Local News In Brief

Passenger Agent Here—
Jimmy Hicks, travelling passenger agent of the O.-W. company, is in La Grande today on business. Mr. Hicks makes his headquarters in Portland.

Norman Frees to Speak—
The regular meeting of the Presbyterian Men's club will be held at the home of John Macpherson at the head of Fourth street this evening at 7:30 o'clock. Norman Frees will be the speaker.

Building Permit Issued—
A building permit was issued yesterday to W. Cass to erect a one story frame building to be used as a garage on Lot 3, Block 116 Chaplin's addition, fronting Jefferson avenue between Greenwood and Hemlock streets. The preliminary estimated cost is $400.

BULLETINS

McKee Appointed.
PORTLAND, (AP) — Attorney General Van Winkle today appointed Miles McKee, Portland, as assistant attorney general to take charge of the legal machinery of the state income tax department.

Want Venizelos Return.
ATHENS, (AP)—A group representing four thousand officers of the Greek army and navy sent a telegram to former Premier Venizelos, in Paris, urging him to return to Athens immediately.

Cattle Slow.
PORTLAND, (AP) — Cattle is slow on today's market, with hogs, eggs and sheep steady and butter firm.

Go To Jury.
ATLANTA, Ga, (AP)—Consideration of evidence which will decide the fate of Philip E. Fox, former Ku Klux Klan editor, charged with the murder of William S. Coburn, is to begin today when the case is scheduled to be given to the trial jury.

Covell Gets Life Term.
MARSHFIELD, Ore. (I.N.S) — Alton Covell, who was found guilty of murdering his step-mother, Mrs. Ebba Covell, was sentenced Wednesday to serve a term of life imprisonment.

BAKER, (Special)—Tonight will be the big meeting of the year for the Baker post of the American Legion, when a class of more than 100 will be initiated. Commander Fred E. Kiddle, of Island City, will be present.

Greased Pig Fatality.
PORT JARVIS, N. Y.—Charles Thompson dropped dead while chasing a greased pig at a fair.

UMATILLA JURY WILL CONVENE

PENDLETON, Or. (Special) — The shooting of Gordon Mettie by Miss Nora Rifle in front of the girls ranch home in the mountains near Alice on October 28 will be investigated fully by the grand jury when it convenes January 2, according to R. I. Keator, district attorney. The order for the convening of the body was issued by Judge Gilbert W. Phelps.

The killing of Mettie, who came to his death as a result of a rifle shot which Miss Rifle admitted she fired, occupies a place aside from the ordinary in the annals of crime in Umatilla county and is the first case in many years in which a woman has been charged with murder in Umatilla county.

4 GIRL BABIES ARRIVE DURING PAST FEW DAYS

A total of four girl babies, and no boy babies, have been born in the Grande Ronde Hospital during the past few days.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Osborne, of Imbler, are happy with the birth of an eight-pound girl at the hospital December 18.

On the same day Mr. and Mrs. Albert Currey, of La Grande, became father and mother of a nine-pound baby daughter.

An eight-pound girl was born at the hospital this morning to Mr. and Mrs. L. Wheaty, of La Grande.

The infant daughter of Mrs. R. R. Collins, deceased, is reported to be doing nicely.

NEW TODAY

FOR RENT — Modern furnished apartment at the Edenholm. Phone 276-M. 12-20-tf

FOR RENT — Two room apartment, furnished for light housekeeping. 1305 M Ave. 12-20-2t

