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THE WEATHER
PORTLAND (AP)—Oregon: Rain in the west, cloudy in the east tonight. Rain Thursday.

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Hunt's
Daily
Letter(By HARRY R. HUNT)
WASHINGTON (NEA Special)—When Congress passed the law putting regulation of the meat packers and stockyards in the hands of the Department of Agriculture, back in 1921, it set in motion the wheels that put Howard M. Gore, farmer and stockman of Clarksburg, W. Va., into President Coolidge's cabinet.

Gore came to Washington as a member of the packer and stockyard administration.

In that job he demonstrated such thoroughgoing familiarity with farm problems and such ability as an administrator and arbitrator that when C. W. Pugsley resigned as assistant secretary in September 1923, President Coolidge stepped him up into that post as assistant to Secretary Wallace.

His record as assistant secretary was such that Coolidge now names him as head of the department, following Wallace's death.

It is not unlikely that Gore would have served in the Coolidge cabinet through the next four years had he not been elected to the governorship of West Virginia, beginning next March. His term in the cabinet is, because of this, limited to a little over three months.

Like Coolidge when he came to the presidency, Gore is not an "organization" man. When he announced his candidacy for the governorship he wasn't any more on the inside with the G. O. P. powers in his state than Coolidge was nationally when President Harding's death stepped him into the White House. Perhaps that fact has created a bond between them.

But just as Coolidge, as president, was able to take over control of the G. O. P. machinery, nationally and revamp it to suit his own ideas, so may Gore, as governor, overhaul the Republican machine in his home state.

As an outsider in his race for the Republican nomination for governor, Gore was nicknamed "The Lone Wolf." Old-timers smiled a bit at his presumption in looking the organization choice for the office.

But as a farmer in West Vir-

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COMPTROLLER
JOINS OIL CO.

COLUMBUS (By the Associated Press)—Henry M. Dawes, whose desire to retire as comptroller of the currency was announced yesterday, will become president of the Pure Oil company, succeeding Herman J. Dawes, it was announced here today.

SALVATION ARMY
PREPARING FOR
CHRISTMAS WORK

As the Yuletide season is drawing near, Adjutant Peterson, in charge of the Salvation Army forces here, is making preparation for the Christmas and winter relief of the deserving poor families of this city.

The adjutant has a number of newly families on his list, looking to the Salvation Army for aid and during the next few days, the city will be canvassed thoroughly in search of others.

The annual Christmas "kettle" will be placed on the street for contributions very shortly.

MEETING CALLED

UNION (Special)—Because Dr. W. F. May, master of the Union Grange, will be attending the meeting of the Old Oregon Trail Board of Directors in Portland when the regular meeting of the Union Grange is due December 11, a special meeting of the organization has been called for Thursday night of this week by Alfred S. Croutier, secretary.

Gutheil Case Is Under
Probe In Forbes Trial

CHICAGO (By the Associated Press)—Government counsel has shifted the testimony in the conspiracy trial of Col. Charles R. Forbes and John W. Thompson, a St. Louis contractor, from veterans' hospital contracts to the Gutheil case. Thompson, since 1915, had been suing in the court of claims for \$300,000 more than the government paid him for the salvaged ground Gutheil, raised from the Mississippi river at Baton Rouge, La., claiming that the government's \$750,000 award was insufficient. It was testified by Eliza H. Mortimer that Thompson sought Mor-

LA GRANDE
ROBBERIES
CONTINUEMany Cases of Burglary
Have Been Reported
During Past MonthMINOR CRIMES IN
CITY INCREASINGCitizens Beginning to
Turn Their Attention
to the Safeguarding of
Homes.

Apparently an epidemic of burglary has swept over La Grande and the city certainly seems far from being free yet from the stench of petty crimes.

During the past month many robberies have been reported—from all portions of the community. In most cases the loot obtained has been comparatively small but nevertheless was valuable to the owners.

The Jackson robbery, the first of the week, is one of the largest recently reported although several others lost more than \$25, either in cash or other articles taken.

