

Prune Harvest Will Begin Thursday At Cove, Union

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CALIFORNIA NOMINATES SINCLAIR

YIELD BELOW NORMAL BUT QUALITY GOOD

Expect to Market Between 25 And 30 Carloads in Valley.

PICKING 2 WEEKS EARLY THIS YEAR

Price Tendency Upward in Last Week — Idaho's Crop, Now Being Harvested, is Short.

Prune picking is scheduled to begin Thursday morning at Union and Cove, the two largest producing centers in the Grande Ronde valley. This is approximately two weeks earlier than in normal years, when picking begins about Sept. 10 or 12. Indications are that the crop will be below normal in size in this county, due partially to aphid damage earlier in the season and to winterkill two years ago, which reduced the number of bearing trees. Quality of the prunes, however, is reported to be the best in recent years, and in addition, the price has been showing an upward tendency the last week. Half bushel baskets were selling at 80 cents in Payette the first of this week. The prune season has been completed in the Freewater district, and

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Mrs. Dunbar To Attend Health Meeting Sept. 19

Mrs. Saldie Orr-Dunbar, executive secretary of the Oregon State Public Health association, will be in La Grande on Wednesday, Sept. 19 at the annual meeting of the Union County Public Health association. President H. E. Dixon is announcing today. The meeting is to be held at 7:30 in the evening in the small ballroom at the Sacajawea Inn. It is also stated that the new county nurse, Miss Erickson, will have been on the job then long enough to be able to tell something of local health conditions. Mr. Dixon in his initial announcement states that the public as such is invited to attend.

TRACE OF RAIN FALLS IN CITY THIS MORNING

A trace of rain fell in La Grande this morning between 6 and 7 o'clock, but that's all it amounted to. The precipitation was so meagre that it failed to measure one-hundredth of an inch, and as far as government records will later show, there was no moisture. Cloudy skies continued today and the weather forecast continued to indicate thunderstorms in Eastern Oregon tonight and Thursday, with moderate temperatures. Tuesday's maximum was 89 above, nine degrees cooler than the 98 above registered on both Sunday and Monday.

EARLIER OPEN DUCK SEASON LIKED HERE

Union and Wallowa county sportsmen hailed with delight the change announced yesterday in the migratory waterfowl shooting season for this year. The change, which opened the season a week earlier, works to the advantage of sportsmen in this section where the first wintry freeze usually arrives early in November. Actually, local sportsmen favored a much earlier opening but they regard this as much better than the first plan, especially since the season is uniform in Oregon and Washington. Many local sportsmen, however, were disappointed in that shooting days were continued as Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays. There was quite a bit of sentiment here for Wednesdays, Saturdays and Sundays. According to announcement by the state game department regulations promulgated by the secretary of agriculture on recommendation of the U. S. biological survey named the following open dates: October 19, 20, 21, 26, 27, 28; November 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, 11, 16, 17, 18, 23, 24, 25, 30; December 1, 2, 7, 8, 9, 14, 15, 16, 21, 22, 29, 30. These dates apply for ducks, geese, brant, coots, Wilson snipe, or jack-snipe. The bag limit for all such

Women Doing The Work in Russia



MOSCOW, Aug. 28 — Talk about a town on a boom. This is it. I never saw as many buildings going up in my life. You have heard of equality of sex in Russia. That's not so. The women are doing the work. They are digging a subway. Have talked all day today with Morris Hindus, Walter Duranty and Louis Fisher. Here are three men that know their Russia from A to bolshevik. I am so full of facts and statistics that I feel like a brain truster.

By the way, I got my little Chinese professor with me yet. They can fool me, but they can't fool him. Yours,

Will Rogers. ©1934, McNaught Syndicate, Inc.

QUEEN SHIRLEY OF ROUND-UP VISITS HERE

Accompanied by Mother, Queen of Round-Up 25 Years Ago, and Pendleton Rotarians.

Queen Shirley of Pendleton's Silver Jubilee Round-Up, accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Herbert Thompson, who was queen of the first Round-Up a quarter of a century ago, and nine Pendleton Rotarians were La Grande guests today.

The group, with the visiting Rotarians resident in colorful shirts and cowboy hats, attended the Rotary

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FLOWER SHOW TO OPEN THURSDAY AFTERNOON AT 2

The doors of the annual Fall Flower Show of the La Grande Neighborhood club in the large ballroom of the La Grande hotel are to swing open to the general public tomorrow afternoon at 2:00 o'clock and the show will con-

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GOLF TEAM MATCH TO BEGIN SEPT. 2

Another country club golf team match, to be played from Sept. 2 to Sept. 9, inclusive, with Ben Madill and Bill Howard as team captains, was announced today. Anyone unable to play will default to his opponent. The winners will be rewarded with a dinner served by the losers.

