

GEN. PERSHING IS OPPOSED TO DISARMAMENT

THINKS UNITED STATES SHOULD NOT START THE MOVEMENT WITHOUT AGREEMENT.

HALF A BILLION IS NEEDED FOR NAVY

House Appropriations Committee Estimates that to Complete the Navy Program Embarked on in 1916, Large Sum of Money is Needed.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—A warning against the pacifist and unpreparedness has been given to the house naval committee by General Pershing, who appeared before the committee to discuss world disarmament. He approved of the proposal for a world conference but said that the United States should proceed with her present program until a definite agreement had been made by at least five powers.

Nearly half a billion will be required to complete the naval building program embarked on in 1916, the house appropriations committee has estimated.

OLD LA GRANDE RESIDENT DIES

MRS. SARAH E. SPIKER DIES IN OREGON CITY.

Funeral Services Will be Held At the L. D. S. Tabernacle Friday Afternoon.

Bishop C. J. Elack is in receipt of a telegram from Oregon City announcing the death of Mrs. Sarah E. Spiker, whose remains will arrive on No. 4, Friday morning. The funeral services will be held at the L. D. S. Tabernacle, Friday at 2:00 p. m.

She was an old resident of La Grande and the mother of Charles L. Spiker, of this city, Steven Spiker, of Elgin, and Mrs. Lamora, of this city.

FOUR SENATE BILLS NAMED

STATE HOUSE, Salem, Feb. 2.—Governor Olcott has signed the following senate bills:

No. 2, by Eberhard.—Extending to a specially appointed district attorneys a statutory right to receive pay for their services.

No. 31, by Moser.—Giving incorporated cemetery associations right to use their irreducible funds for improvements.

No. 53, by Ellis.—Relieving circuit judges, when instructing grand juries, of necessity of explaining when prize fighting is not involved in case under investigation.

No. 54, by Ellis.—Relieving circuit judges, when instructing grand juries, of necessity of explaining criminal libel law when libel is not involved in cases under investigation.

BIRDS FLY IN LARGE FLOCKS

The Chris Miller family this morning awoke to find a small flock of 75 robins singing and flying from twig to twig in the apple trees back of their residence. This is one of the largest flocks seen about the city for some time, and although Mr. Miller says that he is used to having a large number of birds feeding on the frozen apples about his residence, this year there are no apples, and he believes it must be nearing spring.

Lovers of birds have been commenting of late on the scarcity of the sparrow tribe. Whether they have flown to other climes, disease has overtaken them, or just what has happened to them, local people are unable to say.

Several large flocks of the yellow-rumped birds have been seen of late among the box elder trees of the city, happily eating the seeds of this tree.

TWO CARR MEN ARE GIVEN SENTENCE

Must Serve Ten or More Years. For Kidnapping of Mrs. Witherall.

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 2.—Arthur W. and Floyd Carr, confessed kidnapers of Mrs. Gladys Witherall, have been sentenced to from ten years to life in the San Quentin prison. This was the maximum penalty which could be imposed.

MEETINGS TO BE MONTHLY

REPRESENTATIVE HUNTER INTRODUCES NEW BILL.

Bill Provides for Twelve Meetings per Year of Bank Directors In This State.

SALEM, Feb. 2.—A bill regulating state banks, introduced by Representative Hunter of Union county, in the house, requires that the board of directors shall hold at least twelve regular meetings every calendar year, and at every such meeting detailed reports shall be submitted showing every loan and investment made during the preceding month or since the last report, also the aggregate of the then existing liability. The board shall record its approval or disapproval and this must be subscribed to by every member present at such meeting.

The bill makes it obligatory for such banks to make reports to the superintendent of banks at such times as he may request same, and on such forms as he may require; and if a bank fails to make reports within the prescribed time, it shall be subject to a penalty of twenty-five dollars a day for each day while in default, to be paid immediately upon notice or demand by the superintendent of banks.

NEW OFFICERS ARE APPOINTED

CITY MANAGER MAKES SEVERAL CHANGES IN STAFF.

Health Physician, Poundmaster and New Water Superintendent Are Appointed.

City Manager George Garrett has announced the appointment of three new city officers.

Horace Knapp, for some time one of the main men in the water department, has been promoted to the office of water superintendent, taking the place of C. W. Lofland.

Dr. E. G. Kirby has been appointed as city health physician, taking the place formerly held by Dr. C. T. Bacon. Poundmaster Courtney has been succeeded by L. D. Landers.

Whether there will be any more changes in the appointive officers under the city manager at this time is not made evident by Manager Garrett, but it is believed that, for the present, the other officers will remain as they have been for the past several months.

Registration For the School Year More Than 4,000 at U. O.

