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THE WEATHER

Portland (AP)—Oregon: Partly cloudy, cooler tonight. Tuesday cloudy, rain on coast.

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RAIN HERE BENEFICIAL TO FARMERS

Moisture Will Aid Wheat That Was Uninjured During Winter

SOME RESEEDING HELD NECESSARY

Farmers, in Some Instances, Are Planting Barley and Oats Instead of Replanting to Wheat.

The rainfall this morning will be of some benefit to the wheat which was injured by the cold spell, said H. G. Avery, county agriculturist.

The main thing needed now, according to Mr. Avery, is a warm spell which will revive to some extent the wheat stunted and weakened by the winter frosts.

Quite a little wheat was injured during the excessive cold spell last December, an early survey of the situation shows, but the Grande Ronde valley farmers were not as hard hit as the growers just west of the mountains in the Umatilla county vicinity.

Some Reseeding. The effect of the injury to the crops will necessitate spring reseedling in many instances. This will work some hardship on the farmers in some cases because of the high price of seed wheat at the present time.

From the standpoint of labor also extra measures will be necessary for many wheat growers, will be required to do practically double work this spring with the continued summer fallow work and the seeding of the wheat.

Planting Other Grains. Mr. Avery states that in some instances the farmers were planting barley and oats in the wheat fields instead of re-sowing with wheat.

There was some worry about the alfalfa, said Mr. Avery, but it apparently came through the cold weather unharmed. Some fields of Grimm alfalfa have already been observed with new sprouts.

WILL INSPECT LOCAL GUARD

Major C. A. Lewis of the headquarters, Fifth infantry brigade of Vancouver Barracks, arrived in La Grande this morning and will make the annual inspection of the local national guard unit this evening. The public is invited to attend.

The men will be examined for fitness to take the field, equipment, training and other qualifications from a military standpoint. The non-commissioned officers will be examined for their capability to discharge their duties as officers.

The local guard unit under the command of Captain G. L. Dutton now contains 84 enlisted men. Captain Dutton stated this morning that he had on hand applications sufficient to enlarge the personnel of the company to full peace time strength.

Captain Dutton plans an active summer for the company. An indoor rifle range is to be installed immediately in the barracks at the Eagle's hall. Sub caliber rifles will be used on this range to train the men in marksmanship. As soon as possible an outdoor range is to be constructed for the use of the guardsmen.

On the evening of March 12 the national guard company will give a dance for the purpose of raising funds to buy extra equipment for the 15 day summer encampment this year. The camp this summer is to be held during the first part of June at Medford.

Old Age Pension Move Explained by Speaker

A large number of Eagles and others gathered Saturday evening at Eagles hall to hear Del Gary Smith, of Spokane, who was speaker in the interest of the project recently taken up by the Eagles lodge to secure old age pensions in the lodge.

Mr. Smith told of the amount of money paid out in such benefits, funeral benefits, medical services and many other unrecorded charities.

Bert Grout Home Burned Late Sunday

Loss Believed to Be More Than Three Thousand Dollars; Few Articles Saved.

The Bert Grout farm home, a two-story structure, was burned to the ground yesterday afternoon about three o'clock. The loss is estimated at more than \$2,000, nothing being saved but a few articles of clothing and some minor things.

The house, situated near Grange Hall, is believed to have been fired by sparks, but this is not certain. Whether the place was insured or not is unknown.

LEADERS PUSH SUPPLY BILLS

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—With only two days and a half to go, counting today, the sixty-eighth congress probably will not pass any of the several important administration measures remaining on its calendar.

While it appears likely that there will be a last minute fight over reclamation projects in the interior development appropriation bill, leaders believe they will be able to dispose of all the regular supply measures before adjournment sine die at noon Wednesday.

In addition they expect to get final action on the rivers and harbors authorization bill which was passed Saturday night by the senate. Differences with the house on several score amendments remain to be adjusted, but the big obstacles to agreement were removed when the senate refused to attach riders to the Cape Cod canal measure and the Gooding long and short haul railroad proposal.

Farm Relief Uncertain. While the senate agriculture committee will undertake Monday to report a farm relief bill, there is little prospect of enactment of the recommendations of the President's agriculture conference because of the differences between administration leaders and members of the farm bloc as to the

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LA GRANDE TIME AND SENIORITY BOOK IS ISSUED

First copies of the La Grande railroadmen's time and seniority book, which will be published here annually, are being distributed today by personal contact and where this is impossible by mail. The book is published by the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen and takes the place of all other time books.

It contains a complete seniority list of both the first and second divisions of the O.-W., and also the Sumpter Valley road's list.

