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PORTLAND (AP)—Fair in Oregon, cloudy and rain in west tonight and Thursday.

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Hunt's
Daily
Letter

(By Harry R. Hunt)

WASHINGTON (N.E.A. Special)—Women workers for Uncle Sam are the latest casualties of the world war.

Caught under the barrage of applications that have swamped the adjutant general's office, and the honor division of the veteran's bureau, scarcely a day passes that one or more of the overworked employees does not fall at her desk a victim of the latest war "drive."

In one day one middle-aged worker, falling in a swoon, struck the corner of her desk and rendered a collar bone. Another was found by a messenger, stretched senseless in a corridor where she had dropped in a faint.

The pressure under which the bonus work is being forced is declared responsible for the collapse of a score of employees within a fortnight.

The rigid military requirements of Maj. Gen. Robert C. Davis, adjutant general, which fix a daily objective to be reached just as the general on the field of battle sets a point of advance for his troops, possibly presuppose a certain percentage of casualties.

But the high percentage of victims in this latest drive of the war suggests that the welfare of these workers is being unduly sacrificed in order that someone in command may "make a record" for economy and speed.

Mexico is again back in the official good graces of Uncle Sam. Any doubt that full and free accord has been re-established between the U. S. and her revolutionary neighbor on the south was wiped out during the visit to Washington of President Plutarco Elias Calles.

General Calles, a massively built man, broad of shoulder, deep of chest, vigorous in speech and action, gives the impression of being able to subdue any incipient uprising single-handed, should any such threaten during his administration.

In addition to his call at the White House, which because of linguistic limitations was confined to a brief exchange of courtesies between himself and resident Coolidge, Calles was the guest of honor at a dinner given by Secretary of State and Mrs. Hughes and was

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J. UPTON WILL
HEAD PROGRAM

Honorable J. Upton, of Princeton, has been secured to deliver the Elks memorial day address at the annual memorial day services to be conducted by the Elks lodge of this city. The date of the ceremony is December 7 and a committee has been appointed to handle the details.

The committee believes itself fortunate in having secured a speaker of the reputation that Mr. Upton enjoys and is planning in every way to make the annual event an outstanding one.

The members of the committee are: H. E. Dixon, chairman; Geo. T. Cochran, A. W. Nelson, J. G. Snodgrass, Chas. H. Reynolds.

LECTURER TO
SPEAK SUNDAY

Announcement has been made by the Christian Science church of La Grande to the effect that a free lecture on Christian Science will be given in the Star theater next Sunday afternoon, November 16, at 2 o'clock by John L. Finner, C. S. of Evanston, Illinois. He is a member of the board of lecturers of the Mother church, the First church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Massachusetts.

Court Rules On Cider
Made For Use In Home

BALTIMORE (By the Associated Press)—Charging the sale for trial of Representative Hill for alleged violation of the Volstead act, Judge Soper directed jurors to ignore definitions of intoxicants as expounded by experts. He told the jury to find Colonel Hill not guilty on counts of indictment charging him with maintaining a common nuisance.

BALTIMORE, Md. (By the Associated Press)—In ruling on the admissibility of certain testimony Tuesday at the trial of Representative John Philip Hill, in United States court, Judge A. M. Soper declared it his opinion that it was

NINE DEAD;
POISONING
IS CAUSE

Members of Elks Home at Bedford Victims of Arsenic

FIVE IN DANGER
OF DEATH TODAY

Aberdeen, Wash., Man Is Among Those Taken to Hospital for Treatment

LYNCHBURG, Va. (AP Press Time Flash)—James K. Collins, New York, died today bringing the total dead to ten. Sixteen others are improving.

LYNCHBURG, Va. (By the Associated Press)—Although most of the seventeen aged members of the Beneficial and Protective Order of Elks in the national Elks home at Bedford, suffering from arsenic poisoning, were improved today, grave concern was felt for five, none of whom are out of danger.

The death last night of W. H. Hutchinson of Corey, Pa., brought the total deaths, resulting from residents of the home drinking cider from a barrel previously used for plant spraying, to nine.

