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THE WEATHER
OREGON: Unsettled, occasional
rains in west, local snows in east
portion tonight and Wednesday.
Slightly warmer tonight in the in-
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CARR QUILTS
FURNITURE
BUSINESSWill Manage La Grande
Building and Loan As-
sociation HereCLOSING OUT SALE
TO BE HELD SOONDecision Forecasts Pass-
ing of Business Land-
mark—First Open to
Public in 1906.

J. J. Carr announced this morning that he is going out of the furniture business and will immediately start a quit-business sale to close out his stock. He has been contemplating this move for more than a year in order that he may take over the management of the La Grande Building and Loan Association and declare that he has made arrangements with the board of directors to be available for his new work on a certain date in the near future.

This necessitates immediately closing out his furniture business. Carr has been in the furniture business for some years, has been elected secretary-treasurer of the building and loan association and will be associated with Carr in the new work.

Began Business in 1906

Carr began his career in the furniture business in 1906 with J. C. Henry in the building where the Coolidge paint store is now located. His quit-business sale means an end to more than 20 years of activity in the local furniture field. After moving to his present corner location the entire stock and the store were wiped out by fire in December, 1922. The building was rebuilt and Carr reopened his business on May 7, 1923. Since that time his store has been one of the largest and best known of Oregon furniture stores.

Carr says he is absolutely through with the furniture business and that he has kept his word with the buying public for 20 years; that his quit-business sale is now in charge of Mr. Pugh, of the Hatfield Sales company, with instructions to close out everything at the earliest possible date.

Carr to Remain Here

This forecasts the passing of a business landmark in La Grande but does not mean that Carr will leave the community as he will be active here in the other line of business.

The furniture store is now closed to arrange for the sale, the dates of which will be announced in the near future.

PENNEY STORE
TO CELEBRATE
ANNIVERSARY

The J. C. Penney company, represented in La Grande by a store managed by M. M. Hunt, this year celebrated its 25th or silver anniversary, the first store having been opened in 1902, according to an announcement made today.

During this quarter of a century the business has grown to a nation-wide institution of 773 department stores, scattered over all but two of the 48 states, with eight additional stores will be opened this coming spring and a larger number in the fall, it is said.

The total sales of the combined stores in 1926 were \$115,582,752.36—an increase of nearly 25 billion dollars over the business of the previous year.

Wants Sidewalks
Cleared of Snow

Sidewalks in La Grande that are covered with snow must be cleared by tomorrow, Police Chief Clint Haynes announced today.

MATCHING
THE CITY'S
GROWTH

Keeping pace with La Grande's business growth and development is not merely a question of keeping one's doors open and one's service or goods available. Rather it is a question of maintaining contact with present customers and establishing contact with new ones.

The business man who does that consistently knows that you will not lose sight of him nor will you forget his ability to serve you well. And you rightfully look for, and expect to see, his business messages to you in The Observer where they can reach the most people at the smallest possible cost.

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A Merchandising Service"

ONWARD MARCH OF
LOCAL PROGRESS TO
DESTROY LANDMARKNew Seven-Story Hotel to
Replace Grandy Home
Built in 1877

A normal school, an armory, a new quarter-million-dollar hotel, other new business buildings east of 14th street, west of Fourth street, south of Depot street, older business quarters being remodeled, modern homes in the course of construction in all parts of this city, outlying districts demanding improvement of sidewalks and roadways, school enrollment increasing heavily each semester, tradesmen improving their facilities for public service, merchants keeping pace with the demands of their customers, banks increasing in deposits with a third institution looking forward to a prosperous future, churches active, a city administration making preparations for the people whose desires are turned toward Oregon as their hope for prosperity and happiness in a new home, mills humming with railroads equipped to carry the products of field and forest to the world's markets—such is a brief prospectus of the La Grande of today.

How different from the conditions that awaited those sturdy sons and daughters of parents whose eyes had ever turned westward, when they, too, looked upon Oregon as their goal and braved storms and floods, burning sun and desert trail, rough roads and unbridled rivers, the toll of warring redskins, and all of the varied hardships of the pioneer, yet urged with unswerving purpose—their yoke-sore oxen and weary horses forward, over plains that seemed unbending, across mountains passed where danger lurked, through sagebrush wastes which stretched far to the east, grow tired in contemplation of its distance and the heart grew sick and hopeless from the task before it, until, by virtue of the faith that bore them onward, there came the joy of accomplishment when they saw spread out in all its beauty the

Lumbermen From
Middlewest Give
La Grande Praise

La Grande was given high praise as a prosperous community with thriving industries yesterday when a party of ten lumbermen from points in Illinois and Wisconsin spent the day here as the guests of the Mt. Emily Lumber company inspecting conditions.

