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gon—Generally fair tonight
and Tuesday, occasional
clouds or fog in valleys.

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BIBLE WILL
NEVER BE
REPLACEDSo Says the Rev. Mr. Par-
ker in Sermon at M. E.
Church Last NightUNFOLDING GOD'S
PLAN SET FORTHAttendance Heavy at All
Churches in La Grande
Sunday—Many Pledge
Their Faith.

The bible as the unfolding of God's great plan was set forth by the Rev. H. W. Parker at the First Methodist church last evening, when he began a series of sermons devoted to the study of the book of books. Music for the service was sung by a choir of six young women.

"A study of the bible brings to us many surprises," the minister declared. "Among them its wide use and influence. It is found in every civilized country, which explains why it is found in hotels, schools, courtrooms, literary clubs, churches and editorial rooms."

"There is a bible in every home, and there are times when what it contains are the kindest words ever written or spoken."

"The truth which it contains happened centuries ago. The bible has made a long journey to us. Russia and Great Britain are old countries, but the bible had lived hundreds of years before they came into national existence."

Bible's Place is Secure

"Its place is secure. All of us have lived long enough to see books come and go. Some of them have had the run of the season. But not so with the bible. Its circulation is larger than that of any other book. People want it because it maps a way of life; they want it because it shows them (Continued on Page Five.)

OWNERS TAKE
POSSESSION

A. F. Ingram took possession of the country club house and grounds, which he purchased from the La Grande club early in the fall, with the beginning of the new year. He has moved his family from their farm home near Summerville to the club house, where they will cater to all clubs who wish to meet there or to all parties and dances. In addition to this they will give a series of public dances, the first one to take place tomorrow evening.

The golf course will be maintained and on the lower side of the highway along the river, there will be a tourist park and picnic grounds. The swimming tank will be improved.

The club house has already been remodeled to some extent and several other improvements will be made.

This spring Mr. Ingram expects to construct a service station in connection with the tourist camp grounds.

Tigers Come To Life;
Beat Enterprise 37 to 7Worth
\$5
A Week

Many business men who are fully acquainted with the advantages of and necessity for advertising believe that it is worth much more than the minimum of \$5 per week just to keep their name constantly before the 12,000 readers of The Observer.

Yet a minimum advertising expense of this size permits much more constructive publicity than merely printing the name of a business. It can accomplish a great deal in acquainting you, the reader, with advantages and attractions of a business that you could not otherwise easily know. When intelligently used, it is an investment of the soundest type.

"Observer Advertising—
A Merchandising Service."

Parts Hair



Patrolman O. B. Flaherty of Kansas City, Mo., went into the Argyle State bank and stopped three bandits who had taken \$20,000 and locked the clerks in the vault. One of the bandits shot at him and the bullet pierced his cap just above the badge, parting his hair but leaving him unharmed. The hole in the cap can be seen in the picture.

SISTER-IN-LAW
LOSES; APPEALS

Hai Bohnenkamp's petition for appointment as administrator of the Hamilton estate was allowed by Judge U. G. Couch, following a hearing in the county court yesterday afternoon. A sister-in-law, Mrs. Maude E. Hamilton, a sister-in-law of the late Mrs. O. G. Hamilton, was denied for the reason that in the court's opinion she is not eligible under the laws of Oregon.

Mr. Hamilton, through her attorney, George T. Cochran, filed an immediate notice of appeal to the circuit court.

The statute covering the ap-

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Club to Discuss Two
Coming Musical Events

Business in connection with the production of two public musical events—a light opera to be presented in March, and a music festival that will feature the activities of music week, early in May—prompted Mrs. G. L. Dutton to call a special business meeting of the Thursday Musical club for 7:15 p. m. at the Neighborhood clubrooms Tuesday. Because of the importance of matters to be discussed, she is asking for the attendance of the entire membership.

A larger chorus is to be enlisted for the operatic production, which is under the direction of Mrs. Jessie A. Hoskins of Baker. Miss Isabelle Miller, music director in the high school, will assist with the festival in May.

The Monday Musical chorus will rehearse at 8 o'clock tomorrow evening, following the business meeting.

