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OREGON: Fair tonight. Saturday: Heavy. Friday: Partly cloudy with light rain in west portion. Light north to west winds.

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LA GRANDE ENTERTAINS MASONS NEXT

Convention Next Year of Three Grand Lodges to Be Held in City

GEORGE COCHRAN IS ELECTED KING

Heads Royal Arch Masons—Two State Conventions Coming Here This Year.

Word was received here this morning from Portland that La Grande was late yesterday selected for the 1928 Conclave of the Oregon Grand Commandery of Knight Templar, grand chapter of Royal Arch Masons, and grand council of Royal and Select Masters. All three bodies, in convention in Portland, voted to meet here next year. A joint committee will later formulate definite plans. This insures La Grande of another large state convention for 1929. Two state conventions are scheduled for this year: Oregon State Federation of Labor, in September or October and Oregon Eagles convention, on June 14, 15 and 16. Definite dates for the labor meeting have not yet been agreed upon. Earlier this week George Cochran, of La Grande, was chosen grand council of the Royal Arch Masons, one of the three bodies.

100 Delegates Installation of the grand officers elected Wednesday was on the order of business in Portland yesterday. The afternoon was spent in rest, sight-seeing and private gatherings for those who remained for the degree work last night, while others left for their homes. Four hundred delegates attended the sessions, while many additional Portland knights took part in Wednesday's parade. Mr. Cochran and A. J. Stange returned to La Grande this morning after attending the annual convocation of the Royal Arch Masons and the Knights Templar in Portland. The choosing of La Grande as next year's convention city means that about 150 delegates from all over Oregon will meet here for a four-day session, Mr. Cochran said this morning. "Although the program is not yet mapped out, it will be one of entertainment not only to the delegates but to the general public as well," Mr. Cochran stated. The Knights Templar always have a parade as a feature of the convention and public services are used in addition to other features, according to Mr. Cochran. The invitation to meet in La Grande next year was extended by A. J. Stange, commander of the knights templar commandery here, and E. L. Knight, high priest of the Royal Arch Masons of this city, assisted by the other delegates to the convocation, which included I. L. Sandgrass and J. D. Meyers, in addition to Mr. Cochran. Thomas Sims, of Woodburn, was elected high priest and will preside over the meeting of the Royal Arch Masons during the convocation here, and Fred Inman, of Portland, was elected deputy high priest and will preside over the Knights Templar meeting. Mayor George L. Baker welcomed the delegates to Portland when the convocation opened Monday morning and the response was given by Mr. Cochran, who has been prominent in Masonry in Oregon for a number of years.

MASONS GO TO SUMMERVILLE ON SATURDAY

The Masonic lodges of Union county will gather at Summerville tomorrow night for a joint meeting. A chicken supper will be served at 7 o'clock by the members of the Summerville Eastern Star chapter, which will be followed by the lodge meeting. Robert S. Eakin, grand master of the Masonic lodge for Oregon, and W. F. Shields, district deputy grand master of Walla Walla, will attend the meeting. All of the Masonic lodges in the county will be represented.

PLANE FORCED DOWN

ROSEBURG, Apr. 12 (AP)—George Hunt, Medford theater man, a passenger in a plane piloted by Jack Evans, of Medford, was forced down here last night because of poor visibility between Canyonville and Medford. The plane arrived shortly before dusk and as there was a low fog lying in the canyon south of Canyonville the plane was unable to continue the trip. The ship was carrying films for Mr. Hunt's theater at Medford, delivery by train having been delayed so that a special trip by air was being made in an effort to get the films to the theater for a showing last night. The plane left here this morning to finish the trip.

Claude C. Pratt A Candidate For Representative

Colton R. Eberhard, Republican, of La Grande, Is Seeking Nomination for State Senate.

