

Tigers Practice
For Mac' Hi Game
Friday (See P6)

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HUB OF NORTHEASTERN OREGON
Union and Wallowa Counties

Weather
Data for 24 hours to 7 a. m.
Temperature:
Maximum 59
Precipitation trace
Forecast: Partly cloudy tonight
and Wednesday; slightly warmer
Wednesday.

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LA GRANDE, OREGON, TUESDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 25, 1945

FIVE CENTS

Lumber Strike Continues Peaceful

Aids for Veterans Discussed

George T. Cochran, at a meeting last night of the Union county veterans' employment committee at the city hall, discussed the matter of employment as related to returning veterans, stating social conditions for returning servicemen are important and that those who have specific plans, such as entering into a business of their own, must be given every assistance possible.

Those who have acquired special skills while in military service must be given an opportunity to use these skills, he said, and those who have jobs they may return to will be no problem.

New Jobs
Cochran discussed particularly those veterans who would want new jobs, placing them in the following classifications:

1. Those who want jobs and are qualified immediately to enter them.
2. Common labor. This would include veterans with no skill on entering service and who acquired one while in service.
3. Disgruntled ones, which would include some who expected to find conditions much better when they returned than they actually are, including higher wages and better conditions.
4. Those who will not work. This would be a small group of people who will require considerable assistance in adjusting to civilian life.
5. A group needing some type of rehabilitation.
6. A group of officers who have held quite important positions in the armed service, and may expect, without previous training, to take similar responsible positions in industry.

"A major responsibility," Cochran said, "lies on people at home who must cooperate in every way to understand and assist returning servicemen in their adjustment to society."

Loan Program
W. E. Wilkins, reporting on the development in the state veterans' loan program, stated bonds had been sold and printing presses were already getting out forms for the loans. It had been hoped, he said, to have the program in operation by Oct. 1 but due to the time element in preparing forms and processing, it did not appear that the program would be in operation until later. Wilkins stated that loans would be for a maximum of \$3,000 at 4 percent, payable within 20 years, based on a 75 percent appraisal value. Those seeking loans must be residents of Oregon.

There was considerable discussion regarding the needed activities of sub-committees, and it was decided to call an executive committee meeting in soon for the purpose of evaluating such committees and starting their functioning.

H. G. Voruz, chairman, presided.
The next regular meeting will be Oct. 29.

Many Present

Those present were: George T. Cochran; Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Seaton of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and Auxiliary; A. E. Davis of the Union county Public Welfare commission; Otis Palmer of the American Legion; Ethel Hansen, county school superintendent; Fred Patton, superintendent of La Grande public schools; Roy Anderson of the Veterans of Foreign Wars; Raymond Gray of the Chamber of Commerce; William Mann of the Central Labor Union; W. E. Wilkins of the club; H. G. Voruz of the School of Railroad Training; Roy Skeen of the Eastern Oregon college of education; Wilbur and Fletcher Milton; S. employment service; Mildred Courtney of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

FIRE DAMAGE
Fire at Seventh street garage called out city early this afternoon. No damage.



GETS WISH—Mrs. Fred Kuhn of Renton, Wash., often said she wanted a baby more than anything else. Her wish was granted when someone left the 2-weeks-old baby girl pictured with Mrs. Renton, above, in a back porch woodbox at the Renton home.

House Shelves Unemployed Pay Truman Wanted

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25 (UP)—The house ways and means committee today shelved the administration's unemployment compensation bill, handing President Truman his first major legislative defeat.

By a vote of 14 to 10, the committee adopted a motion to postpone the measure indefinitely "so the committee can receive more concrete information as to what the unemployment situation is to be during the reconversion period." The motion was offered by Rep. Wilbur D. Mills, d. Ark.

Rep. Harold Knutson, r. Minn., said the increase in strikes was "the deciding factor" in the committee's action.

Committee Chairman Robert L. Doughton, d. N. C., announced the committee would meet tomorrow to begin consideration of tax legislation.

The senate last week refused Truman's request to provide money to raise state unemployment compensation payments to \$26 weekly.