Tigers Come To Life;
Beat Enterprise 37 to 7

It took quite a while to get the Tiger basketball machine to hitting on all four but when the engine started behaving—oh, boy! The final score Saturday night was: La Grande 37, Enterprise 7.

The first half of the tilt found Enterprise's quietest doing its stuff in shabby fashion. In fact, outplaying the blue and white athletes in the opening quarter which ended, Enterprise 4, La Grande 2. In the second half each team shared two field baskets but points after fouls put the locals in the lead.

What Coach Thorson Bennett said to the Tigers during half time is unknown but it certainly produced results. Maybe he admonished the earlars, who know?

Tigers Score at Will

But whatever happened, an entirely different team, as far as ability was concerned, took the floor for the final frame. And from then on, Enterprise didn't have a chance. The red and black made one point after foul while the Tigers, feeding to Lyman, ran up a total of 27.

Signals were working just right. Time after time Zundel came in

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Burglars At
Elgin Active
During Week

Half a Dozen Robberies
Reported to Police—
Shoe Store Is Among
Places Visited.

ELGIN, Ore. (Special to The Observer)—The mild winter has brought hard times to the door of Elgin's thieving element. More than half a dozen burglaries were reported to local police last week, with losses comprising almost everything from canned fruit and wool bed blankets.

One of the more brazen offenses was the "break" into Keller's shoe store, which is located in the center of the business district. A quantity of small change in the cash register was taken. Earlier in the week the Webster English house in the southwest part of town was entered and a flashlight taken, as well as numerous other small articles. When Brugger's home was burglarized the housebreakers helped themselves to fruit, potatoes, baking powder and some used bedding. Much canned fruit was stolen from the home of Jesse G. (Toots) Christensen also. The latter haul included many jars of canned mountain huckleberries brought from Albany, Oregon recently.

It is reported that on Friday night the scene of criminal activities changed to the farm of Harold L. Graham. From 100 to 150 white leghorn chickens were stolen.

FAIR WEATHER IS
LIKELY TO STAY,
EXPERTS BELIEVE

Little promise of any immediate break in the spring-like winter which Union and Wallawa counties are experiencing is seen by the weather bureau at Portland. Generally fair tonight and Tuesday, the forecast and prognostics over the week end called for normal temperatures with possibly some snow in Oregon later in the week. Saturday night or early Sunday morning the coldest weather of the winter in La Grande occurred. The minimum reading was 19 above zero, the first time that the mercury has dropped below 20 above Sunday, with the sun unobscured by a single cloud, was more like a mid-autumn day than the tenth of January.

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WALLOWA WEATHER MILD.

WALLOWA, Ore. (Special).—The weather conditions have been mild in this section the past few days. The heavy fog which hung low for nearly two weeks has disappeared. The days are bright with sunshine, the ground thaws considerably during the days, but freezes at night. The heavy coating of frost has melted away, and much stock is again in the pasture. A considerable number of persons over the country are still suffering from colds and "grip."

Union County's Fire
Loss in 1925 \$48,695

SALEM, Ore. (Special).—Fire losses in Oregon, exclusive of Portland, for 1925 aggregated \$2,442,146.97, according to a report filed here last night. The report filed here last night states that the loss for 1925 shows a decrease of approximately \$209,000 compared with that of 1924.

The fire loss in Union county was \$48,695, Wallawa county \$23,400, Umatilla county \$55,070, Baker county \$15,500.

Most of the fires were caused by defective or over-heated flues.

Radio Fans Happy as
Interference Ceases

Radio dealers and fans report that the "blue" interference, though it has been caused by an amateur operator broadcasting from some unlicensed station in this vicinity appears to have disappeared.

Reception, they say, is now first class.

Enterprise to Be Host
To C. E. Union in June

The executive committee of the Grand Ronde Christian Endeavor union, which meets once every two months here, held its regular meeting yesterday in the Presbyterian church. Luncheon was served at noon in the church dining room, followed by a business meeting with Marvin Lander, president of Baker, presiding.

