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PORTLAND (AP).—Oregon: Rain tonight and Saturday.

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ATTORNEYS SUMMING UP CASE TODAY

Gamble's Fate to Be in Hands of Jury Today Is Belief

ACTION EXPECTED THIS AFTERNOON

Murder Trial, Which Was Started in the Circuit Court Tuesday, Takes Up Four Days' Time.

The attorneys in the Gamble case brought their arguments to an end at 2:45 o'clock this afternoon. Judge Knowles made ready to instruct the jury before they take the case.

With the testimony concluded just before adjournment yesterday afternoon the attorneys' arguments on the H. N. Gamble murder trial were started at the court house this morning.

F. S. Ivanhoe, deputy prosecuting attorney opened the argument for the state and Blaine Hallock retaliated for the defendant.

The opening arguments by the prosecution were based principally on the circumstances surrounding the crime. Mr. Ivanhoe called the attention of the jury to the fact that Wigglesworth and Gamble had been together, by Gamble's own admission, up until a short time before the shooting occurred.

Actions Said Unnatural.

He characterized Gamble's actions after he had been informed that his best friend had been murdered as wholly unnatural. He told the jury that Gamble's family knew what had occurred by reason of the fact that Mrs. Gamble and the two girls arose from bed and went to the house of Ires Gamble, son of the accused. He ridiculed the cat shooting alibi which the defense attempted to establish and called upon the jury to protect society from the offense

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RECORD CROWD HEARD SERMON

According to O. W. Jones, pastor of the Christian church, the audience assembled at the church last night was probably the largest week night gathering at the church during his pastorate. A feature of the evening was a baptismal service.

Mr. Petelle had for his sermon subject, "The Church in the Ark." "The ark which Noah built under the command of God," he said, "is typical of the church of Christ." He then showed the various features of the ark as they set forth things of the church. In closing he said "After Noah, his family and the animals were in the ark, God shut the door. Those who were out perished in the flood. So shall those who are out of the church of the living God perish in the mad maelstrom of sin and death."

In the meeting tonight, which is the closing service of the meetings, the evangelist will discuss the question, "What Must I Do to be Lost." The men's quartet will sing.

Program For Sunday Band Concert Out

Mrs. A. L. Richardson, Soprano, Is Featured; Many Difficult Numbers Promised.

The announcement by Director Loney, of the program to be given by the La Grande Municipal band at the Arcade theater Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock, presents an array of musical numbers that are varied and interesting.

In addition to the feature number by Mrs. A. L. Richardson, soprano, many fine numbers not heard heretofore in La Grande will be represented.

A descriptive number, "A Summer Evening in the Alps" is one of the finest compositions published for concert bands. It has recently been featured by Sousa's and Kryl's bands on their programs.

Difficult Number.

The "Hungarian Fantasie" is perhaps the most difficult number on the program and will show to good advantage the ever-increasing improvement of the local band.

The concert is free to the public, the theater being donated for the occasion by Meyers and Ford, and the band chairs loaned by Snodgrass and Zimmerman. An exceedingly large crowd is expected.

Program.

Following is the complete program:

March. "The Rifle Regiment" ..... Sousa

"Hungarian Fantasie" ..... Mosca-Tobani

(a) "Serenade" ..... Drdla

(b) Selections from "Blossom Time" ..... Schubert, Berte, Romberg

"Il Bacio" ..... Arditi

Mrs. A. L. Richardson

Descriptive, "A Summer Evening in the Alps" ..... Kling

The Call of the Shepherds; Shepher's Song; Dance of the Shepherds; Lover's Serenade; The Star; Song of Joy.

Overture, "Fest" ..... Lentner

Twenty-Seven Mounted Elk Goat Last Night

One of the largest turnouts which ever attended an initiation in the local lodge of the B. P. O. E. was present last evening to assist in the initiation of 27 new members into the order.

