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TEN PASSED
FOR HILARY
TRIAL JURYAlleged Dog Burner's
Case Taken Up in Cir-
cuit Court TodaySPECIAL VENIRE
MAY BE CALLEDMorning Labors Result in
Examining 16 Prospe-
ctive Jurors—14 Left in
Box.

Ten of the 16 jurors examined this morning for the trial of Jack Hilary, accused by the state of burning a living dog that he had first saturated with oil, were passed by the counsel for defense and the district attorney. None of the nine pre-emptories had been exercised at noon. One, at least, of the 10 already drawn will be bound to serve. There were 14 more names in the box. If they are exhausted before a jury is impaneled, a special venire will have to be called.

Judge James A. Fox, of Pendleton, at one time a circuit judge, is defending Hilary with the assistance of R. J. Keator, of Pendleton, a former Umatilla county district attorney.

Judge Fox presided over the jury examination in caution and deliberation. He had on the table before him copies of each edition of The La Grande Evening Observer in which mention of the dog-burning story or the charge against Hilary has been made. And he questioned each prospective juror on his reading of the paper, and as to the impression that the accounts of the case's progress had made.

Some of the responses of the men in the box ranged from comment over the crowded courtroom.

Three from opinions.

At least three of the examined told him that they had formed strong opinions as to Hilary's guilt from newspaper accounts and the talk they had heard about town after the sensational incident. One man, a former railroad storekeeper, said that he knew both the defendant and Lewis Wetzel, a conductor, whose dog

ALUMNI DINE
GRID MENTOR

Thirty-three alumni and former students of the University of Oregon greeted Captain John J. McEwan, the new football coach, lately of West Point, at a banquet at the Foley hotel last evening.

Fred E. Kiddie presided over the program, which included, in addition to the coach's speech, extemporaneous talks by Harold Young, of Portland, state alumni president; Sid Burleigh, of Enterprise; Leonard Jordan, of Enterprise; Hugh E. Brady set their trial for Friday, April 2, at 9:50 a. m.

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Gives Praise
To A.G.S. of
High SchoolDr. Jameson, Dean of
Women at O. A. C., De-
clares Local Organi-
zation Ranks High.

"Your Associated Girl Students is one of the finest organizations among high school girls in the state," declared Dr. Kate W. Jameson, dean of women at O. A. C., this morning, speaking to a reporter for The Observer.

"It is effect is evident the minute one enters the school," she continued. "Your girls are wide awake, interested in other things than themselves."

"The A. G. S. is teaching ideals of service and leadership. It is helping to take care of the girls at a time when their ideals are in the process of formation."

"Young people of today are living in an age of greater freedom. They are using their freedom in the way young people always do."

"It is the usual habit of the older generation to sit back and say, 'Isn't it terrible?' but your school heads here have had a broader understanding of the situation."

"You should have heard the girls at the round table over at Honan last night discuss such subjects as personality, character, etiquette, etc. service, citizenship and leadership. Many of your older women would be at sea if called upon to conduct such discussions as the girls carried on over there."

"Miss Bennett, Mr. Towler and Mr. Longfellow cannot have too much credit for their wise and sympathetic attitude toward the young people of La Grande."

Dean Jameson was the guest of the faculty women at luncheon this noon, after addressing an assembly of the student body in the auditorium at 10:20.

After school today, she is to be the honoree at a tea the junior and senior members of the A. G. S.

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**K. P. ROLL CALL
ANNUAL MEETING
HELD AT ELGIN**

Six veteran's jewels, designating a membership of 25 years, were presented last evening when the annual roll call of Orion lodge No. 73, Knights of Pythias, and the Elgin temple of the Pythian Sisters was held.

Those receiving jewels were Dr. E. G. Kirby, of La Grande, I. C. Harris, John Barr, Arthur Busser and Sam Mason, of Elgin, and O. C. Maxwell, a member of Wellwood lodge No. 61, of Mitchell, Ore., but now living at Elgin. H. E. Dixon, district deputy, made the presentation speech. As each man received their jewel they responded with a few appropriate remarks.

After the presentation and joint roll call a banquet was served by the Pythian Sisters.

