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THE WEATHER
OREGON: Generally cloudy to
night and Wednesday, probably
rain along the coast. Continued
cold. Gentle variable winds.

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CITY COURT
CONVICTIONS
HIGH IN 1927Police Arrest 301 Persons
and of This Number 279
Are Found GuiltyFINES, FORFEITURES
AMOUNT TO \$4,531.50Liquor Violations First,
Traffic Second—Half a
Hundred Arrested for
Disorderly Conduct.One of the best records in many
years and the best in the last three
years was made by the La Grande
police department during 1927, a
report completed by Police Chief
Clint Haynes reveals.The high points in the report are:
The number and percentage of con-
victions, the amount of fines and
forfeitures taken in and the fact
that arrests during the year, sub-
tracting Sundays, would average
more than one a day.A total of \$4,531.50 was realized
in fines and forfeitures, the largest
amount on record in the last
three years.Three hundred and one arrests
were made and of this number 250
were convicted and 19 were paroled,
making a total of actual convictions
of 279. Of the 201 arrests only
22 defendants were found not
guilty, a fraction more than
seven per cent.Liquor Cases High
Liquor cases led in the summary
of arrests with a total of 133, di-
vided as follows: Number drunk,
99; number having liquor in pos-
session, 42.Traffic violations, ranging from
cutting corners to faulty license
plates and driving while intox-
icated, were second with 195 arrests
for this cause.Much Disorderly Conduct
Disorderly conduct accounts for
an even 50 arrests. In addition to
these commoner causes, eight were
arrested for gambling and four for
peddling without a license.Prisoners served a total of 1142
days in jail and 2947 meals were
served by the city.Money realized from pound fees
was \$27.50.At present the police department
consists of two day men and four
night men. Police Chief Haynes and
Traffic Officer Claude Cooper are
in complete charge during the day-
time with the night men also under
the police chief.Judge C. M. Humphreys is in
charge of municipal court, where
police cases are tried, and Cochran
& Eberhard are city attorneys.MRS. MITCHELL
PASSES AWAY
AT COVE, ORE.Matilda J. St. John Mitchell, for
23 years a resident at Cove, passed
away at her home there last night
at the age of 72 years. She was
born May 26, 1855. Besides her
widowed husband she leaves to
mourn her loss one daughter, Mrs.
Minette Senter, of Cove.The funeral will be held from
the family home at Cove at 1:30
o'clock Wednesday afternoon with
Snodgrass and Zimmerman in charge.
Burial will be in the Cove
cemetery.Miller, Williams
Trial PostponedThe case of T. E. Williams and
Frank Miller, scheduled for this
morning in the justice of the peace
court was postponed until tomor-
row morning at 9:30 o'clock. The
two were arrested last Wednesday
by prohibition officers, G. M.
Pierce and S. W. Edgins, and en-
tered a plea of not guilty of a
charge of unlawful possession of
intoxicating liquor. Before Judge
Hugh E. Brady, bonds were placed
at \$500 each, which they furnished.GETTING
READY FOR
SPRINGIt's not yet time for spring
house-cleaning—but you are get-
ting ready for it with plans for
changing things about, getting
new things, getting rid of old
things.Check over the things in the
attic or storeroom or woodshed—
check over the things you'd
like to discard if you could do
so to a reasonable advantage.
Then write a Want Ad for The
Observer and have it inserted
several days. Someone wants the
things you don't want. You
can find them—and their money—
with a Want Ad. The cost is
extremely small—the line for
the first insertion, 75¢ a line for
each insertion thereafter."Observer Advertising—
A Merchandising Service"Thrift Week Is
Given Attention
Over This CityBankers Speak Well for
Movement—Schools In-
corporate Subject in the
Regular Daily Lessons."Thrift week should mean as
much to the housewife and to the
boy and girl as it does to the busi-
ness man." This was the opinion
of F. L. Meyers, vice president of
the La Grande National bank, in
an interview this morning on
Thrift week, which, beginning to-
day, is being observed through the
American nation, in schools, busi-
ness, and civic groups. The birth-
day of Benjamin Franklin, Jan.