Visiting officers of the Pendleton lodge performed the initiatory services. The Pendleton and Baker lodges were both well represented at the meeting last evening.

Following the exercises an excellent feed was served in the banquet hall.

Silverton Drive Closed.

SILVERTON, Ore. — The Red Cross membership drive, which was in charge of the American Legion auxiliary at Silverton this year, has been completed. The committee in charge, composed of Mrs. Claire Jarvis and Mrs. A. J. Titus, reported a total of $152.21.

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Ex-Princess

And Thais Valdemar bids fair to become a princess in Hollywood, too. Princess of beauty this time. She once was a real princess in Russia, and the wife of Prince Valdemar Valonsky. She wants to rule the world of beauty in 1925.

RED CROSS TO FUNCTION HERE

At a meeting yesterday of the American Red Cross committee for Union county it was voted to continue the chapter here and that an annual meeting would be held at the county court house Thursday, March 5. Dr. R. P. Landis is chairman of the committee.

Miss Neil Holsinger, field representative of the American Red Cross for the state of Oregon, was here for the meeting yesterday and expressed her regret at the lack of interest in the Red Cross chapter here. According to Miss Holsinger "the American Red Cross is the only all inclusive humanitarian agency to which a disabled man may go with his problems and receive impartial treatment and consideration," and in her estimation it should be retained. She does not believe in the organization giving discriminate relief and finds that it is in this way that a great many chapters start down hill. The money used by the organization is entrusted to it by the public and the public in turn expects value received.

The Red Cross chapter in La Grande has not been active for the past year. When Mrs. Catlin, local Red Cross worker, left the city for Tacoma, Washington, the spirit died out and the annual roll call has not yet been taken for this year. Several members paid their dollar yesterday and renewed their membership in order that the chapter may be retained, it being one

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WOOL GROWERS OUTLINE WORK

According to word received from Mac Hoke, secretary of the Oregon Woolgrowers association the following projects will constitute the woolgrowers' program of work for 1925:

1. Cooperate with National Woolgrowers association and with other state woolgrowers associations, to secure passage of national legislation beneficial to sheep and wool growing industry, viz:
   (a) The Phipps grazing bill.
   (b) Increased appropriation for predatory animal control.
   (c) Maintain protective tariff.
   (d) Oppose Gooding long and short haul bill.
   (e) Legislation improving methods of financing.
2. Support the National Woolgrowers association by pledging 1 cent per head on sheep and lambs sold for 1925, and cooperative with the National Woolgrowers associa-

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Senate Votes Increase In Treasurer's Salary

SALEM, Ore. (By the Associated Press)—The senate late yesterday passed senate bill 161, raising the salary of the Wallowa county treasurer from $1000 to $1500 per year.

HOOVER IS UPHELD BY CHAIRMAN

Carey, of Coolidge's Agricultural Commission, Cleans Slate

SAYS SECRETARY DIDN'T "DOMINATE"

No Cabinet Members Has Had the "Slightest Influence" in Work Carey Claims.

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press).—Chairman Carey, of President Coolidge's agricultural conference, denied today before the senate agriculture committee that the conferent report had been "dominated" by Secretary Herbert Hoover.

Carey said that no cabinet member had the "slightest influence" on the drafting of the report and that the organization making the charges declined to be represented before the commission.

SALARY RAISE APPROVED.

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press).—The house today approved the proposal to increase the salaries of members of congress. This has already been passed by the senate.

POWER SCHOOL IS HELD HERE

With a number of Union county farmers in attendance the International Harvester company tractor school opened today in the building of the W. H. Bohnenkamp company, local representatives of the International people.

The school is entirely educational in its scope and is for the purpose of stimulating interest in power farm equipment and to assist the owners of such equipment to get the greatest possible efficiency from it.

Specialists Here.