EUGENE, Oregon, Feb. 2.—The total registration at the university for the present school year to date is 4,026, including summer, regular, medical, extension, correspondence study, and special music students. Karl Onthank, executive secretary, predicts an enrollment of 500 next year.

BECOMES PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT

S. E. Burgunder, formerly bookkeeper with the Grande Ronde Lumber company, has decided to become a public accountant, and hereafter, will be located with C. J. Black, in his offices in the Foley Hotel Building.

Mr. Burgunder will have as his specialty, income tax reports, and says he will be glad to meet any of his friends in an official capacity.

G.O.P. ATTEMPT IS DEFEATED

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—The Republican attempt to enforce the clo-

VOLUNTARY REDUCTION IS TAKEN

STANDARD OIL COMPANY WILL MAKE 10% WAGE REDUCTION

Employees and Refineries of New Jersey Took Cut Voluntarily On Living Bonus.

NEW YORK, Feb. 2.—Following the reports that the Standard Oil Company is planning a ten per cent wage reduction in all parts of the United States, employees and refineries of New Jersey accepted a voluntary reduction in the cost of living bonus which is equivalent to a per cent cut.

DEMPSEY SAYS BOUT IS OFF

DEMPSEY-WILLARD MATCH WAS SET FOR MARCH 17.

Promoter Rickard Tonight Announced That Fight Had Been Postponed Until Labor Day.

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 2.—The fifteen round bout of Dempsey and Willard for March 17, in New York, has been indefinitely postponed, Dempsey has announced.

Set For Labor Day.

NEW YORK, Feb. 2.—Promoter Rickard tonight announced that the Dempsey-Willard fight which Dempsey announced today was off, had been postponed until Labor Day.

BAKER WILL HOLD SPECIAL ELECTION

BAKER, Feb. 2.—February 17 has been set as the day for the special bond election of \$70,000 for the completion of the natatorium, the completion of the tourist camp grounds, and the construction of a Madison street bridge. Each of the items will be placed on a separate ballot in order that Baker voters may express their choice separately.

Grain Salvage From Fire; 16,000 Sacks

PENDLETON, Feb. 2.—Between 16,000 and 18,000 sacks of wheat and barley will be salvaged from the ruins of the Pilot Rock Elevator company's warehouse which was totally destroyed over a week ago, according to an insurance adjuster who passed through Pendleton this week. Most of the grain had been damaged, although he predicted that most of it would be in the No. 3 grade. The warehouse itself, he said, was a total loss.

KEROSENE AND GAS ARE LOWER

NEW YORK, Feb. 2.—The Standard Oil Company has announced a cut in gasoline and kerosene prices.

"SHADOW" IS HEARD FROM AGAIN TODAY

Portland Police Have Announced the Receipt of Two More Letters Of Mystery.

PORTLAND, Feb. 2.—The police have announced that two more letters from "Shadow" have been received by two Portland merchants. The letters are identical with letters received by other Portland men recently.

MRS. G. NEWMAN PASSES AWAY

WAS BORN IN NORWAY—CAME TO AMERICA WHEN 18.

Has Been Ill for Five Years—Funeral This Afternoon at the J. C. Henry Chapel.

Mrs. George Newman died at the hospital late yesterday afternoon, following an illness which lasted for over five years. She has been seriously ill for the past year and had spent much of that time at the various sanitariums and hospitals in quest of health.

Mrs. Bertha Newman was born in Christiania, Norway, and came to America at the age of sixteen, alone. Later she married George Newman, who is a mechanic at the O. W. R. & N. shops. She died at the age of 55. She is survived by her husband and one daughter, Mrs. Myrtle Whitford, of Spokane.

Mrs. Newman was a member of the Baptist church and the Woman's League of the Moose here. The Baptist minister, R. L. Stilton, will have charge of the services which are to be held this afternoon at the J. C. Henry chapel. The remains will be shipped this evening to Spokane for burial.

NEW RULING ON PERMITS ISSUED

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—The Attorney general has ruled that permits for the withdrawal of liquor from bonded warehouses may be issued only to manufacturers and wholesale druggists.

Shopmen Make Sacrifice For Brother Workmen

Men of the O. W. R. & N. shops met last evening to decide a vital question. The day before fifty-four of their members had been notified that their services were no longer desired.

Business is slack on the road at present and officials are said to be hopeful that soon the business will pick up. Yesterday, after serious discussion concerning the present situation, which was the only topic that the men dealt with, finally all the men voted that each man only work five

NEGOTIATIONS ARE SAID TO BE IMPOSSIBLE

KING CONSTANTINE IS NOT ADVERSE TO CONVERSATIONS.

