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FOREST FIRE RAGES NEAR MT. HOOD

COMMISSION RACE BEGINS TO SHAPE UP

One New Candidate, Arthur Bremer, Already in the Field.

SIX WEEKS LEFT FOR NOMINATIONS

Present Commission Unwilling To Make Statement Yet as to Its Intentions.

With only six weeks remaining in which to file nominating petitions, the political race is beginning to buzz in the city commission race, to use an old and time-honored phrase. One new candidate already has announced himself, and there are rumors that others will enter the race, although that is as far as it has gone.

State law provides that nominating petitions for city commission candidates must be filed 45 days before election, which will be Nov. 6. The final day for filing probably will be either Sept. 22 or 24, but a legal ruling on this is expected in the near future.

Arthur Bremer, former head of the Eagles lodge, is definitely in the race, he reported today, and nominating petitions are being circulated for him at the present.

The question of whether any members or all of the present commission will run for re-election remained unanswered today. President V. R. Melville declined to make any statement and Commissioner Fritz Lotter said a similar position. Commissioner William Condit could not be reached by the Observer today.

Generally, around town it is believed that...

Road to North Powder Lakes Is To Be Improved

The Whitman forest service has received word that money has been allotted for construction of foot trails in the North Powder lakes area and for improvement of the road to North Powder lakes from North Powder, according to word from Baker today. In the work on the road the forest service will widen it, construct a large number of turn-outs and remove rocks from the roadbed, thus making a smooth surface. The work will be undertaken within the next few weeks.

Plans also provide for extension of the road from the lakes northward by Grande Ronde lake to Web-foot meadows. A crew is now working on the project. Clearing has been completed and grading work will be undertaken in the near future on a stub road leading up to the jagged rocks just under the Anthony lakes lookout. Upon completion of the road it will be possible to drive an automobile to a point within a 10 minute walk of the lookout house, from which it is possible to see on a clear day as far west as Mt. Hood, as far south as the Strawberry range and north and east to the mountain ranges in Idaho.

WEATHER NEXT WEEK TO SHOW LITTLE CHANGE

Fairly settled weather for the coming week, with little change in temperature, is forecast for Eastern Oregon by the government weather bureau. There is a possibility of thunder storms in the mountains next week, however. Friday's maximum here was 91 above, one degree warmer than Wednesday and Thursday.

High School Juniors Win Championship

The High School Juniors kiten ball team last night won for themselves the championship of the kiten league for the 1934 season by defeating the Sacajawea Barbers, 4 to 3. The Juniors team has been coached by Miss Marjorie Horton throughout the season in connection with the playground work, and has been near the top of the list during most of the season.

The game last night was a battle royal from start to finish and the outcome was uncertain until the last man was struck out. The Juniors made two runs in the first inning and scored again in the third, while the Barbers made three runs in the fifth, tying the score. At the beginning of the seventh and final inning the Juniors scored another run, and in the last half of the inning the Barbers were unable to score. Ralph DeBoie pitched for the Juniors and Verdell Ragsdale held a similar position for the Barbers. A large crowd witnessed the game last evening—probably the largest to have attended a game during the entire season.

LEGION TO STAGE SHOW AND DANCE ON SAT., AUG. 18

The American Legion post No. 43 of La Grande today announced plans for a benefit show and dance to be staged at Zuber hall the night of Saturday, Aug. 18. Proceeds will be used to help send the state championship drum and bugle corps to the Astoria convention late this month, and also to help finance the 1936 convention campaign.

Some of the best talent in Eastern Oregon will appear in the show, on which the curtain will go up at 8:30 p. m.

The legion stunt will be one of unusual interest, staged by a local troupe that has appeared before the public twice before—once as bathing beauties and once as motion picture stars. This time the bevy of pulchritudinous "ladies" will be featured in a style show, showing both present and future styles, in beach apparel, in slacks, in shorts and also in lingerie. Legion members are certain it will be a very interesting exhibit.

ALL-STARS WILL PLAY PENDLETON

An all-star team, largely selected from the Union, Cove and La Grande Blue Mountain league clubs, will play the Pendleton town team, champion of its district, at Union tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock, it was announced here today. The tentative lineup for the all-stars follows: Woodie, c. La Grande; Underwood, p. Union; Stotler, 1b. La Grande; C. Wilson, 2b. La Grande; Hyde, a. La Grande; Turner, 3b. Union; D. Wilson, lf. La Grande; Ragsdale, cf. La Grande; Bloom, rf. Cove; with Courtney, p. La Grande; Murchison, c. Cove; and S. Wilson, La Grande, in reserve.

