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## F. B. HAYES APPOINTED CITY HEAD

### Will Succeed J. E. Stearns, Temporary City Manager on February 1.

### COMES TO LA GRANDE WELL RECOMMENDED

### Wages are Set at \$300 Per Month, the Appointment Covering a Period of One Year.

Frank B. Hayes, of Pendleton, was officially appointed as city manager of La Grande last evening at the regular weekly meeting of the city commission, to succeed J. E. Stearns, temporary city manager who took the place of D. A. Kratz, who resigned in December to take a position as business manager of the city of Astoria. His wages were set at \$300 per month, the appointment mentioning his official term as one year.

It is understood, unofficially, that Mr. Hayes will not hold the position for such a short time, however, as the general opinion is that if he is satisfactory he will be retained for many years. Mr. Hayes announces that he will move to La Grande with the intention of making it his permanent home within a short time. He will go into office on February 1.

Mr. Hayes has been water superintendent in Pendleton for ten years and has also done the work of city engineer. The enlarging of the water system was done during his incumbency and receipts for water increased from \$20,000 to \$72,000 in round numbers during his term.

All these commissions were presented last evening and in addition to the appointment of a permanent city manager, several other matters were discussed and acted on. Bonds for the licensing of soft drink establishments and billiard parlors were approved, application for a rooming house license by Florence P. Hartley, 218 Duval, was laid over for investigation, regular reports were approved and other minor matters were attended to.

### Managers Report

In the weekly report of the city manager, mention was made of the inspection and cleaning up of the city "dump grounds" and it was also stated that steps had been taken to prevent the seepage of refuse from the slaughter house into the river in the future.

### Light Company Appeals

Through a local representative, the E. C. L. & P. company asked the city to shut off the cluster lights on Adams avenue at 10:30 o'clock instead of midnight, during the present winter shortage that is confronting the company. This request was granted.

### A Motion was carried that C. J. Humphrey, whose term is nearly completed, would be reappointed as a member of the library board.

### Some discussion was had concerning the "silent rebellion" that has installed at the intersections in the city a warning to traffic violators. The installation of a new form of the sign was discussed but no definite action was taken in this matter.

### MANY ATTENDED THE FIREMEN'S DANCE

About two hundred couples gathered at the Rex hall last evening in attendance at the annual ball given by the volunteer fire department of La Grande. The dance began at 8 o'clock and the floor was well covered with joyous couples from the very start, more arriving until the hall was crowded almost to capacity. Dancing continued until midnight, and all who attended pronounced the affair a complete success.

### Music was furnished by Loney's orchestra and was of an excellent quality.

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## British Are Watching French Moves Closely

LONDON, Jan. 18.—Another stage of the French progress with the announcement of the French command that military operations had been completed. France has put nearly 100,000 troops into the Ruhr valley, taking her occupation to the extreme limits, if not beyond, of the territory authorized under the treaty, and she now is about to try the effect of force to compel the German mine owners to produce coal for France and Belgium.

## IDENTITY OF MASKED BAND TO BE SOUGHT

### Louisiana Attorney General Seeks to Uncover Hooded Men Responsible for Killings.

### (By Associated Press)

BASTROP, La., Jan. 18.—A. V. Cocco, state attorney general, announced Wednesday night that he would begin today the task of establishing the identity of members of the black hood band responsible for the kidnaping of Wat Daniel and Thomas Richard, who decapitated and mutilated bodies were found on the surface of Lake La Fourche three weeks ago.

Mr. Cocco made this announcement after the conclusion of Wednesday's session of the open hearing undertaken to ferret out the slayers of Daniel and Richard and perpetrators of other masked band depredations in storehouse parish.

## QUINT EMBARKS ON HARD TRIP

### Blue and White Five Scheduled to Play Three Wallowa High Schools This Week.

Eight members of the Blue and White basketball squad, accompanied by Cecil Snow, coach, left this morning on the branch line train for a three-game trip in Wallowa county. The trip is expected to be one of the hardest series of games to be met by the local squad this year and if they emerge from the trip of weary scathes their battle with "Don to Salem" stands every chance of being realized.

The quintette will meet Wallowa high on their own floor tonight and Joseph will be on the program Friday night. The team then goes to Enterprise where they will play the Black and Maroon squad Saturday night, returning to La Grande Sunday evening on the branch line train.

