

**CITY  
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PORTLAND (AP)—Occasional rains today and tomorrow.

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**TWO MEN SLAIN IN BAKER  
GIANTS VICTORS IN FIRST GAME****OPEN WORLD  
SERIES TODAY  
IN NEW YORK**

Giants Beat Yankees Five to Four in Close Game.

**TICKET SALES ARE  
UNUSUALLY LARGE**

Third Successive Meeting of Yankees and Giants for World Series Title.

NEW YORK (AP)—The New York Nationals won the opening game of the world series in the Yankee Stadium here today, the final score being 5 to 4.

YANKEE STADIUM (AP)—Sixty thousand delighted fans saw ancient Casey Stengel, with two men out in the 9th and the count three to two against him, score a circuit drive enabling the Giants to walk off with the first game of the world's series, five to four. The national league champions concentrated their attack in the 4th when they drove Hoyt from the mound, and Bush, who succeeded him, held the Giants helpless until the mighty Casey blow. The Yankees outgitted their opponents and Ruth got a three-bagger in four trips to the plate. The Yankees scored three of their runs off Watson in the first two innings.

First inning: Giants, no runs, one hit, no errors. Yankees, one run, no hits, no errors.

Second inning: Giants, no runs, no hits, no errors. Yankees, two runs, three hits, no errors.

Third inning: Giants, four runs, four hits, no errors. Yankees, no runs, one hit, no errors. Ryan and Snyder relieved Watson. Casey, Bush, relieved Hoyt for Yankees.

Fourth inning: Giants, no runs, no hits, no errors. Yankees, one run, one hit, no errors. (Continued on Page 5)

**CHURCH NAMED  
COMMISSIONER**

Appointment of the United States Commissioner for This District Is Made.

W. J. Church, with offices in the New Policy building, was appointed United States commissioner for this district yesterday.

This is an office of considerable importance in federal work and the need of having a commission at this point has long been felt by law-enforcing officials.

Mr. Church is a native resident of La Grande, has represented Union county in the state legislature and is familiar with the procedure of the office to which he has been appointed.

**Recognition of Soviet  
Voted Down by A.F. of L**

PORTLAND, Ore. (By the Associated Press)—After a debate in which the soviet government of Russia was attacked and defended, the convention of the American Federation of Labor, in session here, Tuesday evening rejected a resolution proposing that the federation urge the government of the United States to take steps leading to resumption of trade relations with Russia and eventual recognition of the Russian government.

PORTLAND (By the Associated Press)—The American Federation of Labor went on record emphatically Tuesday against

**Late News Flashes****Portland Man Scalded To Death.**

GRANITE CITY, Ills. (AP)—Harry E. Hamilton, 30, chemical engineer for the St. Louis Coke and Chemical company, died today from burns received yesterday when he fell into a vat of scalding water. His home is in Portland, Oregon.

**Kels Must Hang.**

STOCKTON, Calif. (AP)—Alexander A. Kels, Lodi butcher, was sentenced today to be hanged for the murder of Edward McServy, an aged itinerant laborer, near Kels' ranch September 12.

**Red Cross Lauded By A. F. of L.**

PORTLAND. (AP)—The Federation of Labor today adopted resolutions lauding the American Red Cross, recommending the amendment of the federal eight-hour law to extend its application, favoring the passage of a bill permitting the navy yards to bid on government contracts, urging the continued efforts to combat injunctions, protesting against the alleged practice of ship owners in driving American seamen from the merchant marine and against the weakening of the civil service merit system through preference to ex-service men.

**CIRCUIT COURT TO  
CONVENE MONDAY****Republicans  
Plan Meeting**

DENVER, (INS)—Plans are under way here today for the gathering of national leaders of the Republican Party for their regional conference on October 11.

John T. Adams, chairman of the National Republican committee, will speak to Republican men and women leaders from Montana, Wyoming, Utah, Arizona, New Mexico and Colorado. A "lecture on organization" is expected to be the theme of Adams' address.

