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THE WEATHER
OREGON: Rain tonight and
Sunday; moderate temperature,
fresh and strong southerly winds
on the coast.

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ERECT \$6330
BUILDING IN
LOCAL SHOPSJohn G. Gietlhuber Given
Contract by Highway
Commission YesterdayWILL BEGIN WORK
IN NEAR FUTURETo Advertise for Bids to
Be Opened Next Month
on Resurfacing of Los-
tine Stretch.Erection of a sixth building in
the state highway departmental
shops on East Adams will take
place in the immediate future, fol-
lowing the awarding of a contract
by the commission in Portland yester-
day to John Gietlhuber, of La
Grande, in the amount of \$6,330.Members of the local division an-
nounced this morning that the job
includes the building of a main-
tenance structure which will provide
storage facilities for local patrol-
men and the rest of the building
will be used for storage of equip-
ment. The building will be 48 by
144 feet and will be of frame con-
struction.Mr. Gietlhuber makes his home at
1395 G avenue and expects to
start work immediately.SEVERAL BIDS AWARDED
PORTLAND, March 9 (AP)—
Contracts aggregating \$29,000
were awarded by the state highway
commission here late yesterday,
and other contracts amounting to
\$10,000 were held up for further
action and investigation.The largest contract awarded
was one for \$60,000, covering work
on the Springfield-Coswell Hill
section of the McKenzie highway
in Lane county. The work will
require 7.4 miles of grading involv-
ing approximately 118,000 cubic
yards of excavation. The contract
was awarded to the Cochran Con-
struction company.A contract of \$55,714 was award-
ed to J. C. Compton for work on the
Deer Creek-Shattuck corner
section of the Redwood highway in
Josephine county. The contract
calls for the filling of 6.6 miles of
rock surfacing and construction of
11 miles of bituminous pavement.La Grande Contract
J. G. Gietlhuber was awarded a
contract of \$6,330 for maintenance
of building in La Grande.A. S. Wallace was awarded a
\$62,390 contract for Coos and
Douglas county work. This will
consist of furnishing approximately
25,000 cubic yards of broken
stone for maintenance material on

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TWO TAKEN TO
PORTLAND IN
HOLDUP CASEAccompanied by Detectives Col-
lins and Goltz, of the Portland
police force, J. S. Smith, alias J.
C. Strome, and James Sweeney,
left here early this morning to face
charges of robbery in a store in
the Rose City. The two men were
arrested here about 19 days ago
because of a suspicious license plate
and, when officers searched the
car, they found a California plate
inside. It was learned that the
two men are wanted in Los An-
geles on charges of stealing a car
and also in Medford for stealing
a set of license plates.The two had agreed to waive ex-
tradition and go back to California
to face the charges there, when a
pair of tight shoes got the two
into a fix that didn't require ex-
tradition. Sweeney, the younger man,
complained that his shoes were
too tight and hurting his feet and
asked Police Chief Haynes to get
him an old pair out of the auto-
mobile. Later the chief was read-
ing a Portland police bureau bul-
letin and saw a notice that R. H.
Muhne had been robbed in his shoe
store at 1291 Sandy boulevard on
the night of Feb. 27, and a pair of
oxfords was among the property
stolen. Suspecting a connection, the
chief wrote to Portland for further
particulars, and it is said that, after
questioning, the two men admitted
that the robbery had been their work.The two were arrested here by
State Traffic Officer Dick Robert-
son and City Traffic Officer Claude
Cooper, who also took a prominent
part in the following investigations:WEATHER TODAY
7:30 a. m. 49 above.
Minimum: 31 above.
Condition: partly cloudy.WEATHER YESTERDAY
Maximum 55, minimum 27
above.
Condition: clear.WEATHER MARCH 9, 1929
Maximum 49, minimum 25
above.
Condition: rain .49 of inch.Postal Receipts
Show Gain Here
Despite RatesIncrease Small But July,
1928 Law Lowered Cost
of Third Class Mailing
30 Per CentThe total amount of postal re-
ceipts during January and Febru-
ary of this year in La Grande
shows an increase of \$23.41 over
the first two months of 1928, ac-
cording to local post office figures.
This gain is about one-half of one
per cent. The postal receipts in-
clude receipts of money sent at
the local post office for stamps,
box rent and mailing permits.The total value of all money or-
ders issued during January and
February 1929 shows a decrease of
\$2,355.46 over last year, according
to the collection agent's report.
Ralph Huron, postmaster, could
be due to several different causes.
It is possible that the long
period of deep snow and cold
weather in this section would ac-
count for the decrease. During dis-
agreeable weather people are not
so apt to go to the post office and
business activities are lessened.Cost of Mailing Less.
That the increase in the amount
of postal receipts should be so
slight is worthy of note. It is
probable that the new postal rates
which became effective July 1,
1928, had something to do with
the decrease for by the new rates
cost of mailing was lowered and