The Pendleton lineup is announced as: Pottier, c. Wolf, p. Godwin, 1b; Gallaway, 2b; Graybeal, 3b; B. Hodges, s; L. Strobe, cf; T. Hodges, lf; E. Strobe, rf. Quite a number of La Grande people are expecting to drive to Union to see the game.

GRASS FIRE ON WAVE, FRIDAY

The fire truck was called to the 800 and 900 blocks on W avenue near the railroad track yesterday afternoon because of a grass fire. The blaze was extinguished without loss to property owners, it is reported.

MORE C. C. C. BOYS ARRIVE DURING WEEK

59 From Illinois Stationed At Enterprise; Working on Innaha Road.

Additional C. C. C. recruits are arriving in Eastern Oregon this summer, the latest group being a company of 59 from Illinois that went through La Grande en route to the Wallowa county camp near Enterprise. Most of the boys will be stationed at the county seat, and the remainder at Grizzly ridge and Bench camp. This group is mostly from small towns in Illinois.

One crew at Bench camp is now working up the Innaha river, and according to Forest Ranger J. Fred McClain. The one working up will extend the road as far as Duck lake, which is the boundary of the Wallowa national forest, and the one working down will connect with the road coming up the river at the Neiman ranch.

This latter road will shorten the distance considerably from the upper Innaha country to the Wallowa valley, and at the same time provide a much better road than the one going by way of Trail creek canyon. The distance to the Innaha by way of Lick creek is 35 miles from Joseph. From the Fruit office at the Shevlin ranch the distance to Joseph is 41 miles by Lick creek and 57 miles via the Innaha bridge. The new road will, of course, be open to travel only during the summer months.

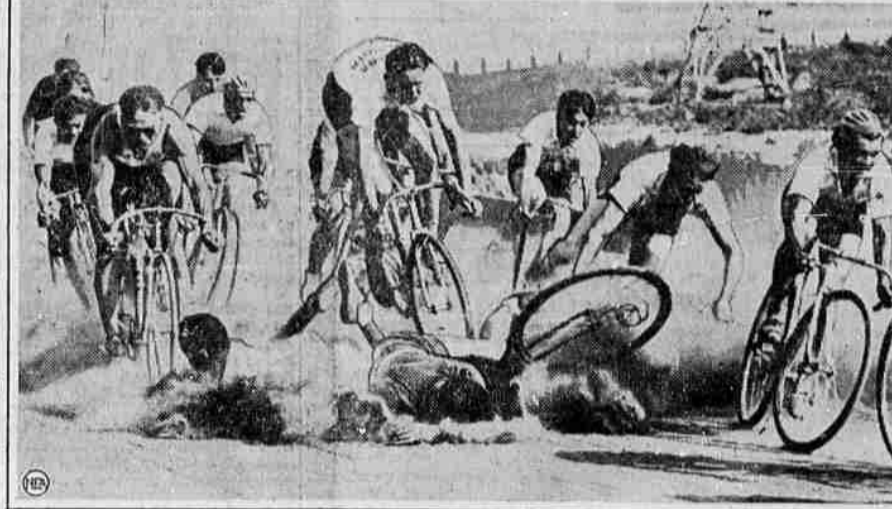
Final Play And Festival Staged At High School

A large crowd of parents and friends witnessed the presentation last night of the play and dance festival which officially concluded the activity of the first annual playground. The dance festival on the high school lawn was similar to that presented the night before by the group of children at Greenwood school, giving a demonstration of the work accomplished during the summer by the children.

The play, under the direction of Miss Dorothy Higgins, was entitled, "When the Sun Stayed in Bed" being more or less of a fantasy idea. The portrayal was very well carried out. The cast of characters for the play included Jean Davies as the Sun, Maxine Peterson, the Lavender Cloud, Irma Schilling, the Ray Cloud, Imo-

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This Bike Race Stacked Up as a Good One



One bike racer "coming a cropper" caused a lot of trouble as he fell from his mount during a race at the Wisconsin State Fair Grounds. As he went under he took another rider with him, and just after this picture was taken all the contestants were piled up in one grand jumble of arms, legs and wheel spokes.

UNION COUNTY'S SHARE OF LIQUOR REVENUE \$1880

Disbursement to the counties of the second quarter liquor revenue for unemployment relief, amounting to \$107,527, was announced in Salem today by the secretary of state, who received vouchers for the issuance. The state a few days ago disbursed the first quarter's profits, amounting to more than \$44,000. For each quarter the state relief committee, which disposes of the fund, retained \$5000.

