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OREGON: Cloudy tonight and
Thursday; probably occasional rain
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CHURCHES TO
JOIN IN DAY'S
OBSERVANCEUnion Service to Be Held
at the Presbyterian
Church at 10 A. M.BORDNER TO GIVE
MORNING SERMONServices Will Also Be Held
at Episcopal and Christian
Science Houses of
Worship.

A special feature of Thanksgiving day in La Grande will be the annual Thanksgiving church service, which will be held in the First Presbyterian church tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock, under the direction of the La Grande Ministerial association. Ministers of the city express their desire that many will avail themselves of the opportunity to give thanks for the past year of peace and plenty.

The offering of money or provisions will be given to charity, of which there is a great need.

Bordner to Speak

The Rev. L. E. Bordner, of the First Baptist church, will deliver the Thanksgiving sermon. The Rev. J. George Wain, pastor of the Presbyterian church, will preside and the program will open with an organ prelude with Miss Edith Maguire at the console. This will be followed by a song, invocation, Lord's prayer, floral offering and the reading of the proclamation by the Rev. L. E. Wain.

The hymn, "My Country 'Tis of Thee," will be sung by a scripture reading by the Rev. Oliver Hiley, rector of St. Peter's Episcopal church. The Presbyterian quartet, consisting of Mrs. A. L. Richardson, soprano; Mrs. W. H. Holmquist, alto; Richard Dymally, tenor; and E. D. Towler, baritone, will sing "O Lord, How Manifold Are Thy Works" by Maule, and after prayer by the Rev. Henry W. Parker, of the First Methodist Episcopal church, will sing "How Wild Were Hymns in Perfect Peace."

This will be followed by the address of the morning, after which the offering will be played and the offering will be taken, directed by the Rev. J. A. Hall of the Methodist Episcopal church, south. The Rev. Mr. Bordner will pronounce the benediction.

Other Services

Thanksgiving day will be observed in St. Peter's Episcopal church tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock, when there will be a church service of the Holy Communion with special music and an anthem by the choir.

The First Church of Christ, Scientist, will have Thanksgiving services tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock and the Salvation Army will have special services tomorrow evening in observance of Thanksgiving.

Morning Thanksgiving services have been arranged so that they will close early to give place of time for the early Thanksgiving dinners.

TWO FINED IN
JUSTICE COURT
IN 'MOON' CASE

Best Barnes and Harold Cochran, both of La Grande, pleaded guilty to a charge of unlawful possession of moonshine whisky, in the justice of the peace court last evening, and were sentenced to pay fines. Barnes' fine was set at \$25 and Cochran's at \$100 and costs. Both were in jail today as the result of not being able to furnish the amount of their fines.

The two were arrested yesterday by George Pierce, prohibition officer.

HOW
MANY HOMES
IN LA GRANDE?

People who have distributed food samples throughout the city since last Saturday and Sunday, have estimated that there are sixteen and eighteen hundred packages are required to do the job. The Observer distributes over 1700 copies in La Grande every evening through its carrier system and over 200 additional copies through the mail in the immediate vicinity of the city. Stages take bundles of papers in every direction each evening to smaller towns and a total of over 2500 families in this trade area read The Observer regularly—the highest mark in the paper's history.

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Observer Advertising—A Merchandising Service

Safety Devices
On Railroads in
West DescribedLa Grande Rotary Club
Hears Interesting Talk
by W. H. Guild, Division
Superintendent.

Automatic devices now in operation upon the Union Pacific system are adding greatly to the safety of train travel, W. H. Guild, superintendent of the second division of the U. P., informed the members of the La Grande Rotary club today at the regular noon luncheon in the private dining room of the mezzanine at the La Grande hotel.

Mr. Guild gave a very interesting description of the automatic safety control of railroads, particularly describing the train control now in effect between The Dalles and Portland on the U. P. line, which automatically stop a train without any action on the part of the engineer in case the track becomes obstructed or unsafe in any way. He also described the electrified fence guards placed at different sections along the O. P. right-of-way, where rocks are likely to roll down on the track and become a menace. The electric fence is connected with a block system and on obstruction rolling onto the right-of-way and breaking through the fence automatically sets the block signals and protects moving trains.

Discusses Ethics

G. S. Birnie was the other main speaker of the meeting and opened a discussion on business ethics that will be carried into some future meetings for general participation of the membership. He brought up various points of actual practice in business and urged a general airing of opinions on what sound, ethical practices should be approved.

Sherwood Williams and Elmer Stoddard gave five-minute autobiographies that were very interesting. The question of the integrity of a meeting was brought up. A committee is at work on plans for this affair to include the participation of Walla Walla and Pendleton. The date is tentatively set as Dec. 14.

