

## DAILY PLANNER

### TODAY

Today is Monday, Sept. 10, the 253rd day of 2018. There are 112 days left in the year.



### TODAY'S HIGHLIGHT

On Sept. 10, 1963, 20 black students entered Alabama public schools following a standoff between federal authorities and Gov. George C. Wallace.

### ON THIS DATE

In 1813, an American naval force commanded by Oliver H. Perry defeated the British in the Battle of Lake Erie during the War of 1812. (Afterward, Perry sent the message, "We have met the enemy and they are ours.")

In 1846, Elias Howe received a patent for his sewing machine.

In 1919, New York City welcomed home Gen. John J. Pershing and 25,000 soldiers who'd served in the U.S. First Division during World War I.

In 1935, Sen. Huey P. Long died in Baton Rouge two days after being shot in the Louisiana state Capitol, allegedly by Dr. Carl Weiss.

In 1939, Canada declared war on Germany.

In 1960, Hurricane Donna, a dangerous Category 4 storm eventually blamed for 364 deaths, struck the Florida Keys.

In 1962, the U.S. Supreme Court ordered the University of Mississippi to admit James Meredith, a black student.

In 1979, four Puerto Rican nationalists imprisoned for a 1954 attack on the U.S. House of Representatives and a 1950 attempt on the life of President Harry S. Truman were freed from prison after being granted clemency by President Jimmy Carter.

### LOTTERY

**Megabucks:** \$6.8 million  
12-14-20-30-41-43

**Mega Millions:** \$207 million  
8-10-41-54-68-10-x2

**Powerball:** \$132 million  
3-13-20-32-33 PB 21-x3

**Win for Life:** Sept. 8  
2-33-59-72

**Pick 4:** Sept. 9  
• 1 p.m.: 0-4-5-9  
• 4 p.m.: 8-1-9-3  
• 7 p.m.: 7-6-5-1  
• 10 p.m.: 3-2-4-8  
**Pick 4:** Sept. 8  
• 1 p.m.: 5-3-3-5  
• 4 p.m.: 2-6-8-4  
• 7 p.m.: 5-3-3-5  
• 10 p.m.: 3-6-2-4

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### QUOTE OF THE DAY

"There are years that ask questions and years that answer."

— Zora Neale Hurston,  
American author (1891-1960).

## GRANDE RONDE HISTORY

# Q: HOW MANY MINOR LEAGUE BASEBALL TEAMS HAS LA GRANDE HAD?

By Dick Mason, The Observer

*A: Two. La Grande's minor league baseball story was brief but long enough for the city to have had two franchises, win an unofficial pennant and help vault one player to major league stardom.*

La Grande's first foray into minor league baseball was in 1908 when a team representing the city joined the new Inland Empire League. La Grande was one of four teams in the league along with Pendleton, Walla Walla and Baker City.

Nicknamed the Babes, La Grande was leading the league with a 19-12 record before the league disbanded during its first season on July 8, 1908. Baker was in second place with a 15-15 mark.

The reason for disbanding is curiously listed as "extreme heat" according to baseballreference.com.

Four years later, a second minor league baseball venture was made here when a La Grande team joined the Western Tri-State League. The team's mascot was the pippin, a seedling apple.

The Pippins may never have been more popular than May 14, 1912, when they played the Boise Irrigators in their home opener. Such was the magnitude of the event that all La Grande businesses closed by 3:30 p.m. prior to the start of the game.

"The town was as deserted as a whistling post after 3:30 p.m.," said a story in the May 13, 1912, Observer.

The newspaper also reported there was a parade for the team prior to the start of the game attended by 1,500 people.

A 1912 editorial in The Observer reflected how proud La Grande was of its team.

"It is good to have ball team. It makes La Grande a better place to live in. It causes stagnant blood to rush through the

veins of the oldest settler when he gets to talking about 'our boys,'" the editorial stated.

The Pippins' star players included one who later played in the major leagues, Carl Mays. The right-handed pitcher enjoyed a sterling Major League Baseball career from 1915 to 1929, compiling a 208-126 record. The teams he played for included the Boston Red Sox and the New York Yankees.

Tragically Mays is forever linked to one of baseball's darkest moments. On Aug. 16, 1920, while with the Yankees,

he threw a pitch to Cleveland shortstop Ray Chapman that struck him in the temple. The pitch crushed Chapman's skull and he died the next day in a New York hospital. Today Chapman remains the only player to have died from an injury suffered in a Major League Baseball game.

Mays pitched only briefly for La Grande in 1912 before being sent to the Boise Irrigators, also a member of the Western Tri-State League, according to a story in an October 1922 edition of The Observer.

The right-hander enjoyed

significant success at La Grande's expense later in the 1912 season. Mays beat La Grande a number of times including Aug. 1 when he set a league record by striking out 15 La Grande batters. So dominant was Mays that he was referred to as "King Carl" in 1912 Observer articles.

La Grande and Boise were

among four teams in the Western Tri-State League, joining Pendleton and Walla Walla, Washington.

La Grande did not fare well in the Western Tri-State League, finishing in last place in 1912. La Grande dropped out of the league, which was experiencing financial difficulties, early in the 1913 season.

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## Please welcome Dr. Arie Trouw to our community.

Dr. Trouw grew up in a small mining town in South Africa;  
loving camping, fishing, hiking and hunting.

"I've always wanted to return to that lifestyle and that kind of community. I had visited Oregon a few times in the past and felt very much at home with the beautiful mountains and rivers."


Dr. Trouw received his Doctor of Medicine from Indiana University School of Medicine, Indianapolis, in 2012, after graduating with a degree in Biochemistry from Indiana University South Bend in 2007. He completed his Residency in Orthopedic Surgery at the State University of New York (SUNY) Health Science Center at Brooklyn. He completed his Fellowship in Hand Surgery at the University of Connecticut School of Medicine.



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Hand Surgery

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## I got screened for colorectal cancer. You should too.

Karen King,  
Pendleton resident

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