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THE WEATHER PORTLAND (AP)—Oregon: Unsettled, probably rain in the north and west tonight and Wednesday.

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DANA HERE FOR ANNUAL C.C. DINNER

Portland Editor Arrives in City; Attends Noon Luncheon

MENU ANNOUNCED FOR BIG BANQUET

All in Readiness for the Yearly Meeting of Chamber of Commerce; 400 to Attend.

Marshall Dana, associate editor of the Oregon Journal of Portland, and to be chief speaker at the annual Chamber of Commerce dinner in the Odd Fellows basement this evening, arrived here this morning and was the guest of La Grande newspapermen at a luncheon today at noon.

According to announcements from the commercial offices, everything is arranged for the annual banquet tonight and practically all of the 400 plates have been reserved.

The menu for the evening has been selected and is as follows: Fruit cocktail and snowflakes, roast chicken, baked apples, creamed peas and carrots in timbales, spaghetti with tomato sauce, rolls, butter, orange marmalade, pickles, horse radish, celery, creamed salad with thousand island dressing, ice cream, wafers, chocolates, coffee, nuts, mints and coca cola. Practically every article on the menu was furnished by a local business firm.

Program. The program for the evening in detail follows: Elmer I. Stoddard, toastmaster. Music—Sunset orchestra. "America" Invocation—Rev. W. C. Ross. Selected song—Chamber of Commerce quartet.

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POLICE JAIL GEO. CARLSON

George Carlson, who has been held before the judge before on liquor charges, is in the city jail today awaiting trial on a charge of possession of liquor or sale of liquor.

He was arrested last evening on Jefferson avenue and, officers claim, had in his possession a suitcase containing 14 or 15 pint bottles of moonshine.

Time for his trial has not yet been set.

A. H. Rivard Taken to Portland to Testify

A. H. Rivard was subpoenaed by Pete Buffington for a witness in the case, United States vs. Buffington, which commenced at Portland this morning. Buffington is facing a booze charge.

Rivard was taken to Portland yesterday by Carl Helm, district attorney. It is not thought that Rivard's testimony will be accepted by the federal court inasmuch as he has over 12 months yet to serve in the county jail after being convicted of selling liquor in December. At the time Rivard was fined \$1000 and costs which he is serving at the rate of two dollars a day.

Safety Banner Will Be Given to Local Division

A banquet celebrating the presentation of the O. W. R. E. and N. company safety banner to the second division will be given tomorrow evening at 8:20 in the dining room of the Odd Fellows temple.

All men who have served on the safety committee during the year 1924, and others actively interested in the work have been invited to the banquet. A number of officials of the O. W. R. E. and N. company will also be guests.

The banner which was won by the second Division Safety Committee arrived here this morning in the custody of J. F. Grodzki, general safety agent for the O. W. R. E. and N. company and will be formally presented at the banquet tomorrow.

W. Bollens, general superintendent of the second division, will act as chairman. Among others who

Band Dance And Concert Wednesday

Local Organization in Campaign to Secure More Money for Buying Instruments.

A 10-piece orchestra selected from among the best local musicians will furnish the music for the band dance in the Zuber hall tomorrow evening.

For the first hour the band itself will play the dance music and will be relieved by the orchestra at 9 o'clock. A concert will be played on the street at 8:15 preceding the dance.

All music for the entire occasion will be donated by members of the band. The proceeds will go to defray the cost of new instruments, uniforms and other equipment much needed by the band at the present time.

As the cards for the dance say "when anyone wants music they make a bee-line for the La Grande band," or words to that effect, the band is tried to a large extent and it is equally true that this same music is donated to the people of the city.

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NATIONAL GUARD UNIT INSPECTED BY MAJOR LEWIS

The annual inspection of the local national guard unit which was conducted here last evening by Major C. A. Lewis of the headquarters, Fifth infantry brigade of Vancouver Barracks was evidently quite successful.

Major Lewis did not make any statements before leaving this morning for Baker but indications are that the local unit made an excellent showing last evening. The official report will be received from headquarters some time later.

