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The Weather Portland (AP)—Cloudy in west portion of Oregon; fair and cooler in east tonight and tomorrow.

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Hunt's Washington Letter

WASHINGTON, (SPECIAL)—At Mr. Hoover's presidential boom is developing stronger than expected...

Murphy will never better than even Smith's friends realized. Indeed, some say Smith is in a better position now than if Murphy had lived because his candidacy is less involved in Tammany.

Supporters of William Gibbs McAdoo who do not want Smith even if they can't have McAdoo, are in a main content of their minds to hold on to the nomination...

The suggestion is heard in some quarters that the late of former Governor McCray of Indiana, who has been sentenced to prison for ten years, injured the presidential chances of Samuel M. Houston.

It is true they are of different parties, but the consensus of opinion here is that McCray has given Indiana Republicanism a boost...

The indications at present are that the navy's present state is to be subject to much investigation...

Recent reports by high naval officials disclosed that the fleet is (Continued on page 6)

MAN HUNT IS SUCCESSFUL

Deputy Sheriff C. P. Holbrook had an exciting man hunt in the vicinity of Oro Hill near the hotel congressional yesterday. He took Bert Peterson and Ray Peterson into custody in the morning and was then obliged to wait until evening for Clarence Peterson and Jake Ellis, alias Ray Solider.

The men are wanted in Baker on a charge of stealing a quantity of wool. Officers from Baker came here last evening and took the men back to the Queen City for trial.

KEITH IS TO GIVE ADDRESS

Dr. Elmer Grant Keith, pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal church of La Grande will give the commencement address at the high school at Oro Hill on Thursday morning of his week, according to announcements made today.

Says America Must Remain in Unison

CHICAGO, (AP)—To keep the American people undivided and firm from alien influences, and to shield it against foreign propaganda, was declared to be the duty of church and citizen at Cardinal Mundelein's address Monday night in his formal address as cardinal.

Tax Measure Veto Is Sure, Senate Is Told

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—The Republicans retained control of the conference on the tax reduction bill through the appointment today by the senate of three Republicans and two Democrats, the same ratio as fixed by the house.

VIRGINIA IN FLOOD GRIP, ONE DEATH

William Lucas Drowned at Fredericksburg in High Waters.

PROPERTY LOSS IS AT HIGH MARK

Many Sections Report Serious Flood Damage; Charlottesville Suffers Much.

RICHMOND, Va. (By the Associated Press)—One death resulted Monday night from the most general flood Virginia has experienced in many years when William Lucas was drowned at Fredericksburg while trying to rescue a small boat.

Serious flood damage was reported from many sections of Virginia Monday with rivers and streams almost everywhere in the state already out of their banks or bearing flood stage as a result of the heavy rains of the last three days.

Charlottesville, where seven bridges in and around the town have been washed away and several manufacturing plants flooded, appeared to have suffered the heaviest damage.

The Shenandoah river higher than it has been for 50 years, widespread damage was reported in that river valley, while the James river in 14 feet above normal stage and warnings of a rise in the James river have (Continued on page 5)

CONGRESSMAN JOHN LANGLEY FOUND GUILTY

COVINGTON, Ky. (AP)—Congressman Langley, convicted yesterday of conspiracy in connection with whisky transactions in 1921, was sentenced today in the federal court to two years in the Atlanta prison.

McAdoo Nearing Goal, Manager Rockwell Says

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP)—David Ladd, director of Chicago, manager of William G. McAdoo's presidential campaign, issued a tabulated statement claiming 5475 votes for McAdoo on the early balloting in the New York campaign or as he pointed out, within 85 votes of the two-thirds required to win the nomination.

"Thirty-three states and territories with 220 convention votes already have expressed their preference," said Mr. Rockwell. "In these states, Mr. McAdoo won or divided the delegation from 27, losing only six completely to his and five field of opponents, who were 'favorite sons' in many cases."

"The states that have not yet given Mr. McAdoo 425 delegates amount to 27 for the opposition."

WATER CASE IS UNDERWAY

Through the mails today came more than 500 letters serving notice of the appeal of the Gekokey Dutch company from the adjudication of water in the Grande Ronde river above Gordon creek, which adjudication was first made by the state commission, later being set aside by Judge Anderson sitting as judge for this district in place of Judge Knowles.

The case is one that affects much of the Grande Ronde river hence the large number of claimants. Hess & Grech and James H. Nichols of Baker, are attorneys.

