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THE WEATHER

OREGON: Generally cloudy to-
night and Thursday, continued cool.
Gentle variable winds on the coast.

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TO SOON BUY
EAST NORMAL
FURNISHINGSEquipment for College
Here May Be Awarded
at December MeetingPRESIDENCY MAY
BE CONSIDEREDNo Action Expected Until
January; School Will Be
Open for Next Summer
Session

Purchase of all desks and school equipment for the new Eastern Oregon Normal school will probably be completed at the December meeting of the board of normal school regents. It became known today through information from Portland, a total of \$15,000 is reserved by the regents for this equipment and will include classroom equipment, school library, and various items of furniture and fixtures required before the new institution can open its doors to students.

It is understood that bids for this material will be received and contracts awarded before the first of January in order to save all of the original appropriation of \$175,000. According to law any unused portion would revert to the general fund at the beginning of the new biennium.

May Discuss Presidency
Although no definite action will be taken at the coming meeting on the subject of the presidency of the Eastern Oregon normal, it is likely that this subject will receive much discussion.

Numerous applications have been made, both directly and indirectly, but the regents will not elect a president before the January meeting. Those close to the members of the board say that a decision will be sought at that time so that the newly elected president can start in immediately to organize his faculty. He would probably do as President Churchill did, of the Ashland Normal school, and spend some time in the east locating desirable material for the normal school organization.

To Open School in Summer

All plans of the board of regents are designed so that the school will be completed and furnished and the new staff organized so that the doors may open to students for the first time for the summer session, beginning in June next year.

GREEN MARKET
IS PURCHASED
BY MRS. MILLS

Through a business deal consummated Saturday, Mrs. Mildred Mills, of La Grande, became the owner and proprietor of the Green Market, located at 1429 Adams avenue. Mrs. Mills purchased this growing business from Mrs. E. E. Linton, who has been operating the store the last three or four months.

Mrs. Mills is announcing through her advertisements new lines which she expects to carry. She will have numerous varieties of home baked goods, salads, and other "caterpillar" lines. These will not only be carried in stock but will be prepared on special orders. She will also continue to carry a complete line of green vegetables and fresh fruits. The store is open seven days in the week.

La Grande Man Is
Accused of Theft

Vern Fator, of La Grande, was arraigned in the justice court today on a charge of larceny. His bond was set at \$500, which he did not pay. The preliminary hearing is set for Friday at 11 o'clock in the morning. The theft with which Fator is charged was alleged to have taken place Nov. 14.

LINDY IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, Nov. 28 (AP)—Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh landed at Curtiss field shortly before 7 o'clock today after a flight from Washington.

WEATHER TODAY

7:50 a. m.—24 above.

Minimum: 31 above.

Condition: cloudy.

WEATHER YESTERDAY

Maximum 43, minimum 25 above.

Condition: partly cloudy.

WEATHER NOV. 28, 1927

Maximum 53, minimum 29 above.

(Condition) rain 48 of inch.

To Raise \$2,500
Starting Monday
For Scout WorkCommittee in Charge of
Budget Drive Makes
Plans at Sacajawea Inn
Breakfast

For the purpose of formulating plans to raise \$2,500 for the advancement of boy scout work in La Grande, the boy scout committee for raising funds met at a breakfast this morning at the Sacajawea Inn.

H. E. Coolidge has charge of the campaign which will be carried on Monday and Tuesday of next week. Chairman of the drive were divided according to election precincts, each chairman to have charge of collecting money in his district. He will also enlist the help of persons within the district.

The personnel of the precinct chairman includes: District No. 1, H. E. Dixon; No. 2, R. R. Huron; No. 3, W. C. Perkins; No. 4, Charles Reynolds; No. 5, Roy Barnum; No. 6, G. G. Griffith; No. 7, Ray Murphy; No. 8, Harry A. Zurbrugg; No. 9, Jim Walnum; No. 10, G. L. Larson.

