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THE WEATHER

Portland (AP)—Oregon—
Cloudy, probably showers in
Washington and north and
day temperature moderate.
temperature moderate.

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Hunt's
Daily
Letter

(By HARRY B. HUNT)
WASHINGTON (NEA Special)
When President Coolidge re-
turned from his vacation, the
public questions were first to claim
his attention.

The president's part in running
the campaign has not indeed
been as strenuous as the head of
a national ticket's part usually is.
Chairman Butler of the Republi-
can committee has done most of
the managing, but any number of
complaints were piled up, for the
chief magistrate's benefit, con-
cerning Butler's methods.

"These complaints came, practi-
cally all, from 'old guard'
sources."

The chairman, it appears, is
treating the "old guard" all the
time with less and less ceremony.

Butler has the reputation of
belonging distinctly to the con-
servative group in his party, but
since the Cleveland convention
"old guardism" may be his
shown, in some respects, almost a
preference for the progressive—
not the La Follette progressive,
but the more progressive of the
regulars.

For instance, it is understood
he has sought for advice concern-
ing political conditions in the
northwest mainly from Senator
Howell of Nebraska, at the same
time turning a deaf ear to numer-
ous suggestions that Senator Cur-
tis of Kansas is an older hand
at the game, and a safer advisor,
according to "old guard" ideas.

Senator Gooding of Idaho, too,
has been almost entirely ignored
as a counselor, in favor of the

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IRRIGATORS IN
BUSINESS MEET

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore. (By the
Associated Press)—The Oregon Ir-
rigation congress launched into
the business of its annual conven-
tion here today. James M. Kyle,
president, after the formal opening
exercises, delivered the annual re-
port, and Secretary W. E. Moench
made his report. Committees
were appointed and the noon re-
cess was taken.

The afternoon program included
addresses on reclamation from
many angles. A. B. Thompson,
president of the Federal Land
Bank, Spokane, Wash., had a talk
on "Federal Loans in Irrigated
Districts." Senator C. L. McNary,
of Oregon, was on the program for

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GEORGE MILLER
REMOVES NAME

The following letter has been
received by the Evening Observer:
"Editor of Observer:
"In Thursday's issue of the Ob-
server appears a statement about
another suit brought regarding
"Cove road." My name appears
as one of the plaintiffs in such
suit. I wish to say that I have
never authorized any one to bring
such suit, or any other suit for
me, individually or jointly. A peti-
tion was circulated asking to
have an investigation of claimed
irregularities, and I signed the pe-
tition to have such matter investi-
gated, and I stated at the time
that it was to be understood that
I was not to go into court. I never
employed or authorized any at-
torney to appear for me in such
a proceeding, and have demanded
that my name be taken off the
papers. (August 6, 1924.)
"GEORGE MILLER,
"Cove, Oregon."

L. D. S. Auxiliary Group
Convention Arranged

Hundreds of workers in the
auxiliary organization of the
Church of Jesus Christ of latter-
day Saints will meet in conven-
tion in connection with the regu-
lar quarterly conference of the
Union stake, to be held Sunday
21, at La Grande, Ore. Members
of the general boards of the Il-
linois society, Sunday schools,
Young Men's and Young Ladies'
Mutual Improvement associations
and Primary associations from
headquarters in Salt Lake City
will be present to participate in
the activities of the convention.

Each organization has planned
a number of special features, em-
phasizing numerous timely and
interesting phases of auxiliary
work. These will be presented
in most cases by members of the
organizations of Union stake, who
have been preparing for the con-

NEW FRONT
IN CHINA IS
OPENED UP

Manchurian War Lord's
Armies Are Sweeping
Toward Peking

CIVIL WAR SPREAD
RAPIDLY SHAPING

Before Long Area Be-
tween Shanghai and
Peking May Become a
Battle Front.

SHANGHAI (By the Associated
Press)—The armies of General
Chang Tso Lin, Manchurian war
lord, were in the field today
sweeping toward Peking against
the forces of General Wu Pei Fu,
his old military rival, to create a
new front in China's civil war
which has been confined prior to
this to fighting west and south of
Shanghai between rival military
governors for possession of the
gateway city.

Latest developments in China's
internal complications will make
the territory between Mukden,
principal city of Manchuria, and
Peking in the Chihli province, an
armed camp 100 miles away from
the Shanghai line of warfare.