Salem, Ore., Apr. 13 (AP)—A deluge of filings by candidates is expected today in the office of the secretary of state, for this is the last day under the law that candidates may file. Secretary of State Koser has let it be known that any filings, whether in person or by mail, will be rejected if they are not in his office by 5 o'clock p. m. Among the important candidates who will file today will be Herbert Hoover, republican and Al Smith, democratic, candidates for president. It is understood that a group of Walsh candidates for delegate to the national convention will file today, and also several more Smith candidates. Additional candidates who filed yesterday included: Colton R. Eberhard, La Grande, republican, for senator from Union and Walla Walla counties. Bruce R. Keister, Ontario, republican, for district attorney for Malheur county. G. Henry Queen, Columbia City, democratic, for delegate from the first congressional district to the national convention; for Walsh. J. W. Morrow, Portland, democratic, for delegate from the third congressional district to the national convention; for Walsh. John S. Slavinsky, in the penitentiary this morning by Judge J. W. Knowles. Slavinsky was found guilty by a circuit court jury Wednesday night of obtaining money under false pretenses. He was charged with having cashed a bad check with the Stiles company here. Slavinsky's was the fourth penitentiary sentence pronounced by Judge Knowles during the adjourned term of court, which opened Monday, April 2, and was completed with the case of the State of Oregon vs. Slavinsky, Thursday. One year terms were given to three of the law breakers and to three to the fourth, Roy Patterson and George Theodoras were taken to Salem Wednesday by Sheriff Jess H. Beardsley. He is committed to the state penitentiary. They were found guilty in the circuit court, Patterson on a burglary charge and Theodoras on a charge of larceny. Eddy Fox, who pleaded guilty to a charge of larceny by ballot, was sentenced to a year in the state penitentiary, later paid the amount for which he was being held and was paroled.

La Grande High Band on Way To Corvallis Today

With a crowd of 50 or more La Grande people on hand to bid them good-bye and good luck, the La Grande high school band left this morning on No. 17, about 8:30 for Corvallis, where tomorrow the band will participate with high school bands from over all the state for Oregon honors. The group, 23 in number, will arrive at Corvallis early tomorrow before the contest opens, and will return to La Grande either Sunday evening or Monday morning. The contest will not be ended until tomorrow evening. W. W. Nussbaum, musical director of the schools, and also director of the band, was accompanied by the following band members: Cornets: Leland Hale, Bernard Powell, Claire Perkins, Cameron Miller. Clarinets: Benjamin Osterling, Stanley Zundel, Clark Rockman, William Miller, Kenneth Owen. Flute: Adolph Steerist. Alto: Dorothy Brownston, William Caldwell, Katherine Metcalf, Mary O'Leary. Trombones: Wayne Nussbaum, Max McMillan, Virgil Kochenberger, Edwin Kirby, Glenn Henderson. Saxophone: Henry Culp, Cleland Walsinger, Paul Bull. Bass: Carl McLain, Imperial wizard, as one of the last witnesses. Evans entered a sweeping denial of practically every charge made by the defense against himself and the Klan.

Presbyterian Men's Club Nominates

The meeting of the Presbyterian Men's club held last evening at the home of the president, Gustav Winkler, on Main avenue, was well attended. During the business session the nominating committee gave its report nominating candidates for office for the coming year. The names will be balloted upon at the next meeting of the club. The Rev. Lell H. Awe was a guest at the meeting. Mrs. E. P. Mossman entertained the members with the story of Christ's last week on earth, and in this connection showed stereoscopic slides. Mrs. Winkler, assisted by Mrs. Evi Winkler, Miss Jessie Pratt and Miss Kathryn Wheeler, served refreshments and an hour was spent socially. The next meeting of the club will be held at the home of O. L. MacDowell.