The notorious work is not confined to the residential districts. Several stores have been entered recently, the losses each time amounting to from practically nothing to about \$100. Chief among the recent ones was the loss that the Club Cigar store reported when, one night, the front doors were pried and, following an easy entrance, a sum of money taken by person or persons unknown.

Always that is the verdict: "Person or persons unknown." Whoever the miscreant is, providing one party is responsible, which seems feasible, he has always covered his trail sufficiently to elude officers of the law. No clues have been left, no fingerprints or any other tell-tale evidence that might lead to an arrest.

Garage Stands Loss.

The latest theft to be reported, although it is not linked with the seemingly endless chain, occurred when some articles were taken from the small garage south of the Black Cat.

Searching for Two.

In this case, the police believe they have a "hot" trail. Two men, R. E. Booth, 26, and V. Booth, 22, are being sought and the search points to Idaho. Concrete developments seem not far away.

In all likelihood, the grand total of losses would amount to a rather staggering figure to the average La Grande citizen, if the various robberies and burglaries were compiled, but a "hit" isn't scored every time.

Recently a home on Washington avenue was vacated by a family that moved to another part of the town. The house, vacant for only a short time, was entered before the next tenant arrived but, fortunately, no loss was sustained.

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LETTERS, POSTAL SAVINGS
MAKE MONEY REGULARLY

WASHINGTON (AP)—With the exception of first class mail (letter mail) and postal savings, every service conducted by the postoffice department shows a substantial annual loss. Postmaster General New informed the senate today.

Fourth class mail (parcel post) was handled at a loss of .0015 cents a pound, but first class mail showed a profit of .25.5 cents a pound. Second class mail (news-papers and magazines) were handled at a loss of 7 cents a pound.

The government brought Miss Caroline Kiser of San Francisco, a Western Union telegraph operator in the Fairmont hotel there, to identify messages received by Mor-

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La Follette
Group Not
RecognizedInsurgents Not Invited to
White House Breakfast
Conferences Now
Ended.

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—President Coolidge closed his series of breakfast conferences with Republican senators today without having invited to the White House Senators La Follette, of Wisconsin, Frazier, of North Dakota, and Brookhart, of Iowa.

The insurgents were read out of the party last week by a Republican senatorial conference.

Stanfield Present.
Guests at today's conference included Senators Stanfield, of Oregon, Shortridge, of California, Means, of Colorado, and Bursum, of New Mexico.ELK MEMORIAL
NEXT SUNDAY

The annual memorial services of the La Grande lodge of the B. P. O. Elks will be observed next Sunday afternoon at the Elks' building, beginning at three o'clock.

The services will be conducted by the lodge officers and members with the assistance of Jay Upton of Princeton who will give an address. Mrs. A. L. Richardson who will contribute a vocal solo written especially for the memorial services, the Chamber of Commerce quartette, Mrs. W. W. Berry and Reverend G. A. Pollard and others.

JAY UPTON, K. P.
HEAD IN OREGON,
COMING MONDAY

Word has been received by officials of the Red Cross Lodge No. 27, Knights of Pythias, that on next Monday evening Grand Chancellor Jay Upton, of Princeton, Ore., will be here on an official visit.

"This is an unexpected pleasure and honor," stated one of the officials, "because the vice grand chancellor has only recently been here."

A special committee has been appointed to handle the details of the meeting.

L. P. and N. R. Will Sell
Notes Valued at \$230,000

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—The Longview, Portland and Northern railroad asked the interstate commerce commission today for authority to issue and sell approximately \$230,000 in six per cent notes.

The securities will represent the cost of 125 new lumber cars.

State Plans to Raise
Poultry at Pendleton

PENDLETON, Ore. (Special)—Poultry growing on a scale sufficiently large to produce enough eggs to serve the needs of the institution will be launched this fall at the state hospital here, according to Dr. W. D. McNary, superintendent. J. Kline Montgomery, for two years assistant poultry man at the state hospital at Salem, will be in charge of the plant here.