Before many hours have passed
between Shanghai and Peking may
become a battle front also.

Very little change in the situa-
tion around Shanghai exists after
four days of fighting.

RECOVERY OF
JUDGE McCOURT
NOW HOPED FOR

SALEM, Ore. (By the Associ-
ated Press)—Justice John Mc-
Court, of the state supreme
court, is reported to have passed a
restful night, although conditions
yesterday were worse than for
several days.

Hope for his recovery revived
this morning.

"RATTLESNAKE"
BUTTONS READY
FOR DEFENDERS

Headquarters for National De-
fense Day have been located at
Clatsop, Ore., according to
Commander Ralph Huron, of the
national guard unit, and today
"one-day" enlistment buttons are
available or all who have signed
up for service September 12.

The button's insignia is taken
from the old Revolutionary days.
A rattlesnake with the words
"Don't Step On Me" is featured.

Klepper and Officials
Lose \$5,000 to Bandits

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP)—W.
H. Klepper, president of the Por-
tland baseball club, Fred H. Riv-
ers, secretary and George Vran-
zich, has been reported to the
police Sunday night that they
were held up in the business head-
quarters of the Portland club in
the downtown office building
shortly after 5 p. m. my a masked
man who robbed them of approxi-
mately \$5,000 belonging to the
club. The robber escaped after
tying the three men. The rob-
bery was reported to the police
shortly after when the victim
freed themselves.

MARKETS TODAY

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP)—Cattle
slow. Hogs and sheep steady to
strong. Eggs, butter and but-terfat
steady.

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—But-
terfat 45 cents.

METHODIST
PASTOR TO
STAY HERE

Gooding Meeting Names
District Appointments
Yesterday

HARRY HAMILTON
SUPERINTENDENT

Complete List of Selec-
tions for Cove, Elgin,
Enterprise, Flora and
Others Given.

GOODING, Idaho (Special to
the Observer).—Elmer Grant
Keith, pastor of the La Grande
First Methodist Episcopal church,
was named for the local pulp-
it yesterday here at the conference.
Other Eastern Oregon appoint-
ments were made at the same
time, including the selection of
Harry S. Hamilton as superin-
tendent of the district.

Methodist pastors who will
serve the coming year in various
points adjacent to La Grande fol-
low:

Cove: Robert Swyllie.
Elgin: W. A. Armstrong.
Enterprise: T. E. Horshey.
Flora: Henry Martin.
Island City: H. K. Wallis.
Joseph: John Carson.
La Grande: Elmer Grant Keith.
North Powder: J. McFarland.
Premiere: F. S. Dotter.
Union: C. A. Quinn.
Wadsworth: G. H. Pense.
District Superintendent: Harry
S. Hamilton.

MARY SING TO
FACE CHARGE

Mary Sing, Chinese, who has
been before the peace officials
here before on a similar charge,
was arrested Saturday on a fed-
eral warrant, charging violation
of the narcotics law.

She was released upon giving
bonds amounting to \$200.

Disposition of the case will be
determined later.

