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PORTLAND (AP)—Oregon—Rain in the west, rain or snow in the east tonight and Friday.

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LIGHT WORK
HELD UP BY
CITY DADS

Petitions Ordered Returned to Commission for Check-Up

LONG DISCUSSION
FEATURES SESSION

Doubt Expressed Whether the Preliminary Arrangements for Project Are in Good Shape.

Considerable discussion of the proposed ornamental street lighting system, winding up with the return of petitions to the city planning commission and a demand for a thorough check before next Wednesday night, took place at the city commission meeting last night.

The discussion started when City Manager W. C. Crews, who, with City Attorney George T. Cochran, is drawing up an ordinance providing for a special election to vote upon a charter amendment making it possible to organize a lighting district under the so-called "taxpayer" plan, asked the commissioners who would stand the maintenance cost.

Members of the commission were of the opinion that the city should pay for maintenance and any expenses that would be incurred after installation. The installation would be paid for by the property owners who will receive the most benefit from the system.

Would Cost \$2000 Extra. A representative of the Eastern Oregon Light and Power company reported that maintenance charges would amount to approximately \$2000 a year more than at present. Installation charges would probably be \$2 a front-foot.

City Recorder J. E. Stearns stated that he entertained doubt as to whether the petitions carried the necessary 51 per cent signatures of property owners in the district and the commission stated that it would not consider the matter.

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MANY ATTEND
REVIVAL MEET

Nearly a hundred persons gathered in the Salvation Army hall last night for the closing service of the midwinter revival campaign, which ran for almost six weeks. Five pastors of La Grande churches were on the platform. In introducing them, Kayser J. C. Barker mentioned some of the particular reasons why such is esteemed and respected in the community.

"The Parable of the Good Shepherd" was read from the scriptures by the Rev. George A. Pollard. Each congregation present contributed a thought to the sermon, concluding that he was "in the biggest and best business in the world."

Meetings at the hall will now be conducted on regular schedule: Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday nights, with divine worship service on Sunday.

Union Girls to Play
Here Friday EveningService
To
Advertisers

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Institute To
Be At Union
February 20

Union County Teachers to Hear Address by Professor W. C. Eells, of Whitman College.

Professor Walter C. Eells, of Whitman college, will be the principal speaker at the Union county teachers' institute at the high school building at Union Saturday. The institute is one of the three local meetings that will be conducted in the county this spring.

E. D. Towler, principal of the La Grande high school; R. A. Wilkerson, principal of the Greenwood school, and E. A. Sayre, county school superintendent, will be the instructors and helpers.

The institute will open at 10 a. m. with an invocation by the Rev. C. A. Quinn, pastor of the Union Methodist church. Music will be furnished by Misses Vina Conley and Marjorie Sturgill, and Miss Emma Baxter.

At 10:30 o'clock, Mr. Eells will address the meeting on "Measuring Intelligence."

Plans Group Classes. Group classes will begin at 11:15 a. m. The high school group will be in charge of Roy Conklin, Union superintendent, with J. J. Towler leading the discussion of "Directed Study in the High School."

Mr. Eells will give the address, using as his theme, "The Use of Intelligence Tests for High School Graduates." A round table discussion will follow, dismissed to be at 3 p. m.

Attendance is not compulsory, as at the county institute, but professional prompts most teachers to attend, Mr. Sayre states.

La Grande High Sends
Delegates to Corvallis

CORVALLIS, Ore. (Special)—Three representatives from La Grande high school will attend the third annual educational exposition at the Oregon Agricultural college starting tomorrow. They are Earl Barnwell, Ernest Pans, and Ray Griffin. The exposition will end Sunday.

Mexicans Wanted in
Pendleton, Taken Here

Two Mexicans, who gave their names as Manuel Orozco and Epimeno Tiorro, were arrested by the police here late yesterday on information from Pendleton officers, charging the two with robbery.

Two autocrats, filled with stolen clothing including eight new suits, a blazer shirt, a silk scarf, underwear and socks, were confronted by the authorities.

An officer from Pendleton arrived later in the evening and took the two to the Umatilla county seat.

KAUFFMAN FLOORS THYME

COLUMBUS, Ohio (By the Associated Press)—Cliff Kauffman defeated Ted Thyme, champion of the world lightweight wrestling title, two falls out of three here last night. The title was not at stake.