The La Grande school which is the 13th put on this year by the International company, is in charge of a group of specialists on farm equipment. The personnel includes, W. H. Carpenter in charge of the La Grande territory; A. H. Mason, tractor service engineer; B. H. Mickock, plow expert; George Nesbit, factory expert mechanic. Mr. Mason is chief lecturer on tractor and power farming. George Horwitt in charge of advertising and publicity is also a member of the party.

The program for the day includes lectures on the various articles of equipment, a motion picture showing equipment in operation and demonstrations by the specialists. The main exhibit of the school is a partially dismantled tractor which was brought here especially for the occasion.

Dinner was served the visiting farmers at noon by the W. H. Bohnenkamp company.

PREMIER MARX, CABINET RESIGN FOLLOWING VOTE

BERLIN (By the Associated Press) — The Prussian cabinet, headed by Premier Marx, resigned today after failing to obtain a vote of confidence in the diet.

The News In A Paper

The items that appear in the news columns do not constitute all of the available matter for an issue.

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Conference Held Likely Next Summer

English Ready to Back Up Americans in Any Plans to Establish Permanent Peace.

LONDON (By the Associated Press) — Another step toward bringing about a new limitation of arms conference in Washington developed today when it was announced in diplomatic circles that the attitude of the British government was at all times to back up any move by the United States to establish international peace on a firmer basis.

It is considered that the conference plans are now well along in the preliminary stages and that the conference will likely be called for during the coming summer.

COAST GIVES WORLD STARS

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal. (NEA Special)—Look to the west, if you seek new operatic stars.

Lawrence Tibbett went from California to win fame in New York, and after years of viscissitude, gave a rendition of "Ford" in the Metropolitan Opera company's "Falstaff." His baritone voice created the greatest sensation scored in many a year.

Another Californian—Miss Cora Gallagher of San Francisco—went still farther from home in search of operatic fame. And at last, in the title role of "Manon L'Escault" scored such a success in Naples that even Italy, jealous of its own operatic stars, has given her unstinted praise.

"She is a remarkable singing actress, worthy of the greatest consideration," declares one Naples critic. "Cora Corelli (her stage name), although a stranger, possesses a fine artistic sentiment, besides a very clear diction, and received an enthusiastic welcome," says another.

Tibbetts gained fame even in appearance with the great Antonio Scotti only after years of struggle for support of his wife as well as for musical training.

Miss Gallagher trod the same hard path, first with the late Prof. Zilliani here, and later in New York with Mme. Sembrich. Then came the year of unremitting struggle in Italy. And, like Tibbetts—success overnight in difficult roles.

MURDERER DIES BEFORE FIRING SQUAD TODAY

SALT LAKE (By the Associated Press) — Henry C. Hett, alias George Allen, was executed by a firing squad at the state prison today for the murder of Police Sergeant N. P. Pierce November 27, 1922.

KING GEORGE IS SLIGHTLY BETTER: SPENT BAD NIGHT

LONDON (By the Associated Press) — A bulletin issued today said:

"In spite of a somewhat restless night, King George is making slow progress."

The king apparently suffered a good deal from bronchitis during the night. The Prince of Wales was called to the palace today.

Men's Club Discusses Andrew Dixon White

The Men's club of the Presbyterian church met last evening at the home of J. A. Tedford. The principal speaker of the evening was Robert Eakin who gave a very interesting talk on the life of Andrew Dixon White.

Andrew Dixon White was a noted American educator and diplomat. He was personally acquainted with four Russian czars and nine American presidents. Mr. Eakin told incidents of his life in an unusually interesting manner.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. Tedford during the course of the meeting. The next meeting will be held in two weeks, the place to be announced later.

Childless Marriage Bill Is Withdrawn

LINCOLN, Neb. (By the Associated Press) — The celebrated "Pinto bill" introduced by Representative Robert E. Hines and which would provide for anullment of all marriages in cases where no children were born within three years after marriage has been withdrawn by its author from consideration of the Nebraska legislature.

Westerners Win Honors

Cora Corelli (Gallagher) and Lawrence Tibbett, westerners, both of whom have been acclaimed in world musical centers.

