

BANK HEADS TESTIFY REGARDING FINANCES OF McLEAN IN 1921

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The Weather
PORTLAND (AP) —
Oregon — rain tonight and
Tuesday with strong south-
erly winds.

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SLEMP DENIES OIL IMPLICATION

BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT IS PERFECTED

Matching of Teams and
Selection of Officials
Agreed Upon

LA GRANDE PLAYS
FIRST ON FRIDAY

Six Teams Open Union
Tournament Thursday;
Semi-Finals and Final
Game Saturday Night.

Eleven teams, representing Wall-
lawa, Union, Grant, Harney, Mc-
laine and Baker county high
schools, will participate in the dis-
trict basketball tournament to be
held in Union this Thursday, Fri-
day and Saturday.

The tournament, of the elimination
sort, will begin Thursday after-
noon at 4 o'clock. Elimination
contests will be played Thursday
and Friday and the semi-finals are
arranged for Saturday afternoon.
Saturday evening, at 8 o'clock, the
final game for the district title and
the trip to Salem to participate in
the state tournament March 12, 14
and 15, will be played. Following
the final game the American Legion
post of Union will sponsor a dance
in the gym.

Plant Plans Arranged
Drawing of opponents, by lots
occurred Saturday afternoon in La
Grande at a meeting attended by
Roy Conklin, superintendent of the
Union schools and in charge of the
tournament, E. D. Towler, principal of
the La Grande schools and a
member of the tournament official
committee, a newspaperman of this
city and Coach L. C. MacTavish, of
La Grande high school. MacTavish
had no part in the drawing but
was merely a witness to the proceed-
ings.

Before the matching lottery
was prepared H. M. Eubank, of
Enterprise, president of the State
High School Athletic association,

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5 PERMITS TO BUILD ISSUED

Five building permits were is-
sued over the week end in the city
recorder's office which is nearly
a record for this year. Estimated
expenditures on the five buildings
and repairs specified in the permits
amount to a total of \$12,400.

The permits were as follows:
C. D. Goodenough secured a per-
mit to erect a billboard for the
Eastern Oregon Power Advertising
company, on a part of Lot 2, Block
2, in Columbia addition, fronting
the O.W. tracks between
Jefferson and Spruce streets. The
estimated cost is \$100.

Mrs. S. C. Zuber secured a per-
mit to repair a one-story frame
building on Lots 22, 2, 4, Block 25,
in Columbia addition to be used
as an auto court, fronting on Nev-
ada.

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Disarmament Parley Is Successful, Is Claim

ROME (By the Associated Press).
"Everybody has put their cards
on the table" at this conference,"
said Commander Hodge of Great
Britain, secretary of the naval dis-
armament conference, to the Asso-
ciated Press.

"We all have learned some-
thing," he added. "We know just
where we all stand, and for that
reason, this meeting is bound to
bring good results on the question
of limitation of armaments."

"For instance, like Russia,
which was a great problem as
where we all were at sea. That we
heard the Russian viewpoint dis-
cussed frankly by the Russian
representative, we offered our
counter viewpoint. Then, arriving
at some basis, everybody had learned
of the other man's case. I am
sure this feeling prevails through-
out the whole commission."

Tonnage Figures Secret
Commander Hodge refused to
give any of the tonnage figures

On Trial



Rev. Adalberto Delorme, Mon-
treal priest, must go to trial for
the murder of his half-brother,
Paul Delorme. The trial com-
mences today.

BULLETINS

CASE DISMISSED.
Portland (AP)—Owing to a de-
fective search warrant under which
opium and narcotics were
alleged to have been seized in
the establishment of Lou Goug
Men, of La Grande, the case
against him which was to have
been tried tomorrow was dismissed
today by Federal Judge Beau.

GOVERNOR CONSIDERED.
Washington (AP)—Joseph N.
Dixon, Montana governor and
former leader in the Roosevelt
progressive party movement, is be-
ing seriously considered as a suc-
cessor to Denby, ex-secretary of
the navy.

INDICTMENT IS ISSUED.
Indianapolis (AP)—The finan-
cial difficulties of Warren T. Mc-
Crory, governor of Indiana, were
augmented by his indictment by
the federal grand jury on charges
of using the mails in schemes to
defraud and also in violation of the
national banking laws.

The charges, included in the re-
port made by the grand jury, were
made Saturday but not made pub-
lic until today when the governor
surrendered to a United States
marshal.

He was indicted following a week
of investigation during which a
number of Indiana and Chicago
bankers appeared before the grand
jury.

In addition to the latest charges
the governor's financial transac-
tions have led to his indictment in
Marion county's municipal court on
charges of embezzlement, larceny
and pretexts, bankruptcy
proceedings have been launched
against him in federal court and
assignment of all his assets to his
creditor's committee.

