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MAN KILLED IN WATERFRONT STRIFE

HIGHWAY JOB NEAR LOSTINE NEARLY DONE

La Grande-Wallowa Lake Road Reported in Fine Condition.

WEEKEND DRIVERS PRAISE HIGHWAY

Section Between Wallowa and Lostine Improved At Cost of About \$83,000.

La Grande people driving to and from Wallowa Lake over the weekend found the road in the best condition in local history, with the highway construction between Wallowa and Lostine practically finished, and other sections of the road in good condition.

The nine mile stretch of improved highway starting 500 feet west of the west boundary of the Wallowa city limits and extending eastward to the east boundary of the city limits of Lostine will soon be completed. The finishing touches are now being put on and some of the highway department men are leaving for other parts to assume duties. The Hart Brothers Construction company will likely be moving its equipment out within the next two weeks, as it expects to have the last touches of the contract finished by that time.

The entire stretch of road when completed will represent an expenditure of \$83,000. The work was started in February of 1933 and when going in full swing had a crew of 64 men on the works. There was an average of 30 Wallowa County men benefited by employment during the construction.

The Hart brothers, John and Ed, have maintained offices in Wallowa during the construction period. They as well as the engineers have made themselves a part of the community during their labors in this contract.

Travelers over the new road are liberal with their praise for the new highway into Wallowa. The rerouting of the road through the business section added much to the improvement.

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Adventists From Five Districts In Picnic Here

More than 300 people were in attendance at a conference held by the Seventh Day Adventists Saturday at Riverside park. Bible classes together with preaching services made up the program for the forenoon. Musical selections, group singing and preaching followed the basket dinner which was served at noon in the pavilion. Baptismal services concluded the day's program. Five districts, Cove, Baker, Union, Highland and La Grande were represented at the meeting.

GRASS FIRE IS EXTINGUISHED

The fire truck was called to the south end of Twelfth street at 1:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon to extinguish a grass fire. No bell alarm was turned in, the call being silent.

CHAMBER WILL MEET AUG. 28

The August meeting of the La Grande chamber of commerce will be held Tuesday noon, Aug. 28, it was announced today by Lynn Larson, secretary. Usually the monthly meeting is held the third Tuesday of the month, but it was postponed a week.

U. S. ARMY BOMBERS FLY OVER LA GRANDE

Receipt of news here today from the Associated Press in Washington, D. C., announcing the arrival of ten army bombing planes comprising the Alaska flight squadron at Bolling field, was noted with interest here. The planes thus completed a noteworthy 10,000-mile round trip to the north.

Saturday afternoon, just before two o'clock, ten planes believed to be the U. S. army bombers, crossed over La Grande in formation on route east. Generally, it was believed this flight was the army bombers. Many local

U. S. W. V. Picnic Held Sunday At Emigrant Springs

More Than 200 Attend — Jay Upton, Candidate For Congress, Main Speaker of Day.

The fifth annual joint picnic of Baker, Pendleton, La Grande and Walla Walla camps and auxiliaries of the United States War Veterans, was held Sunday at Emigrant Springs.

Seated at the tables were over 200 comrades, wives, and friends of the U. S. W. V. and after dinner several very interesting and instructive talks were given by Jay H. Upton, Bend, who was the main speaker; J. H. Pearce, La Grande; Putnam Yeck, La Grande; Mr. Berk, Salt Lake City, Utah; Mr. Ross, Idaho; J. Beach, representing the department commander of Oregon; S. H. Burchfield, representing the American Legion of La Grande; Mr. Kirkendall, past department commander, Baker; L. Pilsen, Pendleton, and many others. Mrs. Yeck, La Grande, gave a reading. The auxiliaries of Washington were well represented by their department secretary and past president, who gave a very interesting talk. Mr. Banta, former resident of La Grande but now of Portland, was also present.

The committee appointed for next year's picnic is Bolla Long, general chairman, of Baker; C. B. Platt, La Grande; Alex Manning, Pendleton and Chas. Palmer, Walla Walla. J. G. Henry, of La Grande, was general chairman this year.

The C.C.C. boys from Emigrant Springs were invited in to listen to the talks and were served with ice cream and coffee.

One of the outstanding guests at the picnic was Chief Gilbert McArthur, of the Umatilla Indians, accompanied by two of his friends. A beautiful quilt, made by the ladies auxiliary of La Grande, with Mrs. Anna Platt as general chairman.

