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and Thursday. Mild tem-
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KINGSLEY IS
TAKEN FROM
COUNTY JAILLocal Man Now Prisoner
of Umatilla County Of-
ficers in PendletonHEARING IS DUE
IN NEAR FUTUREInvestigation of Death of
H. B. Zacharias by Hit-
and-Run Driver Is Con-
tinuing.

Clarence E. "Pete" Kingsley, La Grande barber, was taken to Pendleton last night by Sheriff R. A. Cookingham and a deputy, where he is accused of involuntary manslaughter in connection with the killing of H. B. Zacharias, 28, on the Walla Walla-Pendleton highway near the state line Thanksgiving afternoon, officers report today.

Cookingham and his aide arrived here about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon and shortly afterward left with their prisoner on the return trip. Inasmuch as the slaying of Zacharias occurred in Umatilla county, trial will be held in the Umatilla circuit court.

Hearing Due Soon.
Reports from Pendleton this morning tell of the arrival of the officers and Kingsley. Investigation of the death of the Milton-Preswearer man who was hit and killed by a driver who did not stop, is continuing and it is likely Kingsley will be given a hearing in the immediate future.

Zacharias, accompanied by his brother Eugene, 14, was leading a cow on the right side of the road with traffic. A car plunged onto them, throwing the elder man from the road, causing a fractured skull and his death six hours later. The younger brother, who was seriously hurt, is in a Walla Walla hospital, and is said to have better than an even chance for recovery from his injuries.

Driver Failed to Stop.
According to the story told by the injured brother the driver failed to stop after the accident but continued down the highway at a high rate of speed. The car was just at dusk and, until a few minutes before the arrest of Kingsley here Monday night, peace officers from both Oregon and Washington were following clues they hoped would lead to the identity of the driver.

A reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the driver was offered by Sheriff Cookingham.

Clues Important.
Reports here are that much importance is being placed on the broken headlight glass found at the scene of the accident. Officers hope to establish the identity of the death car by this means. Officers here report that a headlight on Kingsley's car is broken and that the front of the machine answers as if it might have collided with something.

Umatilla county officers are also reported to have part of a banner from an auto which is believed to have been the one that caused the death.

SEWING CLUBS
ORGANIZED IN
UNION COUNTY

The organization of nine sewing clubs in the county has just been completed by E. A. Sayre, county school superintendent, and the clubs have all started work and plan to finish their schedule before the close of school in the spring.

Two were formed at Elgin, one at Wolf Creek, one at Union, two at Tolocast, one at Perry, and two at Fruitdale.

The clubs have from five to 19 members each.

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ENERGY

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"Observer Advertising—
A Merchandising Service"

Holiday Street
Decorations Are
Considered HereChamber of Commerce
Committee Approves
Plan—Matter Up to the
Business Men.

At a meeting of the merchants' committee of the chamber of commerce this morning a plan for holiday street decorations, submitted by the Oregon Holly and Evergreen company, was endorsed, and it enough La Grande merchants are interested Christmas decorations along the streets in the business section of the city will be up by next Tuesday.

Representatives from the company will be here Saturday to interview the business men and if successful the work of putting up the holiday decorations will start immediately.

The plan is quite an elaborate one and calls for ropes of evergreen, wreaths of holly and evergreen, large Christmas bells, with strings of smaller bells, up and down the streets.

It has been done in Walla Walla, Wash., Spokane and other cities and has proved very satisfactory in lending a holiday atmosphere to their business sections. It is said.

The plan will be explained in detail to business men interested who will call at the chamber of commerce office before Saturday. Earl Reynolds, secretary, announces.

COUNTY BUDGET
HEARING FRIDAYCommissioners in Session
Today—Routine Mat-
ters Considered

The Union county court is meeting in its monthly executive session today in the courthouse today. Judge U. G. Couch and Commissioners John Wells, of Alsea, and W. W. Stevens, of Union, are all present. Auditing of bills and routine business occupied much of the attention today.

Friday is set as the time for conducting a hearing on the Union county budget. At that time any taxpayer may present remonstrances, claims or grievances or objections to the document as it is now prepared.

Violets in Bloom
In Union County

A long period of rainfall and moderate weather has resulted in a spring-like condition existing over the Grande Ronde valley. In several parts flowers, which usually open in the spring, are reported in bloom and new vegetation is taking root over all the county.

On the Sand Ridge, it is said, violets are in bloom—faded by the persistent mild weather and forgetful of an approaching wintry period. Near La Grande several types of wild flowers are said to be flourishing.