MARKET QUOTATIONS.
Portland (AP)—Cattle steady to
a quarter and a half dollar higher,
hogs unevenly steady, sheep 50 to
75 cents higher with best alms
\$10 to \$11. Eggs and butter firm.

**APARTMENT FIRE
IS FATAL TO ONE**

NEW YORK (AP)—Ralph C.
Clark, 54 years old, said to be an
executive of the Pure Oil company,
was injured to death and 20 fam-
ilies were driven to the street as
the result of a fire in Clark's
apartment in a fashionable West
Side apartment house.

discussed, saying that all the mem-
bers of the commission were
extraordinary until the meeting
ended.

The delegates to the conference
Sunday took a rest and made sight-
seeing trips into the country.

There is a slight disappointment
regarding Spain's stand for the
tonnage she requested and her
withdrawal from the conference.
The commission has met with
many snags similar to that of
Spain, but nevertheless many of
the delegates insist that the meet-
ing has been a success.

Commander Hodge, asked if he
thought the conference might be
considered successful in overcom-
ing divergencies of the South
American countries with regard to
naval armaments, replied: "Yes, I
think it has been. The delegates
have discussed their particular
claims with great candor and now
know each other's viewpoint bet-
ter."

FINAL VOTE ON REVENUE BILL SOON

Action Promised in the
House Either Thurs-
day or Friday

COMPENSATION
NEXT ON SLATE

Committee Promises to
Take Up the Soldier
Bonus Immediately.

WASHINGTON (By the Asso-
ciated Press).—The revenue bill enters
its final stage of house considera-
tion this week facing further
changes by the Democratic-Rep-
ublican insurgent coalition.

Today the state or inheritance
tax section will be taken up and
Representative Ramseyer, Republi-
can, Iowa, has said he would offer
an amendment to increase these
rates. Chairman Green of the ways
and means committee also has an-
nounced he would propose a gift
tax. Republican insurgents are be-
hind both proposals and the Demo-
cratic report on the bill by the
ways and means members also sug-
gested such revisions.

Further contests are expected on
the other miscellaneous taxes as
well as on the proposal to reduce
the 1922 income taxes which are
payable this year. Democrats op-
posing the provision for a flat 25
per cent cut with an offer to make
their income rate schedule approved
last week made retroactive for a
year.

Garner Gives Attitude.
Representative Garner, Texas,
leader of the Democratic tax forces
reiterated Sunday that he would
not support any extended reduc-
tions other than those carried in
the bill without providing for ad-
ditional revenue from other sources
in order to minimize the grounds
for a presidential veto. Republi-
cans claim, on the basis of treas-
ury estimates, that the measure
with the Democratic income rates
already adopted would cause a deficit
of \$300,000,000 in 1926. The Demo-
crats assert that their plan will
raise more revenue next year than
a year.

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BOY BANDITS ARE ARRESTED

PENDLETON, Ore. (Special).
Robberies amounting to several
thousand dollars committed during
the past year in the east end of
Umatilla county were solved Sat-
urday afternoon and night with the
arrest by T. B. Buffington, deputy
sheriff, and Price, Troch, federal
officer, of nine boys who live in
Milton and Freewater.

The youths were organized, and
according to statements made by
some of them who have confessed to
the officers, they operated under the
direction of their "president,"
Walter Eaton, 18.

Some of the work done by the
gang, which included boys be-
tween the ages of 12 and 18, con-
sisted of six store burglaries and
the theft of three cars and about
three dozen bicycles.

In addition, much petty larceny
which has prevailed in the district
around Milton and Freewater has
been traced to the gang, according
to Deputy Sheriff Buffington.

Too great persistence on the
part of two of the youths led to
their downfall and the uncovering
of the organization.

**POLICE BUSIER
THAN USUAL IN
PAST SEVEN DAYS**

The police department spent a
somewhat busier week than ordi-
narily during the past seven days.
Nine arrests were recorded and of
that number seven were convicted
and two cases have been continued
—that of A. Horek, Jr., charged
with driving a car without proper
license, and Everett M. Irwin, charged
with cutting corners. Irwin will
be tried Wednesday and Horek
will be tried as soon as reports
from Salem are received here.

Fred Goldman and K. D. Childs
were arrested over the week end
and fined \$5 for cutting corners.

Ruth Scott Wins State Essay Prize

Essay Entitled "Causes
of American Revolution"
Takes State Hon-
ors.

Miss Ruth Scott, winner of first
prize in a statewide essay contest
conducted by the American Legion
last year, added further to her
laurels by winning first in a state-
wide essay contest conducted in
Oregon by the Oregon Society of
the Sons of the American Revolution,
according to word received by
A. C. Hampton, superintendent of
schools, today.

