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THE WEATHER
PORTLAND (AP)—Oregon—Fair, cloudy with
portion tonight and Tuesday.
Cooler in the interior Tuesday.

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BOYS, GIRLS
MEET DRAWS
BIG CROWDClubwork Session Ends
Third Annual Economic ConferenceTOTAL ATTENDANCE
FIGURED AT 1060Presentation of Medals to
Stock Judges Served
as Feature of Saturday Program.

With the boys and girls of the Union county clubs lending inspiration for the program, the Saturday night meeting of the economic conference drew the largest crowd of the entire. Two days, Frank McKennon, who had charge of the boys' and girls' group of the conference, presided. The attendance for the evening brought the total for the two-day session up to 1060. It was reported from the chamber of commerce this morning.

The presentation of medals to the boys of the Union county judging team, who made third place at the Pacific International show at Portland last fall, was the feature of the program. H. E. Seymour, of Corvallis, state club leader, gave the presentation address, at the close of which H. G. Avery, county agent, was called upon to bestow the medals.

Leslie H. Hinkland, of Island City, who Mr. Seymour said, scored the highest number of points made by any one boy at the exposition, and Russell McKennon and Clifford Conrad, of Cove, responded in behalf of the team.

Sayre Gives Address
B. A. Sayre, county superintendent, under whose direction 21 clubs functioned last year and 16

ESTHER BROWN
MAY RECOVER

After three days of uncertainty as to the results of a skull fracture she suffered in an automobile accident Wednesday evening, Miss Esther Brown is pronounced much better today. Dr. R. P. Landis, who is attending her at the Grande Ronde hospital, said this morning that her condition shows a decided change for the better.

Besides the skull fracture, Miss Brown sustained a bad laceration about her left eye and an injury to her back. The latter is mostly in the soft tissues, and does not threaten any serious trouble, her physician stated. The cut around her eye had to be stitched, but probably will not cause any untoward result, he said.

Miss Brown, who is a high school sophomore, was thrown through the top of the car in which she was riding when it turned over on the highway, toward Tumblar.

Wheeler Case Witness
Is Accused of PerjurySubscribers
Who Are
Readers

The first test of any publication as an advertising medium is this: "Is it read?" If it lacks that keen reader-interest, it is not eagerly anticipated, its value is greatly diminished.

The Observer has reader-interest—but it has more. It has the largest circulation—by far—in this territory of any publication in Union or Wallawa counties or any publication entering these counties. It has quality plus QUANTITY—and at the lowest reader-cost that is available to La Grande advertisers. Intelligent business men are obviously appreciating The Observer's service.

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A Merchandising Service."

Urge Brazil
To Withdraw
OppositionLatin-American Councils
of League Seek to Permit
German Entrance
into Body.

GENEVA, Mar. 15. (AP)—The chief delegates of all the Latin-American councils excepting Brazil and Uruguay, meeting at the league secretariat today voted that Brazil should not exercise the right of veto against Germany and that the Latin-Americans believed Germany should enter the league and the council immediately.

A supreme appeal to Brazil not to oppose the election of Germany to membership in the league of nations and a permanent seat in the league council is being addressed to the Rio Janeiro government by the council. The Associated Press is informed in reliable quarters.

Again today the members of the league of nations separated after a secret meeting, without an agreement concerning the reorganization of the council in connection with Germany's entrance into the league.

In order to gain more time, it was decided to postpone the session of the assembly scheduled until Wednesday.

Nevertheless some league officials said that the easing of the crisis, which began in the early hours of the morning, clearly continued to expand and they forecast that by Wednesday the main difficulties would be solved.

Several members of the council are expected to be telephoning their home governments concerning the new developments.

Foreign minister Chamberlain of Great Britain emerging from the session said the situation looked more hopeful, but that it was too early to hazard a guess regarding the decision in which the solution would be found.

Two Arraigned Today
On Possession Charge

Joe Luckson and Louis Nunkick were arraigned on a liquor charge before Justice Hugh E. Brady this morning. George M. Pierce, assisted by G. W. Pierce, of the federal prohibition force, found the two with two plants of liquor when they raided Luckson's place at 1426 Monroe street, last night.