The party has been touring the west to see first-hand conditions of western lumbering conditions. They are en route for Portland from where they will go to Washington, inspecting among others, the Longview Lumber company. Their trip will terminate in about two weeks.

Those who are in the party are: B. Brunsford, H. Vos, E. Vos, E. Kroegel, W. Frazer, W. Rosen, H. H. Glessen, H. Josher, A. Husey and E. Burdick, all from Illinois and Wisconsin.

30 Homes Here
Quarantined for
Scarlet Fever

Judging by the numbers of homes quarantined, the scarlet fever situation in La Grande is a serious one. Police Chief Clint Haynes declared this morning that a new peak had been reached and that 30 homes are now under quarantine, three of which were flagged last night after five o'clock. In addition to this, many places have been released from quarantine during the past month.

The contagion has been in this city for the past three months but to date no really serious cases have occurred.

Precautions have been taken by city officials, school authorities and others concerned throughout the winter to prevent the spreading of the disease from infected persons and it is said, although the number of cases is large, the matter is completely under control.

Bible Reading In
Schools Is Urged

A committee from the La Grande Ministerial association, headed by Rev. C. V. Dunn of the Central Church of Christ, met with the board of education last night when the school board met in regular session and asked that Bible reading in the public schools be instituted.

The matter was discussed and laid over until further investigation both as the part of the school board and ministerial association committee.

valley of the Grande Ronde, of which we are all so proud.

"La Grande, La Grande!" Little wonder that the poetic spirit of that intrepid Frenchman, Henri Dause, was touched and his involuntary exclamation: "La Grande! La Grande!" was memorialized in the name of the city that has grown at the foot of the hills on which he stood many decades ago.

Not all who from day to day pass the corner of Fourth and Adams where the willing helpers of the Standard Oil company serve their patrons, know the story of that spot in the history of La Grande, and few there are who know the story of the fact that the house standing there is the same one erected by one of those pioneers, when he chose his portion of the land for a home-stead.

Rich in History
Additions to the building have been made. It has been modernized somewhat. It is true. Wind and rain have beaten upon it, the touch of fire and storm have marred it, but it still shelters the one, who with her husband, first occupied its protecting walls.

Together they reared their family and since that time children grandchildren and great grandchildren have come home to this place knowing full well the welcome they would receive.

Indians Knew It
Here, in the earlier days, were given friendly greetings to the immigrant, the freighter, the herder, and frequently to the friendly Indian, and from this vantage point they saw the railroad come.

Then gradually there grew before them the main street of a thriving town, about and beyond where were built dwellings for those who came to occupy them, and to all these were given friendship and a helping hand—for there was the spirit of giving, not gaining.

Farm Becomes a City
Their farm became a city, yet riches in golden store did not

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WEBB ACQUITTED
IN LOCAL COURTJury of Six Finds Elgin
Man Not Guilty of
Statutory Charge

Leroy Webb was acquitted yesterday afternoon when he was tried by a jury of six men in the justice court on a statutory charge.

The trial began at 1:30 o'clock and lasted only about two hours, only a short time being required for the jury to make its decision.

Webb was arrested at Elgin about a week ago. He was placed in the county jail, but was later released upon furnishing \$100 bail money.

Legion Will Open
Hall With Dance

Legion hall, formerly the Rex hall, will be opened to the public tomorrow night when the legion will give its first dance there.

The redecoration of the interior of the hall is now practically completed and final arrangements for the dance will be made this evening when the convention commission will meet at 7:30 o'clock at the hall.

The legion post is making an effort to provide a number of interesting dancing programs for the La Grande public during the coming months, and tomorrow night is the first one.

The Star Novelty orchestra has been secured to play for the dance. The legionnaires are expecting a large attendance.

The proceeds from the dance go toward the convention fund, to be used in entertaining visiting legionnaires during the state convention to be held here in July.

Oregon Five Wins
From W. S. C. 31-14

PULLMAN, Wash., Jan. 25. (AP)—Playing a strong defensive game, the University of Oregon basketball team held Washington State college in check last night and won 31 to 14 in a Pacific coast conference game.