1928 AUTO MODELS WILL BE SHOWN IN SATURDAY PARADE

Practically everything is in readiness for the new car parade which will start promptly at 2:30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon from the corner of Adams avenue and Hemlock street and then proceed through the business district. The display of 1928 automobiles which is being participated in by all of the La Grande dealers, will be the largest and most complete single display of cars ever made on the streets of La Grande. It is estimated that there will be at least 50 vehicles in line and that it will stretch out approximately eight blocks. The parade will be headed by traffic policemen and in addition to the new cars will contain two or three features that are planned to provide amusement for the crowd. Places in the parade will be determined by lot. Dealers are co-operating in this event and in the special demonstration week to follow to acquaint the motoring public with the various changes in models and in car designs particularly evident this year. Never before in the history of the industry, according to one dealer, has there been as many new models and as many notable improvements in automobile engineering as presented in the 1928 cars. The parade will form headings onto Adams avenue at Hemlock street and will proceed up Adams to Third street, then circling around the block to Fourth street and parading down Adams avenue a second time. Considerable interest has been aroused by plans for the parade and dealers are inviting the public to visit their show rooms immediately after the event. Sunday will also be devoted to a special showing and a week devoted to demonstration will follow.

JOHN SLAVINSKY TO SERVE YEAR

Circuit Judge Knowles Orders Another Offender to State Prison

John S. Slavinsky was sentenced to one year in the state penitentiary this morning by Judge J. W. Knowles. Slavinsky was found guilty by a circuit court jury Wednesday night of obtaining money under false pretenses. He was charged with having cashed a bad check with the Stiles company here. Slavinsky's was the fourth penitentiary sentence pronounced by Judge Knowles during the adjourned term of court, which opened Monday, April 2, and was completed with the case of the State of Oregon vs. Slavinsky, Thursday. One year terms were given to three of the law breakers and to three to the fourth, Roy Patterson and George Theodoras were taken to Salem Wednesday by Sheriff Jess H. Beardsley. He is committed to the state penitentiary. They were found guilty in the circuit court, Patterson on a burglary charge and Theodoras on a charge of larceny. Eddy Fox, who pleaded guilty to a charge of larceny by ballot, was sentenced to a year in the state penitentiary, later paid the amount for which he was being held and was paroled.

7 Road Petitions Filed With Clerk

Most of the petitions asking that a special road bond issue amounting to \$440,000 be placed on the ballot in the primary election May 13 were in the hands of the county clerk this morning. Petitions had been received from Elgin, North Powder, Union Cove, Starkey, Summerville and La Grande. Three of four petitions have not yet been returned, but may be received at the court house this afternoon. The petitions are being checked in the county clerk's office this afternoon and tomorrow morning. Those at a number of points found that the democratic presidential candidate is a late riser and failed to see him. Governor Smith, who left New York yesterday afternoon, arrived here in company with Senator Gerry of Rhode Island and James J. Horgan, William F. Kenney and William H. Todd, personal friends. He plans to play golf while here and has passed word that politics is taboo. TOURISTS INJURED DUBLIN, Irish Press State, Apr. 12 (AP)—Several American tourists were injured today when hundreds of tons of rubbish and logs were all down the side of Mount Benbulbin in county Fingal just as the tourists were nearing the summit. HITES FOR CATMOLD SPOKANE, Apr. 12 (AP)—With the Right Rev. Charles D. White, bishop of Spokane as celebrant, pontifical high mass was held here today for the Rev. Joseph M. Cataldo, S. J., pioneer missionary to the Indians of the Pacific northwest.

Evans Denies All Charges in Court

PITTSBURGH, Apr. 12 (AP)—The suit of the Ku Klux Klan for an injunction against five former members was dismissed in federal court here this afternoon by Judge W. H. S. Thompson who placed the cost upon the plaintiffs. PITTSBURGH, Apr. 12 (AP)—The case of the Ku Klux Klan against five former members seeking to restrain them from interfering with the operations of the order in Pennsylvania, was brought to a close in federal court here today, with Hiram W. Evans, imperial wizard, as one of the last witnesses. Evans entered a sweeping denial of practically every charge made by the defense against himself and the Klan.

