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THE WEATHER

OREGON: Cloudy and unsettled today and Wednesday. Moderate temperature. Moderate variable winds.

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## CONVENTION WILL OPEN THIS EVENING

50 REGISTER  
EARLY TODAY  
FOR SESSION

Mrs. W. W. Gabriel, P. T. A. Chief, Among First Delegates to Arrive

INITIAL MEETING  
WILL BE AT 7:45

Welcoming Talks to Be Given; President's Annual Address Will Be a Feature.

By noon today about 50 delegates had registered for the 22nd annual convention of the Oregon Congress of Parents and Teachers, most of them being state officers, board members and committee chairmen, who arrived early for the pre-convention meeting of the board of managers, which is being held this afternoon at convention headquarters in the First Presbyterian church.

Mrs. W. W. Gabriel, president of the congress, arrived in the city last night. It is her belief that the convention will be a great success. "We are delighted with the way the townspeople are responding," she said this morning. "Not only the parent-teacher association members, but the people of La Grande generally seem to be concerned to the utmost in making us feel at home." She commented on the work of the local committee in having everything in excellent shape for the opening of the convention, and declared that "we are looking forward to a splendidly constructive time."

Two Special Cars  
Train No. 24 carried two special cars of delegates to the convention this morning, including Mrs. William Kietzer, corresponding secretary, and other state officers. Many delegates are expected to arrive by auto this afternoon and additional ones will be here on tonight's train.

The opening session of the convention will be held this evening in the First Presbyterian church, presided over by Mrs. Carl Holm, vice president of this district. President of the meeting Mrs. Harley Richardson will play a short organ recital, beginning at 7:45 o'clock.

To Give Welcome  
The Rev. J. George Waltz will give the invocation and words of welcome to the visiting parent-teacher workers will be given by J. T. Longfellow, city superintendent of schools; E. A. Sayre, county school superintendent; A. T. Hill.

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SETTLE MAYO  
VS. HALL CASE  
OUT OF COURT

Settlement out of court of the case of Lulu Mayo vs. Ed Hall for damages from injuries received in an automobile accident postponed holding of circuit court until tomorrow when the case of the state against Mark Witt and Jack Welch on burglary charges will be heard before Judge J. W. Knowles. There is a possibility that this case may be the last of the fall session, according to court officials, as several other scheduled cases are at present in mid-air and may be dropped. District Attorney Carl Helm will prosecute for the state while R. C. Ayres is counsel for the defense in tomorrow's case.

IF HE  
USED HIS  
MIRROR

The business man whose business doesn't grow is as disturbed as you are when your income doesn't do the same thing. He wants to know why—just as you do.

He might not be able to help you in your difficulty but you probably are able to help him. If he'd only ask you. You could tell him a lot of things about improved service and stocks possible—but your primary reason for not trading with him is that his business doesn't interest you enough. And yet it is probably a very interesting business. AFTER you know about it. The only way you can know about it is through his advertising. It's the one means on which you depend for business news. It's the business looking-glass. If his business is not in the picture you see, your interest naturally goes elsewhere.

"Observer Advertising—A Merchandising Service"

Pleasant Grove  
Grange Is Host  
to Business Men

Local Chamber of Commerce Enjoys Forum Luncheon and Program Given by Community

Partaking of the splendid Pleasant Grove hospitality, nearly half a hundred members of the Union county chamber of commerce were guests of the grange at the regular forum luncheon today at noon. Cars left La Grande at 11:30 for Pleasant Grove grange hall and the luncheon began at noon, with President H. E. Coolidge in charge.

Chicken, prepared in excellent style, delicious pumpkin pie, beans, and all the rest of an appetizing menu, served by the women of the grange, occupied the attention of business men for the first half hour.

Plans solely by members of the juvenile grange and a harmonica solo by Fred Johnson with three girls dancing, were loudly applauded and then Mr. Coolidge explained the policy of the chamber, which is to encourage and practice the patronizing of home industry, whether it be agricultural or industrial. He explained the necessity of the urban and rural districts of the Grande Ronde valley working together in close co-operation. Jim Woodell, a member of the grange, agreed with Mr. Coolidge's words, declaring that the city and country have been too far apart in the past for the common good.

