$50,000.

Starting shortly before 3 a. m., flames which leaped 200 feet skyward swept through the mill, destroying machinery, docks and stock.

The blaze was discovered by S. P. Brakeman who gave the alarm. The plant is adjacent to the tracks and several freight cars were barely pulled out in time to save them.

PIONEER DAY BEGINS HERE AT 9:30 A. M.

Program at the depot, seats being reserved for pioneer passengers on train on a platform in front of the depot. Address of welcome by Rev. Ben Grandy, Grand Junction, Colo., representing his father as the mayor of 1884.

Response by the Hon. Dunham Wright, president of the pioneers.

Line of march of great pioneer parade forms at 10:00 o'clock sharp. Those who expect a place in the parade are asked to come to Jefferson avenue which will be reserved for the purpose, with vehicles and conveyances headed west. The parade will be headed by Clint Haynes, marshal of the day, George Seibird, Union, and Aug. J. Stange, mounted.

They will be followed by the Ogden band and immediately thereafter the Hon. Dunham Wright, riding in a victoria, and followed by other and widely varied horse drawn vehicles and conveyances.

The parade will move from the Depot to Chestnut street, turning thence south to Adams avenue, out on Adams avenue to Hemlock street, then across the tracks to Spruce St. and out Spruce to Riverside Park where the exercises of the day will be held.

The basket lunch will be served at noon, with each family group of individual providing his own lunch. Coffee and cream will be served by the association, but guests are asked to bring containers to carry the coffee.

Courtesy cars have been provided and any pioneer who wishes transportation to the park is asked to call the Chamber of Commerce office.

The program is as follows: Prayer, Rev. Ben Grandy, Grand Junction, Colo. Address of Welcome, Bruce Dejnins, Oakland, Cal. Response, Hon. Dunham Wright, Medical Springs, president Union County Pioneers.

Ladies' Triad Choir, with Jack Denno, Penitentiary, soloist, Mrs. A. L. Richardson, director.

Reading names of pioneers present who registered from out of town. J. D. Slater, vice president Union county pioneers.

Reading, Naomi Williamson McNeil, Rochester, New York.

Vocal solo, Alfred Meyer.

Five minute talk, "Pioneer Day in Washington, D. C." Hon. Walter M. Pierce.

The colony of North Carolina insisted on a clause guaranteeing religious liberty before ratifying the United States constitution in 1789.

Two states, one United States possession and nine foreign countries are represented in the student body of Emory university at Atlanta, Ga.

Figures of the Alaska geological survey indicate that glaciers of the territory when at their maximum spread covered approximately 250,000 square miles.

The Weather

WEATHER FORECAST
Oregon: Fair tonight and Wednesday with occasional clouds on the coast; warmer in interior tomorrow; gentle west wind offshore.

LOCAL WEATHER
Monday: Maximum 89, minimum 60 above. Clear.
Tuesday: Minimum 56, 7 a. m.—65 above. Partly cloudy.

Legion Receives All Details Of Rankin Measure

Details of the Rankin bill passed by the recently adjourned session of congress and signed on June 28 by the president have been received by the members of the La Grande post of American Legion. The compensation provided in the new bill is available for widows and children of veterans who received 30 per cent or more disability in the world war. Monthly compensation rates are as follows:
Widow but no child \$22.00
Widow and one child \$30.00 (\$4.00 for each additional child)
No widow but one child \$15.00
No widow but two children (equally divided) \$22.00
No widow but three children (equally divided) \$30.00
\$3.00 for each additional child, total amount equally divided.
No compensation shall exceed \$56.00 per month.
Explanation is made that "widow" means a person married to a veteran prior to July 3, 1931, and who has not since remarried. This compensation will directly affect a number of local veterans widows and children. It is reported.

ALL OF WEST REPRESENTED AT SESSIONS

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Assistant grand chief of the B. of L. E. of Cleveland, Ohio, and Mrs. Elizabeth Heinerwald, assistant grand vice president of the G. I. A. from Philadelphia, both of whom have a prominent part on the program of their respective meetings.

All the states of the west, as far east as Colorado, New Mexico, Wyoming and Montana, three provinces of Canada, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia, are represented at the convention thus far. The association includes the eleven western states and these three provinces.

Tomorrow's program will begin with the regular business session of the W. U. M. A. at 9:30 in the ball room off the mezzanine floor. The remainder of the day's program is as follows:

10:00 a. m. Regular business meeting of the G. I. A. in room 26, Union Pacific Depot building.