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Golf Course Is
In Use Earlier
Than Last YearThis afternoon following a win-
ter's hibernation within the limits
of city streets, sidewalks, houses
and automobiles, La Grande golf
fans again were able to enjoy
themselves on the golf course.The fairways are better than they
were last year at this time, G.
L. Larson reports. The winds
have dried them, now so they are
in good shape. At present, tempo-
rary greens are being used as the
permanent ones are still soft. All
the snow is gone and the grass is
in good condition.The golf season for 1929 stole a
march on the 1928 season by
opening three weeks earlier, and
unless it snows some more, will
continue from now until next win-
ter.Jack Renner, pro, has been at
the course all winter as caretaker
and making repairs and improve-
ments. He trimmed trees and im-
proved the creek banks all of
which augments the appearance of
the course. He has an assistant in
the work at present.The season in La Grande per-
mitted an earlier golf opening than
in many other Eastern Oregon sec-
tions. Golfing in Walla Walla has
already begun. In Baker there is
still some snow which forbids the
start of the season, Mr. Larson re-
ports.Marionettes To
Be Presented In
City March 14The "Manhattan Marionettes"
program, to be given here on the
evening of Thursday, March 14, in
the La Grande High school audi-
torium, constitutes the fourth and
last of a series of lyceum numbers
the student body is sponsoring.
Incidentally, the Mar. 14 event will
serve as a formal opening for the
auditorium.The program is somewhat differ-
ent than any staged in La Grande
for several years, consist-
ing of life-like dolls operated by
strings. The dolls are versatile
and in that respect they differ
from the ordinary puppet produc-
tion. In fact, they are called the
"dolls that really live." Thirty
beautifully costumed marionettes
make up the cast and 800 strings
are required to operate the little
folk and make them do the dances,
sing songs, etc.Telocaset Man Is
Held Not GuiltyFrank La Jol, of Telocaset, was
found not guilty by a jury at noon
today following a trial on an as-
sault and battery charge which
had been under way in the justice
court in La Grande since yesterday
noon, with Hugh Brady presiding.Joe Munson, of La Grande, tried
at 1 o'clock in the justice court
today was found guilty of assault
and battery and was fined \$10 and
costs.Munson was charged with as-
sault and battery of his former
wife, now Perle Wagoner, of Sum-
merville.La Jol is charged with assault
and battery of Charles Manick, who
alleges that La Jol came to his
house and beat him with a maul
handle.La Jol claims that he went to
the Manick house and that when
Manick beat him with the maul
handle he took it away from Man-
ick and retaliated.LINDY FLIES
AIRMAIL TO
BROWNSVILLEHops from Mexico City
North in Spite of Revo-
lutionary WarARRIVES SAFELY
AT TEXAS FIELDInaugurates New Line
Which Shortens Time
Between Mexican Cap-
ital and New YorkBROWNSVILLE, Tex., Mar. 9
(AP)—Colonel Charles A. Lind-
bergh flew over Brownsville at
1:30 p. m. and the wheels of his
plane touched the ground at the
Brownsville municipal airport at
1:34 p. m.His flight was made in fast time
from Mexico City in inaugurating
the Mexico City-Brownsville air-
line. He carried the first official
air mail ever flown northward to
the United States from Mexico
City.Perfect Landing
Lindbergh made a perfect land-
ing as vast throngs at the airport
cheered and crowded to obtain a
glimpse of man or plane.In the ship with him was a
group of Mexican government of-
ficials.Despite the overcast sky, he
arrived on time. The crowd at the
field was said to have been one of
the largest ever gathered here for
a celebration.HOPS OFF EARLY
VALBUENA AIR FIELD, Mex-
ico, Mar. 8 (AP)—Col. Charles A.
Lindbergh, inaugurating the
Brownsville-Mexico City air mail
service, hopped off at the Valbuena
air field at 7:50 o'clock this
morning (8:56 Eastern Standard
time).The colonel's route was to carry
him over parts of the states of
Hidalgo, Vera-Cruz and Tamaulipas
plus most of which have not been
seriously affected by the revolution.