From the outset, a majority of the committee has indicated opposition to increasing either the amount or the duration of payments fixed to increasing either the amount or the duration of payments fixed by states.

Senate-approved provisions to extend unemployment benefits to federal employees and maritime workers met less opposition.

Revolution Fails In Argentina; 2 Leaders Jailed

BUENOS AIRES, Sept. 25 (UP)—An attempted revolution against the Farrell-Peron government of Argentina was reported crushed today with the arrest of former President Gen. Arturo Rawson and a co-leader of the army's anti-government faction.

A communique said Rawson and Gen. Oswaldo Martinez had been arrested by army units in Cordoba, 400 miles inland, "for inciting rebellion." Government spokesmen said the rebellion has been suppressed "and the situation everywhere is normal and tranquil."

The rebel leaders were reported officially to have been taken into custody after failing to swing the Argentine fourth division over to their side. Martinez formerly commanded the division.

The arrests came less than 48 hours after U. S. ambassador Spruille Braden left Buenos Aires with the hope the Argentine people themselves would "find a solution" for their difficulties.

U. S. Would Like to Sell Its Horse Drawn Hearses, Surplus Ramrods from Civil War

By FREDERICK C. OTHMAN
WASHINGTON, Sept. 25 (UP)—What you must do to garner any useful information from this dispatch is keep in mind the fact that our government still has a warehouse of horse-drawn hearses it's been trying to sell since the Spanish-American war. For 47 years the boys have been dusting their hearses and

oil the axles in hope of finding a customer for same. That is known as surplus property disposal. You think I'm being cynical?

The surplus property board put on sale this summer a consignment of iron rods for musket stuffing, which the army saved from the civil-war—the war between the states. All right. Don't

forget. Hearses. Horses. Half a century.

Lots of It
With this historical background you will be interested to know that the senate war investigating committee called up the big shots in charge of surplus property to tell 'em, among other things, V-E day was five months ago and what about that \$6,000,000 worth of stuff still littering the European landscape?

John W. Snyder, the high-domed director of war mobilization with the narrow-rimmed eyeglasses, who looks like he might be a successful banker from St. Louis (come to think of it, he is), was witness number one. He said the first thing you do when you want to sell something is count the pieces.

An Epic, Vet
He said it would be gigantic. Thomas McCabe, the army-navy liquidation commissioner, said it would be colossal. Surplus administrator W. Stuart Symington said, enormous. Committee chairman James M. Mead said, tremendous. The surplus experts were beginning to sound like Sam Goldwyn, advertising an epic.

As of now there's about 1,000,000 tons of things in Europe from gold tooth fillings to portable beer dispensers to 40-ton tanks to khaki brassieres for WACS. Each ton is worth about \$1,000. "How much wrong could your figures be?" demanded Sen. Owen Brewster of Maine. Quite a bit, McCabe replied.

"As much as a billion dollars wrong?" Brewster insisted. "Maybe more than that," McCabe said.

Supercalossal, maybe, is the word.

'Poison' Berries of Mountain Didn't Keep Kids from Tasting

The episode of the "poison" berries and the Yount wagon train of 1862 was related to members of the Union County Historical society last night at the Sascawewa hotel.

Mrs. Reba Davis recounted the story, telling how the members of the train had never seen huckleberries before and how the captain had warned them against any berries with that peculiar blue shade. When some of the children in the train ate the berries, however, and felt no ill effects, after the terror had subsided a new delicious item of food was added to the train's menu.

George Currey was appointed to present the pioneer story at the next meeting of the society, Oct. 22.

Judge R. J. Green consented to compile a history of the circuit court here, an account which will be filed in the county archives.

Frank Jasper, who recently returned from Caldwell, Ida., where

he consulted a publisher about publication of the "Story of Dunham Wright," a history of a pioneer here, reported on the result of his trip. The publication committee reported the decision had been made to see other publishers concerning the book. Fifteen members were present.

Band Will Play for Display of Fashions

Preview of the new fall fashions will be afforded La Grande citizens at 7:30 p. m. today, when the display windows of the shops are unveiled after being covered for several days while merchants prepared their exhibits.