The pairings follow, the first named

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Fair Champ



Here's a duck that Joe Penner could sell. For six weeks Rosemary has been laying three eggs per week in her hideout at Wings of A Century at the World's Fair where she appears in the cast. Champion ducks lay at the rate of four eggs weekly, so when one reflects that Rosemary must go on acting, her egg laying is not to be sneezed at. The coming champion is pictured here in the arms of Mary Ann Pearl, a juvenile member of the cast.

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TIGERS TO PLAY FOUR FOOTBALL CONTESTS HERE

A little more than three weeks and the Eastern Oregon interscholastic football season will open, with La Grande playing its first game in defense of its 1933-34 district championship at Cove.

Couch Ira Woodie announced today the first contest would be played on Sept. 22. Practice will formally begin the first day of school, Sept. 10, so the Tigers will have less than two weeks to prepare for the first contest.

Four games will be played in La Grande and four out of town including what fans believe will be two of the toughest on the 1934 schedule—

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BANK TO AID IN FEDERAL HOUSING PLAN

First National To Make Loans to Those Eligible For Repairing, Remodeling Property.

The federal housing administration in Washington today announced the acceptance of contract of insurance, under the modernization credit plan, for the First National bank of La Grande, whereby the local institution is eligible to make loans to property owners to repair or remodel homes or business places.

Under the government plan, banks entering into this agreement are guaranteed 20 per cent of the volume of the loans made for this purpose. With this guarantee and the additional requirements of the government plan, the possibility of any losses to co-operating banks is negligible.

Officers of the First National said today they entered into the agreement in a spirit of co-operation with the national recovery plans of the

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TEXTILE INSTITUTE SHUNS CONFERENCE; BIG STRIKE SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY

WASHINGTON, Aug. 29 (AP) — Calling the refusal of the cotton textile institute to take part in a conference with the labor relations board an indication "they are still more interested in exploitation than recovery," Francis J. Gorman, chairman of the strike committee of the United

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Dog's Heroism Saves Baby Pal



There are some who insist a dog couldn't know what he was doing, but when 11-months-old Donald Haney, Oakland, Calif., picked up a piece of meat on the lawn of his home, "Bum" grabbed it from his hand and gobbled it. Ten minutes later the dog was dead. "Poisoned meat," diagnosed the veterinarian. Now Tinky Pooh, Bum's father, takes up the vigil guarding his young master.

EASTERN OREGON COUNTY AGENTS IN CONFERENCE

County Agent Harry G. Avery returned last night from Pendleton where he attended a meeting of the county agents of eight Eastern Oregon counties at the Hotel Pendleton yesterday. Two officials of Oregon State college, Dean William A. Schaefer and William L. Teutsch, as assistant county agent leader, were present for the meeting. They are making an extensive study of the method of keeping the agricultural

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F. R. REGARDS GOLD PROFIT AS 'NEST EGG'

President Laughs Off Inflation Queries; London Interested; Paris Worried.

By Francis M. Stephenson

HYDE PARK, N. Y., Aug. 29 (AP) — President Roosevelt emphasized today at his regular press conference here that it is only the ultimate intention of the government to use the gold profit from devaluation of the dollar and he laughed away inquiries of inflation by immediate use of this fund.

The president spoke in response to questions about the speeches last night by Secretary Morgenthau stating the purpose to employ the \$2,800,000,000 gold profit eventually for retirement of the public debt.

He called attention to the word ultimately and said that meant a time pretty far in the future. "The gold profit fund, he added, is a nest egg and would be so regarded."

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500 PARAGUAYANS KILLED IN BATTLE

LA PAZ, Bolivia, Aug. 29 (AP) — A bloody clash between Paraguayan and Bolivian forces in the Curandary sector on the Chaco in which 500 Paraguayans were killed and 1,000 wounded was reported today by the Bolivian war ministry.

The war ministry also claimed that many Paraguayan prisoners captured are suffering among them lack of water and scarcity of food. The isolation and fatigue of the campaign has resulted in the death of many Paraguayans, it was asserted.

Wheat Today

The price of local cash new crop wheat, most at about 67 cents bulk today, according to the Pioneer Flouring Mills, Portland cash 83½ cents. No export bid.

CHICAGO, Aug. 29 (AP) — Enlarged speculative buying descended on the grain market today and prices advanced sharply. Bullish factors stimulating trade included realization, based on authoritative survey, of heavy frost damage to small grain crops in Northern Alberta and Saskatchewan, Canada, strength in foreign markets and a sprinkling of inflation gossip.

Wheat closed ¼¢ higher than yesterday's finish, Dec. new \$1.03¼ = ½¢, Sept. new options showing the best gain, finishing at \$1.02¼ = ½¢, a range of ¼¢ = ½¢ advance. May closed at \$1.00¼ = ½¢.

Corn gained ¼¢ = ½¢, December closing at 80½¢ = ½¢. Oats were ¼¢ = ½¢ higher, rye ¼¢ = ½¢ up and barley showed a range unchanged to 2½¢ advance. Provisions were higher.