Several cases of this nature were reported last year during the exceptionally mild winter of 1925-26. Local weather prophets fail to agree, however, on just how severe the winter will be this year when it finally starts.

Rainfall Heavy
During November

During the month of November more rain fell in La Grande than in any other November for many years. Fire Chief C. O. Murchison reports. The month's precipitation was 3.13 inches of which about an inch was snow before being reduced to water.

Teachers' Exams
To Begin Dec. 15

Teachers' examination will take place at the court house beginning Dec. 15, and continuing for four days, the county school superintendent, E. A. Sayre, announced yesterday.

Two examinations are held each year, one in June and the other in December, for all teachers in the county who wish to take them. How many teachers will write papers this time is not yet known.

JOHN DANIELS NAMED
FUEL SUPERINTENDENT

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 1 (AP).—The appointment of John Daniels, of La Grande, as general fuel superintendent of the Oregon-Washington Railroad and Navigation lines with headquarters in Portland was announced today by J. P. O'Brien, vice president and general manager. The appointment is effective today and Daniels will report here next Monday for duty.

BUDGET BODY
TURNS DOWN
MANY PLEASMonmouth Normal School
Request Cut from \$121,-
000 to \$90,000.URGE LIMITATION
OF ENROLLMENTAshland to Get \$150,000
Dormitory-Gym; Most
Petitions for Allow-
ances Fail.

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 1 (AP).—Whether it should be the policy of Oregon normal schools to limit the attendance of students was discussed at a session of the state budget commission yesterday while the biennial budget for the normal school at Monmouth was being considered.

State Treasurer Kay made strong objections to the amount of the appropriation being asked by A. J. Landers, president of the school. When told that it was necessary to take care of the rapidly increasing attendance, Kay declared the enrollment should be held at 800 or 900, students exceeding the limit to go to the new Ashland school or the school to be established in Eastern Oregon. President Landers said he was without authority to limit the attendance, but would agree to it if the state board of normal school reports would.

Request Trimmed \$31,000.
Landers asked for \$121,000 for salaries and wages, and this was

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Platoon System
Proves Success
At Enterprise

ENTERPRISE, Ore., Dec. 1 (Special).—The platoon system, in a modified form, which was introduced the first of the year in the grades from the third to the sixth inclusive, is proving satisfactory according to City Superintendent Williams.

The work of the third, fourth, fifth and sixth grades is being taught by the teachers who at first had separate grades assigned to them, but now teach only certain subjects. Instead of pupils moving from one class room to another, as in high school, the pupils remain in their study rooms and the teachers move from class to class.

In this way the congestion in the overcrowded grades is relieved, as the groupings of pupils are so arranged that the teacher can handle a larger number in each class. It thereby saves the expense of hiring extra teachers and allows the building to be worked to its fullest capacity. This system also gives the instructor a chance to specialize in the one subject which she teaches, simplifying her work to a great extent.

Presbyterian Club
Meets Thursday

The Presbyterian Men's club will meet Thursday evening of this week at the home of A. J. Cook, 1311 Eighth street.

Dr. Ray F. Murphy and Dr. Margaret Ingie will be the speakers. Their subjects have not yet been announced.

862 of 917 Boys Attending School
in Good Health; 40 Show Defects

HOT LAKE, Dec. 1 (Special).—Of the 917 boys in La Grande's grade and high schools 862 are pronounced in "good" health while only 40 show physical defects. These were among the facts reported out in the survey of La Grande boys life just completed by the boys' work committee of the Rotary club.

Results of the survey were given here the last of the week when Dr. W. T. Phy, chairman of the committee and president of the chamber of commerce, was host at dinner to the Rotary committee and the boys' club committee of the commercial organization. Other data gathered in the survey shows that in La Grande's grade schools there are 735 white and five colored boys, while in the high school are registered 132 white and 2 colored boys. Fifty-three of La Grande's school boys have no father, 42 are motherless, and two are orphans.

One-Tenth Working

Approximately one-tenth or 25 of the boys are working. The Sunday Schools attracted 614 of the total number of white boys while all the colored boys are regular attendants at a Sabbath place of worship. The Boy Scouts organization is furnishing inspiration and activity for 112 boys. Men appointed to look after the

SITUATION IS
EASING UP IN
CANTON AREAForeigners in Less Danger
as Developments
Are RecordedU. S. DESTROYERS
NEARING HANKOWCapital Will Be Moved to
Wuchang, Southern
Government Officials
Announce.

