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THE WEATHER

OREGON: Unsettled; probably
local rains tonight and Friday.
Moderate temperature.

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DEDICATE HOTEL TO PIONEERS

BUILDERS OF
EAST OREGON
ARE HONOREDSix-Story Structure Will
Serve as Fitting Monu-
ment to Their MemoryOPEN TO PUBLIC
EARLY TOMORROWReservations for Friday
More Numerous Than
at First Expected, Few
Rooms Unoccupied.Mr. Shaw announces this af-
ternoon that guests are to call at
the La Grande hotel desk for
their reservations as they ar-
rive for the banquet on the
opening night.Simultaneously with the open-
ing tomorrow night of the La
Grande hotel comes the announce-
ment that the management has
chosen to dedicate the institution
and its structure to the memory
of pioneers of Old Oregon. That
the dedication is entirely fitting
the circumstance is attested by
the general approval given the de-
cision by those consulted—the de-
cision strikes a popular chord and
plucks at the heart strings of en-
dearing sentiment existing among
younger generations toward those
who built the empire of the Pacific
Northwest, but more particularly
the intrepid pioneers of Union
county.The hotel will be formally open-
ed tomorrow evening with a ban-
quet and scenes that will be every-
thing lavishly expenditures can ac-
complish. From scores of La
Grande homes, from sister towns
of the county, from adjoining
counties and remote corners of
the state will come interested par-
ticipants contemplating joyous
festivity that will formally mark
the dawning of a new commercial
era in La Grande. Reservations
run into several hundreds but be-
cause of the unique and appropri-
ate nature of the dedication, espe-
cial interest will no doubt center
on two honored guests, namely
Dunham Wright, of Medical
Springs, who is the Grand Old
Man of Eastern Oregon, and Mrs.
Lydia Grandy, owner and accom-
panist of the residence torn down after
a sale completed Jan. 12 this year
at Fourth and Adams, to make
way for the juggernaut of pro-
gress so that a 165-room, six-story
hotel which was first conceivedDOKIES FROM
FOUR COUNTIES
ATTEND MEETTwo candidates, Fred Albertson
and Robert Ayres, both of La
Grande, were initiated last even-
ing when a D. O. K. ceremony
was held at the Knight of Pythias
hall here. There was a large at-
tendance, including members of
the order from Baker, Willowa,
Umatilla and Union counties.After the initiation ceremonies
a banquet was held with Claude
Berry, of La Grande, presiding as
toastmaster. Responses were
given by the Rev. R. C. Lee, of
Union, James Webb, past officer
of the grand lodge, and W. W.
Stevens, also of Union. Mr. Wal-
ton, of Adams, Mr. Thorpe, of Col-
fax, Wash., and Mr. Sherman and
Ed Cline, of Union.WHEN
IGNORANCE
IS AN EXCUSEWhen a business man puts in
a new line of merchandise, or
adds a new department to his
store, or provides for a new ser-
vice of some kind, or receives
new styles, or is able to make
new and lower prices—when-
ever he does or has anything
new, he naturally wants you to
know about it, and you natural-
ly want to. But if he fails to let
you know about it, your ignor-
ance is a perfect excuse for your
failure to take advantage of the
offer.The successful business man
knows you won't spend your
money for something you know
nothing about, nor will you
spend it in a store you are not
acquainted with. So he is a
constant Observer advertiser to
"let you know" the news of his
business. It is a most economi-
cal contact—and reaches over
2000 families in the La Grande
territory each day.
"Observer Advertising—
A Merchandising Service"Badges Awarded
Boy Scouts At
Court of HonorAdolph Siegrist and Claire
Perkins Become Life
Scouts at Ceremony at
Court House.Nearly 30 boy scouts of La
Grande received awards last eve-
ning when the largest court of hon-
or ever held here took place in the
court room of the county court
house, presided over by H. E.
Coulidge, chairman. Other officers
of the court present were Dr. Ray
Murphy, Gerald Tucker, A. W. Nel-
son, W. C. Perkins and E. Russell
Scott, scout executive.Every seat in the room was oc-
cupied by interested parents and
spectators, and the ceremonies were
most impressive.Two Life Awards
The most important feature of
the court of honor was the presen-
tation of life scout badges to two
of the boys, Adolph Siegrist and
Claire Perkins. Life scout badges
are given to scouts who have quali-
fied for 10 merit badges, including
first aid, physical development or
athletics, personal health, public
health, life saving or pioneering.
The presentations were made by
H. E. Coulidge.Lee C. Johnson was given his
star scout badge, which is awarded
when a scout has earned five merit
badges. W. C. Perkins presented
this award.Other Awards
Dr. Murphy presented the tender-
foot awards to Orval Sailer, Ever-
ett Reynolds and Raymond Rich-
ards. Mr. Scott presented the sec-
ond class badges, which were re-
ceived by Max Stoddard, Garth
Cross, Carl Helm Jr., Arthur Ste-
phen and Bob Stoddard. Gerald
Tucker presented the first class
badges and merit badges to the
second class scouts. The boys re-
ceiving first class rank were Puckey
McFarlane and Vernon Patton, and
merit badges went to Robert Weeks
for personal health and citizenship
in leather; Nolan Heusser for fire-
manship, citizenship in leather and
personal health; Carl Helm Jr., for
personal health; and Carl Coleman
or safety first.Merit Badges
A. W. Nelson presented the first
class merit badges, which went to
Donald Pancher for handicraft, in
wood; Lee C. Johnson, handicraft,
in wood; and Carl Coleman for
safety first.

