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The Weather Portland (AP)—Oregon—Rain or snow with warmer weather in the east portion, rain in the west tonight and Wednesday.

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SHOW DOWN ON BONUS IS ANTICIPATED

Formal Call for Thursday Bonus Conference Is Issued Today

MAY DISPLACE MELLON PLAN

Republican Organization Striving to Keep Tax Bill on Legislative Program.

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—A showdown among the House Republicans on the gold bill is anticipated with the issuance today of a formal call for a conference Thursday for a discussion of the question.

With former service men in the House pressing for action on the bonus, the Republican organization have redoubled their efforts to keep the Mellon tax bill from being displaced on the legislative program.

DIXMUDE THOUGHT DESTROYED BY AN EXPLOSION NOW

TOULON France (AP)—A medical examination of the body of Lieutenant Grenadan, commander of the dirigible Dixmude, has shown that the officer received a violent shock, that all his limbs were broken and that he was dead before he fell into the sea.

STORM STOPS SERVICE HERE

If one does not believe that a storm raged in the Grande Ronde valley yesterday forenoon he can be assured of the fact by the line-men of the Eastern Oregon Light and Power Company.

G. O. P. Insurgents Have New Tax Plan

WASHINGTON (AP)—Another tax plan, one that the Republican insurgents in the house were offered Monday as a substitute for the Mellon plan, which already had drawn the fire of the Democratic members of the house ways and means committee.

Mellon



Andrew J. Mellon's plan for tax reduction is exciting much comment in the United States today.

NO PORTLAND SILVER THAW

Snow Prevents Expected Disaster; Roseburg Is Threatened by River Floods.

PORTLAND (By the Associated Press)—Three inches of snow falling after midnight checked an incipient silver thaw.

Roseburg, Oregon, reported flooding temperatures with melting snow in the mountains that threatened river floods.

The minimum temperature in La Grande last night, according to the thermometer at the fire station, was 19 degrees above zero.

PYTHIAN KNIGHTS INSTALL OFFICERS

The Knights of Pythias lodge of La Grande, installed the following officers last evening in the K. of P. hall.

Banks Hold Meetings. Stockholders of each of the La Grande banks were in annual session today attending to matters that come before the stockholders.

DEATH ANGEL TAKES TURNER OLIVER HERE

Prominent Resident of La Grande Is Called Beyond at 5 O'clock Monday Eve.

Turner Oliver, for many years prominent in public affairs not only in the Grande Ronde valley but in wider fields, was called by death last evening at five o'clock.

His body will lie in state at the Bohlenkamp chapel tomorrow from 11 o'clock in the morning until one o'clock in the afternoon.

Court Gives Rail Decision

WASHINGTON (AP)—Provisions of the transportation act requiring railroads to divide with the government their excess earnings were sustained Monday by the supreme court.

The attack upon the constitutionality of the recapture clauses was brought by the Dayton-Gooch Creek Railway company of Texas.

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POPE WANTS HOLY YEAR JOYFUL ONE

ROME (By the Associated Press)—Pope Pius wishes holy year, which falls in 1925, to be a period of solemn celebrations and rejoicing for the Catholic church.

In the meantime work is progressing actively in the Vatican gardens and the great yard of buildings in preparation for the missionary exhibition, demonstrating the work of Catholic missionaries in distant countries.

Hangs Himself on His Wedding Anniversary

FOCATELLO, Idaho (AP)—Evert Green of Groveland, near Blackfoot, hanged himself some time Sunday afternoon, according to word received here.

EVACUATION OF OIL CITY IS REPORTED

Rebels Said to Have Left Tuxpam, in Northern Vera Cruz; Denial Is Made by Insurgents.

MEXICO CITY (By the Associated Press)—Revolutionary forces have evacuated Tuxpam, an important oil center in northern Vera Cruz, according to a statement from the federal headquarters here.

Rebel leaders later denied the evacuation of the city.

Officers of the Pan-American Petroleum and Transport company announced today that the rebels had taken possession of its field at Tierra Blanca and Chapapote Nunch.

SAVING SEEN IN WOOL RATE

PENDLETON, Or.—(Special)—If freight rates on wool recently recommended by C. G. Case, secretary of the interstate commerce commission, are accepted by that body, sheep men of Pendleton and points west will have a cheaper rate by shipping to Portland and thence by water to Boston.

Information to this effect has been received by Mac Hoke, secretary of the Oregon Wool Growers, from F. R. Marshall, secretary of the National Wool Growers of Salt Lake City.

Fourth section relief to the railroads will not be granted under the recommendations of the committee.

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URGENT CONGRESS TO RECOGNIZE "OREGON TRAIL"

WASHINGTON (Special)—From W. E. Monahan of Baker, Congressman Elton Watkins has received an appeal for official designation by congress of the Old Oregon Trail, over which the pioneers traveled through Wyoming, Southern Idaho and Oregon.

