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THE WEATHER
PORTLAND (AP)—Oregon: Unsettled with rain in the west, snow in the east tonight and Sunday.

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Letter

(By Harry B. Hunt)

WASHINGTON, (SPE-
CIAL)—A tug-of-war between Coolidge and anti-Coolidge forces in the present Congress is in prospect as the House forms for the short session just beginning.

The division of forces in Congress for the next three months will not be along wholly partisan lines. It will not even be Democrats and "insurgents" against the "regular" Republicans.

For a more important undercurrent in the rank of the regular themselves will have a bearing on legislation and the general course of Congress even more far-reaching than anything the combined Democrats and insurgents can do during the next three months.

This division is becoming apparent, particularly in the Senate, between Republicans who are conceded to Coolidge the right to decide what legislation should or should not be enacted during his term as chief executive and those who will insist on the Congressional right to organize and legislate as the Congress itself may determine, without dictation or interference by the executive.

For beneath the surface, there still exists between the president and his immediate aides and the old guard group in Congress the same hostility that cropped out on the surface during the Cleveland convention.

The old party stalwarts are not on the inside of the Coolidge confidence. The old party control is still playing second fiddle. It goes through the motions of keeping time but its heart isn't in harmony.

While the curtain is up and the public is looking on it follows the motions of the leader's baton. But behind the scenes it turns its nose up at the leader's technique, smokes light of his selections and plans for the day when it can assert itself.

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WAR VETERANS
PASS RAPIDLY

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—Preparation and mailing of \$5,777,174 checks for an aggregate of \$229,004,814 was an item in the year's business of the pension bureau. The bureau's annual report today said it has \$255,535 names on its pension list, as against \$257,756 a year ago.

Pensioners, now on the roll include 148,815 Civil war veterans; 252,126 Civil war widows; 85,028 Spanish war veterans; and 16,104 Spanish war widows. Still surviving are 21 Mexican war veterans and 23 widows of soldiers of the war of 1812.

During the past year death removed from the lists 21,308 Civil war veterans and 11,444 Civil war widows. These decreases were largely offset by a gain of 19,445 in the Spanish war soldier roll and of 3,297 in the Spanish war widow roll.

A recent reorganization of the bureau resulted in more expeditious settlement of pension claims, and the speeding up of disposition of pension payments, besides making possible elimination of \$150 million in government salaries annually.

GILL, FINALLY MARRIED

BILLINGS, Mont.—Evelyn May, said to be the foster daughter of May Ching, a local Chinese herbalist, and his white wife, has finally succeeded in lifting the ban placed upon her marriage to Henry H. Hinkley, a son of Miles City, by the state's marriage law. The girl and Hinkley succeeded in persuading a local clergyman to marry them after the girl's foster mother had submitted an affidavit setting forth that Mrs. May is of white parentage. The couple will make their home in Billings.

Joseph Sheep Sold to
F. H. Gaulke, F. Kernan

JOHNDALE, Ore. (Special)—What is said to be one of the biggest sheep sales ever made in the county was conducted during the week when Frank Kernan and F. H. Gaulke bid in the sheep of the Haudon Livestock company. The sheep numbering about 6000, brought a price averaging around \$3 per head.

About four years ago, when the affairs of Peter Haudon got in a bad way, a movement was made to reestablish the Haudon Livestock company and to resume, if possible, the large estate. Several prominent stockmen and capitalists of Joseph organized a company and took over the Haudon holdings under the name of the Haudon Livestock company. Jay H. Dobbin was

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OVER THE BORDERForeigners Coming into
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Country.

PARIS (By the Associated Press)—Premier Herriot pledged his government to fight communist violence in France in a declaration before the chamber of deputies in a session that brought into sharp relief the open intent of communist influences to accomplish a revolution by force.

"We will combat these manifestations of violence with all our force," the premier declared.

