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THE WEATHER

Oregon: Generally fair tonight and Friday but becoming unsettled, probably with rain in the northwest Friday, warmer in the interior tonight.

IMPROVEMENT
WORK FOR '29
NEARING END

City Commission Grants Final Estimates on Five Projects.

PAVEMENT WORK
NEAR COMPLETION

Executives, in 20-Minute Meeting Last Night Pay Out Total Sum of \$9,330.15.

The approach of winter and with it the end of the street and sidewalk improvements in La Grande for 1929 was felt at the city commission meeting last night, when final estimates were allowed in five projects and a large estimate granted in another, although this was not final.

During the present year a large number of sidewalk districts have been completed, along with sewer and street projects.

Estimates, less 10 per cent pending the side of the bonds, were allowed P. J. Lilly last night as follows:

No. 191 (sidewalk on K avenue), \$2,069.11; No. 194, \$262.62; No. 195, \$71.28; No. 197, \$684.60 and No. 196, \$228.22. All of these sidewalks are completed.

An estimate in the amount of \$2,390.45 was allowed Hartenberger Brothers for pavement on Ninth street, leading to the Eastern Oregon Normal school, but the final estimate on this has not been received.

The allowing of the above estimates, plus the October bills in the amount of \$9,243.81, made a total of \$9,330.15 paid out at the end of the year.

In the near future, the Observer will give a complete story on improvement work done in La Grande this year.

In addition to the above, the city commission referred an application for a rooming house license for 215 1/2 First street to the city manager and the chief of police, and granted a skating rink license for H. Warmholz for three months at Rev. hall.

At this meeting of the meeting, the 1929 budget hearing was held and the budget was adopted finally as drawn up by the budget committee a few weeks ago.

About 20 minutes was required to transact the evening's business.

WEATHER HERE
WARMER EARLY
THIS MORNING

Although the minimum in La Grande last night was the same as the night before, 18 above zero, an eight-degree jump in the mercury was recorded at 7:30 a. m. compared with only a one-degree gain yesterday. The temperature yesterday, 48 above, was two degrees warmer than Tuesday's high mark.

PANTAGES IS SUED

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 14 (AP)—Alexander Pantages, wealth 54-year-old showman sentenced to a one-to-five year prison term for criminally attacking Eunice Pringle, young dancer, today was sued for \$200,000 damages by Nicholas Dimov, Russian physician, and a principal in Pantages' recent trial. Dimov charged slander.

200 PERSONS HOMELESS

EDMONTON, Alberta, Nov. 14 (AP)—Almost all of the 200 persons living in the hotel, near here, were homeless today, following a fire which sprang up last night and destroyed the village, causing an estimated loss of \$150,000. No lives were lost but all but a few families lost all other possessions.

SAVED UNDER FIRE

IRHURHAM, Nov. 14 (AP)—Heavy rifle fire from an unknown source was trained on Salford, northwest of Halifax, at 7:30 p. m. today and one soldier was wounded. Local troops rushed and reinforcements were sent from London and Plymouth.

Armed cars proceeded in the direction of the firing but no raiders were discovered.

WEATHER TODAY

Maximum 18, above.
Minimum 10, above.
Condition: clear.

WEATHER YESTERDAY

Maximum 48, minimum 18, above.
Condition: clear.

WEATHER NOV. 14, 1929

Maximum 47, minimum 38, above.
Condition: clear.

Monmouth Here
Today For Title
Contest Eastern

Phillips, Star Back, on Injured List—Coach Bob Quinn Announces E. O. N. Lineup.

The Monmouth Normal school football team, consisting of 27 men, arrived here about 1 o'clock this afternoon and registered at the La Grande hotel.

Encouraged by an impressive victory over Albany college, 46 to 0, last Friday, the wander team of the Oregon Normal school at Monmouth, coached by Larry Wolfe, was en route this morning to La Grande, scheduled to arrive here shortly after noon for the championship game with the Eastern Oregon Normal eleven here tomorrow at 2:15 o'clock. During this afternoon, Wolfe's squad of about 30 players will have a light workout at the high school field.