Oregon piled up a long lead during the first half for a score of 18 to 5.

WORK TO HOLD CONFERENCE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25. (AP)—Secretary Work will open a conference of supporters of the federal reclamation projects in Denver, March 16 to 18. The conference will discuss reclamation problems with a view of bringing about more efficient methods. Elwood Mead, reclamation commissioner, will attend.

TO IMPROVE
LAKE RESORT
THIS SEASONGolf Course, New Cabins,
Dance Hall and Other
Additions PlannedPORTLAND MEN TO
HANDLE FINANCESKauffman and Johnson,
Bond Men, Expect Wal-
lowa Lake Stock Will
Be Sound Investment.

A season of building activity at Wallowa lake is announced today by the directors of the Wallowa Lake Wonderland company, which will include such improvements as a golf course, swimming pool, more spacious lodges, new cabins, a modern dance hall, a tennis court and various children's recreations attractions.

With the recent arrival of L. Kauffman and C. Walter Johnson from Portland, who will take charge of the financial program of \$100,000 increase of capital stock, local support in the development of the playground of the northwest is being confirmed, it is said.

After a careful survey of the company and its past record of development and several consultations with Portland people, Messrs. Kauffman and Johnson, experienced bond men, state that from an investment standpoint the capital stock of Wallowa Lake Wonderland, Inc., is secure as to principal and will be a constant dividend payer in their opinion.

Recent expressions have been received from large interests throughout the northwest including the Union Pacific railroad and the Oregon Journal, who prize Wallowa lake as one of nature's richest endowments, and annually give the resort much publicity.

Records kept at the resort for several years show that with each season, the Switzerland of America is gaining more friends and wider recognition over the nation. Several visitors from other countries, mostly from Canada, have spent some time on the shores of the lake and in the country to the south and tourists from practically every state in the union have registered. Last year many thousands flocked to the resort, especially for work end trips, although the number that spent a longer period was large.

Sun Forces Cold
To Retreat More

With a warning sun furnishing above freezing weather for the first time in almost a week, old Man Winter retreated more and more today. His enemies almost pushed him over the line yesterday when the mercury climbed to 29 above but failed by a three-point margin.

The minimum temperature during last night was 18 above and at 7:30 the thermometer showed 26 above.

A light snow fell early last night but this morning the sky was broken and the sun came through, melting snow wherever its rays played for any length of time.

Although the cold was not as intense nor did it stay quite as long as in December, 1924, the past week's wintry wave was one of the most severe in several years.

WILL WED



Miss Matilda Houghton, daughter of the American minister in London, is to marry Charles Parsons Anderson Jr., of New York. He for some time was private secretary to Ambassador Houghton.

New Gymnasium
At Imbler Will
Be Open FridayBuilding Nearly Ready
for Stucco, Which Will
Have to Wait for
Warmer Weather.

The first basketball game to be played in the new gymnasium at Imbler will be Friday evening when the Imbler boys quintet will meet the Haines high school team there.

Although the building is not completed it will be in condition for basketball games by Friday. The main floor is being put down today and other interior work is being done.

Weather Checked Work
Plans were to have it ready for basketball games earlier, but the cold weather hampered the work considerably.

The building will not be entirely finished until spring, as the outside will be stucco and this cannot be put on until warmer weather. The paper and steel lath will be placed soon, however, to protect the building until weather permits the stucco work to begin.

BUYS ADDITION
TO MILL PLANTMt. Emily Lumber Co.
Purchases Old Box Fac-
tory Property.

The Mt. Emily Lumber company has purchased the planing mill property on Spruce street, where a box factory was recently operated by the Union Box company, and all of the old buildings have been torn down and workmen are now cleaning up the land and moving the old lumber away.

The property joins the Mt. Emily company's mill and will be an addition to the lumber yards. With the purchase of this property the company now owns all of the land along the north-west side of the Wallowa county branch railroad from Spruce street to the oil tanks, with the exception of the small amount of land belonging to the railroad company.

Celebrate 50th
Anniversary of
Married Life

UNION, Ore., Jan. 25. (Special)—Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Peterson celebrated their golden wedding anniversary at their home here last Tuesday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Peterson were married 50 years ago on that day, Jan. 18, 1877.

Forty friends and relatives gathered at their home in North Union to help them celebrate the occasion. The evening was spent at games and music after which refreshments were served by the hostess, assisted by her daughter, Mrs. Hoyle.

