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STORM AND FLOOD IN COAST STATES

Washington, Oregon and California In Path of Gales.

California, Oregon and Washington were in the path of fierce gales and torrential rains Sunday night and Monday.

A heavy wind and general rainfall put a stop to Umatilla county farming operations. A fierce March wind tore through Oregon gathering violence and spreading destruction as it progressed, and reaching gale proportions as it whipped from point to point along the coast. It left a trail of sunken ships fallen trees and unroofed buildings in its wake.

A gale described as a "nor'easter," tore into Astoria in the early morning hours, wrecked a number of Columbia river fishing boats, including three of the largest trollers in the offshore fleet, and spread inland to continue its destruction.

The wind swept down the Columbia gorge and at Crown Point, on the Columbia river highway, it was so strong that eastbound motorists were compelled to turn back.

Crews of men were at work at Longview, repairing damage caused by a wind storm of unusual violence. Roofs were blown off, fences leveled to the ground, and power and light service interrupted. The wind reached a velocity of 50 miles an hour.

Port Orford, Ore., was visited by the terrific southwest gale, and a heavy sea rose suddenly and wrecked four of the ten deep sea fishing craft. Other boats were hoisted safely onto the dock. During the night two open power boats and two skiffs were smashed to pieces in the breaking sea.

The mountains west of Bend were covered with more than a foot of new snow, the result of a snow storm which started Sunday night and which was still in progress in the McKenzie pass and the Three Sisters country of the Cascades Monday. Four inches of snow fell in Bend Sunday night.

In many places in the Touchet and Lowden districts the flood waters brought up and deposited large amounts of black soil which in most cases will prove an asset to the land according to several of the owners there. Several small orchards in that vicinity were practically uprooted by the swift water it is stated.

In the Nine Mile area where many acres were planted to alfalfa and clover the loss has been very great according to George Lambdin, sheep owner of that district. Mr. Lambdin had an excellent stand of alfalfa, and nearly all of it is now covered with several inches of silt.

Ben Craigen Dies on Mountain Road

The Weston Leader reports the death of Ben Craigen as follows: Benjamin F. Craigen, a resident from boyhood of the Weston country, dropped dead from heart disease Saturday afternoon about four o'clock while walking along the corduroy road beyond Shiloh church on Weston Mountain.

Mr. Craigen had been looking over the mountain holdings of his employer, E. C. Burlingame of Walla Walla, and was returning to his car, accompanied by one of his sons, James Craigen, when the unexpected summons came. He said nothing, but fell in about a foot of snow, and was dead when his son hurried to his side.

He is survived by his widow, five sons, one daughter and one sister. The latter is Mrs. Charles L. Pinkerton of Weston.

Funeral services were conducted at the United Brethren church Monday afternoon by Rev. W. S. Payne, and were largely attended by relatives and friends. Appropriate hymns were sung by the choir. Interment was made in I. O. O. F. cemetery.

James H. E. Scott Files

James H. E. Scott of Milton, who has announced his candidacy for the republican nomination for representative of Umatilla county, was in Pendleton today transacting business at the court house. It is reported that S. A. Miller of Milton who has attended four sessions of the legislature as one of the representatives of Umatilla county will not be a candidate to succeed himself.

Adams Plays Two

The Adams "Big Six" league team won a practice game with the Thorn Hollow team, Sunday, 10-2. Next Sunday Adams will play the Reservation Indian team on the Adams diamond.

Roy W. Ritner Asked By Leading Men of County to Accept

Pendleton.—Responding to the request of 50 Umatilla county business and professional men and farmers who are representative of both the republican and democratic parties, Roy W. Ritner, for 45 years a resident of this county and a tax payer of 25 years, at a meeting in Pendleton Monday night consented to become a candidate for the republican nomination at the May primaries for the office of joint representative, Umatilla and Morrow counties.