The tentative plans call for the purchase of 400 or 500 pullets this fall and of baby chicks next spring in sufficient number to bring the flock up to 1200 or 1500 birds by next fall, Dr. McNary said.

Sixty Sailors Step Lively
When Woman Gives Orders

LONDON (AP)—When the Russian ship Tovarich sailed from Port Talbot, Glamorganshire, recently, a woman captain, known as General Blazhenko, stood on the quarter-deck in command of a crew of 68 men.

The original captain of the Tovarich was released from prison in Russia to navigate the vessel. When it arrived at Port Talbot he disappeared, and all efforts on the part of soviet agents to find him failed. Friends said he knew he would be forced to return to prison immediately upon his arrival in Russia, and that he seized the first opportunity to escape.

INJUNCTION
ACTION HAS
NO SUPPORTJustice Hoechling Rules
Revenue Head May
Not Be EnjoinedTAX INSPECTION
IS PUBLIC RIGHTCitizens May Legally
View Name, Postoffice
Address and Amount
of Income Tax Paid.

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—The commissioner of internal revenue may not be enjoined from making available to public inspection the name, post-office address of the income tax payer, as well as the amount of tax paid, Justice Hoechling held today in a District of Columbia supreme court decision.

He rendered an opinion granting a motion to Commissioner Rahr to dismiss the suit for injunction filed against him by Gorham Hubbard, of Boston, to prevent publication of the amount of tax paid by the petitioner.

FORD NOT IN
SHOALS RACE

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—This message, came from Detroit today in reply to a request of United States senators that Henry Ford renew his muscle shoals bid:

"Answering yours of November 25th, Mr. Ford's offer was withdrawn by him in his letter to the president October 15th."

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—The Underwood plan for the operation of Muscle Shoals was laid before President Coolidge today by Senators Curtis, Republican leader, and McKinley, of Illinois.

The president declined to give his opinion of the plan before war department experts make their report.

War Mines Still Afloat
In Waters of Baltic

COPENHAGEN (AP)—Recent reports disclose the presence of drifting mines in the Baltic as a menace to shipping, and it is evident that official reports as to the clearance of mines in these waters are not to be wholly trusted.

It is believed that any storm might dislodge the units of mine mine field laid during the war, and it is argued that dangerous mines, frozen up in the ice of winter, may well float about until next spring and then reappear in totally unexpected locations.

METOLIN BANK ROBBERY
TRIAL TO BE DEC. 29TH

BEND, Ore. (AP)—The trial of William Gott, Ed Hinton and Edna Hinton, all of Shaniko, and Walter Fisher, indicted yesterday at Madras in connection with the Metolin bank robbery, has been set for December 29th, according to word from Madras today.

The president declined to give his opinion of the plan before war department experts make their report.

Gifts To
Be Proud
Of

The gift problem resolves itself into the job of selecting things that will be received with genuine pride but gifts that can be bought at a reasonable amount.

Advertising messages in The Observer give many ideal suggestions that meet these requirements. Careful shoppers are reading the ads constantly. They know it pays.

"Observer Advertising—
A Merchandising Service"Brazil Will
Exclude Jap
ImmigrationTokio Regards Step as
Forerunner of General
Exclusion Program
Against the Race.

TOKIO (By Associated Press)—A new international situation, created today when the Brazilian consul here notified the Japanese government of instructions received to suspend granting of visas for Japanese emigrants intending to go to Brazil, was alleviated somewhat tonight when the consul advised the Japanese foreign office that passports would be granted emigrants now at Kobe ready to embark for Brazil.

"If this notice heralds an exclusion policy against the Japanese, the situation presents itself in a decidedly serious aspect to the Japanese nation," said Mr. Akamatsu of the foreign office.

ALLEGED SLAYER
TO BE TRIED IN
VALE THIS WEEK

VALE, Ore. (Special)—A jury to try A. Corey, accused of murder in connection with the killing of Austin Goodman, Harney county sheriff, August 27, at Polly farm, was partially completed at the close of the first day's session of the trial in circuit court. Eleven men had been passed for cause and the defense had exercised one peremptory challenge. Twelve men had been passed for cause, but when Judge Dalton Briggs, presiding, had examined one of them for the term, it was necessary to replace him.