More than 1,000 copies of the book have been printed.

PUZZLE ANSWER

OFFICE ORATOR BEET LAP SORE LEAD DATES EAR OR DIP NOD IT N FRESHENER IT GLEAS EAR CANE EASY T HAVE MATS SEE GETS E SECESSION N TO SAD TON NO EVE DAGAN HER RARE NOT BEST SLANTS EVENTS B-152

A slight blister on the puzzle answer above makes several words in the right-hand top corner difficult to read. They are, reading across: Orator, sore, tap, la, t, reading down: r, as, tot, oral, relate.

Oro Dell Ditch Company Choses 1925 Directors

At the annual meeting of the Oro Dell Ditch company Saturday afternoon in the La Grande National bank building, a board of directors was chosen for the coming year. The directors selected were Fred Vaux, D. A. Phillips, Lee Wright and Hubert Anderson.

The directors will meet this evening when officers for the company will be elected.

SUN YAT SEN THE SAME PERINGAP—Dr. Sun Yat Sen remained unchanged in condition today.

Attacked?



Mrs. Mary C. Tenney, San Francisco movie actress (above) is suing Jack Kearns, manager of Jack Dempsey, for \$200,000. She claims Kearns attacked her.

ORGAN RECITAL TO BE FRIDAY

Definite announcement was made yesterday morning at the Presbyterian church of the inaugural organ recital to be given this coming Friday evening by Prof. Lucius E. Becker of Portland.

The opening of this new pipe organ, made by the Geo. Kilgen & Son Co. of St. Louis, Mo., will be an event in the church and musical circles of the city. Not only is the organ a wonderful instrument with its unit electric action, but the specifications show the possibilities of the organ for concert work.

Prof. Becker is the organist of the Trinity Episcopal church of the Rose City, a fellow of the American Guild of Organists and estimated as one of the best organists in the entire northwest. He is in great demand for inaugural recitals and the following extract from the Portland Oregonian tells of the caliber of the organ which the people of La Grande might expect on Friday evening: "All the Portland Auditorium organ opening Mr. Becker presented a showy, spectacular program. He began with his soul stirring Fantasia of Certain American Airs and when he played 'Dixie' and 'Columbia,' the Gem of the Ocean, there was hearty applause. The overture from William Tell and Marche Funerale were magnificent. The Scotch piece was a welcome bit of quiet color, while the grand march from 'Tannhauser' made a grand fitting finale."

The quartet of the church are preparing numbers with which to assist Prof. Becker, so that the evening will be a treat to all music lovers. Mr. Ross, the minister, in speaking of the opening announced that a small charge would be made to bring the best talent for this important event, and that the entire community were desired to share with the people of that church in celebrating this opening concert, Friday evening, March 6th, at 8:15 in the Presbyterian church.

CAPPER-HAUGEN BILL IS AGAIN UP TO CONGRESS

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—The senate agriculture committee today voted to substitute the Capper-Haugen cooperative marketing farm bill for the Dickinson measure which was passed last week by the house.

The substitute followed the recommendations made by President Coolidge's agricultural commission.

BILL SENT TO SENATE. WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—The bill to appropriate an additional 19 million dollars for hospital facilities for world war veterans was passed today by the house and sent to the senate.

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Brigadier General Mitchell Declares He Had Air Chief's O. K.

SUBMITTED ALL PAPER ARTICLES

Mitchell Avers He "In No Way Disobeyed or Transgressed a Known Order."

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—Brigadier General Mitchell, assistant army air chief, today flatly denied Secretary Weeks' statement that he had disobeyed presidential orders in publishing certain magazine articles without the war department's approval.

In a letter to the house aircraft committee, the general declared he had "in no way disobeyed or transgressed any known order or instruction that I am familiar with."

Had Air Chief's O. K. Mitchell took up the articles with President Coolidge, the letter said, who directed Mitchell to get permission from the air chief.

The letter further declared that the air chief gave Mitchell permission to write the articles.

FATHER FINDS MISSING LAD

WALLOWA, Ore. (Special)—A considerable amount of excitement was occasioned here Saturday morning when Bobby, 12 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. L. Couch disappeared.

An investigation revealed that he had taken a saddle horse but it was some time before the direction he had gone could be ascertained. The first trace of the missing boy was found when Mrs. Couch telephoned to E. F. Johnson's farm in Lower valley. Some of the folks at that place had noticed a boy pass along the highway at about 7:30 a. m.

The excitement grew when about this time the horse came home, and continued unabated until the lad was finally found.