The cider was made last Friday especially for the home by day laborers for the home by day laborers. At a luncheon Monday, about 25 of those who drank the cider soon became violently ill. Richardson said that he washed the barrel before using but officials believe that the poison saturated the wood.

W. S. Lloyd of Aberdeen, Wash., was among those taken to the hospital.

DAVIS WILL QUIT
CABINET MARCH 4;
CHIEF INFORMED

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—Secretary Davis, of the labor department, has informed President Coolidge he wishes to retire from the cabinet after March 4.

Davis is the only cabinet member to indicate a desire to retire. It was officially said at the White House. The president has given no consideration to other possible cabinet changes and has expressed the hope that Davis will remain.

James Robinson, president Coolidge yesterday appointed Theodore Douglas Robinson assistant secretary of the navy, fulfilling the last wish of Senator Lodge. Robinson will assume his duties immediately.

300 Pheasants Freed
On Pierce Ranch Today

At Andrews and his assistants of the Wing, Fin and Elephant club had the pleasure of releasing 300 pheasants on the state game reserve on the Pierce ranch this morning.

The pheasants were all mature and able to forage for themselves when released. They were shipped from Eugene by the state game commission.

PORTLAND WEATHER (By the Associated Press)—The first freezing temperature of the season was recorded here last night. The thermometer dropped to 29 degrees above. Frost on the ground this morning, fog and slippery streets, combined to cause scores of traffic accidents.

MARKETS TODAY—PORTLAND, ORE. (AP)—Cattle steady, sheep nominally steady. Hogs strong to the higher, medium \$29.85. Eggs weak, butterfat steady, butter 40 cents.

The intent of congress as set forth in section 29 of the Volstead act to permit the manufacture of fruit beverages and cider for home consumption, regardless of the alcoholic limit of one-half of 1 percent as set forth elsewhere in the act.

Judge Soper added, however, that should such beverages be in fact intoxicating their manufacture would be a violation of the law, as would their sale or delivery, except to persons having permits for the manufacture of vinegar.

The judge also declared that, in his opinion, defendants in such cases should be held liable for the

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Boise Nosed
Out Tigers
7-6 Tuesday

Kerr's 90-Yard Run for Touchdown Most Spectacular Play of Contest.

(By Scoop)

Eleven heavy Braves from Boise high school and eleven man-eating Blue and White striped tigers clashed on the local athletic field yesterday afternoon at two o'clock and the Braves emerged triumphant, but not until one of the greatest games in local history was finished. The final score was Boise 7, La Grande 6.

In the first half the Tigers clawed and scratched the Gem State gridiron to pieces and splintered their goal line with a touchdown, contributed by Howard Kerr who furnished a thrill of the day when he snatched a forward pass from a Boise end's fingers and raced 90 yards up the field with a pack of Braves at his heels. McKennon, La Grande back, failed to kick goal and that one point lost, prevented the Blue and White from hoisting their flag to the mast when the time-keeper's whistle sounded tape. Landry, who converted every time in the Elgin game, was on the side-line and wasn't sent in—and a tie score, which would have been far more than La Grande hoped for, never materialized.

A Battle. The game was a thriller from start to finish. In spite of the muddy, slippery condition of the gridiron after a rain that kept the crowd of 1,000 tensed and excited. The Tigers outplayed Boise in the first half and kept the Braves in their own territory during the opening quarter. Outgained 11 pounds per man, the Tigers more than made up for the difference with an unmercantile spirit that never knew when it was licked. Boise had been doped to win by three touchdowns and the close score was a moral victory for the home team, any way one viewed it.

The Turning Point. At the end of the first half, with the score La Grande 6, Boise 0, the field presented a picture of joy unconfined. A high school excitement and subsequent yell. A triumphant march by the American Legion and drum corps and swarming, hilarious spectators held the center of interest.

In the first of the third quarter the tide turned, though, and La Grande was driven to its 20-yard line. Then a pass, C. Brown to Lovely, and a 15 yard run, brought the home score, 6-6.