E. B. Appleby spoke briefly, introducing Miss Mabel Morton, editor of the "over the valley" department of The Observer.

Miss Mabel Woodell played two piano selections before the meeting adjourned.

Cast Selected  
For Comedy To  
Be Staged Here

Announcement of the complete cast of principals which will take part in the Neighborhood club musical comedy to be given here Nov. 7 and 8 at the Arcade theater was made this morning by Rosella Zure, director of the production. In addition to the cast, choruses including 150 voices will take part in "Hello There," which, according to those who have witnessed early rehearsals, promises to be one of the finest productions of its type that La Grande has ever witnessed.

The Neighborhood club committee, headed by Mrs. Colon Eberhard, is enthusiastic over the prospects of the presentation. The cast follows: Mother Webber, Mrs. W. H. Leisman; Susie Webber, Ruth Bramwell; Grace Southernland, Mrs. Floyd Sherwood; Ann Matilda, Mrs. Roy Tyler; Bridget, Mrs. Lorn Coedige; Miller, Sonora; Mrs. Lora Russell, chapter, Mrs. Elmer McManus; Parson Smith, Hugh Brady; John Webber Jr., Frank Anderson; Father Webber, Elwood Williams; Billy O'Donnell, Tom Russell; Jimmy Hughes, Tom Bruce, the professor, Richard Dykhus.

Budget Hearing  
Will Be Tomorrow

The hearing on the city budget for the coming year, which was postponed from last Wednesday night, is to be held tomorrow evening at 7:30 o'clock in the municipal building in connection with the regular city commission meeting.

At this time any taxpayer who wishes to file an objection or remonstrance will be permitted to do so.

Walter M. Pierce  
Buys Wallowa Hogs

WALLOWA, Ore., Oct. 25. (Special)—Ex-Governor Walter Pierce, of La Grande, was in the county recently buying some stock hogs, while here he purchased a considerable number from E. K. Hunter and Giettings and son. The demand for hogs has been very brisk here during the past several weeks, with many farmers having grain down in the fields so badly they were unable to harvest it, they have turned to hogging it off in hopes of getting something out of the crops.

Ruth Elder Arrives  
In Lisbon, Portugal

LISBON, Oct. 25. (AP)—Ruth Elder and George W. Haldeman, her co-pilot in the trans-Atlantic venture of the American Girl, arrived here today aboard the Portuguese mail boat Lima from Horta, the Azores.

HOTEL TO BE  
OPENED HERE  
ON NOV. 15

Large Ballroom Is Being Built Now at Rear of Structure

FINISH PAVEMENT  
ON FOURTH STREET

W. C. Becktell Pleased with Progress of Work—Double Crew May Be Necessary Soon.

Not only will the La Grande hotel be complete for the official opening on Nov. 15 but a large ballroom, said to be one of the finest in the state, is being added to original plans and will be ready for use at the same date, according to W. C. Becktell, who is here from Portland with Mrs. Becktell watching progress of the structure. The crew is being doubled for work on the ballroom.

The ballroom is a feature not in the original plans, Mr. Becktell explained this morning and was added in answer to demands from the people of La Grande. It is to be 40x90 feet and will carry out the Spanish architectural style of the hotel, opening off the mezzanine. A dome ceiling, maple finishings, and a dancing floor laid in an octagon shape are cited as a few of the features. An orchestra pit that may be converted into a stage, a lunch counter, women's rest rooms and men's smoking rooms will be a part of the ballroom.

The building will be semi-fire proof and finished in stucco, and will, upon completion, be an appearance, a part of the structure itself.

"We are building this ballroom

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TO RESUME MILL  
WORK TOMORROW

Mt. Emily Lumber Company Shuts Down for 3 Weeks for Repairs

The Mt. Emily Lumber company mill here will resume operations tomorrow morning, after about a three weeks shut-down for repairs. A. J. Stange, president of the company, announced this morning.

The mill was closed down for about three weeks while a number of repairs were being made and machinery put in shape for the winter's run. The planer run during most of the time that the mill was closed, however.