The colonel, whose right shoul-

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TROTTER STORE
OPENING TODAYBusiness House Purchased
Earlier This Week
from Clint Van FleetFollowing the purchase of Clint's
Clothing by John A. Trotter early
this week, the new Trotter com-
pany store in La Grande was open-
ed at 9 o'clock this morning for a
10-day elimination sale, after
which the company will continue
business in this city as a clothing
store for men and boys.A. J. Hinkle, manager of the
store, announces that Victor Ek-
keley will remain with the company.
Clint Van Fleet, former owner,
will make his headquarters there
for some time while he is wind-
ing up his business interests."It is our intention to carry a
high grade of merchandise," Mr.
Hinkle said this morning, "which
will be sold at correct prices."
Mr. Hinkle is experienced in the
clothing business, having owned a
store in Pullman, Wash., until
last year. He has been in this line
for the last 16 years. He is also
a window decorator and will de-
vise some of his time to arrang-
ing the display windows.Purchase of the store here re-
places the Trotter company in
three cities. Besides the stores in
Baker and La Grande, Mr. Trot-
ter owns and operates one in
Weiser, Ida.In Clothing Line 27 Years
Mr. Van Fleet has been in the
clothing business here for the last
27 years, starting out in September
1902, when he began work for
John Collier. In August, 1903,

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La Grande Dogs Take Prizes In
Show Held In Portland ArmoryThree of the best dogs in Ore-
gon live in La Grande and are
owned by Mr. and Mrs. M. M.
Paris, who reside at 1893 Third
street. Mr. and Mrs. Paris re-
turned yesterday from Portland
where their three Chinese Pekin-
ese dogs were entered in the dog
show held there last week.Wee Fong, eight years old and
going on nine, won the first prize
for the best male Chinese Pekin-
ese dog. They call Wee Fong by
that name in dog shows, but at
home he is known as "Boots."
Tao Kim Chang, of O.M.I. affec-
tionately known as "Sister," won
the prize for being the very best
dog of all the toy dogs in the show.League Council
Eager For U. S.
To Join CircleSession in Geneva Today
Indicates Impressive Po-
sition of America in
World AffairsGENEVA, Mar. 9 (AP)—An ex-
traordinarily impressive manifes-
tation of the high place held by
the United States in international
life characterized today's public
session of the council of the league
of nations.Every member of the council, in
approving a resolution that the
committee of experts who will
shortly consider revision of the
world court statutes take up the
question of the accession of the
United States to the court, em-
phasized the importance to the
world of American entrance into
the tribunal.After reading a prepared re-
port and resolution, Sir Austen
Chamberlain, the British foreign
secretary, called particular atten-
tion to the pleasant references to
the "doubtless of times perplexing
and difficult" work of the council
contained in the American note of
February which reopened negotia-
tions for American accession to the
court. He voiced his conviction
that every member of the coun-
cil would observe this sympathy
declaration with satisfaction.

