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Portland (AP)—Oregon—
Unsettled tonight and Fri-
day. Probably rain in the
west.

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(By HARRY B. HUNT)
WASHINGTON (NEA Special)—
Has aviation reached a stage
to make a strong navy any less
important than it was?
In the last few days the sug-
gestion has been made that it has.
The suggestion came from the
White House.
Government experts are very
backward about taking issue with
the president. But among them-
selves—the idea's too ridiculous
for words, practically all of them
say. Here and there, perhaps some
out-and-out aviation fanatic may
hold otherwise, but he's a hard
nut to find, even in aviation
circles.

That aircraft are important as
naval auxiliaries is agreed.
It is conceded readily that a
war fleet without them would be
at a tremendous disadvantage—
probably a fatal disadvantage—
against another fleet adequately
equipped with such auxiliaries.
"But to compare a battleship
and an airplane as weapons,"
to quote an officer who holds an
important Navy Department post,
"is like comparing an automobile
with a piece of pie. They're un-
related entirely. One's for one thing,
the other's for another. There's
nothing interchangeable about
them."

"For purely defensive pur-
poses," went on this authority,
"aircraft, in sufficient numbers
might do."

"But if ever the United States
has trouble with any foreign coun-
try, naturally we will want to
carry our campaign to the latter's
shores, to sweep enemy commerce
from the ocean and to protect our
own."

"How could we reach the waters
of any overseas foe without war-
ships?"

"We certainly couldn't do it
with airplane-carrying vessels, for
if they were unprotected by war-
ships the enemy would sink them
as soon as they put to sea."

"Objections may serve the pur-
pose if the time ever comes when
one of them can transport several
thousand men, and we have a big
fleet of them, but that time isn't
here yet and it's unlikely it ever
will be."

"Neither is it likely we ever
shall see the day when an airplane
can fly overseas, operate and re-
turn without a landing."

"Such voyages as the round-trip
world flight, made during favorable
weather, from well-equipped
base to well-equipped base, at con-
venient intervals, is one thing."

"A trans-ocean flight by a great
fleet of planes would be altogether
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ASK PASTORS
TO URGE VOTE

WASHINGTON (Special)—To
register and vote one hundred per
cent of their qualified members
in the coming presidential elec-
tion is the goal set before the
pastors of the country by Dr. Worth
M. Tippy, secretary of the Com-
mission on Social Service of the
Federal Council of Churches. This
movement is non-partisan.

Pastors are given concrete
things to do to get their mem-
bers to vote in November, in a
statement issued today to the min-
isters of the country.

Register Now

Registration books close next
Monday evening, October 4. If
your name does not appear on
the roll of voters, you practi-
cally disfranchise yourself.
Regardless of your party
politics, register! Do your
duty as a citizen.

Levy Pony Farm Given
Praise In Magazine

The current issue of the Union
Pacific Magazine carries in its
columns an article dwelling upon
the Levy Pony Farm at Union,
which is reprinted below. The ef-
fect of the article is augmented
by pictures taken at the pony
farm, at the Salem state fair and
at the Union Stock show.

"The Grande Ronde valley has
always been noted as being espe-
cially well adapted to the raising
of good saddle horses, for the reason
that it produces in abundance
"bunch" grass, etc., the natural
forage of the horse, on the hills
and mountains surrounding. In
this respect what is true with re-
gard to the larger type of the
equine family is also equally true
with regard to his smaller brother
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LABOR FALL
IN ENGLAND
HELD DUETalk Has Risen of Prob-
ability of General
Election SoonCRIMINAL CASE
STOP ONE CAUSELiberals Notify Parlia-
ment They Are in Op-
position to Anglo-Rus-
sian Treaty.LONDON (By the Associated
Press)—Talk has again risen of
the "imminent fall" of the labor
government, and the probability
of a general election before Christ-
mas.

The crisis came last night when
notice was given in parliament of
two motions against the govern-
ment.

One, by Conservatives, censured
the government's conduct relative
to abandonment of criminal pro-
ceedings against James Rosa
Campbell, a Communist publication.

The other, by Liberals, disap-
proving the Anglo-Russian treaty.

COMMISSION
SESSION HELD

The weekly session of the city
commission last evening was de-
voted principally to regular routine
business occurring on the first of
every month.