This is the first meeting of the E. O. N. with either of its other "rival" teams in the state normal school system and a victory for the Eastern Oregonians would give them a championship in their first year of play. A victory for Monmouth would leave them in a tie with Ashland for the state championship. Incidentally, this will be the last college game La Grande will see this year as Bob Quinn, coach, has no other games scheduled and does not expect to prolong the season after tomorrow.

Phillips Injured

La Grande's chances scored a gain today when it became known here that Johnny Phillips, 175-pound halfback and Monmouth's most outstanding player, may not get into the game Friday due to a shoulder injury received a week ago during an Albany, Coach Wolfe considers the loss of Phillips a hard blow and Wayne Klein will probably be called on to fill Phillips' berth. Wolfe has two other backs who are expected to cause the local team a lot of trouble in the form of Chet Emerson and Barney Scott. Emerson, who played at Seattle before going to Monmouth, was an all-Northwest quarterback. The Monmouth backfield is heavy and the line is reported to be strong, headed up by Ramsusson, giant tackle.

The Monmouth squad has run against some exceptionally hard competition this season, and so far

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Senior Play To
Be Presented On
November 21, 22

"So This is London," the L. H. E. senior class play under the direction of Miss Katherine Sartin, will be presented to the public next Tuesday and Friday, November 21, 22, at the high school auditorium. Tuesday and Wednesday matinees will be held for the grade school children, and Monday night dress rehearsal will be held. This practically means a series of four consecutive performances.

The play will be sold by high school students and seats will go on reserve next Wednesday at the Grand Drug store for the night performances.

"So This is London" is a three-act play, with a new scene each act, promising a variety of settings. Donald Pease is doing the art work for the play; Edwin Briggs is director; Roy Nelson, property manager; Ray McFarland, stage manager; Nick Hughes, assistant stage manager.

The night performances will begin promptly at 8:15 Miss Sartin promises, preceded by a few minutes of musical selections by the La Grande high school orchestra, directed by W. W. Nussbaum.

Open House Tonight
For Central School

Open house will be held by the Central school this evening at 7:30 in the high school auditorium. This will be including Armistice day is set aside. (November 11-17) each year for the rededication of the people's efforts to the cause of universal education and for a fuller understanding of the blood sacrifices and needs of the world.

Since "Health is the Key to Happiness," the program will be a "Health Program."

All parents and their friends are invited. No charges will be made.

Grand Chancellor
Visits Elgin Lodge

The first official visit of H. E. Dixon, grand chancellor of the Knights of Pythias of the state of Oregon, was made Tuesday evening to Orion lodge No. 72 at Elgin. The lodge where he was initiated 17 years ago in 1912. Fifteen members from the local organization accompanied him.

Following work in the third rank of knights, a buffet luncheon was served.

S.P. ATTACKS
TWO ROADS'
TESTIMONY

Western Pacific and the Great Northern Favor 200-Mile Rail Link.

DEFENSE ATTORNEY
QUESTIONS ADAMS

20,000,000,000 Board Feet of Timber in Territory Tributary to Proposed Track.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 14 (AP)—The Southern Pacific today resumed attacks on Western Pacific and Great Northern testimony supporting the petition of the latter made to build a 200-mile railroad in California. The purpose of the proposed line is to link the two systems and thereby open new transcontinental connections as well as provide a new coastwise rail route.

The second day of the interstate commerce commission hearing on the petition opened at 9 a. m. G. D. Mahaffie, chief examiner for the commission, presiding.

E. J. Foulds, Southern Pacific attorney, drew from President Harry M. Adams of the Western Pacific, in cross examination, the statement that the "Shasta arbitrary" might be removed by the necessity of building a new line from California into the north. He referred to the fact that \$10 to \$24 million of the Southern Pacific on transcontinental fares coming into California from Portland to

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PIONEERS STRONG
ON AERIAL GAINS

Mac-Hi Expected to Throw Passes in Game With Tigers Saturday

In spite of the fact that Bob Evans, one of the strongest backfield men on the squad, is definitely out of play for a week or two, La Grande high school is working this week with only one idea—"defeat Mac-Hi."

Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock on the high school field, the two team championship game from the Melancthon school at Milton, Preswator, will line up against the blue and white Tigers, with the 1929 Eastern Oregon title at stake. A La Grande win would definitely clinch the matter, but a Mac-Hi win would leave the Pioneers with one more big obstacle to overcome, a game with Ontario on Thanksgiving day.

With Evans injured and with Mac-Hi scoring impressive victories over both Pendleton and Walla Walla, the Tigers are only conceded about one chance out of three to come out of the contest on the long end of the score. Coach Ira Woodie will run his team through its last practice tonight, although a light workout may be held tomorrow.

The entire squad, realizing the strength of the Pioneers, are going through practice with earnest desire to bring the team to its peak by Saturday.

Pioneers Rely on Passes

The Pioneers' greatest threat, it is believed here, is through the air. Against Walla Walla last Monday, Mac-Hi completed 15 out of 28 forward passes for a total yardage of 266 and two touchdowns. Only one forward pass was intercepted by the Blue Devils. Offense usually on the hurling and with Lewis, left end, or Merckham, star halfback, the receiver. The combination has been a deadly one this season and if La Grande can nullify it, the teams are expected to be even in strength. The Pioneers have a strong passing combination when it is clicking, but it doesn't always click. However, the passing defense has been performing in consistent manner this season and the team has hopes of stopping the overhauled team the Pioneers rely on so much.

The game Saturday will be the final one on schedule for the La Grande squad, and a crowd rivaling that of Monday is anticipated. This is the first time in a decade that La Grande has had a chance to win the Eastern Oregon season undefeated.

NEW CASE OF
DIPHTHERIA IS
IN QUARANTINE

Diphtheria quarantine was placed on the home of George Livingston, yesterday, due to the illness of his daughter, Dorothy Becker, 11 years old. This home is at 2708 N. Ash street.

Quarantine has been lifted from the Samelson home at 1217 W. avenue and the Hallmark residence at 1214 W. avenue. There are two scarlet fever cases in La Grande at present.

Several cases of chicken pox are reported in La Grande but because they are not serious, are not placed under quarantine.

Grangers Meet
In Seattle For
National Session

Address by Taber Opens Convention—Approximately 3000 to Receive Seventh Degree.

SEATTLE, Wash., Nov. 14 (AP)—Following the opening address of Louis Taber, national master yesterday, the sixty-third convention of the national grange began the routine business of receiving reports of 32 state granges at a night session. Filing of the reports will be continued today until all have been received. The delegates also received the report of the executive committee last night.

The 5,000 delegates were welcomed by Mayor Frank Edwards of Seattle and Governor Roland H. Hartley of Washington.

Approximately 3,000 delegates will receive the seventh degree of the organization tomorrow, a degree conferred only at national conventions. On Saturday the convention of the assembly of delegates will be held. While both these meetings will be open to grange members only, a national broadcast of the proceedings tomorrow will be given for 45 minutes at the morning session.

Speakers scheduled to appear next week include Samuel J. McKelvey, former governor of Nebraska, and Charles Wilson, both members of President Hoover's farm board.

Legislation affecting agriculture, either now in effect or proposed, was covered in considerable detail by Taber in his opening address.

An under current of optimism among the farmers of the nation was evident today as state reports from practically every section of the nation were read before the grange convention. Reports from the Atlantic seaboard states of Connecticut, Delaware, Rhode Island and New Jersey, and the District of Columbia revealed only moderate success among the farmers during 1929, but all of them carried a hopefulness of future prosperity under the new farm marketing act and the activities of the federal farm board.

Indiana and Illinois of the middle west reported farming under climatic difficulties. Although Illinois seemed to be the least hurt, Indiana's report revealed that floods in the spring followed by long drought throughout the summer resulted in extremely "poor" crops.

Southern Illinois was hurt more by the spring floods than the northern portion, the report showed, and crops were somewhat better than in the neighboring states.