Says Direct Negotiations For the Settlement of Near East Problems Cannot Be Made.

ATHENS, Feb. 2.—Direct negotiations for the settlement of the Near East problems between Greece and the Turkish officials are impossible, said King Constantine today. He is not adverse to conversations with the Greek representative and the delegates from the sultan's government, but refuses to recognize Mustafa Pasha, head of the Turkish nationalists.

GROUNDHOG SEES SHADOW

SUN SHINES AT INFREQUENT INTERVALS DURING DAY.

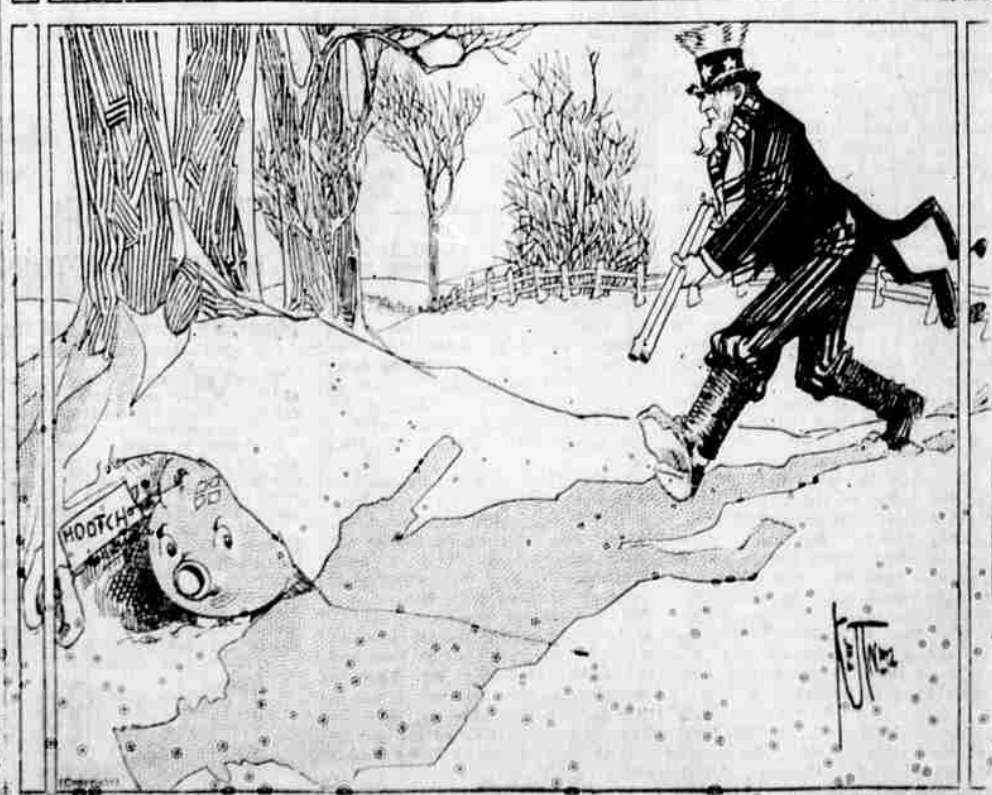
Believers in Old Superstition Prepare for Six Weeks More of Winter Time.

Mr. Ground Hog, who has been in a lethargy since the beginning of the cold spell some time in 1920, today saw his shadow if he happened to wake and, after rubbing his eyes carefully to assure himself that all was well, took a stroll out into the infrequent spells of sunshine.

With snow falling all of the morning, citizens who are anxious for the warm, balmy days of spring to come, and who still hold to that old superstition that if the ground hog sees his shadow on February 2, he will hibernate for another six weeks, during which time winter will be on in earnest, and if he does not see his shadow, that spring has come, were disappointed when the sun shined at odd intervals this afternoon.

But a few minutes after one o'clock, the ground hog, if he were out could surely see his shadow on the bright snow. Hence, it will not be necessary to be prepared with a new spring bonnet, and all may be prepared for six weeks more of winter. That is, if you believe in the old superstitions.

Sees a Shadow



ROGUE RIVER IS AGAINST JAPANESE

American Legion and Citizens Meet to Take Action Against Aliens.

MEDFORD, Feb. 2.—Plans to resist the settlement in the Rogue valley of the Japanese from California, were laid at a meeting of representative citizens called by the American Legion last evening. Resolutions were adopted urging the legislature to enact an anti-alien law.

LOCAL FIGURES ARE LARGEST

LARGER SCHOOL ENROLLMENT HERE THAN PENDLETON.

Figures Announced by Superintendents of Two Cities, Show La Grande in Lead.