Warrants were drawn up and
passed authorizing the payment of
\$17,664.88 to the Triangular Con-
struction company for services ren-
dered and to the Morrison-Kant-
son Contracting company to the
amount of \$1,972.54.

Several complaints were made by
property owners relative to im-
provement work in the city. A com-
plaint was read from Harley Rich-
ardson alleging that the paving
assessment had been too high. An-
other was presented on the behalf
of W. A. Kennedy, a property owner
in one of the triangular shaped
blocks which had been paved on
three sides. After some little dis-
cussion the matter was turned over
to Frank Hayes, city manager, for
investigation.

A petition signed by a number of
property owners for the installa-
tion of an arc light on the corner
of Tenth and L avenues was read
and ordered investigated. A re-
quest to allow business vehicles to
pass Adams avenue until the actual
paving starts was granted.

The rest of the session was oc-
cupied by the reading of bills and
reports from the city manager and
others.

Instruction on
"Scratch" Vote
Will Be Given

WASHINGTON (By the Associated
Press)—Instructions how to
"scratch" the ballots in the com-
ing election so as to vote for La
Follette—Wheeler electors and
congressional candidates whose
record is acceptable to the Ameri-
can Federation of Labor, is to be
given organized workers of the
country under a plan outlined to-
day by Frank Morrison, vice presi-
dent of the federation and a mem-
ber of the campaign committee.

Letters are to be sent state sec-
retaries to urge them to collect
and disseminate information as
how to split the ticket to be voted.

The "Scratch" method.
The Levy breeding ranch of
some 1200 acres, is rolling bunch
grass hill land, much of it steep
and rocky. As compared with the
soft bottom lands of the valley,
it is much to be preferred for feed
results. In the development of
ponies, for the reason that those
raised on the uplands are more
rugged, and the rolling hills pro-
duce rough and rocky, make
sturdy footed animals, and promote
a much tougher, better quality of
hoof.

The original habitat of this
miniature equine species, the Shet-
land Islands, north of the main-
land of Scotland, is largely com-
posed of the same type of land.
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NEWSPAPERS LAUNCH
NATIONAL CAMPAIGN
TO "GET OUT VOTE"

In the 1920 presidential elec-
tion over 25 million American
citizens who were eligible to
vote failed to cast their ballots.
The people who did vote to-
taled 26,714,882. Their votes
were divided among the various
presidential candidates.
This is the situation: For every
100 votes cast there were 96
stay-at-homes or absentees—the
total stay-at-home vote
reaching the vast aggregate of
20,705,063.

That brought the nation very
close to government by minor-
ity. Unless the people awaken
to their duty of citizenship, less
than half of our citizens will
vote this fall.

Then we will have government
by minority.
In an effort to awaken the
public to its duty the Evening
Observer, working in co-operation
with Newspaper Enterprise
Association, of which this paper
is a member, will join in a na-
tion-wide "Get-Out-the-Vote"
campaign.

Nonpartisan Effort.
This campaign, which will be
strictly nonpartisan, has been
endorsed by the three presi-
dential candidates, scores of promi-
nent citizens and patriotic or-
ganizations.

The vast army of non-voters
can elect or defeat any candi-
date—if the vote can be pulled.
If ten per cent of the stay-at-
homes in "rock-ribbed" states
were mobilized in doubtful
states they would decide any
close national contest.

The stay-at-homes total of
over twenty-five million is arriv-
ing at after deducting 8,467,625
disqualified citizens of 21 years
and over, including about 6,200,
000 alien or unaturalized for-
eign born and over two million
disfranchised under election laws of 12 south-
ern states.

Kentucky has the least stay-
at-home voters. There were only
24 absentees for each 100 votes

registered at the polls at the last
general election. The second best
record was in Delaware, where
33 remained away for every 100
who voted. Indiana was third
with only 55 stay-at-homes.
Make Best Showing.

Twelve states of the upper
Mississippi valley, known as the
middle west, make by all odds
the best showing for any geo-
graphic section. Ohio, Indiana,
Illinois, Michigan and Wisconsin
show 65 stay-at-homes per 100
votes, while three middle Atlan-
tic states—New York, New Jer-
sey and Pennsylvania—had 94
absentees for the same number
of votes.

But the best showing is made
by Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri,
North and South Dakota, Ne-
braska and Kansas—59 stay-at-
homes compared with 82 per
100 votes in New England.