Representatives of all the lumber mills of Baker, Wallowa and Union counties and of the Boise-Payette Lumber company at Boise, attended the regular meeting of Eastern Oregon lumbermen, which was held at Dee, Ore., with the Oregon Lumber company as host over the weekend.

The lumber mill at Dee is a firm and the operations were viewed and lumber business problems were discussed.

Most of those attending the meeting drove on to Portland Saturday for the O. A. C.-Stanford football game there Saturday afternoon.

Six Cases From Union County Will  
Be Heard at Fall Term in Pendleton

The fall term of the Oregon supreme court will convene at Pendleton next Monday, Oct. 31. The court will find for consideration one of the largest dockets ever presented at an Eastern Oregon session. Five days will be required to hear arguments. There are four cases on appeal from Union county; three from Malheur county; one from Gilliam county; six from Union county; one from Baker county; four from Wallowa county; two from Crook county; and three from Deschutes county. Union and Wallowa county attorneys are preparing to attend.

While the supreme court is in session in Pendleton, there will be no jury trials in the circuit court here.

Of the cases upon the supreme court docket, the following have local interest: Marie Masselam, plaintiff and respondent, versus Carrel and Anderson, Von Hildland and others, defendants and appellants; action on promissory note. Appeal from Union county. Green & Howe, attorneys for respondent; E. R. Ringo, attorney for appellants. Henry T. Hill, plaintiff and respondent, versus E. O. Wilson de-

Book Scrap in  
Chicago Takes  
On New Warmth

Injunctions Filed Against Mayor Thompson's Plan to Burn Pro-English Volumes.

CHICAGO, Oct. 25. (AP)—Cold water, through the nozzle of court injunctions, threatened today to douse Mayor Thompson's promised bonfire of pro-British books. Applications for injunctions to rescue the library brands from the burning were filed, one by Edward J. Bohac, which was to be heard in circuit court today the other by J. Kettner Elliott. Both acted as taxpayers seeking to enjoin the destruction of public property. But there was one bonfire reported last night which, while not much in the way of a display, was regarded as symbolic by those who have endorsed the mayoral "America First" endeavors. It was the private burning by U. J. (Sport) Herrmann, library trustee, and the mayor's agent in the library investigation, of a copy of Melior Schlegelinger's American history which has been attacked as un-American in some of its sentiments. Herrmann bought the copy, and destroyed it.

**Crusade Active**  
The mayor's crusade against Britain-tainted literature and against pro-British teaching in the Chicago public school system, brought forth a concert of circumstances yesterday involving the library board, the school board, the mayors field in the campaign.

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Wallowa County  
Farmers Harvest  
Much Fall Grain

WALLOWA, Ore., Oct. 25. (Special)—The past ten days have been very helpful in allowing farmers to get much of the unharvested grain taken care of. However, harvest work was again brought to a stop, when rain began falling early Monday morning. The fair weather was of sufficient length to allow the greater part of the threshing to be finished in the dry farming sections of the county, but there still remains a considerable amount of grain to thresh yet in the irrigated areas. Much of the barley and oats which have been threshed recently are badly colored and will not be good except for feeding purposes. This is also true of much of the wheat threshed since the heavy rains of the grain became soft and has never become very hard yet.

A considerable amount of potato digging has been going on at various farms during the past ten days, with several finishing at this time. The yield from most patches has been very satisfactory, according to farmers.

**Fall Seeding**  
A good deal of fall seeding of wheat is still being done in this end of the valley, with the rainy conditions hanging on for so long the ground in many of the fields was too wet to allow working. Early sown fields of wheat have made an excellent growth having the ground nicely covered.

## BOY FOUND DEAD

EUGENE, Ore., Oct. 25. (AP)—The body of a boy, Eugene, Eugene, missing five days, was found by searchers today. He had been shot through the stomach, apparently by his own gun.