The inspection last evening was particularly rigorous and difficult. Non-commissioned officers were selected by the major at random from the ranks and given a searching examination on the spot. This eliminated any chances of examining specially prepared officers.

G. L. Dutton, captain of the company stated today that the men had done very well in his opinion during the course of the inspection.

CONSIDERATION OF WRESTLING MATCH HALTED

The La Grande boxing commission, acting upon recommendations of the promoters, however, ordered cancellation of consideration of the proposed Pilling-Noregaard wrestling match backed by the La Grande Athletic club, and asked the club to submit a new program later for consideration.

When first submitted, the program was turned down but was resubmitted with different particulars. Apparently there is no objection on the part of the commission in reference to Pilling and Noregaard.

PUZZLE ANSWER

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DISTRICT TOURNEY MUST FIGHT FOR CHAIR

La Grande Plays Enterprise Thursday Eve in First Round

EIGHT TEAMS TO VIE FOR HONORS

La Grande, Joseph, Wallowa, Muddy Creek, Enterprise, Vale, Baker and Prairie City Selected.

Everything has been arranged for the district championship basketball tournament to be played at Union in the community gymnasium Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week, according to telephone communication from Roy Conklin, superintendent of Union schools.

Eight teams will participate in the tournament and all will play the first day of the tournament. The teams are: La Grande, Baker, Joseph, Wallowa, Enterprise, Vale, Muddy Creek and Prairie City. La Grande represents Union county, Muddy Creek and Baker, Baker county, Joseph, Wallowa and Enterprise, Wallowa county, Prairie City, Grant county and Vale, Malheur and Harney counties.

Games Arranged. The first game of the tourney will be played Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock between Wallowa and Muddy Creek. At 4 o'clock Joseph will meet Prairie City.

In the evening, at 7:30 o'clock, La Grande will play Enterprise and at 8:30 o'clock Vale will meet Baker.

Games will be played Friday afternoon and evening at the same hour and on Saturday, three games will be played in the morning, commencing at 9 o'clock, two in the afternoon and the final championship game is scheduled for 8 o'clock in the evening.

Officials Named. Ralph Coleman will officiate as referee at the tournament; John Wortman, of Union, will be timer, and Young, of La Grande, will be official scorekeeper.

The tournament will be under the supervision of the district Oregon High School Athletic Association board, composed of Bennett, Enterprise, E. D. Towler of La Grande, and Roy Conklin of Union.

Can Accommodate 1000. Mr. Conklin informs the Evening Observer that the gymnasium has been arranged so that it can accommodate 1000.

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BILLIARD HALL IS PURCHASED

A business transaction of importance occurred here over the week end when J. M. Choate sold his interests in the billiard hall at the corner of Depot street and Jefferson avenue to Zuber Klint, formerly owner of the Corner Lunch which was housed within the Choate building.

Mr. Klint took possession Sunday, March 1, and will rename the establishment the "Corner Billiard Parlor."

The Corner Lunch has been taken over by Otto Pechler who will continue to operate the business at the same stand.

Legion's Monthly Meet To Be Wednesday Eve

The regular monthly meeting of the La Grande post No. 42, American Legion, will be held in the Honan hall, Wednesday, March 4, at 8 o'clock. Several important matters will come up for discussion, among them being the visit of State Commander Griffith about the twenty-seventh of March. A reception will be planned for him.

Another important item will be the annual show which is being planned. This draws calls trip to J. N. Davis will be discussed and every member of the corps is asked to attend.

The officers announce that the membership is increasing all the time, there being at present over 200 paid-up members.

Five Men Loot Trust Company of Big Sum

ST. LOUIS (By the Associated Press)—Five men entered the Missouri City Trust company today, held 20 employees and patrons at bay and escaped with \$20,000 to \$25,000 in cash.

BROOKHART MUST FIGHT FOR CHAIR

Papers Contesting His Election to Senate Filed Today

SENATOR DEFIANT; NO QUARTER ASKED

Iowa Solon Declares People of State Passed on His Republicanism at the Polls.