Root Is Praised

Ellihu Root, noted American jur-
ist, who prepared the formula
which is felt to point the way for
American membership, was the re-
cipient of numerous tributes for
his eminent contribution to inter-
national life.Every chair in the council
chamber was occupied and hun-
dreds of persons stood in the door-
ways eager to catch all the speech-
es.The proceedings opened with Sir
Austen reading a report indicating
that the British government had
received the note from Secretary
of State Kellogg relating to Am-
erican accession and that other sig-
natories of the court protocol had
received a similar note.He then presented a resolution
enlarging the mandate of the ju-
stice committee so that it might be
authorized to take up the question
of American accession.The council of the League of
Nations voted today to allow
Switzerland to maintain an obser-
ver radio station in times of inter-
national peril. The action is sub-
ject to endorsement of the league
assembly.Local Schools
To Have Spring
Vacation PeriodLa Grande public schools will
have a spring vacation from April
8 until April 15. It has been an-
nounced by J. T. Longfellow, ju-
nior superintendent of schools. During
that week which is equivalent to
the Easter vacation which is an
institution of many schools through-
out the country, the pupils of La
Grande High school and of the
four grade schools, will have a
chance to rest in preparation for
the last relay of school which will
close for the summer vacation May
31.The spring vacation coming at
that time will make possible the
attendance of La Grande teachers at
the Island Empire Educational
convention to be held in Spokane,
April 10, 11 and 12. Mr. Longfellow
says. Already many teachers
have expressed themselves as de-
lighted that they will have the op-
portunity of attending. Last year
several went to the convention ev-
en though there was no spring vaca-
tion here.Advantage will also be taken of
the intermission to institute re-
pairs at La Grande High school
and spring cleaning in the schools
will also be in order.

PLAN AMERICAN TOUR

HAMBURG, Germany, March 9
(AP)—Members of European
Rotary clubs today announced an
American tour, sailing on the Ham-
burg American liner Cleveland
May 8 to attend the international
convention at Dallas May 27. The
trip will include also visits to many
other American cities.Mr. Paris says, "Sister" also took
fourth place in the whole show.
"Beauty" known as Tao Nui Su
in dog shows, took second place
for being the second best of the toy
dogs. "Beauty" and "Sister" are
sisters and are 15 months old.Entered in the show were 628
dogs. Mr. Paris says. It was held
at the armory in Portland.The three dogs enjoyed the trip
by automobile to Portland and
back it is reported. They are used
to traveling so never get car-sick
or bored. When Mr. and Mrs.
Paris drove to La Grande a year
ago they brought the Chinese Pek-
inese with them from Grandis-
Cal.SIGN EXCISE,
INTANGIBLES,
INCOME TAXThree measures Designed
to Wipe off Deficit Ap-
proved by GovernorBANCORPORATION
BILL IS SIGNEDPatterson Allows Appro-
priation to Pay for Por-
trait of Ex-governor W.
M. PierceSALEM, Ore., March 9 (AP)—
The house income tax bill, the in-
tangibles tax bill and the excise
tax bill were signed today by Gov-
ernor Patterson.These three bills are the three
big revenue bills passed by the
1929 legislature. The excise and
the intangibles measures came di-
rectly from the property tax relief
commission. The income tax bill
was a result of conferences rep-
resenting various elements after two
other income tax bills had been
introduced. These were withdrawn
in favor of the bill that passed.
The revenue measures are effective
in 1930.Another important bill signed
today by the governor was Repre-
sentative Macleady's bill provid-
ing for the regulation of bancor-
porations.SALEM, Ore., March 9 (AP)—
House bill 529, which transfers
from the public service commis-
sion to the secretary of state the
administration of the per pas-
senger and per ton mile tax on
buses and trucks has been signed
by Governor Patterson. The gov-
ernor also signed the Children
bill making it unlawful to spread
false propaganda concerning the
management and finances of co-
operative associations, and senate
bill 262 authorizing the construc-
tion of a combined administration
and prison building at the state
penitentiary.Back of the bill transferring to
the secretary of state the admin-
istration of the mileage tax on
trucks and buses is the criticism
levelled at the service commis-
sion that too much of the proceeds
of the act were used for adminis-
tration with the service commis-
sion.Fire Changes Plans
The new building authorized at
the state prison was a shift in the
penitentiary appropriation pro-
gram following the fire that de-
stroyed the old training school for
boys a few days before the legis-
lature adjourned. It had been the
plan of the governor to convert
the old school into an intermediate
institution. The appropriation
for the purpose had been ap-
proved by the ways and means
committee. Then occurred the
fire that made this impossible and
the appropriation of \$25,000 was
cancelled.