The high school band will furnish music for the event. It will march in parade from Adams and Greenwood to Washington avenue and Ninth street.

Second section of the Observer today is filled with stories, pictures and displays of new merchandise.

Salvage Work Will End Here Sept. 28

Last Paper Drive; Fat Still Needed

Salvage committee work here will end Sept. 30, with the final paper pickup Friday, Sept. 28, Lynne A. Bohnenkamp announced today. The final pickup will be sponsored by the junior chamber of commerce.

The committee urges householders to prepare the bundles of paper and to place them on the curbs as usual in drives in the past.

Final shipment of tin cans was made early in the month with about four tons being shipped to Pendleton by truck for inclosure in a car. No more tin will be salvaged in this area.

The salvage depot will of course be closed after Sept. 30. Use of the former Grande Ronde meat market, which was donated by F. A. Epling for a headquarters, was "a big help" to the salvage committee headed by R. A. Schand and Bohnenkamp.

Though other collections will end soon, used fat is still needed and can be turned in the same as before.

In Oregon, 5,131,890 pounds of used fat has been collected; waste paper drives have needed 28,604 tons; tin can shipments totaled 2,598 tons.

Election Tomorrow For Fire District

Election for five directors for the newly-formed Union rural fire protection district has been scheduled for Sept. 26, from 8 a. m. to 8 p. m. at the Eastern Oregon experiment station. Candidates to be voted upon are: James Conaway, R. B. Davis, Leonard Huffman, Odin Miller, and Ben Stendahl.

Petitions for the formation of the district were received in July, and a hearing was scheduled for Aug. 7. Since no objections were received at the hearing, an order was set establishing the area.

The emperor said a democratic Japanese form of government which will evolve in time may not necessarily follow the exact pattern of democracy in the United States and Britain, but it is his desire and intention his people be made to appreciate the value of democratic government.

Many Cold
Hirohito said Japan is in urgent need of food. He is much exercised about prospects for winter, when millions will be without clothing, shelter and fuel.

According to court procedure, my questions were submitted in writing several days before the audience and as I left the imperial household departmental building the questions and written answers were handed

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Nation to go Back To Standard Time

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25 (UP)—President Truman today signed into law legislation abolishing wartime and putting the nation's clocks back to standard time effective 2 a. m. Sunday, Sept. 30. Clocks go back to standard time when they reach 2 a. m. in each time zone.

Bulletin

CHICAGO, Sept. 25 (UP)—The league leading Cubs staved off a "do or die" rally by the St. Louis Cardinals today to whip the world champions, 6 to 5, and practically clinch the 1945 national league pennant. The Cub victory, before 21,138 chilled fans at Wrigley field, dropped the Cards two and a half games behind with only five days left in the season.

'Ike' Tells Patton to Drop Nazi

FRANKFURT, Sept. 25 (UP)—A U. S. army controversy over retaining nazis in civic and industrial posts broke into the open today when Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower forbade it and Gen. George S. Patton advocated retention of "certain insignificant nazis" in office.

Eisenhower ordered the military governments in the American occupation zone of Germany to remove at once all nazi holders of civic officers and key industrial positions.

Patton, at a special press conference at his Bavarian headquarters, said he was carrying out Eisenhower's instructions to eliminate the ingrown roots of the nazi party, but favored continuing in office some nazi second-raters whose positions, he said, make them vital to Bavaria's existence this winter.

ALLIES TO CLAMP DOWN ON REICH

BERLIN, Sept. 25 (UP)—The allies clamped an unlimited occupation grip on Germany and virtually all forms of German activity today with the announced intention of stamping out completely and forever the German military tradition.

The allied control council laid down the law for a defeated nation in a 4,000-word codification of rules, responsibilities and requirements for Germany.

The council's general proclamation, No. 2, authorized reparations, seizures, confiscation, territorial demands and other regulations—limited only by the discretion of allied representatives.

Mrs. Littlefield, 72, Dies After Tedious Illness

Death came to Lillian May Olds Littlefield, 72, of 701 H. avenue, at a local hospital this morning, terminating a long and painful illness.