12:00 Noon Luncheon in main dining room of the hotel. Hon. Walter M. Pierce, lunch speaker. United States congressman, second district of Oregon. All day Wednesday will be given over to the business of the two organizations.

8:00 p. m. Assemble in ball room off the mezzanine floor of hotel for a joint meeting of B. of L. E. and G. I. A. Entertainment only, no business.

Approve Cut In Price of Lumber

WASHINGTON, July 17 (AP)—A slash in the price of lumber is expected to give President Roosevelt's housing campaign a push forward.

NEA announced last night its approval of 8 to 10 per cent reductions in lumber and timber products going to housing construction. It was said to mean a cut of about 15 per cent to consumers because reductions had previously been ordered in the price mark-up of retail lumber dealers.

KEEPING TRACK OF ARTICLES STORED DURING SUMMER

In packing away garments for the summer, it is helpful to write on the wrapping just what each package contains. Too, a list should be kept of these stored articles and their storage places, so that they may be obtained quickly if they are needed. It saves a great deal of poking around in closets and upsetting careful arrangements.

The same principle should be used in packing luggage for summer vacations. It is helpful to have a list showing what the various bags and trunks contain, and to arrange things so that one bag has articles needed immediately, another has "bulky" articles, and so on.

REJECT WATER PLANS

SALEM, July 17 (AP)—The Salem city council last night rejected two proposed methods of acquiring the local plant of the Oregon-Washington Water Service company—by arbitration to set a price on the plant and by an outright offer of \$940,000.

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Distribution Of Food Code Up For A Hearing

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Oregon Pageant Given At E. O. N. Assembly

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second scene the departure for Oregon from Missouri in 1842 with a group of pioneers gathered around the covered wagon in readiness for the journey to the west. Scene three showed the journey's end in Oregon in 1845. The final scene, which was depicting the evolution of transportation showed the different steps from the Indian carriers who were the first means of transportation; the bringing of horses by the Spanish explorers, the covered wagon which resulted in the need for a means of bringing families to the western territory, the stage coaches, the first train called the "Oregon Pony" and finally the new streamline train of the Union Pacific, all of which were very cleverly portrayed by marionettes. Appropriate settings and lighting effects added much to the effectiveness of the portrayal.

At the conclusion of the final scene, the marionettes were brought out on the stage by the pupils, and an explanation was given of how the small doll-like figures are made.

Other numbers on the program included songs by the pupils of the three grades, "My Country" with which the assembly opened and the "Texas Cowboy's Stampede Song" with ukulele accompaniment.

Swainsboro, N. C. was named for beautiful white swans found by an English sea captain, Daniel Bales, who explored that section and settled in 1713.

CELEBRATION IS SPONSORING DANCE TONIGHT

The Semi-Centennial U. P. celebration committee is sponsoring a dance at Eagles hall tonight at which Queen Payne and her attendants will appear. Celebration dance tickets will be accepted. Fletcher's orchestra is to play.

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GREENWOOD A. C. WALLOPS FIREMEN

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This leaves the Greenwood A. C.'s, the high school Juniors and the Elks teams undefeated in the twilight league, all having won three straight games and lost none.

Standings of the teams at the present time are:

Team	W. L. Pct.
Greenwood A. C.'s	3 0 1.000
High School Juniors	3 0 1.000
Elks	3 0 1.000
Greenwood Juniors	2 2 .500
Normal	1 1 .500
Sacajawea Barbers	1 2 .333
Lions	1 3 .250
Union Pacific	1 3 .250
Firemen	0 4 .000

(This does not include the Normal-Sac. Barber game last night.)

No further games are scheduled for this week because of the convention and celebration activities at the La Grande Stadium.

Rules adopted by the managers of the various teams are announced as follows:

Players—Team to consist of 15 players. These to be registered with Miss Horton. Any players dropped and new ones added to be given her in writing before the ensuing game. No player may transfer to another team except by consent of the managers of all the teams.

Officials—Two umpires and a "base" keeper for each game. These may not be players.

Ground Rules—One base shall be the limit on overthrows to home, first or third base. Two bases shall be the limit on an overthrow to second base. No bunt. No steal.

Schedules—The playground will prepare and publish in the La Grande Evening Observer a complete schedule for the following week, same to be published on Saturday.

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