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THE WEATHER PORTLAND (AP)—Oregon: Unsettled. Probably rain in the northwest; rain or snow, colder in the east tonight and Wednesday.

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TRAIN SMASH KILLS MANY

WATER SITE VISITED BY LOCAL MEN

Party of 22 Business Men and Citizens Look over Beaver Creek Area

EVERY AVAILABLE DROP IS UTILIZED

How Supply Is Tapped and Piped to City Is Learned — Emergency Plans Voiced.

Progress of the work at the Beaver creek intake and pertinent facts relating to the city water supply were learned first-hand by a party of local business men and citizens who visited the system's site yesterday under the leadership of W. C. Crews, city manager, and Charles Playle, city commissioner.

The party left La Grande about 9:30 a. m., returning home at 5 p. m. Lunch was eaten at the intake. The main purpose of the excursion trip was to show those interested what the supply of water in the Beaver creek district amounts to, how the supply is tapped and piped to La Grande and to show how the supply will be augmented when the present work is completed, which will be in the near future.

The party was shown that every available drop of water in the Beaver creek area is being tapped. Under the new system the old reservoir will be used in an emergency capacity only, as it is considered unsuitable for normal purposes.

The present capacity of the pipeline, retained and with sections replaced with new line, is 1,500,000 gallons, approximately. The water available at Beaver creek during

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Summerville Boy Improves

Clifton Shack, 12-year-old Summerville boy who was wounded by a shotgun that accidentally discharged in the hands of a playmate Sunday afternoon as they were entering Summerville from a hunting trip, is reported in a much improved condition today.

Local Citizens View Klan Parade, Initiation

White-robed men and women, members of the Knights and Women of the Ku Klux Klan, appeared in parade here last evening, afterward presenting a public naturalization ceremony at the high school athletic field.

No Price



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FIRST ROLL CALL TOMORROW MORN

"More Facts, More Funds, More Folks" Is Slogan Chosen for La Grande Convention.

Delegation will arrive this evening from Methodist parishes in Idaho and Eastern Oregon for the fourth annual convention of the Women's Home Missionary society of the intermountain conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, which is announced for Wednesday and Thursday in the auditorium of First M. E. church of La Grande.

Mrs. Collins J. Brock, a national worker living at Portland, and Mrs. W. H. Parker of La Grande, who is the conference secretary for the Women's Foreign Missionary society, and the Rev. H. S. Hamilton, conference superintendent, will be guest speakers.

"More facts, more funds and more folks" is the slogan chosen for this convention, which opens with worship under leadership of Mrs. H. K. Wallis of Island City, Wednesday at 10:30 a. m.

Mrs. Lee Hanford of La Grande will extend the welcome, to which response will be made by Mrs. C. E. Patton of Twin Falls, Ida. Roll call and business will occupy the remaining time until luncheon.

In the afternoon, following devotional exercises led by Mrs. A. C. Quinn of Union, Mrs. W. H. Parker will extend the greetings of the sister missionary society of the conference, Mrs. Parker came to La Grande recently from Boise.

Business Session. Conference reports and demonstrations will be given by the following secretaries: Mrs. C. O. Heath, Rupert, Ida.

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Dry Boss To Use War Vet In Rum War

"You Can't Bribe An Army Officer," Prohibition Leader Says in Explaining His Plans.

SAN FRANCISCO (NEA Special)—The bootlegger's dollar won't be worth a Russian rouble when the new dry administration actually declares war.

"And that's because you can't bribe an old army officer," says Colonel Ned Green, prohibition director of the San Francisco district. Green, in carrying out his part of the militarization of America's dry forces, plans to put a tried and true patriot in every booze-smeared job in his territory.

"An army officer knows honor and obedience," Green says. "He knows discipline, because he has had to learn it in a school where it was either honor or obey or get out."

A force of ex-army officers, all of whom have had at least ten years military experience, can counter the bootlegger's Green believes, and believes that principally on his faith that an ex-army officer can't be tempted by the tainted money of rum pirates.

The chief criticism of prohibition forces throughout the country has been that many of their men have had their price, and the bootleggers always met it," declared Green. "If you can beat the bootlegger's money, you can beat the bootlegger. I would like to see the bootlegger who can bribe one of my ex-army officers—the bootlegger's money won't be worth a Russian rouble."

Green promises a lot of excitement in the near future, the sort of excitement that will prove or disprove his boasts. Green means to go after the big fellows.