PEKING, Dec. 1 (AP).—The danger to which foreigners at Hankow and Foochow have been exposed as the result of unrest and factional fighting is lessening.

Dispatches from foreign sources in the latter city received here today say there is fighting between the loyal Fokienese troops defending the city and the invading Cantonese. These advisers declare the southerners were defeated back toward Canton. The various councils there, however, are requesting their governments to send gunboats to protect their national interests.

An official message from Canton announced that the southern government would move to Wuchang Dec. 5, its first group of officials and government archives.

Diplomatic circles expect this move to contribute toward the pacifying of Hankow, which has been ruled by labor unions for several weeks. A general anti-foreign strike is threatened there but once the Cantonese establish their capital at Wuchang it is believed the situation will change.

Unrest at Hankow is now attributed to the absence of strong authority.

Return of the American destroyers, *Pope* and *Truxtun*, which is expected soon also is expected to contribute to the pacification of the city. These craft only recently left Hankow after having gone there to protect American lives and property. With a renewal of unrest they were ordered to return and join British and French forces in guarding the city.

Meeting Will Be
Last of This Year

The regular meeting of post No. 42 of the American Legion will be this evening at the Knights of Pythias hall, beginning at 8 o'clock. This is the last regular meeting of this year and officers for the new year will be elected.

A meeting of the convention committee will be held in Hugh E. Brady's office at 7:30 o'clock preceding the session at K. P. hall.

Airmail Pilot Has
Trouble in Storm

EUREKA, Cal., Dec. 1 (AP).—Pat Patterson, an airmail pilot, left for San Francisco today in the face of a strong gale, after having been forced to land here by stormy weather yesterday.

Patterson encountered a snow-storm on the valley route yesterday and determined to fly along the coast. However, conditions were no better when he arrived at Eureka, and he decided to land here.

Endorse Conference
Endorsement of the Older Boys' conference, sponsored by Walla Walla on Dec. 12 by the Y. M. C. A. was given by the group who met at the sanatorium. Plans were sketched for some recognition of boys and girls who attained their majority in 1926 while a mother and daughter banquet was considered as a logical successor to the recent father and son gathering. The boys' club committee of the chamber of commerce was asked by Dr. Phy to cooperate with the Rotary club in sponsoring delinquent boys whose cases have come before the county judge.

Those present at the dinner and meeting at the sanatorium were Mr. Pollard, chairman of the chamber committee, the Rev. Left Awever, Dr. Brownson, Charles Binger, J. P. Henry and Nelson, members; Dr. Phy, chairman, and Sept. J. T. Longfellow and Dr. Ray Murphy, of the boys' club committee of Rotary. Earl Reynolds, secretary of the chamber of commerce, was also present.

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CUPID TROTS A FAST HEAT



That funny little fellow, Cupid, worker of woes and wonders, took only two months, that to step off the distance between the meeting and marriage of Dorothy Mendez, English screen star and former Follies girl, and Lohr Mendez, German movie director. He dropped all impediments, even his symbolic bow and arrows, got off to a fast start soon after Mendez and Dorothy were brought together by their work, and didn't skip a stride until the wedding in New York two days after Mendez proposed. This picture of Dorothy ought to explain Cupid's success.

Hall-Mills Case
Mistrial Motion
Denied by Judge

COURT HOUSE, Somerville, N. J., Dec. 1 (AP).—Justice Charles W. Parker, presiding, this afternoon denied a motion by the state for a mistrial in the Hall-Mills case.

Judge Parker made no comment beyond saying that he had studied the affidavits and that he had decided to deny the motion for a mistrial. Neither state nor defense counsel commented.

The jury which had been taken from the courtroom was brought back and preparations were begun for the defense's summation. Alexander Simpson, special prosecutor moved for a mistrial alleging that members of the jury had committed improprieties which made it impossible for him to obtain a fair trial.

The motion was made at the completion of the state's case against Mrs. Frances Stevens Hall and her brothers, Willie and Henry Stevens. They have been on trial for four weeks on charges of killing Mrs. Eleanor R. Mills, soprano in the church of which Mrs. Hall's husband, the Rev. Edward Wheeler Hall, was rector.

Immediately after court convened, Simpson said that he had a motion to make and asked that the jury be taken from the courtroom. Robert H. McCarter of defense counsel, said that since the motion which the prosecutor was to make would refer to the jury, it should be present.