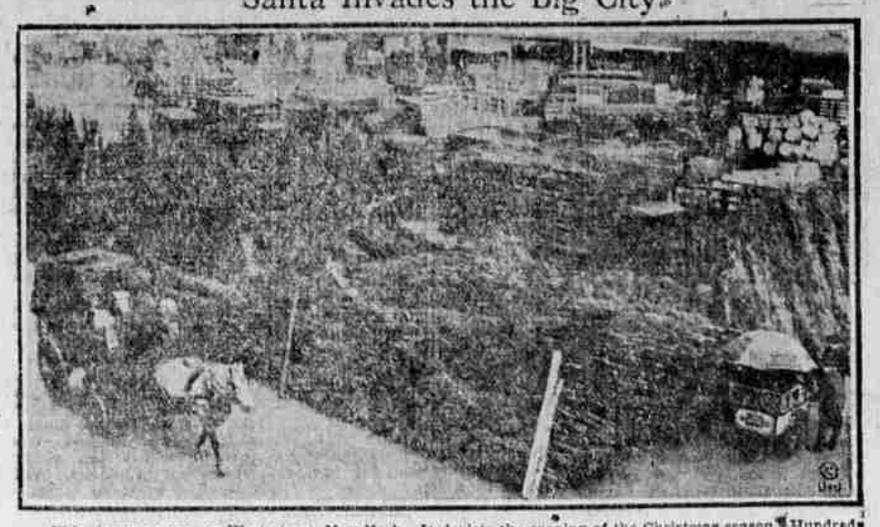
WANTED—Would like to get place for girl to care for children after school. 1716 Cherry. Phone 131-J. 12-20-2tp

FOR SALE—Stack of grain hay. $6.50 per ton. J. E. Chenault. 12-20-1tp

WANTED — To hear from owner who has dairy cows for sale. Phone Farmers 43. 12-20-1t

FOR SALE—Three lots and house. Good location. Price $1500. See R. Rose, corner Second and B streets. 12-20-3tp

Santa Invades the Big City.



This shows a scene on West street, New York. It depicts the opening of the Christmas season. Hundreds of Christmas trees have arrived for sale, and more are coming daily.

EFFORT TO END FIGHT IS RENEWED

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support of only the Republican liberals on the majority side of the chamber.

Democrats Assail Majority

After the second ballot and while Senator Lodge of Massachusetts, the Republican leader, was seeking to move for an executive session, the flood gates were opened for Democratic oratory for the first time this season. In starting the discussion Senator Reed, Democrat, Missouri, referred to the continuous balloting as "child's play" and gave notice that after the holidays he would move for the senate to proceed to public business.

Other Democrats charged that the Republican majority was unable to organize the senate. This brought a retort from Senator Brookhart, Iowa, a Republican insurgent, that the Republicans were not wholly to blame for the deadlock since one Democratic senator, Bruce of Maryland, had refused to support Senator Smith at a time when one vote would have elected him.

Row Over Postmasters

After the senate went into executive session it got into another row over confirmation of postmasters but finally approved the appointment of 764 of them in a session continuing more than two hours. Methods of selecting postmasters in the southern states and charges that former service men have been discriminated against in appointments formed the chief subject of controversy.

Senator McKellar, Democrat, Tennessee, offered a resolution under which the postmaster general would be directed to furnish the senate "at the earliest practicable moment" the names of all first second and third class postmasters appointed since March 4, 1921, and selected over "one or more ex-service men higher on the eligible lists." Action on the resolution was deferred.

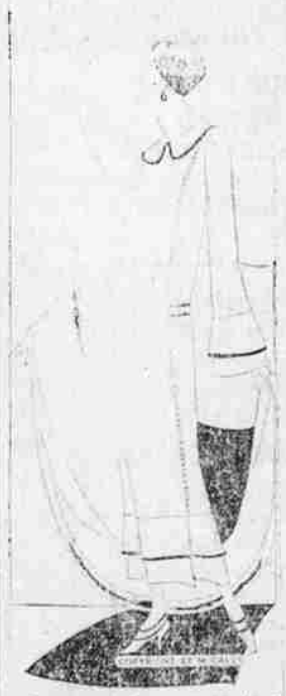
LABOR CHIEFTAIN IS CALLED BEYOND

SAN FRANCISCO, (AP)—Geo. A. Tracy, 63, city civil service commissioner, labor leader and president of the Typographical union of San Francisco for many years, died Tuesday night.

Tracy was past president of the State Federation of Labor, former vice president of the International Typographical union and former second vice president of the National Civil Service association. He was born in Monmouth, Ill.