Three important basketball games, each involving some special significance for its respective players, took place Friday night at the Umatilla county seat.

The Tigers at Pendleton, will be playing their last game of the season—and a trying one, if the score of 20 to 16, at which the Buckeys held them in the first quarter here a short time ago, indicates anything of their opponents' possibilities. Pendleton will be on its own floor, and will have the round-up town out in full strength for support, in all probability, the local boys anticipate.

As many blue and white boosters as can be accommodated will be carried to the game when the team goes, Wesley Brown, student body president, declared this morning. A pep meeting will be conducted in the auditorium Friday morning. The boys plan to

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He Knows



Sir Edward Ponsonby, keeper of the king's privy purse in England, is the only man on earth who knows just how much money King George has. It is his duty to keep track of every penny the king receives and spends.

DAMAGE CASE
GOES TO JURY

Whether little Le Roy Bloomquist drowned in the flume at Division and Second street through the city's neglect or its duty as the protector of its residents, or fell into the ditch a couple of hundred feet below, where the body was found, thus relieving the city from liability in his death, is to be decided by the jury that withdrew for deliberation early this afternoon.

H. J. Hesse gave the preliminary argument, late yesterday. The arguments of George P. Cochran, city attorney, and R. J. Green, counsel with Hesse and Eugene Ashwill, for the plaintiff, required the greater part of the forenoon. Judge J. W. Knowles gave his instructions to the jury just before the noon recess, and the jurors were excused for luncheon together before they began to deliberate on a verdict.

Damages to the amount of \$7500, the maximum prescribed by law, are prayed by Mrs. Anna Bloomquist, mother of the deceased child.

Liquor Case Dismissed

The state's case against Frank Dunn, on a charge of possession of morphine, was dismissed today by the district attorney.

Mrs. Mary Welton's suit against the M. E. Lumber company, claiming that water seeping from the new log pond filled her basement, damaged her house and caused her to be ill, is the next on the calendar. A jury was to be selected as soon as the afternoon session convened.

50 KNIGHTS TO
BE PRESENT AT
ELGIN SATURDAY

About fifty members of the local Knights of Pythias lodge will go to Elgin Saturday night for the district K. P. meeting to be held there. It was decided last evening at a special session of the lodge at the K. P. hall, The La Grande K. P. will be represented in the parade by their camp, which is well known throughout the Eastern Oregon lodge.

Bowling making plans for the district meeting two new members were initiated into the order last evening. Several visitors were in attendance from Union.

Proceeding the Knights of Pythias meeting the D. O. K. K. K. assembly and made arrangements to have a coronation here March 17. D. O. K. K. K. will be in attendance from all over this section of the state. The only D. O. K. K. temple in Eastern Oregon is located here.

Girl Guards Plan to
Attend Portland Meet

A box social, proceeds of which will be used to defray the expense of 20 young people who will represent La Grande at the Young People's council at Portland March 27 and 28, will be held at the Salvation Army hall Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock, by the members of the Girl Guards. Invitation to the affair is for everyone.

While the Girl Guards have been in existence in La Grande only about two months, there are 25 members enrolled. Miss Maybelle Barker is the organizer and leader.

BARE LEGS PERMITTED

SUNDERLAND, Eng.—The Sunderland council has revoked the ordinance adopted in 1923 barring performers with bare legs from local theaters.

ANTHRACITE
WORKERS IN
MINES AGAIN

Vast Army of Under-Tolers Resume Work in East Today

HALF A YEAR OF
IDLENESS ENDED

Trouble Marks Re-Opening of Mines at Pittston—500 Miners Strike After Starting Work.

SCRANTON, Pa. (By the Associated Press)—Mining was resumed in the anthracite region today when a vast army of underground toilers returned to their jobs after being idle more than five months because of a strike.

TROUBLE AT PITSTON.

WILKESBARRE, Pa. (By the Associated Press)—Trouble marked the re-opening of the anthracite mines here today after nearly six months of idleness.

Five hundred workers employed by the Pennsylvania Coal company at Pittston went on a strike a few minutes after the resumption of operations.