Pennsylvania has the worst
showing of any large state, cast-
ing 1,851,248 votes for president
in 1920, while 2,472,109 voters
failed to reach the polls. For
every 100 persons who did vote,
there were 133 who did not.

A similar condition prevails in
Vermont, classed as a "rock-rib-
bed" Republican state, which
stands second to Pennsylvania in
the percentage of the stay-at-
homes—114 for 100 votes. This
is the same percentage as that
of Arizona, where vast distances
and a large transient cowboy and
Mexican element affect voting
efficiency.

Laws are Barriers.
While apathy of the voters is
directly responsible for this neg-
lect of citizenship duties, elec-
tion laws also contribute greatly
to the stay-at-home vote.

Most of the states have recent-
ly tried to overcome the loss of
absentee votes by enacting ab-
sente voting laws. But few of
these laws are efficient in
reaching the result desired, for
the simple reason that the ab-
sentees are required to register in
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UNION GRANGE
IS ORGANIZED

UNION, Ore. (Special to the Ob-
server)—Union Grange was orga-
nized last evening at the Eastern
Oregon Experiment station with
Dr. W. T. Piny, of the Hot Lake
Phymere Farm, as master.

Toy Conklin, superintendent of
schools, was named lecturer and
Alfred Crocker secretary.

The new grange will hold its
meetings in the experiment station
buildings, the first one to be held
on October 15.

W. H. Gekeler, state organizer
of La Grande, conducted the work.
Telecast grange sent a large dele-
gation and served refreshments
for the meeting.

LOCAL GRANGE TO MEET

The Blue Mountain Grange, at
their meeting on Wednesday, Octo-
ber 1, decided to hold an open
meeting Saturday afternoon, Octo-
ber 18 and invite a number of pub-
lic speakers to discuss important
questions to be taken up at the
election this fall and at the legisla-
tive meeting this coming winter.
Musical numbers and a literary
program will be given between dis-
cussions and the public is invited
to be present, according to an-
nouncements today.

DAVENPORT, Ia. (By the As-
sociated Press)—Charles G. Dawes,
Republican vice presidential can-
didate in his first Iowa speech to-
day, ignored the demand of Sena-
tor Brookhart, of Iowa, that he
resign from the Republican na-
tional ticket.

O-W. Railroad Crew
Absolved of Blame

BAKER, Ore. (Special)—At the
inquest held yesterday afternoon
over the death of James Hyatt
who was killed Tuesday by being
hit by a train, the coroner's jury
exonerated the railroad train crew
from all blame and held the driver
of the car was negligent. Judge
George E. Allen, as justice of the
peace was acting coroner in the
absence from the city of Coroner
West.

MEEKER GOING
EAST VIA AIR

CHEYENNE (By the Associated
Press)—Ezra Meeker, 93, and
Lieutenant Oakley G. Kelly, flying
from Vancouver, Wash., to Day-
ton, left Rock Springs, Wyo., at
11:40 a. m. today according to a
radiogram received here. The mes-
sage stated they would proceed to
North Platte, Nebr., not stopping
at Cheyenne.

BOISE, Ida. (Special)—Travel-
ing with Lieutenant Oakley G. Kel-
ly, U. S. army air service, Ezra
Meeker, who blazed the Oregon
trail in 1845, arrived here late
Wednesday after a three hour and
15 minute trip from Vancouver,
Wash.

Continuing practically unannounced
in Kelly's De Havilland 4 biplane,
they negotiated the 360 miles in
good time, especially when it is
considered that when passing over
the Blue mountains they had to
ascend to an altitude of 5,999 feet
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BASEBALL

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE
"This" W. L. Pct.
San Francisco . . . 97 . 54.5
Seattle . . . 94 . 52.8
Oakland . . . 94 . 52.8
Los Angeles . . . 93 . 51.3
Salt Lake . . . 92 . 50.5
Portland . . . 84 . 45.8
Sacramento . . . 78 . 43.0

(By the Associated Press)
Salt Lake 6, Oakland 5
Scores—R. H. E.
Salt Lake . . . 6 12 2
Oakland . . . 5 7 2
Batteries: O'Neill, Singleton and
Peters; Cook, Roehrer and Reid.