Mr. and Mrs. Peterson have five children, 16 grandchildren and two great grandchildren. Their children are Mrs. W. D. Hanks, of La Grande; Mrs. Bertha Hoyle and J. E. Peterson, of Union; Mrs. Elmer Jacobs, of North Powder, who were all present; and another daughter, Mrs. Stringham, who lives in Idaho and was unable to attend.

All East Oregon
Highways Cleared

All of the state highways leading out of La Grande were reported to be open to traffic this morning.

Although a little wind was blowing between here and Elgin and La Grande and Union snow crews were having no trouble keeping the highways free from drifts.

The patrolman at Meacham reported to the state highway office that the highway between here and Pendleton is all right.

Crews are working today mostly on widening the traffic way.

Starkey Grangers
Agree on Program

Mendow Brook grange, of Starkey, has outlined a program of progressive achievement for its district, and has committees at work to carry out its plans.

The three major projects are: a better road to Starkey, a telephone line for the district, and a new school with high school facilities for next year.

The grange, with John Wells as master and W. A. Smith as secretary, has added nine new members this month.

HOOLYWOOD, Cal., Jan. 25. (AP)—The proposed major-league draft agreement appeared several weeks ago at French Lick was rejected today by directors of the Pacific coast baseball league by a vote of 8 to 2, at their annual conference here.

6 MEASURES
ENDORSED BY
LOCAL CLUBChamber of Commerce
Adopts Report of Leg-
islative CommitteeDR. MAUD ALLEN
CHIEF SPEAKERMedical Missionary from
India Tells of Conditions
There and of Lack
of Sanitations.

Acting upon the recommendation of its legislative committee the chamber of commerce at the forum luncheon at the Sommer grill today at noon went on record as favoring the passage of the following bills now before the state legislature or which will appear in the near future:

A measure raising the salary of circuit judges in Oregon outside of Multnomah county to \$5,500 a year.

A measure placing the court reporter's salary at \$2,100 per year in Union and Wallowa counties, each county to pay its share of the total. At present the court reporter is paid by the day.

A measure providing for a \$12,000 appropriation for the work of state tuberculosis association.

A measure providing for the changing of justice courts in county seats to district courts.

A measure fostered by the chamber of commerce asking for an appropriation of \$20,000 to be used for expenses of a land settlement committee.

A grading bill which will be introduced by Senator A. R. Hunter soon. The legislative committee reported as in opposition to a grading bill recently introduced by a Unadilla county legislator.

R. J. Green presented the committee report after Herbert R. Hanna, court reporter, spoke briefly in favor of the bills raising the circuit judges salaries and placing his own salary on a flat rate.

Two speakers were introduced by Dr. W. T. Phay.

Dr. Allen Speaks
Dr. Maud Allen, medical missionary from India, spoke of the conditions of the lands in which she has spent 22 years. She discussed the religious conditions and social conditions, and especially physically. She gave a vivid picture of health conditions there, describing the lack of sanitation, quarantine and the resulting heavy loss of life.

Joseph Stanko, of Pueblo, Colo., representing the Knights of Columbus, discussed conditions in Mexico. He declared that the Catholics are trying to foment war in the southern republic and charged that anti-Catholic propaganda in the United States has resulted in conditions below the border line. Stanko is to speak at Eagles hall tonight at 8 p. m. in a public meeting.

G. L. Dutton sang "Dona" and responded to hearty applause with "Indian Dawn." E. E. Nussbaum presided at the piano. Before adjournment Nussbaum led in the singing of the last verse of "America."

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Covers Large Space
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shows that Ohio is the leading rubber manufacturing center, paper designates the paper mills in parts of New York. The map also shows what the school is doing in being worked out successfully by the principal and teachers of that school this year.

Two persimmons sent from Missouri, show that persimmons are grown there, and the pieces of paper towels, which represent the paper industry in Western Oregon, were actually manufactured there. Rice, which was picked from the fields in California and sent to one of the school children by her grandmother, shows that rice is grown in Southern California, and a piece of genuine flax, sent from the flax mills at Salem, shows that flax is grown in that section of Oregon.

Make Oregon Map
A separate map of Oregon, showing its products, is also a part of the project. Here attention turns

IN CHINA



John P. Lockhart, American consul-general at Hankow, China has about as much responsibility on his hands right now as any member of the whole United States consular force. He is responsible for the safety of American residents in the Hankow trouble zone.