During the meeting plans were made for the spring convention of the union, which will be held at Enterprise, probably June 5 and 6.

Out-of-town members of the executive committee present were Roy Anderson, Marvin Landers, Arza Butler, and Olive Carpenter, all of Baker, and Virginia Hunter of Wallawa.

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L. REYNOLDS
FILES SUIT
FOR \$22,285

Dairymen, Alleging City
Has Ruined His Busi-
ness, Seeks Damages

COMPLAINT GIVES
ITEMIZED DEMANDS

Action Follows Refusal of
of City Commissioners
to Settle Matter Out of
Courts.

Damages to the amount of \$22,285 are demanded of the city of La Grande in a suit filed by L. Reynolds with the clerk of the district court late Saturday afternoon.

The notice alleges that the city permitted the outflow of a septic tank to overflow the plaintiff's dairy farm, resulting in great injury to the value of his farm, both for residence and business purposes, and in the serious illness, with accompanying expense, of both himself and his child through contamination of the milk from poisonous substances collected from the seepage by the cows.

For general damages to his place, which Reynolds avows has been rendered useless for both home and dairy ranch purposes, for which they were purchased, he asks \$6,000.

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CASE IS 'LAID
ON THE TABLE'

Judge U. G. Couch indefinitely continued the case against Roy McMein, 17, Raymond Crumpacker, 18, and George Abbot, 16, when they entered a plea of guilty to a charge of theft from a grocery store Saturday afternoon in the juvenile court.

The boys were returned as wards of the court, to whom they are required to report once a week until Judge Couch alters the order.

COUPLE RELEASED.

Upon the recommendation of Carl G. Helm, district attorney, the charge of theft from a dwelling brought against Mrs. Blanche Graham and the Garrett, of Elgin, in Justice Hugh E. Brady's court Saturday afternoon was dismissed for lack of evidence, and the defendants released.

U.P. 1926 BILL TO
BE \$9,200,000.00

The enormous expenditures by the railroads of this country for purchasing new equipment and for providing other facilities necessary to furnish that class of transportation service essential in the welfare of the agricultural, manufacturing, mining and other industries of the country, are to be continued in 1926, it is announced.

The Union Pacific system, one of the foremost in this respect, has announced an expenditure of approximately nine and one-half million dollars for the purchase of new equipment alone, for delivery during the first half of the year.

The purchase includes: 15 70-ft. all-steel coaches, 10 70-ft. all-steel baggage cars, 10 83-ft. all-steel observation cars, 5 83-ft. all-steel dining cars, 5 70-ft. all-steel passenger service horse cars, 2 65-ft. all-steel baggage-mail cars, 1000 steel underframes, convertible last cars, 1000 56-ft. all-steel automobile cars, 25 heavy, 8-cylinder type locomotives.

Engines Cost \$80,000.

The locomotives will cost more than \$80,000 each, and are designed for fast freight service.

The observation cars will cost approximately \$42,000 each, and are to be used in transcontinental limited trains. There will be a number of changes in the design of these cars for the purpose of increasing the comfort of the passengers of the road, it is said.

There will be separate lounge rooms for men and women, with tub and shower bath.

Improvements have also been made in the dining cars, with increased facilities for serving a greater number of people. The cars are slightly larger than cars of the past, being 32 feet in length. Each car will cost approximately \$55,000.

The new coaches embody structural and mechanical improve-

ments as well as seats of improved comfort, and cost approximately \$35,000 each.

The 10 new 70-foot steel baggage cars included in the order will cost \$21,000 each.

Specialty Built Horse Cars

The new horse cars are express cars, of steel construction, specially equipped with box stalls and other conveniences, and are designed particularly for shipment of race horses, and rope and bucking horses, which are valued throughout the west on a par with racing stock and are used in many rodeos now being held at various towns in the west. Five of these have been purchased at a cost of approximately \$24,000 each.

Convertible ballast cars are for handling gravel, crushed rock and other materials used in railroad construction, as well as coal, sugar beets and similar commodities. These cars cost \$22,000 each, and the purchase of 1,000 of them represents an investment of \$22,000,000.

Buy 1,000 Auto Cars.

