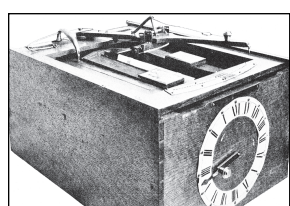


DAILY PLANNER

TODAY Today is Monday, July 23, the 204th day of 2018. There are 161 days left in the year.



TODAY'S HIGHLIGHT On July 23, 1829, William Austin Burt received a patent for his "typographer," a fore-runner of the typewriter.

ON THIS DATE In 1885, Ulysses S. Grant, the 18th president of the United States, died in Mount McGregor, New York, at age 63.

In 1914, Austria-Hungary presented a list of demands to Serbia following the killing of Archduke Franz Ferdinand by a Serb assassin; Serbia's refusal to agree to the entire ultimatum led to the outbreak of World War I.

In 1945, French Marshal Henri Petain, who had headed the pro-Axis Vichy government during World War II, went on trial, charged with treason. He was convicted and condemned to death, but the sentence was commuted to life in prison. On this date in 1951, Petain died in prison.

In 1962, the first public TV transmissions over Telstar 1 took place during a special program featuring live shots beamed from the United States to Europe, and vice versa.

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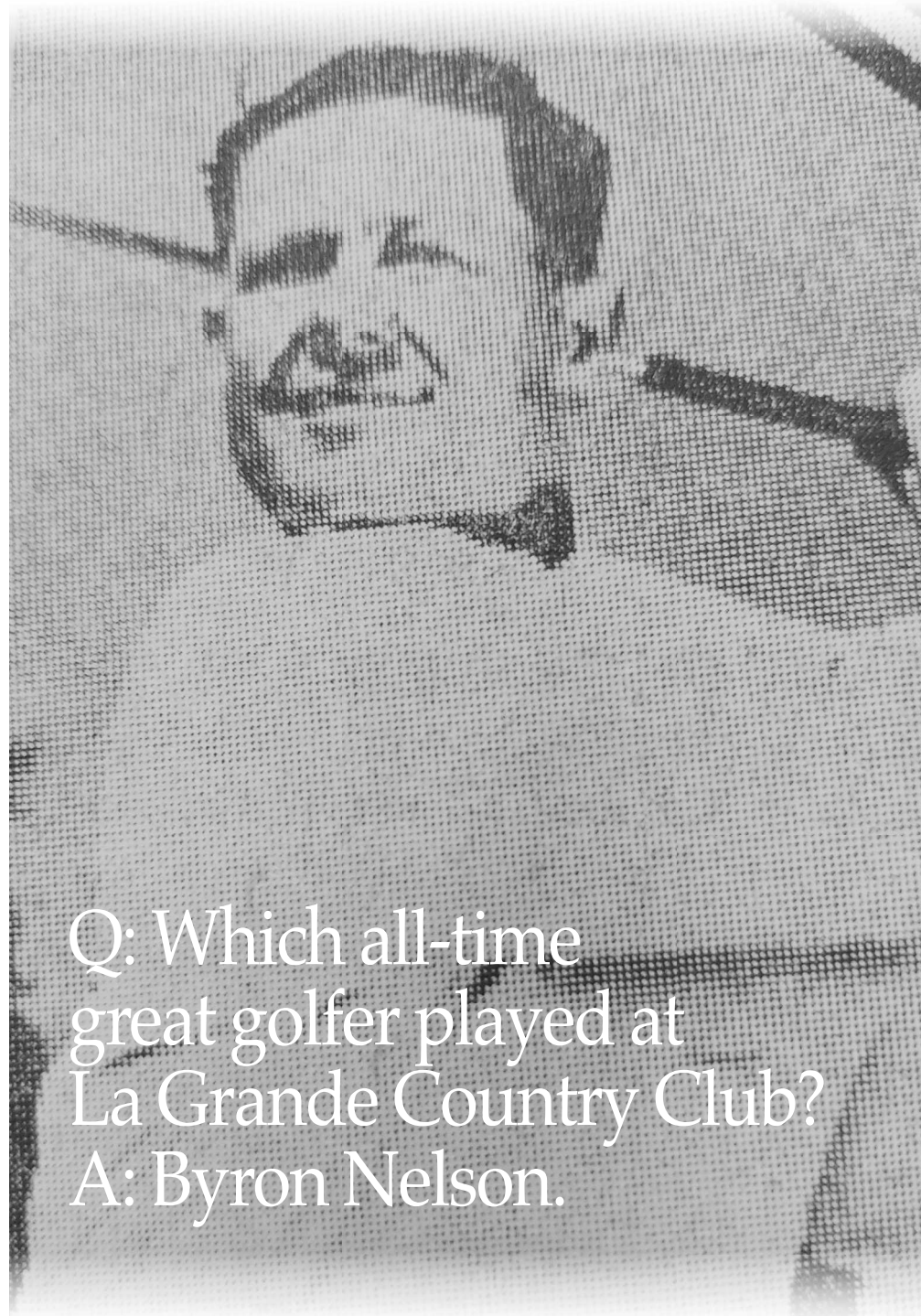
CORRECTION The Page 1A story "Six Union County firefighters combating 50,000-acre Substation Fire in The Dalles," published Friday, July 20, incorrectly listed the water capacity a brush fire truck can hold. The vehicles can carry 300 to 500 gallons of water.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY "There is nothing harder than the softness of indifference." — Juan Montalvo, Ecuadorean essayist and political writer (1832-1889)