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—Contesting the election of Senator Brookhart, Republican of Iowa, papers were filed with the senate today by officials of the Republican Central Committee of Iowa.

At the same time a copy of the papers were personally served on Brookhart.

He had announced earlier that when the senate adjourned, he would go to Iowa to make contest against "that gang" with "no quarter" asked. In reply to the charge that he had been elected through fraud and deceit, by representing himself as a Republican, he said the people of Iowa had passed upon his Republicanism at the polls at the November election.

BONDS OF U. S. DUPLICATED

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—A comprehensive audit of the public debt was recommended Monday by a majority of the house committee which investigated charges of irregularities in the bureau of engraving and printing. In a report which declared that duplication of government bonds "some fraudulent, the proportion not yet determined."

The report, it was stated, had been disclosed. The report, filed last Monday, was signed by Representative King, Republican, Illinois; Steag, Democrat, Alabama; and Stevens, Democrat, South Carolina.

Chairman McPadden, in a minority report, declared he could not subscribe to the majority findings which he described as "incomplete." If hearings had been continued to permit the treasury to present additional witnesses, he added, the majority report might have "stated different conclusions."

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LEVENS STARTS REORGANIZATION OF DEPARTMENT

BAKEL, Ore. (Special)—Under the law reorganizing the state prohibition department, the appointment of field operatives is placed in the hands of the state prohibition commission. W. S. Levens, instead of under the jurisdiction of the governor as was the case heretofore.

Operatives, under the law, must post a bond in the sum of \$2,000. The amount of \$50,000 is set aside for the operation of the prohibition department and all sums in excess of this amount received in fines are to be returned to the counties in which they were levied. Levens, the new prohibition director, is busy with organization work, which he hopes to have completed within the next two weeks according to a recent statement made by him.

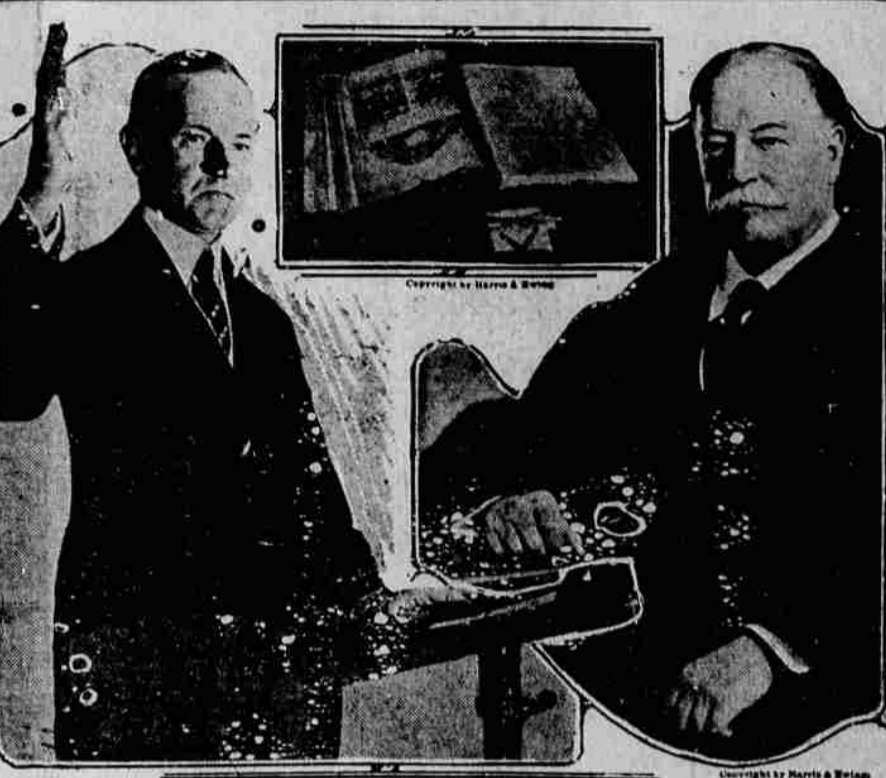
Negro Pays Penalty For Attack on Girl

ROCKYFORD, Ga. (AP)—An unidentified negro, who confessed to attacking a 14-year-old white girl near here Monday morning, was lynched Monday afternoon about 2 1/2 miles from Rockyford.