One thousand new automobile cars costing \$2,000 each; \$2,000,000 for the entire order, are being purchased to transport the greatly increased number of automobiles moving over the Union Pacific. These cars are of solid steel construction, very staunchly built, and with special facilities for loading, unloading, and the safety of motor cars in transit. They are fire-proof, burglar-proof and virtually indestructible.

The new equipment to be purchased is not for replacing existing cars and locomotives, but for increasing the transportation facilities of the Union Pacific so that it may efficiently carry its share of the rapidly mounting transcontinental freight and passenger traffic, the announcement states.

Mexico Will
Answer U.S.
Wednesday

Note Will Be Prepared in
Reply to American Pro-
test Against Anti-Alien
Land Law.

MEXICO CITY (By the Associated Press).—It is reported unofficially that Foreign Minister Huesca will send a note to United States ambassador Wednesday in reply to the ambassador's formal protest against the retroactive features of the new Mexican anti-alien land law.

This law is held to violate pledges given the United States at the time that country accorded recognition to Mexico.

It is said here, however, that the Mexican government intended to maintain its sovereign right under the Mexican constitution to enact without foreign interference any legislation it may desire.

Congressman Is Denied
Appeal by High Court

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press).—Representative John W. Langley, of Kentucky, convicted of participating in a conspiracy to violate the federal prohibition law, was denied an appeal today by the supreme court.

Unless he can obtain a rehearing from the court he must begin serving his two years in the Atlanta penitentiary.

LANGLEY RESIGNS.

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press).—Representative Langley, of Kentucky, resigned from the house today.

Cove Boys and Girls
To Organize Clubs

A meeting of the boys and girls of Cove interested in club work and their parents has been arranged for Tuesday evening by J. E. Mills, president of the Cove Commercial club, and H. G. Avery, county agent, at Cove. At this meeting club organizations will be completed.

A number of people have been invited from Imbler and La Grande to attend the meeting.

POCKETS IN UNDERSKIRT
AID TO BOOTLEGGERS

POCATELLO, Ida. (AP)—A lady's underskirt fitted with neat pockets in order that the wearer might carry 13 pints of prohibited fluid without detection was found by federal prohibition enforcement agents and deputy sheriffs during the search of an alleged bootlegging establishment.

The skirt bore every indication of having been made to order and the pockets, according to officers, were very substantially constructed. A number of empty pint bottles were found in the skirt by the searchers.

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Up Pike's Peak In Winter



Rockets flared when the Rev. George W. McDonald and ten hikers, members of the Adaman club of Colorado Springs, reached the top of Pike's Peak after a two-day climb. The fireworks dispersed threatening cloud banks that hung over the peak and relieved watchers who had feared for the safety of the expedition. Above, a remarkable photograph of the fireworks display on the peak. Below, the party climbing through deep snows.

VENISON FEED
TO BE TONIGHT

Sportsmen of La Grande and the county roundabout will assemble at the First M. E. church dining room this evening for the annual venison feed that celebrates a tradition of the Wing, Fin and Fleet-foot club.

While the festive board will occupy the greater portion of attention, the club expects to call a short business session for the election of officers and appointment of committees to take charge of game and fishing plans for the coming year.

A coming event of importance to the club's following is the Eastern Oregon Trap tournament, that will bring sportsmen here from Baker, Enterprise, Pendleton and Huntington Sunday, January 24.

At the weekly shooting party yesterday at the Lone Tree field, honors went to A. H. Thompson, one of a party of Enterprise victors. Others from the Wallawa county town were Charles Zuercher, Dave Revis, Clarence Booth and H. A. Gritton.

King Ali's Retirement
Ends Hashimite Dynasty

CAIRO, Egypt (By the Associated Press).—Ibn Saud, sultan of Nedja, who last month forced the abdication of King Ali of the Hedjaz, has been proclaimed king in the holy city of Mecca, according to a report from Jedgas. Ali, who was last reported in Bagdad, is said to have given a pledge to retire completely from public life, bringing to an end the Hashimite dynasty.