Mrs. Littlefield, for 10 years a resident of La Grande, formerly lived in Wallowa county. She was born July 6, 1873 in Iowa.

She leaves three daughters, Mrs. Josephine Pugh of Lostine, Mrs. Mary Southwick of Roseburg and Beatrice Young of La Grande, one son, Horace W. Littlefield of Pierce, Idaho, and two grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at Snodgrass funeral home, the time to be announced later. Rev. Floyd White, pastor of Fir Street Methodist church will conduct the services. Interment will be in Wallowa county.

Union Leaders Say Peace to Come Only on Industry Basis

Hopes for quick settlement of the industry wide lumber strike in the Pacific northwest were dashed today by further dispatches from union leaders in other states which said "there will be no negotiations with individual employers."

The strike was entirely peaceful in all the four states involved, Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana.

There are now 494 plants shutdown, both union and industry leaders said today.

But of more concern to the strikers was whether AFL Teamsters would cross picket lines to haul lumber. In Seattle, International President Dave Beck of the Teamsters union said: "We'll go through the picketlines. We can't afford not to because we have a contract with employers that must be carried out."

Placement Tests Start Second Day Of Frosh Welcome

English placement tests at 8:30 a. m. today started the second day of Eastern Oregon college of education freshmen days.

Dr. Roben J. Maaske, president of the college, presided over the assembly at 10:30 a. m. Mrs. Bruce Morehead, supervisor of health, spoke on the student health service. Roy L. Skeen, chairman of personnel committee, and Mrs. Marian Nightingale, counselor for women, spoke on the counseling program, and Miss Arta Lawrence, college librarian and associate professor of education, spoke on the college library service.

Mathematics tests for new students were scheduled for 1 p. m. in Ackerman hall, followed by adjustment inventory test for all new students at 2 p. m.

Pre-registration for all freshmen took place at 3 p. m. in the auditorium, followed by a tea at 4:30 in Dorion hall for all new students.

At 7:30 p. m. today all freshmen and new students will be guests of J. Donald Meyers at the Liberty theater on Adams avenue.

Tomorrow at 9 a. m., final registration and payment of fees will take place in the library.

All Teachers But One Present for Health Institute

All elementary teachers in Union county except one were present yesterday at the first day of the health and physical fitness workshop held in the high school gymnasium.

With teachers and administrators, the attendance was 130, it was announced today. Demonstrations were given by Miss Doris Moore and Harold Bishop, supervisors of the program on the staff of the state school superintendent. They were helped in their demonstrations by pupils of the third, fifth, and seventh grades.

High school pupils will assist in the demonstrations at the workshop today, being held for high school physical education teachers and administrators.

At the conclusion of the workshop, girls from the American Association of Childhood Education served a tea in the Home Economics rooms.

Miss Moore and Bishop are making a tour of Oregon, conducting the workshops, as provided by law. The workshops will be an annual affair, it was announced.

80 Men From Wake, Bataan Honored

HAMILTON FIELD, Calif., Sept. 25 (UP)—Eighty men, representing the thousands of American servicemen captured in the black early period of Pacific fighting, today received the homage of a grateful nation.

Three giant ATC transport planes landed at Hamilton Field carrying survivors of the Bataan death march and Wake island, personally selected by Gen. Douglas MacArthur and Fleet Adm. Chester W. Nimitz as typical of the American prisoners of war, whose gallant delaying actions gave the United States time to build the smashing power that ended the Pacific war.

This brought a retort in Seattle from President John M. Christensen of the northwest council "Nobody is going to move any lumber as long as this strike is going — teamsters are union men and they can best demonstrate what kind of union men they are when they come to our picket lines, and it would be very unfair to organized labor if they should happen to cross our lines."

Beck later qualified his stand to mean that while teamsters will not be expected to handle lumber from non-union yards "we will haul lumber turned out by union labor before the strike was called to any point."

Even this was unsatisfactory to lumber union heads.