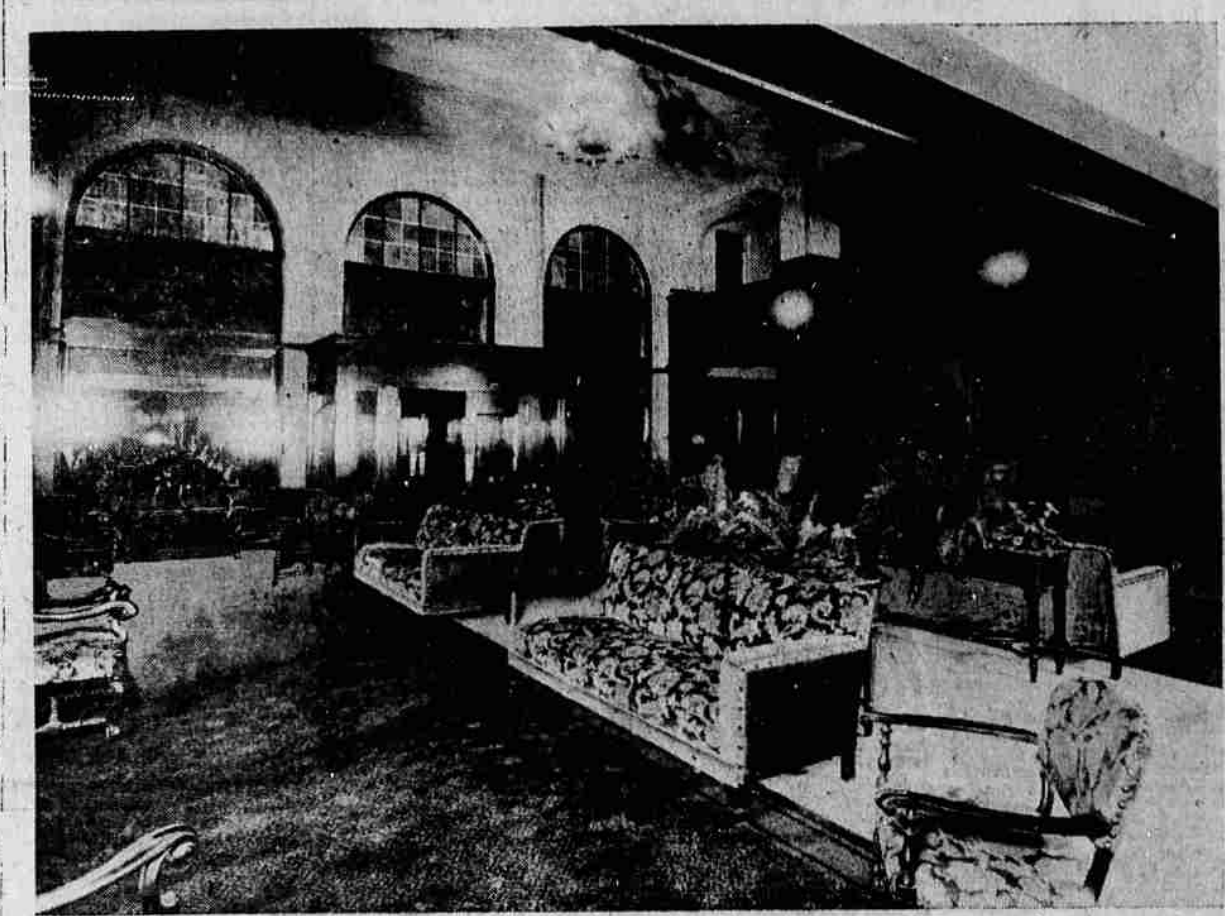
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COMMISSIONERS'
SESSION QUIETNo Further Action Taken
on Petition Asking Re-
moval of W. C. CrewsNo further action was taken on
the petition presented a week ago
requesting the removal of W. C.
Crews as city manager at the city
commission meeting last night, be-
cause of the absence of Commis-
sioner H. B. Coburn. The report
received by City Recorder J. E.
Stearns that only 87 of the 170 per-
sons whose names are on the peti-
tion are eligible to sign such a docu-
ment, was presented to the com-
mission.City Attorney George T. Cochran
announced that Circuit Judge J.
W. Knowles had denied a motion
for a retrial of the Minerva Knight
damage case.An approving opinion on the
\$45,000 water main bond issue was
received from Teal, White, Mc-
Culloch and Shuler, of Portland.
The bond issue is for the construc-
tion of a new 18-inch main from K
to Jefferson.A final assessment was allowed
Hartenbauer and Spaeth for sev-
er work on North Cherry in the
amount of \$497.67.Students Listen
To J. J. HandsakerAt an assembly held yesterday
at the high school auditorium, stu-
dents listened to J. J. Handsaker,
Near East relief worker, in an ad-
dress dealing with the work of his
association. Mr. Handsaker told in
an interesting manner something
of the problems and the accom-
plishments of the Near East workers.A brief assembly was held this
afternoon at which several formal
announcements were made by Prin-
cipal E. D. Towler.Forfeits \$50 To
Local TribunalEd Jones forfeited a \$50 bond
for non-appearance in the justice
court this morning on a charge of
unlawful possession of intoxicating
liquor. He was arrested last night
by Prohibition Officer George
Pierce, and was scheduled to ap-
pear before Judge Hugh E. Brady
this morning, which he failed to
do.U.S. GUNBOAT
ORDERED TO
YUENKONGReported Disorders in the
Chinese City Are to
Be InvestigatedNINE AMERICANS
ARE IN DISTRICTSevere Fighting Reported
North of Mingkwang—
Labor Party Turns Guns
on Canton.SHANGHAI, Nov. 17 (AP)—As
a result of reported disorders at
Yuenkong the U. S. gunboat Ashe-
ville has been sent from Hongkong
to Yuenkong by the commander
of the South China patrol. The
gunboat is to investigate the dis-
turbance.Consular dispatches from Canton
include a dispatch from three
Americans at Yuenkong who said
the disturbance occurred Tuesday.Parading working men and stu-
dents broke into the American
Catholic mission premises. The
Chinese military forces "saved the
situation." They arrested several
leaders. This resulted in excite-
ment among the unions, who de-
manded the release of the leaders.
It was stated that further trouble
is threatened unless the Canton
military command orders Yuen-
kong military leaders to take fur-
ther action. The latter is declared
to be wavering before opposition
from Canton labor leaders.