JUST BEFORE PRESSTIME

HURLEY SAYS "SMEAR GANG"

LANDS FLAMING AIRPLANE

HOPKINS FOR SINCLAIR

RETURN DAVIS TO LONDON

WASHINGTON, Aug. 29 (AP) — Patrick J. Hurley, Hoover secretary of war, denounced the American Liberty League today as a "smear gang." Thus the Oklahoma became the first outstanding Republican to comment formally on this organization.

BETHANY, W. Va., Aug. 29 (AP) — With flames from the motor streaming into his face, Lieut. G. H. MacIntyre, army flier from Crissy Field, San Francisco, brought an army observation airplane to a successful landing in a field near Bethany this afternoon.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 29 (AP) — Harry L. Hopkins, relief administrator, said today the nomination of Upton Sinclair as the Democratic candidate for governor of California was "great business."

HYDE PARK, N. Y., Aug. 29 (AP) — President Roosevelt today ordered Norman H. Davis to return to London next month to resume the informal conversations with Great Britain and Japan in an effort to clear the way for a successful naval limitations conference next year.

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Quarter Million Dollar Fire Hits California City

QUINCY, Cal., Aug. 29 (AP) — An investigation to determine the origin of a fire that destroyed half the business section of Quincy, county seat of Plumas county, was pressed today by Fire Chief William Barrett. "Survivors" for weeks by forest fires that threatened to wipe out the city, it remained, ironically, for a blaze starting in the center of town to bring about one of the worst holocausts experienced here.

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BIG CUT IN U. S. LIQUOR TAXES IS TO BE PROPOSED

By Cecil B. Dickson

(Copyright, 1934, Associated Press) WASHINGTON, Aug. 29 — Blashes in federal liquor taxes and import duties to eliminate the bootlegging will be proposed in the next congress by a group of representatives who led the repeal fight.

The fact that the treasury has not reaped the harvest of revenue expected from liquor sales and the continuance of larger-scale bootlegging prompted the move.

Proposals to restore the old domestic rate of \$1.10 a gallon on 100 proof liquor, and to slice the \$5 a gallon tariff by 50 per cent are being con-

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BETTER PAYMENTS ON FARM LOANS

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 29 (AP) — An optimistic report of federal land bank operations in Oregon was given today by E. M. Ehrhardt, president of the institution.

He reported a 27 per cent improvement in payments of installments on long term federal land bank and commodity mortgages the first seven months of this year compared with the corresponding 1933 period.

NEW DEAL COST TO BE TALKING POINT

WASHINGTON, Aug. 29 (AP) — Secretary Morgenthau's view that the cost of the new deal in its first 16 months may run as low as \$500,000,000 is expected to be a talking point in the fall campaign.

There appeared no doubt that the fighting mortgage head did before a nation-wide radio audience last night would be acclaimed by friends and assailed by at least some foes. Estimates of new deal costs by the two camps have been billions of dollars apart.

Morgenthau's statement that the \$2,800,000,000 "profit" the government reaped by its gold policy essentially would be applied to reducing the national debt also aroused much interest. Word from Wall Street was that this was regarded as reassuring and likely to bolster the government bond market.

Observers hold that when the treasury pays out gold certificates backed by this profit, it will mean a currency inflation of \$2,800,000,000. Many onlookers had predicted that this would be the eventual decision of the government. But Morgenthau made

AUTHOR WINS DEMOCRATIC PREFERENCE

Socialist Author Who Adopted Old Line Party Piles Up Big Vote.

MERRIAM WILL BE G. O. P. CANDIDATE

Sinclair's E-P-I-C Plan to Abolish Poverty in State Responsible For Landslide.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 29 (AP) — Upton Sinclair, Socialist author turned Democrat, and acting Governor Frank Merriam, Republican, piled up increasing totals today in the California primary as they swept toward the November elections which some Democratic leaders feared might weaken the party's congressional delegation.

Sinclair's colorful campaign which he said brought victory to president

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Baseball

AMERICAN LEAGUE

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 29 (AP) — Lynwood (School Boy) Rowe's bid for his 17th consecutive pitching victory was crushed today by the Philadelphia Athletics who knocked the 22-year-old Arkansas hurler from the box in the seventh inning when the Athletics were leading 10 to 3.

(First Game)

Detroit..... 12 30 3
Philadelphia..... 7 14 1
Auker, Marberry and Cochrane; Cain, Mahaffey and Hayes.

Chicago..... 3 4 0
New York..... 1 6 0
Lyons and Madjeak; Broaca, Murphy and Jorgens.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

New York..... 0 3 1
Chicago..... 8 0 0
Hubbell and Danning; Warnke and Hartnett.

(First Game)

Boston..... 11 12 0
Pittsburgh..... 0 4 2
Betts and Hogan; French, Lucas, and Grace.

(Second Game)

Boston..... 0 7 0
Pittsburgh..... 7 11 1
Mangum, R. Smith and Spohrer; Hoyt and Padden.

'YOU REMEMBER ME—WE MET DURING THE WAR'