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TENNIS PLAYERS FROM LA GRANDE IN GOOD SHOWING

La Grande's tennis contingent in the Eastern Washington clay courts tournament made an excellent showing, although none of them returned home last night with a title.

Dud Starr, however, teamed with Archie Le Roux, of Walla Walla, reached the finals in the doubles, losing to Wayne Sabin and Elwood Cooks, both of Portland, 6-4, 6-4.

Cooks won the singles in a hard-fought contest with Sabin. The score was 4-2, 6-0, 3-6, 4-6, 6-3.

Starr also reached the quarter finals in the singles, losing to Wes Hartman, of Portland, 6-2, 6-2. In the second round Hartman eliminated Shrimp Reynolds, of La Grande, in a close match 6-3, 5-7, 6-0.

Boy Nelson and Reynolds, both of La Grande, playing in the doubles, lost out in the second round to Jimmy Johnston and Darrell Kelley, both of Portland, 6-0, 6-1.

BEGIN LAST WEEK OF BOYS' CAMP AT THE WONDERLAND

The boys' camp at Wallowa Lake started last Sunday, completed its first week in camp during the week-end with a very successful record for the halfway mark.

The following boys completed their camping period Sunday: Ted Cusick, Clifford Hulse, Floyd Parks, Jack Horstman, Bob Laughlin, Buck Brown, Dix Johnson, Bob Seaberg, Earl Carter, Bill Gallagher, Bruce Rutherford, Richard Haun, Henry Hess, Mal-

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Round-Up Queen



Introducing Miss Shirley Thompson, who will be queen of the silver jubilee Pendleton Round-Up in September.

NEW SCHEME ON EXPORT QUOTAS ADVANCED TODAY

LONDON, Aug. 20 (AP) — An official statement of the international wheat conference said today that proposals to continue export quotas with divisions of the annual quotas into quarterly allotments "were very generally supported" by members of the international commission.

The communique indicated that the conference was unable to announce a "unanimous" agreement which delegates admit is necessary to make any proposals effective.

A dispute between Canada and Argentina over 1934-35 wheat export quotas was believed today to be no nearer adjustment.

The United States and Argentina are the only two nations thus far which have made requests for special

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CAVELLI FIGHTS WILLS LABOR DAY

Ernie Cavelli, flashy lightweight of Walla Walla, who has fought main events in practically every large city in the northwest, and Young Harry Wills, lightweight of Longview, Wash., have been signed by Leo McCarty and Martin Fitzgerald to fight a ten-round main event here the night of Sept. 3 at the Sacajawea arena.

This Labor day card will formally usher in the fall-winter-spring boxing season. Other events on the card will be announced later.

Wills has fought in the Madison Square Garden in New York and also in Chicago, and both men are recognized as headliners in the boxing game in the west.

THE NRA MAY YET HAVE TEETH IN IT



EAST OREGON RIFLE MATCH TO BE HERE

National Guard Companies of Pendleton, Baker, Union And La Grande to Shoot Sept. 9.

Announcement was made today that the annual rifle match of the Second Battalion, 186th Infantry, will be held at the national guard range near La Grande on Sunday, Sept. 9. Four companies will participate, La Grande, Pendleton, Baker and Union.

The match has been held eight years and each year Company B of this city has won, keeping the Pearce trophy continuously in its possession. Picked teams from each company will be selected soon for the competition. Sergeant George D. Oliver has been named team coach here and Lieut. Jesse V. Andrews and Oliver

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Legion Benefit Show and Dance Very Successful

With a capacity crowd in attendance the American Legion staged a vaudeville and dance at Zuber hall Saturday night as a benefit for the fund to help send the La Grande drum corps to the state convention in Astoria this week, and also help defray expenses of the 1935 convention.

Much favorable comment was heard on the show, which was presented by Raymond O. Williams. Incidentally, this was the ninth production he has put on for the legion.

The La Grande delegation to Astoria, including the drum corps, will leave on No. 21 Wednesday noon. Enterprise also is expected to take this train, and the Eastern Oregon group will be transferred to a special train at Portland which also will carry the Klamath Falls and Southern Oregon legions.

A few of the La Grander will drive to Astoria instead of taking the train.

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BISHOP HOME FROM EUROPE

Most Rev. Joseph P. McFarlin, S. T. D., bishop of Baker, arrived in Baker last Friday after an absence of nearly five months in Europe. He visited Ireland, Italy and attended the Passion play in Oberammergau, Germany.