Nine Americans, including two

Elgin Veteran Of
Civil War PassesJames A. Widel, one of the
three last G. A. R. veterans of
Elgin, Ore., passed away at his
home last evening at the age of
85 years five months and six
days. Funeral services will be
held at Elgin at 2 o'clock Fri-
day afternoon under the direc-
tion of the American Legion.
He was a member of the Elgin
G. A. R. post and had been a re-
sident there for 27 years. Snod-
grass & Zimmerman have charge
of the body.TOTAL OF \$68
IN RED CROSS
PURSE TODAYSince the Red Cross roll call was
officially started Monday evening
a total of \$68 has been turned in,
Sherwood Williams, treasurer, re-
ported this morning.Most of the amount came from
the Knights of Pythias, the cham-
ber of commerce and the Rotary
club, these organizations being the
only ones to submit a full report so
far. Several other organizations
have turned in parts of their
amount, but have not yet reported
in full.The various lodges, clubs, etc.,
are taking the matter up at their
regular meetings and all reports
will be received by the end of the
drive, Nov. 24.Longfellow Issues Letter to All
Parents on Paralysis PreventionFollowing the reporting of two
cases of infantile paralysis in La
Grande in the last few days,
J. T. Longfellow, superintendent of
schools, has issued a letter to all
parents, reading as follows:
"For the past few months La
Grande has been almost com-
pletely surrounded by an epidemic of in-
fantile paralysis, and it was there-
fore inevitable that this disease
should appear in our town. Since
two cases have been reported in
this district, it seems wise to pub-
lish the following suggestions con-
cerning possible steps toward the
prevention of the spread of this
disease."Extremely Infectious
"Infantile paralysis is extreme-
ly infectious and is usually carried
either directly from child to child,
or from an adult carrier to a child,
by the nasal secretions. Contrary
to the general belief, the disease
does not start as a 'cold.' The first
thing noticed is that the child is
listless, has a temperature, which
may not be more than 100, com-
plaints of a headache, has vomiting
without apparent reason, and gives
on from this condition either to a
paralysis within twelve to twenty-
four hours, or to a recovery, or
death."
"In view of the manner in which
the disease is distributed, parents
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suggestions:

ONE VIEW OF THE SPACIOUS LA GRANDE HOTEL LOBBY



This is one view of the lobby of the new La Grande hotel showing the pleasing design of the interior architecture and the luxurious way in which the hotel is furnished. Large overstuffed davenport flanks each side of the aisle from the front entrance and mahogany ferneries filled with ferns and plants lend a softening and home-like touch. Comfortable arm chairs are conveniently placed and soft chandelier rugs cover the lounging portion of the lobby. To the rear is the desk and entrance to the elevator and the club dining room. On one side of the lobby is the entrance to the main dining room and coffee shop with a fireplace between. On the other side is a news stand and the hall leading to the side exit on Fourth street.