Other La Grande people present besides Mr. Dixon and Dr. Kirby were Dr. H. W. Riley and Charles Chandler.

Two Plead Not Guilty
To Possession Charge

Louis Manich and Joe Lussan entered pleas of not guilty to a charge of possession of liquor this morning in the justice court. Judge Hugh E. Brady set their trial for Friday, April 2, at 9:50 a. m.

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Jury Dismissed After
20 Hours Deliberation

After nearly 20 hours of deliberation without arriving at a verdict, the jury that heard the state's case against John Graham, charged with possession of liquor, was dismissed shortly after noon today by Judge C. H. McCulloch, of the circuit court. The jurors are said to have hung, nine to three for acquittal.

This is the second trial of Graham on the same charge. The first jury also having been dismissed without coming to an agreement.

"The court is sorry that you could not reach a verdict," said Judge McCulloch, after W. N. Park, foreman, had reported that the jurors had found it impossible to agree. "I do not feel, however, that justice can be accomplished by holding you any longer."

But despite their sleepless night—two sleepless nights in the case of Mr. Park, Ole Johnson and Frank Millering, who were up all Monday night in the state's case against Clyde Bloom—the jurors were commanded to report at 1:20 this afternoon. They may be needed to complete the jury in the case against Jack Hilary.

Park, Johnson and Millering will be excused from duty if it is possible to impanel a jury without

Serving
Union
By Carrier

Through the extension of The Observer's own carrier service to its subscribers, the city of Union is now being covered by carrier boy delivery each afternoon. Rushed to Union by stage, the papers are put in each home at the same time that deliveries are made in La Grande.

It is a service that is being thoroughly appreciated by the people of our neighboring city—giving them a leased who newspaper within an hour or two after it is printed, a day ahead of outside papers, and giving them local and county news in detail. As a result, Observer circulation in Union has more than tripled.

"Observer Advertising—A Merchandising Service."

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LIVESTOCK
SITUATION
IMPROVESReport of Conference In-
dicates General Better-
ment of ConditionMINIMUM OF HAY
IS BEING USEDRecommendations Made
That Swine Population
of Union County Be In-
creased.

Editor's Note—This is the first of a series of group reports issued following the third annual economic conference. Others will follow daily.

A general betterment of condition in reference to livestock in the west is reported by the livestock group of the third annual Union county economic conference, held here last Friday and Saturday.

"The livestock situation in the western range state at this time is very satisfactory," the report reads. "Last year at this time hay for sheep and cattle was worth from \$10 to \$15 a ton compared with \$6 to \$8 a ton this year. In 1925 most of the hay was fed up but this year the stock men will have from 25 to 30 per cent of the feed left over."

"The same condition applies to the hog man as all feed grain was high a year ago but is cheaper at present."

Balanced Condition

"The livestock situation in Union county is better balanced as to number of animals to the amount of feed available."

"The winter thus far has been mild and open and cattle are doing extremely well. There are inquiries for young cows and other stock are showing up in different sections of the range country, reflecting the better tone in the cattle business and beginning to partially confirm the cattle shortage theory that has been talked for about three or four years."

Sheep Doing Well

"Sheep bands are doing exceptionally well and are using a minimum of hay. Ewe bands were in

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**J. G. Snodgrass Very Ill;
Operation Is Performed**

J. G. Snodgrass was taken suddenly ill last night at about 9:50 o'clock and was operated on this morning about 2 o'clock for perforated abdominal ulcer. He is reported to be holding his own today but is in a serious condition.

Mr. and Mrs. Snodgrass were working at the store when he became suddenly ill. His brother, Lot Snodgrass, was called and he was immediately rushed to the hospital but it was impossible to operate until early this morning, because of his weakened condition, caused from the shock.

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Only One Case Tried
During February Term

Judge C. H. McCulloch, of Baker, who is presiding over the adjourned term of the circuit court here this month, tried only one case for Baker county during the February term, he said this morning. One or two other cases were set, but were settled out of court.

"Litigation, especially criminal litigation, is not so heavy in Baker county as it is in some of the neighboring districts," the judge declared.

Union county's February calendar rolled over into March, and probably will cover about six weeks in all, officers estimated this morning.