ODD FELLOWS
IN NEW HOME

La Grande Lodge No. 16 I. O. O. F. will celebrate moving into the new hall, 1200 Broadway, tomorrow evening with a dinner at 7 o'clock followed by a program. After the program cards and dancing will be enjoyed for the balance of the evening.

The moving of the lodge records and other belongings from the former hall on Adams avenue to the new temple on Elm street will mark the third time that the location of the lodge rooms has changed during the 50 years that the lodge has been organized in La Grande.

The La Grande lodge was formed in 1877. The charter was issued May 16 of that year. The order was 48 years old in America when the local chapter was organized. The charter members were M. Barker, George W. Webb, P. M. Carroll, Joshua Hopper, D. Steinke, W. D. Grandy and George Ball.

The first Odd Fellows hall in La Grande was located in what is now known as Old Town. When the town was changed the lodge was moved into a hall over the Standard grocery store then located on Depot street where the Modern laundry now is.

During the year 1892 this hall burned and the lodge rooms were moved to the present I. O. O. F. building on Adams avenue, where they have been since.

In 1924 the lodge purchased the new temple, formerly the Y. M. C. A. building. Until the present time.

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Local Marine Bound
For Pacific Island

SAN DIEGO, Cal. (Special)—A tiny tropical island far south in the Pacific will be the temporary home of Everett Hilbert Johnson, of La Grande, Oregon, who left this naval base recently for a tour of duty in Guam. He will probably remain abroad for a year or longer before returning to the United States.

Railrover lived at the home of his mother, Mrs. Maggie Gane, of La Grande, before he joined the marine corps last November. For a while he was stationed at San Diego, later going to Mare Island, where he was ordered to the transport Thomas for further transfer to the Pacific island, where he is scheduled to arrive late this month.

Guam was ceded to the United States shortly after the Spanish-American war. U. S. marines are stationed there, guarding the naval base and living amid surroundings typical of the South Sea Isles. Supplies are furnished them regularly while moving pictures, athletic sports and entertainment help to vary the regular military routine.

MOTHER AND SIX CHILDREN
LOSE THEIR LIVES IN BLAZE

CENTRAL BRIDGE, N. Y. (AP)—Mrs. Elizabeth R. Teale, 28, and six of her children were burned to death when a fire destroyed their apartment over a barber shop early Wednesday.

The father, Edward Teale, escaped with two broken arms, and the oldest child, a daughter of 14, was uninjured.

Coolidge Is
Confined To
Bed Today

Heavy Cold Results in Cancellation of All Engagements—Condition Not Serious.

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—President Coolidge is confined to his bed today, suffering from what white house officials said was a heavy cold. All engagements for the day have been canceled.

Believing that there is no cause for alarm or any relapse in the president's condition, Secretary Sanders said that Coolidge had decided to remain in bed in the hope that the cold could be controlled.

Major James P. Coupat, the president's physician, is in attendance.

It was officially announced that although the president is confined to his bed, he is suffering from "just a cold." The condition is not serious.

WINTER VISITS
ROCKY MOUNTAIN
REGION OF WEST

KANSAS CITY (AP)—A snowstorm that reached blizzard proportions in the teeth of a high north wind swept over the southwest today, routing mild temperatures that have prevailed. Sharp drops in temperatures were recorded.

DENVER (By the Associated Press)—Winter last night again held the Rocky mountain region in its grip and a white blanket, in places more than a foot deep, covered Colorado, most of Wyoming, Montana and Utah and the northern portion of New Mexico and Arizona.

Cold weather with more snow in many places was the weather bureau forecast last night.

Snow Predicted. This weather forecast today predicts rain or snow for Eastern Oregon tonight and tomorrow.

Quake Visits Southern
Part of California

LOS ANGELES (By the Associated Press)—An earthquake nearly a minute in duration was felt at 10:18 a. m. today along the coastline between Santa Barbara and Los Angeles. The only damage reported was the throwing out of the Southern California Edison company switches at Salinas, 10 miles from Ventura.

The shock stopped some clocks in Santa Barbara. Children marched from the schools there but there was no semblance of a panic.