Mr. Ritner is a former member of the house of representatives, having been elected in 1914 and re-elected in 1916. In 1918 he was elected to the state senate and was re-elected in 1922. In 1921 he was president of the senate.

While in the legislature he was active in road legislation, being a member of the roads and highways committee which at the 1917 session drafted the present highway program. With Senator Barrett he was responsible for routing the Oregon-Washington highway from the state line near Walla Walla through Freewater, Milton, Weston, Athena, Adams Pendleton Pilot Rock, Heppner, Lexington and Ione, joining the Old Oregon Trail on the Columbia river. The road was not on the original map submitted by the state engineer.

While president of the senate Mr. Ritner killed the "1925 Fair Bill" which would have taxed the entire state \$3,000,000 for the benefit of Portland. Mr. Ritner as a legislator introduced the following bills and secured their passage: Placing of Eastern Oregon in a separate public service district; re-districting the state in legislative districts and giving Eastern Oregon two additional representatives; appropriation of \$10,000 for the investigation of the Umatilla Rapids project; establishment of a rotation crop experiment station, in Umatilla county; removal of state grain grading department from the jurisdiction of the public service commission to that of the state market agent; establishment of an additional wing at the Eastern Oregon State Hospital at Pendleton; establishment of an additional normal school in Eastern Oregon; appropriation of fund to aid farmers of the frozen-out district to buy seed wheat.

He helped draft the state income tax bill in 1923 and in 1922, acting with State Secretary Kozar as members of the state tax commission, reduced the state tax levy about \$750,000. Altogether, Mr. Ritner introduced but few bills but secured passage of over 90 per cent of those introduced.

Mr. Ritner, the son of pioneer parents, was educated in Pendleton public schools and at Weston Normal. He taught school; was a cub reporter and worked in the old Pendleton Savings Bank for 10 years. In 1908 he gave up banking and since that time has been a wheat raiser. He was vice-president and business manager for the Round-Up since its inception until 1918 when he resigned to go to France during the war. There he was division representative of the American Red Cross with rank of captain, being attached to the fifth division, A. E. F. which saw active service for the last eight months of the war and engaged in the St. Mihiel and Argonne campaigns.

Mountain Road None too Good

A wonderful view of the valley is afforded right now from the top of Emigrant (Cabbage) hill, between Pendleton and La Grande, according to Walla Wallans who made the trip Sunday says the Union. Near the top of the hill one runs into snow. The Oregon highway department is rebuilding the road across the reservation and thousands and thousands of dollars must be spent regrading the road over the mountains, the oiled highways having gone to pieces as a result of the severe winter. Cars are getting through but the going is slow from a point about five miles this side of Meacham on to LaGrande, and in some places it is stated tractors are being used to pull machines through the soft places. There are numerous high centers.

The frost is going out of the ground and the heavy traffic has done the rest with the road.

Looked Up To

The Weston Leader says that Lance Kellough and Otis Adams looked down upon their fellowtownsmen at Weston Sunday, but not with disdain. They went up in an airplane at Walla Walla and commissioned the pilot, Harry Langdon, to fly with them to and over Weston, so that they could get a bird's eye view of the burg. Several times the town was encircled, and people looked up to the banker and Ford dealer in a manner never known before.



HAL E. HOSS

Prominent Newspaper Man Candidate For Secretary of State

OREGON CITY.—Hal E. Hoss, of Oregon City, has formally announced himself as a candidate for the republican nomination as secretary of state, and will have his name on the ballot in the primary election May 18th. Mr. Hoss, who has been manager of the Oregon City Enterprise and later private secretary to Governor Patterson, resigned his state position a short time ago in order to devote his time to his candidacy, and his announcement comes as a result of encouragement received in a state-wide survey he has been conducting.