According to the announcement here, Chairman Adams will be accompanied by Mrs. Harriet Taylor Upton, who is in charge of the women's department of the Republican committee; Colonel George B. Lockwood, secretary of the Republican national committee, and J. Bennett Gordon, publicity manager for the committee.

**ONE MONTH OLD  
BABE FOUND ON  
BAKER DOORSTEP**

BAKER (Special to the Observer)—Barely one month of age, a baby boy was left on a doorstep of a Baker home last evening, presumably by his mother, who attempted to escape from the city on the east bound train but was caught by officers at the station. She is in custody of county officers today.

The woman, young in years, refused to give her name to the officers and also refused to say anything regarding her reasons for leaving the baby or whether she was the boy's mother. Police officials here today are facing a mystery that may prove sensational if it develops.

**Latin Detective Tongue.**

VIENNA, (INS)—Latin has been recommended by the International Police Congress as the international detective language.

**Two Criminal Cases Set for  
Monday and Wednesday;  
Grand Jury Returns  
Seven True Bills.**

Circuit court in Union county will reconvene after a week's adjournment, Monday morning, October 15, according to announcement by Judge J. W. Knowles today.

The first case to be tried is the State of Oregon versus Gotche and Butcher, charged with the violation of statutory charges. The case will be opened at 9:30 o'clock Monday morning. Both Gotche and Butcher were indicted by the grand jury, which has been in session during the past week but was dismissed yesterday after returning seven true bills and no untrue bills.

The second case on the court calendar for the coming week is the State of Oregon versus Hickman and Wilson, jointly indicted by the grand jury on the charge of larceny. It will be held Wednesday, October 17, beginning at nine o'clock in the morning.

**SCRANTON AND  
SHORT ENTER  
IN NEW FIRM**

Former Scranton Store Is Reorganized Under Name of 'Scranton &amp; Short, Inc.'

A business change which affects two of La Grande's well known and popular merchandizers was brought about when articles of incorporation were filed at Salem a few days ago. Scranton &amp; Short Incorporated, which has taken over the stock of many years by C. E. Scranton.

The business will remain in the old location and its policies will be similar to former years except that Mr. C. E. Short, for many years manager of the J. C. Penny company in this city, will be actively associated with the business and some new lines will be added. The Scranton store in the past has been very largely a man's store and these lines of merchandise will continue to be its specialty with lines for boys included.

In speaking of the business change which brings together these two La Grande men, Mr. Scranton said today: "With the constant growth of La Grande and her trading area, brought about not only by the increase in the city's population but also by the completion of the highway which makes a story of this nature one of service to the entire Eastern Oregon country, I found that it was very difficult for one person to handle the business and when it was possible to interest Mr. Short in the firm, I was greatly pleased to do so."

Mr. Short, who has been active in public affairs and enjoys a wide acquaintance throughout Union and Walla Walla counties, in speaking of his connection with the firm, remarked: "I have studied the business situation in several northwest cities for several years. (Continued on Page Five.)"

**GRAVITY PLAN  
SUPPORT NOT  
VERY STRONG**

Chamber of Commerce Members Hear Discussion of City Water.

**MANY IDEAS ARE  
GIVEN ON SUBJECT**

No Matter What Plan Is Adopted Citizens Must Vote Bonds to Finance Undertaking.

There was little, if any support, given to a new gravity water system for La Grande at the Chamber of Commerce luncheon yesterday. Some favored deep wells, some favored taking water from the river and treating it, thus making it pure, but no one voiced sentiment in favor of constructing a pipe line back into the mountains for a water supply. This was probably due to the very well understood fact that no mountain water is pure in this day of range animals and campers, and regardless of where water is obtained from the mountains it must be subjected to chlorination in order to have perfect safety for domestic use. Sherwood Williams, of the city commission, acted as toastmaster announcing that the meeting had been set aside for discussion of the water supply for La Grande. He called upon Dr. H. P. Landis who announced that he was an advocate of the deep well believing that pure water could be thus obtained without the process of chlorination being needed. He condemned any supply from the mountains stating it must be treated before use.

