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THE WEATHER

Oregon: Rain, west, local snows and rain east portion tonight and Thursday, cooler, west portion tonight. Strong south winds.

TIGER TEAMS
ARE GUESTS
OF HI-DADSFootball Men Honored at
Annual Dinner Given
Last NightSPORTSMANSHIP,
FIGHT PRAISEDLeonard Roe, End, Elect-
ed Captain for 1929;
Ten Other Lettermen to
Be Back Next Year

The La Grande Hi-Dads, following an annual custom, were hosts to nearly 50 boys, most of them members of the Tiger football team, at a banquet meeting last night at the Sackewick Inn. Many of the Hi-Dads declared the dinner one of the most successful in their history.

Before the opening of the banquet, the first team met on the mezzanine and elected Leonard Roe, end, captain for 1929. During the evening program, Roe was introduced and made aware of the responsibility his position carries. To the captain-elect promised to do his best and expressed the hope that La Grande would have a championship eleven next year.

Honor Hi-Dad Smutz, preceding this, those present stood in silent prayer for one minute in memory of Hi-Dad I. D. Smutz, who passed on in La Grande a few days ago.

The spirit of sportsmanship displayed by La Grande High school football men and their coach, Edwin W. Christie, and his assistants, was particularly emphasized and praised by several speakers during the evening. The team also received much credit for its aggressive spirit in the fall season, which many believed reached a peak when the Tigers outplayed the Pendleton Buckaroos, Eastern Oregon champions, in a scoreless game in the Round-Up City.

The meeting opened with the singing of "America," with W. W. Nussbaum, music director, at the piano. Members of the high school saxophone quartet, Clark Hickman, Stanley Zundel, Henry Culp and Clifford Walchner, played two selections, which were vigorously applauded.

A. W. Nelson, Toastmaster, introduced J. E. Reynolds turned over the gavel to Mr. Nelson who first introduced the Hi-Dads and then asked Coach Christie to introduce his squad members. He first presented 11 lettermen who will all be back in school next year for another season of football. It is said that this is the largest group of lettermen to "hold over" in the school's history. Mr. Christie then presented the lettermen who will graduate this year, including Captain Leslie Keffler, fullback. Later he introduced other members of the squad. The coach expressed the opinion that an even more successful year for the Tigers will be had in 1929.

Arnold, Grappp, science teacher, and in charge of the freshman eleven, introduced his proteges, who, although "only" playing two games this season, won both by

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DEATH CALLS
U. G. WILSON
THIS MORNING

U. Grant Wilson, a resident of La Grande for the last 20 years, died at his home at 2402 North Birch street about 9 o'clock this morning. Death was caused by heart disease although Mr. Wilson has been ill for several months. The body is at the Snodgrass and Zimmerman mortuary and funeral services will be announced later.

Mr. Wilson was a machinist in the O-W shops and has been employed by the railroad for the last 17 years. He was born Aug. 28, 1849 in New Concord, Ohio. He was married to Elizabeth Marchant, of Pleasant Grove after coming west.

He is survived by his widow, a daughter, Mrs. Eva Grappp, a grandson, two brothers, the Rev. & L. Wilson, of McMinnville, and Charles E. Wilson, of Gardiner, Ill., and a sister, Miss Sarah Wilson, of New Concord.

WEATHER TODAY
7:30 a. m., 25 above.
Minimum, 22 above.
Condition: partly cloudy.
Wind: light.

WEATHER YESTERDAY
Maximum, 46; minimum, 24 above.
Condition: partly cloudy.

WEATHER DEC. 12, 1927
Maximum, 25; minimum, zero.
Condition: rain, 26 of inch.
Five inches of snow.

Normal School
Values To This
City DiscussedImportance of Building
and Loan As Commu-
nity Project Also Pointed
Out at Meeting

Changes that will be made in La Grande by the Eastern Oregon Normal school and the importance of the local building and loan company to the community were given emphasis at a dinner meeting in the Sackewick Inn last night called by a group of La Grande business men. The attendance was representative, with members of the chamber of commerce, the realty board and other organizations present.

A. T. Hill, president of the city commission, presided for Dr. A. L. Richardson, who was unable to attend because of stress of his professional duties. The toastmaster, in a brief talk, spoke of the La Grande Building & Loan association and the investment features it offers. He pointed out that in the local company there is an absence of membership fees, first, penalties, etc., exacted from investors in many out-of-town associations and also said that an active, well-conducted building and loan association is a big feature in building up the community in which it operates.

