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THE WEATHER
PORTLAND (AP)—Oregon: Rain tonight, Friday cloudy.

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TORNADO'S TOLL IS APPALLING

FRANK LOYD TO COME TO LAKE SOON

Director Expects to Film Scenes of "Winds of Chance" in May

300 EXTRAS WILL BE USED IN WORK

Removal of "Bridge" at Wallowa Lake Also Requested by Movie Company Leader.

The filming of the Rex Beach picture in part at least at Wallowa lake seems assured by a wire which was received here this morning by Earl Reynolds, secretary of the chamber of commerce, from Frank Lloyd, noted picture director.

Mr. Lloyd and a portion of his staff were here several weeks ago and at that time made a trip into Wallowa county to view prospective locations for a picture with a northern locale.

At this time Mr. Lloyd spoke very favorably of the Wallowa scenery and gave virtual assurance that a portion of the picture would be taken there.

Since his trip here, Mr. Lloyd has already taken a part of the

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MINSTREL FUN CAUSED MIRTH

"S. R. O." signs were displayed early last evening when the Martha class of the Methodist church presented a feminine minstrel show. The basement of the church was packed. Some 25 prominent women of the church participated, all under sobriquets that smacked of darkest Africa, and some of the performers got through the performance without divulging their identity.

A splendid skit built on the Jiggs-Maggie cartoons opened the evening and from then on snappy Negro melodies were sung and the end women shot their vitriolic harpoons of wit and humor at whomsoever of the townspeople they chose. These stinging darts kept the audience in uproar. The chorus singing was very good too. Theatre goers declare there were more original jokesters in the troupe than usually appear at professional minstrels.

"Who's Who" however, would be a thin book if its contents were exclusively devoted to biographies of the "colored" ladies who put on the attraction. Somebody put much effort into the entertainment.

Enforcement of Dry Law to Be Discussed

"Prohibition Enforcement" will be the subject of a talk by Carl Helm, district attorney to be given at the meeting of the Men's club of the Presbyterian church at the J. L. Ingle home this evening.

Mr. Helm has some interesting phases of the work to talk about and the meeting seems destined to be one of the most successful of the season.

Cattle Free From T.B. In Union County

That the cattle, especially the dairy herds in the entire eastern Oregon section are unusually free from tuberculosis has been announced by W. E. Thistlewaite, government inspector who has just completed a survey of Malheur county.

Mr. Thistlewaite has had his main office here in La Grande the greater part of the winter and in that time has tested thousands of cattle for the dangerous taint of tuberculosis.

His announcement that the cattle in eastern Oregon and particularly in Union county have a smaller than average percentage of the disease comes as the result of expert inspection of many herds.

Particular care is paid to the inspection of the dairy stock for to tuberculin cows is traceable over 90 per cent of the intestinal tuberculosis in small children, according to the official figures. The beef stock is subject to government inspection in the packing plants but the milk can not be so closely checked up.

RESERVATIONS FOR DRAMA GO LIKE HOTCAKES

One of the biggest rushes ever made on a senior play reserved seat board, occurred this morning when reservations for "Seventeen," to be staged in the high school auditorium Friday and Saturday evenings of this week, went on sale at 8 o'clock.

A long line formed before the doors were opened and by 8:15 o'clock, the greater share of the seats were taken up. A few good seats remain but ticket holders are urged to make reservations as quickly as possible.

MRS. MARY CLEGG PASSED AWAY IN PORTLAND MAR. 17

Mrs. Mary Clegg, a resident of La Grande for 23 years, died Tuesday in Portland, a victim of dropsy. Relatives took her to Portland about five weeks ago in an attempt to stave off the disease but to no avail.

The remains are at the Snodgrass and Zimmerman funeral service parlors and funeral services will be held at the L. D. S. church Friday at two o'clock in the afternoon.

