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The Weather

Portland, (AP)—Oregon—
Rain tonight and Friday
clearer.

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SENATORS NAMES IN DRAGNET

UNDERWOOD
AND CURTIS
MENTIONEDTelegrams Read Before
Committee Indicate
Attempted PressureWALSH FROWNS ON
LATE INSINUATIONSA. Mitchell Palmer, At-
torney General Under
Wilson Administration,
Is Ordered to Appear
Before Committee.CHICAGO.—A. Mitchell Palmer,
attorney general during the Wil-
son administration, will be called
before the senate oil committee.
Senator Tamm, chairman of the
Washington state, insisted that
Palmer be called saying he was
the "go between" in the delivery
of the Edward B. McLean mes-
sages to the committee.In telegrams to McLean read to-
day John Major, McLean's em-
ployee, reported to McLean that he
was "tossing with Underwood, Cur-
tis and Zev."Dr. Bennett, editor of the
Washington Post, telegraphed Mc-
Lean on January 3rd that he and
Major saw Curtis who had prom-
ised to see McLean."Curtis advised us," the telegram
read, "he saw Underwood. We saw
Underwood who promised to speak
to Walsh but he hinted it would
not do any good."Senator Underwood today stated
that Senator Underwood never at-
tempted to influence him regarding
the oil inquiry in any way.Senator Underwood was asked
Walsh if he had any objections
to having inserted in the Congres-
sional record the letter to Walsh
by Palmer and Walsh said he did
not have any objection.

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BUILDING SOON
TO BE ACTIVEPermits Are Being Is-
sued and Every Indica-
tion Points to An Ac-
tive Year.Two building permits were is-
sued from the city office yester-
day. L. B. Venter secured a per-
mit to erect a one-story frame
dwelling on Lot 3, Block 2, in
Cogan's addition on Adams be-
tween Cherry and Willow
streets. The preliminary estimated
cost is \$2500.Lee, Stark and Cameron, con-
tractors, secured a permit to re-
pair a two-story brick dwelling
on Lot 5, Block 4, in Cogan's
addition on Adams between Hem-
lock and Spruce streets. The pre-
liminary estimated cost is \$400.
This property is owned by Shumate
and Warmholtz.Little Son Claimed
By Death Last NightCharles Albert Emerson, eight-
month old son of Mr. and Mrs.
C. H. Emerson died last night at
the family home, 1707 Jefferson
street following a long illness.
Funeral services will be held to-
morrow afternoon at 2 o'clock at
the Bohnenkamp chapel and in-
terment will be made in Masonic
cemetery.Elks Committee Show
Good Banquet ReportThe Elks general committee on
the annual ball and banquet given
by the La Grande lodge on Wash-
ington's birthday, which event was
generally accredited being one of
the very best the lodge has ever
held, is receiving congratulations
today on the good business report
rendered. The Elks always antici-
pate such an event costing the
lodge treasury one to four hundred
dollars, but this committee pulled
out with \$27.35 to the good. The
receipts from the ball and banquet
tickets amounted to \$448 and the
disbursements were \$420.15. Har-
za French, W. M. Wilson, Lester
Branwell, Ben Deaton and Ralph
Pilech comprised the committee.

Met Chief

Jack Dempsey called at the
White House and discussed af-
fairs of the nation with the
president. Dempsey wanted to
know why Czecho-Slovakia was
not given mandate over Abyssinia.
It is rumored, Coudage as-
sured Dempsey, gossip has it,
that the only thing that stood in
the way was Article X of the
League of Nations, and the two
discussed the league in detail.BOOTLEG RUM
A BIG FACTORGay Parties and Booze
in New York Lead to
Tragedies Like Recent
Ones.Editor's Note:—This is the
first and last of a series of
articles dealing with the un-
derworld of New York as it
affects recent murder myster-
ies.(By Stewart Johnson)
NEW YORK, N. Y. (INS)—One
of the most vital features in the
new underworld of New York,
which is occupying the attention
of the police in their efforts to
solve recent robberies and mur-
ders of girls from out of town, is
the bootlegging industry.It may pay parties and bootleg
fugars that were contributing fac-
tors in the most recent murder,
the slaying of Louis Lawson, the
pretty little Texas girl, in her
apartment. It was robbery dis-
guised as bootlegging who gained
entrance to her rooms and strug-
gled her to death for her jewelry.Booze Big Industry.
The bootlegging industry is now
occupying the attention of thou-
sands of the former denizens of
the old Tenderloin that stretched
from Twenty-ninth street to
Thirty-fourth street. Many of
these old characters have turned
play handling; many of them are
in the employ of master-minds
placed on the payroll of banks
and handling companies as mes-
sengers to steer the bandits
straight in bank-messenger robber-
ies, but the biggest majority of
them are bootleggers.It is a vast industry, and it has
its employees in every nook and
corner of Tank Island, where the
rum ships unload their illicit
freight into little flat-bottomed
boats.