Air Race With Russia
Anticipated by Wade

NEW YORK (By the Associated Press)—A race with the air squadron of Bolshevik Russia to claim land which might be used as a military flying base north of Alaska or Siberia probably will be the result of the polar expedition which he will command, Gen. Leigh Wade, round the world army flier, told the Associated Press Wednesday.

"It is the firm opinion of every member of our party," Lieutenant Wade said, "that the Bolsheviks plan to beat us to it in finding the continent which we feel assured lies in the uncharted seas above Alaska."

Helen Wills Wins First
Set in Beaulieu Play

BEAULIEU, France (By the Associated Press)—Helen Wills, looking drawn and pale in her first appearance since the strenuous play against Suzanne Lenglen Tuesday, won her match in the opening round of the Beaulieu Tennis tournament today in straight sets, defeating Miss Tamerion.

Prisoners to Pay for
Riot, Lillie Declares

NALÉM, (By the Associated Press)—Warden Lillie said today he would pay for damage to rockery and furniture, resulting from the convict riot late Tuesday, out of the prisoners' amusement fund.

FIFTEEN SENTENCED TO DIE

RIGA, Latvia (AP)—Fifteen Estonians, charged with espionage, were sentenced to death Wednesday at Leningrad, Russia. Their trial had been going on for two weeks.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP)—Live stock—Steady.
Wheat—One cent lower, first 22 1/2¢ 2d, extras 22 1/2¢ 2d. Butter—Standard cubes half a cent lower, 45¢.

Socked Him On The Jaw



Miss Gertrude Haynes of Waterloo, Ia., is an athletic young lady, so she takes part of her expenses at Drake university by supervising a Des Moines playground. A masher took her by the arm as she walked home one night—and she hit him on the jaw, knocked him into the gutter and called the cops. He ran away before the police came.

MAY PREVENT
MONOPOLIES

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—The department of justice's anti-trust suit against the National Food Products corporation, filed last Saturday in New York, was in line with a purpose to forestall "tendencies toward monopolies" rather than to combat a monopoly already formed, it is explained here.

It is made clear that the department did not hold in the petition for a restraining order that the corporation has acquired actual control of a number of chain grocery and other food and dairy organizations, as previously reported. It was set forth rather that the corporation had obtained stock in such organizations, the amount of which not specified, that this stock should be relinquished.

Among concerns listed in which the department said stock had been acquired by the National Food Products corporation were these: Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea company, National Dairy Products corporation, H. C. Hoback grocery company, First National Stores, Inc., Abbotts Alderney Dairies, Inc., The Borden company, Reid Ice Cream company, United States Dairy Products corporation and the Detroit Creamery company.

The National Food Products corporation was organized as a holding company, the government contended, with the purpose of acquiring stock in food companies throughout the United States. The suit was filed against it Saturday to make known the proceedings before Monday, when receipts for stock subscriptions were to have been issued in New York by the corporation's bankers.

THE WILL RETURN? DALLAS, Ore. (AP)—George W. Duke, who escaped Monday night from the Polk county jail, where he was serving a long sentence for running, left a note in a magazine, addressed to Sheriff Hooker, saying he intended to return after he had raised enough money to care for his wife and child.

PRODUCER BANKRUPT

NEW YORK (AP)—Oliver Morosoff, theatrical and motion picture producer, filed an involuntary petition of bankruptcy in the federal court today. He listed his liabilities at \$7,033,000 and assets at \$200.

Seventeen Russians Will
Face Trial For Atrocities

SIMFEROPOL, Russia (AP)—Two brothers named Mustumoff and 15 others were placed on trial here Wednesday on charges of torturing 11 persons to death and seriously maiming 43 others. The crime occurred during the famine period but were only recently revealed.

Three State Agents
Guilty of Conspiracy

PORTLAND, Ore. (By the Associated Press)—Arthur Christensen, and Robert and A. C. Smith, special state prohibition agents, were found guilty of conspiracy to violate the federal liquor laws in a verdict read today in federal court.

The jury acquitted them on charges of possession, transportation and sale of liquor.

Merchants Will Meet
In Corvallis in 1927

EUGENE, Ore. (By the Associated Press)—The Oregon Retail Merchants' association late yesterday selected Corvallis for its 1927 convention and re-elected L. J. Thomas, of Marshfield, president.