Judge W. Parker, presiding at the trial, directed, however, that the jury be taken from the room, while counsel argued the motion. Simpson grouped his allegations under three heads:

That members of the jury had been asleep; that they had been improperly guarded, one member having been observed in consultation with members of the defense; and the manifest hostility of some members of the jury to him and to the state case.

It was in a charged atmosphere that he began his discussion of his affidavits.

Officials Named
For Saturday Tilt

MEDFORD, Ore., Dec. 1 (AP).—Coach Frank Callison of the Medford high school football team, announced this morning that he favored Sam Dolan, Notre Dame, as referee and Wade Williams as umpire, both of Portland, and named the Grant high school for the game Saturday afternoon for the championship of Western Oregon. Grant high in turn accepted Medford's selection of Everett Brandenburg, of Oregon, as head linesman.

Wet Bloc Plans
To Renew Fight
On Volstead ActRepresentative Hill, of
Maryland, Prepared to
Launch Offensive.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1 (AP).—Shortly after the bang of the speaker's gavel sets the house of representatives vibrating formally for business Monday. Representative John Phillip Hill, of Maryland, chairman of the unofficial committee on modification of the Volstead act, plans to begin marshaling his forces for a new offensive against the dry law.

Upon his return to the capitol he announced that a subcommittee of the unofficial group had been at work during the summer recess drafting a bill which, when introduced, is expected to carry the endorsement of every wet member in congress.

Hill said the first thing for the committee to determine would be whether to introduce the proposed bill at the approaching session or hold it over until the convening of the new congress in which, he contends, the wet bloc will have a materially increased membership, as a result of the November elections.

Record Vote Sought.
"Once the bill is introduced," he asserted, "it will be pressed by every parliamentary means until brought to the floor of the house, where a record vote may be obtained."

At its last meeting before the summer recess, he said the full committee instructed the subcommittee, which is headed by Representative Dyer, of Missouri, to draft a measure embodying the following recommendations: "That the federal act to enforce the eighteenth amendment is hereby modified so that the same shall not prohibit the manufacture, sales, transportation, import or exportation of beverages which are not in fact intoxicating as determined in accordance with the laws of the respective states."

Harding Letter
Is Introduced in
Oil Fraud Case

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1 (AP).—A letter by President Harding, approving the oil leasing policies of Albert B. Fall, while he was secretary of the interior, was brought into court today by the defense in the Fall-Doherty oil conspiracy trial.

The letter was sent to the senate in April, 1922, in reply to the original resolution of inquiry into the Teapot Dome and Elk Hills leases. It was put into evidence while a prosecution witness was on the stand, and was a part of a defense effort to show that Fall did not himself bear the responsibility for award of the Elk Hills lease to the Doherty interests after Doherty had advanced him a "loan" of \$100,000.

In his reply to the senate President Harding said he was acquainted in detail with the policies of the interior department, had been apprised of the exact terms of the various leases and approved and supported the entire program of the department.

E. C. Finney, assistant secretary of the interior, a government witness, testified personally had submitted much of the interior department detail incorporated in the president's message.

ROOSEVELT TESTIFIES

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1 (AP).—Theodore Roosevelt, former assistant secretary of the navy, was put on the witness stand today by the government in its effort to prove conspiracy between Albert Fall and Edward Doherty in the naval oil leases.

Roosevelt, who as assistant secretary of the navy had official contact with various phases of the naval oil reserve negotiations during the Harding administration, said he was not specifically charged with administration of the navy's

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GOVERNMENT
HIGHWAY AID
IS ASSUREDState Commission Pre-
pares Road-Building
Program for 1927-28FLORA-ENTERPRISE
WORK IS PROMISEDTen-Mile Stretch in Wal-
lowa County to Be Sur-
faced—Loop Road Will
Be Widened.

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 1 (AP).—H. H. Huron, of Imbler, appeared before the road officials today regarding the proposed Elgin-Weston cutoff. One route has been tentatively agreed upon but Huron stated the old stage road was much better. The two routes will be surveyed before final action is taken.

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 1 (AP).—More than \$1,000,000 will be spent by the federal government on Oregon roads during 1927-28. Of this sum \$578,000 is to be expended during the coming year.

The program for this work was made today by federal road officials and the state highway commission. The 1927 program was completed while that for '28 was tentatively set.

One of the largest projects planned is completion of the Wapinitia highway twelve miles of surfacing is to be begun on a section graded. This will cost \$76,000. There is 14.3 miles yet to be graded and surfaced, and it is planned to do all this work next year. The total cost for completing the highway is estimated at \$315,000. The state will cooperate on a 50-50 basis.