To Check Foreigners
The government expected to put into force new regulations affecting foreign visitors, requiring all who intend staying more than two weeks to apply for cards of identity within 48 hours of their arrival and furnishing particulars about themselves.

Tourist organizations have made strong protests, declaring that tourists will avoid France.

Police Fight Communists
PARIS (By the Associated Press)—The police opened their offensive against communists today by surrounding and raiding what is called "soviet agency" headquarters. The police sought important documents.

A large number of foreign agitators will be expelled and the P. S. 50 are being started over the frontier today.

The newspaper Le Temps prints details of an alleged new communist organization calling for the formation of "cells" in each factory, railway station, workshop, public office and among military and naval units.

It is intended, the account says, that from these nuclei, communist activities shall spread throughout the country.

Moscow's Hand Seen
Moscow ordered, the paper states, that the organization should be completed before December 15. It could be put into operation January 1 to start a campaign for "political mastery."PHONE USERS
LISTEN IN ON
RADIO PROGRAM

NEW YORK (By the Associated Press)—Several subscribers have reported to the New York Telephone company they have heard over their telephones radio programs broadcast from station WEAP, operated by the American Telephone and Telegraph company.

When putting in telephone calls the subscribers have heard programs in a clear, low undertone.

Four Plea Not Guilty

MIDFORD, Ore.—Norman Charro, alias Frank Volder and Raymond Cook, alias Raymond Stone, indicted by the grand jury for robbery of the Martin Bowers drug store at Gold Hill, and James Kelly, indicted for breaking into the warehouse of the Ashland Fruit company, and jointly with John McDonald, for robbery of an oil station at Ashland, all four were arraigned in the circuit court today and pleaded not guilty. They requested attorneys and the court appointed Rawles Moore and A. E. Flueger to defend them.

Nampa Wins Idaho Title

LEWISTON, Ida. (Special)—Nampa turned defeat into victory in the last 20 seconds of play Friday and won the state football championship by defeating Lewiston, 21 to 15. Nampa was leading Lewiston until the last minutes of play, when Lewiston completed a 10-yard pass over the goal line and apparently had the game by a 15 to 14 score. Lewiston kicked off to Nampa, and returned the ball 30 yards and with the end of the game a matter of seconds.

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Marx Urges
Retention of
GovernmentChancellor Conducts a
Campaign Prior to Ger-
many's Election To-
morrow.

BERLIN (By the Associated Press)—Chancellor Marx concluded a prolonged campaign tour last night with an appeal to the electorate to support at the polls tomorrow those parties which will ensure the government a reliable working majority in the Reichstag. He urged voters to support the majority pledged to further prosecution of Germany's present foreign and domestic program.

"Germany needs a Reichstag which will enable it to reach a peaceable understanding with her former opponents, a parliament which will command confidence abroad and be in a position to assert authority at home," he said.

CREWS QUIT
PRESENT POST

W. C. Crews, who will become city manager of La Grande Jan. 1, 1925, resigned his position with the state highway department today as chief engineer. Mr. Crews has been with the highway department for seven years in La Grande and Pendleton and was a valued executive.

His successor has not yet been named.

Tomorrow Mr. and Mrs. Crews will leave here by auto for a trip to various Oregon towns. They will stop first at The Dalles and then continue to Portland, thence stopping at Willamette valley towns, and Astoria, where O. A. Kratz, former La Grande city manager, will be visited.

WILL RESUME
VESPER HOUR

Thirteen in no hoodoo to the pastor and congregation of the First Methodist church here, for beginning tomorrow and continuing 13 consecutive weeks the church hour for the evening services changes from 7:30 o'clock to the Vesper hour, namely, 5 o'clock.

After a canvass of leading railroad offices of the county, Dr. Keith has obtained complete colored pictures of all the parks of prominence and a 20-minute showing of these will precede a brief sermon.

A men's rally, a women's rally, Sunday school dramas, high school glee club and orchestra, choir cantata make up the feature programs at these services for the next 13 weeks.