17, is also the opening day of
Thrift week, and its selection as
that date is in way of a tribute
to the early American, as well as
an appropriate time in which to
introduce the national Thrift cam-
paign.Thrift week in La Grande will
not be observed with any outlined
program, yet it will receive con-
siderable attention.Schools Study Thrift
Public schools of the city are
working in the subject in connec-
tion with their regular daily les-
sons, many of the businesses have
literature on the subject which is
distributed; and the thought of
Thrift week and its ideals will be
associated with the week's work.Officials of three banks of La
Grande were interviewed this
morning on the subject of Thrift
week. That Thrift week, in the
past has brought good effects was
their unanimous opinion. The
American people, particularly the
youth of America, are saving more
money, and are being more care-
ful in their spending, and more
bank accounts are being opened,
they said.Cause For Thinking
T. J. Scroggin, vice president of
the United States National bank
says "Thrift week and the pro-
gram on the subject of Thrift
which it brings makes Americans
stop and think. Undoubtedly, it
has played a material part in the
increased attention to bank ac-
counts and lessons of thrift that
children of today are receiving. I
believe the institution of Thrift
week was a wise and commendable
thing."Sherwood Williams, president of
the Equitable Savings bank de-
clares that "Thrift is the founda-
tion of any success in any line of
endeavor." Mr. Williams goes on
to say that the basic principle on
which savings banks are organized
is that no matter how successful
a man's business may be, or how
big his salary, that somewhere he
should accumulate a protection
against the days of adversity. The
principles of Thrift week should
be observed, not for the one week,
(Continued on Page 5)Musical Program
Here February 6
Features ArtistsWhat is believed to be the first
musical program ever given in
Eastern Oregon for the sole pur-
pose of music appreciation will
take place in the ballroom of the
La Grande hotel here on the even-
ing of Feb. 6, and is sponsored
by Miss Bertha Bantz, young vi-
olinist of this city and a senior in
the La Grande high school.The program will be free to the
public and is thought to be the
first of its kind in the state out-
side of Portland. The concert
will include vocal, instrumental
and dancing numbers, with East-
ern Oregon artists and students
taking part. In addition to several
well known musicians, others who
are younger and not so well known
in the music circles will be pre-
sented.A complete program is now be-
ing arranged for the concert and
will be made public soon.Luncford Receives
Rank of EsquireRay Luncford was initiated in
the rank of esquire last evening
when a meeting of the Knights of
Pythias lodge was held at the K. P.
hall for that purpose. The meet-
ing was well attended including
several knights from outside of La
Grande.President Diaz
Will Not ResignMANAGUA, Nicaragua, Jan. 17
(AP)—With Major General John
A. Lugo, commander in chief
of the American marines here to
aid in the drive against the rebel
general, Augusto Sandino, to en-
sure a free election next summer,
President Diaz has set at rest rum-
ors he intends to resign.Diaz, who was elected by the
Nicaraguan congress after the first
contingent of marines arrived to
suppress disorder, said:
"I had intended to resign but
due to complications which might
result I have reconsidered my de-
cision."FARM RELIEF
MEASURE IS
IN COMMITTEEMcNary-Haugen Bill Is
Before the House Ag-
culture BoardDIFFERS FROM ONE
PRESIDENT VETOEDCommittee Acts Favor-
ably on Capper-Ketch-
am Measure Providing
\$960,000 AppropriationWASHINGTON, Jan. 17. (AP)—
The McNary-Haugen bill took its
familiar position today as the busi-
ness before the house agriculture
committee.This farm relief measure, a fight-
ing issue in both houses of con-
gress, differs in two respects from
the one vetoed by President Coolidge
last session.It now would give the president
blanket power in naming the fed-
eral farm board, and its provisions
would be applicable to all agricul-
tural products.Before heading into the big farm
relief subject the committee acted
favorably on the Capper-Ketcham
bill authorizing an appropriation of
\$960,000 for farm extension and
economic work. In addition, the
bill would authorize \$500,000 for
the second year that the act is
in effect. Representative Ketcham,
Republican, Michigan, was author-
ized to reintroduce his bill as
amended, with the assurance that
it would be reported favorably by
the committee.Represents Farm Bureau
S. H. Thompson, president of the
American Farm Bureau federation,