### Joseph Will Be Tough

The local hoop artists are expecting their hardest game of the trip to be Joseph, although some of the games will be easy pickings. Joseph, last year's sectional champion, have several months left to get into shape and although nothing positive is known of their strength, they are assuredly strong. Wallowa and Enterprise are believed on the dope sheet as about equal to them, whom the home boys defeated 27 to 18 last Saturday afternoon by a last minute rally.

These making the trip are Captain Glenn Metcalf, Bernard Hummel, Joe Park, Robert Garrity, Floyd Smith, Ray Lynch, Clifford Blokland and Owen Price.

## CLERKS DEFEAT UNION GAGERS

It looks as if the Clerks would romp through the city league basketball season to another championship. Last night they defeated the Union team, considered a strong aggregation, by the very decisive score of 26 to 19. During the first half the Unionites made a battle of it, scoring 15 points to the Clerks' 7, but in the last half the champions counted 29 points, while their opponents managed only four.

The game was featured by close guarding and sparking teamwork and casting.

Gortson, Union forward, was the outstanding player on the visitors' team. Three beautiful shots were dropped through the hoop by him from a distance and his floor work was good. Spencer, at guard, also played a fast game for the invaders.

The Clerks' extra on the last balanced versus the city league has

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## EXTRA

### WIRES DELAY DISPATCHES

Due to the fact that trouble with the telegraph wires delayed the telegraphic dispatches of the Associated Press from Portland today, only one dispatch was received by the Observer until 2:30 o'clock today.

### WALLY REID DIES

(By Associated Press)  
LOS ANGELES, Jan. 18.—Wallace Reid, motion picture actor, died today at Hollywood.

### LEGISLATURE ACTIVE

(By Associated Press)  
SALEM, Jan. 18.—In connection with Woodward's eight hour bill for the lumber industry which has been amended to provide that workmen may work more than eight hours any day but only 48 hours any week, a resolution was introduced in the house today asking that when Washington, Idaho and Oregon representatives meet to consider the income and gasoline tax, they also consider the eight hour legislation.

### Senate Adopts Memorial

The senate adopted the Ritter, Dennis, Corbett memorial urging that the Federal constitutional amendment against tax exempt securities, Miles, St. Helen bankers today introduced a bill requiring that a state license be required of all hotels and restaurants.

### The senate adopted the Strayer memorial urging the completion of the Baker project. Zimmerman introduced a memorial urging the passage in congress of the truth in the fabrics bill. Toole introduced a bill substituting salmon fishing in strainers by seines, traps or fish wheels.

### Moser Bill Passed

The senate today passed the Moser bill requiring the teaching of the constitution of the United States in public and private schools beginning in the eighth grade and through high school. The house passed the Hesse bill to repeal the dog license code, also the Reynolds bill requiring the labeling of walnuts indicating where grown.

### The senate passed the Upton bill remitting the inheritance tax estate of Judge Bernard Daly, Lake county, in view of his request for education.

### SHERIFFS ELECT

PORTLAND, Jan. 18.—Oregon sheriffs re-elected Thomas Hurlburt, of Multnomah, president; John Aachin, Tillamook, secretary, elected W. J. Wilson, Clackamas, vice-president. The sheriffs adopted a resolution against the double election board.

### The Northwest sheriffs' session began.

### REFUND BRITISH DEBT

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—Negotiations for the refunding of the British debt to the United States will be carried on through the British embassy after British debt commission leaves for London this week.

### BANK GETS VERDICT

PENDLETON, Jan. 17.—After a two days' battle in court the American National bank of this city received a jury verdict on a \$5000 note on which it sued Alvo Mohrman and W. H. Shannon, Holis farmers.

## COAL MINED FOR HUNS IS TAKEN BY FRANCE

### Ball and Chain Remain At Pendleton; Indian Convict Left Them There

PENDLETON, Jan. 18.—Just on the eve of his departure for Walla Walla to spend the remainder of his prison sentence in the Washington state prison, Andy Bushman, Indian, who has been in the hospital here since he was shot in the jaw by Jack Anderson, special officer, several days ago, took French leave last night.

Bushman was on parole from the Walla Walla institution when he got into the trouble at Rieth. An officer from the penitentiary came over and asked that a guard be placed over him until he was able to return to Walla Walla. This was believed to be too expensive and, instead, a ball and chain was hitched to his leg.

Last evening, when the nurse made her rounds, Bushman was missing. The ball and chain was still there. Bushman, probably with a file that had been smuggled to him by some of his friends who were allowed to visit, had sawed through the links of the chain and, taking advantage of the semi-darkness after the lights had been turned down, slipped out of the hospital.

