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THE WEATHER
OREGON: Generally cloudy to
night and Friday, probably show-
ers in the northwest portion. Con-
tinued mild.

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WATER BOND
ISSUE TO GO
ON BALLOTSCity Seeks \$45,000 for 18-
Inch Main from K
to JeffersonSTREET LIGHTING
PETITION GRANTEDContract for Box Elder
Improvement Work Let
to C. R. Seitz by City
Commissioners.La Grande voters will be called
upon to either approve or reject a
bond issue of \$45,000 for a pro-
posed 18-inch cast iron pipe line
from K to Jefferson at the June
28 election.Last night the city commission
unanimously approved an ordi-
nance providing for placing this
measure upon the ballot.It is declared by city officials
that the present pipe line is in a
bad, worn-out condition and that
a break would not only cut off the
business section of the city
from water but would also endan-
ger property along the route of the
present main.

Ask Monumental Rights

Earl Reynolds, secretary of the
chamber of commerce, presented a
petition from business men asking
that ornamental street lights be
installed on the south side of
Jefferson from Erie to Chestnut,
on Adams from Fourth to Third,
and on Fourth from Adams to
the alley between Adams and Jer-
ferson. The petition was signed
by all interests in the proposed
improvement district excepting two
estates, both of which are han-
dled out of La Grande.The commission, after a short
discussion, granted the petition
and referred it to the city man-
ager for further action. The dis-
trict, which embraces business
houses almost entirely, will re-
quire about 20 light units.A request from the state high-
way commission to furnish water
from Campford park was received
and referred to the city manager.
It was stated that the former
commission had reached an agree-
ment with the state to this effect,
but could was expressed that this
promise is in writing.

Boundaries Discussed

Some discussion involving ex-
tension of the city boundaries in
the Willow street vicinity to in-
clude about eight additional blocks
was followed by laying the matter
on the table until a later meeting.
One bid was received last night.

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GRADUATES AT
THE COVE HIGH
IN THIS YEARCOVE, May 12. (Special)—The
students of the Cove high school
have been busy this week with
many events of interest taking
place. Wednesday evening the high
school orchestra made its fifth an-
nual appearance in a program of
resolutions, vocal solos and orchestra
numbers. The program was given
at the Macedonia hall and was un-
der the direction of Mrs. Lefroy
Lay.The senior class play "An I In-
truding" was presented before a
large audience Friday evening. The
annual junior-senior banquet is
scheduled to take place this eve-
ning.The basketball services for the
senior class will be held Sunday
evening in the L. D. S. church
and commencement will be Thurs-
day evening, May 13.There are 11 members in the
senior class this year. They are
Laura Barker, Jean Wehner, Eva
Werner, Carmen Daniel, Orel Bar-
ford, Irene Harg, Emory Hargley,
Ray Hunsell, Robert Paige, Robert
Coat and Carl Coat.GETTING
ACQUAINTED
QUICKLYCapacity for quick acquaint-
ance is considered a valuable
business asset for any individual.
For any business firm, the ability
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dents in the community provides a
tremendous trade advantage.Merchants cannot know, nor
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firm that is constantly alive to its
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sages in The Observer. In no
other way can they reach both
old and possible new customers
in a positive and effective way
at such small cost per reader."Observer Advertising—
A Merchandising Service"Large Crowd Of
Art Lovers See
Oregon ExhibitDisplay to Be Taken to
Bend in Time for Con-
vention of Oregon
Women's Clubs.A large crowd of art enthusiasts
of the city called at the library
auditorium yesterday afternoon to
view the art exhibit of pictures by
Oregon artists on display there.A busy stream of interested call-
ers came and went all during the
afternoon and with the close of
school the number increased con-
siderably, many of the school stu-
dents and teachers calling.All during the afternoon Mrs. A.
T. Hill, president of the Art Ex-
hibit association which was respon-
sible for bringing the excellent exhibit
to La Grande, and Mrs. H. H.
Cleaver were on hand and told
about pictures and the artists.The exhibit will be taken to
Bend in time for the Oregon Fed-
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tion to be held there.HOSPITAL OPENS
DOORS TO PUBLICNational Day Observed in
La Grande—P. E. O.
Gives ProgramNational hospital day is being
observed over all the United States
today, the hospitals throwing open
their doors to the public and ex-
tending an invitation to all who de-
sire to visit them.Open house is being held at the
Grande Idaho hospital here this
afternoon, beginning at one o'clock
and to continue until about 4:30.
During the afternoon a musical
program, arranged by Chapter I of
P. E. O., will be given.Mrs. A. L. Richardson will sing
a group of selections, and Mrs.
Ray Fuller, Mrs. C. S. Moore, Miss
Ann Stange, Grace Hilde and G.
L. Dutton will sing solos. Mrs.
H. H. Richardson will play a
group of piano numbers.The P. E. O. chapter, which has
charge of the hospital day observ-
ance here each year, will also
serve refreshments and arrange the
flowers brought by those who
visit the sick during the afternoon.Eagles Lodge To
Honor MothersA special program in observance
of Mother's day, which was found-
ed by the Eagles lodge, has been
arranged for this evening by the
lodge lodge, where E. W. Bigelow,
past president of the lodge in the
state of Washington, will be here.
The meeting was originally
planned for Tuesday evening, but
was postponed until Thursday
when it was learned that Mr. Big-
elow would be here at that time.An interesting program of music
and talks has been arranged, in-
cluding a talk by Mr. Bigelow. The
public is invited to attend.Last night about 100 Eagles
from here attended a meeting at
Pendleton addressed by Mr. Big-
elow.\$17 Donated To
Mississippi FundSeventeen dollars have been ad-
ded to the Mississippi valley relief
fund since yesterday, Mrs. C. N.
Palmer, chairman of the Red Cross
chapter here, announced this
morning. The release drill team
donated \$10 toward the fund, a
friend \$5 and J. J. Williams, \$2.Union, La Grande
M. J. A. VictoriousThe Union Mutual Improvement
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IN PROSPECT
IN NORTHWESTBackward Spring Retard-
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Not AlarmingBETTER QUALITY
FRUITS EXPECTEDGrain Outlook in Willam-
ette Rosy—Strawber-
ries Ripening Slowly,
Due About June 1.PORTLAND, Ore., May 12 (AP)—
While a backward spring will
retard certain crops from the Will-
amette valley to Spokane, and in
some districts may result in materi-
al damage, reports and statistics
compiled by the Spokane, Portland
and Seattle railroad, made public
today, indicate that, taken as a
whole, there is reason to be opti-
mistic over the general outlook.In some districts spring weather
is 20 to 25 days behind normal,
the reports indicate. These condi-
tions are almost general in the dis-
tricts named.While canaries were receiving
strawberries last year for canning
on May 10, it is not believed that
they will open this year before
June 1 and possibly even later.