Mary Clegg was born in Nashville, Tenn., in 1863 and was 62 years of age at the time of her death. She was the mother of 11 children, seven of whom survive her: Louis and Frank, of Utah; Roy of Los Angeles; Mrs. Clay Oneil and Mrs. Walter Schacht of Portland, Mrs. Otis Veal, and Elmo Clegg, of La Grande. She is also survived by nine brothers and sisters.

PUZZLE ANSWER

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PIERCE TO SPEAK HERE MARCH 29

"Prohibition and Law Enforcement" Will Be the Governor's Topic

ADDRESS TO BE IN M. E. CHURCH

Large Crowd Expected at "Our Walter's" First Appearance Here for Some Time.

Governor Walter M. Pierce, who will leave Salem the latter part of this week for a rest period to be spent in Union county, will deliver an address in the Methodist Episcopal church here Sunday evening, March 29, according to announcement by the pastor Elmer Grant Keith, today.

Mr. Pierce, who is a resident of La Grande, will speak on "Prohibition and Law Enforcement." His address will undoubtedly be a rare opportunity for eastern Oregon people to get first hand information regarding the two elements that are both important leading questions before the state and nation at present. Mr. Pierce has always been active in his support of the Volstead law and law enforcement in general and is an authority on both subjects.

It is anticipated that several from Union, Elgin, Wallowa, North Powder, Baker and other nearby towns and cities will be in attendance on the 29th.

H. S. ATHLETES DINNER GUESTS

The banquet served last evening by the Hi Dads for the high school boys' and girls' basketball teams proved a great success. It was served under the direction of Miss Lois Davis, head of the high school domestic science department in the manual arts building with the two basketball squads and a number of Hi Dads and faculty members present.

G. L. Larison proved a genial and entertaining toastmaster. The program opened with a talk by Charles Reynolds following grace by Mr. Stoddard. Other talks were made by A. C. Hampton, George Glass, Grand Dad of the Hi Dads, Colon R. Eberhard of the school board and Warren Gilbert.

Glass Made Captain.

Of special interest was the introduction of the basketball captains for next year. George Glass

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STATE BOUNTIES ADDED TO THOSE PAID BY COUNTY

According to reports, beginning April 1 additional bounties will be paid by the Oregon state game commission on wolves, cougars and wild cats. The extra bounties are: Wolf, $25; cougar, $25; wild cat, $1.50.

The above bounties are in addition to those paid by the various counties. Hides must be presented to the county clerk of the county in which the animal was killed and affidavit of such killing be made and forwarded to the state game commission.

All wolf hides must be forwarded to the commission for identification.

FIVE WINNERS OF PATCHWORD CONTEST NAMED

The five winners in the "Golden Bed" patchword puzzle follow: Ava Williams, Donald Huntley, Mrs. H. G. Ince, Emery Ford and Margaret Meyers.

The following people also had correct answers: Mona Gasser, Jay Jones, Mrs. C. R. Elder, Mrs. Lee Elder, Frances Cullen, L. B. Hale, Georgia Olson, Genevieve Currey and Mrs. Gerald Pierson.

Tickets for the winners are at the box office of the Arcade theater. The solution of the puzzle is on page 6.

REPORT ON FRUIT HERE COMPLETED

Agricultural Economic Committee Reviews Present Conditions

RECOMMENDATIONS MADE BY LOCAL MEN

Apple Growers Advised to Reduce Expenses to Minimum; More Cherry Trees Urged.

The reports of the five committees of the recent Agricultural Economic conference, held in Elgin, Union and La Grande, has been prepared. The reports, too lengthy to be printed as a whole, has been divided into its fire parts. The report by the horticultural committee follows:

Apples.

"Union county produced for the year 1924, 287 carloads of apples valuation of which was $225,090. This crop was about 60 per cent of normal crop for Union county. Conditions of orchards March 1, in Union county is first class and prospects for heavy crop for 1925 is good. There has been no increase in acreage during 1924. Growers all along the line realized small profits for the year 1024, and from the present outlook prices for the year 1925 is regarded by the dealers as very good.