Coincident with his announcement as a candidate, Mr. Hoss sent in his resignation as secretary of the state editorial association to President Robert W. Sawyer, of Bend, but will retain his other press association connections. He will formally file for the office within the next few days. In his statement Mr. Hoss says:

"In announcing my candidacy for the republican nomination as secretary of state, I do so with a well founded conception of the situation. Since my resignation as private secretary to Governor Patterson a few weeks ago I have been enabled to devote sufficient time to a state-wide survey to convince me that there is good opportunity for my nomination. Reports from every section of the state indicate a strong support, and while every candidate for office is prone to construe everything to his own favor, I was willing to give up my position with Governor Patterson and go into the race, confident that I was not mis-reading the minds of the republican voters throughout the state.

During my career as a newspaper editor and as an officer in newspaper associations, I had opportunity to form a great many contacts with business and civic leaders, and during the past year and a quarter with a number of people prominent in the public and official life of the state. My work with the press of Oregon has put me in a position where I am receiving the support of a great number of newspapers, and their endorsement is no small part of my encouragement.

"I sincerely believe that I am qualified by experience and training and the human attributes to be secretary of state. My business experience has been along administrative lines and in public life I have had the opportunity to, and did, study the work of the board of control and the office of the secretary of state at close range. I intend, if nominated and elected, to give the people of Oregon an efficient and courteous administration of their affairs, so far as they would come under my jurisdiction. I would enter the office of secretary of state free from political entanglements, owing no debt to any individual or group. I am a native citizen of the state of Oregon, seeking one of its high offices because I feel that I can do the work well."

Lovelace-McKay

Mr. Charles Lovelace and Mrs. Mary McKay were united in marriage at Walla Walla, Wednesday, Rev. Hunter pastor of the Christian church, performing the ceremony. The bride was accompanied by her sister-in-law, Mrs. W. R. Harden. Mr. Lovelace is a veteran of the Philippine and World Wars, and lately returned to Athena from California. Mrs. Lovelace is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Harden. The bride and groom have a large number of friends in Athena who extend congratulations. They will reside in Athena.

The Wauna Campfire Girls

The Wauna Campfire girls and guardian Hilda Dickenson and assistant guardian Myrtle Potts hiked to the Sheldon Taylor home Saturday where a bounteous dinner was supplied by Mrs. Taylor. The girls cooked over a campfire and ate camp style, where a very attractive camp ground was prepared for the occasion. Races of various kinds were enjoyed after dinner. Then they hiked home and all declare a most enjoyable time.

AMERICAN YOUTH



Elizabeth ("Betty") Clark, 13, of Cedars, Delaware, is one of that state's girl candidates for the American Youth Award.

Lower Division Revision Plans Adopted at U. O.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene.—Re-organization plans for the entire lower division, which comprises the first two years of study, have been adopted by the faculty of the University of Oregon after a consideration of the plans for nearly a year.

Under the new plan, all students entering, except those who enroll in one of the professional schools, will postpone the election of their major departments until their junior years. They will select a group where their principal interest lies and in which they will be required to take freshman survey and sophomore option courses. The work the first two years will be so distributed that each student must have a substantial year course in three out of four groups into which the college of literature, arts and sciences is divided.

The revision is planned with a view to facilitating the transition from secondary school methods to those of university study and instruction. In keeping with this view courses during the freshman year will avoid any pronounced trend toward narrow specialization and will represent rather an introduction to a field of knowledge broader in scope than any present department, while at the same time serving as an apprenticeship in methods appropriate to any field of investigation. The term "junior college," has been rejected as applying to the new plans.

Group System Planned

Heretofore the college has been divided into departments and students would choose a major from these, as in English, mathematics or geology. The departments will continue but will only have actual jurisdiction over students during the last two years and in graduate work. The college departments, for the purpose facilitating the new system, will be affiliated into groups. Group one will be language and literature; group two, social science; group three, mathematics and physical science; group four, biological science. It is from these four that the students will select three year courses from different groups. If they register in a professional school, they will fulfill the lower division requirement in their school, and take two year courses from different groups.