Los Angeles 4, Seattle 6
Scores—R. H. E.
Los Angeles . . . 4 12 2
Seattle . . . 6 19 9
Batteries: Root, Myers, Ramsey
and Spencer; Jenkins, Sutherland
and E. Baldwin.

Vernon 4, Sacramento 6
Scores—R. H. E.
Vernon . . . 4 5 0
Batteries: C. Canfield and Koch-
ler; Bryan and Hannah.

Games Postponed.
San Francisco at Portland, wet
grounds.

Games Today.
Sacramento at Oakland.
Salt Lake at Vernon.
San Francisco at Portland.
Los Angeles at Seattle.

UNANIMOUS
BALLOT ON
PROTOCOLFifth Assembly of the
League of Nations
Adopts Peace PlanASK ALL NATIONS
TO RATIFY PAPERResolution Recommends
That All League Mem-
bers Accept Protocol
and Submit to Arbitra-
tion.

GENEVA (By the Associated
Press)—The fifth assembly of the
league of nations today conclud-
ed its work of peace by a unani-
mous adoption of the resolution
urging all of the governments to
ratify the arbitration and security
protocol, providing for a pacific
settlement of all international dis-
putes.

The debate ended on a drama-
tic note of a woman's plea that
war be forever banished because
"its first victim is always a child,"
by Mrs. Helen Swanwick, of Great
Britain.

The first part of the resolution
recommended to all league mem-
bers the acceptance of the pro-
tocol, including arbitration, securi-
ty clauses and a provision for
preparation for the international
reduction of armaments confer-
ences.

The second part asks members
to accede to the compulsory arbi-
tration clause of the world court
of justice.

CHINA BOLTS LEAGUE MEET
GENEVA. (By the Associated
Press)—Belgium, Brazil, Czechoslo-
vakia, Sweden and Uruguay
were re-elected non-parent mem-

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UNLOADED PISTOL
ANGLE ENTERS IN
CRONKHITE CASE

TACOMA. (By the Associated
Press)—A pistol of Major Alexan-
der C. Cronkhite, from which in
his own hands it was claimed by
the defense he met his death in a
lonely spot in the Camp Lewis
military reservation six years ago,
this month, contained no unex-
pectedly shot when picked up a few
minutes afterwards beside his dead
body. George Root, Jr., of Seattle,
former army companion of Roland
H. Pothier, accused with Robert
Rosenbluth of the murder of the
major, testified in federal district
court where Pothier is being tried.

Wood, of Indiana, Picks
Republicans to Win

WASHINGTON, (AP)—A Republi-
can congress will be elected
this fall along with the Republican
national ticket. Representative
Wood of Indiana, chairman of the
Republican congressional commit-
tee, has predicted to President
Coolidge.

Mr. Wood has just completed a
survey of the states east of the
Mississippi and he declared the
party would gain sufficient new
seats to offset the balance of pow-
er last season by the La Follette
group of about 29 members.

The president received addition-
al reports in brief conferences dur-
ing the day on the political out-
look. He also discussed agricul-
tural conditions with Representative
Williams of Michigan and the
functions and membership of the
agricultural commission he has
proposed to appoint to investigate
farming conditions.

Mr. Coolidge expects to go more
fully into the progress of the cam-
paign at a conference today with
William M. Butler, chairman of
the Republican national committee.

Miss Holman to Face Court
SALEM, Ore.—The case brought
by Mrs. Alice Holman to recover
\$10,000 from Miss Ella Holman,
private secretary to Governor
Pierce, for alleged alienation of
Mr. Holman's affections, will be
tried about October 10, according
to announcement made by attor-
neys here.

MARKETS TODAY.
PORTLAND, Ore. (AP)—Cattle
slow with a slower tendency;
hogs steady, sheep weak—top
\$19.44. Eggs unsettled, 42c-43c.
Butterfall steady. Butter
49c.

MRS. ZEEK ILL.
Mrs. Frank Craig of this city
has been called to Hot Lake, O-
reg., by the illness of Mrs. E. O.
Zeek, of Union.

How They Voted in 1920

For every 100 voters who went to the polls to vote for a president in
1920, there were 96 voters who remained away.
Here is a statistical table which shows the state, the number of citizens
21 years of age and over, the 1920 presidential vote, the number of aliens
and unaturalized citizens and others disqualified, the stay-at-home voters
and the number of absent voters per one hundred voters in each state.
The table affords the basis of serious study for those interested in civic
welfare and the perpetuity of American institutions.