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Wine, Women And
Cars Figure
In Chicago CaseCHICAGO, March 9 (AP)—
Wine, women and the mounds of
taxicab meters have been drawn
into the investigation of the Chi-
cago sanitary district's payroll
scandal with the seizure of records
belonging to an auto service com-
pany.Notes and bills taken by state's
attorneys in their raid on the Cen-
tral Auto Service company yester-
day bore such items as vanity
cases, powder, women, whiskey and
glittering, indicating, prosecutors
said, that certain employees and
trustees of the sanitary district
made much whoopee at public ex-
pense.Asks Explanation
Investigators working on their
theory that certain sanitary dis-
trict officers hired expensive autos
from the service company which
also supplied the funds for enter-
tainment, later billing the district
for the entire amount an auto ser-
vice issued a subpoena for S. S. Sa-
racino, president of the company,
to ask him for an explanation.One bill indicated a four-day
tantronic tour which cost \$2,500,
and included such items as:
One case of whiskey—\$200.
Beer—\$150.Vanity case and powder—\$65.
Gingerale—\$25.
T. J. Crowe—\$400.
Five women—\$150.Will Advertise
Evils of Liquor
WASHINGTON, March 9 (AP)—
Posters, suitably illustrated, warn-
ing of the evils of the liquor traf-
fic and the benefits of prohibition,
as sent by the government.Commissioner Doran of the pro-
hibition bureau has decided that an
advertising campaign by the gov-
ernment will aid law enforcement.FUCH MUCH BETTER
PARIS, March 9 (AP)—Mar-
shal Foch was much better when
his physicians visited him today.
He asked and received permission
to spend an hour on a sofa during
the day.SISTER OF
PRESIDENTSeeing her brother inaugurated
as president of the United States
was the honor of Mrs. Mary
Hoover, sister of President Hoover.
She is pictured above. She was among
the thousands of Washington
visitors.INLOW IS STILL
AFTER TEACHERSSpends Day in Eugene
Seeking Material for
Normal School FacultyEUGENE, Ore., (Special)
Looking for teachers for the new
Eastern Oregon normal, in La
Grande, H. E. Inlow, recently an-
nounced president, spent Thursday
morning in Eugene, conferring
with the education officials in
the education building.
Here only for a few hours Mr.
Inlow, who in taking the helm of
the new normal school ended an
extended period as superintendent
of schools in Pendleton, Oregon,
was too busy, he declared, to dis-
cuss prospects of the school. But
he did find time to say, enthus-
iastically, that "the building is
rapidly being finished and that it
is going to be a splendid one."A summer session will be con-
ducted in the new institution.
"You see, I'm even too busy to
spend much time with my daugh-
ter," smiled the educator. She is
Hope Inlow, junior in sociology on
the campus, and admitted that it
was only by "tagging her dad
around and visiting in between
conferences" that she was able to
see him.

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HOOVER GIVES
POSITIONS TO
DIXON, INGALLSWASHINGTON, March 9 (AP)—
President Hoover today appoint-
ed former Governor Joseph M.
Dixon, of Montana, assistant sec-
retary of the interior, and David
R. Ingalls, of Cleveland, assistant
secretary of the navy in charge
of aviation. E. C. Finney, present
assistant secretary of the interior,
is to become solicitor of the de-
partment.Ingalls, who succeeds Edward P.
Warner, served in the air corps
during the war, is a graduate of
Yale, and at present is a member
of the Ohio state legislature. He
is a lawyer by profession.
Former Governor Dixon, of Mon-
tana, has also served in congress,
occupying at various times posi-
tions in both the house and senate.Frisco Actress
Believed SuicideLOS ANGELES, Mar. 9 (AP)—
A young woman whom police be-
lieved to be "Patricia Pemberton,"
a San Francisco actress, was found
shot to death in a garage here to-
day. Police said she apparently
had committed suicide.