For each of the four groups a chairman appointed by the president and a committee representative of all departments in the group are charged with the task of formulating a lower division curriculum.

Adviser to be Provided

A technical adviser will be provided by the registrar's office, and simplification of the registration and keeping of grade records is expected to be carried out.

The four groups will be made up of subjects as follows: Language and Literature; English, Germanic Languages, Greek, Latin, Romance Languages; Social Sciences; Economics, History, Political Science, Philosophy; Mathematics and Physical Sciences; Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Geology, Geography, Mechanics and Astronomy. Biological Sciences; Animal Biology including Physiology, Plant Biology including Bacteriology, and Psychology.

The new plan is expected to have a great effect on the present foreign language regulations. While it will still be possible to obtain a Bachelor of Science degree without foreign language, several departments will impose this requirement. Entering students will be told of this, and advised to plan their courses accordingly.

Will M. Peterson Is Candidate for Delegate To National Convention

Will M. Peterson, well known Pendleton attorney, who has many democratic friends in Athena, has announced his candidacy for delegate from the second congressional district to the national democratic convention. In his statement "Pete" says he will stand pat by Oregon's choice of presidential candidate. He says further:

"I believe in the democracy of Woodrow Wilson: will support wholeheartedly any democrat, wet or dry, Catholic or Protestant, nominated for president. My choice is Alfred E. Smith, but I admire Senator Walsh. He has rendered signal service to the American people; would make a great president.

"The Democratic Party is under obligation to the American people to re-establish honesty, economy and efficiency in government; to inaugurate progressive principle beneficial to the masses; to wipe out official corruption and rascality; to remove the political filth of corrupt leaders accumulated at Washington during the last seven years. Let us pray for another Woodrow Wilson.

"Print after my name on the ballot, Honesty in Government; Smith or Walsh for president."

The Last Game Played By the Old "Yellow Kid" Team

Aprons of the opening of the base ball season in Athena the following account of the last game played by the old "Yellow Kid" team, champions for two years of the Inland Empire, will be of interest to local fans. The game was played July 28, 1902:

The arrival of Frank Willard in town brings to memory the last game he pitched for the Yellow Kids on the Athena diamond back in 1902. The following is the account of the game as appeared in the Press at the time:

"The Yellow Kids played errorless ball yesterday afternoon. The three hits Dayton got off Willard were as scattered and mangy as the average Injun cayuse. The little fellow was well high invincible, and the peerless support he received is heard on the tongue of the small boy, even.

"Mr. Bolin, the Dayton slab artist, did good execution, the Yellow Kids connecting but four times safely with his slants. The game was a good one, well played and not until the fifth inning was home base touched. Then it was that two Yellow Kids passed over the Rubicon. It was due to G. Brown being hit by a pitched ball, Shea's safe hit and errors by Dayton's first and third basemen. The single and two errors came just right to score G. Brown and Shea.

"In the sixth Dayton scratched in a run on two singles. They were both long ones and the throws were good for the lap of a base each. Brown for Dayton scored in this inning and two Daytonites died on bases when the side was retired. This was the only inning that first base was populated by a Dayton player. It took an hour and 25 minutes to play the game. Athena's column was errorless and Dayton had but two. Score by innings:

Athena.....000020000—2 4 0
Dayton.....000001000—1 3 2

McCoy-Crawford In Fine Outdoor Picture

Tim McCoy and Joan Crawford will be seen at the Standard tomorrow night in Metro-Goldwyn's fine outdoor picture, "The Law of the Range." In this photoplay McCoy has been given a good story, a capable director and one of the most beautiful actresses on the screen, Joan Crawford. "The Law of the Range" is a clean play, with plausible thrills. Sunday night Paramount presents Clara Bow in "Hula" at the Standard. Clive Brook plays opposite Miss Bow, and the supporting cast consists of a group of Famous Players. The Standard has also booked "It," with Clara Bow as the star.