State	Population 21 years and over (1920 census)	Vote 1920 (total)	Unnaturalized Stay-at-home No. per and otherwise disqualified voters	No. per 100 votes
U. S.	60,886,326	26,713,882	8,467,625	25,705,063
Alabama	1,143,395	291,070	246,167	606,158
Arizona	187,529	66,893	45,263	75,861
Arkansas	897,292	133,636	109,910	578,646
California	2,189,300	842,344	329,906	1,052,741
Colorado	861,829	222,653	122,809	222,777
Connecticut	1,288,074	308,823	205,291	282,260
Delaware	136,521	94,375	10,218	31,323
Florida	530,614	148,881	80,758	310,175
Georgia	1,427,606	148,724	267,263	1,065,049
Idaho	224,076	135,624	12,276	88,176
Illinois	3,044,197	1,094,714	478,482	1,371,001
Indiana	1,779,820	1,262,964	76,806	410,050
Iowa	1,425,652	890,076	61,208	472,284
Kansas	1,024,144	736,287	40,229	415,587
Kentucky	1,289,436	195,711	147,230	222,653
Louisiana	924,184	126,304	236,012	541,778
Maine	475,191	139,117	63,859	223,224
Maryland	862,291	428,442	43,889	390,083
Massachusetts	2,411,507	993,718	547,497	810,292
Michigan	2,215,436	1,048,411	332,205	834,823
Minnesota	1,380,334	738,338	143,192	501,804
Mississippi	879,106	62,492	185,242	607,780
Missouri	2,049,814	1,332,890	69,193	639,911
Montana	329,562	179,066	29,082	112,474
Nebraska	738,310	382,663	61,116	304,441
New Hampshire	291,026	159,065	45,428	175,600
Nevada	52,218	27,194	7,609	17,305
New Jersey	1,897,884	855,510	369,706	672,603
New Mexico	185,180	108,306	16,022	63,734
New York	6,514,681	2,898,513	1,374,584	2,241,484
North Carolina	1,210,727	538,741	207,745	462,241
North Dakota	322,918	206,776	29,309	87,282
Ohio	3,558,481	2,021,653	328,088	1,297,810
Oklahoma	1,021,588	486,019	64,812	470,106
Oregon	464,968	278,222	29,327	217,119
Pennsylvania	5,009,991	1,845,748	708,743	2,472,109
Rhode Island	368,637	197,361	78,691	121,063
South Carolina	779,991	69,803	182,361	639,822
South Dakota	344,816	182,287	22,963	129,746
Tennessee	1,214,471	428,626	159,774	626,547
Texas	2,430,715	828,043	284,491	1,571,182
Utah	228,032	145,828	19,062	67,792
Vermont	127,042	89,961	18,407	108,674
Virginia	1,207,074	231,001	176,170	299,708
Washington	857,079	398,705	76,516	304,182
West Virginia	722,244	409,542	141,324	260,078
Wisconsin	1,227,651	701,280	185,490	640,551
Wyoming	115,739	64,700	11,049	49,290

MANY PLEDGE
RAIL SUPPORT

Petitions, signed by about 200
employees of the Union Pacific rail-
road system, are in evidence in La
Grande today asking that La
Grande patronize the railroads in
preference to truck or bus lines.

The employees, in their request,
point out that the yearly payroll
of the railroad totals \$1,440,000 and
then ask: "How much do the truck
and bus lines and their employees
spend in the town?"

One of the petitions carries 143
names and the other about the
same number.

Response Gaffing.
The response of La Grande,
especially the business men of the
city, to the petitions, is very grati-
fying to the employees of the O-W
today. Two petitions are also out
and many are signing them pledg-
ing that they will patronize the
railroads in preference to the truck
and bus lines.

COMMITTEE TO
AID IN WORK

At a regular monthly meeting of
the American Legion held last eve-
ning in the K. of P. hall a stand-
ing committee was appointed to
work with the other organizations
in La Grande with the purpose in
view of securing an arriary build-
ing for the city.

Dr. Ray Murphy was named
chairman of the committee by Ray
Williams, commander of the local
post of the legion. Other mem-
bers