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UNION LODGE INVITES LOCAL ODD FELLOWS

A good attendance was enjoyed last night at the weekly meeting of the I. O. O. F. lodge at the hall. A communication was read during the meeting from the Union lodge, requesting that officers of the La Grande lodge confer the first degree on a class of candidates from that place at the next meeting, Friday evening, Aug. 17. First degree drill will be held Thursday evening, preparatory to the conferring of this degree, to which all members are invited.

Star Encampment No. 31 provided a watermelon feed following the meeting last night. Refreshments also will be served next Friday evening after the lodge session.

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16 Grid Veterans Returning; First Workout Monday

With sixteen lettermen scheduled to answer first football call at La Grande High this fall, local fans already are looking forward to what they hope will be another winning grid aggregation. Coach Ira Woodie, in order to lose no time, plans to start practice Monday.

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ALUMINUM STRIKE NOT UNANIMOUS

By The Associated Press. A strike order by the aluminum workers' council brought only partial response in plants of the Aluminum company here today. Managers of units of the company in Edgewater, N. J., Badin, N. C., and Bridgeport, Conn., reported their plants were operating as usual.

American Federation of Labor officials say the strike affects some 15,000 workers in East St. Louis, New Kensington, Pa., Arnold, Pa., Logan's Ferry, Pa., Massena, N. Y., Baden, N. C., and Alcoa, Tenn.

Negotiations are under way at Chicago for settlement of the strike of about 1000 workers at the Kohler plumbing equipment plant in the city.

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JUST BEFORE PRESSTIME

50 DEAD DUE TO HEAT
AUSTRIAN SEES IL DUCE
SUSPECT IS CAPTURED
BANCROFT FILES ANSWER

CHICAGO, Aug. 11 (AP)—The mid-continent counted more than 50 dead today as a result of the week's excessive heat.

ROME, Aug. 11 (AP)—Premier Benito Mussolini and Ernst von Starhemberg, vice chancellor of Austria, met at Ostia today and conferred shortly after the Austria official had arrived by airplane from Vienna.

CONTO, Wis., Aug. 11 (AP)—Convicted his prisoner is not George (Baby Face) Nelson as he at first believed, sheriff Adolph Duescher today sought to determine whether a man arrested with a woman at Conoto Falls might possibly be Homer Van Meter, another fugitive Dillinger gangster.

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 11 (AP)—Filing an answer to the separate maintenance suit instituted by his first wife, Mrs. Edna G. Bancroft, former stage actress, George Bancroft, motion picture actor, today charged the records show she was not legally divorced from a former husband when she went through a marriage ceremony with him in Buffalo, N. Y., April 17, 1913.

ASHLAND, Ky., Aug. 11 (AP)—Flood waters brought by a cloudburst receded rapidly today, leaving residents of Carter and Lewis counties to survey a scene of devastation entailing damage which some estimates placed as high as \$1,000,000. The death toll stood at two, and possessions of hundreds of people were destroyed.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 11 (AP)—A surprise announcement indicated today that the government, as a result of its silver purchase program, will print more silver certificates than originally expected.

Certificates will be issued against free silver, acquired previously to the silver purchase act, up to the full statutory value of \$1.29 an ounce. The difference between the cost and the \$1.29 price will be carried on the books as "seigniorage" or the treasury's profit.

New silver acquired under Thursday's nationalization order also will form the groundwork for certificates on the same basis, but "for the present" the treasury said it would issue an aggregate amount equal only to its cost, 50.01 cents an ounce.

The announcement, coming some time after President Roosevelt and Secretary Morgenthau conferred late yesterday, led observers to wonder how much expansion of the currency might result. It was generally believed only future trends and policies would determine that.

Just what the government's policy will be toward possible spending of the treasury's "profit," and thus getting the additional money into circulation remained to be seen. Senator Thomas (D-Okla.) has estimated that the government would

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600 FIGHTING TO PREVENT FIRE SPREAD

Flames Have Raced Over 5000 Acres of Grass and Brush.

HOUSE AND BARN LEVELLED BY FIRE

Fire Fighters Hope To Halt Inferno Before It Reaches Valuable Timber Stands.

THE DALLES, Ore., Aug. 11 (AP)—A rising wind this afternoon threatened to whip the 5000-acre fire 11 miles south of here out of control and into the Mount Hood national forest.

"If we can hold the fire from 10 until 2 we have won the fight!" That was the battle cry along the fire line as CCC workers and scores of other men fought to control the crackling, scorching inferno which raced in red waves through grass and brush as it swept temporarily out of control yesterday.