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Chamber of Commerce
Will Hold BanquetTuesday, March 4th, promises to
be a red letter day in the history
of the Union County Chamber of
Commerce for plans are nearly per-
fected for the annual installation
banquet to be held in the Savoy
Hotel building at 8:15 p.m. of that
day. The banquet this year is to
be a Home Products banquet and
the merchants of La Grande have
responded generously thus insuring
many good things to eat.This is one occasion of the year
when the wives and lady friends
of the men of La Grande share
with the men the enjoyment of a
fine program. The Chamber of
Commerce Quartet will be one ofPLANS LAID
FOR COUNTY
CONFERENCEAgriculture Economic
Exhibition to Be Held
Here March 7-8INTEREST HIGH
IN COMING EVENTBusiness Men and Agri-
culturists Combine in
Efforts to Make Con-
ference a Success.Following a plan recently out-
lined by the Union County Cham-
ber of Commerce, the County
Farmers Union, Grange and Farm
Bureau and a representative of the
local banks, a meeting of a county-
wide committee interested in agri-
culture was held in La Grande to
discuss the agricultural situation.
It was decided that a county agri-
cultural conference is timely and
worth while and plans were laid
for a big conference in La Grande,
March 7th and 8th.The following committee as se-
lected by the different organiza-
tions were all present at the meet-
ing: Farmers Union, Bernal Hug,
president, Elgin; the Grange, Roy
Gekeler, deputy state master, La
Grande; Farm Bureau, Frank Mc-
Kennon, Allice; Farm industry
committee members present in-
cluded dairying, Dr. W. T. Phay,
Hot Lake; poultry, W. B. Pickens,
La Grande; fruit, H. H. Weather-
spon, Elgin; Karl J. Stackland,
Cove and Ray Wilson, Imbler;
grain, Frank McKennon, Allice;
alfalfa, J. B. Dobbin, La Grande;
livestock, S. E. Miller, Union; po-
tatoes, L. L. McKennon, La Grande.

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CARS WANTED
FOR STUDENTSThe Hi Dad organization makes
a request through the Evening Ob-
server that all who can furnish ac-
cessible to transport students of
the high school to Union to attend
the basketball tournament Friday
and Saturday afternoon to please
call W. K. Gilbert at 254-W. It is
the wish of the Hi Dads that all
pupils be allowed to witness these
games and cars are needed to
transport them to and from Union
on these days.STEVENS OUT
FOR OFFICEW. W. Stevens, one of the promi-
nent citizens of Union, today an-
nounces his candidacy for the or-
gan of county commissioner sub-
ject to the will of republicans of
this county.Mr. Stevens says, "If nominated
and elected I pledge my best ef-
forts to economy and good busi-
ness."This is the second candidate to
enter the race and from reports
that are current apparently there
will be others.BALL PARK AT
SCHOOL FIELD
IS FAVOREDUnanimous Sentiment of
Baseball Organization
and Hi Dads If School
Grounds Can Be Used.With such old baseball fans as
Jack Peare and A. T. Hill, who for
over thirty years have been inocu-
lated with the baseball germ as
early spring showed up, laying
plans for another baseball diamond