Art Treasures, Worth $500,000, Are Stolen

Thieves Made Rich Haul in Hollywood But Left Many Valuable Articles.

HOLLYWOOD (By the Associated Press) — Renaissance paintings and other art treasures, valued at nearly half a million dollars, missing from the home here of Martin Weinscheck, are being sought by the police today. Weinscheck discovered the loss when he returned home last night.

Thieves also obtained old laces valued at $12,000, he told the police, but left unmolested pieces as valuable as the collection of art treasures they took.

FARM CENSUS SHOWS A LOSS

ENTERPRISE, Ore. (Special to the Observer).—The farm census, compiled under direction of the federal government the first of the year, tells a startling story to Wallowa county. It shows that the county had 1189 farmers in 1920 and has only 961 in 1925, a decrease of 228 or nearly 19 per cent, according to a local newspaper.

For the purpose of the enumeration the county was divided into eight precincts, each of which embraced several election precincts. The showing for the two years in the eight precincts follows:

Precinct	1925	1920
Butte, Imnaha, Pin Creek, Pittsburg, Swamp Creek, Zumwalt	117	158
Divide, O. K. Gulch, Park, Prairie Creek	103	122
Enterprise 1, 2, 3, 4, 5	125	158
Evans, Leap, Lostine	99	104
Flora, Lost Prairie, Mud Creek, Paradise	138	179
Grouse, Powwatka, Promise	109	106
Joseph 1, 2, 3, 4	79	120
Smith Mountain, Wallowa 1, 2, 3, 4	140	142
Total	881	1169

Every precinct shows a loss, but one, comprising Grouse, Powwatka and Promise, which gained three. Some persons familiar with this district say it had its shrink-

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Clarence D. Bean Now Elgin Ad Club's Head

ELGIN, Ore. (Special) — Clarence D. Bean has been chosen by election to lead the Elgin Ad club through 1925 as president. Other officers elected were: Frank W. Keller, vice president and Bernal Hug, secretary-treasurer.

PIERCE TO VETO NEW FISH BILL

Bangs Fist on Table and Says "I'll Veto That" Like Others

NEW MEASURE IN COMPROMISE FORM

Governor Vetoes the Bill Placing Employment of Traffic Officers in Secretary's Hands.

SALEM, Ore. (By the Associated Press)—The senate overrode the governor's veto of the bill placing the state's traffic department under the secretary of state, 22 to 8.

SALEM, Ore. (By the Associated Press) — An amended fish commission bill, naming F. P. Kendall, incumbent, of Portland; Walter Eaken, incumbent, Astoria; and L. L. Crocker, Roseburg, as members of the commission, was returned to the house today by the judiciary committee, following the tilt in the house yesterday over the bill which aims to take appointive power from the governor.

The amendment would take the appointive power from the governor on this occasion but would restore it to him later.

Pierce Hostile to Bill.

When told of the amendment this morning, Governor Pierce banged the table with his fist and declared that he would veto it.

"I'll veto that just like I'll veto any other measure that seeks to take away from the governor's office any invested appointive power," the governor said.

Traffic Bill Vetoed.

Governor Pierce today vetoed the bill placing employment of traffic officers in the secretary of state's hands. The governor in his veto message said there was no necessity for the bill, declaring the highway department has the right under the existing law to employ as many traffic officers as it deems necessary. He said the secretary of state is recording and assisting the office and is not an executive of the office, and should not be charged with enforcing the law.

Senate Passes Bill.

The senate bill which would in-

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TWO FOUND GUILTY.

ATLANTA, Ga. (AP). — A. E. Sartain, warden of the Atlanta federal penitentiary, and Lawrence Richi, were convicted by jury today on charges of conspiracy to accept bribes from wealthy inmates of the penitentiary. L. J. Fletcher, deputy warden, was acquitted.