There are 340 more pupils enrolled in the La Grande public schools than those enrolled in the Pendleton public schools, according to announcements just issued by the superintendents of the two schools.

H. E. Inlow, superintendent of the Pendleton schools, announced a total enrollment for that city of 1,099, whereas Superint. Hampton announced that today, there were enrolled in the La Grande public schools 1,440 pupils. The La Grande high school also has a larger enrollment than the Pendleton high school, 317 pupils being enrolled in the La Grande high school, while in the Pendleton high school, there are 281 students at the present time or 64 more students than was Pendleton.

A year ago at this time, the enrollment of the local schools was 1,692, which shows an increase of 58 pupils. Pendleton's enrollment a year ago was 1,269.

RESOLUTION IS FAVORED

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—The senate foreign relations committee favorably reported on the Johnson resolutions for an investigation of the American activities in Siberia, Nicaragua, Haiti and Santo Domingo. Johnson asked for an immediate consideration, but J.ITCHCOCK objected and they went over.

VIENNA CRIME HAS INCREASED

VIENNA, Dec. 10. (By Correspondence).—Crime in Vienna has increased five-fold this year, Police President Scholer has just told the Vienna Trade Association. He added that every case of serious crime had been successfully prosecuted and attributed this to the cooperation of the judges and to 19 physicians attached to the police staff.

BAKER COUNTY FARM IS SOLD

BAKER, Feb. 2.—One of the great real estate deals made in this county recently was completed here this week by Newton and Lanning when the J. F. O'Bryen ranch near Haines was purchased by J. A. Wetzel, of Walla Walla, Wash. The consideration involved in the transaction amounted to \$40,000.

This is the first land change to be reported so far this year and it is believed by local real estate dealers to mark the beginning of a lively business extending throughout the year.

WEATHER FORECAST
Tonight and Thursday, rain in the west; rain or snow in the eastern portion of the state.

NEWBERRY STILL HAS PLURALITY

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—A recount of the Michigan senatorial election just finished leaves Newberry with a 4,226 plurality over Ford.

JUDGES MAY ONLY GET EXPENSES

BILL PROPOSING INCREASE IN CIRCUIT JUDGES' SALARIES IS AMENDED.

SMITH'S JOINT RESOLUTION IS KILLED IN SENATE

Senate Passed the Bill Providing for a Penalty for Frauds in the Collection of Bounties on Predatory Animals—Referendum Bill is Killed Today.

SALEM, Feb. 2.—A bill proposing an increase of salaries of Circuit Court judges from \$4,000 to \$5,000, was amended to eliminate an increase but to provide paying expenses when on duty outside of the home counties but within their districts.

The joint committee on the county and state officer referred without recommendation to the ways and means committee the salary increase bill affecting state officials.

The senate killed Smith's joint resolution to refer to the people a repeal of the six per cent tax limitation amendment. The senate passed the bill providing a penalty for frauds in the collection of bounties on predatory animals.

The Ryan bill to make workable the Oregon rural credits loan act for the benefit of farmers, passed the senate today.

The house bill relating to the consolidation of school districts passed the senate, also the bill authorizing the school board to employ "home teachers" for the foreign-born children and parents. The senate late yesterday passed the Roosevelt Highway bill, only four members voting against it.

MAY LOCATE FISH LADDER

GAME AND FISH AUTHORITY VISITS PERRY DAM.

Game Warden Walden Says It Is His Belief That Ladder Will Be Installed.

"Perry may have a fish ladder," said John Walden, Game Warden for Union and Walla Walla counties, this morning, and to prove his statement he brought up O. W. Hadely, who is the superintendent of the state fish ladder and game department. Mr. Hadely and Mr. Walden will spend the day at the Perry dam in hopes that this may prove a location for a fish ladder. The ground, as yet, has not been investigated, but it is probable that the decision of locating such a ladder there can be given out in a very short time.

CORPORATION APPROVES LOAN

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—The war finance corporation has announced preliminary approval of a \$10,000 loan to finance the exportation of condensed milk and similar products to Europe. This is the first loan approved by the corporation since its revival.

PORTLAND MARKETS.
PORTLAND, Feb. 2.—The price of livestock was steady here today. Eggs were weak and butter steady.

J'ever Hear This?

By STRICKLAND GILLILAN

TOO MUCH RECOMMENDATION
The young minister absorbed too much hard cider one night and was disqualified. He was "conscience-stricken" and wanted to "repent" the ministry. Finding a clock without a dial and having made good in his trial sermon, he was asked for references. He gave, with some misgiving, the name of a former parishioner, who wrote thus:

"Get the young man by all means. He is a fine speaker and is faithful and zealous in his pastoral work. It may interest you also to know he is somewhat 'barrelome' when he is drunk."