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Coolidge took further steps to aid the Oregon government in Mexico Monday, signing a proclamation which imposed an immediate embargo on any shipments of war munitions to Mexico City.

SHERIFFS HIT STATE AGENTS

PORTLAND (By the Associated Press)—State prohibition department officers criticized by sheriff's Monday attending a three day school for officers in the federal prohibition headquarters.

The sheriffs branded them as inefficient and meddling.

Sheriff Elingson, of Coos county, said: "So far as state officers are concerned we haven't gotten along very well. They have sent men into our country for a week or two without letting us know about it. Later we have learned they come back and said we were all rascals."

SYRACUSE IS BECOMING "COLLEGE OF VENUSES"

SYRACUSE, N. Y. (INR.)—A college of Venuses, such will soon be the designation of Syracuse University, according to Prof. Katherine Ribbey, head of the Coe-de Physical Education Department.

Apple Crop Is Moving

HOOD RIVER, Or.—The movement of apples from here has resumed following the holidays, and at present the Apple Growers' association, the total receipts of the organization reaching 1,684,484 boxes, has on hand only 276,774 boxes less than 400 cars.

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Feared By Rum Runners



Vessels of the U. S. coast guard, one of which is above pictured, are held to be the government's most effective weapon against the rum runners on the Atlantic and Pacific coasts.

ADD SEATS IN HI GYMNASIUM

Reserved Section Planned for Business Men; Seating Capacity to Be Doubled.

With the view of making arrangements to accommodate as many La Grande fans as possible, the local high school has just completed enlarging the seating capacity of the local gymnasium.

PLACE BAN ON REBEL ARMS

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Coolidge's Mexican policy, resulting yesterday in an arms embargo directed against the De la Huerta revolutionists, was assailed from Democratic quarters today in the Senate.

MEADON CAMPAIGN ON NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP)

The vanguard of the William Gibbs Meadon supporters are here today to launch the Meadon campaign. The fight is to be made for instructed delegation from Tennessee to the Democratic convention.

MEADON MESSAGE

LOS ANGELES (AP)—Something of the rugged character and leadership of Andrew Jackson injected into American public affairs would "re-inspire the nation," William Gibbs Meadon today told Democrats of Tennessee in a message to the conference of the party leaders in Nashville.

YEGGEMEN BUSY

TACOMA (AP)—Yeggmen early today overpowered the watchman at the Lincoln high school here, knocked the combination of the school vault, and took \$500 cash, then imprisoning the watchman in the vault.

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UNION SCHOOL PROMISED

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BULLETINS

Findings Changed. WASHINGTON (AP)—Chairman Reed, of the senate veterans committee, told the senate today that John F. O'Ryan, the committee's general counsel in the veterans' bureau, had "extensively changed" some of the findings made in the first report.

Judge Knowles Reversed. BALEM (AP)—Supreme court decisions today included Lulu Ebell, an administratrix of the estate of Gerald Ebell, deceased, via Oregon-Washington Railroad & Navigation company, applicant in an appeal from Union county in an action for damages under the federal employers liability act.

Two Must Hang. BALEM (AP)—Abraham Evans and Russell Hecker, convicted murderers awaiting execution at the Oregon penitentiary, must hang unless Governor Pierce intervenes.

San Francisco (AP)—George Roth, socially prominent, committed suicide as police entered his apartment to arrest him for having run down Heber Tilden with his automobile. Roth failed to render aid.

USE COUPON IN YOUR VOTE ON PEACE PLAN. The American Peace Award, which has selected a plan for co-operation of the United States in a world wide effort to outlaw war, has asked the public to express its opinion on this plan by means of a referendum vote.

James Young, charged with being drunk, pleaded not guilty this morning in the municipal court. Trial is set for seven o'clock tonight.

THIRTY DAYS GIVEN DRUNK

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BRITISH TO PROTEST 3 SEIZURES

English Embassy in U. S. Capital Files New Inquiry Today

KWASIND PROBE ACTION DESIRED

State Department Holds Inquiry Is Preliminary to Protest Due to Rum Seizures.

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—The seizure of the British schooner Kwasind by United States authorities at Wilmington, N. C., after the ship had put in for repairs, carrying liquor cargoes, was made the subject of a new inquiry filed with the state department by the British government.

The state department is awaiting information from the treasury department concerning seizure beyond the three mile limit of the British schooners Tomoka and Island Home against which the British embassy has filed protests.

JAP FREIGHTER FLOATED TODAY

PORTLAND (AP)—The Japanese freighter Hakuho Maru, which went aground on Sandy Beach off Willapa Harbor last night, got off under her own power early today, according to a wire less message. She was enroute from Tacoma to Toob, with a cargo of lumber.

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Late News Flashes

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