Another meeting of the committee will be held Saturday.

Americanization
Board Organized
Here Last Night

A La Grande Americanization committee, under the direction of Fred Park, state Americanization director, was formed here last evening. J. T. Longfellow, superintendent of public schools, was elected chairman.

The object of this committee is to get in touch with foreign-born residents, help them to become acquainted with American ideals and aid them in obtaining the education necessary to become American citizens.

A class will be organized after the holiday season. The public is asked to assist the committee by leaving at the office of Mr. Longfellow, which is at present located in the La Grande hotel, the names and addresses of any foreign-born residents with whom they are acquainted.

The committee is composed of representatives from the D. A. R., chamber of commerce and the American Legion.

Pendleton Police
Arrest Walloway

Local police have been advised that Pendleton officers are holding Andy Young, of Walloway, who was arrested there on charges of stealing an automobile and of robbing the New York store in La Grande. The report states that, besides some merchandise, \$40 in cash was taken from the New York store.

Woman Fined \$150
And Then Paroled

Mrs. Pauline Gehring, arrested over the weekend on charges of possession of liquor, pleaded guilty in municipal court yesterday. She was fined \$150 and paroled by Judge C. M. Humphreys. Her husband was recently fined \$250 on a similar charge.

Business Women
In Regular Meet

The Business and Professional Women's club of La Grande met last night at the La Grande hotel. Plans were made for a get-together session to be held in January for members and prospective members of the organization.

Airplane Raided;
Liquor Is Found

MAIDENHALLTOWN, Iowa, Nov. 28 (AP)—Milo R. Hilton of Des Moines and Leonard Carothers of Cedar Rapids, his pilot, today faced arraignment on charge of transporting liquor by airplane.

When officers seized Hilton's plane here last night, they found 300 bottles of liquor which they valued at \$4,000.

60 Turkeys Stolen
From Portland Man

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 28 (AP)—Sixty turkeys, weighing in weight from 10 to 25 pounds, were stolen last night from the Eagle Produce company, 289 Washington street, James Hines, proprietor, discovered when he opened for business today.

The turkeys were dressed and had been hung on racks last night in preparation for the last Thanksgiving day rush.

FLO IN HAVANA

HAVANA, Nov. 28 (AP)—Leonard S. Flo, whose flight from Wakefield, Ont., to Cuba was interrupted at Key West last night, landed here at 3:52 p. m. today.

GREEN AGAIN
ELECTED BY
LABOR GROUPToronto, Canada, Chosen
for Next Annual A. F.
L. ConventionHIT PROPAGANDA
IN THE SCHOOLSResolution Condemns Efforts
of "Research Institutes"—to Continue
Text Book Study

NEW ORLEANS, Nov. 28 (AP)—William Green was re-elected unanimously today as president of the American Federation of Labor, Toronto, Canada, was chosen for the next annual convention.

All other officers, including Frank Morrison, secretary, were re-elected and the convention adopted a resolution "opposing the use of public schools to spread propaganda of special interests."

The resolution, which was introduced by Florence Curtis Hanson of the American Federation of Teachers, said:

"Exposures of the Federal Trade Commission have shown that the special interests are seeking every opportunity to use the public schools to spread their propaganda and it has also been shown that there is gross misuse of the conception of research institutes posing as research institutes being in reality propaganda institutes substituting propaganda for education."

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COACH EXPECTS
WIN OVER UNIONLa Grande High Eleven
Will Play Final Game
Tomorrow Afternoon

"We're going over to beat Union, that's all," said Coach Ralph Christie today. The La Grande high eleven will meet the Union football team tomorrow in the final game of the season. The whistle will blow at 2 o'clock at the stock show grounds.

An effort is being made to have a large number of high school students attend the game. The Hi-Dads organization is asking all persons driving automobiles to the game to have extra room to stop at the Sacajawea Inn between 1 and 1:30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon for students.