appeared as a representative of
various farm organizations which
have been working for farm legisla-
tion. He said these organizations
included the corn belt bureau of
farm associations.Approval of the principle of the
McNary-Haugen bill had been
given by these groups, he said, in
introducing Chester H. Gray, of the
American Farm Bureau federation,
to testify concerning the general
features of the bill which are sanc-
tioned by the farmers.Explains Feature
"This bill represents the best
(Continued on Page 8)RELATIONSHIP OF
FARM, CITY GOODWithycombe Main Speak-
er at Chamber of Com-
merce LuncheonRobert Withycombe, superinten-
dent and manager of the Union ex-
periment station, was the chief
speaker at the chamber of com-
merce forum luncheon today at
noon at the Sumner hotel grill,
speaking on "Relations of the
Farmer to the City." In an inter-
esting manner, he pointed out the
dependency of both the farmer
upon the city and vice versa. Eth-
er one, without the other, would
go out of business, he said.He also declared that the social
relationship between the urban and
suburban citizenry in this county
is especially friendly.H. E. Coolidge, president, an-
nounced Thrift week and urged all
members to observe this national
week. Secretary L. S. Weeks an-
nounced that the Baker chamber
of commerce annual meeting will
be held Feb. 6.Mann's Imperial orchestra played
several selections during the
meeting and was generously ap-
plauded.State Students Meet In Eugene;
Athletic, Dance Resolutions PassedThat the state student council, a
convention of high school students
of Oregon, held each year at Eu-
gene, is actually becoming bigger
and more important, is the opinion
of three high school students, Wil-
liam Perry, Franklin Eberhard
and Lawrence Ray, who returned
home this morning after attending
the session as delegates from the
La Grande high school. About 350
students attended.The session is divided into three
divisions, press, girls' league,
and student body, each of which
convenes separately, and which are
devoted to business given by many
Pacific coast leaders in the field
of work, and to discussion of big
problems. The convention opened
Friday morning with a general as-
sembly of all the guests who are
entertained by the university stu-
dents. A banquet Friday evening,
a program by the college Knights,
and the Gonzaga-Oregon basketball
game were among the entertain-
ments arranged.The boys attended the stu-
dent body department where they
heard a number of highly instruc-FATHER OF 5
MURDERER OF
FLINT CHILDAdolph Hotelling, Church
Deacon, Confesses to
Horrible CrimeWHISKED TO STATE
CELL BY OFFICERSMob Storms City Jail But
Is Held at Bay by Tear
Gas—Text of Confes-
sion Is Withheld.IONIA, Mich., Jan. 17. (AP)—
Adolph Hotelling, confessed slayer
of little Dorothy Schneider, was
taken from Ionia reformatory here
this afternoon for secret arraignment
somewhere in Genesee county
(Flint), where the slaying oc-
curred last Thursday. It was
planned to rush him back to the
reformatory, here immediately at-
tended by the arraignment. Governor
Fred W. Green in announcing this
procedure, predicted the slayer
would be sentenced "tomorrow."PLINT, Mich., Jan. 17. (AP)—
Adolph Hotelling, a 47-year-old
church deacon of Owosso, Mich.,
has confessed kidnapping, slaying
and dissecting the body of little
Dorothy Schneider, but why he
did it is, by his confession, as in-
comprehensible to him as to the
authorities.Officers, however, had little
time to ponder over motives last
night, because Hotelling's arrest
was followed by such an outburst
of public indignation that all the
Ingenuity of police was needed to
save Hotelling from mob violence.Jail Not Safe
The Flint jail was found no safe
place for him, a mob forming al-
most as soon as word of the arrest
spread. Hotelling was taken here-
to-day from the jail, driven by
motor car under heavy guard to
the state capital, Lansing, and finally
shortly after midnight today,
locked in a cell at the state re-
formatory at Ionia.No sooner had the caveats of
state police and sheriff's officers
cleared the Flint city limits with
their prisoner last night than a
mob of 10,000 persons charged
down upon the jail, seeking to
whisk Hotelling from the authori-
ties.Use Tear Bombs
The assault upon the jail was
met by tear gas bombs hurled in-
to the mob by guards. Brickbats
and a few gunshots were the
mob's answer. The increasing
strength of the attackers led to
the calling out of the national
guard which succeeded in clearing
the streets shortly after midnight.Hotelling, father of five
children and an active worker in
the Owosso church of Christ, is a
carpenter. It was a fellow work-
man's tip that led to the arrest.