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Ethel M. Kerns, plaintiff and respondent, versus Union county, and its officials, defendants and respondents; action involving condemnation of plaintiff's land for road purposes. Appeal from Union county. E. R. Ringo, attorney for appellant; Carl G. Helm, District

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## THEY SAY HE HAS TEN WIVES



Alfred Hebert, 32, a private detective of Chicago, was arrested on a charge of larceny. The inquiries brought further charges of bigamy and the accusation of polygamy on the grounds that Hebert has ten wives. He is pictured here with alleged wives No. 9 (left), who is Mrs. Betty Williams Hebert, and No. 10 (right), Mrs. Mabel McManus. Betty says she wants to keep him; Mabel wants him jailed.

Washington Club  
Is Arranging for  
Outside Speakers

The Rt. Rev. W. P. Remington, bishop of the Eastern Oregon diocese of the Episcopal church, was the speaker last evening when the Washington club met at Honan hall with 35 men in attendance. After encolizing the name of George Washington, Bishop Remington gave an interesting talk on four phases of service in connection with religion.

During the evening George T. Cochran announced that the club had been registered with the Oregon Agricultural college and the University of Oregon extension departments for possibly to speakers, and that the Actors Guild of American, functioning in connection with The Little Church Around the Corner in New York City, had included the Washington club in its literary circuit on parties traveling west. The Rev. Oliver Riley, rector of the Episcopal church here, has been appointed chaplain for this district.

Dr. R. G. McCall, R. J. Pearl, Mr. Hunt and several others, who have recently located in this community, were introduced. Dinner was served at 6:15 o'clock by St. Peter's Episcopal guild.

Delegates Tell  
of Grand Lodge

One candidate was initiated last evening when the Knights of Pythias lodge met at the hall here. Several out-of-town members were present, among them being James Webb, formerly a grand lodge officer and the Rev. Robert Lee, both of Union.

During the evening Claude Berry and Elmer Rose, delegates to the grand lodge session held at The Dalles, gave a report of the meeting, telling of the progress of the lodge and the bright outlook for the future.

A social hour was enjoyed after the lodge session.

GOVERNOR IN  
COAL FIELDS  
OF COLORADO

DENVER, Colo., Oct. 25. (AP)—Governor Adams, of Colorado, today visited the Southern Colorado coal fields where the miners have been on strike for a week. He talked with pickets, mine guards and operators at several places but had no statement to make.

One more mine in the Southern Colorado fields was forced to suspend operations today when the I. U. M. W. centered their activities on the Bon Charlie mine of the American Smelting and Refining company in Las Animas county.

In Las Animas and Huerfano counties 24 mines are idle and 14 are working with reduced forces. Pickets visited the Lester mine of the Colorado Fuel and Iron company in Huerfano county today but did not succeed in inducing enough miners to quit work to close down the property.

Two Injured When  
Car Is Overtaken

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Winn were injured yesterday when their touring car turned over into a ditch by the city park as they were returning home from a visit to The Dalles. Mrs. Winn received cuts on the wrist and severe bruises about her body while Mr. Winn received bruises and body cuts. According to witnesses, Mr. Winn could give no reason for the accident, except that fatigue from the long drive may have caused him to lose control of the car. Mr. and Mrs. Winn live near the city park.

TREMOR CAUSES  
NO LOSS OF LIFE

Heavy Earthquake, Originating in Ocean Hits Southeast Alaska

SEATTLE, Oct. 25. (AP)—Without reported loss of life, an earthquake of unusual intensity has rocked Southeast Alaska to leave disrupted cable communication as the principal damage to property.

The tremor, which apparently had its origin on the ocean bottom several hundred miles off the Alaskan coast, had evidently diminished in force by the time it struck the mainland yesterday. In addition to breaking the U. S. army signal corps cable in two places, the shock shattered windows and dishes in half a dozen Alaskan towns.

Had an earthquake of such violence occurred in a region more densely populated than Alaska, seismologists pointed out, the loss of life undoubtedly would have been heavy. The tremor was of sufficient force to put out of commission seismographs in many parts of the U. S.

Belief that the shock was the result of a volcanic eruption along the Alaska peninsula or the Aleutian island was given little credence when reports from Seward and other towns near the so-called volcano region said no disturbance had been felt.