The La Grande players will leave here about noon tomorrow. The lineup for the game will be the same as that in the game with Walla Walla last week, says Mr. Christie.

Zundel, who has had an injured leg for two weeks, will be eligible to play in tomorrow's game.

Pop Rally Held

At 9 o'clock this morning the high school held an assembly in the nature of a pop rally for the football boys. The rally was staged in the gymnasium and one of the main features was a mock football game, a take-off on tomorrow's contest. The game was played by a group of 22 high school girls.

The Tiger lineup follows: center, P. Newlin, J. Berry, Hunt; guards, Stang, Thompson, Walt; and Osborne; tackles, Guelman, Parker, Graham, Miller and G. Henry; end, Ross, V. Newlin, Wolf; Zundel; quarterbacks, Evans, Baker; Patton; halfbacks, Pass, Conley, Patton, Taylor and Torrence; fullback, Captain Keffer.

F. S. IVANHOE
MAIN SPEAKER
AT CLUB MEET

F. S. Ivanhoe, La Grande attorney, gave a very complete and interesting historical review of the origin and development of Thanksgiving day at the Rotary club luncheon held at noon in the La Grande hotel. Mr. Ivanhoe told of the first Thanksgiving by the Pilgrims in 1621 when they gathered to thank the Lord for the blessings of the past year.

Mr. Miller, of the national chamber of commerce, also spoke briefly. A full attendance was present with several visitors.

Hi-Dads Organize For Season At
Installation Meeting Last Night

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Improvement In
King Noted, But
Change Is SlightPrince of Wales to Board
Ship Immediately for
England — Physicians
Report to Cabinet

LONDON, Nov. 28 (AP)—The 8:30 p. m. bulletin issued by the king's physicians said: "The king passed a fair day, with some sleep. Otherwise condition is unchanged."

LONDON, Nov. 28 (AP)—A letter from the king's physician, Lord Dawson of Penn, submitted to the cabinet this morning and ordered published said that His Majesty was suffering from inflammation, congestion, of the right lung, with extensive plastic pleurisy on the right side.

There must be anxiety, the letter said, due to the infection, which naturally must be serious. The condition of the lung, however, was somewhat improved and the letter pointed out that the king's strength had been maintained.

Illness Controlled.

Lord Dawson stated that the illness thus far was being controlled and its force lessened and that he hoped its duration would be curtailed.

Lord Dawson's letter was signed also by Sir Stanley Hewitt. It read:

"My Dear Home Secretary:—I gather from you that the cabinet wish for a more detailed opinion about His Majesty's illness than is contained in the daily bulletin. Will you therefore inform them as follows:

"The king is suffering from inflammation, congestion, of the right lung with extensive plastic pleurisy on the right side which, as you know, is a painful condition. Such an infection must from its nature be serious. In all illnesses of this character there must be anxiety which will continue for the present, but I am happy to say that the condition of his lung shows some improvement and that his strength is maintained."

"So far then, the illness is being controlled, its force lessened, its symptoms alleviated and I hope its duration will be curtailed."

The letter was dated at Buckingham Palace at nine o'clock this morning. Lord Dawson and Sir Stanley Hewitt returned to the palace soon after 1:30 o'clock this afternoon. It was their second visit, the first having been made this morning.

H. R. H. ON WAY HOME

DALLAS-SALAAM, Tanganyika, Nov. 28 (AP)—The Prince of Wales was expected to arrive at Dallas-Salaam about eight o'clock this evening (1:00 p. m. Eastern Standard time).

It was planned that he immediately board the governor's yacht, Asania, eventually transferring to the cruiser H. M. S. Enterprise, which is to take him to London.

SNOW BLANKET
SETTLES OVER
ROCKY REGION

DENVER, Colo., Nov. 28 (AP)—A white Thanksgiving was assured in the greater part of the Rocky Mountain region today as a heavy snow covered the ground and continued to fall with little indication of an early abatement.