Hotelling had aroused suspicion
by constant discussion of the
Schneider case, and at one time
said, police were told, that he
could lay his hands on the child's
slayer.When officers went to his home
Hotelling at first denied the
charges. He broke down and con-
fessed, the officers asserted, after
being identified by a farmer who
had helped him extricate an auto-
mobile from a mud hole near the
place where Dorothy Schneider's
body was found.Auto Repaired
The automobile which was used
for the kidnapping was found at
the Hotelling place. It had been
freshly repaired.Text of the confession was not
made public, but was to be turned
over today to prosecuting attor-
ney Will Roberts here. Highlights
in the statement as given out were
that Hotelling stopped the child
(Continued on Page 5)Remodeling Store
At 1113 Adams Ave.Carpenters started to work this
morning remodeling and redecorat-
ing the store at 1113 Adams ave-
nue, where the Cinderella Prock
shop will be opened the first of this
month by R. C. Hadley, Inc. Ray
Goodenough is doing the cabinet
work and putting in the fixtures
and Claude Lynch will take care
of the painting and decorating of
the store. When completed the
store will be one of the most at-
tractive in the city. Worth F. Al-
mon, manager, announced this
morning.The store will be on 12 of a
chain, which operates in Utah, Ill-
inois, Washington and Oregon. A simi-
lar store in Pendleton, Ore., is
being opened Jan. 25, and the store
here will be opened for business
Feb. 1. The new store will cater
to women only, having a complete
line of ladies' ready to wear and
millinery, a part of which has al-
ready been received.

TWO PRESIDENTS IN HAVANA

Here are two national leaders who occupied prominent positions
at the good will conference in Havana—President Machado,
of Cuba, and President Coolidge, of the United States. Yesterday Mr.
Coolidge, after being officially and enthusiastically welcomed by
Mr. Machado and other delegates, delivered an address to the
Pan-American congress.Columbia River
Highway Is Open
For Day TravelPORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 17. (AP)—
The Columbia river highway
opened for day travel at 8:30
o'clock this morning and remained
open until 4:30 this afternoon.
Warnings were sent out this morn-
ing, however, that those using the
highway carry skid chains, as sev-
eral cars without chains today en-
countered difficulties.One-way traffic lanes are being
maintained between Mist and I
Hornell Falls and between Horn-
nell and the Hood river coun-
ty line. The balance of the high-
way is open to traffic both ways.
Most of the buses are running with
reduced schedules.Some difficulty was had this
morning in passing some of the
wide buses through the one-way
lane. But Commissioner Morse de-
clared this narrow lane, just west
of Oneonta, would be widened
sufficiently to permit all buses to
pass through. Traffic is being regu-
lated by county officers.With the exception of a bus and
a few trucks, no traffic will be
permitted over the one-way lanes
tonight after 4:30 o'clock.Entombed Miners
Rescued Unhurt
In Hazelton, Pa.HAZELTON, Pa., Jan. 17. (AP)—
Entombed for more than 12
hours by a fall of coal in a level
700 feet from the surface, nine
miners were rescued today from
their prison and brought out of
the mine unhurt after a search.
Only a few inches were about
the entrance to the mine when the
rescued and their rescuers came
to the surface. Fears of relatives
had been allayed, when at a late
hour last night the rescue squad
saw "silly well" shouted by one
of the imprisoned miners.The commission, however, will
uphold Sharkey that Tunney still
has some grace in this state un-
der the six months rule, since the
champion is not dead, his title
against Jack Dempsey in Chicago
last September. Consideration for
the challenge therefore cannot be
given at this time.Ex-Deputy Marshal
Guilty of BriberyPORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 17. (AP)—
Frank T. Berry, bail bond bro-
ker and former U. S. deputy mar-
shal, was found guilty of bribery
in a federal court verdict today.