Charles Malheur, secretary of the chamber of commerce, speaking on the normal school, said that from inquiries he has made to other cities which have similar institutions, that he believes that this city will realize numerous advantages from the state school.

Mr. Malheur stated that his survey indicates that La Grande will experience a reasonable increase in population, that this population will include a large number of a higher class of people, and

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Co-operative
Dairymen Hold
Annual MeetingBy Mrs. A. G. Conklin
(Observer Correspondent)

COVE, Ore. (Special)—The annual meeting of the Eastern Oregon Co-operative Dairymen's association held yesterday all day at Cove, where about 200 and 200 people. The meeting had been called for 10 o'clock, but as is often the case with gatherings of such scope, when the set hour arrived but three cars had arrived at the I. O. O. F. hall. The crowd soon began gathering, however, and by 11 o'clock the hall was filled.

The meeting was called to order by T. B. Johnson, who expressed his pleasure that that number of people were interested in the co-operative association. He introduced E. G. Tipp, of Haines, local manager of the association, who gave a very interesting and enlightening talk on the operation of the association going into detail about the earnings and expenses.

Mr. Tipp reported that in the past ten months during which time the co-operative association had gone into business for itself, the net earnings had been \$2,399. During that time much equipment had been purchased, including hauling trucks, which had been one of the big items of expense. He reported that 600,000 pounds of butterfat had been shipped through the branch in which this section is interested, to Payette. Considerable time was given by Mr. Tipp to discussing the subject of grading the cream, together with such suggestions as how to properly cool the cream, to keep it from freezing, etc.

The next matter up for consideration was the election of officers for the Cove and Union districts. T. B. Johnson and R. S. Comstock were re-elected from Cove and H. P. Nelson and W. Crawford were re-elected from Union.

This business occupied the time until the noon hour and adjournment was made for lunch. The lunch proved to be the most business-like that we ever privileged to partake of. There were vast quantities of chicken, potatoes, beans, macaroni, salads and other

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Will Discuss M. D.
Convention Here

Dr. J. B. Bouvy, president of the Oregon State Medical society, and Dr. W. P. McAdory both left La Grande last night for Portland, where they will attend a meeting at the University club at 6:30 o'clock tonight. The officials will make arrangements for the next annual state convention program. The 1929 meeting will be held in La Grande.

Dr. Bouvy and Dr. McAdory will return Thursday morning.

Burglars Enter
Berger's Store

Berger's store, on Y and Spruce, was entered during the night and some cigars, tobacco and a gold watch were stolen, according to a report made to the police yesterday. The officers are investigating the burglary.

KING GEORGE
UNDER KNIFE
THIS MORNINGPurulent Fluid Around
Base of His Right Lung
Is RemovedIMPROVEMENT IS
SAID MAINTAINEDAnnouncement of Opera-
tion Shocks Subjects;
Prince of Wales Visits
With Father

LONDON, Dec. 12 (AP)—Official announcement was made that a successful operation had been performed on King George this evening.

LONDON, Dec. 12 (AP)—King George underwent an operation today for the removal of purulent fluid around the base of his right lung.

Some of the fluid was removed and further drainage will be necessary.

Announcement of the operation was made in a bulletin timed 3:20 p. m. and signed by five physicians.

The bulletin read: "The slight improvement in the king's condition noted this morning is maintained. Some purulent fluid around the base of the right lung has been removed by puncture this morning and further drainage will be necessary."

Little Comment Made. Buckingham Palace officials were reluctant to comment on the afternoon bulletin which was the first issued at that time of day, but the fact that the doctors had said that the slight improvement noted in the morning announcement had been maintained was taken as a good sign.

The operation, technically known as a minor one, was performed this morning and the secret was so well kept that it was not until afternoon when the second bulletin of the day, issued at an unusual hour, that the fact became known. Even to many in the palace itself the news was unexpected.

The bulletin containing the in-

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DAMAGE CAUSED
BY HEAVY WINDSTelephone and Power Co.,
Both Report Trouble;
Repairs Under Way

The strong winds which have been blowing over the Grande Ronde valley since early yesterday evening and which showed no signs of abating during this afternoon, have caused a considerable amount of damage to telephone lines in the valley and some to electric transmission lines, the latter, however, being of slight importance, it is said.

The winds were heaviest early in the morning between 3:30 and 4:30 o'clock, reports Gene Walker, district manager of the Eastern Oregon Light & Power company. About that time the lights in two of the street lamps of the city electric light circuit were extinguished, the wind having caused the connection to become loose.