Unidentified Body Found in Rogue

MARSHFIELD, Ore., Apr. 12 (AP)—A body which had been in the water for a considerable time was taken from the Rogue river at Marial, in the middle of Eastern Curry county, said a report received at Gold Beach. The report stated that a bullet wound was found in the head. Coroner J. W. Wheeler, Sheriff Peck Hunter of Gold Beach, started up the Rogue river by boat yesterday, with Hiram W. Evans, imperial wizard, as one of the last witnesses. Evans entered a sweeping denial of practically every charge made by the defense against himself and the Klan.

Farm Relief Bill Passes Senate; Leaders Fear Presidential Veto

WASHINGTON, Apr. 12 (AP)—A majority of 20 senators voted in its favor, the McNary-Haugen farm relief bill passed today on the floor of the senate, where early action is expected to send it to the White House. There, an almost certain veto faces it, it is said. A fact board, appointed by the president with the consent of the senate, also would be set up and advisory councils, named by farm organizations, established for each commodity. Approval by the senate would be necessary before the bill was applied. In arguing for executive approval McNary contended that before the bill became effective plenty of time would be available for the senate to pass on its constitutionality.

EAST OREGON NORMAL TERM TO BE HERE

Six Weeks' Session Will Begin in La Grande Late in June

J. T. LONGFELLOW NAMED DIRECTOR

High School Building Is Selected as Site—Enrollment Expected to Pass 125.

The Eastern Oregon summer school will be held in La Grande again this year. The announcement was made this morning by J. T. Longfellow, superintendent of schools here, who has received word from President J. K. Landers, of the Oregon Normal school at Monmouth, state that the Oregon Normal school board of regents at a meeting last week decided that the Eastern Oregon summer normal session be held in La Grande. The summer school session was held here last summer for the first time and was very successful. Mr. Longfellow, who acted as director in charge, has again been appointed to that position for this summer's school, which may open June 18, which is the same date that other summer normal sessions in the state open. The normal school will be held in the high school building here with the Central school building as the training school. The organization will be similar to last year, and many of the members of last year's faculty will be here again for the session, according to Mr. Longfellow. From present indications and judgment from the number of inquiries from prospective students up to the present the enrollment this year will reach 125 or 150. Ninety-five attended the session last year, the number consisting mostly of teachers from this section of the state. Inquiries this year include teachers from Washington and Idaho and from Oregon coast points. Program the Same The program this year will be much the same as last year, offering classes in methods of teaching fundamental subjects, music, art, psychology, principals of education, school administration, rural school problems, physical education, history, civics, school management and education tests and measurements. G. A. R. BENEFIT DANCE WILL BE GIVEN TONIGHT The last details have been arranged for and everything is in readiness for the benefit dance which will be given this evening in the ballroom of the Seaside Hotel, the proceeds to go into the fund for the Grand Army of the Republic in the Masonic country. A seven-piece orchestra has been obtained and arrangements have been made to have several old-time dance numbers mixed with the modern dances for the benefit of the older persons who wish to dance. A place has been reserved for the old soldiers and their families who attend the dances. The committee has worked hard and the response has been very gratifying, it is said. With a good attendance tonight the committee members feel confident that the total amount for the endowment will be raised. Dr. J. L. Eagle, chairman, said this morning. The organizations sponsoring the dance are the American Legion and American Legion auxiliary, the Women's American War Veterans, the Sons of Veterans, the Daughters of Veterans and the Daughters of the American Revolution.

HIS HEART'S RIGHT—ALSO WRONG



Jose Novarro, 22, of Los Angeles, has his heart on the right side, which isn't the right place. It is critiquing the interest of scientists and physicians, and with Novarro is shown Dr. Fred Lindenberger of Berlin University, making an examination. The rest of the youth's organs and faculties are perfectly normal, and aside from the transposition, the heart's normal, too.