The court set bonds at \$500, and ordered the pair to be ready to enter their pleas at 2:30 a. m. Wednesday.

Early Passage French
Budget Not Expected

PARIS, Mar. 15. (AP)—The new minister, Raoul Peret, does not expect for early passage of the budget, he is quoted as declaring in an interview with a Paris paper and it will be necessary to ask the chamber of deputies to pass provisional credits for April and May.

Wheeler Case Witness
Is Accused of Perjury

WASHINGTON, Mar. 15. (AP)—A demand that the justice department prosecute for perjury George B. Hayes, of New York, the "surprise" witness for the government in the Montana trial of Senator Wheeler, democrat, Montana, was made today in the senate by Senator Walsh, democrat, of Montana.

As a sign to the department, he introduced a resolution demanding the attorney general to advise the senate whether it is the purpose to submit Hayes' testimony to a grand jury with a view to obtaining an indictment against him.

Calling Case "Black Chapter"
Declaring that the story of the prosecution of Senator Wheeler "makes a black chapter in the history of American jurisprudence," Senator Walsh said it was of "transcendent importance" that the attempt through perjury to silence a member of this body and overwhelm him in ignominy should not be passed unnoticed.

Reviewing events in the trial in Montana last year, at which senator Wheeler was acquitted of the charge of accepting money for prosecuting oil lease face was in-

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UNIVERSITY
GLEE CLUB
SINGS HERESingers Appear During
Evening Service at the
Methodist ChurchW. F. POOL VISITS
CHURCH OF CHRISTKeen Interest Displayed
in Preaching Mission
Sponsored by Episcopalians.

A crowd that filled the First M. E. church to the last row of the balcony, heard the spirited program of choruses, quartets and solos that the Pacific university's men's glee club sang on their visit here last evening.

Unprepared for a Sunday appearance, the young men, with the consent of the congregation, chose from their regular repertoire of secular and sacred songs. Some of the numbers were out of the line of what are considered church compositions, but the audience was sympathetic and applauded roundly every song and begged for more.

Their enthusiasm, no less than their well-trained harmony and ensemble, won the singers an immediate place in the approval of the congregation. "Spirituals," a medley that included everything from "Soldiers' Chorus" to "She's My Baby," and from "Moonlight Bay" to "Moonlight and Roses," and a group of twilight songs were followed by a stirring rendition of "Hail Old Pacific," the college classic. Miss Margaret Kopp, their efficient accompanist, delighted with a piano solo, "God-dollars in 1926," and an encore, "Benjamin Bailey," played a violin solo from De Beriot. The club will sing a Weber, Idaho, tonight.

A. V. Lindgren addressed the Men's forum on "Money" at the Sunday school hour. A Lenten talk was given to the pupils by Miss H. W. Parker.

Foot at Christian Church.
W. F. Pool, field representative of Spokane university, of which the Rev. C. V. Dunn is a former president, delivered a talk on "Christian Education" when he appeared before the congregation of Central Church of Christ last evening.

At the morning service, a goodly number of persons was enlisted for the home visitation that will be a part of the pre-Easter revival of the Christian church. The volunteers will meet every evening from Tuesday to Friday for training. The largest attendance for many weeks, 219, was recorded at the Sunday school hour. Nine new scholars were enrolled.

Dr. H. S. Shangle, district superintendent of the Methodist church, South, will come from Corvallis to address the members of the denomination here Wednesday at 7:30 p. m. It was announced to the congregation by the Rev. J. A. Hall, yesterday. One hundred five pupils were in attendance at Sunday school in the morning. At the Epworth league service, Claude Hall, son of the pastor, led in the discussion of the eighth commandment, and after the meeting, his father delivered an evening sermon along the same thought, using as his text, "Am I My Brother's Keeper?"

Preaching Mission Attracts.
Keen interest in the coming preaching mission which will commence Friday night at St. Peter's Episcopal church, is reported from

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PEPPER, PINCHOT,
WARE TO FIGHT
ON PROHIBITION

PHILADELPHIA, Mar. 15. (AP)—Prohibition stood out today as likely to be the foremost of the campaign by Senator G. Wharton Pepper, Governor Clifford Pinchot, and Representative William S. Ware for the republican nomination for the United States senate at the May primaries.