Union Postoffice to
Get New Headquarters

UNION, Ore. (Special to the Observer)—Advice from the post office department, over the signature of John H. Bartlett, first assistant postmaster general, under date of November 25, 1924, announces the acceptance of the proposal of the Blue Mountain Lumber company for quarters for the post office at Union, which means that the post office will be located on Railroad street, one block off Main street west.

It is understood that the building must be ready by the first of the year, which will necessitate some rapid work. The new building is to be of stucco.

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IRRIGATION
PROJECTS
PASS HOUSEBaker and Umatilla Projects
Accepted in Bill's
ProvisionsRECLAMATION IS
GIVEN \$8,943,000Eighty Million Dollars for
Road Construction Car-
ried in Agricultural
Bill.

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—The section of the interior department bill carrying eight million, nine hundred forty-three dollars for reclamation for the fiscal year was adopted without amendment in the house today. Among the projects accepted in the bill's provisions were Baker and Umatilla, Oregon; Klamath, Oregon-California; Okanogan and Yakima, Washington and Yakima (Kittitas division) Washington.

The house late Friday rejected an amendment to the interior department appropriation bill to make \$500,000 available for expenditure during the coming fiscal year on the Spanish Springs reclamation project in Nevada.

The amendment offered by Representative Richards, Democrat, Nevada, was lost on a vote of 20 yeas and 20 nays.

The Spanish Springs proposal came into prominence in the closing hours of the last session of congress when Senator Pittman, Democrat, Nevada, caused a legislative jam with a filibuster because an appropriation for this project had been omitted from the second deficiency bill which was up for consideration at the time, but was not passed due to his fight, until this week.

With the opening of congress this year, the Nevada senator withdrew his objection and permitted passage of the deficiency measure with the announcement that arrangements had been made to incorporate the appropriation in the interior bill.

When the measure was reported (Continued on Page 5.)

WALLOWA WILL
IRRIGATE LAND

WALLOWA, Ore. (Special to the Observer)—The foothill irrigation project has definitely been decided upon by a group of Middle Valley farmers, and steps are being taken to establish an improvement district, and to secure contract bids for the digging of the ditch. The west side ditch will be enlarged, and the water will run over the hill south of town and into Bear creek. The total cost of the project is estimated at approximately \$20,000 which will irrigate 1500 acres of new land, supplement the inadequate supply of 4000 acres, and furnish the city with a satisfactory water supply. The preliminary survey work has been completed by Watermaster L. A. Stanley.

The city council at its meeting Tuesday night agreed to bear its share of the preliminary survey cost, \$70, in order to maintain its (Continued on Page 5.)

CODY'S DEATH
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BY PROSECUTION

VALLE, Ore. (Special)—The death penalty will be asked by the state against Archie Cody, now being tried here on charges of murder for the slaying of Austin Goodman, sheriff of Harney county, according to an opening statement of the prosecution.

It is declared that the defense will stand upon a plea of self-defense, coupled with the alleged subornal intellect of the defendant.

Pollard to Speak at
Men's Forum Meeting

The Rev. George A. Pollard of the Baptist church is to speak to the Men's Forum of the Methodist church at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning. Mr. Pollard has been in La Grande but a few months but in this short time has given full proof of his ability to deal with a very helpful manner. No doubt a large number of men will avail themselves of the opportunity to hear Mr. Pollard at the forum.

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Would Stop
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dress by Ex-Governor
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ATLANTA, Ga. (Special)—"The time is right for a great religious revival."

"The next great war must be prevented before it is started. The churches are the only force that can do this."

"Pastors, seminary students and all Christians should know of the present day achievements of the church. They should know about the Hittites, Hivites, Jebusites, and they should also get acquainted with the progress of Christianity among the Detroitites, the Chicagoites and the Denverites."