Side Tracked Minam.

The boy had ridden the horse to a point near the Johnson farm and had then turned it loose and started it toward town, continuing on his journey afoot. He was overtaken by a car going from Maxville to La Grande and given a ride.

After learning that the boy had passed the Johnson farm, Mrs. Couch phoned the Minam store, asking that a watchout be kept for him. The boy, however, evidently suspected this, for shortly before the car reached Minam, he got out and did not pass the store, going around the town by climbing the hill and striking the highway again at the top of the hill.

Soon after reaching this point, he was overtaken by Mrs. Bruce Cox and son Reid, who insisted that he get into the car and ride with them to Elgin. He refused to ride, stating that he would rather walk. Upon reaching Elgin, Mrs. Cox learned from the marshal that he was on the lookout for the boy and immediately notified Mr. Couch who was in town, that the boy had been seen. Mr. Couch started looking for the boy and met him near the Cricket Flat school house.

Second Attempt. The lad had had some very careful plans for his getaway, having the night before prepared a sack for carrying food and extra clothing. He evidently expected to get some distance from food, as his food supply consisted of two loaves of bread, some jelly and some bacon.

This is the second time the little fellow has attempted to run away from home in the past two years. On a former occasion he reached Elgin before being caught.

BOMB FATAL TO FEWSTER.

NIAGARA FALLS, N. Y. (AP)—Orville A. Fewster, a federal customs official, active in suppressing liquor smuggling here, was instantly killed here Sunday by the explosion of a bomb. Feuster was a brother of Lucas Lee Fewster, former county leader of the Ku Klux Klan.

Several Long Standing Matters Defined by Supreme Court

President Can Pardon Contempt of Court in Criminal Cases; Grossman Action Upheld.

NO WARRANT FOR SEARCHING AUTO

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—Washington state cannot refuse to grant licenses for the operation of interstate motor transportation over the Pacific highway within its borders, the supreme court held today in the case brought by A. J. Truck, against the director of public works at Washington.

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—The president has authority under the constitution to pardon persons held in contempt of court in criminal cases, the supreme court held today, upholding the pardon of Philip Grossman, of Chicago, by Coolidge.

BRIDGE DECISION. WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—The supreme court held today that New Jersey already had given consent to a bridge over Newark Bay.

PARDON POWER DEFINED. WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—The president has authority under the constitution to pardon persons held in contempt of court in criminal cases, the supreme court held today, upholding the pardon of Philip Grossman, of Chicago, by Coolidge.

CAN SEARCH SANS WARRANT. WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—Prohibition agents can lawfully search an automobile without a search warrant, the supreme court decided today.

RAILROAD DECISION. WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—Railroads are not

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J. D. HAINES ANSWERS CALL

J. David Haines, leader of the Enterprise Philharmonic orchestra which has gained fame throughout the northwest, died at Hot Lake Friday evening, a victim of Bright's disease from which he had been suffering for the past year. His body was forwarded to Baker for interment.

In his boyhood days, Mr. Haines was a carrier for a newspaper in Baker and later learned the printing trade. Being musically inclined, he took to violin playing and became an artist and as an orchestra leader, had few equals. He made his home in La Grande before going to Enterprise and is well known here. His Enterprise orchestra appeared in concert here last year in the L.-D. 8 tabernacle.

The deceased was born in Baker 45 years ago and was the youngest son of Judge and Mrs. J. D. Haines, deceased. Judge Haines was for many years a prominent member of the legal profession in Baker, going there from Jacksonville, Oregon, about 1870. Judge Haines owned a farm, now the site of the town of Haines, which he founded.

J. David Haines is survived by his widow, two sisters, Mrs. Estella Menick and Mrs. Amy Book, and one brother, Robert Haines, all of Baker.

If You're Buying Insurance

And you are solicited by some unknown agent for some unknown company, be suspicious. It probably has a more difficult time getting your money than a well known firm and a familiar company would experience.

Careful advertising lays a valuable foundation in making acquaintance and educating you to the product, or service in question. That's one reason why advertising is interesting.

"Observer Advertising—A Merchandising Service"

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35 Years For Bootlegging



A nation-wide movement has been started to ask President Coolidge to parole Edna Bond, mountain girl of West Virginia, who is confined in the Stark county (O.) workhouse, on a charge of bootlegging—seven years and a fine of \$8000, which if worked at a rate of 60 cents a day would keep her in prison 35 years.