Hotel Opening
Special Edition
Is Issued TodayThe Observer is issuing a special
20-page paper today for the oc-
casion of the opening of the new La
Grande hotel at Fourth and Adams
tomorrow.The last 12 pages of this edition
are devoted almost entirely to the
hotel, including descriptive stories,
congratulatory messages to the
owner, lessee and assistant man-
ager, and pictures of both the in-
terior and exterior of the struc-
ture.La Grande Man
Fined \$100 For
Having LiquorPENDLETON, Ore., Nov. 17
(AP)—John Snodgrass, of La
Grande, was fined \$100 in justice
court yesterday afternoon, after
entering a plea of guilty to a charge
of unlawful possession. Snodgrass
was arrested with C. E. Kin-
ginsley near Emigrant Springs
the latter part of last week by
union county authorities. Kinginsley
is held in jail in lieu of bail of
\$500. Snodgrass said he was a
passenger in the car and had
nothing to do with the liquor.Longfellow Issues Letter to All
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the disease is distributed, parents
are urged to act upon the following
suggestions:COLLEGE DEBATE
IS STILL RAGING"Oregon State" or "Ore-
gon Agricultural" Stirs
Graduates of SchoolSALEM, Ore., Nov. 17 (AP)—
The controversy over the question
whether the college at Corvallis
shall be called "Oregon Agricul-
tural" or "Oregon State col-
lege" is unabated.The latest contributor to the
issue is H. L. Holgate, of Portland,
a graduate of 1886. He is presi-
dent of an organization known as
the "Oregon State club of Port-
land." Its 1500 members being
former students of the college. Mr.
Holgate says in a letter to Gov-
ernor Patterson that as far as he
knows there is no move afoot to
have the name officially changed,
but that there has been a really
public acceptance of the term
"Oregon State." When it was
proposed to change the name of
his club from the "O. A. C. Port-
land Club" to "Oregon State club
of Portland," he says only two of
the 1500 active members voted
against it.Holgate's Position
"It is not all surprising," he
writes, "that those most ardently
favoring the change are graduates
of the school of agriculture. They
thoroughly understand the im-
portance in the assertion that drop-
ping the word 'agricultural' from
the name of the college is a reflec-
tion upon the industry of agricul-
ture. At Oregon state agriculture
consists of ten or 12 major courses
and there is no discrimination of
any kind against the agricultural
students. In California the agri-
cultural students are not consid-
ered fit to associate with the 'high
brows' at Berkeley and are herded
into a separate institution at Davis,
a sort of scholastic pest house."Holgate avers that the college
never was intended, under the con-
stitutional act of 1862, to be strictly
an agricultural institution. It would be
untruthful, he says to call it the "col-
lege of engineering" or the "col-
lege of agriculture."Retired Railroad
Man Passes TodayJohn D. Sullivan, a resident of La
Grande for 40 years, passed away
this morning after an illness of
three days. Mr. Sullivan was an
employee of the O. W. R. and N.
company on this division for 33
years, retiring about a year ago.
He is survived by two children,
Mrs. C. T. Richards and Clyde Sul-
livan, both of this city, as well as a
host of friends. The deceased pass-
ed away at his home at 2015 Cedar
street. The funeral service will be
held Sunday afternoon at 2:30
o'clock at the Hunter & Bohnen-
kamp chapel.Serious Charge
Placed Against
La Grande CookHarvey Swart was arrested last
night by secret service officials on
a charge of falsifying a prescrip-
tion for narcotic drugs, and
signing thereto the name of a local
physician on June 29 of this year.
He was taken before C. R. Eber-
hard, United States commissioner,
this morning, waived preliminary
hearing and was bound over to the
United States grand jury of Port-
land under \$2500 bond.He was unable to furnish the
bond and was committed to the
county jail here until tonight when
he will be taken to Portland. Swart
gave his occupation as a cook.Democrats Study
Two-Thirds RuleWASHINGTON, Nov. 17 (AP)—
When the democratic national com-
mittee meets here in mid-January,
its members probably will be asked
to consider once again whether the
rule requiring a two-thirds vote
for nomination of a presidential
candidate should be abolished.Chairman Shaver and other party
managers take the view that the
question whether a bare majority