The S. D. Club

At the meeting of the S. D. Club at the home of Mary Tompkins, plans were made for the tea to be held Saturday afternoon, March 31. Esma Hiteman became a member of the club. Yellow and white will be the club colors. Light refreshments were served. The next meeting will be at the home of Myrtle Campbell.

Three Feet at Toll Gate

Forest rangers report there is only about three feet of snow at Toll Gate in the Blue Mountains. New snow has augmented the depth slightly, since the report was made.

Game Here Sunday

"Pike" Miller will put his ball players through a practice game with the Thorn Hollow Indian team, on the local grounds Sunday, weather permitting.

PRIMARY VOTER IS DEFINED BY CLERK

No Elector Permitted to Swear Or Change Party On Election Day.

R. T. Brown, county clerk, has been deluged with questions regarding who may participate in the primary election May 18 and has prepared the following statement covering requirements for the voters or those eligible to vote in Umatilla county. The statement follows:

Every citizen of the United States, of the age of twenty-one years or over, who shall have resided in the state six months, shall be entitled to register, provided such citizen is able to read and write the English language.

All qualified electors shall vote in the election precinct in which they reside, those who have moved or changed precincts or wish to change their politics to democrat or republican, as just these two parties can vote in the primaries, but at the general election in November, any political affiliation may vote, or if the name of the elector has been changed by marriage, must re-register.

Section 4058, Oregon Laws, wherein an elector may register at the polls on election day has been repealed, and no elector will be permitted to swear in, or change politics on election day.

Electors who reside in the municipality wherein is situated the county seat shall register in person, with the county clerk. Electors who do not reside as in above stated may register, without charge, before any official registrar, in the precinct in which the elector lives, in the county, or at the office of the county clerk, at the court house.

April 17 is the last day to register for the May primary. B. B. Richards is the official registrar for Athena precincts.

Renegade Dog Killed By a Game Warden

WALLA WALLA.—After evading pursuit and capture for more than six weeks during which time considerable damage had been done, a wild dog working in the vicinity of the reservoir, four miles east of town, was shot by county Game Warden Frank Bigler.

Bigler states that the dog was more clever than most coyotes in that he was able to keep out of sight. It is estimated that nearly \$500 worth of damage to the farmers of the vicinity has been done by the dog. Numerous complaints have been received of sheep, hog and poultry killings. It had been known to kill full sized hogs, sheep and young calves.

The dog is apparently a stray as none of the farmers had ever seen it previous to the time when it began to kill stock.

Swimming Pool Material

Two carloads of sand and gravel for the concrete work on the swimming pool at the City Park, are being transported from O.-W. R. & N. railroad yards by trucks. Excavating has been practically completed and the big cavity is ready to receive the forms to be put in by the contractor. Pouring of concrete will probably commence next week.

Funeral of Mrs. Power

The funeral of Mrs. Lulu J. Power, formerly Miss Lulu Brace, was held at Pendleton Tuesday, and interment was made in Athena cemetery. Mrs. Power leaves her husband and six sons to mourn her loss. Mrs. Power was the sister of Will Bruce of Baker and George Bruce of Thorn Hollow.

In Bankruptcy

Clarence L. Gagnon and wife, Neva L. Gagnon have filed petitions in bankruptcy with C. K. Cranston, referee in bankruptcy at Pendleton, and a meeting of creditors will be held in the office of the referee on April 6th.

Mrs. McElroy Summoned

Mrs. Caroline McElroy, formerly a resident of Athena, died Saturday at Portland. The remains were brought to Pendleton for interment, the funeral being held there Tuesday afternoon.

Tie Up Dogs

Hunting dogs in Washington must be tied up, or kept under control after April 1, for four months, it is announced. This is to protect the young game birds.

Mrs. Switzler Dead

Mrs. Jade Switzler, a pioneer woman of Umatilla county, died Sunday evening at Portland.