No Cause For Alarm

Buyers and agents in the valley
believe that most of the fruit will
be plentiful, even though late and
that in most cases there is little
cause for alarm. Prunes, however,
will be only about 50 per cent of
last year, it is said. Early straw-
berries are off about 25 per cent,
but the later varieties will supply
the demand. The cherry situation
is about equal to that of 1926.The quality of all fruits will be
better than normal, the reports
indicate owing to the late spring.Grain Outlook Good
Grain prospects in the Will-
amette valley were never better
than at present. Fall-sown wheat
is making an excellent growth and
spring-sown also is doing well.Some farmers are still sowing. The
service is about equal to that of
1926.About the same acreage of veg-
etables has been sowed as in 1926,
with prospects good.Riveria School
To Receive Cups
Friday EveningA special program has been ar-
ranged for tomorrow evening when
the last meeting of the Riveria
Parent-Teacher association of the
school year will be held at Lane
chapel.The Riveria school has won all
honors in grade school athletics
this year and cups and letters will
be presented at this meeting. The
grade school basketball, football
cups will be received by Warren
Zeese, captain of the basketball
team, and Gene Faus, captain of
the football team. Iris Hughes will
receive the track cup which will
be presented by Chester Gilbert,
Riveria school coach.A fourth cup will be presented
to the school as a permanent keep-
sake by A. J. Stange. Mrs. Nellie
G. Neil will receive this cup in be-
half of the school. Letters will be
given to all of the basketball boys
and football boys and all students
who won a first place in track.Kernell Davis, a graduate of
Riveria school, has made a trophy
cubist for the school, which will
also be presented during the meet-
ing.Members of the school board
will attend the meeting and will
be called upon for short talks.This being the annual meeting
of the P. T. A. chapter, a letter
will be given to the officers for the
coming year and the closing of the year's
business.O. N. G. Dance Will
Be This EveningThe Oregon national guard com-
pany of La Grande will give a
dance this evening at Legion hall
for the benefit of the mess fund, to
be used by the company during en-
gagement at Camp Clatsop for two
weeks next month.Two dances for
the benefit of the fund will be
given. The second one later in the
form of a farolero dance. Paul
Craver's orchestra will play and
dancing will start at 8 o'clock.Company E will leave La Grande
for Camp Clatsop June 13. Word
has been received here that stud-
ent and football men will make up
the special train going to the camp
from Eastern Oregon.LINDBERGH SUCCEEDS
ROOSEVELT FIELD, N. Y.,
May 12 (AP)—Captain Charles
Lindbergh, lauded here at 3:37
clock this evening preparatory to
hopping off for Paris.LONDON HOME
OF SOVIET IN
POLICE RAIDBritish Squad Invades the
Headquarters of Russian
Trade DelegationPRESENT PROTEST
TO CHAMBERLAINAffair Creates Sensation
Tens of Thousands of
Spectators See Invasion
of Place.LONDON, May 12 (AP)—Po-
lice today raided Arcos House,
headquarters of the soviet trade
delegation here.After the raid, uniformed police
guarded the doorway and refused
admittance to all callers. No ex-
planation was forthcoming from
any quarter, and the officer in
charge of the police operations re-
fused to talk.The building, which is situated
in Moorgate near the Bank of
England, is also the headquarters
of the Anglo-Russian cooperative
society, Ltd.A. P. Rosengoff, Russian charge
d'affaires in London, accompanied
by First Secretary D. V. Bogomo-
lov, went to the foreign office
tonight in order to present to Sir
Austin Chamberlain, foreign sec-
retary, a protest against the raid
conducted by police this afternoon
on Arcos House.