The negro was burned at the stake. He was brought back to the scene of his crime and identified by his victim. He was then carried into a field where brush and wood were piled about his manacled form and after gasoline had been applied to his clothing, the wood was set on fire.

There was little disorder. There was no attempt at concealment of the crime. The negro is known to have come from the vicinity of Perkins, Ga., but did not tell his name.

They Should Look About Like This



This is how President Coolidge and ex-President Taft will probably look when the former is sworn into office, March 4. Taft, as chief justice, will be the only ex-president who has ever delivered the oath of office. Between them is shown the Bible which has been used at nearly every inauguration.

NEW REGIME TO HELP COUNTRY

BAHSON PARK, Fla. (Special)—Roger W. Bahson, the statistician, is highly optimistic regarding the new administration and its effect on general business. He believes that President Coolidge is sound economically, and that the incoming administration should be a real factor in making better business during the next two years.

"It is true that conditions are a greater factor in making our presidents than are presidents in making conditions," says Mr. Bahson. "On the other hand, presidents can do much to help or hinder, to speed up or slow down activity. Politics are like a dam with a sluiceway built across the stream of business activity. One administration may close the sluiceway and dam the water, while another political party may open the sluiceway and let the flood pass through. Although neither political party has increased or decreased, the amount of water in the river, yet the amount flowing down the stream differs very decidedly according to the control at the sluiceway. Thus the conditions of the country differ very decidedly according to the motives and wisdom of the man in control of our government at Washington. I am convinced that the motives and wisdom of the man inaugurated next Wednesday are the highest type. Moreover, I say this without regard to parties or politics, because I voted for Wilson twice during the strenuous years of 1912 to 1919.

"One of the chief factors in upsetting business during the past few years has been the attempt of politicians to stimulate business, change wages, or reduce money rates by artificial and uneconomic methods. These politicians recommended stimulation for our business, labor, and financial difficulties when these difficulties are primarily due to the fact that they were already over-stimulated. Take the farm situation, for instance. Everyone acquainted with the farm situation knows that the farmer has suffered unduly during the past few years and that we cannot have real prosperity any length of time.

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Pierce Hits Settlement Fund Bill

SALEM, Ore. (By the Associated Press)—Governor Pierce, in vetoing a bill which appropriated \$15,000 for the state land settlement commission to pay debts, will, and to get back on an operating basis, intimated that he will veto appropriation bills totaling about \$500,000.

The governor also vetoed a bill appropriating funds for the Doernbecher Memorial hospital in Portland.

In his veto message, the governor said: "This bill appropriates \$15,000 from the general fund for the use of the land settlement commission to buy stock, equipment and pay outstanding obligations. It is necessary at this time to veto appropriations amounting to approximately \$500,000 and I believe this is one place where we can retrench without serious loss. I recommend the commission set one of three farms they now have and use the money to improve the remaining two."

PHYSICIAN HELD AS MURDERER OF HIS DAUGHTER

DENVER (By the Associated Press)—First degree murder charges were filed today against Dr. Harold E. Blazer, retired physician at Littleton, near here, in connection with the death of his invalid daughter, Hazel, aged 22 years.

Blazer is alleged to have killed her with chloroform and then attempted suicide.

KENNEDY FAILS IN ATTEMPT TO GAIN FREEDOM

NAPA, Cal. (By the Associated Press)—After a hearing in superior court here Monday afternoon, Lieutenant Frank E. Kennedy of the United States navy, was denied a writ of habeas corpus and returned to the state hospital for the insane here to which he had been committed by naval authorities.

Judge Percy S. King dissolved the writ on the ground that a state court lacked jurisdiction in such a case.

Lieutenant Kennedy had been sent to the asylum for observation after naval authorities had threatened him with court martial for alleged insubordinate and improper conduct during a tour of duty in the Orient. The officer's wife and his friends came to his aid, contending that he had been accused unjustly and then sent to the asylum without proper examination, to "get him out of the way."

