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THE WEATHER
Oregon: Unsettled tonight and
Sunday with rain in the west and
local showers in the east portion;
mild temperature.

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HIGH SCHOOL FIRE LOSS HEAVY

DAMAGE MAY
RUN AS HIGH
AS \$100,000Flames Gut Upper Floor
of Building; Remainder
Badly WatersoakedSCHOOL VACATION
OF WEEK CALLEDFire's Origin Unknown;
Discovered at 11:10 O'-
clock—Wind Prevents
Control of Blaze

Flames, breaking out in the roof of the La Grande high school building at 11:10 o'clock last night and fanned by a brisk wind which made control impossible, partly destroyed the two-story brick structure. Although no official estimate of the loss is available, many observers believe that it will be \$100,000 or more. Any present estimate of the damage will be greatly increased in case the walls are found unsafe for remodeling. Under these circumstances experts say the building would be practically a total loss.

The fire was first discovered when a heavy cloud of smoke arising from the roof, the alarm was sounded promptly and the pumper and regular fire trucks were on the scene in short order. Blowing above the auditorium, where the fire apparently started, the flames were successfully battled for several minutes and it appeared to spectators that the fire department would have them subdued shortly. Then a brisk wind from the south came up, fanning the fire into new and driving it across the north end of the structure.

Fire stubbornly fought
A heavy and more fire above the roof and main floor, the flames rapidly became uncontrollable. After burning the north upper floor of the school, the fire broke through the roof and, "three stories of flames" played water on the burning structure but were able to do little until the fire came from the roof. By 1:30 o'clock the firemen were getting the upper hand and finally were able to hold the blaze from the first floor, except in a few instances. It was 2 o'clock, this morning, before the fire was under control. The fire department estimated the loss at \$100,000. The school buildings in this district were protected by a blanket policy of \$250,000, which will take care of the loss to the high school. The La Grande insurance union, at a meeting this morning, recommended that Mr. Shankland be sent here as an adjuster and it is expected that he will possibly make an inspection, will be here about Tuesday to determine the loss.

Some Water Damage
The basement and first floor suffered from water, which thoroughly soaked that part of the building which was not destroyed. The walls, which are all standing, will have to be inspected before any decision is made as to rebuilding. A special meeting of the school board was held this morning and it was decided to hold no school classes until Nov. 15. According to J. T. Longfellow, superintendent of schools in La Grande, work will start immediately in reorganizing high school classes with an attempt to be made to provide

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LOCAL WOMEN
TO ORGANIZE
CLUB TUESDAY

For the purpose of organizing a local chapter of the National Professional and Business Women's club in La Grande, a meeting will be held Tuesday evening at 6:30 o'clock at the La Grande hotel. Miss Moseley, of Eugene, state president of the organization, will be in La Grande at that time to assist the group in the initial organization. Officers will be elected and Miss Blair will explain the purpose and work of the organization. After the dinner the meeting will be held in the card room of the hotel. All La Grande business women who are interested in such an organization are asked to attend the meeting and dinner and to notify the hotel by Tuesday noon.

Red Cross Roll
Call Will Begin
Armistice DayAnnouncement Made By
R. F. Tyler, Chairman;
Tells of Activities Dur-
ing Big Disasters

Plans are nearing completion for the twelfth annual roll call of the American Red Cross, to be conducted here between Armistice day and Thanksgiving day as part of a nation-wide effort to raise five million members. R. F. Tyler, chairman of the local chapter, announced today.

Stressing the fact that only during the roll call held once a year, does the organization seek support through membership for its local, national and international work, Mr. Tyler said the campaign plans will include the extension of a direct invitation to every resident to join. This will be done by reaching them through the medium of their church, lodge or some civic organization with which they are affiliated.

"The American Red Cross," he said, "merits the support of everyone. The services it is rendering in this community, in the nation, and internationally, are indispensable and must continue. They can do so only with adequate response to the roll call."

"It is the only agency organized and equipped to cope with disasters in this and other communities. It answers the call for help from the smallest towns and the challenge of such overwhelming national calamities as the Mississippi Valley flood of last year and the West Indies Hurricane of this year. In the last three years it has collected and disbursed for the relief of sufferers from fires, floods, hurricanes, and other disasters more than \$20,000,000."

In the field of public health, in service to the veterans of the World War, in the prevention of accidental deaths through instruction in first aid and life saving, and in its many other fields of activity it is taking the lead and daily performing countless deeds of service.

The confidence of the American people in their Red Cross is unbounded. They have only to be asked and they will join. This is why we are laying such careful plans to present to every man and woman in the community a personal invitation to join the Red Cross for the ensuing year."