All Wyoming was blanketed with snow which was reported at depths of one to 11 inches.

East and westbound airmail planes were hampered. In fact, there was a six-inch snowfall before noon.

The snow was somewhat lighter in Montana, with the central and southeastern sections receiving the greater part of it.

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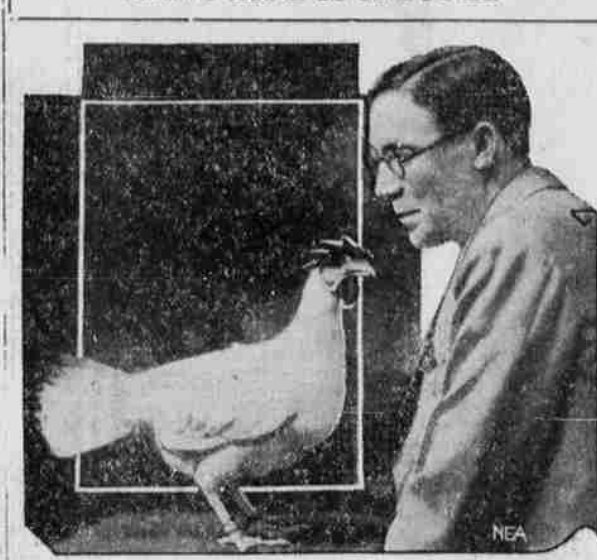
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HEN'S LIFE IS INSURED



You can't beat those life insurance agents. So relentless are they in their search for prospects that they've even discovered the possibility of insuring poultry.

Here's an example—Lads Mexico IV, champion egg layer of Mexico, Tex. Her owner, J. W. Radley, has insured the girl for \$2000. And why not? Her eggs sell at \$5 each.

President Will
Visit Virginia
On Thanksgiving

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28 (AP)—President and Mrs. Coolidge left today for a brief vacation in Virginia. They entrained for Waynesboro, to be reached during the afternoon, and will motor to the nearby Swannanoa country club where the presidential party will be quartered.

The schedule called for arrival at Waynesboro in mid-afternoon and completion of the journey to the country club by automobile. In Mr. Coolidge's party were his personal aides, Colonel Oaman Latrobe and Captain Wilson Brown, and Colonel James E. Coupland, the white house physician. Indicating that perhaps the president did not intend to devote his time entirely to pleasure, his stenographer, E. T. Geener, also was included. There was a staff of two of the white house household employees.

Tomorrow Mr. and Mrs. Coolidge will attend Thanksgiving services in Charlottesville and afterwards will be guests of honor at a buffet lunch at the home of President Alderman at the university of Virginia. They may be spectators for a few minutes at the Thanksgiving day football game between the University of Virginia and North Carolina.

Their Thanksgiving dinner will be in the evening at the Swannanoa country club.

Mr. Coolidge has accepted no invitation for Friday and Saturday.

Graft Evidence
Found by Jurors

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 28 (AP)—A special investigator associated with the county grand jury's search into alleged corruption among county officials admitted today that the (negotiable) body had information that six police officers obtained nearly \$75,000 in concealment in several robberies here.

Murder Suspected
In Rogers Case

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Nov. 28 (AP)—The Rogers case—a mystery in which Mrs. Ella Maxwell Rogers, newly young widow, vanished from her apartment in the fashionable Cherokee Park residential section on the night of Oct. 7—continued to baffles police today as detectives resumed an investigation which has been under way for weeks.

Officers who have exhausted themselves in investigating a motley parade of rumors and reports, are awaiting the result of a chemical examination of chalky substance scraped up in the furnace pipe leading to Mrs. Rogers' apartment. Investigators think this substance may be the remains of incriminated bone.

Mr. Rogers, who was killed in a fire, was found in a rooming house in the city jail.