Breakfasts are now being served by our Chef. Mr. Newman. Our leader. Waffles & coffee 25c. 12-17-5t

Buttons Important



On many of the smartest tailored dresses of the season buttons are the sole trimming. They go from neckline to hem and back again—in front, in back, on sleeves, collars and slits. An extremely wide or basket is one that buttons all the way down the front—and comes from the shoulders down, but as well is out of the world as out of fashion.

ENGLISH DREAM OF ROAST BEEF

LONDON, (AP)—Just as the Yankee living in foreign lands day dreams, as Christmas approaches, of turkey dinners that are not to be for him, so the Englishman far from home, hungers for roast beef. Most of these alien dreams go unfilled, the dreamers contenting themselves with the thought that one of these Christmases they will return to the old family fireplace or radiator, and eat to their heart's content. But there are other exiles, fortunate of place and pocketbook, who can obey the annual impulse to go home for Christmas. Their numbers seem on the increase.

The British Isles are the focal point for numbers of Englishmen and Scotsmen who hit the homeward trail from Canada, from India, and South Africa and the other overseas parcels of Empire as the Yuletide comes nigh. This year the homecoming Britons are so numerous that special excursion ships are being run up from South Africa to accommodate them. Three such steamships will arrive at English ports just a few days before Christmas.

Trans - Atlantic liners always find the winter lull in traffic enlivened a little at the holiday season by Americans hurrying home from Europe just in time to get in on the big eating, and Europeans coming back from America. This year is no exception. The Christmas pilgrimages have already begun. Among those who left England this week-end were several of the American students at Oxford. There the Christmas vacation is long enough to permit the Americans to spend a month with the home folks, before returning to their rounds of reading and rowing and teas and tutors.

DENIAL IS ISSUED BY TCHITCHERIN

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on negotiate. We, then, on our part, might ask that all our counter claims all of our demands for compensation because of American intervention, should be settled before there are any negotiations.

Denies Support to Revolt.

"He said also," continued the soviet foreign minister, "that negotiations are impossible until Moscow ceases to be the center of propaganda. New York also is the center of propaganda. Many of the revolutionary parties have executives there. We have many times declared that no support was given by our government to the revolutionary parties there. At the time Martens was expelled no evidence of such support was given.

"So we declare that now and in the future we do not and will not give support from our government to the revolutionary parties in America; that our principle is non-interference with the internal affairs of another country.

"We know that the section of public opinion in America which understands the advantages of relations with us is gradually growing, and we continue to fix our hopes on a change in public opinion in America."

M. Tchitcherin said that further overtures from Russia at present seemed impossible, and other officials to whom the Hughes statement seemed to come as a startling check, after the expressions in President Coolidge's message, took the view that there was little hope of dealing with America under the present administration.

WASHINGTON, (AP) — Intercepted instructions from Russia to the workers' party of America, outlining detailed plans for a proletarian revolution in America "to raise the red flag over the White House" were made public Wednesday by the state department in support of Secretary Hughes' refusal Tuesday to enter into any negotiations with soviet Russia.

The department's announcement said that the department of justice "has assured the state department of the authenticity of these instructions."

Part of the program outlined provides for the organization among industrial workers in the United States of "fighting units."

The members of the fighting units in addition to all other matters, the instructions said, must once a week be given instructions in shooting and receive some instruction in pioneer work (sapper work.)

FEDERALS REPORTED AS GAINING

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upon the San Marcos battlefield, said dispatches.

The federal cavalry was unofficially reported to have executed a flanking movement, isolating 2000 irregulars at San Marcos by an attack from the rear, forcing them to flight.

LAREDO, Texas (AP)—Official reports on the battle of San Marcos concerning which reports have been conflicting, said that the Mexican government troops are holding their ground with prospects of success.

(By the Associatest Press.)

The cloud of obscurity still hovers over the military situation in Mexico. No authentic news has come through as yet that would serve to give sufficient light upon the government and rebel accounts of events and make clear which is right.