Aircraft Investigation Came to An End Monday

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—The home aircraft investigation came to another end Monday with the flow of charges and contradictions that have marked the last few weeks of its existence, continuing with undiminished vigor to the very close.

XTRA

BUS BILL MADE VOID. SALEM (AP)—Governor Pierce this afternoon received an opinion from the attorney general holding House Bill 413, to levy increased fees on motor buses and truck lines, unconstitutional.

GRAZING FEE PLAN OKED BY WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—The senate today approved a house resolution authorizing the secretary of agriculture to waive one-half of the grazing charges on public lands during 1925. Ashurst, Democrat, of Arizona, reiterated charges that the "department of agriculture has been changed to an agency of tyranny" in its treatment of the western cattle industry.

COOS COUNTY ENJOINED. SALEM, Ore. (AP)—Coos county is permanently enjoined from issuing \$208,000 in bond bonds by a supreme court opinion today in the case of J. L. Norton against Coos county, appellant. The opinion, written by Justice Burnett, affirms the decree of Judge Kendall, of a lower court for Coos county. The suit against the county is based on a statute allowing only one special election in a single year.

WASHINGTON READY. WASHINGTON (AP)—In a setting that reflected only dimly the showy splendor that has shown upon inaugural history for more than a century, the government completed today arrangements to install the new administration at noon tomorrow. Washington is quiet today and the avenues are almost barred of the usual pre-inaugural crowds. Only a few reviewing stands and a profusion of red, white and blue, which drapes buildings along the lines of tomorrow's abbreviated parade, evidences the near approach of inauguration.

THREE BURNED TO DEATH. NEW YORK (AP)—Mrs. John Carroll, her son, 8, and daughter, 6, perished today in an apartment fire. Twelve tenants were injured and six firemen overcome.

GOVERNOR APPROVES JUSTICES PAY BILL. SALEM (By the Associated Press)—Governor Pierce in a statement issued yesterday said that he reluctantly approved and signed a bill passed at the present session of the state legislature increasing the salaries of the seven justices of the supreme court from \$5200 to \$7500 a year.

TURKISH GOVERNMENT, Headed by Bey, Quits. CONSTANTINOPLE (By the Associated Press)—The Turkish government, headed by Premier Fethi Bey, has resigned.

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PRESIDENT READY FOR CEREMONIES

Business as Usual at the White House on Eve of Inauguration

COOLIDGE CALM AS HOUR NEARS

Chief Executive Seems Least Concerned of All; Wag Says He's Merely Renewing "Lease."

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—Probably rain on the afternoon of inauguration day is predicted for Washington by the weather bureau. Forecasters will not venture a prediction as to the time the showers may begin, or whether the ceremonies on Capitol Plaza may be finished in time to escape the rain.

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—Twenty-four hours more and Calvin Coolidge will step into the presidency of the United States in his own right. Of all those who have to do with the impressive ceremony which marks an inauguration, President Coolidge himself seems least concerned about it.

It is business as usual at the White House today; a cabinet session; a conference with the White House newspaper correspondents; the usual run of congressional callers; tourists gathering for the inaugural ceremonies seeking a chance to shake hands with the president.

The President and Mrs. Coolidge are not concerned in the eleventh hour confusion of moving. As one wag put it, "Mr. and Mrs. Coolidge have renewed for four years their lease on the handsome colonial mansion at No. 1600 Pennsylvania avenue."

For 125 years now the White House, described by a celebrated American architect as "a typical home of an American gentleman on the banks of the Potomac" has been sheltering presidents and, like every other American home, whether great or lowly, it has at the same time been sheltering success and failure, poverty and riches, happiness and sorrow.

George Washington laid the cornerstone of it in 1792 but never lived there. It was finished during the administration of John Adams in 1800 just in time to let Thomas Jefferson was the first president to enter it fresh from

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COPPER KING PASSES AWAY

NEW YORK (By the Associated Press)—William A. Clark, 84, former senator from Montana and pioneer of the copper industry, died at his Fifth avenue home here last night of pneumonia.

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