In Seattle and Everett, Wash., the water in swimming tanks was said to have been dashed into small waves coincident with the Alaska quake, although there was no other evidence that the tremor was felt in the Pacific northwest.

No Opinion As  
To Legality of  
Lease, Testimony

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25. (AP)—Direct testimony that none of the legal officers of the government were called upon for an opinion as to the legality of the Teapot Dome lease was placed before the jury in the oil conspiracy trial today in the District of Columbia supreme court.

This evidence included an affidavit from Harry M. Daugherty, former attorney general, that he never even knew of the lease, and a statement by Edwin S. Booth, former solicitor of the interior department, that the practice of having his office pass on oil leases had been discontinued about the time the negotiations for Teapot Dome were in progress.

Daugherty's affidavit and Booth's testimony were introduced late in the day after the defense had scored with testimony that Fall had been advised by Arthur W. Ambrose, an interior department employee, that there was danger of drainage of Teapot Dome, a theory which the defense has advanced as a reason for leasing the property.

During technical testimony on the question, Fall again spoke out in court, advising Justice Siggins that he had no objections to questions being asked a witness.

Girl, 6, Saves Life  
of Baby, Loses Own

WICHITA, Kan., Oct. 25. (AP)—Irene Ayres, six, was credited with saving her life to save her little six week old brother. While her mother was washing clothes at their home Sunday, Irene cared for the baby. She was carrying him in her tiny arms when she stumbled and fell into a washboiler filled with boiling water. Irene held the baby out of the water so that he was burned only slightly when rescued by the mother, but the little girl was burned so severely that she died.

Expose Rumanian  
Plot to Return  
Carol to Throne

Martial Law Is Declared Throughout Country to Prevent Any Further Activities.

LONDON, Oct. 25. (AP)—The correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph at Vienna says the Rumanian government has ordered troops to occupy all state buildings.

BUCHAREST, Oct. 25. (AP)—Just as the country was settling down after the death of King Ferdinand and the regency appeared functioning smoothly, Rumania today was thrown into turmoil by announcement of the discovery of a plot to re-establish the exiled Prince Carol upon the throne of his father and in place of his son, six-year-old King Michael.

To frustrate any further activities among Carol's adherents, the government has proclaimed martial law throughout the country.

**Feeling of Anxiety**  
Complete order prevails, but underneath the calm is a feeling of undisguised anxiety and uncertainty. The cabinet held several momentous meetings this morning in the bedroom of Premier Bratianu who is indisposed.

To add a dramatic touch to the situation, today was the 11th birthday of the young king, Michael's sixth birthday and the event was celebrated at a solemn service in the patriarchal cathedral in the presence of the foreign ministers and the diplomatic corps, while the entire country seethed with interest in the movement in behalf of the young king's father.

News of the discovery of the plot came with the arrest of M. Manollescu under secretary of finance in the later Ayres cabinet on charges of plotting to re-establish Carol upon the throne which he renounced almost two years ago.

Manollescu, in whose possession the police stated were found many compromising letters to and from Carol, who is now living in a suburb of Paris, will be tried by a military court martial.

Among the letters seized was one addressed to Carol's mother, Queen Marie, but this letter is presumed to be of a family and not a political character.

At a meeting of the national peasants party held at Ploesti yesterday, President Michalea, who is a member of parliament, declared open warfare upon the Bratianu regime and the Rumanian leader, who so often has been described as a "dictator" is believed to be facing one of the greatest crises in his long political career.

Thursday Premier Bratianu will demand from all the political groups in parliament a declaration of their attitude toward the present situation. He already has announced that his government will regard as enemies of the country all those who oppose the present constitution and will charge them with high treason.

He is determined, he says to take the most sweeping measures to clear Rumania for all time of her recurring dynastic troubles.

Manollescu, it is stated, was about to start a newspaper called "The New Star" in favor of Carol's accession to the throne. In Rumanian, the words new star mean substantially, "New King."

Nicholas Cocia, editor of the newspaper, has been arrested and the premises and equipment of the plant confiscated.

In the letters seized by the government and attributed to Carol, Carol asks that a referendum be held throughout Rumania to determine whether the people wish him to return. Letters in this vein and dealing with the dynastic problem were described by the authorities as "a direct challenge to constitutional security and order of the state."