Both the federal and the De la Huerta camps are claiming successes for their respective forces in the maneuvers east of the capital in the region of San Marcos. Nothing has come through to clear up the report of one of the Vera Cruz correspondents with the rebel army on this sector, that attempts were being made to arrange an armistice preceding efforts to bring about cessation of hostilities.

To the west of the capital, in the state of Jalisco, the federal forces are declared in official advices to be advancing against the rebels. The report asserts that a decisive battle between the federal troops and "General" Estrada's forces in this region is imminent.

From Mexico City President Obregon has sent a message to the Associated Press saying that the greater portion of the federal army has remained loyal and is fighting energetically against the traitors. The president adds that he has reason to believe peace will be restored very quickly.

DEBATING NOW COLLEGE TOPIC

EUGENE, Ore. (AP)—Intercollegiate debating is now occupying a good part of the time of the students of the University of Oregon and there appears to be greater interest in it than for several seasons. This year will be the first time that the schedule has included a trip for women to the University of California. Last year only one team made the trip.

Besides the California debate, the women's team will meet Oregon Agricultural college and the Willamette university in a triangle affair.

In addition to the women's debates scheduled and the several in which the men's team will compete, a number of students will work in preparation for the oratorical contests. The first of this nature will be the state "old line" contest to be held March 14. Three others will follow. They are the state contest in which first prize of $75 is given for the best "peace" oration and $50 for second; the northwest meet with Washington, Oregon and Idaho competing, and the Failing-Beckman contest, to be held at commencement time, the first prize being $150 and second $100.

The next debate for men will be the triangular Idaho-British Columbia meet to be held January 18.

School Girl

These are dresses neither skin nor shape shown for school girls this season. They need be bright-colored embroideries and in colored trimmings. They are made of the warmest and softest materials—and few of the new ones are shown here to show you just how pretty they are.

Minor Fire Occurs Early This Morning

A small fire, that was quickly extinguished, occurred in Anthony's Restaurant this morning at 8:30 o'clock. According to the fire department, a grease ventilator burned out. Practically no damage was done.

COMMISSION MEET POSTPONED A DAY

Due to the absence of Commissioner C. J. Black who was called to Idaho, and circumstances that prevented another commissioner from attending, the city commission did not meet last evening.

The body will probably convene this evening in the city hall building.

UMATILLA CO. OFFICE CLOSED

PENDLETON, Ore. (Special) — Home demonstration work, carried on in Umatilla county since July, 1918, was discontinued Wednesday and the office closed by Miss Ruth Hoffman. The closing of the office and discontinuance of the work is a result of the action of the county budget committee, which made no appropriation for the work in the interests of economy. Miss Hoffman will leave within a short time for Mower county, Minnesota, where she will be in home demonstration work.

SEND CASH XMAS GIFTS ABROAD

SPOKANE (AP) — Christmas gifts in the form of cash remittances to relatives and friends in the "old countries," are being sent out of Spokane at the rate of $2000 per day, according to B. J. Cavanaugh, money order clerk at the Spokane postoffice. This daily average is heavier than amounts sent out in former years, it was stated.

During a three day period recently, more than 280 money orders to foreign countries were issued. The orders averaged over $15 each, and nearly all were sent to Sweden, Norway, England and Germany. Christmas gifts to more distant countries were forwarded earlier in the year.

On account of the United States having no postal conventions with some countries, money orders are refused for Bulgaria, Czecho-Slovakia and other middle-European countries.

Canadian money orders, classified as domestic, have been right but this is attributed to the desire of local resident to select gifts personally for shipment to the neighboring country.

POPE NAMES TWO CARDINALS TODAY

ROME, (AP)—Pope Pius XI, at a secret consistory today, created two Italian cardinals, Fearlsio Lucidi, papal auditor and Monsignor Aurelio Galli, director general of the Vatican museums, and in his allocution at the consistory, the pope pointed out that peace conditions in Europe had not changed for the better since the last consistory. He recalled the visit of King Alfonso and Queen Victoria of Spain and announced that the Irish question was approaching settlement.

Free Christian Science lecture at Star theatre tonight. No collection will be taken. The public is cordially invited. 12-20-1t

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