While eating dinner at a Bellingham hotel, Northcott surprised the party when he made the following statement:

"Maybe you fellows would like to know that Sanford Clark is not my nephew. Now think on that one for awhile."

Return to Explain

Sanford Clark, known as Northcott's nephew, has accused Northcott of murdering several boys on the chicken ranch, declaring that he was an eyewitness to some of the alleged killings. Northcott refused to explain his statement, however. While waiting at the hotel for the automobile, he entertained the officers and news papermen by playing a piano.

TYPHOON TOLL
ESTIMATED AT
200 IN SOUTH

MANILA, Nov. 28 (AP)—The toll of human lives taken by the typhoon which swept through the central part of the Philippines Islands last week was fixed at 40 known dead today, with estimates of the total fatalities running as high as 200.

Ten thousand persons are homeless in the provinces of Sorsogon, Albay and Masbate.

Gas Explosion Is
Fatal to Officials

WILLIAMSON, W. Va., Nov. 27 (AP)—The president, general manager and mine superintendent of the Glogora Coal company of Huntington were found dead today in the Hinder mine at Hinder, Ky., 25 miles west of Williamson. They apparently were victims of a gas explosion.

Hatchet Mystery
Still Knotted;
Two Being HeldOmaha Victim Again
Identifies Jake Bird —
Man in Spokane Confesses
to Killings

SPOKANE, Nov. 28 (AP)—The "confession" of Elmer Williams, negro who claimed to be the "Omaha hatchet slayer," was riddled full of holes here today by detectives and newspapermen and generally discredited.

OMAHA, Neb., Nov. 28 (AP)—Clues to Omaha's "hatchet man" mystery were knotted today with the admission of one negro that he perpetrated the three slayings of last week and the "positive" identification of another negro by Mrs. G. Harold Stribling as the man who backed her and her husband.

In Spokane, Wash., Elmer Williams had told police that he was the "hatchet man." He offered a general description of the locality where Mrs. Walter Remo and Miss Creta Brown were killed, but declined to expand his confession until word was received from Omaha police.

Bird Again Identified
Meanwhile Jake Bird, the second suspect who was seized here, was held in jail in Glendora, Iowa, following his appearance yesterday before the hospital bed of Mrs. Stribling, the fifth and last victim of the hatchet man's assaults.

Bird was identified "as auro as there is a God in Heaven," by Mrs. Stribling.

"You are the man and you know it," she told him. "Tell the truth and you will feel better."

"I don't know what you are talking about, lady," Bird replied, his composure unshaken.

"You know I kept my word with you, Jake," she continued. "I did not tell the detectives."

Police concluded that Mrs. Stribling had given a false description of her assailant, a problem that her wife would be spared. Her original description did not coincide with Bird's appearance.

May go to Spokane

Inspector of Detectives B. E. Danaham, who had a telephone conversation with Williams in Spokane last night, declined to say whether he believed Williams' confession. If necessary, he said, he would go to Spokane.

Williams was dictating a descriptive letter of the slayings, addressed to Omaha police, for two newswomen who he was arrested. He told police he had been in Spokane four days. If that were true, officers pointed out, he would have had time to leave Omaha after the series of attacks, which occurred November 18, 19 and 20.

No Weapon Found

Williams' statement that he threw his hatchet into a ravine near Mrs. Remo's home sent police there to search for the weapon, but none was found.

In a letter turned over to police "John Jones," purported to have been written by Williams to his half brother, he told of killing Mrs. Remo and Miss Brown and that he had needed money.

STORY NOT BELIEVED

BEATRICE, Neb., Nov. 28 (AP)—Little credence is given here to the confession of Elmer Williams at Spokane, Wash., that he is Omaha's hatchet killer. Williams is a former inmate of the Nebraska institution for feeble-minded youth.