CLEVELAND (AP).—Four indictments charging J. V. Zottarelli, prominent Cleveland attorney, Nichola Salupo, and Biago Russo, with conspiracy to defraud the government and Cleveland banks in what Assistant United States District Attorney Evans calls "half million war savings stamp counterfeiting plot," were returned by the federal grand jury today.

SALEM, Ore. (AP).—The condition of Mrs. Kay, state treasurer's wife, who has been critically ill for several days, is improved today.

Cattlemen See Meat Shortage for America

NEW YORK (By the Associated Press) — The American family's "T-bone steak" and "prime roast beef au jus" will be both scarce and dear by next September, a delegation of cattle raisers and dirt farmers from mid-western states told Wall street financiers at a luncheon Thursday.

The westerners brought word the butcher would be forced to put on the screws because of herds dispersed during the ruinous post-war slump.

The national meat shortage, the visitors agreed threatens to become so acute by fall that it may cost North America its position in world markets as a meat producer.

'SHIRT WAIST' NOTES TO END

NEW YORK (By the Associated Press)—Mrs. Budlong, wife of the oil magnate today found herself holding an empty fort in her husband's apartment.

Budlong, taking the offensive, last night sent moving men who stripped the apartment of every stick of furniture, including the room occupied by Mrs. Budlong. The movers crashed the door to her room to obtain the furniture.

Presumably she will have to discontinue dropping of the street notes on paper pads planned to her husband's silk shirts, which method of communication has become known as "shirt waist" in the neighborhood.

BULL PUPS ARRIVE

The Phymere kennels at Hot Lake are in imminent danger of becoming overcrowded, for the number of occupants is increasing rapidly of late. Yesterday six pendigreed Boston bull pups arrived, and are causing a great deal of excitement among the older residents of the kennels.

Pictures To Be Loaned From Library Next Week

Actual circulation, following a method identical with that now in use relative to books, of pictures will begin at the city library about the first of next week, according to announcements by Miss Mabel Doty, librarian.

At present Miss Doty and her assistants are busy this week cataloguing and preparing the copies of masterpieces, both past and present, for circulation in La Grande, and they hope to have a large number ready for use within a few days.

All of the great masterpieces are found among the pictures presented to the library last Friday night by the Neighborhood clgb as the feature of Art Week observances here.

When fully prepared, they may be borrowed from the library for a period of two weeks.

The circulation of the pictures in this community will undoubtedly be a marked upward step toward appreciation, by the school children and the people of the city in general, of art. La Grande has always held a high place in Oregon circles in this connection and with the idea advanced by Mrs. E. P. Mossman now a reality, even more prestige is assured.

On the back of each picture will be found reading matter, telling the story of the picture itself in a way that all, whether they be highly trained or not, may grasp the salient features concerning the work. Notes regarding the artist, from whose brush the picture originated, are also attached to the back of the picture.

When the circulation starts, it is anticipated that the demand for pictures will be great, as the community in general has shown marked interest in the movement.

Can't Classify Coolidge; Politics Checked Stone

(By Harry B. Hunt)

WASHINGTON (NEA special)—Folks who like to divide mankind into precise classifications, indexing and cataloging them according to genus and species, have not yet been able to tie a tag on Cal Coolidge.

One of the unsolved factors in this quest for a Coolidge classification has been the sort of entertainment the president reacts to most fully.

President Harding liked golf and the theater, President Wilson liked golf, detective stories and vaudeville, but Coolidge—

Well, he doesn't play golf. He finds neither pleasure nor profit in horseback riding. He takes a daily walk, but that is a matter of routine health insurance, not pleasure.

He has only attended the theater once or twice since becoming president; then only on the occasion of the appearance here of a Shakesperian classic.

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Then came the opening of the new Washington Auditorium, with Chaliapin playing the Devil in "Faust" with the Washington Opera Co.

Coolidge not only went, he broke all presidential precedents by announcing in advance that he

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