or two-thirds of the convention
should nominate is one for the con-
vention itself to decide, but there
is increasing talk about the capital
that the committee itself may be
sounded out on the subject during
the session here.The primary purpose of the Janu-
ary gathering is to select a con-
vention city.Magruder Cancels
Speaking DatesWASHINGTON, Nov. 17 (AP)—
Rear Admiral Thomas P. Mag-
ruder, who is on "waiting orders"
as the result of his criticism of the
navy department, has canceled all
of his engagements for public
appearances for reasons he does not
care to discuss.Receive No News
Of Princess XeniaNEW DELHI, India, Nov. 17.
(AP)—Lack of news of the plane
Princess Xenia in which Captain
R. H. McIntosh and Bert Blincher
set out from England Tuesday on a
non-stop flight to India caused the
fear to be expressed that the air-
men may have been forced to land
somewhere along the route.
The authorities figure that if all
went well the plane should have
been here between 8 and 9 o'clock
this morning (Indian standard
time). It was estimated, however,
that the airman had enough fuel to
last them until 4:30 this afternoon.EUGENE LUMBER
MAN BLAMES TAXSays Present Revenues
Result in "Too Rapid De-
struction" of ForestsCHICAGO, Nov. 17 (AP)—Tax-
ation was blamed for the "too
rapid destruction" of American
forests through the cutting of
timber for lumber by R. E. Dan-
aher, of Eugene, Ore., who ad-
dressed the national forestry con-
ference here today.Forced to convert their timber
into a marketable product be-
cause of a general dual taxation
system, lumbermen cut faster than
they would if only a land tax is
levied, Mr. Danaher said.Property tax is inimical to fore-
stry, he asserted. "It demands, if
not exact, excessive annual taxa-
tion of forest crops, assessed re-
peatedly over a long period of
years as part of the realty and
with the expectation value of the
crop recognized each time. This,
without earnings, swallows up to
pay is likely, if not certain to re-
sult in a summative total taxa-
tion which confiscates all value
even if the crop is not destroyed
by fire, insects and disease."It is correct to tax the land an-
nually on its face value, and not
tax the crop except as any profit
therein is reached by other profit
taxations he asserted.Wrote 4000 Letters
To His Dead WifeSIOUX CITY, Ia., Nov. 17
(AP)—Mathias Brown, 76,
died here Tuesday, 13 years
after the death of his wife.
Among his belongings was a flat-
ed "bundle of old mail."The bundle consisted of more
than 4,000 letters, all addressed
to the dead wife, which were
written daily since her
death and carefully filed.Destroyers Crash
Off Point LomaSAN DIEGO, Cal., Nov. 17 (AP)—
While exercising at high speed
yesterday in preparation for tor-
pedo practice about 30 miles off
Point Loma the U. S. destroyer
Somers crashed into the destroyer
Somers.
Both destroyers were badly dam-
aged but only one casualty was an-
nounced by naval officials, who
said that a sailor aboard the Zellin
had been slightly hurt. About 20
feet of the Zellin's bow was crush-
ed in when she reached San Diego
harbor last night. The Somers was
struck on the port side and her
frame was crushed, her after en-
gine rooms wrecked and one of her en-
gine rooms stove in.WASHINGTON
IS DAMAGED
BY TORNADOStorm Causes at Least One
Death and Injures a
Score PersonsWHITE HOUSE IS
HARDLY TOUCHEDGovernment Buildings Es-
cape — Hyattsville, a
Suburb, Reports Prop-
erty Loss.WASHINGTON, Nov. 17 (AP)—
Two men were reported killed at
15th and G streets northeast, dur-
ing a second torrential rain, today
that followed a cyclonic distur-
bance in the northeast and south-
east sections of Washington and
nearby environs.WASHINGTON, Nov. 17 (AP)—
A tornado dipped down into the
north east and southeast sections
of Washington this afternoon, caus-
ing at least one death, unroofing
many buildings and injuring at
least a score.There was some damage, too, at
Hyattsville, Md.; Alexandria, Va.,
and other nearby places, but re-
ports an hour after the storm had
passed did not indicate that the
casualty list would be great.The northwest section of Wash-
ington, where the White House and
most of the government buildings
stand, as well as the southwest
section, were virtually undamaged.In the southeast trees were up-
rooted over a section of about four
blocks. A large market and a de-
partment store were among the
buildings most seriously damaged.