Widen Mt. Hood Loop.
Work of widening the Mount Hood loop will continue. The federal bureau of roads will spend \$20,000 on this next season for widening the state to pay for grading.

The most dangerous spots on the Oregon road in Josephine county are to be eliminated next spring by the government. The bureau will spend \$15,000 on the work.

The state will cooperate. It was held by both federal and state officials that this road is dangerous, and work should be done on it as soon as possible. In time, it is planned to widen the entire narrow section.

The federal bureau will match \$45,000 of the state's cash in surfacing the 11-mile section of the Klamath Falls-Lakeview highway from a point east of Ely to where it connects with the Drews valley section.

The Cascade-Shaw's hill section of the Santiam highway, 6.6 miles, is to be surfaced, the government and Linn county to spend \$20,000 each on this work.

Wallowa Work Planned.
Ten miles of surfacing will be done on the Flora-Enterprise highway next summer. It will cost \$80,000. The state will cooperate with the federal.

Nine and two tenths miles of the Burns-Canyon City highway have to be graded next year. This will be done by the bureau of roads at a cost of \$100,000.

Judge Hornard, of Eugene, appeared to urge government and state to hurry the construction of the Rain Rock-North Fork section of the Florence-Eugene highway. There was a long and heated discussion over this route, the two road departments not being decided as to what route to take for the ten miles to be built.

The work is very expensive. The low estimate for the "back route" over the mountain is \$500,000 for ten miles. The river route is estimated to be higher one engineer

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COAST GUARD
CUTTER AFTER
LIQUOR SHIP

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 1 (AP).—The coast guard cutter Tallapoosa is scouring the Gulf of Mexico for the French auxiliary schooner *Aresnes*, rum runner, which ran away with two members of the U. S. prohibition forces aboard.

The schooner was taken in tow by two prohibition patrol boats last Monday, but when the fuel supply of the two small craft became exhausted two prohibition officers were left aboard while the government boats went for fuel. When they returned they found the Frenchman had left.

The cutter Tallapoosa was notified and began a search for the missing vessel. Today the rum runner was located and taken in tow, but the tow broke and she is again free.

The Americans aboard the schooner are Assistant Prohibition Administrator J. B. Matthews, of New Orleans, and a chief motor machinist from a patrol boat.

QUEEN AND SON
MEET IN FRANCEKing Ferdinand, of Ru-
mania, Is Improved—
Opposed to Carol

LONDON, Dec. 1 (AP).—Latest dispatches to the Romanian legation from Bucharest, it was said this morning, showed "great improvement" in the condition of King Ferdinand.

MARIE SEEN CAROL.
PARIS, Dec. 1 (AP).—Queen Marie, who arrived at Midnight from her American trip, lost no time today in getting in touch with her errand son, former crown prince Carol, who last January renounced his rights of succession to the Romanian throne.

She emerged from the Ritz hotel at ten o'clock this morning, entered a taxi and was heard to instruct the driver to proceed to the Boulevard Vimeau, in Neuilly. This is the street on which Carol's villa is situated, but she did not call there meeting him instead in a private room at a fashionable restaurant, on the edge of the Bois de Boulogne.

Eludes Newspapers.
The chauffeur of the queen's taxi eluded the machines hastily commandeered by the newspapermen, and made a clean getaway. The queen and Carol were not discovered by the reporters until 11:29, when their conference terminated.

Marie has decided to leave for Bucharest on the Simpson express at 8:35 o'clock tonight instead of waiting until Friday evening, as she at first intended.

KING AIRS VIEWS
BUCHARINIST, Dec. 1 (AP).—

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Correct Mating
May Kill Cancer

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 1 (AP).—Scientific mating, based upon a knowledge of heredity and eugenics, would eliminate cancer from the human species within two generations, Dr. Maude Slye, of the University of Chicago, told the convention of the Radiological Society of North America. Banish sentiment from marriage, she said, abolish marriages of convenience, and instill in men and women about to wed the need of placing their union upon a eugenic basis, and cancer will be vanquished.

After reciting the results of her experiments upon cancerous mice, Dr. Slye said:

"If an individual knows himself to be by heredity susceptible to cancer, he can, by mating with a non-susceptible individual, prevent cancer in his children."



Poor mother's head is aching, and her system feels all wrong. But, she's a no wonder. She's been shopping all day long.