Minneapolis Boy
Admits Robberies

SPOKANE, Wash., Nov. 14 (AP)—A 16-year-old Minneapolis boy, who admitted to police a long list of robberies and shootings today, faced the charge of murdering a detective.

Robert M. Larcia, the boy, shot Detective Roy Fordyce who was searching him for concealed weapons in a hotel room yesterday afternoon. Larcia's right arm was broken by a shot from Detective George Bradley's pistol, and his head was smashed with a pistol butt in the struggle to arrest him after the officer was shot.

Turkeys Stolen
Near Enterprise

A truck load of live turkeys, in condition for immediate marketing, was stolen from a farm near Enterprise, Ore., and was headed toward Portland last night, according to word received here. Details were lacking although it was said that the turkeys were in a new truck, carrying a Texas license plate.

Police from Enterprise to Portland have been notified to keep on the watch for the stolen birds.

Lions Club Sends
Caravan to Baker

About 15 members of the La Grande Lions club, headed by Jack Ferris, president, left here this morning on a goodwill trip to Baker. They were to have luncheon today at noon with the Baker Lions club.

Robber Pays For
His Prescription

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 14 (AP)—A robber who paid for his lost claim the honors today.

He entered a drug store, produced a prescription for a drug and also a revolver. E. B. Murphy, clerk, filled the prescription under the persuasion of the weapon.

"How much?" demanded the robber.

"Two dollars," Murphy replied. The robber produced a \$5 bill, change was made, he pocketed the drug and revolver and walked out.

DRIVER IS ACQUITTED

HAMILTON, B. C., Nov. 14 (AP)—Hamilton B. Ewen, 24, was found not guilty of involuntary manslaughter by a jury in circuit court yesterday. Ewen was the driver of the automobile which ran into a freight train July 24 killing "Red" O'Donnell, former 125th and Oregon grid star.

INDUSTRY IS
UNDISTURBED
BY UPHEAVAL

Department of Labor Finds General Conditions Sound Over U. S.

EMPLOYMENT HAS
RETAINED PLACE

Slump in Wall Street Fails to Affect Situation During Month of October.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 14 (AP)—The department of labor in its monthly employment bulletin issued today said October reports indicated the "recent financial upheaval" had not disturbed industry, or caused any reduction in employment.

The report said this was held to be "self evident proof" that industry is fundamentally sound and that "the future may reveal that more money will be available for the further development of industry and the establishment of new industry."

Seasonal decreases in production of automobiles caused a drop in employment in this industry and a similar decrease in employment in the iron and steel mills was attributed to the automobile depression. Conditions in the cotton-textile industry improved somewhat but were said to be "spotty" still, while large forces were employed in the silk goods manufacturing plants.

Increased employment in the shipyards, in the jewelry manufacturing business, in radio and electrical equipment plants and in the food and meat factories was noted. Greater employment was also reported in the anthracite and bituminous coal mining districts.

LIQUOR CASE
BEFORE JUDGE
JAMES FRIDAY

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 14 (AP)—Charged with conspiracy to violate the national prohibition laws, 16 persons must appear before Judge James Friday, U. S. district court, tomorrow for arraignment on indictments growing out of a federal grand jury inquiry into an alleged liquor combine during the American Legion state convention in San Diego last August.

The indictments returned here yesterday charged American Legion convention committee men and San Diego business men conspired with Charles H. Maltbie, a James Maltbie, to provide violating legendaries with liquor.

Maltbie testified he paid \$2,000 for a concession to the exclusive right to sell liquor at the convention, and was promised he would not be interfered with because "officials are fixed."

J. Marjorie Berger
Will Appeal Case

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 14 (AP)—Granted a thirty-day stay of execution and her liberty under \$5,000 bond, J. Marjorie Berger, Hollywood tax collector, today began preparations for an appeal from her conviction of having defrauded the U. S. government of \$125,000 income tax return of Dorothy Mackall, screen actress. Miss Berger yesterday was found guilty and sentenced to serve two and one-half years in the federal prison for women at Alderson, W. Va., and pay a fine of \$2,500 on each of the two counts.