When told that Williams was held at Spokane by J. Buford, superintendent of the institution, recalled that the negro narrowly escaped conviction for assaulting a woman at Houston, Tex., in 1925. Williams also "confessed" there but J. Buford said he was in the Beatrice institution when the crime was committed.

13 Movie Stars
Ill of Influenza,
None Seriously

HOLLYWOOD, Cal., Nov. 28 (AP)—Thirteen motion picture stars and two directors were confined to their beds today with attacks of influenza. What was described as a mild epidemic struck the film colony Sunday when Clara Bow and John Gilbert, actors, were brought down by the grip. Others under physicians' care include: Louis Wilson, Monte Blue, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Barthelmess, Mary Phillips, Lorena Young, Sally Phillips, Jean Arthur, Ruth Taylor, William Haines and Buster Keaton, actors, and P. M. Murnau and Edward Sedgwick, directors.

In the metropolitan district, 502 new cases of influenza were reported yesterday, bringing the total for the month to 2,143 cases. Deaths total 41 to date. The health department stated that closing of city schools was not contemplated. The peak of the epidemic was expected shortly.

VICTORIA, B. C., Nov. 28 (AP)—Two earthquakes of moderate intensity were recorded on the Gonzales Heights observatory seismograph within the last 24 hours. The first, which commenced at 8:20 p. m. yesterday, was of two hours duration with its center some 2000 miles from here.

HOOVER SHIP
IS WELCOMED
AT SAN JOSESeveral Thousand Persons
On Hand to Greet the
President-electMORNING GUEST
IN PUNTA ARENASAfter Inauguration Hoover
Expects to Visit State
of Oregon, His Boyhood
Home

SAN JOSE, Costa Rica, Nov. 28 (AP)—President-Elect Hoover, now on a goodwill tour of Latin America, arrived at San Jose, the capital of Costa Rica, this afternoon from Punta Arenas.

There were several thousand persons on hand to give Mr. Hoover a warm popular and official welcome.

NOISY WELCOME

PUNTA ARENAS, Costa Rica, Nov. 28 (AP)—Herbert Hoover, President-Elect of the United States, was given a noisy welcome when he landed here at 8:30 a. m. today on his good will mission. Shore batteries exchanged salutes with the U. S. S. Maryland which had anchored a half hour earlier in the roadstead.

Ships in the harbor, including the British vessel Salvador, were decorated with flags. A large crowd, held back by militia, was on the wharf and quays and the native police band played as the visitors came ashore.

A delegation from the cabinet met Mr. Hoover who left soon afterwards for the capital at San Jose, where he will be received by President Cleto Gonzalez Viquez.

TO VISIT OREGON

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 28 (AP)—Herbert Hoover will visit Oregon, including Newberg, his boyhood home, some time during his term of office as president, he told Phil Metcahan, chairman of the Oregon state republican central committee.

Mr. Metcahan returned to Portland today from California, where he visited the president-elect at his Palo Alto home as preparations were being made for the South American trip.

Mr. Hoover said he wanted to visit his friends here as soon as he could, but he knew it was impossible for him to make the trip before his inauguration. He asked about many friends in Portland and in Newberg, especially about Mr. W. B. Ayer, who is one of his very best friends.

Mr. Metcahan bought back 50 large autographed photographs of Mr. Hoover, to be presented to republicans who worked in the campaign in Oregon.

DENVER NURSE
KILLS COPPER,
SHOOTSELF

DENVER, Nov. 28 (AP)—Robert K. Evans, Denver policeman confined in the Denver general hospital by wounds received in a gun fight last week, which cost the life of his companion, Patrolman Harry Ohle, was shot and instantly killed as he lay in bed, shortly after 5 o'clock this morning by Miss Frances King, a nurse at the hospital. Miss King then turned the gun on herself, inflicting a wound that is expected to cause her death.

One of two notes found on a stand in the room, written by Miss King, gave the reason for the shooting. Addressed to "Dearest Bob," the note said, "I have waited five years for this chance." Attached at the