"This committee advises all growers to reduce the expenses to a minimum in so far as not interfering with size, grade, and yield. We also recommend a more careful handling of apples in the picking, hauling, and packing as it has developed that our grades have

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NEW SEWAGE AREA CREATED

The creation of a new sewer district to include the section of La Grande east of Spruce street to the city limits, north to the city limits and south to the railway right-of-way was authorized by the city commission last evening at the regular meeting.

The petition for the district was signed by 75 property owners and was allowed by the commissioners after a short discussion. In the motion passed by the commission the city engineer was instructed to draw up plans and specifications for the improve-

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OPENING PLANS ARE COMPLETED

An elaborate spring opening will take place tomorrow when the doors of Carr's Furniture store will be thrown open to the public. Work of remodeling and redecorating the interior of the store has

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Add Historical Books To La Grande Library

The public library has recently made two important additions to its collection of books.

"History of the Oregon country" by Harvey W. Scott will prove fascinating to anyone interested in Oregon history. Mr. Scott was for forty years editor of the Morning Oregonian and this work of six volumes is Leslie Scott's compilation of his father's historical articles. The sixth volume is a very comprehensive index to the other five. Many La Grande people should be interested in this.

"Life of John Marshall," by Beveridge in four vloumes is not a recent publication but the library has had so many requests for it that it has just recently been purchased and is now ready for circulation.

1,000 DEAD IN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

Carbondale Center of Area Hit with Fury of Terrific "Twister"

THOUSANDS ARE BADLY INJURED

West Frankfort, Ill., Resembles Stricken Sections of France in the World War.

CARBONDALE, Ill. (By Associated Press).—Upward of 1,000 persons are dead, probably 3,000 injured and hundreds of others homeless within a 25-mile radius of this city as the result of yesterday's tornado, according to reports today.

WEST FRANKFORT, Ill. (By the Associated Press).—Dawn here today represented a picture of desolation rivalling war stricken sections of France. As far as the eye could see the landscape was an irregular mass of twisted debris.

Here whole houses were moved from foundations, another had its whole side ripped off and in other cases, what had been homes, were but little piles of twisted wreckage.

Tragic Moans of Injured.

Here and there could be heard pitiful cries of the injured still beneath the wreckage. Some of the injured were just breathing their last and others died en route to the hospitals.

200 KILLED IN INDIANA

EVANSVILLE, Ind. (By the Associated Press) — Three Indiana towns, Princeton, Owensville and

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SENATE ENDS STORMY MEET

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—The senate adjourned sine die late Wednesday, bringing to an end the stormy special session which began March 4.

The close saw an abatement of the intensity and feeling that characterized the entire session, resulting in a breach with the White House.

President Coolidge continued to the last to challenge senatorial opinion on his nominations to offices by re-submitting the name of Thomas F. Woodlock of New York to be a member of the inter-

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The Magic Mud Mess

If you like good, clean comic strips and get The Observer regularly, you are probably already a regular follower of "Mom and Pop" on the Want Ad page and the affairs of "Magic Mud."

It's an Observer feature that is growing in interest and is one of the best NEA Service offerings secured exclusively for Observer readers. Its popularity is evidence of a very valuable reader interest.

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Summary of Storm's Destruction

Storm came without warning; total dead may be more than 1,000; injured more than 3,000; homeless from 8,000 to 10,000.

Princeton, Owensville, Griffin, Indiana, levelled by tornado; 200 killed.

Carbondale, Ill., reports 1,000 dead, 3,000 injured in 25-mile radius.

Murphysboro, Ill., still burning today. City literally wrecked. School house wrecked, 100 children killed, scores citizens killed.

Doctors, nurses arrive in storm's path.

Food scarce in many razed towns, cities.

Property loss gigantic.

Grande Ronde Lumber Co. To Reopen Monday

One Hundred Men to Don Working Clothes; Two Full-Crew Shifts Are Expected Soon

Announcement of the re-opening of the Grande Ronde Lumber company mill at Perry was made this morning by the company officials. A regular eight hour shift of nearly 100 men will go to work Monday morning and in a few weeks it is planned to employ two full crews working two shifts, according to Earl Stoddard, part owner of the Grande Ronde company.