Ex-Governor Speaks
These are among the important things for the churches to consider and work on during the coming four years, according to former Governor Carl E. Milliken of Maine, president of the Northern Baptist convention in an address at this afternoon's session of the Federal Council of Churches. The former governor opened a discussion on what the federal council should do.

"If our civilization is to hold together under the increasing strains imposed by material prosperity, the character of our average citizen must show the capacity for service and self-denial which can only be produced by the Christian formula. Never was there greater interest in Christianity on the part of those outside the church. The time is ripe for a great revival of religion. Under God's grace the Federal Council's commission on evangelism may well be one of the instruments which shall hasten its arrival."

War Un-Christian

The churches are agreed that war is un-Christian and ineffectual as a means of settling international disputes. I have little patience with the people pacifist propaganda which seeks to prevent war by pleading individuals to refuse cooperation with their governments in the event of war. The attempt to prevent war by this method is like seeking to dam Niagara by throwing pebbles on the brink of the cataract.

The next great war must be prevented before it is started. The churches are the custodians and trustees upon this earth of the only force that will prevent it by substituting love for hatred, goodwill for suspicion, brotherhood for bitterness, in the lives of human beings, and so in the policies of nations. How great this responsibility is, not only for the spiritual welfare of humanity but for the very physical structure of civilization, it is impossible to over-estimate.

FIGHTS JAP EXCLUSION

ATLANTA, Ga. (By the Associated Press)—The Japanese exclusion act was an international disaster of the first magnitude; a disaster to American diplomacy in the far east; a disaster to religion and effective work of American churches in Japan, Cyrus H. Woods, ex-United States ambassador to Japan, said in a letter sent the federal council of churches in session here, for reading last night.

The exclusion act also was brought to the attention of the council by Dr. A. K. Reischauer, Tokyo, representing the National Christian Council of Japan, who recommended the appointment of a "high commission," composed of representatives of Americans and Japanese, to work out a readjustment of the present situation.

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"Six Years Wasted."



She divorced her husband so that she could wed again, she says, and then the man who had promised to make her his wife kept her waiting six years. Now Grace Mortimer, of Los Angeles has gone to court about it and is asking Vincent Arena of San Francisco, the man in the case, for \$50,000—for mental anguish, six years wasted, etc.

GOITER PROBE
WILL BE MADE

UNION (Special)—The Union grange, of which Dr. W. T. Phyl, member of the state board of health is master, is now ready to launch its goiter survey of Union public school children. This fact became known following a special meeting of the grange at the experimental station. Thursday evening, which had been called because Dr. Phyl will be attending a meeting of the Old Oregon Trail board of directors in Portland at the time of the regular meeting next week.

Every Union boy and girl above the fourth grade will be included in the goiter survey. Blanks for the results are being furnished by the state board of health and the results will be carefully tabulated for the general value they may be and will in addition be sent to each child's parents.

A second piece of general business of general interest was the decision to join other Union organizations in donating to the community Christmas tree.

FREIGHT RATES
WEST TAKEN UP
AT SALT LAKE

SALT LAKE (AP)—Establishment of freight rate schedules resulting from application of 104 and 110 per cent of the Oklahoma-Arkansas rate scale was proposed by H. W. Prickett, attorney for the Grain Exchange, in the hearing before the interstate commerce commission to test the reasonableness of rates for transportation of grain and grain products from Utah, Idaho, Colorado, Montana, Oregon and Wyoming to Arizona, California, Oregon and Washington.

Mr. Prickett presented rate schedules, statistics on railroad operations and incomes and the movement of grain products, to show that the present rates are unjust and unreasonable and prejudicial to Utah and Idaho. Solution of the discrimination and the establishment of a fair and equitable rate basis for the territories affected would result from the adoption of the schedule based on the Oklahoma-Arkansas scale, Mr. Prickett said.

Elk' Memorial Service
To Be Held Tomorrow

AT 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon the annual R. P. O. E. Elk memorial service will be held in the Elk's temple with Jay Upton, one of the foremost attorneys of the state, as the principal speaker.