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JARDINE PRAISES HERBERT HOOVER

Answers Letter Inquiring About Rumors of 'Agricultural Meddling'

WASHINGTON, Apr. 12 (AP)—A strong defense of Secretary Hoover against charges that he has usurped some of the powers of the agriculture department and otherwise has worked to injure the farmer was made today by Secretary Jardine. In a letter dated April 11 and made public today, the agriculture secretary told Charles S. Wilson, former commissioner of agriculture of New York state and now a farmer at Hall, New York, that "there is not the slightest essence of truth in these charges, and I would resent them if they were made with honest intentions." Mr. Wilson, under date of April 10, had written Jardine saying he had heard the charge made that "Mr. Hoover, as secretary of commerce, has encroached upon the work of the department of agriculture and in other ways has hindered the operation of your department in the interest of the farmers."

Kelley, Willos Escape Gallows; Reprieve Given

SALEM, Ore., Apr. 13 (AP)—Ellsworth Kelley and James Willos were not executed at the state prison today as scheduled. A telegram sent Gov. Patterson at Marshfield yesterday by Bradley Ewers, Portland attorney, and a later telephone conversation, between the governor and Chief Justice John L. Hand of the state supreme court resulted in a reprieve of one week. This was granted by the governor in a telegraphic message to his acting secretary, Miss Beatrice Walton. Mr. Ewers' telegram to the governor stated that he had conferred with five justices of the supreme court including the chief justice that the members of the court did not want to inject themselves into the affair, but that if the governor would ask them for a recommendation it would be that the sentence be commuted to life imprisonment. Chief Justice Hand made it plain, however, that such a recommendation would not be from the court, but from the members individually. Kelley and Willos will be continued under death watch pending later developments.

THREE EXECUTIONS STOPPED

CHICAGO, Apr. 12 (AP)—Friday the 12th, a favorite date for Illinois executions, has been deserted of three victims through court stays and a gubernatorial reprieve. Charles Ritter, the Southern Illinois gangster, was one of those whose execution was to have taken place today but who because of last minute intervention by a circuit judge at Benton, Dr. Anatole Ringotti, believed to have been the first man to be sentenced to death of a murder charge based on abortion, also was saved from execution today because of court action. Joseph Bella, who confessed slaying Mrs. Julia Flaherty of Danville, Ill., the mother of seven children, was the third of the trio of convicted Illinois murderers for whom Friday the 12th of April had been fixed for death. Every preparation for his execution had been completed at the Joliet state penitentiary when a reprieve until May 23 was issued by Gov. Small.

California State Official Arrested

SAN FRANCISCO, Apr. 12 (AP)—Leon French, deputy state attorney general and his wife, Ethel French, were arrested at the Bellevue hotel here today on charges of resisting police officers, being drunk in public and disturbing the peace. In the fight which preceded the arrest French was clubbed by a hotel clerk, police said. The incident broke floor of the fashionable hotel was in an uproar before police subdued and handcuffed the state official and took the couple to the city prison. Both were released on their own recognizance.

BASEBALL

PHILADELPHIA, Apr. 13 (AP)—Lou Gehrig opened his 1928 home run campaign today by pounding a circuit drive off Eddie Honnell in the second inning of the New York Yankees-Philadelphia Athletics game. Pittsburgh at Philadelphia, postponed, rain. National League: R. H. E. Chicago 2 6 1 Cincinnati 0 4 3 Batteries: Nehf and Gonzales; Kelp, Jablonowski and Picinich.

NO TRACE OF BREMEN - ONLY WILD RUMORS

German Trans-Atlantic Plane Reports of Progress Are Unverified

CROWD AT MITCHEL FIELD PESSIMISTIC

Apprehension Increasing as to Fate of Aviators—Germany Expresses Much Concern.