The re-opening of the mill will create employment for a great many more men in the company's logging camps in a few weeks. At present, due to the mill being out of condition all summer, the camps have enough timber cut to keep the mill supplied for a short time but the logging crews will be put to work during the early spring months.

Mill Reconstructed.

The mill as re-constructed after the fire which destroyed nearly all the old plant with the exception of the box factory and the planer has a capacity of 25,000,000 feet a year which is slightly greater than the former production.

The mill is known as the single band type with re-saw and is equipped with modern machinery throughout.

WOMAN SOUGHT BY OFFICERS

Alleging that a Mrs. Monte Daniels first knocked her down with a healthy right to her nose and later jumped on her when in a prostrate condition, Mrs. Dora Caton, a school teacher of Telocaset swore out a warrant on assault and battery charges before the district attorney yesterday afternoon.

The affair happened on Saint Patrick's day and judging from the results Mrs. Daniels was celebrating the occasion. Some time be-

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Yesterday's Storm Was Worst in U. S. History

(By NEA Special)

1900 — Hurricane, sweeping Texas coast Sept. 8, piled up the waters of the Gulf of Mexico miles inland. Galveston was storm center; about 6,000 lives lost.

1903 — Cloudburst in June caused deluge in John Day Valley, Oregon, inundating two villages; 300 drowned.

1919, Sept. 14—Corpus Christi, Tex., storm and tidal wave killed 500; property loss $25,000,000.

1919, June 23—Fergus Falls, Minn., tornado killed 60, injured 150.

1921, June 3—Pueblo, Colo., swept be deluge caused by cloudburst. More than 100 deaths; property loss estimated at $20,000,000.

1923, March 18—Tornado in north Mississippi kills 18; 100 injured.

1925, March 18—Worst tornado in history of United States strikes Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky; First estimates 775 killed; 2219 injured; property loss gigantic; several towns, cities wiped out.

Ex-Senator Culberson Answers Final Call

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press). — Former Senator Culberson, of Texas, died here today.

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HOPE ABANDONED

FAIRMONT, W. Va. (AP)--Hope has been virtually abandoned today that any of the 34 miners entombed by an explosion in Bethlehem Mine No. 11 remained alive. Fire continued to hamper rescuers.

LEASING CONCEALED

CHEYENNE (AP) — Leasing of Teapot Dome to Harry F. Sinclair deliberately was concealed from congress and the public, according to testimony read at the oil lease annulment suit today from the deposition of Rear Admiral Robinson, chief of navy engineering. "We concealed what was being done because we wanted to get it done," Robinson said in cross examination.

COUNTESS ON STAND

LONDON (AP) — Countess Carnarvon today took the stand in the sensational Dennistoun trial. Once during the testimony she nearly fainted but recovered with the help of smelling salts.

HUSBAND AIDS WIFE IN CASE

CHICAGO (NEA Special)—When the typical "triangle" does a sommersault you get such circumstances as involve the case of Mrs. Cecile Ware.

The story is sordid but it is interesting because it reverses the usual plot involving the outraged husband, his madly gay and surfeited wife and the other man.

The "other man" is always necessary to a triangle tableau just as he was to Mrs. Ware—a woman with all the comforts that social position and the wealth of her husband's cotton brokerage business could afford her among New Orleans's elite.

Mrs. Ware confesses, now that it is all over, that it was a very silly and unforgiveable thing for her to do, when she left her husband's palatial home to seek happiness and love with Clark G. Kuney two years ago.

Handsome and 35.

Kuney is 25. He is handsome. Mrs. Ware is a slight and piquant person of 30. She has had Kuney indicted in Chicago charging him with larceny.

She says she gave everything to him—love, honor, money, jewels and even her home which was sold for half its $80,000 value when Kuney requested it, she says.

James W. Ware, the lady's husband, aged 50, and a pillar of New Orlean's smart set, once was on the point of killing Kuney, so Mrs Ware insists, but stayed his hand at her request.