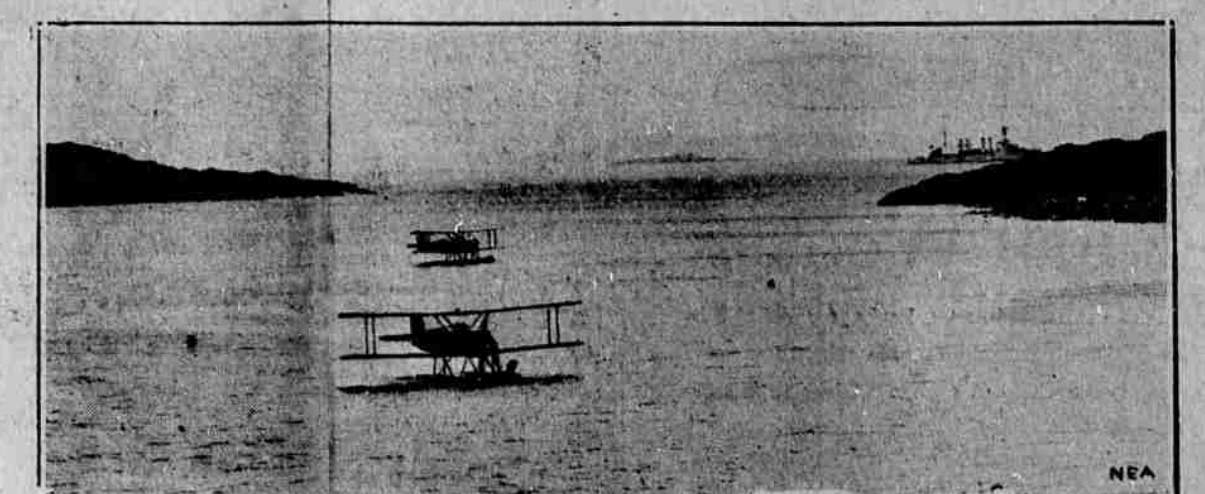
FIRE LOSS IS
QUITE LARGE

WILLAMINA, Ore. (By the As-
sociated Press)—Estimates today
placed the loss between \$20,000
and \$100,000 in a fire which yes-
terday swept two blocks of the
business section on the south side
of Main street here.

Firpo Facing Two Fights



Wild Bull is shouting: "I will knock Harry Wills out in
four or five rounds." This is what Luis Angel Firpo has to
say about his ring clash with the New Orleans negro, set for
Sept. 11 at Jersey City. "And after that I will demand that
Jack Dempsey give me a return meeting," adds the South
American. However, four days after he fights Wills he will be
before the judge on the charge of attempting to bring a man-
curist into the United States for immoral purposes. Wonder if
he'll win that fight in "four or five" rounds.

First Picture of U. S. Flyers' Return to America After A
Stirring, Record-Breaking Dash Around the World

(By NEA Airmail Service)
Here is the first picture showing the American 'round-the-world flyers back on the North American continent. Their planes are seen settling down in an inlet near Indian Harbor, Labrador. First to skim the water's edge was the Chicago, piloted by Lieutenant Lowell Smith, flight commander. With him was Lieutenant Leslie P. Arnold, his mechanic. Closely following Smith's plane came the New Orleans, piloted by Lieutenant Eric Nelson with Lieutenant John Harding Jr., as mechanic. This picture was taken by Bob Dorman, NEA Service and the Evening Observer staff photographer who was with the destroyer squadron in Arctic waters for seven weeks.

HALF INCH OF
RAIN IS NOTED

Rain, in copious quantities, de-
scended upon the Grande Ronde
valley in the wee small hours to-
day and continued to descend,
with less intensity, even after day-
break. About nine o'clock how-
ever, Jupiter Pluvius apparently
thought enough had fallen and
later this morning, the skies began
to lighten.

According to the fire department
measurement, .52 inches fell—
slightly more than one-half inch.
The greater share of the resi-
dents of the county are delighted
with the rainfall which is classed
as generally beneficial.

RAIN IS GENERAL
PORTLAND, Ore. (By the Associ-
ated Press)—A general rain
throughout the state, improved the
forest fire situation but is not
quenching the fires. More than 50
new fires were started by light-
ning.

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Stomach of Man Taken
Out to Defeat Cancer

CHICAGO (AP)—Ferdinand
Bittner Saturday underwent a
successful operation for the re-
moval of his stomach. Doctors
say that he will recover and
eventually will be able to eat hard
and juicy food just the same as
if he had a stomach. At present
he is being fed through a tube.
Doctors who operated on Bittner
for stomach ulcers found that he
also had cancer of the stomach
and decided to remove the stom-
ach, connecting the esophagus to
the upper end of the small intes-
tine.

Loeb, Leopold Decision
Is Due on Wednesday

CHICAGO (AP)—Apparently
settled by the fact that Judge
John H. Caverly will in three days
make known his decision in their
case, Richard A. Loeb and Nathan
F. Leopold, Jr., spent their 29th
day in jail chatting light heartedly
with numerous visitors.

Judge Caverly, on the other
hand, had slipped out of the city
for a few days of quiet and rest
after having gone over the 1500
pages of evidence recorded at the
hearing in determining the punish-
ment to be meted out to Loeb and
Leopold for the kidnapping and
murder of their schoolboy neigh-
bor, Bobby Frank.

Bank Pay in Germany Increased

BERLIN (AP)—Salaries of bank
employees throughout Germany are
to be increased 10 per cent. This
is the result of a decree by a court
of arbitration in the Reich's de-
partment of labor.

SCHOOLS SHOW
BIG INCREASE

First day enrollments in the La
Grande public schools this morn-
ing, showed decided increases over
those of last year. For the first
time in the history of the high
school a surplus of students was
forced to find seats in the balcony
on the opening day.