Officers were seeking him last night and today were being watched. His partner, at Rieth, Louis Lachappell, was captured yesterday and is in the county jail.

## PRESIDENT IS MUCH BETTER

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—The president, who has been suffering several days with grippe, was reported much improved today, although he had indications of fever. He again cancelled all engagements and remained in his room.

## OREGON TRAIL PLAN TO BE PREPARED

The Oregon Trail committee of the Ad Club will be called to meet this week to develop a plan to be reported to the Ad Club, in connection with the Oregon Trail membership drive, for their sanction or disapproval. The report will be made next Tuesday at the regular noon-day luncheon.

## COUNTRY CLUB TO DANCE TONIGHT

The regular monthly Country Club dance will be held this evening in the Country Club, dancing to begin at nine o'clock. Loney's Orchestra has been secured for the evening and the committee in charge promises a very enjoyable evening.

## LIVESTOCK MARKETS

(By Associated Press)  
PORTLAND, Jan. 18.—Livestock is steady, eggs one cent lower, buying 28 to 32 cents, selling 34 to 38 cents; butter steady.

## COMMON USER TERM TAKEN OUT OF BILL

### State Senate Amended Resolution; Natron Cut-off May Be Started Within Eighteen Months.

SALEM, Jan. 18.—After Attorney Ben C. Dey, for the Southern Pacific informed the senate resolutions committee late yesterday that the Southern Pacific opposed the common user of the proposed Natron cutoff, the committee eliminated the reference to common user from the resolution referring to the public service commissions brief in the Central Pacific case.

Dey said that the Southern Pacific should begin construction of the Natron cutoff within eighteen months if they are given control of the Central Pacific and if the common user of cutoff is not retained.

SALEM, Jan. 18.—The senate today adopted the Ellis memorial to the interstate commerce commission urging such disposal of the Central Pacific as will allow adequate development in Oregon.

## PARDONINGS FROWNED ON BY OFFICERS

PORTLAND, Jan. 18.—Indiscriminate pardoning of felons, especially those convicted of capital offenses, was scored yesterday by sheriffs of this state, who gathered at the courthouse in the annual convention of the Oregon State Sheriffs' association, states the Portland press.

While the recent actions of Acting Governor Ritter were not mentioned in the resolution of rebuke passed by the delegates, the convention of the temporary executive that aroused ire.

The Oregon sheriffs, having practically completed their business at yesterday's session, will become an integral part of the convention of the Northwest Sheriffs and Police association, which opens this morning at the Portland Women's Club building. For three days the city will be well guarded and well policed, for, in addition to local officers it is anticipated that more than 500 visiting peace officers will be in attendance at the convention.

## Court Martial Is Instituted

### Six German Coal Magnates are Facing Military Court Trial.

### FRENCH SEIZE COAL IN RUHR DISTRICT

### French to Take Only Coal Mined and Coal Above the Ground; Due to U. S. Disfavor.

(By Associated Press)  
ESSEN, Jan. 18.—The French military authorities today instituted court martial proceedings against six Ruhr coal magnates whose names were withheld.

They were charged with "refusing to obey orders of military authorities under a state of siege." The magnates have not been arrested.

### Revise Coal Plan

The French have revised the order requisitioning mines and instead have seized only coal mined and coal above ground, because of a shortage of technical experts to operate mines and because of certain nations, notably the United States, looking with disfavor upon the term "confiscation." The coal ready for German domestic consumption is being re-routed to France.

### Soviet to Mobilize

(By Associated Press)  
LONDON, Jan. 18.—The Riga correspondent of the Times says he learns from reliable sources that the Russian soviet government has decided to mobilize actively soviet conscripts with a view to assisting Germany should Germany decide to resist the French action.

### Italy Urges Consideration

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—Italy, fearing the Ruhr situation fraught with great danger, earnestly suggested to France and Great Britain that further steps toward the collection of reparations be taken only after most mature consideration.

All the reporters were inclined to twit enforcement authorities, who charged that reports of wholesale smuggling into the United States by way of the Jersey and Long Island shores, first carried by the Associated Press, were "pipe dreams" and "gross exaggerations."

The newspapermen declared they were offered bargains in liquor of all kinds and that the conscience of their skipper was the only thing preventing them from bringing back a thousand or more cases, had they been so inclined.