Already two houses, several barns and miles of fences have been leveled by the flames. The blaze started on the Sarah Ostrich ranch on Mount Hood Flat, between Mill creek and Three-Mile

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Reign of Terror Is Increasing On Chinese Railway

MOSCOW, Aug. 11 (AP)—A reign of terror on the eastern line of the Chinese Eastern railway, attributed by the soviet press to Japanese and Manchurian efforts to force soviet Russia to sell the railroad line cheaply, was described today in a report by Russian Manager Iudt of the railway. It was published in a dispatch from Khabarovsk.

Rudt's report, made to the Joint Manchukuo-Soviet board of direction, stated that conditions had grown

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Baseball

| NATIONAL | | |
|------------|------------------------------|-------------------|
| | R. | H. |
| Cincinnati | 4 | 6 |
| Pittsburgh | 7 | 1 |
| Batteries: | Johnson, Freitas and Manion; | French and Grace. |

| R. H. E. | | | |
|--------------|---|----------------------------|---|
| Brooklyn | 5 | 13 | 2 |
| Philadelphia | 6 | 14 | 3 |
| Batteries: | Zachary, Babich, Lopez, Clark and Berres; | E. Moore, Hansen and Todd. | |

| R. H. E. | | | |
|------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| Boston | 4 | 7 | 0 |
| New York | 7 | 15 | 1 |
| Batteries: | Rhem and Hogan; | Balveon, Bowman, Smith and Mancuso. | |

| AMERICAN | | | |
|--------------|-------------------|-----------------------------------|---|
| | R. | H. | |
| Philadelphia | 2 | 11 | 0 |
| Washington | 1 | 3 | 2 |
| Batteries: | Benton and Berry; | Weaver, Burke and Bolton, Sewell. | |

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KILL 2 CONVICTS IN PRISON BREAK

BATON ROUGE, La., Aug. 11 (AP)—Two convicts were reported by Penitentiary Manager R. L. Himes to have been shot and killed today when 13 prisoners broke from the state penitentiary at Angola. The prisoners killed were Raymond Chandler and Bill Bryant, both long-termers. Six of the escaping convicts were wounded and caught, and the remaining five surrendered later. Himes said the plan presumably was for the 13 convicts to scatter in all directions at a given signal in hope that some might get away.

U. S. HOUSING PLAN INCLUDES BUSINESS

By James A. Moffett
Federal Housing Administrator
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WASHINGTON, Aug. 11—I wish to emphasize that the federal housing administration's modernization program is intended to apply just as much to business structures of all types as to private dwellings. There are many reasons why the owners of store buildings, garages, warehouses, factories, theatres and apartment houses should invest money at this time in needed repairs and improvements. Keeping property in first class condition makes for increased economy, efficiency, safety, sanitation, and reduced maintenance charges. And all of these have a direct bearing on income, profits and property values. I believe I am safe in saying that

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Wheat Today

The price of local new crop cash wheat stood at about 68 cents bulk today, according to the Pioneer Flouring Mills. Portland cash 87 cents.

CHICAGO, Aug. 11 (AP)—Wholesale throwing overboard of speculative holdings of all grains today resulted in wild fluctuations that finally brought every one of the pits to a standstill. Many observers said the chief cause of the waves of liquidating sales was a general reaction from nearly unprecedented continuous price advances during the last week. Wheat closed heavy, 4 1/2 @ 5 1/4c under yesterday's finish, December @ 107, corn 3 1/2 @ 4 down, December 79 1/2, oats 2 1/2 @ 3 1/4, and provisions at 17 to 40 cents decline.

LOUISIANA—THERE SHE STANDS



50 PCT. INCREASE IN NEW CAR SALES HERE

New car license registrations at the county sheriff's office this year, showing 125 new cars, led L. C. Smith of this city, to do a little research work of his own. He found accurate records of new car sales for La Grande and Union county for the first six months of this year, giving a total of 163 for that period. The county sheriff's records, of course, were up to and including a few days in August, accounting for the additional number. Mr. Smith's figures are very interesting, however, showing nearly a 50 per cent increase in new car sales for the first six months of 1934 as compared with the first half of last year, when the total was only 68. New car sales by months this year follow:

| Month | Pass. | Cars | Trucks |
|----------|-------|------|--------|
| January | 9 | 6 | 6 |
| February | 9 | 2 | 2 |
| March | 23 | 5 | 5 |
| April | 15 | 9 | 9 |
| May | 21 | 7 | 7 |
| June | 26 | 9 | 9 |