SHELL OIL FIRM MAY SELL STOCK AT HIGH FIGURE

NEW YORK (AP)—It is reported in the financial district that the Shell Union Oil corporation, of Dubuque, controlled by the Royal Dutch Shell interests, plans to sell its stock interest in the Union Oil company of California at a reported price between \$25,000,000 and \$25,000,000.

BASEBALL HOW THEY STAND

No games Monday, teams traveling.

U.S. Airmen Ready For Long Flight

Three Aviators Expect to Start 878 Mile Trip to Japan Tomorrow.

ROSEBURG, Ore. (By the Associated Press)—Lieutenant Tomkin passed over Roseburg, flying low, at 9:25 o'clock this morning.

CORIDOVA, Alaska (By the Associated Press)—With calm weather forecast for today, three United States army world aviators at Afu Island, were preparing to hop off tomorrow for Paramashira Island, in the Kurile group, Japan, a distance of 878 miles from their present location.

SEATTLE (AP)—Lieutenant Earl S. Tomkin, who flew from San Francisco to Seattle Saturday to go north in search for Major Frederick Martin, since found, hopped off here at 5 o'clock this morning for a non-stop return.

SHANGHAI (AP)—Lieutenant DeGoy, flying from Paris to Tokio, has arrived in Hanoi, French Indo-China, from Saigon, Cochinchina.

NET STARS IN FINALS TODAY

The net stars of the high school battled yesterday evening for the championship of the high school on the cement courts near the hospital. Thomas Bruce took the count for the onslaught of Sam Cochran's offensive in two straight sets, 6-1, 6-0. John Larison downed two contenders for the title beating McKennon in the preliminary with a score of 6-2, 6-2 and George Glass in the 6-4, 6-2 and George Glass in the 6-4, 6-2.

The first set of the Glass-Larison match was the most hotly contested played last evening and went to Larison, 8-8. After the first break he took the second set, 6-0.

Glass had previously eliminated Mearoff from the running before meeting Larison with a final tally of 6-1, 6-4.

Jack Deonis easily won his match with James Coker allowing the opposition but two games in the two sets. Seix defeated Beatty in a hard fought battle that was closer than the score indicates. The final count was Seix, 6-2, 6-2.

The finals will be played this evening. Larison and Cochran are the strongest competitors in the contest will probably start the evening's events. Seix and Dennis will play a final match to decide which one will meet the winner of the Larison-Cochran match.

WHEAT QUOTATIONS

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP)—Wheat quotations Monday were: Hard white \$1.10; western red \$1.00.

Late News Flashes

SPECTATORS BARRIED FROM TRIAL. LOS ANGELES, (AP)—All spectators were barred from the trial of three alleged bank bandits, accused of murder, in Judge Keetch's court today, following an official announcement that a "tip from the underworld" said that a rescue might be attempted in open court. Ed Montejo, Lewis Perry and Tom Bailey are on trial charged with the murder of Policeman Glenn Bond in a gun battle following an attempted bank robbery here two months ago.

GRAND JURY WORK PROGRESSING. PORTLAND, Ore. (AP)—The special grand jury which Saturday indicted three, entered the second phase of its mission today, when an inquiry began into "all or none" of the bridge contracts. J. H. Pomeroy, of Booth and Pomeroy, steel erectors, was the first witness.

SENATE SUSTAINS VETO. WASHINGTON (AP)—President Coolidge's veto of the Bursum pension bill was sustained today by the senate. The action crowned with success the first attempt by Coolidge to block legislation by the exercise of the veto. A vote to override the veto was 53 to 28, one vote less than the two-thirds required. The measure would have granted pension increases to veterans of several wars.

FOREST FIRE REPORTED. OLYMPIA, Wash. (AP)—A bad forest fire is reported three miles west of Callan, by Robert Coombs, district forester in charge of the storm zone Olympic peninsula. Men and equipment are fighting the new blaze. The Beaver Falls fire is reported extinguished.

POINCARE TO RESIGN ON JUNE 1

Radicals Will Control the New French Parliament by 114 Votes

PREMIER ACCEPTS FRANCE'S VERDICT

Considers His Mission Ended and Will Merely Carry on Until Resignation Effective.

PARIS—(By the Associated Press)—The Poincare cabinet, meeting here this morning, decided to hand in his resignation, to become effective on June 1.