Tigers To Make
Final Stand of
Fall Tomorrow

The Tigers make their last stand tomorrow. In the trail of a long string of defeats they will go on the field against Union before a Thanksgiving day crowd in one last effort to pull down a victory. The Tigers haven't forgotten that Union beat them two years ago and come today with a point of doing so last year. Neither has Union forgotten it. This, together with the desperate determination to break the defeat jinx will undoubtedly add to the keenness of tomorrow's game.

La Grande Lineup

Coach Christie would prophesy neither victory nor defeat this morning. "If the line will hold and the backs will carry the ball we can win," was his statement. He gave his lineup for the game as: Bruce, center; Keffler, quarterback; Shinn, guard; Buchanan, fullback; tackle; Charleton, Roe and Price, ends; Evans, quarter; Faus, fullback; Harlow and Frost, halfbacks; Conley, fullback substitute.

In a pep assembly held this afternoon at the high school students were promised a victory tomorrow. Coach Ralph Christie was the major speaker, introducing his team to the assembly and declaring that tomorrow's game "had to be won." Dr. R. G. McCull was introduced and gave an interesting address to the students. The boys' glee club sang. During the meeting Dale Charleton, Ray Harlow, Edward Buchanan and Bill Peaky were called upon for talks. H. D. A. W. Nelson spoke briefly to the students. After a few announcements and following the customary yell and song, the meeting closed.

The game tomorrow begins at two o'clock. Whipple, of Baker will be referee; Jordan, of Haines, umpire; and Morgan of Imbler, head linesman.

Food Stores Will
Stay Open Later

Food stores in La Grande will remain open until about 8:30 o'clock tonight. It is announced in order to accommodate the Thanksgiving orders.

Other stores, including clothing stores, that make a practice of closing at six o'clock during week nights, will not remain open later this evening, it is said.

ATTEMPTS SUICIDE

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 23 (AP)—Responding because of continued illness, W. R. Cochran, 62, of Cottage Grove, Ore., who has been confined to St. Vincent's hospital since October 22, attempted to commit suicide early today by slashing his throat with a razor blade, the hospital reported. He will live, attendants say.

CHICAGO WAR
STILL RAGES,
GUNS BLAZEActivities of Gangsters
Responsible for Shoot-
ing of DetectiveBOMB HURLED AS
REPLY TO POLICECapone Willing to Nego-
tiate for Peace—Mayor
Thompson Confident of
His Officers

CHICAGO, Nov. 23 (AP)—Activities of Chicago gangsters in the latest war for the control of gambling and vice syndicates were responsible for the accidental shooting of Detective Sergeant Thomas Lynch by another policeman early today.

A green sedan near the home of Tony Lombardo, allied with Al Capone, a leader of one of the rival gangs, attracted the attention of Sergeant Lynch while touring the west side. Before police in a squad car could question the occupants of the sedan, the latter drove off.

Will Recover

At a hospital it was said that the officer probably would recover. The gangsters accused said they had no alternative under the law, and explained that the only relief the men could get would be through congress.

Simultaneously, there came a

peace overture from Al (Scarface) Capone.

"When I was told that Joe Alletto wanted peace, I was ready to agree," Capone said in his first newspaper interview in more than a year.

"I am willing to talk to anybody, any place, to bring about a settlement. I don't want trouble. I don't want bloodshed. But I am going to protect myself. When some one strikes at me, I will strike back."

"Bugs" Moran and Barney Reet.

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L. H. S. BAND WILL
PLAY IN ARCADEConcert Is Scheduled for
Period Between Shows
This Evening

La Grande's 10-piece high school band, in its first concert appearance, will be accorded an excellent reception tonight at the Arcade theater, judging from the amount of interest being shown about the city. The band, under the direction of W. W. Nushbaum, will perform for half an hour, between the first and second showings of "The High School Hero." Numbers will include an overture, a romance and several marches, probably five sections in all.

The boys' glee club, another musical organization of the high school, will also appear on the program, singing "To Jingle Land" and "What's the Use?" Meyers and Bowen, owners of the theater are donating all proceeds of the picture, after the expenses have been paid, to the band for use in buying equipment. While the band has made several appearances at the football games and at the high school this it is its debut, musically speaking, in the way of a concert performance in the city. The band, organized last spring, under the direction of Mr. Nushbaum, has made rapid strides, both in size and in quality of performance.

ACCUSE ROBERT GREEN

MARSHFIELD (AP)—The coroner's jury in the Robert Green murder case recommended late today that Robert Green be held for the grand jury in connection with the slaying.