The public is cordially invited by the Elks to attend.

The program follows: Funeral March (Chopin)—Mrs. W. W. Barry.

Opening Ode—by audience.

Selection, Give Me Thy Hand (Parks)—By Union County Chamber of Commerce quartette.

Opening Ritualistic Exercises—La Grande R. P. O. E. No. 433.

Prayer—Chaplain of the Lodge.

Roll call of the "Absent Brothers"—Secretary of the Lodge.

Eulogy—P. S. Ivanhoe, P. E. R.

XTRA

BANKS MAKE HAUL
TACOMA, (AP)—Two banks entered the agency of the National Bank of Tacoma in the K street business section, lined employees up and escaped with \$7500, in an automobile driven by a third man today.

BRIDGE DEDICATED

WHITE SALMON, Wash. (AP)—Oregon and Washington towns along the Columbia river were represented when ceremonies were held this morning to dedicate the Hood River-White Salmon bridge across the Columbia. The interstate bridge was thrown open for traffic at ten o'clock.

STRIKE VOTE SECRET

SAN FRANCISCO, (AP)—The result of the strike vote of the engineers and firemen of the Southern Pacific system will not be announced until late today or tomorrow. Grand Chief Engineer (treasurer of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, announced today.

Money Subscribed for New Hotel

MARCHFIELD, Ore.—The proposed new hotel in Marshfield is on a sound financial basis with \$125,000 subscribed for its construction. The company, before December 16, date of organization, expects to secure \$50,000 additional in subscriptions. The remainder of the necessary funds will be raised by bonding and the work will start early in 1925.

School Board Member Named

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore.—Roy Nelson, widely known rancher of the Worden district, received his appointment as a member of the county school board, succeeding R. W. Tower, who recently located on a ranch near Lebanon. The new appointee for several years has taken active interest in school affairs.

HOT LAKE (Special)

Plans for the chamber of commerce meeting next Tuesday noon, which is under the auspices of the agricultural committee, will be made here Saturday evening when members of the committee are dinner guests of Dr. W. T. Phyl.

Soprano Solo—God Shall Wipe
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Recessional—Mrs. W. W. Barry.

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able Sum, Taken
During NightTHREE SUSPECTS
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and Other Nearby Cit-
ies This Morning in At-
tempt to Check Them.

Two more links were added to the long chain of petty home robberies in La Grande last night when several hundred dollars worth of jewelry were stolen from the residences of M. Larson and John Clark.

Police this morning were burning up the wires to nearby towns in an attempt to catch three suspects who left here this morning on the La Grande-Baker stage. One, a half breed Mexican, caused the finger of suspicion to point his way by his hurried actions in catching the stage. Accompanying him was a woman and another man.

Hinks, Watches Taken
Two watches, a string of pearls, ruby stickpin and other articles were taken from the Larson home at 1710 Fourth street and some diamond rings, watches and other jewelry are missing from the Clark home at 701 Main street.

The breaking into the houses was cleverly done and officers are throwing to the winds their suspicions that boys are responsible for the work.

On the other hand, it appears to an observer that the robberies are perpetrated by experts who, however, have adopted a more or less hit-and-miss method of burgling.

DR. PHYL WILL
HEAD PROGRAM

Next Tuesday members of the Chamber of Commerce are to hear some facts about the Grande Ronde valley from an agricultural point of view that they will take home with them, for Dr. W. T. Phyl of Hot Lake will be in the chair on that day and as his usual custom he will not consume the time of the members without giving them something to think about.

It is now generally admitted that agriculture is the one big problem of this valley; that the payrolls, while very fine to have, in a way have made business and professional men of La Grande lose sight to a degree at least of the agricultural resources.

What can be done for the future will be the subject discussed at the luncheon and no man in the valley has a clearer understanding of the actual needs of farming than does the doctor. It will be one of the outstanding meetings of the year and will convey information that all should know.

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