The lamps were located at Fourth and X in north La Grande and at C and Fourth in the southern section of the city.

A crew of men immediately began work on the repair of the lights and by 5:30 o'clock had them fixed. The entire transmission line in Union county has been put right today and all other parts of the line are reported to be in excellent condition.

Many of the long-time residents in the valley report that they have

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Baby Girl Born
In High-Powered,
Speeding Car

Little Maude Elizabeth, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Osborn, of the Tishler community, was born Tuesday, Dec. 4, the little girl was born in a high-powered motor car enroute to the hospital and traveling at a rate of between 25 to 30 miles an hour. This was learned today when news of the extraordinary happening became known.

J. A. Osborn was at the wheel and Mrs. D. A. Osborn was in the back seat of the car with Mrs. J. A. Osborn and Maude Elizabeth was born in front of the W. L. Follietter home. Both mother and daughter are doing nicely. The baby weighed six and a half pounds.

Influenza Fatal
To Six Persons
In WashingtonSchools Closed and Public
Gatherings Banned in
Several Cities in the
Northwest

SEATTLE, Dec. 12 (AP)—Influenza had claimed the lives of six persons in Washington today and resulted in the closing of schools and a wholesale ban on public gatherings in a dozen towns of the Pacific Northwest. The epidemic centered in Yakima Valley in Central Washington and Spokane county in Eastern Washington. Other sections of the state, Idaho and Oregon suffered little from the disease. Four deaths in Spokane this month and two in the Yakima valley have been blamed on the "flu." Schools in four towns near Spokane are closed. All public gatherings were forbidden today in Yakima and two neighboring towns while others nearby have already fallen under the ban or are to be included the first of the week.

Many absences from school and work throughout the Pacific Northwest were credited to the "flu" but no cases reported to public officials were admittedly fatal. Little check on the exact extent of the disease was possible.

NEW CASES HERE

Several new cases of influenza have been reported in La Grande in the last few days, it is said, but there is no accurate check at present on the total number ill of the disease. School work is continuing as usual as are the majority of other organizations, although a few meetings of clubs and church societies have been postponed because of the epidemic.

ONE DEATH IN PORTLAND

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 12 (AP)—One death from influenza in Portland, a 2-year-old boy was reported to the health office today. There were 128 cases in the city, including 25 reported today.

The weekly report of the state board of health, issued today, showed 1244 cases reported. Lane county reported 226 cases, Douglas county 111.

Dr. Frederick Stricker, secretary of the state board of health, said he did not consider the situation as serious as the epidemic in 1918, but urged precautions against spread of the disease.

VICTIM OF FLU

VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 12 (AP)—Mrs. Hazel Johnson, proprietor of the Battle Ground State bank at Battle Ground, Wash., near here, died late yesterday from influenza. She had managed the bank since her husband died last January.

Helm To Attend
D. A. Convention

District Attorney Carl G. Helm, of Union county, is planning to attend the annual convention of the district attorneys of Oregon to be held in Portland the latter part of next week.

Mr. Helm is vice president of the association. The three-day meeting will be held in the Multnomah county court house. A banquet is scheduled for the last night of the session.

Last year the meeting was attended by 25 county attorneys, Mr. Helm says. W. T. Miller, of Grants Pass, is president.

Although plans for the meeting are not definite, it is customary for the dean of the University of Oregon law school, a representative of the state supreme court or the governor of the state to be in attendance to speak. Mr. Helm states.

Trojans To Play
Carnegie in 1929

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 12 (AP)—The University of Southern California's football team will meet Carnegie Tech here on December 14, 1929, said a telegram from Gwynn Wilson, Trojan general manager, received by Arnold Edly, graduate manager late last night. Wilson wired from New York. The game with the Shuford team will be the Trojan's vanishing program for next season. The scheduling of the Carnegie Tech game here was considered necessary because of three big games away from home next year—Stanford, Washington and Notre Dame.

Ruth's Husband
Is Given Divorce

PANAMA, Dec. 12 (AP)—An uncontested decree of divorce has been granted Lyle Womack from Ruth Elder, who was accused by a tanker when she attempted to fly across the Atlantic.

The divorce action was limited to the United States district court by Womack on September 6th before sailing for the Antarctic with the expedition headed by Commander Richard E. Byrd.