He says that the nation of Europe was busy on war, and tourists from the peaceful United States prefer to make their stay in continental Europe very short.

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Macon 'Mothers' Legion Parade



Hovering protectively over the line of march, America's queen of the skies keeps a motherly eye on California Legionnaires as they parade down San Francisco's famed Market st. during the 16th annual Department of California convention.

DEATH COMES TO SPEAKER RAINEY LATE YESTERDAY

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20 (AP) — The funeral of Speaker Henry T. Rainey will be held late Wednesday afternoon at Carrollton, Illinois.

By Cecil B. Dickson

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20 (AP) — The flag flew at half staff above the capitol today as Washington mourned over Henry T. Rainey and wondered who would fill his powerful post.

The death of the silver haired speaker, a kindly man who could become stern in putting the Roosevelt next deal through the house, came as a shock to friends and foe alike. Speaker Rainey died late yesterday at St. Louis from angina pectoris, following an attack of bronchial pneumonia.

The successor to the speaker's chair—considered by many to be the second most important post in the government—is in doubt. The Democrats will determine their choice at

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SEVERAL MEN ARE INJURED BY FLAMES

175,000,000 Feet of Timber Burned in South — Boise Basin Fire Gains Rapidly.

QUINCY, Cal., Aug. 20 (AP) — Raging out of control, forest fire today caused injuries to several men and destroyed more than 175,000,000 feet of timber as approximately 1,000 fire fighters fought to control it. Timber belonging to the Quincy Lumber company and the Feather River Lumber company was destroyed.

Paul Pitchay, assistant regional forester from San Francisco, was here to direct the fire fighters. The men on the lines were showing fatigue, some having been on duty 36 consecutive hours before they had an opportunity to sleep.

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JOSEPH STRONG DIES SATURDAY

Joseph LeRoy Strong, 54, passed away very suddenly Saturday afternoon at his tire repair shop at the Union Oil Co. station. Mr. Strong was a pioneer business man of La Grande, having started the first tire repair shop here some 18 years ago.

He had many friends in this section and his passing was a great shock to his family and friends. He is survived by his widow and two sons, Clyde, who is associated with him in business, and Vernon LeRoy, of La Grande, by five step-sons, Harold Houston, of Salem, Richard, of Bray Mill, Ore., and Elwood, William and Lee, of La Grande; two step-daughters, Florence Houston, of Pendleton, and Myrtle Lacombe, of Salt Lake

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Wheat Today

The price of local new crop wheat stood at about 66 1/2 cents bulk here today, according to the Pioneer flouring mills. Portland cash 81 cents. No export bid.

CHICAGO, Aug. 20 (AP) — Grain price advances built up during most of today's trading on strength in foreign markets and an increasing demand for cash wheat and corn were reduced just before the session's close by a wave of profit taking sales.

Wheat closed unsettled at 1 1/2 to 1 3/4 advance, December new \$1.04 1/2 to \$1.05. Corn, finished 1/2 cent up, December 70 1/2 to 71 1/2. Oats and rye registered fractional advances. December new rye finishing at 86. Harley futures showed advances of more than 2c.

JUST BEFORE PRESSTIME

WARNS ON FOOD PRICES
DIZZY DEAN REINSTATED
ADOLPHE MENJOU TO WED
PREMIUMS FOR BONDS

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20 (AP) — Dr. Fred C. Howe, farm administration consumers' counsel, suggested today that consumers watch the drought situation closely to avoid being victimized by unjustified price advances. He also said at a press conference that some false rumors concerning the food situation had been circulated.

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 20 (AP) — Dizzy Dean, star pitcher of the St. Louis Cardinals, was restored to good standing late today after a hearing before Keneaw Mountain Landis, baseball commissioner, but the \$100 fine assessed against him for missing an exhibition game in Detroit was allowed to stand.

HOLLYWOOD, Cal., Aug. 20 (AP) — Verree Teasdale and Adolphe Menjou will file notice of intention to wed Tuesday, the actress announced today.

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INSULL REFUSED SEVERANCE TODAY BY FEDERAL JUDGE

CHICAGO, Aug. 20 (AP) — Samuel Insull Sr., was refused a severance today and ordered to stand trial with his 16 co-defendants Sept. 18 on the charge that they used the mails fraudulently in marketing Corporation Securities company stocks.

Insull had asked to be tried separately, assuming responsibility for the conduct of the investment house and its calamitous crash, and pleading that a trial lengthened by the multi-

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BOATING PARTY ENDS IN TRAGEDY

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 20 (AP) — Surviving members of three Portland families today counted the tragic toll of a Sunday afternoon boating party on the Columbia river here.