Boise quarterback, kicked goal. That was the only time he entered the lineup during the game. The remainder of the game was a see-saw puzzle, with each team taking the offensive an opportunity appeared. Fumbles by both sides and recoveries added to the zest of the greatest of all sports.

Hughes Star. Hughes, 137 pound tackle, was the star of the game. His fight, coupled with an unmatchable charge, kept the Boise runner carrying the ball time and again, many times for a loss. He played against a man 50 pounds heavier but outplayed his opponent on every down.

But Hughes wasn't the only Tiger that fought. Every one of the Blue eleven did his bit and the result was pleasing. It was a case of eleven wonderful fighters, matched against a powerful, beefy team, with the final charge a toss-up.

Field Goal Trics Fail. Boise's lead was threatened several times in the last half. Five times La Grande attempted a field

FATHER-SON
FEED FRIDAY

No nation-wide movement has been more popular and far-reaching than the Father and Son's banquet night, and La Grande, always keeping abreast with the good and worth while things in life, will this year hold the Father and Son's event in the basement of the Methodist church on Friday evening.

The banquet begins promptly at 6:20 o'clock with H. E. Coolidge as toastmaster. Those who know Mr. Coolidge realize that the beginning line is positive and that those who are late will be disappointed.

A very suitable program has been arranged and this year boys and their daddies will have an excellent evening, and one of the chief features will be the fine dinner prepared by the Methodist ladies.

Advance sale of tickets has been very good but the decision to close the ticket sale on Friday noon, so the ladies will know exactly how many to prepare for, may work hardship on some boys if they do not remind their daddies now to be sure and get their tickets.

PARADE IN
SNOW STORM
IMPRESSIVE

Line of March, Mile in Length, Undaunted by Swirling Flakes

COMPANIES HELD
MILITARY DRILL

Pyrotechnics in Evening Beautiful; First Annual Celebration Recorded a Success.

Swinging along Adams avenue, to the tune of martial music and the beat of the drum, the parade of the opening La Grande Armistice Day celebration, in spite of falling snow, buffeted about the faces of the marchers by a breeze, presented an imposing spectacle. Led by the colors and the La Grande American Legion band and drum corps, respondent in their blue uniforms, the parade began moving shortly after 10:30 o'clock, following out the line of march up Adams to Fourth, thence to the high school field.

Following the dedication of the high school field and the shooting of a rocket bomb that burst high in the air, becoming an American flag affixed to a parachute, a battalion drill, with Baker and La Grande guardsmen participating, finished the program for the morning. The La Grande band took part in the parade and drill.

The parade was made up of Legionnaires from three counties, members of the Ladies auxiliary, floats of E. O. L. E. O. M. and Salvation Army, Army trucks, the American Legion band and drum corps, the band, gold star mothers, and a long string of cars. Captain Paul Hattaway was marshal of the parade.

Noon-Day Luncheon. Two luncheons were furnished to the guardsmen and ex-service men and women of all wars, one in the Methodist church basement and

WRITER TELLS
OF HER LIFE

Mrs. Ella Higginson, now of Bellingham, Wash., but who formerly made her home, gives a glimpse of her life in a short sketch published in the Portland Telegram. Mrs. Higginson, a noted author, has written "Mardiella of Out-West," "From the Land of the Snow Peaks" and others. Her present address is No. 605 High street, Bellingham, Wash. Accompanying the autobiography is a two column picture of Mrs. Higginson.

The sketch follows: "In endeavoring to comply with your request, I must confess that there is only one task that could be more terrifying to me than the attempt to write a brief autobiographical sketch—and that would be to attempt to write a long one. The dentist and the photographer fade into the shadows before the pen that would turn an honest point upon one's own self. I hold that a true autobiography was never written. No one will tell the best things he has done, and no modest person can tell the good things."

"But a few statements I may both modestly and truthfully make. So far as worldly possessions go, I have had both poverty and competence, but even enduring the severest financial reverses, I was for several other persons, so rich that none could be richer."

"One was that I have been idiosyncratic."