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DRINKS SHOE
POLISH AND
SOON DIESNEW YORK. (AP)—Miss Val-
Helena Martin, actress and short
story writer formerly of Seattle
ended her life today by drinking
shoe polish. The note she left in-
dicated that she was desperate
because of her inability to get a
stage engagement or dispose of her
stories.WOMAN KILLED
IN CAR WRECKDr. Albert Mount's Ma-
chine Skids, Bringing
Death to Mrs. Anna L.
Howard.OREGON CITY.—Mrs. Anna E.
Howard was killed last night be-
tween Oswego and Dunthorpe
when a car driven by Dr. Albert
Mount skidded on the wet pave-
ment and crashed from the road.
Mr. Howard was returning from
Portland with Dr. and Mrs. Mount.
No others were injured.Dr. Albert Mount is a brother
of Dr. Mount, formerly of Joseph,
and also a brother to Attorney
Mount of Baker.MT. GLENN TO
HAVE A PLAYCitizens of That District
to Present the Popular
Drama Entitled "Mr.
Bob."MT. GLENN.—(Special)—By
popular request the Mt. Glenn M. L.
A. will present their comedy drama
"Mr. Bob" in Mt. Glenn again. This
show was presented here before
and many who witnessed it were
so well pleased that they have
asked that it be shown again.It is perhaps the most popular
show ever shown in this vicin-
ity and probably none has been
so well received. It is a short
bit of humor and the mis-
taken identity of Mr. "Bob" devel-
ops such comical situations that
one cannot keep from laughing.
From the ruins of the curtain
the final scene there is not one
dull moment.It will be shown in Mt. Glen
Friday evening, February 29 and
on Saturday evening, March 1.There will be a Leap Year
dance in Mt. Glenn Friday night
following the show, at which time
ice cream and cake will be served.J. K. Bell has been quite ill
with the measles but is recover-
ing now. This is the only case
of a contagious disease at Mt. Glen
this year.Fertus Packard, of Nampa,
Idaho, has been visiting with his
sister, Mrs. Alvora Hewesick.Mr. and Mrs. Alvora Hewesick
and family and Mrs. Ray Allen
and children were guests to a
dinner at L. J. Durks home Sun-
day.The Mt. Glenn school is progress-
ing splendidly under the able in-
struction of Mrs. J. V. Belts.CITY DADS
DENY PAYING
PETITIONSOne Thrown Out Due to
Excessive Cost; Sign-
ers LackingPAVING TO BEGIN
EARLY IN SPRINGSeveral Other Matters,
Including Auto Camp
and Scenic Highway,
Acted Upon.With the coming of spring new
developments are being brought
forward weekly in reference to
paving. Last evening two petitions
were presented to the city commis-
sioners requesting improvement
districts but due to difficulties in-
curred were not accepted.A petition to improve O avenue
between Oak and Walnut streets
was denied due to the fact that
the proposed cost of paving would
be too much in excess of the as-
sessed value of the lots adjacent
to the proposed paving. Citizens
in this district would necessarily
have to pay any difference between
improvements costs and assessed
value of lots in cash and for this
reason the city commissioners dis-
missed the petition. Citizens ex-
pect to see concrete ex-
posed on O avenue. Further
developments may result at a later
date.A petition to pave N avenue be-
tween First and Oak streets was
received and after examination
was referred back to the petiti-
tioners due to the fact that not 50 per-
cent of citizens in the district had
signed.

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ALL BOOSTING
STOCK SHOWMeeting at Hot Lake
Last Night Takes on
Form of Community
Gathering.The Live Stock Show meeting
last evening at Hot Lake proved to
be more of a community meeting
than merely of stock show interest.
Approximately 75 people were
present from Union, La Grande
and other Union county points and
the meeting was a very enthusias-
tic one. The Economic Conference
to be held in La Grande March 7
and 8, was discussed. Dr. W. T.
Phay, chairman of the executive
committee of this conference, and
Wallace T. Caddy, of the Oregon
Agricultural college extension ser-
vice, both speaking on this sub-
ject.The next topic for discussion was
that of tourist travel and parks.
Nothing definite was decided on
this point.Then came the actual stock show
itself and it was considered wheth-
er or not it would be possible to
hold the show in La Grande.

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THYE WINNER
OVER HEINIEPORTLAND, (AP)—Ted Thye,
former of La Grande but who
for the past few years has been
one of the top notchers in the
wrestling game with headquarters
in Portland, received a decision last
night over Heinie Engel after two
hours and ten minutes wrestling.Well Known Conductor Dead.
Word was received in La Grande
this morning by friends of the
death of Frank Coykendall which
occurred suddenly at Huntington
where he was spending a short
time on business. Mr. Coykendall
was employed as conductor on the
O-W here for many years but has
recently been making his home in
Portland. His remains will be for-
warded to that city tonight on No.
23. Mr. Coykendall has many
friends in this city.

The Work of a Maniac

A man with a peculiarly perverted mind is believed to
have overturned 99 tombstones in Mount St. Mary's Cemetery,
Pawtucket, R. I., recently. He must have been of tremendous
strength. He worked all night during the heaviest snowfall
of the season.Tossers Are Awaiting
Zero Hour At Union

BULLETINS

CREW IS SAVED.

Seattle, (AP)—The crew consist-
ing of 27, from the Norwegian
steamer Targana, which yesterday
drove onto the rocks on the west
coast of Vancouver Island near Pa-
chena Point, were safe ashore to-
day. Twenty were landed at the
Village Islands by the life line and
seven including Captain Molvig,
were taken to Bamfield by a Ca-
nadian life boat.

THE MARKETS.

Portland, (AP)—Cattle steady,
hogs ten to 25 cents lower, top
grade selling at 5.50 to 5.75; sheep
steady; eggs firmer, 15 to 25 and
3-4 cents; butter firm.