DOKIES WILL
GATHER HERE

Members of the Eastern Oregon temple of the D. O. K. K. from Baker and Walla Walla counties, Pendleton and possibly other points in Umatilla county will gather here this evening for a ceremony when several candidates will be initiated. The meeting will open with a banquet at 7 o'clock, to be served by the Pythian Sisters. The headquarters of the Eastern Oregon temple is at La Grande, which is the only D. O. K. K. headquarters in Oregon outside of Portland and Medford.

J. J. McEwan

Above is Captain John J. McEwan, University of Oregon football coach, who spoke at a luncheon and banquet in La Grande yesterday. He describes the university's grid outlook as promising.

Town Grows
From 35 To
A ThousandLeadfield, Near Death
Valley, Booms with Dis-
covery of Lead and Sil-
ver Ore.

BEATTY, Nev., Mar. 17. (AP)—Water is selling for \$5 a barrel at Leadfield, newest mining boom town on the edge of Death Valley, and on the California-Nevada state line.

Town lots here worth at least \$50 six months ago are selling for a thousand. One hotel with twelve small rooms has changed hands three times in the past month, each time at a tremendous profit, considering the amount involved.

Where before there was one restaurant struggling to make expenses there are now four feeding from fifty to one hundred persons at each meal. Two brokers have opened offices and real estate agencies are bustling around getting options on everything in sight. "The town has grown from thirty-five persons to one thousand inhabitants."

Beauty is the railroad terminal for the newest lead-silver ore strike and supplies for Leadfield, the new tent city, are unloaded here, then hauled the remaining distance over the roughest kind of roads.

All the potential ore producing land for fifty miles to the south and west has been staked out.

William Wright, in building a large hotel at Leadfield and is talking of inaugurating airplane service from Los Angeles.

OPEN CUT-OFF
LATE IN JULY

PORTLAND, Mar. 17. (AP)—July 31 is the date named by George W. Roschke, chief engineer of the Southern Pacific system, for completion and commencing operation of the Eugene-Klamath Falls cut off and the Black Butte cut off. The improvements will save 22.7 miles between Portland and San Francisco, eliminate 2876 feet of climb and cover an aggregate of 18,458 degrees of curvature.

All of the grading has been done. The tunnels have been driven through solid rock in the main range of the Cascade Mountains and only approximately 100 miles of track remains to be laid.

PORTLAND WILL
HAVE NO ROSE
FESTIVAL 1926

PORTLAND, Mar. 17. (AP)—A "rose week" for Portland this year was proposed today, following a decision late yesterday by the Rose Festival, Inc., to hold no rose festival this year.

The Women's Advertising club, and the Mystic Order of The Rose held a meeting today to plan a rose week, to keep alive the rose spirit. Booths on the downtown streets to give away roses and other activities for the rose, were proposed.

The Portland office had given no indication of its attitude toward the ultimatum of foreign powers. The headquarters here of Kuomintang (national armies) controlling the Peking government, showed an inclination to view the matter from the standpoint of China's national dignity.

In unofficial circles there was much talk of a Chinese appeal to the league of nations.

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Fire Loss in Portland
Estimated at \$150,000

PORTLAND, Mar. 17. (AP)—The Oregon Box and Manufacturing company plant was swept by fire last night, causing estimated damage of \$200,000. The fire started shortly after the night shift had gone to work, and destroyed the planing mill and box factory and \$100,000 worth of lumber. One hundred and seventy-five men were thrown out of work by the fire.

Deputy Fire Marshal Frank F. McPartland today estimated the loss in the fire at the Oregon Box and Lumber company last night at \$150,000.

By late this afternoon it was expected that sufficient repairs would be made on a damaged trestle near the plant to permit passage of Southern Pacific trains.

Strikers' Attempt to
See President Fails

WASHINGTON, Mar. 17. (AP)—Textile mill owners in the New Jersey strike area went into conference today with Secretary Davis and labor department conciliators in an effort to reach an accord on a plan of settlement.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 17. (AP)—A delegation of strikers from the Passaic, N. J., textile mills failed today in an attempt to lay their grievances before President Coolidge.