Defense counsel announced a plea for probation would be filed.

Abandon Mooney
Case Investigation

SP. CHARLESVILLE, Ohio, Nov. 14 (AP)—Belmont county officials today said they had abandoned investigation of the Tom Mooney case because of alleged conflicting stories told by Mrs. Dora Monroe, who last week made an affidavit placing the blame for the San Francisco preparedness day parade bombing in which ten lives were lost in 1916 on her brother, Lewis Smith, who died seven years ago at Cleveland.

Prosecuting Attorney George C. McKelvey, who had been directing the inquiry, said today that Mrs. Monroe's latest story of the bombing was that Mooney was on the same boat with Lewis Smith, when the latter buried the bomb.

PLENTRY OF TURKEYS

WASHINGTON, Nov. 14 (AP)—There will be plenty of turkey two weeks from today. The department of agriculture today said the supply is nine per cent greater than for Thanksgiving last year.

A couple of Indians who recently took their first airplane ride from the San Francisco airport tossed a bunch of corn meal through the cabin window to please the gods.

FLACATING THE GODS

WIDOW FROM FRANKLIN

SEVERE FIGHTING

WATER VS. OIL

YOUNGQUIST



G. Aaron Youngquist, above, a close personal friend of ex-Secretary Andrew Volstead, has been appointed to succeed Mrs. Mabel Walker Willebrandt, resigned, as assistant attorney general of the United States in charge of prohibition enforcement. President Hoover, in appointing him, said Youngquist may be given power greater than any one has had since the dry law went into effect.

SECRETARY GOOD
DANGEROUSLY ILL

Cabinet Member Entering Critical Period—Will Know Fate Soon.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 14 (AP)—Secretary Good, dangerously ill at Walter Reed hospital, was thought today by his physicians to have entered the critical period and the next 48 hours was expected to decide whether he would survive the acute attack of appendicitis for which he underwent an operation yesterday.

Army surgeons attending the war secretary met with news of a prognosis that his temperature had risen slightly this morning.

This however, was not considered particularly alarming as it was said the patient's temperature might rise as a natural defensive measure on the part of the body as a reaction from the operation.

Mr. Good had a "fair" night and his condition was stated at 10 o'clock this morning to be as satisfactory as could be expected under the circumstances.

The critical nature of the secretary's condition was not minimized by his surgeons and constant contact was kept by the white house with his headquarters so that President Hoover could be informed.

No one was permitted to enter Mr. Good's room. Mr. Good spent the night at the hospital in an adjoining apartment.

SENATE KEEPS
MAPLE, BIRCH
ON FREE LIST

WASHINGTON, Nov. 14 (AP)—The senate today approved a Republican committee amendment to the tariff bill to retain maple and birch lumber, except flooring, on the free list. The house provided a duty of 15 per cent.

By a vote of 38 to 25, the senate then rejected that part of the amendment which would have levied a duty of 15 per cent ad valorem on maple, birch and beech flooring and restored this wood to the free list.

Thirteen Republicans joined 25 Democrats in support of a motion by Senator Walsh, Democrat, Massachusetts, to eliminate the proposed 15 per cent duty.

Four Democrats, Illinois, South Carolina, Tennessee, Louisiana, Dill, Washington, and Kendrick, Wyoming, combined with 31 Republicans for the duty.

PREMIER MURDERED

BAGDAD, Iraq, Nov. 14 (AP)—Sir Abdul Muhin, premier and foreign minister of Iraq, was found dead last evening from bullet wounds.

No explanation of the shooting has been made public.

Crossing Accident
Is Fatal to Woman

OREGON CITY, Ore., Nov. 14 (AP)—Struck by a Southern Pacific train at Canby, Ore., Mrs. Charles Klobe, 67, was dead today and the automobile she was driving when struck by the train was a mass of wreckage.

Mrs. Klobe, who was socially prominent and active in community affairs, was driving with the curtains of her automobile drawn. It is believed her vision was obscured by the curtains and fog and that she failed to see the southbound train. The automobile was tossed 50 feet.