The alleged bribery was in con-
nection with a client accused of
disposing of a body.The defense, contended at Ber-
ry's trial that two federal agents,
Carl Green and T. L. Worden, had
attempted to "frame" Berry. The
agent alleged Berry gave them
\$200 down on their testimony
against Tony Vukovich, Berry's
client.Vukovich was acquitted on the
bribery charge. When tried on a
bribery charge last week the jury
disagreed and a new trial was set
for April 2.Bad Weather Halts
Search for AirmanSALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Jan.
17. (AP)—Search by airplanes for
Fred Hoyt, Wendell, Kans. aviator,
missing since last Saturday in
Southern Idaho, was temporarily
halted early today by unfavorable
weather conditions.Eleven airplanes, eight at the
Salt Lake airport and three at Bur-
ley, Idaho, rested in their hangars
powerless to carry on the search
because of low visibility.Senate Tariff
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til After March 15.WASHINGTON, Jan. 17. (AP)—
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Early in FebruaryKEY WEST, Fla., Jan. 17. (AP)—
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American soil again today from his
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1:50 p. m.HAVANA, Jan. 17. (AP)—Cuba
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on Latin American shores.The first glint of day crept over
historic Morro Castle overlooking
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Behind, the president left
Charles Evans Hughes and the
rest of the American delegation to
the Pan-American congress which
Mr. Coolidge opened yesterday
amid an inordinately friendly
greeting from those who heard the
speech toward the American ex-
ecutive who had traveled far to
deliver it. Mr. Hughes and his
colleagues will represent the
Washington government in the
conference which is expected to
last about six weeks.Accompanying the president
homeward were Secretary and
Mrs. Kelllogg and Secretary and
Mrs. Williams. The presidential
party was due in Key West in the
middle of the afternoon. Mr. Coolidge
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desk Thursday morning.Indict Three On
Charge of Using
Mails to DefraudNEW YORK, Jan. 17. (AP)—
George Graham Rice, editor of the
Wall Street Journal, Walter K.
Verstet, of Boise, Idaho, and Walter
H. Wood, geologist, were indicted
today by the federal grand jury
for using the mails to defraud. The
indictment charged misrepresentation
of the value of Idaho mining
stock that Rice bought and sold
for himself and for readers of the
Journalist at the same time.Order Prohibits
Sparkling Wine
For Church UseWASHINGTON, Jan. 17. (AP)—
An official order against the use
of champagne or other sparkling
wines for sacramental purposes or
religious rites was issued today by
Prohibition Commissioner Dornan.
While it has been the general
policy of the prohibition bureau to
prohibit the use of champagne in
religious services, commissioner
Dornan said it became necessary to
issue an official edict against its
use because of recent and wide-
spread agitation for such use of
champagne.Suicide Pact Is
Cause of KillingsLOS ANGELES, Jan. 17. (AP)—
The bodies of Gerald E. Cook, 28,
recently wealthy Pasadena resident,
and Dorothy Youngman, believed
to have resided in Rosemead, Mont-
and St. Paul, Minn., were found
chained in each other's arms, bul-
let holes in their heads in an
automobile at Irwindale, near here
today. A letter indicated a suicide
pact.Deputy Sheriff Claude Peters
and Walter Hunter were called
and said the pair had apparently
been dead several hours. On the
floor of the car were found a .32
caliber automatic pistol and num-
erous cigarette stubs, the latter
indicating that the couple may
have talked for some time before
the shots were fired.It became known today that ac-
cruited of the ring have been un-
der scrutiny since last October, when
Harry Anton, investigator for the
Portland public schools, had his at-
tention drawn to the case. After
several days of careful probing,
charge made by a school boy An-
ton satisfied himself of the fact
that he spared no effort to apprehend
those responsible.Because of prominence of the
involved much difficulty was ex-
perienced. A system of recall
disclosed last night by a youth who
said he had been enticed to join
the leaders he would make
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