They did not report sighting any "dry rats" either.

## WATER LOWER AT TWO LAKES

### Readings at Morgan and Olive Lakes Show Less Than One-Half of Last Year's Amount.

BAKER, Jan. 18.—Water readings at Olive Lake on January 15, 1922 were 16 feet while on the same date this year the reading was eight feet ten inches. At Morgan lake the January 15, 1922 reading was seven feet six inches while this year it was three feet four inches. The company's Beck Creek plant at present is operating at one-third capacity while the Cove plant is operating at one-tenth capacity. The steam plant in this city is being operated full time. For this plant the company is shipping wood from Bates and is hauling sawdust from the Steadard lumber company yards near the depot to South Baker.

About 2 per cent of the Eastern Oregon Light & Power company's output per day will be purchased from the suspended lighting plant. Manager J. P. Lottridge of the company stated yesterday. This will amount to about 700 kilowatt hours per day which will be paid for by the kilowatt hours and in addition the company is reimbursing the city for the company's share of increased expense of the city plant. Mr. Lottridge stated that it is not the desire of the company to cause anyone inconvenience but without doubt many users of power and light will be able to cooperate in some degree with the company in the amount used.

### Misses Not Hindered

It has been stated that certain sections are being hindered in operation because of the company's inability to serve them but the official states that there are no mines which are unable to operate at the present time which are not operating because of shortage of power.

## RUM RUNNERS ARE SIGHTED BY NEWS MEN

### New York "Cubs" Go to "Sea" for an Investigation of Fleet

### ONE MAN SEES 100 ALLEGED RUM SHIPS

### John B. Appleby, of the Dry Navy, Announced That His Observers Had Failed to Sight Fleet.

NEW YORK, Jan. 18.—Reporters and photographers of four New York morning newspapers put out a specially chartered tug Wednesday and toured the rim of the three-mile limit off the Jersey coast to see if the fleet of rum ships described in recent Associated Press reports was still there.

It was in a single line the ships of the fleet rode from a point reckoned to be three miles north of Seabright, N. J., to another due east of Sandy Hook and formed 15 miles to sea.

The World reporter declared he saw 100 vessels which he believed be rum runners, although the party did not have time to visit them all.

John B. Appleby, zone chief in charge of the "dry navy" operated by the prohibition enforcement authorities, had announced a few hours before the newspapers published their front page stories on the fleet, that his observers at Highland, N. J., (scene of last week's rum running) reported there were no runners in the vicinity. He said he had word eight or ten were on their way with rum cargoes from the Bahamas, and that his men were ready for them.

A coast guard cutter had been sent out by the customs department Wednesday morning to warn the rum ships already present against further violation of "traffic laws," by which it had been charged they were endangering the safety of vessels seeking entrance to New York harbor.

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## PHONE BOARD IS INCREASED

### Albert R. Hunter and Ulrich Lottes Are Added to Telephone Company's Board of Directors.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Home Independent Telephone company was held recently and the board of directors which hitherto has been numbered as five, was increased to seven. Albert R. Hunter and Ulrich Lottes, being the two new members to the board of directors.

The officers of the company remain the same as last year and the other members of the board of directors remain the same. They are J. L. Caywood, W. J. Church, Colton H. Elshard, William R. Crowe, and N. D. Crowe.

## MARTINEZ IS BOUND OVER TO GRAND JURY

A preliminary hearing was held at the justice of peace court last evening at 4:30 o'clock, Joe Martinez appearing before Justice Arthur Williams on the charge of larceny in a store. He was bound over to await the action of the grand jury and bonds were set at \$250, which he could not secure.

Martinez was put in the custody of the sheriff this afternoon.

MEBBE THIS WILL ONLY MAKE THE DOG MAD



## Turks Are Stirred Up By Waiting Game Now

LAUSANNE, Jan. 18.—The Orient and the Occident seem to be playing a game of waiting at the Near Eastern conference; each side appears to be seeking to wear the other out. The Turks, as Orientals, play a good hand at this game, but Ismet Pasha betrayed some uneasiness Wednesday that he might be overplaying his hand.

The head of the Turkish delegation and his secretary among the newspaper correspondents to see if anybody knew anything about an illegal statement by Lord Curzon predicting the collapse of the conference and describing the possibilities of signing peace as absolutely hopeless. Nobody was aware of such a statement, but the British spokesmen have been openly pessimistic and this has reached the ears of the Turks.