Al Smith Resigns
From Metropolitan

NEW YORK, Nov. 14 (AP)—Former Governor Alfred E. Smith today announced that he had resigned as a director of the Metropolitan Life Insurance company. He tendered his resignation a month ago.

Water vs. Oil

Attempt to Buy
Legislation Is
Caraway Charge

Activities of Sugar Association Compared With Bribery—Witness Puts Up Fight.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 14 (AP)—Chairman Caraway of the senate lobby committee today asked Royal D. Mead, treasurer of the Domestic Sugar Producers' association, to explain the difference between what his association was doing and that Albert B. Fall, former interior secretary did to "place him in the shadow of the penitentiary."

Mead testified the association disseminated publicity intended to influence public opinion in favor of a high duty on sugar.

"You are trying to buy legislation," Caraway asserted, leaping from his chair, "and Fall gave money to obtain a favor. What's the difference?"

The witness retorted that his position in regard to a high sugar duty to influence public opinion which he admitted might influence legislation. He testified the organization spent a considerable sum of money for publicity purposes.

Mead was the only witness at today's hearing aside from J. A. Arnold, manager of the Southern Tariff association, who was questioned only a few minutes.

Caraway and Mead had previously clashed over the latter's testimony on publicity activities of his organization. The witness said his organization had a contract with a syndicate to furnish publicity on the latter's guarantee to have stories printed in newspapers having a total circulation of 30,000,000. The Arkansas senator inquired of Mead what was the difference between that and bribery.

"Bribe, my goodness!" exclaimed Mead, explaining that he considered it no breach to print the truth.

No Wall Street
News Will Make
His Front Page

DAYTON, O., Nov. 14 (AP)—Ex-Governor James M. Cox of Ohio, owner of a group of newspapers on the north and south, has issued orders to his publications to take all stock market news off the first page. Asked why he did it, he said:

"The purpose is obvious. The buying of stocks in the market, or if you want to call it, speculation, is a minor and incidental thing in the life of the country. The emphasis we have given it makes it appear that more people are interested than in our normal pursuits. The inevitable reaction came. It is nearly if not quite over, and yet all of our newspapers are filling the public mind with the idea of disaster. This can easily develop a psychological condition harmful to the general interest."

"There is a distinction between journalistic enterprise and sensationalism, without regard to consequences, the last atom of a dramatic event. The operation of the stock market should be set back in their proper department, but of course, without suppression of fact or development. The great masses of the people who are not involved can pursue uninterrupted their course in commerce. Otherwise the impression will grow that we are on the verge of a serious industrial depression. What is not in any sense justified by fundamental conditions now can be created by widespread panic of today or tomorrow. The impression of the country in this active are on a very sensitive center and the newspapers are in a position to render great benefit or create serious injury."

"My thought as publisher was to help our public forget the panic, which has been in no small degree mental with the holders of securities, and let the country go to work. I am sure that the general efficiency of business has been below par because of a speculative obsession."

GIRL ACCUSED
OF EXTORTION
IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, Nov. 14 (AP)—Accused by the police of extorting more than \$175,000 from Nathan L. Amster, prominent financier, an attractive brunette, of 34, who charges Amster is the father of her 6-year-old boy, is under \$5,000 bail today pending a hearing tomorrow.

Miss Olga N. Edwards, whose home formerly was in Seattle was arrested after Amster's secretary through arrangement with the police paid her \$500 in marked bills.

Mr. Amster, who is 60 years old, married and the father of two sons, denied the paternity of the child but admitted paying the woman huge sums over the last six years.

"All this," he said, "is due to my natural big-heartedness, nothing else. I met Miss Edwards at a party in New York. She told me a very sad story and I felt sorry for her."

"She wanted to go home to California and live on \$20,000 a year. I gave her \$500 and sent her home. She came back and went west again several times after that, and to Europe also."

"Finally her demands became so great that I felt I could not comply with them any longer. When I cut down on my gifts she threatened me. Then my friends decided to take the matter into their own hands but admitted paying the woman huge sums over the last six years."

"I am sure that the general efficiency of business has been below par because of a speculative