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CHAMBER WILL
MEET TUESDAY
IN SACAJAWEA

An important event in connection with the next six months' period of regular Tuesday members' forum meetings of the chamber of commerce, to be held at the Sacajawea Inn, commencing Nov. 13, the program will be commemorative of Armistice Day. American Legion Post No. 42, La Grande, will take entire charge of the program, which will include music, singing and other interesting features. Unusual interest has already been displayed by a considerable number of members because of this program, and a large attendance is anticipated.

Hi-Dads Will Meet
Tuesday Evening

The opening meeting of the Hi-Dads will be held at the city hall next Tuesday evening, beginning at 7 o'clock. Grandfather J. E. Reynolds announced this morning.

LEGION WEEK
PROCLAIMED
BY MR. HILLWill Begin Armistice Day
and Continue Until Sat-
urday, Nov. 17MONDAY PROGRAM
FEATURES RALLYEx-Service Men to Meet
at 11 A. M. At City Hall
—Luncheon and Pro-
gram Planned

ARMISTICE DAY PROGRAM
Sunday—Services in local churches.
Monday—11 A. M. Big rally, luncheon and program.
Monday evening—Armistice day dance.
American Legion week begins.

A proclamation officially designating the week beginning Armistice day as American Legion week and calling on all citizens to aid the legion in its big membership effort that will be conducted during the week, was issued Friday by A. T. Hill, president of the city commission. The proclamation invited the American Legion for its high ideals and splendid objectives for the coming year and urged that full co-operation be given the legionaries in making this week one of the most successful in the history of the organization.

According to C. V. Talbot, commander of the La Grande post, this week is a part of a nationwide observance when the public in general will give their support to the efforts of the American Legion to start out on the 1929 program with the largest membership by enrolling all who are members this year. Every person who is eligible to membership in either the American Legion or the auxiliary will be asked to enroll this week, it is said.

Big Rally Monday
Armistice day, which starts the week, falls on Sunday, so most American day activities will take place on Monday, Nov. 12. The majority of the stores in La Grande will be closed Monday; it is understood, and a legion rally will be held at 11 o'clock Monday morning at the city hall, according to Raymond Williams, chairman of the event. All ex-service men are invited to take part. The ex-service men will march down Adams avenue to the city hall, where they will have a luncheon and program, the latter including vocalists, soloists and music. Mr. Williams said this is the first time such a rally has been arranged for here. The drum and bugle corps will take part in the parade which will go on the main street.

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NEW CHAIN STORE
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Manager of Montgom-
ery-Ward Co., Here

The local manager for Ward's Chain Store in La Grande will be H. D. Harpold, who arrived this week to take permanent charge of the new store.

Mr. Harpold just arrived from Pendleton where he has been an assistant manager of Ward's Chain store there. Previously he was at the Eugene, Ore., Montgomery Ward & Co. store. Mr. Harpold is well acquainted with merchandising, having gained considerable experience with other concerns. He intends to establish his permanent residence here.

BUDGET FOR
COUNTY LESS
THAN BEFORELess Taxation Will Be Re-
quired to Raise Neces-
sary Amount in 1929\$361,587 MUST BE
PROVIDED BY TAXFigure \$1,037 Less Than
for 1928; Follows Re-
duction in School and
City Budgets for Year

A county budget, with a slight reduction over the 1928 figure, was approved late yesterday when County Judge U. G. Soren, Commissioners W. W. Stevens and W. H. Leichter, and J. E. Foley, C. C. Welch and C. L. Cudwell, members of the budget committee, completed their check on estimates of expenditures and receipts for the coming year. A hearing on the budget will be held about Dec. 7.

The completion of the 1929 county budget to include a reduction, follows close on the heels of the approval of school and city budgets, which also provided for reductions. The three together are expected to cause an appreciable cut in taxes.

\$361,587 to be Raised
Total estimated expenditures for the year 1929 for Union county are listed at \$408,557. Total receipts are estimated at \$41,970, leaving \$266,587 to be raised by a tax levy. This is exclusive of state taxes which have not yet been determined.