Figures on the 1923 first day
enrollments compared with this
year follow:

	1923	1924
High school	380	400
Central school	497	535
Riveria school	273	294
Greenwood school	481	485
Willow school	95	95

Totals: 1501 1749
Net increase: 188.

The decrease in attendance in
the Greenwood school that is due
to the opening of the Willow
school, Pendleton reported a total
enrollment of a little over 1100
students on the first day of school.

School opened with the usual
amount of hustle and resulting
confusion on the part of the fresh-
men and if the truth were known,
perhaps some of the older students
were responsible for part of it.

Opening Program

Assembly was called at 9 o'clock
and after the scramble to get seats
was over with the program opened
with the singing of two vocal solos
by Miss Kathleen Campbell, ac-
compained on the piano by Mrs.
Parkinson of the Eastern Oregon
Music company.

Shortly afterwards Mr. Ham-
pton started the work of disillus-
ioning the freshmen by warning
them of the examinations to come
in the next few months and the
need of preparing for them from
the beginning of the year rather
than waiting until the last night
before.

Following Mr. Hampton's talk
Colon Eberhard, chairman of the
school board gave an address.
Speaking for the board Mr. Eber-
hard emphasized the importance
of study and the need of training
minds to cope with present day
social and economic conditions.

After a short talk by E. B. T-
tler, principal of the high school,
the students went through the
regular schedule of classes in or-
der to acclimatize themselves to
the building and get assignments from
the teachers preparatory to the
actual scholastic work which
starts tomorrow.

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XTRA

DAVIS AT DENVER
DENVER, Colo. (AP)—John
W. Davis arrived today from Lin-
coln, Neb., and proceeded to Es-
tes Park, in the Rocky mountains,
where he will prepare a speech to
be delivered here Thursday.
During the early stages of Davis'
overnight trip from Lincoln he was
welcomed at several stations by
crowds and he made one address
in which he stressed what he re-
gards as one big issue of the cam-
paign—honesty in government.

TO FIGHT LA FOLLETTE
WASHINGTON (By the Associ-
ated Press)—Senate Minority
leader, Charles McNary, Republi-
can, told President Coolidge
today that the Republican cam-
paign attack would be centered
on La Follette. "There is little
enthusiasm for John W. Davis,"
said Senator McNary, "and I confess
I have not solved the column of
the talk I hear in the middle west
for La Follette. His strength is
questionable, but that is where we
must aim."

BASEBALL

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE		
Club	Won	Lost
San Francisco	29	27
Seattle	25	23
Oakland	22	27
Vernon	19	29
Portland	15	28
Los Angeles	15	25
Salt Lake	14	26
Sacramento	12	26

(By the Associated Press)

Salt Lake 2-2, Los Angeles 1-2

First game	R	H	E
Salt Lake	2	6	0
Los Angeles	1	2	3

Batteries: Kallio and Peters
Hughes, Dumovich and Jenkins.

Second game

First game—	R. H.
Sacramento	11 15
San Francisco	7 18
Batteries: Thompson	
Schaar; Shea, Geary and Y	
Vargas.	
Second game—	R. H.
Sacramento	9 2
San Francisco	8 2
Batteries: Peters, C. Can	
and Kohler; Mitchell, Juney	
Hitchie.	

Sacramento 11-0, Frisco 7-6

First game	R	H	E
Sacramento	11	18	0
San Francisco	7	18	1

Batteries: Thompson and
Schang; Shea, Goary and Yelle,
Vargas.

Second game

Oakland	7	11
Seattle	2	2
Batteries: Boehler and H.		
Gregg, Sutherland and E. B.		
win.		
Second game—		
Oakland	8	5
Seattle	19	16
Batteries: Kruse and Bul		
Dell and Tobin.		

KLAN IN MAINE
THE BIG ISSUE

PORTLAND, Me. (By the As-
sociated Press)—The largest vote
in Maine's history is expected to-
day in the biennial state election,
in which the contest for governor
swayed largely on the Ku Klux
Klan issue overshadows all other
considerations.

William R. Pattinall, former
state attorney general, democratic
candidate for governor, in his
campaign speeches denounced the
klan.

State Senator Ralph C. Brow-
ner, his republican opponent, was
supported by the klan in the pri-
mary campaign.