PEACHES TELLS
OF 'CRUELITIES'Bursts into Tears after
Telling of Experiences
with Browning

COURT HOUSE, White Plains, N. Y., Jan. 25. (AP)—Mrs. Frances (Peaches) Browning broke down in tears on the witness stand after 25 minutes of testifying today in separation suit brought against her by her husband Edward W. Browning. The court declared a five minute recess. She had been testifying of the first night she and her husband had spent together after the wedding.

Mrs. Browning's breakdown followed her recital of alleged cruelties of her husband, which she said began immediately after the marriage. After the recess and half an hour's testimony by Dr. George Blacklock, neurologist, Mrs. Browning continued her story, saying that she was "so pinched and seceded" when she declined to obey Browning's commands that she finally had to submit to his every wish.

Browning Sought Publicity
She then testified to the visits at the hotel of various tabloid reporters to take her pictures at Browning's request. She was shown an interview she said, entitled, "Why I married Peaches," purporting to be written by her husband.

A shotgun and a pistol, she said, were kept in Browning's room at the Cold Springs honeymoon hotel. When shopping, Mrs. Browning said, she was always photographed and followed by crowds.

"Mr. Browning," she said, "would never let two purchases be put in any one box. He always had a lot of bundles."

Crowds Always Large
The crowds were so large, she said, that she was refused admittance to the Fifth Avenue hospital.

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Greenwood School Students Make
Big Relief Map of United States

With the view of giving benefit to the students of Greenwood school, as well as showing the parents of the pupils and others interested just what the school is doing in being worked out successfully by the principal and teachers of that school this year.

The plan is for the various rooms in the school building to prepare a project each month in connection with their lessons, which is viewed by the parents and teachers, when the regular meeting of the Parent-Teacher association is held.

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at Any Moment, Cor-
respondent Says.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25. (AP)—Great Britain's preparations for defense of her interests in China apparently will not be followed, for the present at least, by any extensive concentration of American forces in the orient.

President Coolidge sees a wide difference between the British problem in China and that of the American government since Great Britain has concessions there while the American government has not.

Because of that condition the president can see possibilities of differences in general policy as to China between the two governments.

Kellogg Prepares Statement
All of this will be set forth at length in a statement soon to be issued by Secretary Kellogg which will be in the nature of a reply to the recent British memorandum.

Meantime, the Washington government will use the forces it has available in Chinese waters to afford protection to its nationals to the best of its ability.

Five hundred marines were withdrawn today from the mail guard.

BRITISH TO SEND 10,000
LONDON, Jan. 25. (AP)—About 10,000 men supported by artillery, armored cars and equipment, under the command of a seasoned warrior, Major General John Duncan, will soon be on the way to China. They are being sent to defend the British concessions in Shanghai if the Chinese adopt a belligerent attitude there.

The war office in announcing the composition of the "Shanghai defense force" dispelled any doubt that might have existed over the precautions being taken to deal with anti-British outbreaks. General Duncan, whose experience covers the campaign in Gallipoli and Eastern Europe in the world war, will have in his defense forces the 13th and 14th British Infantry brigades and the 20th Indian Infantry brigade. Among the infantry units is a battalion of the Coldstream Guards regiment, which is ordered abroad only on rare occasions. These troops, added to those already on the scene will bring the number prepared to defend the British interests up to about 15,000.

Expect Serious Developments
Serious developments in China may be expected at any moment, says a special correspondent of the Daily Express, as a consequence of the reverse just suffered by the Northern Chinese troops at La Chi, about 55 miles southwest of Hangchow.

This correspondent has just concluded a long journey through Northern China, including Peking, where he talked with Miles Lampson, the British minister and Marshal Chang Tso-Lin, northern military leader and most of his ministers.

Conflict Imminent
A conflict on a wide scale between northern and southern forces the correspondent adds, cannot be long deferred. He cites reports shown to him by Lampson on latest events in Chekiang province, where it had been hoped the northern would be able to hold out against the southern but their position proved untenable.

The northern cities were packed with Chinese troops, moving in the general direction of Hangchow, Nanking and Shanghai and the correspondent declares that Chang certainly does not lack soldiers as he saw "miles of them." This military is said to be in control everywhere levying taxes and in some

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State Hopes For
\$1,349,391 of Refund

STATE HOUSE, SALEM, Ore., Jan. 25. (AP)—If it is finally determined that the state of Oregon is entitled to a share of the land grant tax refund, the amount coming to the state