Miss Scott, participating against
essay writers from all over Ore-
gon, was given the premier honors,
and also is to be recipient of a
cash prize of ten dollars.

The subject of the essay writ-
ten by Miss Scott was "Causes of
the American Revolution," and ac-
cording to reports from headquar-
ters of the society, was very well
prepared and written.

La Grande high school students
have been considered winners in
essay contests during the past two
years.

HOPE IS HELD FOR AID BILL

According to the Washington
news bureau of a Portland news-
paper, friends of the McNary-
Haugen export corporation bill at-
tach considerable significance to
the vote in the senate committee
on agriculture by which a favor-
able report to the senate was or-
dered yesterday. Only two sena-
tors voted against it, Harrison of
Missouri and Eakins of Indiana,
both democrats, and they gave as
their reasons that it involved the
principle of the protective tariff,
which they could not support in
any case.

Voting for a favorable report,
however, were McKinley, Illinois;
McNary, Oregon; Harbo, Okla-
homa; Gooding, Idaho; Norbeck,
South Dakota; Norris, Nebraska;
and Capper, Kansas, all Republi-
cans; Kendrick, Wyoming, and
Smith, South Carolina, democrats,
and Johnson, Minnesota, farm-lab-
or.

IMBLER DEFEATS NORTH POWDER 5 BY MARGIN OF 14

NORTH POWDER. (Special).
North Powder's high school bas-
ketball team was defeated over the
week-end by the Imbler high quin-
ette in a fast and furious game
played at the Bungalow theater
here. When the final whistle blew
the score stood 22 to 8 in favor of
Imbler. Both teams were handi-
capped by the sickness of the
direction of their "president,"
Walter Eaton, 18.

Late News Flashes

COX ACQUIRES.
COLUMBUS, Ohio. (AP).—Former Governor Cox
today filed official authorization for delegates to the
Democratic national convention to use his name as
first choice for president.

PIERCE IMPROVING.
SALEM (AP).—Official reports from Governor
Pierce's attending physicians at the Salem hospital,
where he underwent an operation Saturday for the
removal of his gall bladder, stated he had a fairly
good night. He will be able to sign some papers in bed
this afternoon.

OPPOSED TO PENSION BILL.
WASHINGTON (AP).—President Coolidge today
told ranking Republican leaders in the house pensions
committee he was opposed to enactment at this time
of any pension legislation involving any considerable
drain on the public treasury.

UNION OIL MAN ARRESTED.
LOS ANGELES (AP).—Arthur Pollack, chief ac-
countant of the Union Oil company of California, was
arrested today charged with embezzlement and forgery
involving \$53,000.

PISTOL ROW ENDS WHEN TWO SLAIN

Blackmail Demands Are
Met by Revolver Fire
in Cleveland

WOMAN KILLS 2
SHE TELLS COPS

Alleged Blackmailers
Went to Woman's
House to Find If De-
mands Had Been Met
—Fight Occurs.

CLEVELAND (By the Asso-
ciated Press).—Two men are dead and
two other persons are being ques-
tioned by the police today as the
result of a pistol fight here last
night, which is said to have been
the culmination of a blackmail
plot.

The dead are Rafael Tranco,
aged 35, and Mike Marino, aged
36, who with a third man are said
to have gone to the home of Mrs.
Nettie Annell, aged 21, to see if
demands they are alleged to have
made were carried out.

The third member of the alleged
gang, giving as his name Tony
Savajd, was arrested today.

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FARMERS WILL GATHER TUESDAY EVE AT IMBLER

Tomorrow night farmers of Im-
bler, Alsea and Summerville will
hold a meeting at the farmer's union
hall at Imbler. Professor Hyson,
of the farm crops department will
be the main speaker. General
farm crop problems and farm leg-
islation will be discussed.

CATTLE EMBARGO WILL CONTINUE

SALEM (AP).—A proclamation
of embargo against California cat-
tle was prepared today by the state
livestock department to protect
Oregon from the hoof and mouth
disease in California.

Dr. W. H. Lytle, state veterinar-
ian, received advices that 29,000
head of cattle were afflicted with
the disease and are to be killed in
Contra Costa, Alameda and Santa
Clara counties, California, representing a valuation
of about \$200,000.

OTTAWA (AP).—The Canadian
embargo on cattle from the states
of California, Oregon and Nevada,
will remain in effect until assur-
ance is received from the United
States that the hoof and mouth dis-
ease is wiped out in the three
states. It was made known Sunday
by the department of agriculture.