OLD PIONEERS
TO SEE SHOW

The United States National bank
of La Grande, out of a feeling of
respect for the pioneers, who trek-
ed across the plains in the early
days behind ox teams and settled
the Grande Ronde valley, has in-
sured approximately 80 invitations
to pioneers to attend the Wednes-
day afternoon showing of the
"Covered Wagon" at the Arcade
theater.

The invitations are being sent
only to those who actually came
across the plains at an age when
they could realize the dangers and
perils that confronted them.

FALL LAUNCHES
ATTACK AGAINST
NEW OIL INQUIRY

WASHINGTON (By the Associ-
ated Press)—An attack on the
government's new oil lease inquiry
was made in the supreme court of
the District of Columbia today on
behalf of Albert B. Fall, former
interior secretary, now under in-
dictment.

Fall's lawyers, asking for a rule
to show why the new proceedings
should not be quashed, contended
they were merely a "fishing ex-
pedition, not designed to obtain
evidence, but to obtain evi-
dence."

The government's special oil
counsel never has realized the na-
ture of the latest inquiry, which
began several days ago before a
grand jury here.

New Salvation Army
Building Is Dedicated

In an impressive ceremony yes-
terday afternoon at 2 o'clock the
new citadel of the Salvation Army
on Fir street was dedicated to the
use of the Army and members of
that organization together with a
number of La Grande citizens spent
several hours participating in
proper service for the occasion.

Gathered in front of the fifty
new structure the audience with
bared heads witnessed the raising
of the American flag over the
structure and while it was being
pulled to its proper place a na-
tional air was sung. Immediately
following Col. W. T. Scott, com-
manding the eleven western states
for the Army, raised the Salvation
Army flag to take its place by the
side of Old Glory. As the emblem
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FLYERS ON
FINAL LEG
OF FLIGHT

Aviators Left Boston for
New York at 12:02
O'clock Today

SERIES OF JUMPS
TO END LONG TRIP

"Plain Sailing" Across
Continent Is Seen by
Commander Lieutenant
Smith.

MITCHELL FIELD, N. Y. (By
the Associated Press)—The army
flyers reached here at 3:30 today
from Boston. Scores of thousands
stood on the roofs and streets in
New York City, watching the fly-
ers pass. The Prince of Wales
was among those greeting the fly-
ers at the field.

WASHINGTON (By the Associ-
ated Press)—President Coolidge is
expected personally to greet the
world flyers at Bolling field here
tomorrow.

Army air service experts are
awaiting with growing interest the
opportunity to read the wordless
story of the flight around the
world written in the mechanical
condition of the air crafters at the
end of their journey. A minute
inspection will be made when the
planes reach Rockwell field.

A tentative schedule, arranged
for the squadron when it leaves
Washington Wednesday will prob-
ably carry the flyers via Dayton,
Chicago, St. Joseph, Mo., Port
Cross, Neb., North Platte, Neb.,
Cheyenne, Wyo., Rock Springs,
Wyo., Salt Lake City, Salt Lake
City, Utah, Reno, Sacramento, Eugene,
Ore., thence to Seattle, Wash., the
end of the flight.

BOSTON (By the Associated
Press)—The United States army
world flyers took off
today two minutes after twelve
o'clock for New York, beginning
a series of jumps that at Seattle
will complete the circumnaviga-
tion of the earth.

BOSTON (By the Associated
Press)—"It should be plain sail-
ing from now on," the flight com-
mander, Lieutenant Lowell H.
Smith, said, adding that, no new

BOY RUNAWAY
IS IN CUSTODY

"A perpetual runaway."

That is what the police think of
M. A. Pike, aged thirteen years,
who is at the station awaiting dis-
position of some kind. Maybe he
will be sent to the Salem train-
ing school for boys—but that is no
certainty.

Young Pike is an orphan and
his first A. W. O. L. occurred May
18 when he ran away from a man
in California who was taking care
of him. Pike claimed that he
had been given a Beking and
thereupon decided to depart. When
questioned as to whether he de-
served the treatment or not, he re-
plied, rather shamefacedly, "Yes,
I did."

Then he was in the Portland
home a while but again took
French leave. His next home was
in Maupin, Wasco county, Oregon,
but that too, grew odious to him
and he left. He reached La
Grande yesterday and was taken
into custody.

"That's one of the big problems
of the police," said the chief,
"how to take care of such cases."

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