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KIDDE NAMED
ON COMMITTEEEUGENE, (Special)—Fred Kid-
dle of Island City, a graduate of
the University of Oregon with the
class of '17, has been appointed a
member of the alumni executive
committee which is en-
deavoring to raise \$1,000,000
among the University alumni for
the purpose of continuing the Uni-
versity building program.The alumni will undertake to
provide the funds necessary to
construct a library adequate for
university needs, a new men's gym-
nasium, and the memorial center,
the latter being dedicated to those
sons and daughters of Oregon who
made war sacrifices.Mr. Kiddie, who is now assistant
manager for the Pioneer Flour
company, graduated from the Uni-
versity in June, 1917. He is a mem-
ber of the Sigma Xi fraternity and
a holder of campus honorary or-
ganizations.In 1918 Mr. Kiddie enlisted in
the ordinance department. He
served for a four months period in
England in 1919. After the war he
was chosen state commander of the
American Legion.Mr. Kiddie is a Mason, a Knights
Templar and a Shriner. He is a
member of the La Grande Ad club
and the La Grande Country club.

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BAKER GAVE
DENTISTS A
GOOD TIMELa Grande Men Return-
ing from Meeting Have
Strong Praise for As-
sociation.La Grande's delegation to the
Dental Association meeting claim
they were splendidly entertained
by the neighboring city. Dr. J. L.
McPherson gave, out the following
statement relative to the meeting
today.The meeting of the Eastern
Dental Association held in Baker Monday and Tues-
day of this week, was one of the
best meetings ever held in this
district in point of attendance and
efficiency. Twenty-five dentists
were present showing a lively
interest for two days of clinics
and discussions. The meeting was
called to order by the President
Dr. H. J. Horton, of Baker, at

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Jury In Dr. Willson
Case Is DeliberatingThe fate of Dr. E. O. Willson
who is charged with manslaughter
by the state of Oregon, is now in
the hands of the jury. This fore-
noon was devoted to the state's
closing argument and instructions
by Judge Eakin. Apparently the
instructions of the judge were em-
phatically fair as all sides seemed to
agree that he reviewed the case
very thoroughly and instructed the
jurors in the fairest possible man-
ner.No one can guess how long the
jury will take to decide this case,
but the wheels of court have al-
ready begun to grind in preparing
for trial of the next case, which is
that of State of Oregon vs. Frank
H. Wright on the charge of non-
support.COMMISSION
HIGHWAYS TO
BE WORKEDThree Counties Succeed
in Getting Their
Requests GrantedYAMHILL JOBS ARE
HELD UNTIL LATERRoad Work in Klamath
Also Strikes Snag Un-
til Better Understand-
ing Is Obtained.PORTLAND, (AP)—The State
Highway commission today award-
ed contracts for road work in Coos,
Jackson and Umatilla counties and
held up two jobs in Yamhill and
Klamath counties.Among the contracts awarded
was the Glasgow-Hauser section of
the Roosevelt highway to widen
and rock surface six and two-tenths
miles to John Hakanson for \$72,
137.50.Several bids were received for
widening and surfacing six and
sixty-four hundred miles on the
Olney-Roseman section of the
Klamath Falls-Lakeview highway,
and to resurface seven more miles,
but this work was held up pend-
ing the decision by Klamath county
to pay all or part of the cost.FREE BAND
CONCERT IS
NEXT EVENTMunicipal Organization
Will Present a Number
of Soloists Next Mon-
day Evening.With announcement from An-
drew J. Loney, Jr., director of the
Grande Municipal band, that a
free concert will be given Mon-
day evening in the L. D. S. Taberna-
cle, the coming of spring and summer
presents itself when one of the very
enjoyable things for La Grande
people will be the open air con-
cert once each week.Constancy has marked the ef-
forts of the band during the win-

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BOWMAN-HICKS
MEN ARE HERELa Grande Plant Visited
by a Number of Sales-
men—Banquet Held
Last Evening.A. L. Brown of Kansas City,
Mo., general sales manager of the
Bowman-Hicks Lumber company,
has been making quite an exten-
sive visit at the La Grande mill. The
following salesmen of the Bow-
man-Hicks Lumber company who
had never visited the La Grande
plant, also arrived this week: L.
T. Cameron of Kansas City, Mo.,

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Daugherty Goes
To Chicago TodayCHICAGO, (AP)—Attorney Gen-
eral Daugherty arrived here today
in connection with the Federal
grand jury investigation of the
Veterans Bureau. He stated he
was here on government business
and expected to remain until that
business was completed. Brigadier
General Charles E. Sawyer, in
charge of hospitalization work of
the Veterans Bureau under For-
mer Director Forbes, arrived on the
same train to testify.Perfects Bond.
A Mr. Howard was arrested
Tuesday night by local police for
peddling merchandise without a li-
cense. He forfeited a bail of \$15.