RIGHT ON HER EAR, TOO



There's something new in earrings, too. Note the exotic adornment used by Olga Baclanova, the young Russian actress whose work at Hollywood is rapidly bringing her to stardom. The earring's attractive, too.

West Testifies
Of His Dealings
With Sam Insull

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12 (AP)—Roy C. West told the senate finance committee considering his nomination as interior secretary today that his law firm had done a total business for the Samuel Insull utility interests over a 26 year period of \$24,583. For 26 years the business amounted to about \$400 annually, he said.

West said today on the witness stand while testimony he had given two years ago was read to the senators who are considering whether his confirmation to the cabinet post shall be recommended.

The secretary, who received his appointment while congress was in recess, was asked no questions. His former testimony, given to the committee funds committee headed by Senator Leonard, Democrat, Missouri, told of his investments in the Samuel Insull utility interests and of campaign activities in Chicago and Illinois. The reading took place for two hours, receding testimony by the cabinet officer, that he had solicited a \$10,000 contribution from Insull which was to be used for "local purposes only" in the 1926 campaign.

West said that he, his wife and his mother had invested in the Insull interests and that he had consulted Insull about these investments.

NEGRO YOUTH
WOUNDS NINE
IN GUN FIGHT

CHICAGO, Dec. 12 (AP)—A 16-year-old negro youth today shot and wounded nine policemen, among them Deputy Commissioner Martin E. Mulven, before more than 200 policemen and firemen, using shotguns, pistols, tear bombs and machine guns, succeeded in breaking into a building, where he had barricaded himself, and killing him.

The armed youth, Ernest Williams, stated one of the most profane and brutalized in the history of the police department with policemen firing on the building in which he made his stand, from adjacent buildings, telephone poles and even from fireladders. When finally cornered Whitehurst had 15 bullet wounds in his body. He lived two hours despite his injuries.

Three sisters, one a year-old boy, and two brothers of the negro, were in the house with him at the time of the fight. By holding in an inside room they were able to escape most of the effects of the tear bombs thrown through the shattered windows.

CARRIER BOYS ILL

With two in three carriers of the Evening Observer ill this week, the service has been affected to some extent. Some readers may have had poor delivery service because of this but the Observer will correct this as quickly as is possible.

AMULSTAD, India, Dec. 12 (AP)—Two houses were the favorite Golden Temple collapsed today (AP)—The Rev. G. L. "Golly" and four men, three women and three children were buried beneath the wreckage. Only two persons here. He was a former resident of Minneapolis.

Military Forces
In Paraguay And
Bolivia PrepareWith War Cloud Hanging
Over Two South American
Nations, Strength
of Armies Increased

LA PAZ, Dec. 12 (AP)—With war clouds hanging over Bolivia the strength of the army has been increased. The general staff called the 1929 class to the colors and the country was responding with offers of service.

Retired army officers informed the general staff that they were ready to rejoin their former units. Students in universities agreed to form a battalion of troops. The Boy Scouts decided to become reorganized into military brigades and have requested that they be called immediately for service.

ASUNCION, Paraguay, Dec. 12 (AP)—While war like demonstrations are reported from Bolivia, Paraguayan citizens are taking steps to face a situation which is considered serious. All leaders of political parties today agreed upon the formation of a board of national defense, comprising all shades of public opinion, to collaborate with the executive power.

The situation on the Paraguayan frontier continued calm with both Paraguay and Bolivia maintaining their positions in their respective positions.

BOLIVIA CHANGES STAND

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12 (AP)—The Bolivian minister advised Secretary Kellogg today that his country would continue to participate in the Pan-American conference on arbitration and conciliation in session here.

Minister de Medina called at the department upon receipt of word from his government that it had reconsidered the attitude it expressed in yesterday's note to Secretary Kellogg in which it declared that it could not participate in the conference until Paraguay made "moral reparations" for the attack upon a Bolivian fort.

The change in the Bolivian attitude had been urged by the American government which advised that it continue to participate with other American republics to promote peace of this hemisphere.

Daylight Holdup
In Yonkers Nets
\$100,000 In Cash

YONKERS, N. Y., Dec. 12 (AP)—In a daylight holdup in the heart of this city's business section seven or eight robbers opened fire this morning on the collection car of the First National bank and escaped with a \$100,000 payroll after wounding one of the bank guards.

The collection wagon, a partly armored automobile, was transported to the bank for later delivery to the Alexander Smith and Sons Carpet company, one of the largest organizations of its kind in the world. Two bank guards and a city policeman were riding in the car.