In announcing his candidacy yesterday, Representative Ware came out squarely for a modification of the Volstead Act to permit the sale of light wines and beer. He said that the enforcement law had failed and that the people were "tired of the indefensible invasion of their rights."

Senator Pepper is an advocate of prohibition while liquor law enforcement has been stressed by the Pinchot state administration and will be one of the principal planks in the platform on which the governor will conduct his campaign.

All three candidates have pledged their support to President Coolidge and the national administration.

Mr. Sprout takes the place of Mac Hoke as secretary of the Oregon association. Before accepting the position he was secretary of the Idaho wool growers' association.

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248 Killed
In Excursion
Train WreckCosta Rica Accident Ex-
acts Heavy Toll—Cars
Plunge 50 Feet into Va-
rilla River.

SAN JOSE, Costa Rica, Mar. 15. (AP)—Two hundred and forty-eight persons were killed and ninety-three injured in Sunday's disastrous train wreck on the Costa Rican railroad. It has thus far been established. Three cars were demolished, one fell to the bottom of the Varilla river from the bridge over the stream, and two others were left hanging from a 190 foot precipice.

The disaster is believed to have been due to the overloading of the train, which was carrying excursionists of a party organized to raise funds for a home for the aged at Cartago. The passengers were almost exclusively farmers and laborers. Whole families perished together. All day Sunday was spent in rescuing the injured and recovering the bodies of the dead. Hundreds of persons of all classes went to the scene to help. Physicians and nurses were brought from Limon to San Jose. The local hospital's facilities were not sufficient to cope with the situation.

All the local undertaking establishments were stripped of available coffins and others had to be built in the railroad shops.

GAMES BROKEN
UP BY RAIDERS

Twenty-eight Japanese and Chinese gamblers were rounded up by officers Saturday at 9:15 p. m. in the basement of the building at 2005 Fourth street. Upon furnishing sundry amounts of bail, the offenders were released to appear before the justices of the peace March 27. The charge against them is gambling under the common nuisance act.

Representative Phillips declared that while only a short time ago the term "wet" was appropriate, "six years of indulgence and almost unchallenged power has rendered the word 'dry' synonymous with intolerance, intolerance, bigotry, arrogance and tyranny."

Dry's Becomes Wet.
Referring to newspaper polls being taken throughout the country, he said thousands of voters recorded in the west columns are being misled by persons who six years ago would have been classed definitely as drys.

"Temperate, honest, law-abiding people, found who have protested against the effort to put prohibition above all else in the legal calendar," he continued, "have been badly cast over by the prohibitionists into the 'wet' group and so branded. I myself have been classified as a 'wet' because I have had the temerity to protest, privately and officially, against that very situation."

WILL WELCOME
GRID MENTOR

Captain John J. McGowan, former head coach at West Point, who has resigned his commission in the United States army to accept the position of coach at the University of Oregon, will arrive in La Grande Tuesday morning, and will be guest speaker at two functions during the day. Harold Young, of Portland, state president of the alumni association, is accompanying the new coach on his tour over the state.

At noon, Captain McGowan will be the guest of the Union county chamber of commerce at the regular forum luncheon, which is to be held tomorrow and thereafter at the Foley hotel. The program, on which the coach is to be the principal speaker, will be presided over by Dr. Ray Murphy, a U. of O. graduate. A. R. Shumway, of Milton, also will speak.

Rotary Club Admitted
To International Body
During the regular luncheon of the La Grande Rotary club this noon at the Foley hotel the president, Floyd McKennon, announced the election of the club into the International Rotary. The charter will be presented sometime within the next two weeks. The stunt committee furnished an entertaining program during the hour.

In last week's report of the meeting the name of F. L. Meyers as speaker on "The Federal Reserve System" was omitted.

Sproat Will Visit Union
Sheep Men Next Friday

To get acquainted with sheepmen of Oregon Hugh Sproat, recently elected secretary of the Oregon Wool Growers' association with headquarters at Pendleton, will hold a series of meetings through sections which are most interested in sheep and wool production during the next few weeks.

A letter has been received here stating that he will hold a meeting in Union county on Friday afternoon, March 19 at Union. The meeting will begin at 2 o'clock and Mr. Sproat extends an invitation to all owners of farm sheep as well as owners of larger bands.