Direct Descendant



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William Henry Harrison as our ninth president lived in
Washington, of course. Among his direct descendants still
living in the capital is Miss Margaret Harrison (above) daugh-
ter of Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Harrison. The beautiful young school
girl is one of the most popular of the younger set.

OSTEOPATHIC MEET SUCCESS ON LAST TASK

La Grande Host to East-
ern Oregon Osteopaths
Over Week-End.

A very interesting and construc-
tive convention of Eastern Oregon
osteopathic association was held in
La Grande Sunday, at Dr. J. L.
Higley's office, and many interest-
ing cases were examined in both
the foot and children's clinics,
according to announcements.

During the convention it was
decided that the next meeting
would be held at Meacham Hotel
at Meacham, about May 1. This
site was chosen because of its
being centrally located for Eastern
Washington and Eastern Oregon.
The convention will be held
every two months at a different
place in this section of the state.

IMBLER FARMERS WANT RODENT LAW EFFECTIVE HERE

A petition is being circulated in
Imbler at the present time, accord-
ing to announcements made here,
which is receiving considerable at-
tention among the farmers of that
district.

The petition reads: "We, the un-
derigned hereby petition the coun-
ty court to declare the law known
as the compulsory rodent control
act in force in Union county. The
district so created to cover the
farm land of the county extensive
of hill pastures."

PIERCE CANNOT COME TO CITY; HLL AT SALEM

A telegram stating that Gover-
nor Pierce could not be in La
Grande tomorrow was received at
11:30 o'clock this morning by Earl
Reynolds, secretary of the cham-
ber of commerce. Governor Pierce
had been scheduled to address the
chamber luncheon Tuesday in the
L. O. O. hall.

Despite the fact that the gov-
ernor cannot be present, due to an
operation performed on him Sat-
urday for gall stones, a worthy pro-
gram has been prepared. With
chicken as the chief attraction of
the menu G. L. Larson, chairman,
will introduce V. B. Hayes, city
manager, who will explain the pro-
posed water system to the business
men.

WENT SOUTH FOR HEALTH, SLEMP SAYS

Confidential Talk With
Fall and McLean Em-
phatically Denied

DISCLOSURES OF
FINANCES MADE

Bank Heads State Mc-
Lean Had Less Than
\$20,000 in Two Banks
Late in November,
1922.

WASHINGTON (By the Asso-
ciated Press).—C. Bascom Slem-
p, President Coolidge's secretary,
testifying today before the Senate oil
committee, said that while on a
visit to Palm Beach, Fla., for
health and recreation purposes in
December and January, he met
former Interior Secretary Fall and
Edward B. McLean, of Washing-
ton, a publisher, and had conver-
sations with them but no "private
confidential talks."

"I want the committee to know,"
Slem said, "that I was not down
there on any mission for anybody."
Slem testified that the oil mat-
ter was not discussed generally at
his meetings with Fall and McLean
but he did ask Fall what the facts
were.

"Young man, read the record,"
Slem quoted Fall as replying, "I
have said all I have to say on that
subject."
Slem said that after Walsh was
at Palm Beach he advised Fall to
tell the committee "all."

WASHINGTON (AP).—Edward
B. McLean, publisher of the Wash-
ington Post, had a balance of less
than \$16,000 in the Federal Ameri-
can National bank during Novem-
ber and December, 1921, Charles
B. Lydane, vice president of that
bank told the oil committee today.

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SENATOR GREENE HELD RECOVERING

WASHINGTON (AP).—The con-
dition of Senator Greene of Ver-
mont continued to improve over
Sunday and Dr. Thomas Linnville,
his physician, said after a consul-
tation with the other attending
physicians that, barring unforeseen
complications, the patient was ex-
pected to recover.

BAND CONCERT IS ANNOUNCED

The La Grande Municipal band
today announced a free public con-
cert will be held in the L. D. S.
tabernacle on March 3, which
falls on next Monday evening, in
addition to the program by the
band on mass several specialties,
including a solo by Miss Kathleen
Campbell, are being arranged.

The concert will be the open-
ing of a series to be staged during
the spring and rehearsals are being
held often with the end in view
of making the March 3 concert an
auspicious opening one.

Pendleton Still Favors La Grande for League

Pendleton and other teams in
the Blue Mountain baseball league
are continuing their efforts to se-
cure a team from La Grande to
participate in playing during the
coming summer season, according
to telephone communications from
the Round-Up city today.

Pendleton feels that La Grande
would be able to finance a nine
team would replace Kennewick,
who won only one game last year,
with a team that would be dis-
positioned and would round out the
league into six strong nine.

According to reports Gunner
Peterson, who played two or three
games with the Pirates last year
in the infield and behind the bat,
has moved to La Grande and