Token Pickets
Chief issue of the strike is a minimum wage of \$1.10 an hour. Minimum now is 82.5 cents an hour. Top wages in this area are said to be \$1.97.5 an hour for saw filers, and \$1.52.5 for sawyers.

No violence on picket lines was reported, and most plants had only a token picket force of one or two men. There was more importance placed on the lines in Portland than in the Seattle area.

No break was anticipated until the strike policy committee meets Thursday in Portland. The union is demanding a minimum of \$1.10 an hour on an industry-wide basis, while the operators contend wages and working conditions should be determined on a geographical basis because of varying factors.

Break Down
Union Secretary Kenneth Davis of Portland, said current wages ranged from 70 to 90 cents an hour, with some receiving up to \$1.25.

Federal conciliation efforts of Labor Secretary Lewis Schwelb broke down last week.

Chairman John Galey of the west coast lumber commission said minimum rates now prevailing in the Douglas fir area of Oregon and Washington are 90 cents for logging, sawmills, and plywood, and 95 in sawed box plants. The rate is 87 1/2 cents in central Oregon pine logging camps, 72 1/2 cents in northern Idaho and northeast Washington logging and sawmills, 82 1/2 cents in the Snake river area of southern Idaho and southeastern Washington, and 80 cents in central Washington.

Ivan Daugherty to Leave Army Soon In Hawaii Islands
Word has been received by Mrs. F. W. Daugherty, 1806 1/2 Y avenue, that her son, Sgt. Ivan L. Daugherty, is now at the separation center at Honolulu and will receive his discharge soon.

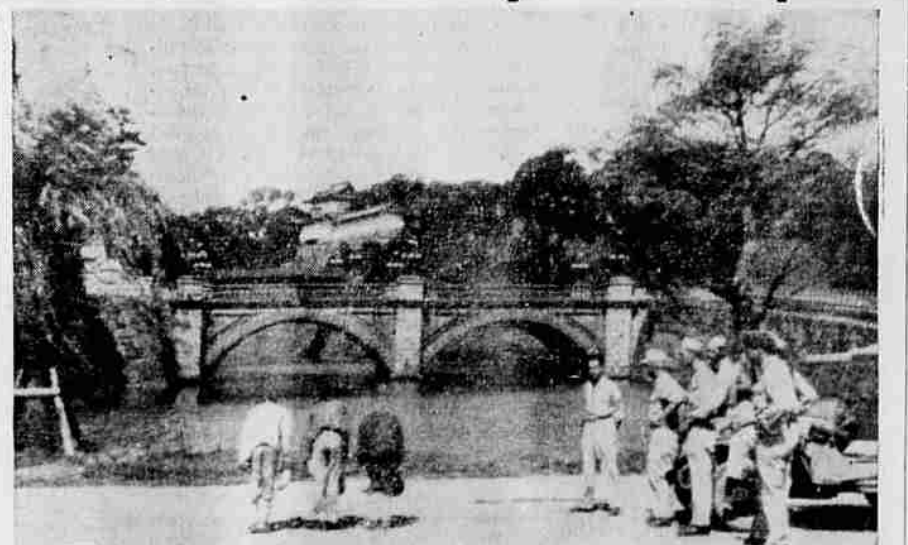
Sergeant Daugherty has been stationed in the Hawaiian islands since May, 1942, in anti-aircraft work. He worked on the Union Pacific railroad before entering the service in March, 1942.

Mrs. Daugherty's other son, Milton L. Daugherty, is now at Anchorage, Alaska, with the quartermaster corps.

White New Head of Ministerial Group

Rev. Floyd White, pastor of the Fir street Methodist church, is the new president of the La Grande Ministerial association. Rev. Eugene Chamberlain is the secretary.

At a meeting of the association this morning in the Baptist church the members discussed statistics on the association survey of public schools in the city.



CURIOUS YANKS WATCH JAPANESE RITUAL OF HUMILITY—American soldiers of occupation in Tokyo watch traditional Japanese ceremony curiously outside imperial palace grounds as three natives bow humbly to imperial presence of Hirohito within, action symbolic of Japanese attitude.

New Merchandise Shown at Fall Opening 7:30 Tonight