NORTHEAST OREGON HISTORY



Q: Which all-time great golfer played at La Grande Country Club? A: Byron Nelson.

By Dick Mason The Observer

Byron Nelson, a legendary links man who won 64 Professional Golf Association tournaments, including every PGA major tournament except the British Open, appeared at the La Grande Country Club on June 29, 1951. Nelson played an exhibition round against three area golf pros — Ernie Stewart of La Grande, Eddie Stier of Baker (now Baker City) and Ray Anderson of Pendleton — according to a June 30, 1951, Observer article.

The group played before a gallery of at least 150 patrons. Nelson fired a 68, four below par, to win the exhibition. He was followed by Stier who shot a 71, Stewart who fired a 72, and Anderson who finished with a 76.

Nelson finished with 10 pars, six birdies and two bogeys. Wearing a white cap and pale yellow polo shirt, Nelson got off to a good start at the exhibition. The Observer reported that the Texan had the gallery "ooohing and ahing" on the first green as he sank a 23-foot putt for a birdie.

In the course of the exhibition, Nelson was asked by a spectator if it was different playing in an exhibition instead of a tournament.

"I play the same way at a tournament as I am playing today. There's not two ways to play golf," he said.

After the exhibition, Nelson spent 30 minutes demonstrating the best grips and swings to use with various clubs. He also praised his competitors and the gallery, saying they were courteous and enthusiastic. He said the La Grande Country Club course had the finest fairways of any he had played on while on tour.

The tour Nelson was referring to was likely Northwest exhibition tour in which he played on courses in Olympia, Yakima and Walla

Walla, Washington, before in finishing at the La Grande Country Club in Island City.

Bill Rosholt of Union, a former golf pro at the La Grande Country Club, wrote about the tour and Nelson's visit to Union County in a letter that appeared in The Observer in May 2005. Rosholt wrote that he met Nelson in 1998 and said the golf star had fond memories of his 1951 trip to La Grande.

"Coming from Texas, he had vivid memories of driving through the Blue Mountains and dropping into the Grande Ronde Valley," Rosholt wrote. "He was still, in 1998, in awe of our surroundings."

Sports fans today remain in awe of Nelson's 1945 season, considered one of the greatest in golf history. He won 18 tournaments that year, including a record-setting 11 in a row. Nelson won a total of 64 tournaments during his career, including five majors, winning The Masters in 1937 and 1942, the U.S. Open in 1939 and the PGA Championship in 1940 and 1949.