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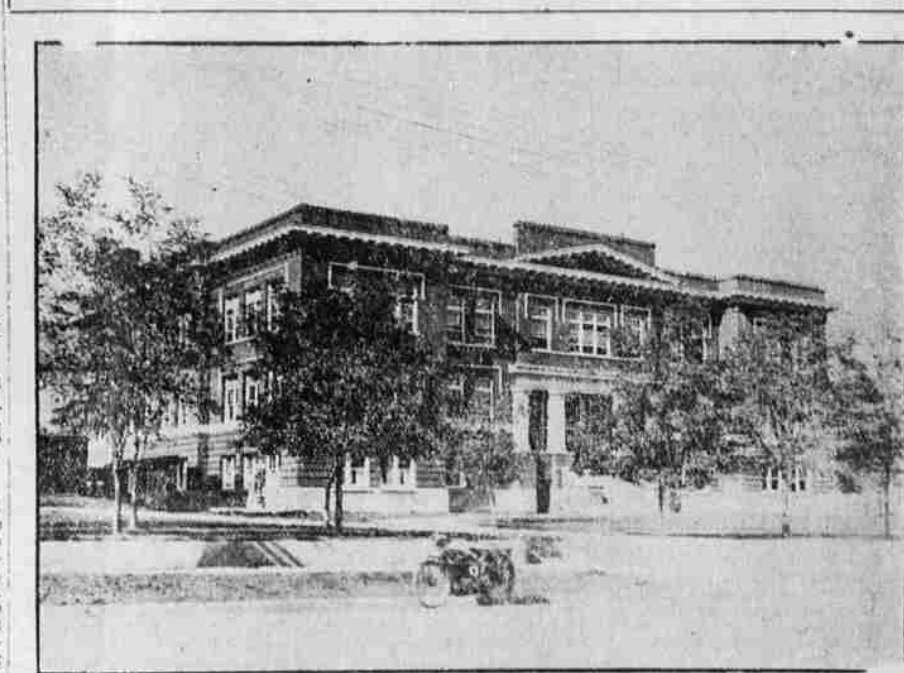
Special Train To
Attract Big Crowd

A big crowd of high school students and an equally large group of local football fans will provide heavy patronage for the special train Monday morning, when it heads for Pendleton for the annual battle between the Tigers and Buckles. Since the day is a holiday, all ex-service men are invited to take part. The ex-service men will march down Adams avenue to the city hall, where they will have a luncheon and program, the latter including vocalists, soloists and music. Mr. Williams said this is the first time such a rally has been arranged for here. The drum and bugle corps will take part in the parade which will go on the main street.

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LA GRANDE HIGH SCHOOL PARTLY DESTROYED



Here is a picture of La Grande high school, which shows the building before fire last night gutted its interior. The structure was erected about 1910 and housed over 600 high school students last year and this year.

GRID SCORES

Finals
Notre Dame 12, Army 6;
Princeton 25, Washington and
Lee 12;
Colgate 21, Hobart 6;
Maryland 6, Yale 6;
Navy 14, Ohio State 7;
Smy 6, Michigan 6; (tie);
Dartmouth 6, Brown 54;
Columbia 14, Johns Hopkins 12;
Pennsylvania 7, Harvard 6;
Cornell 6, St. Bonaventure 6;
(tie);
Bowdoin 6, Maine 24;
Syracuse 6, Ohio Wesleyan 6;
City of New York 13, Norwich 6;
Yale 12, Middlebury 6;
Georgetown 6, Carnegie Tech 12;
Amherst 21, Trinity 6;
Fittsburg 25, Washington and
Jefferson 9;
West Virginia 27, Oklahoma
Aggies 6;
New York University 71, Alfred 6;
Hamilton 12, Haverford 6;
Northwestern 7, Purdue 6;
Third Period Scores
Drake 14, Washington 6;
Albion 14, Indiana 6;
Illinois 7, Butler 6;
Florida 29, Georgia 6;
North Carolina, South Caro-
lina 6.

Idaho Presents
Plans For New
Highway Sought

In the interest of obtaining Idaho road money to aid in securing the designation as U. S. Road No. 95 to a completed series of highways, including a stretch of marked roads between the Idaho-Pendleton and Winnemucca, Nev., W. T. Lockwood, manager of the Idaho chamber of commerce, and representing the Idaho, Oregon and Nevada Highway Association (I. O. N. H. A.) and with a committee of the local chamber of commerce yesterday.

Mr. Lockwood explained his mission as follows: "The Idaho North and South highway which is often called known as U. S. 95, connects with the Old Oregon Trail highway at Weiser. From Weiser a highway extends to the Jordan valley in Malheur county. Thence to McAdams, a point situated on the Oregon-Nevada boundary line, 195 miles distant, an existing road would be improved to a standard highway."

Notre Dame Upsets Army 12 to 6,
In Thrilling Game in Yankee Stadium

By Alan J. Gould
(Associated Press Sports Editor)
YANKEE STADIUM, New York, Nov. 10 (AP)—Notre Dame upset the Northern Indiana Army eleven today 12 to 6, in a thrilling battle before a huge crowd of 30,000. The Huskies scored the winning touchdown on a 45-yard pass in the fourth period. They stopped the last yard charge, one yard from the goal as the final whistle blew.