OAKLAND TAKES SLOGAN AS "CITY WHERE PEOPLE WORK"

OAKLAND (AP)—Civil organizations of Oakland, tired of hearing their city referred to as "San Francisco's bedroom," have adopted an official slogan, "Industrial Capital of the West."

Pointing out that the city now has more than 1,000 factories turning out in excess of \$400,000,000 of products yearly, denial is entered that Oakland is merely a place where San Franciscans stay when they are not working. Suggestions for a slogan were called for by radio and fans from British Columbia to Honolulu sent in offerings.

36 BODIES
TAKEN FROM
SAP GULCH

Snowslide Toll May Reach Four-Score, Officials Declare Today

THOROUGH SEARCH
TO BE CONTINUED

Declaration Made That Number of Dead May Not Be Known Until Snow Melts in Spring.

BINGHAM, Utah (By the Associated Press)—Year of another snowslide in Sap Gulch was expected by officials of the Utah and Delaware Mining company this afternoon. The weather is clear and warmer. "It is the best we fear. It it penetrates far enough to loosen the snow, thousands of tons will roll down the gulch, carrying everything before it into the main canyon," said one official.

BINGHAM, Utah (By the Associated Press)—A force of one hundred men today began a systematic search of the debris at the foot of Sap Gulch for the bodies of those still unaccounted for in the snow slide which yesterday took a known toll of 35 lives. Approximately two score others are missing.

Twelve survivors are in hospitals and a score others are receiving first aid treatment.

Officials said a thorough search will be made although "we may not know the exact number of dead until spring when the snow melts."

Frank A. Wardlaw, superintendent of the Utah and Delaware Mining company, just before going home this morning, said he believed

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SENATE PROBE
IS CHALLENGED

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—After a full investigation, the department of justice has reached the conclusion that contempt proceedings against the Aluminum Company of America cannot possibly be successfully maintained.

The announcement was made today by Chairman Cummings, of the senate judiciary committee, in a minority report opposing a Senate investigation as to whether the aluminum company, in which Secretary Mellon is interested, has violated federal court decrees.

Cummings said the department "was in possession of all the information known or believed to exist, including not only everything that was available to the federal trade commission, but also many items of information not submitted to the commission."

In view of this finding Cummings challenged the senate's legal right to make further investigations.

Science Reassures Man
Referring to Sunspots

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—Scientists assert that sunspots cause forces 93,000,000 miles away are mobilizing to bring their influence to bear upon the affairs of man.

The sun has been mysteriously stirred up. As a result of some influence unknown to astronomers, the sun apparently is entering upon the maximum phase of its eleven year cycle of activity ahead of schedule and its incandescent atmosphere is developing more of the huge whirls and eddies known as sun spots.

Named For Storms. Mariners are blaming the large sunspots for the terrific storms that have been sweeping ocean vessels. This the experts deny or if there is any direct connection between the spots and the storms, they at least are not aware of it.

A single spot 110,000 miles by 25,000 miles recently was photographed by the U. S. Naval Observatory as well as a group of spots extending 175,000 miles, or almost twenty-two times the diameter of the earth. Astronomers say the number of spots will increase for at least another year, possibly two, until the maximum of activity is reached sometime between late 1926 and 1928.

What will be their effect on earth?

Will they cause great disturbances in the weather, earthquakes, electrical storms? Several scientists have given corroborative and reassuring answers. None express any anxiety.

No Anxiety Felt. Dr. William J. Humphreys of the Weather Bureau here says that sunspots will have some effect upon the weather—probably slightly cooler—when the spots reach their maximum activity. But as to an effect on day to day or week to week weather, the bureau was skeptical. The opinion was that no general law would apply.

Dr. Louis A. Bauer, director of the terrestrial magnetism laboratory of Carnegie Institution, declares that while sunspots and magnetic storms are closely associated, if fairly long periods were taken for comparison the correspondence is not close enough to be used as a basis of prediction from day to day.

"Sunspots may not be the direct cause of 'magnetic storms,'" he adds. "It seems more probable that both are caused by a stirring up of the solar activity from a cause, probably electrical in its nature, of which we really know nothing. It is observed that in times when there are the most signs of increased solar activity, there is also increased activity that probably causes both the sun spots

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