At the intersection of Buena Vista avenue and Hudson street, in the center of the city, a group of men in another car opened fire on the bank car, shooting directly through the windshield.

Negro Sentenced
To Life In Pen

ST. HELENS, Ore., Dec. 12 (AP)—Taylor White, 26, negro, was convicted last night of murder of W. A. Ramsey, negro foreman of the Tule River ranch, and was sentenced to life imprisonment. Ramsey was killed by a blow with a mallet on the ranch July 24 last, and White was arrested later at Donastello, Idaho. The jury recommended life sentence instead of hanging.

Nomination Of
Whiting Approved

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12 (AP)—The nomination of William F. Whiting, of Massachusetts, to be secretary of commerce succeeding Herbert Hoover, was confirmed last night by the senate.

Continue Traffic
Law Drive Today

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 12 (AP)—Relentlessly continuing their move against traffic law violators, police today had 262 additional motorists on the police court list as a result of arrests yesterday and last night. Since the campaign started Saturday 678 arrests have been made.

A total of \$184 in fines had been collected in municipal court yesterday including 101 forfeitures. Police reports showed fewer traffic accidents in the past few days than usual.

Northcott Taken
To Riverside, Cal.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 12 (AP)—Blinded between two deputy sheriffs, Gordon Stewart Northcott was taken from the county jail shortly before noon today and started for Riverside where he will be arraigned with his mother on a charge of slaying Walter Collins.

FLU IN 39 STATES

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12 (AP)—An increase in the influenza death rate and a rise in the general death rate in the United States were announced today by the public health service as 16,418 cases of the disease were reported in 39 states, New York City, and the District of Columbia.

A total of 189 deaths resulted from influenza in 37 cities during the week ending December 9.

PLOT AIMED
AT HOOVER
DISCOVEREDTwo Men Under Arrest
As President-elect Nears
Buenos Aires1,500 GUARDS ON
SPECIAL PATROLAmerican Party Crossing
Andes Mountains on
Famous Trans-Contin-
tal Railroad

HUENOS AIRES, Dec. 12 (APY)—A plot to bomb Herbert Hoover's special train has been frustrated. With two men under arrest, police today were continuing their search for any anti-American agitators who might be involved.

Fifteen hundred guards will be employed on special duty to insure the safety of the United States president-elect when he arrives tomorrow and during his visit.

President Irigoyen, in a statement on the plot, said police in searching a house in Estomus street found four hand grenades, two cylindrical bombs, one square bomb, dynamite, revolvers, automatic pistols, quantities of ammunition and one hundred and fifty ten-peso notes.

Map Discovered

The police announced that a room in the raided house contained a detailed map of the railway system of the Pan-American continent intended to place the bomb on the trucks on the outskirts of the city just before the arrival of the Hoover special train.

Police in raiding the house arrested a youth who said he was Carlos Gutierrez, 18. The authorities said, however, that the real name of the youth was Alejandro Roman and that he was 21 but posed as younger in hope of obtaining leniency under the minors law. They described him as a student of chemistry and they believed that he manufactured the bombs.

Later a second man was arrested near the house. He gave the name of Jaime Castro, but police said he was Jaime Castro, a chauffeur.

President Irigoyen said: "The president of the republic, being desirous of making agreeable the visit of the president-elect of the United States of America and of offering the greatest possible guarantee of safety to the personnel of the illustrious visitor, command of the police to intensify their observations of dangerous elements."

Several Arrests

The president added that this order had been carried out by the division of investigations which discovered the house which was raided.

Although only two men were officially announced to have been arrested it was generally known.

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PRINCESS IS
MARRIED TO
NEW YORKER

CHICHESTER, England, Dec. 12 (AP)—Princess Maria Louise, of Orleans, was married at noon today to W. P. Kingsland, son of Walter Kingsland, of New York. The wedding took place in St. Richard's Roman Catholic church.

The wedding of the princess whose parents, the Duke and Duchess of Vendome, are descendants of kings of France, attracted a large crowd of onlookers. Many of women who gathered outside the church to catch a glimpse of the couple despite inclement weather.

The ceremony, performed by Father Menours, rector of St. Richard's, was extremely simple.

The Duke of Vendome, who is 84 is Swiss, and the duchess was represented by a member of the household at the wedding which was attended only by members of the families and close friends.

10 SHOPPING
DAYS TILL
CHRISTMAS

Although the bulbs you used last year are still all right, no doubt, they will have some extra just in case some bulbs blow out.