Now, though the couple have

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THOUSANDS HOMELESS IN MIDWEST

Belief Exists That Many Dead Have Not Been Counted Yet

TORNADO STRUCK LIKE "LIGHTNING"

Sun Shone Brightly An Hour Before Storm; Victims Had No Warning of the Impending Tragedy.

(By the Associated Press)

The dead are estimated at from 500 to 1000, the injured at 2500 to 3000 and the homeless at 8000 to 10,000 in yesterday's tornado, which struck in the midafternoon when schools were packed, workers were in shops and stores still held many victims buried and unreported in five midwestern states today.

The storm, lasting less than five minutes where it did the most damage, flattened heavily constructed school and business buildings with worse results than in the lighter dwellings. Babies in the home were special sufferers.

Fires are still raging or smouldering in millions of dollars worth of wreckage delaying counts of larger death lists.

The hardest hit were West Frankfort, Murphysboro, in southern Illinois.

Red Cross on Job.

The Red Cross, state guardsmen, army aviation corps and railroads have combined in relief work.

But one home and a school house remain standing in Parrish, Illinois. Four dwellings remained at Graffin, Indiana.

Tells of Storm.

A railroad brakeman, who witnessed the tornoda at De Soto, described it thus: "A crash of thunder, preceded by two blinding flashes of lightning, after which nothing was left of the town."

The storm was not more than five minutes in passing Murphysboro. The tornado smashed business buildings and dwellings in a twinkling and in the wake of the wind came a fire which completed the destruction. It is estimated that one-fourth of the residential section is in ruins and the business district presents a similar scene. Approximately 36 persons were killed when the Mobile and Ohio railroad shops collapsed. Eighty-five pupils of the Logan school were reported killed when the

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WHEAT PRICES PROBE STARTS

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press).—Instructions to examine the books and trading records of all grain exchanges in the country and those of a large number of brokers were sent today by Secretary Jardine to field agents of the grain futures administration.

The action constituted the agriculture department's first step in its investigation of the recent violent fluctuations in the wheat market.

La Grande Family Has Narrow Escape In Crash

An auto accident, involving Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Bohnenkamp and family of La Grande, but luckily not injuring them, which created quite a furore in Boise civic circles, occurred near Table Rock, about two miles from Boise, recently.

According to an account by Mr. Bohnenkamp today, a Paige racing car, travelling at approximately 60 miles per hour, collided with his car with considerable damage to both machine and resulting in the injury of the driver of the bug, R. R. Burrows. Burrows' mechanic was thrown over the Bohnenkamp car when the Paige swiped the automobile.

Mr. Bohnenkamp was driving slowly down the grade on the skyline drive, which was built and presented to the city by Boise civic organizations, when the racer appeared from behind a "blind turn." The cars were so close together that it seemed nearly impossible to avert an accident. Burrows was unable, because of frantic attempts, to clear the other car although Mr. Bohnenkamp believes had Burrows driven straight on by, there was enough room to pass. The bug's driver, pinned between the steering wheel and seat, was unable to extricate himself and accompanied the car in its plunge, finally being thrown out about 10 feet before the machine was halted.

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Women Less Politically Minded Than Are Men

(By Harry B. Hunt)

WASHINGTON (NEA Special)—After more than a year of rigid retirement, following the death of President Wilson, Mrs. Edith Bolling Wilson, his widow, yielded her seclusion for the first time to participate publicly in the annual meeting of the Women's National Democratic club here, on March 7.

Mrs. Wilson received members of the club at her home, following a pilgrimage by them to the tomb of the late president in Bethlehem chapel, and later presided over a table at a dinner given by the Democratic women.

That Mrs. Wilson chose the occasion of the club's annual meeting to resume active public contacts again is said to be due to the fact that, shortly before his death, the former president urged her to do whatever she could to assist this organization, which he regarded as offering immense possibilities for service to the party.

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That women are less politically minded than men was evidenced

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