PARIS (By the Associated Press)—Premier Poincare accepts the country's verdict as being against him and will not try to seek a mixed majority among the groups in the new chamber. Consequently, he considers his mission ended and will merely carry on until the newly elected deputies take their duties the first of June. Premier Poincare will ask his colleagues to endorse this resolve at a meeting of the cabinet Thursday.

M. Poincare's decision to abstain from all political initiative until the legal tenure of his office expires, entails, it is understood, abandonment of his visit to Chambers court and the British prime minister, Ramsay MacDonald, will be so advised after the cabinet has sanctioned his decision.

Albert Ross Sifton, pastor of the Baptist church of La Grande, will not leave this city until June 15, according to announcements made by him today. Reports were made that his sermon Sunday was to be his last in La Grande but these were erroneous. Mr. Sifton will continue in his pulp until he departs.

STRIKERS BACK AT WORK

PITTSBURGH (AP)—A strike of 2200 ironmen and cooperators in effect since Friday, ended here when the men voted to return to work under a plan suggested by the company.

Mrs. Jameson Will Speak This Evening

Mrs. Edna Jameson, dean of women at the University of Oregon, will address the parents of college students and prospective college students at the Neighborhood club room.

Underwood to Fight For Anti-Klan Plank

WASHINGTON (AP)—Plans to carry the fight against the Ku Klux Klan to the floor of the democratic national convention were announced here by supporters of Senator Oscar W. Underwood in his campaign for the presidential nomination.

It was said at Underwood headquarters here that the subject would be brought before the convention by Governor W. W. Branford of Louisiana, who is to make the nominating speech for Underwood, and that the Underwood forces would bring in a minority report from the platform committee if the committee failed to adopt a satisfactory anti-klan plank.

SUN YET SEN SERIOUSLY ILL

SHANGHAI (AP)—Sun Yat Sen, president of the South China government, is seriously ill with brain fever.

According to reliable information Sun Yat Sen has been unconscious for two days.

Cholera Still Racing In Portions of India

LONDON (AP)—The Daily Telegraph's Allahabad correspondent says the cholera epidemic which has been raging in several sections of India, has broken out in the state of Mysore, where there were 500 cases, with 291 deaths last week.

This epidemic in Bihar, where there have been 19,500 deaths since the beginning of the year, is abating. With the exception of the Champaran districts, where the deaths number 200 daily, the situation is said to be well in hand in the districts, including Darbhanga, Shahabad and Saran.

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COLUMBUS, O. (TNS)—Glaring red paint and the conspicuousness of attending objects it adorns apparently held no terror for Columbus' "dirt" fire. The city's fire warden recently while fighting was extinguishing a blaze.

Peace, Quiet Disturbed By Rioters

Old Town Section Enjoys Scrap Last Evening; Four Participants Arrested.

The old command of "Love thy neighbor as thyself" was hard hit last evening—bashed in the solar plexus, punched in the midriff and valiantly trodden in the dust, literally speaking.

With the arena on C street between Second and Third, quite a circus was staged, according to officers of the law, who, led by Chief of Police Clint Haynes, had some trouble in deciding that the show could not operate inasmuch as the participants had no license to show their wares within the corporate limits of the city of La Grande—that is, the police didn't have much trouble reaching the decision but they were faced with some difficulty in making that decision cognizant to those who were part of the imbroglio.

The circus, or whatever one wants to call it, was slightly different from the ordinary kind that B. T. Barnum depended upon the "minute men" to patronize. You, you!

The ordinary every day kind of a show, in which one sees elephants, drinks pink lemonade at so much per glass, feeds the monkeys and goes with awe upon the striped horses, was supplanted by a show in which the actors displayed histrionic ability and discarded trapeze work and the life in favor of pugilistic demonstrations.

Just as the spectators gazed with delight upon a limitation of such business's famous mainstay and viewed with mixed pleasure slightly altered features, here and there sprinkled with swollen mugs and broken noses.

But to get it all in a nutshell, where it properly belongs, the attraction staged in the C street arena was nothing more or less than a nice neighborly fight which would have undoubtedly progressed to a satisfactory conclusion had it not been for the efficiency of the local bluecoats. Police, however, have no patience with such displays of pugilistic and a natural result, they descended upon, milled into and finally expelled the disturbance which would have done credit to the Royal Northwest Mounted police.