Only 12 men are left in the venire, and when these are exhausted it will be necessary to empanel a new venire or pick jurors from the bystanders, so possibly the jury may not be complete Wednesday night.

Goodman, according to the story told after the shooting, had gone to the farm to arrest Corey on a forged warrant. Corey, it was related, asked to be allowed to "get his traps," and when consent was given, drew his gun and shot the sheriff, bystanders assert.

A hunt through the mountains of southern Oregon was terminated by Corey's arrest the following day.

Minister Refuses to
Wed White to Yellow

BILLINGS, Mont. (AP)—Refusal of the Rev. Raymond Walker to perform a ceremony that would have united in marriage Henry E. Hinkley of Miles City and Evelyn Kendall Moy, who resides in the Chinese section of Billings may provide the motive power for the formal disclosure of an unusual romance, it was indicated here.

NEW AIRSHIPS TO
AID IN TRAINING
OF ARMY FLYERS

WASHINGTON (AP)—Six semi-rigid airships are now being built for the air service of the army, and the coming fiscal year will see the addition of other varieties of air vessels.

Three of the semi-rigids are of the TA make, and three of the TC. The former are of 120,000 cubic feet capacity and the latter of 200,000 cubic feet. The TA, short for training airship, is equipped with one-man control and is the next step after the free balloon, in the training of fliers of lighter-than-air craft. Then comes the TC, short for training coastal, with its two-men controls calling for teamwork.

Under the present arrangement, the army develops the semi-rigid types, which have only a keel and no supporting framework, while the navy develops the rigid makes, with both keel and ribs. Both branches work with non-rigids, which are exemplified by the balloon, with neither framework supports nor keel.

The new TA's are equipped with 90 horsepower motors, are 162 feet long, and capable of making 50 miles an hour. The TC's have two 150 horsepower engines, are 196 feet long, and will travel 65 miles an hour.

New aircraft acquired by the army air service include 25 four-engine pursuit planes, six Douglas scout planes, one amphibian for land and water service, and 200 rebuilt war stock biplanes of the DH4 type.

EGGS DROP 3 CENTS

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP)—Cattle nominally steady. Hogs and sheep steady. Eggs three cents lower, 44¢ per doz. Butter 45¢. Butterfat steady.

An Oregon Product



You hear much of Oregon's tall pine—but Oregon's spruce trees could hardly be called mere saplings. Witness this spruce log, ten feet in diameter, on a car en route from the forest to the sawmill. If you are of a mathematical turn of mind, figure out how many houses can be built from the lumber it contains.

CITY TO LOSE
LAND OFFICE

According to a dispatch from the Washington Bureau of the Oregon Journal to the Portland newspaper yesterday, the abolition of the land offices at Burns and La Grande July 1 next, is provided in the interior department bill as reported to the house of representatives Tuesday.

Consolidation of offices of register and receiver is to be effected on the same date, the bill provides, at Portland, Lakeview, Roseburg, The Dalles and Vale. Offices listed for extinction in Washington are those at Vancouver, Walla Walla, Waterville and Yakima, and, in Idaho, Hallett, Blackfoot and Coeur d'Alene. Consolidation of offices of register and receiver at Boise and Lewiston also is directed.

Another public land provision abolishes the various surveyors general in Western states July 1 and transfers their records and duties to the field survey of the general land office under the United States supervisor of surveys.

Wesley Caviness, appointee of Senator Stanford, is the surveyor general of Oregon. A bitter fight on this wholesale slash in the land office is expected to be waged in congress.

These offices, losing in receipts and in many places only a meagre for patronage hunters, have been fighting for several years to hold up their numbers and salaries, but never before has a bill been reported with such sweeping reductions.