CANARY SHIP

HAMBURG, Germany, March 9
(AP)—Sweet-smelling is coming
from 28,000 thrushes on the steam-
ship Deutschland.
There are 28 thrushes aboard.
They left Hamburg yesterday
with 14 attendants bound for New
York.Mild Temperatures
Due During WeekSAN FRANCISCO, Mar. 9 (AP)—
Weather outlook for the
week ending March 19 was an-
nounced today by the United
States weather bureau as follows:
The outlook for the week ending
March 19 is for mild temperatures,
frequent rains in Washington,
Oregon and Idaho and unsettled
at times with the probability of
showers in California and Nevada.Both Senate And
House Have Plan
For Farm ReliefHoover Expected to De-
cide Where Bill Should
Originate; McNary Vis-
its PresidentWASHINGTON, Mar. 9 (AP)—
The legislative program of the
coming special congressional ses-
sion and the question whether
farm relief legislation should
originate in the house or senate
today by leaders of both
branches of congress.Chairman McNary of the senate
agricultural committee and Chair-
man Snell of the house rules com-
mittee, called at the white house
to ascertain Mr. Hoover's views
and it developed that both house
and senate propose to have a farm
bill ready for consideration when
the special session convenes on
April 15.Predicts Quick Action
Chairman Snell said that as
drawn up at present the legislative
program of the house is, first of
all, farm relief, then the tariff,
and later, if a measure is passed
by the senate, congressional res-
pportionment. He predicted that
the house would dispose of farm
relief within a week.Chairman McNary said he ex-
pected also to have a farm bill
drawn up by the beginning of the
special session and he predicted,
too, that his branch of congress
could dispose of it in a week. The
senator said that hearings would
be initiated shortly with the bill
which he introduced at the last
session of congress as a basis of
discussion.

Make Best Use of Time

The purpose of this plan is to
enable both branches of congress
to make the best use of their time.
Meanwhile, it was made known
that the members of Mr. Hoover's
proposed law enforcement com-
mission would not be finally
selected for at least a month, al-
though it was explained that this
was not to be construed as mean-
ing the president will not approach
prospective members within that
time.Senator Brockhart, republican,
Iowa, later (616) the president there
was general agreement in the sen-
ate on the fundamental principles
to be embodied in a farm relief
measure. Sufficient appropriations,
he said, would serve to make
an equalization fee unnecessary,
but there must be a federal farm
board to deal with the surplus
crop situation.

Immigration Request

Declaring that it was not man-
datory for President Hoover to
proclaim on April 1 immigration
quotas under the national origins
clause, Representative McCormack,
democrat, Massachusetts, urged
him today not to make the pro-
clamation.Under the immigration act of
1924, the president would proclaim
on April 1 the quotas of immi-
grants on the basis of two per
cent of the foreign born who were
in this country when the 1890
census was taken.

It would become effective July 1.

Salem Loses To
Chemawa Indians
In Hoop TourneySALEM, Ore., March 9 (AP)—
Threatening to throw it all, R. Turner,
superintendent of schools at
Dallas, and W. E. Kirk, Oregon
City superintendent, into the
mill race, 200 Salem High school
students swarmed about the Wil-
lamette university gymnasium last
night after Salem had lost a basket-
ball game to the Chemawa Indian
school by a score of 25 to 23.The Salem students were in-
censed at the two school officials
because of the part they had in
calling a post-season district bas-
ketball tournament in preparation
for the state tournament. Salem
finished the regular season un-
defeated, and had twice beaten
Chemawa, only to lose last night
with the result that the Indians in-
stead of Salem will appear in the
state meet.Police guarded the officials after
they left the Willamette gymnas-
ium and the Polk county sheriff's
office watched the situation after
Turner left Salem. Several auto-
mobiles filled with angry students
were on the Salem-Dallas road
and were said to have gathered about
Turner's home at Dallas.Turner was formerly state super-
intendent of public instruction.Mild Temperatures
Due During WeekSAN FRANCISCO, Mar. 9 (AP)—
Weather outlook for the
week