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DETAILS OF BOISE-LA GRANDE GAME
(By J. S. L.)

	Boise	La Grande
First downs from scrimmage	2	0
First quarter	0	0
Second quarter	0	0
Third quarter	0	0
Fourth quarter	0	0
Total yards from scrimmage	17	15
First half	23	23
Second half	0	0
Total number of scrimmage plays	62	51
Forward passes completed	4	7
Forward passes intercepted	2	1
Passes intercepted	2	1
Total yards gained on passes	27	34
Penalties	25	0
Yards lost on penalties	12	5
Number of punts	22	27
Average length of punts	4	9
Punts blocked	2	0
Fumbles	5	0
Field goals attempted	0	4
Field goals successful	0	0

Building On
Coast Still
Very Active

81 Cities Report \$39,722,274 Expended on Construction; La Grande Total \$41,600.

During the month of October La Grande, Ore., building permits called for an expenditure of \$41,600.

A survey by S. W. Straus & Co., follows:

Although a customary slowing down of business in most lines incident to the eve of a Presidential election was expected to influence building operations, a substantial majority of the largest Pacific coast cities issued more building permits in October than in September, some establishing new high records, and few of them report notable reductions. This is shown by an analysis of official reports from building department executives of 81 cities in Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Utah, Nevada, Arizona and California, comprised in the Pacific Coast section of the National Monthly Building Survey of S. W. Straus & Co.

Excepting the predominating figures of Los Angeles, where an appreciable reduction appears, the October record of the other 80 cities shows a gain of 1 1/2 per cent over September and a loss of but 1/2 per cent from the big total of last October. The 81 cities report a grand total of \$39,722,274 for October. Washington, Utah and Nevada show gains over September, as does California outside of Los Angeles. All but Idaho report gains over last October and all but Washington and Nevada gained over October, 1923.

Frisco Climbs. San Francisco reached a new record figure with \$6,116,313 in October, 7 per cent ahead of September's total, 61 per cent over that of last October and 29 per cent over that of October, 1923.

In the San Francisco Bay area 14 municipalities report a total of \$10,881,175, showing gains of 6 per cent over last October and 21 per cent over last October and 32 per cent over October, 1923.

Los Angeles reports a reduction of 15 per cent from September with an October figure of \$11,047,277, this is 46 per cent less than for last October and 3 per cent less than for October of the year before.

In the Los Angeles metropolitan area, 13 municipalities show an October total of \$15,566,132, 6 per cent less than for September, 28 per cent less than for last October, but 2 per cent more than for October of 1923.

Seattle Gains. Seattle's October total of \$2,922,250 shows a 40 per cent gain over September and a 65 per cent gain over last October but a 10 per cent reduction from October, 1923. Spokane reports \$259,873 for October, showing substantial gains of 27 per cent over September, 41 per

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MRS. HARDING
BETTER TODAY

MARION O. (By the Associated Press)—Mrs. Harding is reported somewhat stronger today, although her general condition is unchanged.

SWAN SHOOTERS
FINED \$50 EACH
THIS MORNING

Alvan Bennett, Quinn McNew and Edward Fields, 17, 18 and 19, respectively, were arraigned before Hugh E. Brady, justice of peace, this morning charged with shooting 11 wild swans in violation of the federal game laws.

McNew and Fields plead guilty and were fined \$50 and costs each. Bennett, being only 17, was bound over to await the action of the juvenile court.

The boys said in their defense that they had thought the swans were geese.

To Buy Oakland Club



Walter Johnson, pictured above, has virtually completed arrangements for the purchase of the Oakland baseball club, according to Cal Ewing, present owner.

CITY HOST TO
TWO THOUSAND

(By O. N. S.)

Although three thousand had been expected from out of town at the Armistice day celebration here yesterday, the elements threw a monkey-wrench into the machinery and kept about a third of the number at home. But snowstorm and cold failed to spoil the day and it is estimated that about 2000 mostly from Baker, Union, Elgin, Imbler and other points in Union, Walla Walla and Baker counties, were present.