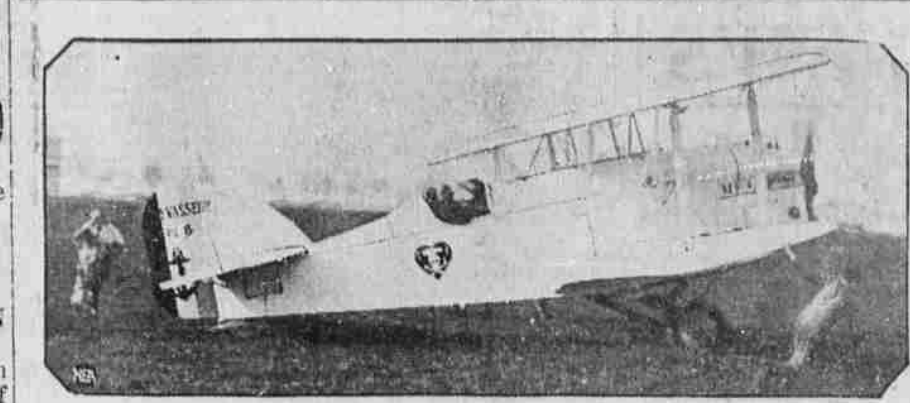
Creates Sensation

The most picturesque concerted
mobbing of a private house which
has occurred in the financial dis-
trict for years, it created a sensa-
tion, as it was at the hour that
tens of thousands of people pour
out of the offices en route to
their homes.The police began encircling the
building shortly before 5 o'clock.
Some barred all exits, while others
entered the offices. A solid
line of police was drawn across
the front of the building and ex-
tra platoons were called out to
control the crowds which jammed
Moorgate street from the Bank of
England for an entire block.

Clerks Freed

After the police had been in the
building a half hour they began
releasing clerks and young men
who were in the building. These were
allowed to go their way. None of
the soviet officials appeared. The
police declined to say whether
any of them were being detained.
Late tonight police who raided
Arcos House, headquarters of the
soviet trade delegation here, dur-
ing the afternoon, were still be-
sieging the building, where the
trade members of the staff were
being detained. Members of the
trade delegation staff could be seen
through the windows of a back
room smoking and talking excitedly.Presbyterians
To Fight DivorcePITTSBURGH, Pa., May 12 (AP)—
The Presbyterian general assembly
at San Francisco this month
will be urged to adopt more rigid
restrictions on divorce. Dr. Char-
les Edwards Macintyre, of the
First Church here, announced to-
day.Dr. Macintyre said he will submit
an amendment to the assembly
under which the church law
would refuse to recognize any
cause other than adultery in a di-
vorce case.Filipino Leader
Scores Gov. WoodMANILA, May 12 (AP)—Man-
uel Quezon, president of the Phi-
lipine senate, declared Governor
General Wood's recently announ-
ced determination to sell govern-
ment-controlled enterprises in the
islands was "without lawful au-
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West, Middle West Worries IndustryNEW YORK, May 12 (AP)—
Seeking a solution of the chronic
conditions of the middle west and
Pacific coast oil fields where crude
production is breaking all records,
leading oil interests met today at
the offices of the Standard Oil
company. Conferees were held
yesterday to consider the oil in-
dustry which Walter Teagle, presi-
dent of the Standard, has advised
the federal oil conservation board
is now faced by over production.
"In a form so intelligent as to
without precedent in all past his-
tory."Secretary Work of the interior
department has indicated that he
would do what he could to aid the
industry in its plight and is wait-
ing some time that the oil interests
will suggest as a remedy. The oil
men are considering the possi-
bility of a restriction plan running
afoul of the anti-trust laws.Gasoline prices over the country
have been falling off for some time.
Retailers have been getting a little
more than 20 cents a gallon along
the Atlantic coast while it has
been lower in many interior sec-
tions. The retailers say today that
if crude oil production is restricted
it even means only one thing, higher
prices on gasoline to the public.Gasoline prices reach their low
points in winter and gradually rise
with the coming of spring, touch-
ing their tops when summer brings
thousands of cars upon the high-
ways.

NUNGESSER BEFORE TAKING OFF



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