Prior to Dr. Landis' remarks City Manager Hayes reviewed the water situation stating the reservoir had

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**KENNECOTT MISSING;  
CREW MAY BE DEAD**

Three Vessels Unable to Locate Missing Motorship; May Be a Total Loss.

SEATTLE (AP)—Three vessels sent word today by wireless that they were unsuccessful in their search for the Motorship Kennecott in the place she reported herself early yesterday, on the rocks south of Dixon's entrance. Fear prevailed that the vessel may be a total loss and the fate of the crew of thirty-one is uncertain.

**Omaha Jeweler Twice  
Victim of Hold Ups**

OMAHA, Neb. (AP)—While L. C. Laren was sitting in his jewelry store Monday night, figuring just how much two bandits took when they broke into his store Saturday, two unmasked men walked in, covered him with revolvers, bound and gagged him, and escaped with \$200 in cash and diamonds valued at \$2000.

His Saturday night loss was about \$200.

**STATE CORONERS  
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**New York Irish Ask  
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NEW YORK (AP)—A delegation of Irish republicans visited city hall Tuesday hearing resolutions urging Mayor Murray Hubert to intercede in behalf of Eamon De Valera, rebel leader, who is a Free State prisoner in Dublin.

**Forest Fires  
Take Life Of  
3-Year Babe**

DULUTH (AP)—With one dead, five towns threatened with fire, inundation on the Great Lakes and bus lines near by hampered with a pall of heavy smoke and several settlers cabins burned out, the forest fires in the northern part of three states started their second day of destruction today.

Mildred Kolyva, three years old, wandered into the woods near Mokenaw, Michigan, and was burned to death.

**MACPHERSON'S  
BAKERY IS SOLD  
THIS MORNING**

J. C. Macpherson Sells Interest in Business to Kenneth MacWilliams of Spokane.

Announcement was made today by J. C. Macpherson, owner of Macpherson Bakery, that a deal was closed this morning whereby he sold his interest in his business to Kenneth MacWilliams, of Spokane, the latter to take immediate possession of Macpherson's Bakery.

Mr. MacWilliams has been connected with the bakery business in Spokane for a period of twelve years and is expected to arrive in La Grande next week. In the meantime, Mr. Macpherson will remain at the bakery.

**Will Remain Here.**

"I am not planning on removing my residence from this city," stated Mr. Macpherson today to an Evening Observer reporter, although he had no future plans to announce. "I have my home in La Grande, a city that I believe to be as fine as can be found anywhere, and I intend to be found anywhere, and I intend to be found anywhere." (Continued on Page Five.)

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**BERLIN NOW  
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Envoys at Paris and Brussels Receive Instructions to That Effect.

**ALLIES WILL NOT  
TALK TO GERMANY**

Powers Plan to Parley with the Ruhr Through Direct Channels; Ruhr Demands Drastic.

BERLIN (By the Associated Press)—The German government has instructed its representatives at Paris, French and Belgian governments whether they are ready to enter into negotiations with the German government for the resumption of work in the occupied territories. It is stated that only when replies are received will the government define its attitude towards the German industrialists' demands.

PARIS (By the Associated Press)—The French government thus far is unaware, officially, of the communication which the German representatives in Brussels and Paris are reported to have been instructed to make giving notice to the allies that the German government is ready for negotiations with the object of bringing about an early revival of the economic life of the Ruhr.

The charge d'affaires in Brussels is understood to have delivered his message to the Belgian government and the absence of Premier Poincare from Paris is thought to account for the failure of a similar move as yet here. It was stated by a foreign office official Tuesday night, however, that France and Belgium will adhere to the policy they long ago decided on, which is that they will not send delegates to the Ruhr to meet representatives of the German government, but will continue their negotiations direct with the Ruhr interests and will wait for the action of the interallied reparations commission on any proposition Berlin has to offer.