It won't pay much attention to the little fellows unless they are "big boys," Green says. "The plain old and out bootleggers are the ones we are after. Home-made

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RATE CASE EXPLAINED TO CLUBMEN

J. A. Ford, of Spokane, Outlines Plans of Intermediate Body

URGES MAINTAINING PRESENT CONDITION

Interior States Will Suffer If Discriminating Rates Return, Speaker Declares.

"We are sitting pretty—and we want to stay that way," J. A. Ford, secretary of the Spokane chamber of commerce and a member of the intermediate rate association, told La Grande businessmen at the chamber of commerce luncheon at the I. O. O. F. hall this noon in an explanation of the rate case fight as it now stands.

The interior country has the upper hand at present and continuation of that condition is the salvation of points not affected by coast rates, he pointed out. With the situation as it now is, freight rates from middle-western points to the west—including both coast and interior points—are not discriminating.

"Many hold that we are attempting to disrupt existing conditions," Mr. Ford pointed out, "but such is not the case. If existing conditions are disrupted, it will be by the opposition and not by the intermediate rate association and the interior points it represents."

Reviews Battle. In opening his address, Mr. Ford, who is an interesting and logical speaker, reviewed the history of the long and short haul battle between the railroads and interior shipping points.

In the beginning, discrimination was practiced in freight rates, he declared, saying that before 1915 freight rates on commodities shipped from Chicago to Portland, Chicago to San Francisco, Chicago to Seattle were less than the rates charged on the same goods shipped from Chicago to Billings, Mont., Chicago to La Grande, or Chicago to Reno, Nev.

"For example, the freight rate was \$1 on a certain class of goods shipped directly from Chicago to Portland," he said. "On the other hand, the rate was \$2.40 on the same goods shipped from Chicago to La Grande, the railroads charging a higher rate for shipments to interior points."

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Painleve Cabinet Quits; Financial Policy Fails

PARIS (By the Associated Press)—Premier Painleve's cabinet resigned today.

Painleve called on President Doumergue and presented the collective resignation of the ministers, telling the president the cabinet could not continue the work of restoring the French finances without being assured of a favorable majority in parliament.

The ministers' decision was unanimous and was caused by the attitude taken by the radical and socialist parties at the recent congress at Nice, when the proposal of the tax levy on capital was adopted.

The Painleve ministry was formed April 16 this year to succeed that of Edouard Herriot, which also went down through parliament's refusal to accept its financial policy.

Like the Herriot cabinet, the Painleve government depended upon the parties of the left, including the radicals and socialists, for its parliamentary majority.

Joseph Caillaux, Painleve's finance minister, has steadfastly resisted the left block in its desire to levy on capital as a means of lifting France from its financial difficulties.

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20 KILLED, 30 INJURED IN WRECK

Fast Passenger Train Plunged Down 40-Foot Embankment

COACHES PILED IN TANGLED MASS

Besides Score Slain Outright, Approximately 30 Passengers Injured, Reports Say.

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (By the Associated Press)—Twenty killed and more than 30 injured were known to date when the Sunday land, a fast St. Louis and San Francisco passenger train, left the rails today near Victoria, Miss., and tumbled into a tangled mass down a 40-foot embankment.

At least 20 persons were killed outright or died before a roller train could reach the scene and possibly twice that number were injured.

The train, traveling at 50 or 55 miles an hour, apparently spread the track about 200 feet from a 40-foot trestle. The engine and first baggage car cleared the trestle.

All coaches except the last Pullman rolled down the 40-foot bank. Three baggage cars and nine day coaches and Pullmans comprised the train.

Three day coaches are a tangled mass of wreckage. One of them dived headlong into a clay bank by the side of the track and the others rolled and jammed as they struck the bottom, piling occupants into tops and ends of cars.

A few passengers, sleeping in the last three Pullmans, were injured but it was those who directed the rescue and first-aid work before relief trains arrived.

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League's Efforts For Balkan Peace Succeeding

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It was learned today that the advisability of a naval blockade had been discussed privately by the council.

In the same room where Woodrow Wilson, in the closing days of the peace conference, proudly read out the articles of the league of nations covenant, and M. Clemenceau, as president in attendance, declared them adopted, the council of the league Monday night delivered what is virtually an ultimatum to Greece and Bulgaria that they must unconditionally and within 24 hours order all their troops to retire behind their respective frontiers.

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