FINAL VESPER SERVICE HELD

The last Vesper service in the Methodist church for this season was held last evening at 8 o'clock with an attendance of over 400. The occasion was the presentation of Gail's cantata, "The Holy City." Although an unusually difficult composition the many choruses and solo numbers were given with splendid success and the big audience expressed its approval. The regular choir was augmented by several well known musicians of the city.

An innovation in cantata presentations was introduced with good results when the pastor, Rev. Elmer Grant Keith, gave an intelligent synopsis of the purposes and intentions of the author.

In the rendition of the cantata, much credit is due Mrs. Sherwood Williams, director, Mrs. A. E. Kinman, organist, and the soloists who were: Paul Knutson, Sherwood Williams, Mrs. Leo Miller, Mrs. Thomas Maxwell, Raymond Williams and Mrs. Ray Fuller.

PHOTOGRAPHS SENT BY WIRE

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—Transmission of photographs over telephone wires 2899 miles long simultaneously to three cities was tested here Sunday by the American Telephone & Telegraph company, and was declared by officials to have been a complete success.

It was the first time such transmission of photographs had been attempted to more than one city at once and over so great a distance. Nearly a dozen pictures were sent to New York, Chicago and San Francisco, only seven minutes being required for each print. Officials of the company here were in touch by telegraph with their offices in the three cities and were told that the experiment was without a hitch.

Final Test for Service. The demonstration was arranged, the officials said, as a final test before announcing establishment of a general transcontinental picture transmission service and to perfect arrangements for sending pictures of the presidential inauguration Wednesday.

One of the pictures transmitted Sunday was of President and Mrs. Coolidge, taken in their departed Sunday morning home in First Congressional church. Within seven minutes after the negative was placed on the transmitting machine the picture was available for publication in New York, Chicago and San Francisco.

While the demonstration was in progress a photograph was taken of the machinery and a group of spectators. The film was developed and ready for transmission within half an hour, and seven minutes later duplicates were in the three cities.

It was the second public demonstration of the service.

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WASHINGTON IS AWAITING WEDNESDAY

Preparations for Coolidge-Dawes Inauguration Completed

CAPITOL SPORTS BRIGHT COLORS

Ceremonies Planned Will Be in Severe Contrast to Former Lavish Displays.

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—Preparations for the inauguration of Coolidge and Dawes are complete, and only the stroke of twelve o'clock on Wednesday is awaited for the ushering in of a new national administration.

Already the first of the thousands who will witness the ceremony are gathering in Washington. The stands erected to accommodate the elect among them are in place. The dying Congress has entered upon its feverish last hours.

Despite Coolidge's edict that the inauguration shall be a ceremony without trimmings, there already is ample evidence that Wednesday will be a day long to be remembered by those who look upon the turning of a new corner in the affairs of the nation. Mr. Coolidge's own part in the quadrennial drama will be simplicity itself, but those who helped elect him by the largest plurality in American history have not been content to let the fulfillment of that popular verdict pass without an opportunity to give vent to their enthusiasm.

Flags Flying. The capitol is breaking out new flags and brilliant streamers that already have made Pennsylvania Avenue a lane of glad color; the advertised brevity of the official ceremonies has not deterred the President's admirers in many parts of the country from chartering special trains to swell the crowds that are to honor him; the project of erecting stands for spectators along the route of the inaugural parade, rejected by the inaugural committee under the prompting of Mr. Coolidge, has been taken up by private enterprise; and Washington society, deprived of a prized prerogative through cancellation of the East Room inaugural ball, has substituted a charity ball of its own to be held Wednesday night at a

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PLANS CHILD LABOR FIGHT

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—Although more than one-quarter of the states have rejected the proposed child labor amendment to the constitution, the fight apparently only is beginning.

Proponents of the amendment refuse to concede its defeat, and have announced intensive campaigns during 1925 to change the unfavorable votes. The opponents of the amendment have announced they will fight even more determinedly to prevent its ratification, and some constitutional lawyers say that whichever side wins the issue probably will get before the courts, and if it ever becomes the law of the land it only will be after a hard fight and a long time.

There is historical precedent for a state legislature changing its vote on a constitutional amendment. It happened to some of the constitutional amendments in the reconstruction days after the Civil War, but the child labor amendment

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Democrats Expecting No Change For the Worse

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—James E. Barton, of Des Moines, announced today his acceptance of the office of national adjutant of the American Legion.

DES MOINES (By the Associated Press)—The Democrats already have lost about all they possibly can lose and if the situation changes at all, from their standpoint it is bound to change for the better.

The Republicans at present hold, not only all the normally Republican seats in Congress, but a good many that are normally Democratic, so from their standpoint there hardly can be any change

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Barton New Adjutant Of American Legion

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