CHEER GIVEN AT HOSPITAL

Yesterday was "Hospital Day" and a splendid musical program was rendered during the open hours at the Grande Ronde hospital from 2 to 5 o'clock in the afternoon. A mixed quartet, consisting of G. L. Dutton, E. D. Fowler, Mrs. A. J. Richardson and Mrs. W. H. Robinson, sang several beautiful numbers; Dick Lindsay played several solos on the violin; Miss Isabelle Miller sang a group of songs and Mrs. E. L. Homan rendered a series of numbers on the piano.

The hospital served punch and warblers to the guests, who were shown through the building by attendants. A demonstration of the work was given by the nurses.

The lobby of the hospital was exquisitely decorated with flowers and such patients as were furnished with a beautiful bouquet.

"Hospital Day" was sponsored by Chapter I. P. E. O.

Entombed Miners Are Cheerful; Rescue Near

GILMAN, Colo. (AP)—Five miners entombed in the Empire Zinc Mining company's property near here last Saturday were still underground Monday night, but all reported to rescue workers outside that they were well and cheerful. During the day, water, coffee and other food was passed to the men through an opening made by a diamond drill and fresh air was pumped in to the men.

Band Issue Fully Satisfactory

BALENS, Ore.—The \$100,000 bond issue authorized by the Benton lodge of Elks, with which to construct the proposed new home for the lodge here, this summer, has been fully subscribed. At present, 225 members of the lodge have subscribed for bonds, the largest single subscription being \$10,000.

Bishop Walsh Died in Portland Late Monday

PORTLAND (AP)—Right Rev. Louis Sebastian Walsh, Roman Catholic bishop of Portland, died Monday of cerebral hemorrhage.

La Grande High Sports Successful In 1923-24

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The victory Saturday officially ended the 1923-24 season and track appeared in new stored away until next spring.

The Blue and White teams won two Eastern Oregon championships this year out of three, the other going to Pendleton, who came out victoriously at the end of the football season, in addition to winning the meet Saturday by the basketball quietest won the district championship and two out-of-district games with Pendleton high school.

Last One Football Game. In the football season, with a more or less green squad, MacTavish whipped the team into shape in short order and started out the season with a victory. Until the game with Pendleton the Blue and White colors continued to triumph and that game was the only one during the entire season. La Grande rolled (Continued on page 5)

Nice Trip for Triplets



From Panama to Washington came these cunning triplets to visit their mother, Mrs. Edith Holling Wilson, widow of the late president. They are Edith, Ellen and Ralph Boyd.

MARKET QUOTATIONS

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP)—Cattle and hogs steady today. Spring hams 59c lower. Eggs slow to weak. Butter and buttermilk (Portland) steady. Butterfat (San Francisco) 40 1/2c.

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OIL LEASE PROBE ROW IS HEATED

Hearing Resumed and Squabble Results; Is Short Lived

EX-OFFICIALS HEARD BY JURY

Theodore Roosevelt and Rear Admiral Griffin Testify in Grand Jury Inquiry.

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—Theodore Roosevelt, assistant secretary of the navy, and Rear Admiral H. S. Griffin, were chief witnesses today when the special federal grand jury resumed an inquiry into charges of fraud in connection with U. S. naval oil leases.

The investigation of the naval reserve leases was also resumed today by the senate oil committee with another quartet among committee members.

With Assistant Secretary Finney of the interior department on the stand, Senator Spencer, republican, of Missouri, sought to ex-

CALIFORNIAN CARS GO EAST

People are getting out of California and no mistake for yesterday by casual count, which probably did not include nearly all the tourists from that state, thirty-six automobiles passed through La Grande going east.

Few of the cars stopped at the hotel and made from procuring some gasoline, they were not customers of La Grande. Most of them carried camp equipment and it is plain that they are seeking other fields of endeavor than the Golden state to the south.

TWO ENTRIES FOR CONTEST

The contest to decide the La Grande queen at the Portland Rose Festival will begin tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock, according to legion authorities. Candidates who have already signified their intention of competing are Miss Garnet Bowers, of the high school, and Miss Alma McCallister, of the telephone company. Candidates should apply to Ray Williams, legion commander.

Tickets are to be sold for a legion dance May 28 each ticket to count two votes. The proceeds of the dance will defray the expenses of sending the queen and her escorts to Portland. The coronation will escort the queen in the parade in the Rose City.

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