Lists of Names of Boys and Their
Ages Aid Police in Enforcing Law

A determined effort to keep boys under 21 years of age out of pool halls and card rooms is being made by the police department and, according to officers, is producing results.

The movement is particularly aimed at boys of high school age and has been under way for some time but, until lately, with only mediocre results.

Yesterday the police secured a list of names of more than 300 boys of high school age, with the correct age of each person listed. With this, police officers declare that they will have no more trouble because of uncertainty as to whether the boy in question is under the age limit.

Lists Given to Pool Halls

In addition to lists on file in the police office, duplicate lists have been given to the Imperial Billiard parlors, the Club, Corner Billiard parlors and the Union.

2 War Veterans
Are Sentenced by
Judge McNaryPenalty Imposed Because
Men Defied the Federal
Court Order to Vacate
Forest Lands.

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 23 (AP)—E. H. Best, disabled World War veteran and Emory Davis, disabled Spanish War veteran, were sentenced to 20 days in jail today by Federal Judge McNary because they had defied an order of court directing them to vacate land in the Umpqua national forest upon which they had settled.

Several months ago they were given notice by the forest service to vacate the homesteads which they had occupied, government officers contending that the land was not open for settlement and not fit for agricultural purposes. The men failed to move and a court order was issued against them. Still failing to move, they were arrested for contempt of court and brought to Portland. In September they were given 60 days to move and last week federal officers again arrested them, charging they had not complied with the order.

Best made a plea in court today for his neighbor, saying Davis had married a woman at Roseburg since September and was moving from the forest homestead. As for himself he said:

"My wife refused to live under a tree and I had no other place for her."

When Best was taken from his home his wife and three children, the youngest 18 months old, remained there awaiting his return. Asked what his family would do until his release, Best said he did not know what they could do.

Forest Service Accused

The forest service accused said they had no alternative under the law, and explained that the only relief the men could get would be through congress.

Mrs. Snyder And
Gray Executions
Due in January

ALBANY, N. Y., Nov. 23 (AP)—The week beginning Jan. 2, was fixed by the court of appeals today for the execution in the electric chair at Sing Sing prison of Mrs. Ruth Brown Snyder, Queens Village housewife and mother, and her partner, Henry Judd Gray, for the murder of Mrs. Snyder's husband, Albert Snyder.

Under the provisions of the penal law, the execution must take place not less than four weeks or more than eight weeks after the date of sentence. Ordinarily the court fixes a time midway between the maximum and minimum times.

Clark William J. Armstrong, of the court proposed the death warrants, setting the execution for the week of Jan. 2. These were signed by the judges of the court and forwarded to Sing Sing prison where Mrs. Snyder and Gray are confined in the death house.

Governor Only Hope

Fixing the date of execution followed the court's unanimous action yesterday in sustaining the convictions of the blonde-haired Mrs. Snyder and her cousin, salesman.

The only chance for life left to the convicted pair is executive clemency at the hands of Governor Smith. It is considered a certainty that appeals for commutation of sentence to life imprisonment will be presented to the executive but in the event, judged by his procedure, the state will give no accommodations regarding his attitude until after the clemency hearing.

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SKILL SAVES OCEAN FLIER FROM DEATH



Captain Frederick A. Giles, Australian flier, who miraculously escaped death yesterday when his airplane became temporarily uncontrollable over the Pacific ocean. His skillful maneuvering he managed to right the machine and returned to the mainland. Above is the plane; below, Giles smiles farewell from the cockpit. In the upper right, Giles is shown plotting his flight across the Pacific.

SOVIET OUT TO
SEIZE VESSELSSo Says Rumor Received
in Rumania—Russia
Flatly Denies Report

BUCHAREST, Rumania, Nov. 23 (AP)—Rumanian ships piled their way across the Black Sea today armed because of the reported presence along the steamship lanes of soviet war vessels.

The soviet vessels, torpedo boats and destroyers, were said to be intent on capturing all ships which formerly belonged to the white Russian fleet.

The Egyptian steamer Gheorghe Petro, which formerly was in the white fleet, remained at Constantia, Rumania, fearing to leave port because of the probability of capture.

With detachments of marines aboard, the Rumanian steamers Dacia sailed for Alexandria and the Princess Maria for Constantinople. The Rumanian admiralty learned all the larger vessels because of the report that soviet torpedo boats and destroyers were following the route followed by Rumanian and foreign postal and passenger steamers.

The soviet fleet was said to have held maneuvers near the Rumanian, Bulgarian and Turkish coasts during the last three months. Several soviet destroyers came inside Rumanian territorial waters at Constantia in full view of army and navy officers. The officer hurriedly prepared to resist an attack.