Every time La Grande has a big celebration, Reverend B. R. Hughes and his family, formerly of Union but now of Umatilla, attend. Yesterday was no exception.

Not an arrest was made by the police department yesterday, which simply goes to show that La Grande's big day was observed correctly. Practically no disorder was reported.

The fireworks at 5:30 o'clock were an eye-opener for many, rarely has such an excellent array of colored fire attracted so much attention. The legionnaires should be highly complimented on the beauty of the display.

Only a few regrets exist following the football game. One is that the field had only been cleared. The mud resulted in checking both teams' offensive power and had the gridiron been perfect for the feet-footed backs, an even more spectacular game would have been witnessed.

One portion of the evening program although not officially scheduled, nevertheless furnished a goodly amount of amusement. Mr.

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PLEASANT GROVE
GRANGE TO MEET
NEXT SATURDAY

Dr. W. F. Phy, of Hot Lake, master of the Union grange, is to be the speaker at the evening at a meeting of the Pleasant Grove grange at Summerville Saturday evening, November 15th. He will outline a number of things that the county granges should turn their attention to.

A number of members from the Blue Mountain grange and the Cricket Flat grange will be present and participate in the program. Several prospective members are to be initiated and special degree work has been arranged. Refreshments will be served after the meeting.

"Cat-Dog" Is Latest Breed. SEATTLE, Wash. (AP)—A new species called a "cat-dog" was exhibited here by Julius Stankus, a Yukon river pilot, on his return from the North. He said his pup was a cross between a muskrat and a miniature dog. The animal gave the dog a heavier fur for protection against intense cold, explained Stankus. He added that he obtained the pet from Indians at Fort Yukon, who breed the type for dog teams.

They caught a turtle near Coventry, R. I., over 100 years old. Four things he has lived through many elections.

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LODGE LAID
TO REST IN
CAMBRIDGE

Dignitaries Gather for Funeral Services Over Late Senator

24 STATES HAD
REPRESENTATIVES

Simple Service Conducted by Bishop William Lawrence, a Boyhood Friend of Deceased.

CAMBRIDGE. (By the Associated Press)—Representatives of the nation and state assembled here today for the funeral of Senator Lodge.

Secretaries Hughes and Weeks, and Captain Adolphus Andrews, personal representative of the president, were present.

Twenty-four states were represented in the congressional delegation of mourning.

The funeral services were simple with Bishop William Lawrence officiating over the last rites for his boyhood chum and classmate.

MARY GARDEN
MIMICKED EVE

NEW YORK. (By the Associated Press)—Mary Garden has returned home weighing 17 pounds less than when she departed for Europe six months ago. Explaining how she banished the 17 pounds, she said she went in a motor boat two miles off shore, took off her bathing suit, stretched herself on deck and "let the sun do its worst."

"After sunning myself for an hour, I swam for 20 minutes and then went ashore," she said, adding that she hoped any busybodies ashore with binoculars strained their eyes.

TAX PROGRAM
NOT IMMEDIATE

WASHINGTON. (By the Associated Press)—The administration has no present intent of pressing for tax legislation at the coming short congressional session. It became known today after Secretary A. W. Mellon conferred with President Coolidge.

It is understood Mellon does not think it practical because of the lack of time and in view of difficulties entering into the situation.

THREE KILLED
BY LIVE WIRE

CONROE, Tex. (By the Associated Press)—Three men were killed today and a fourth severely burned when they came in contact with a 2300 volt wire which had fallen across the sidewalk.

The dead are: J. H. Beakley, W. G. Iy and Travis Iy.

Country Pays Silent
Tribute To War Dead

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—The capital's participation Tuesday in the nation-wide celebration of Armistice day consisted of the unknown soldier in Arlington national cemetery.

In addition, numerous patriotic exercises similar to those in other cities were arranged by various organizations and foreign groups and the day also marked the opening of the annual roll call of the American Red Cross.

The unknown soldier's tomb was the shrine for many pilgrimages, led by the annual visit of the president in accordance with a custom established by President Harding.

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