150 Girls and One Boy
Take Part in Doll Day

A hundred and fifty little girls proudly bustled their favorite doll children into the library reading room for the doll day story hour Saturday. One lone boy came with them, and courageously stood his part until the last story was finished.

There were dolls in every stage of life and in almost every stage of preservation. Fifteen doll carriages parked outside and in the entrance told passersby that the occasion was one of moment to young mothers. Two little girls were so eager to get desirable seats for the entertainment that they appeared at the library before the doors were opened.

Miss Gertrude Wagner, who told the stories, was interrupted now and then by a shrill cry of "Ma-ma" from a fretful doll here and there.

WASHINGTON (AP)—The house today passed the interior appropriation bill, carrying \$226,500,000.

PROTEST ON
RAW RUBBER
RESTRICTION

Twenty-Three Nations to
Be Represented in the
Coming Movement

TIRES MAY COST
515 MILLION MORE

Manager of A. A. A. Test-
ifies Before the House
Committee Today, Re-
vealing Relief Plans.

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press).—A world wide protest against restrictions on crude rubber shipments from the British colonies will be made by organizations in 23 countries, including Great Britain, Ernest Smith, general manager of the American Automobile association, told the house committee today when it resumed its hearings into tire prices.

"Manufacturers, he said, have justly demanded relief from the high prices. He said American consumers would pay \$150,000,000 more for tires this year at the present rate of increase.

O. K. TAX REDUCTIONS.

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press).—Reductions in income taxes as provided in the house revenue bill were approved today by the senate finance committee.

Action on the inheritance tax, which Chairman Smoot predicted would be repealed, was postponed. The committee also delayed its decision on the question of publicity of income tax returns.

Reduced normal income tax rates and increased personal exemptions were approved. The bill also provided for the reduction of the surtax rate over that provided by the house was defeated.

BRIBE RUMORS
STIR GUTHRIE

GUTHRIE, Okla. (By the Associated Press).—Investigation of rumors that a \$10,000 bribe several months ago thwarted an inquiry into the mysterious slayings of several Osage Indians of the Osage country loomed as the state grand jury convened today.

Alva McDonald, former United States marshal of the western district of Oklahoma, who declared the bribe charges were directed against him, said he would appear before the grand jury and demand that he be heard.

The rumors are to the effect that McDonald and another former official divided \$10,000 they received from a Pawhuska attorney at the time of the first investigation, McDonald said. He declared he had given the federal investigators valuable aid and that the other party mentioned in the bribe rumors was never connected with the case.

HANDS KILL 50.

MEXICO CITY (AP)—Fully 50 persons were butchered by bandits who attacked and wrecked the Guadalajara-Mexico City passenger train near Yurucuaru, Michoacan state, Saturday night.

Tariff Issue Up Again,
Revived By Democrats

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press).—The party-old tariff issue has been revived in the house by a number of Democratic leaders, who have introduced a series of bills proposing downward revision of rates.

Although President Coolidge has declared against any revision of the tariff act this session of congress, the minority members are pinning their hope for action on a possible coalition with some members of the Republican farm group.

Spokesmen of the farm bloc have openly threatened to join in a fight for a downward revision of tariff schedules unless farm relief legislation is enacted.

Representative Hull of Tennessee, former chairman of the Democratic national committee and a member of the house ways and means committee, which would have to consider any such legislation, has introduced a resolution to place the house on record in favor of tariff reduction. In addition, he also has introduced several amendments, proposing specific cuts in duties.

Supporting Mr. Hull, Representative Oldfield of Arkansas, also a member of the ways and means committee and chairman of the

Democratic congressional committee, has advanced a series of amendments seeking to reduce rates on a number of specific articles. Representative Waller, Democrat, New York, also has introduced a bill for a reduction in the import rates on food products.

The revision proposals thus far introduced provide for:

Repeal of the flexible provision allowing the president to revise the rate schedules as much as 50 per cent upon the recommendation of the tariff commission. The president has used this provision in only a few instances, notably to increase the tariff on wheat by the maximum amount.

Reduction of the rates on aluminum, woolen products, cotton, textiles, steel, sugar, molasses