LEGION ELECTION
WILL BE HELD AT
MEETING TONIGHT

The American Legion Post No. 42, of La Grande, will hold its annual election of officers tonight when the organization meets in the K. of P. Hall at 8 o'clock in regular monthly session.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Legion also meets at the same hour. The election this year is more or less certain before the actual voting. Nominations were made last month and but one person was nominated for each office.

Arristice Reports

Reports will be presented by the Armistice Day celebration committees tonight. Financially, the event was a success, paying expenses, which, considering the inclement weather at that time, was very encouraging to the Legionnaires.

Hot Lake Planning
For Christmas Tree

HOT LAKE (Special)—Plans for the annual Christmas tree and program at the Hot Lake Sanatorium were launched last evening when a meeting of the Mutual Benefit association was held and a purse of more than one hundred dollars was donated. This money will go to purchase gifts for children in the hospital and for toys and girls whose parents are employed at the sanatorium. In addition to the discussion of the holiday celebration, the Mutual Benefit association meeting program included talks by Ed Wright and Mrs. Malr, housekeeper.

COOLIDGE'S
MESSAGE IS
GIVEN TODAYExecutive of Nation
Urges More and
Greater EconomyPOINTS SAVINGS
MADE IN BUDGET67 Millions Saved This
Year, Says Chief, and
373 Millions May be
1926 Figure.

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—Congress received President Coolidge's annual message today immediately upon convening, and then plunged into the strenuous work of the session. With the exception of the two years that Wilson was ill in the White House, this was the first time since 1913 that an executive had not delivered his annual communication in person.

The message, transmitted by a messenger, was read separately and simultaneously in the two houses.

There were comparatively large crowds in the galleries who appeared to give closer attention to the president's recommendations than did the members of the house and senate.

Private conferences, a number of which occurred on the floor as the reading went forward. Much of the time, however, the lawmakers followed the reading closely, especially that part relating to taxation, agriculture and Muscle Shoals.

WASHINGTON, D. C. (By the Associated Press)—President Coolidge informed congress today that present estimates point to a surplus of revenue over expenditures of \$67,886,489 for the present fiscal year and of \$373,743,714 for the fiscal year 1926, but he advised against further tax reduction until definite results from the present tax law are known.

"If we continue the campaign for economy, we will pay the way for a further reduction in taxes," the president said in a special message submitting the annual budget. "This reduction can not be effected immediately. Before it is undertaken, we should know more definitely by actual operations what our revenues will be under the existing law will avail

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MR. ROESCH IS
HURT IN WRECK

Julius Roesch, who was injured Monday when his car left the highway on the road this side of Union, is reported very much better this morning, although he will be confined to his home for some time yet.

Mr. Roesch was coming home from Baker and when turning out of the road to pass a train he drove off the highway into the ditch, suffering several broken ribs and severe bruises as the result. Mr. Roesch's eyesight is not very good and that is thought the reason for the accident. The car, a Buick roadster, was smashed up considerably.

Baker Miners Believe
Gold Find Is Big One

BAKER, Ore. (Special)—Samples of drillings from a ledge ten feet wide which has just been cut 700 feet from the surface by Gilson tunnel in the Mother Lode company mine in the Powder river zone, 24 miles northeast of Baker, show gold values of \$4 a ton, silver \$2.40, and copper from 1 1/2 to 2 per cent, according to assays just received at the office of the company here. This same hanging wall of ore body on the surface showed \$2.40 a ton, silver 20 cents and a trace of copper, which indicates that gold, silver and copper values increase with the depth. This tunnel is being extended through about 75 feet of vein material when another ledge of 110 feet across, the foot wall ore body, will be reached. On the surface this ledge showed gold values of \$6.30, according to samples taken by Miller Roberts, dean of the school of mines of the University of Washington, and assayed by C. H. Corey, Seattle metallurgist.

If assays of this ore body at a depth of 700 feet show proportionate increase in values as the small-ore ledge has shown it will establish to the satisfaction of officers of the Mother Lode company and mining men that there exists in this section untold wealth in gold, silver and copper ore.