MOSCOW, Nov. 23 (AP)—The soviet foreign office today flatly denied reports from Bucharest that soviet war vessels were on a mysterious cruise in the Black sea, seeking particularly to capture all ships which formerly belonged to the white Russian fleet.

Boise Will Lift
Paralysis Bans

BOISE, Ida., Nov. 23 (AP)—The infantile paralysis quarantine imposed on Boise since the first of November was lifted today by the board of control, composed of physicians and city officials. The lifting of the quarantine is effective Saturday morning.

Boise had eight cases of the disease.

Modern Godiva To
Be Without Horse

CHICAGO, Nov. 23 (AP)—Lady Godiva will not ride at the arts ball Friday night. She will appear on foot.

After a fortnight's pro and con the entertainment committee has decided that a horse in a machine age would be somewhat ridiculous, even though it followed the legend of the lady who rode through Coventry draped only in her long flowing hair.

The argument is supposed to represent life in 2000 A. D. and the committee seemed to think that by that time horses would be extinct.

There have been numerous applicants for the role of Lady Godiva, but no announcement of the committee's choice has been made.

14 Inches of Snow
In McKenzie Pass

SALEM, Ore., Nov. 23 (AP)—The state highway department today reported 14 inches of snow on McKenzie Pass. The highway is being kept open by the use of snow plows and an effort will be made to keep it open throughout the winter.

Captain Giles Narrowly Escapes
Death But Will Try Flight Again

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 23 (AP)—The Chronicle today will quote U. S. Weather Forecaster T. R. Reed of the weather office here as declaring that reports from six vessels along the great circle route from San Francisco to Honolulu, along which Captain Frederick A. Giles was supposed to be flying said nothing of the squalls Giles blames for failure to continue his proposed Golden Gate-New Zealand flight.

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 23 (AP)—

The defeat in his assault upon the treacherous always of the Pacific have failed to crack the determination of Captain Frederick A. Giles, British war ace, to wing his way from America to Australia.

Sorely he landed yesterday afternoon on the William Randolph Hearst ranch at San Simeon, Cal., after an almost miraculous escape from the fate which has claimed several other courageous flight pioneers of the western sea, than Giles voted his new challenge to the Pacific.

"I'm going to try again," he said laughingly in a telephone call to The Los Angeles Examiner. "I'm going to fix the ship and fly her back to San Francisco. And then as soon as the moon's full and I can get new charts I'll be off again. I've started to fly to Australia, and by George, I'm going to do it."

Death Escape Narrow

Giles' narrow escape from death came about 500 miles at sea. He had hopped off at 7:24 yesterday morning from Mills Field, San Francisco, for Honolulu. His first stop in the long ocean flight. Four hundred eighty miles at sea in an "air pocket," the flier's term for a variation in air intensity, he went spinning down. His biplane entirely out of control. His center bracing wires snapped under the strain of the heavy gasoline load, as the plane tumbled upside down. His charts, food and instruments were hurled into the ocean waiting to claim another intrepid flier's life.

Then with magnificent flying skill, the British flier brought his plane right side up, made a wild guess in that fog-bound world as to the direction of the mainland, and started shoreward. He sighted shore 60 miles north of his landing place on the Hearst ranch, 50 miles north of San Luis Obispo.

"I think that my experience solves definitely the mystery of what happened to the lost Boie racers (contestants in the ill-fated air race to Honolulu)," Giles said. "I had a biplane and it was only by the sheerest luck that I survived what I went through. A monoplane is much less stable than a biplane; it wouldn't have had a chance in the weather that turned me over."

The Flier's Story

Here's the flier's story of his great adventure as told over the telephone from San Simeon:

"The weather was fine until I got about 300 miles out, when it started getting bad—cloudy with rain squalls. And I began to feel those air pockets they have out there over the Pacific—the same things that must have spelled curtains for Jack Frost and Bill Eskin and Augie Fiedler and Miss Duran, you know."

"It wasn't bad enough to stop me though. I figured I'd get through. But my luck was out—or maybe it is. Four hundred and eighty miles out I ran into utterly foul weather. The clouds

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COOLIDGE IS
ABOUT READY
FOR ADDRESSTo Give Idea of Needs of
Country in Annual Mes-
sage to CongressDETAILED REPORT
EAGERLY AWAITEDPresident Has Already In-
formed the Country of
His General Views on
Many Questions.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 23 (AP)—Approaching the end of a laborious task, President Coolidge is about ready, by mandate of the constitution, to present his views on the needs of the country, in an annual message to congress.