RADIO STATIONS
IN NEW CHANNELChange in Wavelengths to
Take Effect Over Na-
tion Armistice Day

Armistice day will not only be observed in La Grande in commemoration of the ending of the World war, but it will also be the occasion of a new era in radio reception.

Tomorrow is the day selected by the federal radio commission for the taking into effect of a recently determined change in wave lengths of a large number of stations.

From Armistice day on fans will be able to have their choice of a large number of stations without the usual station interference.

One local radio fan declares, "It is true there are still quite a number of interfering receivers in use, but these are few because obsolete. And if fans check up on defective sockets, door bells and appliances cords and plugs to do away with interference, they will get wonderful programs from Armistice day on."

New Arrangements
Here is a list of western stations arranged by new wavelength frequency and channel. (Only stations with a power of 1000 or more are listed below.)

Channel 27 (570 kilocycles-325 meters)—KATZ—Portland, Power 1000.
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Mild Weather Is
Due During Week

LAN PLAZA, Nov. 10 (AP)—The weather outlook for the week beginning November 11, was announced here today by the United States weather bureau as follows:
The western states, the outlook is for mild temperatures and mostly fair weather in Central and Southern California, and Nevada and occasional rains in the North Pacific states. Idaho and extreme Northern California.

Smith To Speak
Tuesday Evening

NEW YORK, Nov. 10 (AP)—Governor Smith will deliver a message to the American people over a nation-wide radio hookup Tuesday night.
Announcement of the address was made by Democratic national headquarters, but one was professed to know what he might say.

MR. HOOVER
MAKES READY
FOR S. A. TRIPPresident-elect Will Spend
40 Days on Journey Be-
fore InaugurationCOOLIDGE FAVORS
GOODWILL VISITSouth America Only Con-
tinent Unknown to
Hoover; Will Sail from
West Coast Port

By James L. West
(Associated Press Staff Writer)
STANFORD UNIVERSITY, Cal., Nov. 10 (AP)—Vowing the one continent in the world upon which he has yet to set foot, Herbert Hoover contemplates spending 40 days on a tour of South America before returning to Washington for his inauguration as president on March 4.

Under present plans he will sail from a Pacific coast port, probably San Diego, within less than a fortnight, and end his long journey at some point on the Atlantic seaboard early in January, thus spending Christmas either in South America or on the high seas. In desiring to visit the other American continent, the president-elect has the twofold purpose of fostering good will between his own country and those to the south, and of getting a closer up perspective of the problems of the Latin-American states.

Good Will Trip
Friends of the president-elect emphasized that this is to be in no sense a diplomatic mission, but purely one of good will. Thus the president-elect would keep clear of any discussion of pending diplomatic questions, such as the Tenth Article, admission to the Bland-Kellogg peace treaty denouncing war, and tariff questions which have been the subjects of exchanges between the American government and some of the South American countries.

While the personnel of the party which would make the trip has not yet been completed, the expectation is that the president-elect will be accompanied by an official of the state department at Washington, which, under the leadership of President Coolidge has fostered the proposed goodwill mission.

IOWA DEFEATS
OHIO STATE IN
BIG TEN TILT

OHIO STADIUM, COLUMBUS, O., Nov. 10 (AP)—Iowa defeated Ohio State 14 to 7 in the last game of their game played before 47,000 in the Ohio State stadium this afternoon.

The Hawkeyes, undefeated in the western conference race, routed whatever chances Ohio State had by chalking up a dramatic victory. Myles Mearns, the giant Indian fullback, scored both of Iowa's touchdowns. He plunged over in the second period, then came back with the winning touchdown in the fourth.

Carnegie Tech
Trims Georgetown

ALBANY, N. Y., Nov. 10 (AP)—Carnegie Tech, of Pittsburgh, defeated Georgetown university, of Washington by a score of 13 to 6 this afternoon in the sixth only battle of unbeaten teams. Carnegie's fast, heavy and downy eleven had a decided edge in every department of play, but forward passing, the chief reliance of the Georgetown team, saved them and persons watching the battle which was waged on the neutral ground of the Albany Eastern league baseball park.

TWO MORE DIE
IN LAVA FROM
MOUNT ETNA

ETNA, Nov. 10 (AP)—A dis-
aster for 11 persons from Catania, Sicily, today and an old man and his wife had been buried to death in the lava pouring down the slopes of Mount Etna.
The couple refused to leave their dwelling in the town of Maccari which has since been destroyed, preferring to die there. They later changed their minds and climbed to the roof breeching tower. The fate of mottled lava had surrounded the house and there was no possibility of saving them. They were observed to be gasping, lying tranquilly as the roof caved in, hurling them into the fiery torrent.
Previously three men had been buried to death.