Queen Marie and the boy King Michael remain at Sinaia, the royal family's summer palace. Queen Marie who from the first expressed opposition to anything which would upset the present tranquility of the country and the normal functioning of the regency upon which her son Prince Nicholas is a member, is represented as profoundly disturbed and worried by the new developments.

The queen is stated to have sincerely supported the government in its desire to prevent any reopening of the dynastic situation fearing that Carol's return would plunge the country into a state of serious political and social unrest.

Give Grid Stars  
Alumni Ultimatum

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Oct. 25. (AP)—Ohio state graduates at a meeting yesterday at which Sam Williams, backfield football coach of Ohio state university spoke, suggested that two-thirds of the Ohio state players who participated in the Michigan game last Saturday turn in their suits; that Ohio state get a new head coach and that Dr. John W. Wilce, head coach institute a decided shake up of the Ohio team.

TERRIFIC WAR  
FORECAST BY  
ENGLISHMAN

Lloyd George Believes the World Is Due for a Major Conflict

LONDON, Oct. 25. (AP)—Former Premier Lloyd George thinks that the most terrific war in the world's history is threatened unless the nations make up their minds to seek justice and protection from established right, and not from force.

**HONESTY, RIGHT  
HELD AS PANACEA**

Nations Can Avoid Battle If They Seek Justice and Drop Use of Force, He Declares.

The growing zeal for arbitration which was displayed by the small nations at the recent assembly of the league of nations is due to fight over "the snarling sounds which disturb the nerves of Europe," the war premier declared in an address under the auspices of the league of nations union.

The peace of 1918 left some ragged ends that need adjusting, he declared or they "are bound to irritate and inflame the canker."

**Source of Peril**  
The great source of peril to the peace of Europe, he asserted, was in too harsh an interpretation of treaties or in failure to give an honest effort to clauses in them which impose obligations on victorious nations.

He said he referred particularly to "the wholesale defiance" of provisions for protecting racial and religious minorities in annexed territories and the continued occupation of the Rhineland.

But above the causes of disturbance Lloyd George declared was "the flagrant disregard of promises of the allied nations." "It is far more formidable now than in 1914," he continued and it would thwart any attempt on the part of the league to deal with certain questions. Any dispute, he asserted, which would involve the surrender of any advantage enjoyed by a fully armed nation would lead to a desire on that nation's part to avoid arbitration.

**Protests Large Armaments**  
This continued existence of large armaments was a breach of faith, he charged on the part of nations "who entered the war to uphold the sanctity of treaties."

The recent naval disarmament conference was termed by the former premier "an incalculable calamity to the cause of peace and good will."

DIVORCE EVIL  
IN OREGON IS  
LOSING GROUND

SALEM, Ore., Oct. 25. (AP)—Divorces in Oregon are on the decrease if figures in the office of State Treasurer Kay are reliable. They were fewer by 29 during the year Oct. 1, 1925, to Sept. 30, 1927, than during the preceding 12 months.

The statistics are gathered under an act of the 1925 legislature providing that county clerks shall collect \$5 for each divorce case, the fees going into the general fund of the state to apply to the payment of salaries of district attorneys.

The receipts under the law for the first year of its operation was \$19,639, and the second year \$19,530, a total of \$39,169 for the two years.

Woman Denies She  
Was Often Drunk

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 25. (AP)—Mrs. Adeline M. Gates, plaintiff in a \$60,000 breach of promise suit against R. Russell Smith, former northwest golf champion, after hearing witnesses say she frequently was drunk, declared on the stand today "is a lie!"

H. C. Spicer and John S. Napier had testified she often was so drunk that she was unable to stand, and often had to be carried to bed. Neither witness could remember ever having heard her refuse a cocktail or highball.

Oregon's Deficit  
Jumps to \$811,567

SALEM, Ore., Oct. 25. (AP)—The latest calculation of Oregon's financial deficit shows a shortage of \$811,567.19, according to the state treasurer. The deficit will be wiped out temporarily next month by payment of the second half of state taxes by the counties.