Hyattsville Damaged

The principal damage in Hyatt-
sville consisted of the unroofing of
an ice factory and damage to a
number of other buildings.The first death to be reported
was that of a man who was struck
by lightning at the corner of 15th
and H streets, northeast.In that section the storm swoop-
ed down close to the navy yards
and swept north to Benning road.
The marine barracks were on the
fringe of the storm's path. A part
of the heavy slate roof was blown
down on the parade grounds.The storm struck with sudden
intensity after a day of drizzling
rain. Persons on downtown Wash-
ington streets saw a gathering to-
gether of the clouds in the familiar
tunnel shape, just as President
Coolidge was leaving the White
House for the Union station to
board a train for Philadelphia.A roof on the Norwood apart-
ment house on East Capital street
was torn off but no one was hurt
there as far as could be deter-
mined.Alexandria Hit
Alexandria, Va., just across the
Potomac river, also was struck by
the storm. Five reports indicated
no one was injured there.The storm was accompanied by
an unseasonable display of light-
ning.WASHINGTON, Nov. 17 (AP)—
President Coolidge left by train at
3:15 p. m. for Philadelphia today
to deliver an address tonight be-
fore the Union league.PASTOR UNDER
ARREST; DRUNK,
OFFICER SAYSMIDFORD, Ore., Nov. 17 (AP)—
Rev. William H. Ray, pastor of
the Methodist church south of this
city, was arrested by State Traffic
Officer Charles Talent near Jack-
son Hot Springs, a resort on the
Pacific highway near Ashland last
night, charged with intoxication.
He was taken to Ashland and
held before Judge Justice of the Peace
Robert White, who has his hearing for
this afternoon. Members of his
congregation furnished bail of
\$100.Talent alleges that Mr. Ray was
drunk and negligently inclined
when arrested.He has been pastor of the local
church for about three months.Small Arms Taken
By Oakland PoliceOAKLAND, Cal., Nov. 17 (AP)—
Six machine guns, 40,000 rounds
of ammunition, automatic rifles
and a large supply of small arms
were seized by police in an Al-
bany, Cal., house today. The weap-
ons and ammunition were slated
to be sent to eastern gangsters, the
officers were advised in tips they
received from police in Cleveland
and Kent, Ohio.