Coming at a time when a wide range of problems are pressing for solution, the message is being awaited with more than ordinary speculation, particularly so because of the interest in what the president will recommend regarding such disputed questions as farm relief, flood control, and development of relations between the nation's resources and defense.

In a general way, it is true, Mr. Coolidge already has informed the country of his views on many questions of importance but he has left for congress the privilege of hearing any specific and detailed recommendations which he may choose to make.

That he desired to round out

the navy by the building of more submarines and cruisers, provide adequately for the control of the Mississippi river and correlated projects, build up the merchant marine and dispose of the Boulder Canyon project and in times the Columbia river irrigation project is known. But his message is expected to deal with these subjects in detail and it still remains to be disclosed what still he will take on farm relief—the one problem which seems approaching to the minds of many politicians, intermingled as it is with the presidential campaign of next year.

Repeated reiterations at the White House that the President will stand behind the treasurers' recommendations for a \$225,000,000 tax reduction and in its other proposals, leaves little doubt that Mr. Coolidge will inform congress emphatically of what he considers its duty along these lines.

He also had made it plain that he would like to see expenditures for purely local purposes held to an absolute minimum so that there could be effected a further reduction of the national debt, the present size of which he regards as a menace to the country's credit.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 23 (AP)—

Exemption of federal securities from the surtax will be recommended to congress by Secretary Mellon.

Such action would remove all federal securities from the taxation field and would be in line with recommendations made in a speech by Under Secretary Mills recently at Worcester, Mass., in which he declared that because of the exemption of corporate bonds from the federal securities tax the price of government securities and prevented their wide distribution.

Secretary Mellon also believes that the lifting of the surtax on federal securities would put them more on a par with state and municipal offerings which are free from the surtax and under present conditions make a more attractive investment.

Since the wartime bond issues are being rapidly called, the treasury hopes by eliminating the surtax to encourage a wider distribution of federal securities, which the claim is more wholesome than by having the majority federal issues closely held by corporations.

LEGISLATION DESIRED

WASHINGTON, Nov. 23 (AP)—Legislation which is desired by two

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NOT EAGER TO
PROVIDE MORE
BIG CRUISERS

LONDON, Nov. 23 (AP)—The British government is reluctant to lay down any more 10,000-ton cruisers at the present in the hope that naval limitations may yet be reached. W. C. Bridgeman, first lord of the admiralty told the house of commons today.

Replying to a question in the house of commons, Mr. Bridgeman said that a new situation had arisen owing to the fact that although Great Britain's proposals for limitation in the number of large 10,000-ton cruisers had not been agreed to at Geneva, the discussion led the hope that a limitation might be reached.

In these circumstances he added, the British government was reluctant to lay down any more of these cruisers at present.

Judah Appointed
Cuba Ambassador

WASHINGTON, Nov. 23 (AP)—Noble Brandon Judah, a Chicago lawyer, was appointed by President Coolidge today to be ambassador to Cuba.

Judah was recommended to Mr. Coolidge by a group of influential Chicago republicans. He has a distinguished war record and has been prominent in law and banking circles in Chicago for some time but he has had no diplomatic experience.

The appointment fills a vacancy at Havana created by the resignation last spring of Major General Enoch H. Crowder.

Davis Funeral To
Be This Afternoon

SALEM, Ore., Nov. 23 (AP)—Funeral services for the late Judge George E. Davis, state corporation commissioner, will be held at 2 o'clock this afternoon from the Riddien chapel here, conducted by the Knights Templar. Interment will be in City View cemetery.

Minister Pleads
Guilty, Is Fined

MEDFORD, Ore., Nov. 23 (AP)—The Rev. William E. Ray, former pastor of the Methodist church south of this city, pled guilty to a charge of intoxication on a public highway, in justice court at Ashland yesterday afternoon and was fined \$100 and costs.

A committee of the church has investigated the case and has recommended that Mr. Ray be forgiven, and transferred to another pulpit.

Mr. Ray was formerly chaplain of the Mount state prison.

Shipstead Backs
McNary Farm Bill

WASHINGTON, Nov. 23 (AP)—Endorsement of the vetoed McNary-Haugen farm relief bill was reiterated today by Senator Shipstead, farmer-labor, Minnesota.

Not did he care to state how he would vote in organization of the senate where his vote would be required by the republicans to equal the democratic membership of 47 in the event Senators Vane of Pennsylvania and Smith of Illinois were not seated.

STUDENT BREAKS LEG

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 23 (AP)—Harry Campbell, 15, Roseburg High school student, is at Good Samaritan hospital today with a fractured leg. He was injured when he fell from a tree on the Roseburg high school grounds.