One family had lost a mother and son, another mourned a father and daughter, and the third had lost a son.

The five persons were drowned late Sunday afternoon when a 15-foot outboard motor boat in which they were riding up the Columbia turned suddenly and capsized. Mrs. O. G. McCann and her son Delbert were killed. Mr. McCann and his five-year-old daughter Orva were saved. Police still were dragging the river for the bodies of Martin Gibson, 37, and his six-year-old daughter Audrey. Mrs. Gibson and her daughter, Jean, seven, stayed afloat with an automobile inner tube until they were pulled to shore. Billy Nelson, a youth, managed to cling to the overturned boat for a short time, but sank before rescuers reached him.

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BITTERNESS BREAKS OUT IN PORTLAND

Rightwing Offshoot From I. L. A. Attacked During Meeting.

POLICE ARRIVE AFTER SHOOTING

Rocks and Bullets Figure in Latest Echo of Dock Strike Recently Settled.

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 20 (AP) — Three men were arrested and 20 others sought for questioning into fatal shooting here today of one man and wounding of another in a mob attack on a group of longshoremen who bolted regular union ranks during the recent coast strike.

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 20 (AP) — Bitter, factional strife dating from the recent coast waterfront strike was blamed for a waterfront battle in which one longshoreman was shot and killed and another wounded here today.

Both James Conner, who was killed, and R. A. Griffin, wounded by a bullet, were members of the Columbia River Longshoremen's association

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Al Capone Will Finish Term In Alcatraz Prison

NEW ORLEANS, Aug. 20 (AP) — Al Capone, America's public enemy No. 1 long before the world had ever heard of John Dillinger, is on his way to a new prison home. He is being transferred, with great secrecy, from Atlanta penitentiary to the new Alcatraz prison in San Francisco bay—the prison federal authorities call "impregnable."

With 42 other prisoners, Capone was whisked out of the penitentiary in Atlanta in the early hours of Sunday. Guarded by a picked squad of federal agents carrying automatic shotguns, the prisoners were placed in two specially built screened and barred railcars and started on their way to Alcatraz—the island prison fortress designed for convicts considered too dangerous to be kept in ordinary prisons.

Although federal authorities maintained a tight-lipped silence about reports the former Chicago gang leader was being sent to the Pacific coast prison, his presence in the group was established by newspapermen when the convict cars arrived here.

Files and paraphernalia for a jail break found in the cells of some of the 43 prisoners speeded the plans of the government to send the men to Alcatraz.

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Baseball

AMERICAN LEAGUE
No games scheduled today.

NATIONAL LEAGUE
Brooklyn 2 8 0
Pittsburgh 6 15 1
Babich, Clark, Carroll and Lopez; Swift and Grace.

New York 7 13 1
Cincinnati 4 11 2
Parmelee, Hubbell and Mancuso; Freitas, Kolp, Johnson, Kleinhaus and Lombardi.

VOTE FOR HITLER IS LESS THAN IN 1933

By Elmer W. Peterson
BERLIN, Aug. 20 (AP) — Germany has given Adolf Hitler a thirty-eight million vote "ja" in Sunday's one man election, called to let the people say by ballot if they approved Chancellor Hitler's action in naming himself, upon the death of President von Hindenburg, as president too, of the Weimar republic.

"Yes"—38,362,760; "No"—4,294,654; "Invalid"—872,399.

Some saw in these preliminary official figures a waning in enthusiasm for Hitler, pointing out that yesterday's "no" votes were more than twice the number cast in last November's plebiscite. Attention is also called to the sharp decline in the volume of Nazi party votes, as compared with the November voting.

In the November plebiscite there were 43,493,000 "ja" votes, and in the

November Reichstag election the Nazi vote was 39,655,224.

With but few exceptions, the 35 major voting districts produced in yesterday's election fewer "ja" votes than were cast in November. Some observers see this as a failure of the German voters to respond to the appeals of Nazi orators during the past few days that a larger affirmative vote be cast so that the world might know the nation is solidly behind "Mein Fuehrer" — President Chancellor Hitler.

"Yes" votes placed 89.9 per cent of the total, as against 95 per cent in the plebiscite of nine months ago.

Hitler today took cognizance of the 1 out of 10 votes opposition with the declaration: "We must and shall succeed in winning over the last 10 per cent of the nation for national Socialism."