**Expects Different Move.**

The foreign office has been expected to hear from the German government, but anticipated that the communication would refer to the reparations question as a whole instead of being confined to the economic activities in the Ruhr. This question is regarded at the great d'oreux as being the French and Belgian government's on one hand and the industrial and laboring interests in the occupied region on the other and intervention by the Berlin government is looked upon as unnecessary with reparations. (Continued on Page 5.)

**Walton Offers to Prove  
His Good Faith in Fight**

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP)—Governor Walton, after nine months in office, stood ready today to abdicate in order to bring to a successful close his war on the Ku Klux Klan. His only condition was that the lawmakers first pass his bill designed to unmask the Klan and curb mob violence in the state.

OKLAHOMA CITY, Oklahoma (By the Associated Press)—Governor J. C. Walton Tuesday night offered to resign to prove his good faith in his fight against the Ku Klux Klan in Oklahoma. If the legislature, at its forthcoming special session, will enact an anti-Klan law which he will submit to the lawmakers.

Challenging opponents of his administration whose battle cry has been, "We want neither Klan nor king," the executive issued a statement, addressed to the people of Oklahoma, saying:

"When this bill becomes law it will rid the state of the Klan, and I will resign the office of governor immediately thereupon. In this way the people will be protected from the Klan and peace and harmony can be restored to the state."

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**DEPUTY SHOT;  
POLICE CHIEF  
KILLS SLAYER**

Al Huggins, Deputy Sheriff, and J. E. Griffith, Ex-Convict, Both Dead.

**SHOOTING RESULT  
ATTEMPTED ARREST**

Griffith, Liquor-Crazed, Resisted Officers; Was Riled Over Rearrest of Son and Daughter-in-Law.

BAKER. (Special to the Observer)—Al Huggins, deputy sheriff, and J. E. Griffith, both of this city, are dead today as the result of a shooting scrape that occurred this morning at 1:30 o'clock at the Central Hotel, on Washington street, about two blocks from the main thoroughfare of the city.

Huggins and Chief of Police Waldo Vaughn attempted to arrest Griffith, who was crazed with moonshine and creating a disturbance by shooting wildly. In the ensuing sensational encounter, Huggins was shot thru the heart, dying instantly, by Griffith, who in turn was shot twice, once in the abdomen and once in the head, by Vaughn. Griffith died at 4:55 o'clock this morning.

An inquest is being held here today.

The shooting that resulted in the double death of two Baker men this morning is the culmination of a story that had its beginning in April when Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Griffith, proprietors of the Central Hotel, were arrested on liquor charges, found guilty and sentenced to 100 days in jail. They appealed the case to the circuit court and were released under bonds. Yesterday their bondsmen withdrew the bail and they were rearrested.

"Dad" Griffith, father of E. M. Griffith, according to stories, became angered at this action and started drinking, in the evening. About midnight his actions became almost maniacal and shortly afterwards he

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Briefly, the governor's bill prohibits the use of the mask by secret organizations in Oklahoma, and provides that all such orders shall be complete membership lists with the regularly appointed civil authorities.

If the proposition is not accepted, Governor Walton declared he will decide further how "we must proceed to protect ourselves from this organization of masked marauders who have practical control of the judiciary and police powers in the principal cities of the state."

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla. (By the Associated Press)—Preliminary hearing for N. C. Jewett, grand dragon of the Ku Klux Klan for the realm of Oklahoma, charged with riot, set for Tuesday in justice court, was postponed upon agreement of counsel until Wednesday.

A similar delay of one day was also announced in the hearing of an injunction action brought by Governor J. C. Walton to prevent the state election board from certifying returns from last Tuesday's special election to the secretary of state. "The postponement of the injunction case was made necessary by a murder trial in progress before Judge Tom G. Chambers, Jr., in district court, before whom the governor's action was brought."