By the Associated Press With fuel for only an hour and a half more, at most, of flying at 3 p. m., eastern standard time, the German plane Bremen, carrying three men, was unreported on its flight from Ireland, beyond a Canadian press report that it passed over Nova Scotia this morning. It was 2 1/2 hours after the start from Baldonnel and more than five hours after Captain Barkhouse of the Canadian cutter Arman reported having sighted high over Kingsport, N. S., a monoplane he believed was the Bremen. No other reported the passage of the craft, although it then would have been well down the coast with clear weather, nearing New York. It was pointed out, however, that much of the route lies off shore and that at the previous rate of flight the plane could be expected at New York before 3:30 p. m. It was believed to have sufficient fuel for flight one hour after that. Captain Barkhouse had said he believed the plane was on a direct course for Cape Cod, Mass., but no reports of sighting it came from there or elsewhere. Visibility was good and the plane, on the basis of its estimated speed, should have reached the cape by 1:30 p. m. PLANE IDENTIFIED CONCORD, N. H., Apr. 12 (AP)—An airplane crashed at Concord today about the outer edge of Concord, N. H., was identified as that of the Robert S. Fox of this city, who was enroute along the coast in hope of meeting the trans-Atlantic flier. In a telephone call to this city Fox reported that he had flown about 20 miles beyond Portland without discovering any trace of the German plane. Visibility was poor but exceeding five miles. He turned back and landed at Old Orchard. As his plane was seen flying along the coast in a southeasterly direction, it was mistaken for the Bremen, until coast guardsmen at Cape Elizabeth, Maine, distinguished that it was a plane, number 1144. BERLIN WORRIED BERLIN, Apr. 13 (AP)—As the hours slipped by without news of the Junkers plane Bremen, apprehension increased as to the fate of the aviators. The offices of the Associated Press were flooded with telephone inquiries. Weather bulletins from different sources were keenly scrutinized by the public, and Germans eagerly discussed the chance that the Bremen may have turned to the southwest to avoid a low pressure area. CROWD AT MITCHEL FIELD MITCHEL FIELD, N. Y., Apr. 12 (AP)—A crowd beginning in the first of rumors which had fed its enthusiasm since early morning hung on doggedly here this afternoon determined to be on hand (Continued on Page 4)

GIRL INVOLVED IN SCANDAL ON U. S. WARSHIP

MAYPORT, Fla., Apr. 12 (AP)—Declaring she was "persuaded" to go aboard the U. S. Destroyer Billingsley but that she "wanted to go" Cynthia Alberta Pool, 18-year-old St. Petersburg girl testified today at a naval court of inquiry in connection with charges against Seaman Kramer, charged with seducing her on the vessel. The court of inquiry convened after the Billingsley had been ordered back to this port when the girl's presence aboard was discovered. Kramer was placed in front of a court of inquiry. Cynthia said she would have "married" afterward had she known her father was coming home to return her to St. Petersburg. The father, who started the investigation which resulted in the girl's discovery, was expected here during the day. The girl spent last night locked in the room of a boarding house. A "married" woman of St. Petersburg was connected with the case by Cynthia when she said the woman was now planning to accompany the Billingsley leaving her husband. She was prevented, Cynthia said, when the husband arrived at the dock just before his wife boarded the destroyer.

Richard Dix In Bad Condition In Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES, Apr. 13 (AP)—Richard Dix, film actor, operated on three days ago for appendicitis, was reported from the Tompkins hospital here today to be in a critical condition. Dix's operation was an emergency one to prevent rupture of the appendix. He had a severe cold at the time and since the operation peritonitis and line complications have set in. He is reported to have had a "very poor night—did not rest well, and coughed all night."

Admiral Brumby Is Exonerated

WASHINGTON, Apr. 12 (AP)—Complete exoneration of Rear Admiral Frank H. Brumby, in charge of salvage operations after the submarine S-4 disaster, was included in a supplementary report by the naval court of inquiry, approved today by Secretary Wilbur.