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DRY AGENTS
SCORED BY
M. E. CHURCHStatement Is That Prohibition
Enforcement in Wrong HandsCONGRESS TO GIVE
WEEK TO QUESTIONRepresentative Phillips
Declares That the Gov-
ernment Is the "Great-
est Lawbreaker."

WASHINGTON, Mar. 15. (AP)—Prohibitionists generally and enforcement directors in the District of Columbia, Maryland, Delaware and Kentucky specifically are attacked in statements issued here opening a week that is expected to see congress devote considerable attention to the subjects.

"The statements came from the board of temperance, prohibition and public morals of the Methodist Episcopal church, repeating its contention that prohibition enforcement in many cases rests in unsympathetic hands, and from Representative Phillips, republican, of Pennsylvania. The representative charged that 'under the rule of the drys the legislation is fast becoming a scrap of paper, the jury system junk, justice a joke and the government, through its agents, the greatest lawbreaker.'"

The board of temperance statement declared that while the recently organized group of men to combat misuse of the alcohol system would prove helpful "when anti-prohibitionists or inefficient men are maintained in positions of respect, the confidence of the people is shaken."

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WILL CLEAR SNOW
SO COOLIDGE CAN
VISIT HIS FATHER

PLYMOUTH, Vt., Mar. 15. (AP)—The packed snowdrifts of a Vermont highway must make way for the president of the United States. Word has gone forth that the road from Ludlow to Plymouth, where the president's father now lies critically ill, must be opened to motor traffic immediately.

PLYMOUTH, Vt., Mar. 15. (AP)—A slight improvement in the condition of Colonel John C. Coolidge, father of the president, was noted today by his physician, Dr. Albert M. Dean, of Bridgewater. The sick man was able to receive his pastor, Rev. John White of Sherburne, who drove over to Plymouth to see him.

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Eight Robbers Invade
Town; Get \$20,000 Loot

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Mar. 15. (AP)—After trying up six men eight robbers blew open the safe of the Bank of Hartsville forty miles from here today and escaped with between \$15,000 and \$20,000. The band descended upon the town shortly after midnight and after blind and gagging every man in sight, leisurely proceeded to open the safe. Nitroglycerin and picks were used. Citizens aroused, attempted to advance on the robbers but were held at bay when the men fired and injured Dr. J. R. Johnson, dentist.

MRS. JAMESON IN PENDLETON
PENDLETON, Mar. 15. (AP)—Mrs. Kate W. Jameson, dean of women at Oregon Agricultural college, is in Pendleton today to meet with the Parent-Teachers association of this city. She will address a meeting tonight in the county library.

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Constance's New Husband



"I'm a lucky man," Captain Alastair Macintosh smiled after he was married to Constance Talmadge, cinema star, in Burlington, Cal.

NEAR SUMMER
VISITS WEST

SAN FRANCISCO, Mar. 15. (AP)—Spring and summer appear to be back and back in the pending spring season in the Pacific states instead of being a tandem as they usually do. The pink spring bloom of the peach and the white of the prune are meeting with the sort of mellow warmth that is usual only in mid-summer.

At Reno not so far from the Sierra snow belt, the mercury climbed to 70 yesterday. The highest figure recorded was at Needles, where the reading was 92. Some thousand miles to the north at Seattle it was 71. While Portland recorded a temperature reading of 76.

The perennial summer of Yuma and Phoenix is being marked by something a little stronger than usual in the line of rising temperature. It was 88 at Yuma yesterday, and 86 at Phoenix.

Saturday and Sunday were the two warmest days La Grande has experienced since last fall, with the mercury climbing each day to a maximum of 67 degrees above. Saturday was slightly cloudy but Sunday's sky was clear. Today gives promise of reaching or possibly surpassing the high mark. Pickers and hikers were numerous yesterday and spring work in the flower gardens has begun in earnest.

76 ABOVE AT EUGENE

EUGENE, Ore., Mar. 15. (AP)—Clouds brought relief today to Eugene from the sweltering heat of Sunday.