Nelson competed in the British Open, known also as The Open Championship, just twice, with his best performance being a fifth-place finish. The fifth-place finisher in this year's British Open, which ended Sunday, won \$438,000, far more than the \$187 Nelson won in 1937. Nelson said he actually lost money by playing the British Open because he had to take a one-month leave of absence from his job as a club pro to go to England, according to a 2006 Associated Press article.

Nelson essentially retired as a professional golfer in 1946 at the age of 34 to devote more time to working on his ranch in Roanoke, Texas. Still, he continued to occasionally play in tournaments and won the 1955 French Open.

Nelson, who was inducted into the World Golf Hall of Fame in 1974, died in 2006.

Hermiston subdivision under way

By Jade McDowell East Oregonian

The Wolf Run subdivision is just getting started, but it already had a neighborhood barbecue Friday.

The barbecue was part of a ribbon-cutting for the new 13-acre housing development on Gettman Road in Hermiston, which so far has one house completed and four more in construction. The subdivision is expected to feature 46 homes in total.

New housing is a welcome sight in the rapidly-growing Hermiston, where the real estate market overall is tight. Heidi Carver of RE/MAX Cornerstone, the listing agent for the homes in Wolf Run, said new industrial developments by Amazon, Lamb

Weston and other companies has created an increase in prices paid for family homes.

Debbie Pedro, director of the Greater Hermiston Area Chamber of Commerce, told the gathering at the ribbon-cutting that the chamber was happy to see investment in the community.

"We're excited about this subdivision," she said. "Boy, do we need houses."

Developer Frank Gehring of Frank W. Gehring Construction has experience developing other housing in Hermiston, including small pockets of eight to 12 lots built in recent years, and was a key player in the Overlook Ridge subdivision in the northwest part of town. Carver said so far the

largest home in the subdivision is \$324,900 for 2,278 square feet. Gehring is allowing custom designs to be requested but also offers four different floor plans that are each four-bedroom ranch-style homes.

Gehring said he's willing to take a look at two-story designs but prefers to keep the neighborhood single-story, as he's adamant about preserving the privacy of the backyards.

He said the first couple to buy one of the houses is retired, but he also thought the subdivision — a block from Armand Larive Middle School and Desert View Elementary School — would be a great place to raise a family.

South Umpqua fire continues to grow

By Eric Schucht The (Roseburg) News-Review

On Saturday, firefighters continued to battle fires in the South Umpqua Complex located 45 miles southeast of Roseburg. As of 8 a.m. Saturday, Umpqua National Forest Service officials said the fires had grown to 2,229 acres and are 10 percent contained.

Thirty different crews consisting of more than 927 personnel worked to contain the blaze with the help of five helicopters, 19 fire engines, nine bulldozers and 19 water tender trucks Saturday. It is believed the fire started June 15 from a lightning strike.

The largest of the three South Umpqua Complex fires is dubbed the Miles Fire and is burning an area of 300 acres near Hawk Mountain and Tison Road. In order to better tackle the Miles Fire, two fire crews spent Friday night conducting controlled burns between the blaze and a pre-established dug-out fire line. Progress was hindered

by high humidity in the evening, which kept fuel from burning.

Pumps and hoses were installed along the bottom edge of the fire, and a newly arrived Skycrane helicopter was used to drop water on the edges of the fire. The wind created in the canyons pushed the fire farther southeast. These winds moved the Snowshoe Fire onto lands owned by the Bureau of Land Management while the Cripple Creek Fire has been contained.

Weather in the South Umpqua Complex is expected to get hotter, drier and smokier.

As the wind changes, it is predicted the smoke from the fires will gradually shift southwest and affect the Tiller area. Pacific Power electrical lines, two campgrounds, private land, homes and several historical areas are at risk from the fires.

The Umpqua National Forest has issued an emergency fire closure for several trails and roads.

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