The group headed by Albert Weinstock visited the white house and conferred for nearly half an hour with Secretary Sanders who refused to permit them to see the president. The secretary advised the delegation to lay their case before the department of labor. Weinstock said they probably would do that.

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St. Patrick's Day Message

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en to Hot Lake Sana-
torium for CareWOMAN'S INJURIES
MAY PROVE FATALMrs. Charles Retzer Was
Pinned Under Car;
Husband's Back Hurt;
Daughter Scratched.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Retzer and Mrs. Retzer's daughter, Miss Catherine Hawley, were taken to Hot Lake shortly after noon today suffering from injuries received in an accident which occurred about half a mile this side of Lone Tree, when their touring car skidded on the wet pavement and landed bottom side up in the ditch.

Mrs. Retzer, who was pinned under the car for several minutes, is the most seriously hurt of the three, the extent of her injuries not being known before going to press this afternoon, but there is doubt as to her recovery. Mr. Retzer has a badly injured back. Miss Hawley received only minor scratches.

The three were on their way home to Walla Walla, Wash., after visiting at Baker with Miss Hawley's brother, Phillip Hawley. They had spent the winter in California and went to Baker for a short visit.

J. J. Carr, who was on his way to Hot Lake was one of the first to the scene of the accident. He, with the assistance of one other man, who had stopped tried to lift the car and release Mrs. Retzer, who was pinned underneath, but failed in the attempt. Mr. Carr helped Miss Hawley over the fence and she flagged a freight train coming into La Grande and the train crew helped to lift the car and release the injured woman. Charles H. Griffin and Charles W. Thompson were the engineers on the train.

Mr. Carr took the people to Hot Lake where they are being cared for. X-ray pictures are being taken for Mrs. Retzer to determine the extent of her injuries this afternoon, according to word received here from Hot Lake.

ARMED ACTION
'NOT FAVORED'

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Settlement Fails to
MaterializePRESS COMMENTS
ON CRISIS VARIEDGerman Journals Cla-
Outcome of League
Problem as Diplomatic
Wreck.

GENEVA, Mar. 17. (AP)—The Associated Press is informed that the council of the league of nations in a secret session tonight decided to appoint a special commission to study the question of reconstruction of the council.

GENEVA, Switzerland, Mar. 17. (AP)—The league of nations assembly today voted to adjourn the question of Germany's election to the league until the September session. The assembly adjourned sine die at 1:15 p. m.

The vote came after announcement by Arafato Mello Franco, Brazilian representative that the decision of his country not to vote a permanent council seat for Germany, unless Brazil was given one at the same time, was irrevocable.

A brief session of the council had been held during the forenoon and rumors were flying regarding the chances for a last minute settlement when President De Cesta called the momentous meeting of the assembly to order at 10:30 a. m. Extraordinary excitement prevailed in the hall of reformulation as the delegates assembled.

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**MEXICO NEEDS
HELP IS WORD**

There is much misunderstanding in the United States regarding the purpose of the present Mexican government and the condition of affairs in Mexico, in the opinion of Dr. R. E. Dittendorfer, of New York, of the board of foreign missions of the Methodist Episcopal church, who arrived in Chicago today. He has just returned from Mexico, going there to study the religious question.

What Mexico needs, the churchman said, is the friendly help of America rather than any embarrassment of the present government by withdrawal and the intervention should be the furthest from thought.

In a statement issued today at the office of the world services commission, Dr. Dittendorfer said the efforts of the present Mexican government to reconstruct the country socially and economically and to establish a nationwide public school system against tremendous odds, should be appreciated and commended by every thoughtful and liberty-loving American.

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WASHINGTON, Mar. 17. (AP)—President Coolidge gave a luncheon today in honor of Dr. Jose Manuel Puig-Casaviano, minister of education of Mexico to which were invited many high officials active in the consideration of shaping of the nation's foreign affairs.

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PENDLETON, Mar. 17. (AP)—At a meeting late Tuesday afternoon the merchants' committee of the commercial association approved the plan of having a national guard unit in Pendleton and will take steps toward getting it here. Charles Vilier has been appointed chairman of the committee to make plans.

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