The mercury climbed to 76 degrees yesterday. Eugeneans, unused to so warm a day this early in the year, took to the lakes and hills. It was the warmest day since last September.

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SPRING IS HERE; STRAW
HATS MAKE APPEARANCE
PENDLETON, Mar. 15. (AP)—Spring has arrived in Pendleton. A sure sign was noted yesterday afternoon when a man in shirt sleeves and wearing a straw hat was seen sauntering down the main street.

Echo Man Is Accused
Of Stealing a House

PENDLETON, Mar. 15. (AP)—Charges of grand larceny are to be lodged against Wilbur Updike, who is accused of stealing a house from another piece of land near Echo and rebuilding it upon his own place. He is now in the county jail here.

Editor's Note—This is another article of a series written by A. B. Cherry, of La Grande, now touring the world in company with his wife.

(By A. B. Cherry)
Friday, January 15, we anchored at Wooning, China. The passengers were to stay at the hotels at Shanghai until Saturday morning. As we were ready to board the tender the death of Mrs. Edward H. Bradley, wife of a prominent race-horse owner, was announced. She had been ill since the ship left Yokohama. Her body will be returned to the United States by the next steamer. You may well imagine this sad event cast a gloom over our entire party.

The tender proceeded 14 miles up the Wampoo river to our dock. The whole history of navigation is written in the craft one sees here. Every kind of small craft imaginable. Baiting ships of all nations, freighters and passenger steamers. The steamer Tungshing, sunk the day before by the Empress of

SELECTION
IS PUT OFF
BY REGENTSUniversity of Oregon
President Not Chosen
in Today's MeetMEMBERS SILENT
AFTER SESSIONExecutive Meet Results
in Naming of New In-
structors and Other
Routine Business.

EUGENE, Mar. 15. (AP)—The board of regents of the University of Oregon adjourned early this afternoon without taking action on the presidency of the institution. A brief executive session was held, but no statement would be given out following the meeting. Another meeting will be held in two weeks, it was announced.

EUGENE, Mar. 15. (AP)—Dr. Clarence Valentine Boyer, for 15 years instructor in the English department of the university of Illinois, was appointed head of the English department of the University of Oregon by the board of regents which met today on the university campus.

John Henry Nash, celebrated printer, was appointed as a lecturer in typography, and the history and the printing at the university. This afternoon the regents were in executive session, considering the presidency of the university. It was stated on authoritative information that Dr. A. H. Upham of Idaho and Dr. A. G. Crane of Wyoming were being considered, though no information could be

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JURY INDICTS
MORE THAN 100

CLEVELAND, Mar. 15. (AP)—An indictment naming 112 persons in an alleged bootleg alcohol conspiracy was returned by the federal grand jury here today. The document, probably the longest ever returned by a federal grand jury, charged 165 overt acts and includes millionaires, real estate men, manufacturers, railroad employees, warehousemen, government employees and bootleggers in 12 cities. It contains 103 typewritten pages or about 40,000 words.

Forty-six of those indicted are from St. Paul; 21 from Cleveland; 15 from Duluth; 10 from Philadelphia; 5 each from Chicago and Minneapolis; 4 from San Jose and San Francisco; 3 from Pittsburgh, and 1 each from Detroit, Boston and Providence, R. I. They are charged with conspiring to violate the national prohibition laws dealing in hauling and storing illicit alcohol.

Many of those indicted are also known by many aliases.

Seventy-four arrests had been made when the indictment was returned. Of these 69 were named in the indictment.

Ships of All Nations
Gathered Near Shanghai

Asia, was passed half submerged on our right. The water is very muddy and one wonders how there can be any land left.

All Nations Represented
Ships of all nations dock along the Bund and great mills and store houses line the river banks. They have many modern buildings but the collie groaning under his heavy load, the Chinese wheelbarrow creaking its way along, the junk and the sampans create the gamut of the Orient.

Evidence of the civil war last May was to be seen as we passed through the streets. Barbed wire fences were still in place, an opening being made to allow traffic to pass through. We were given an auto ride through the business center and suburbs and to the Lung Wha Pagoda.

After luncheon at the Astor House we spent the afternoon walking through the native quarters and looking in the shops. We had an idea of the poverty and filth to be found here, but it was many times as bad as we had ever

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