

INCREASE IN LIBRARY USE HERE HEAVY

Four Thousand Volumes
More in Circulation
This Quarter.

5,000 CITIZENS
BORROWING BOOKS

Over One Thousand Are
Now Using Privileges
of Municipal Institution
For First Time.

An increase of over 4,000 volumes in circulation has been made at the La Grande public library during the first three months of this year, in comparison with the first three months of 1929. January, February and March of 1929 circulation totaled 29,207, for 1930 33,679, an increase of 4,472. During October, November and December of 1929 the numbers are 29,524 giving an increase of 4,155 of the last three months over the preceding three months.

About 5,000 persons borrow books from the city library in addition to 50 county borrowers who pay a fee for the privilege. Recently 1161 persons who have never registered at the library before have joined the list of borrowers. Every three years, cards are renewed. All the branch libraries in the schools will be closed when school is dismissed.

Over 17,000 Volumes

At the close of 1929 there were approximately 16,700 volumes in the library and 515 have been added so far this year. New books include fiction, non-fiction and children's books, with travel and biography the most popular of the non-fiction type. Last year 1476 volumes were added, 242 of which were gifts.

A number of new Oregon books have been added to the children's department, and to simplify their study a historical map of Oregon is on display in the children's room. This week spring cleaning is taking place in their room, with some painting and stenciling work. When a student enters high school he may transfer his card to the adult department readers.

New Furniture

Now furniture that adds much to the "homeliness of our library" include two new display tables placed at either side of the door with attractive new lights and shades above each. Another new table has been fitted into the fireplace nook.

Some rebound books had just arrived looking like everything else grow old from wear and instead of the old buckram binding, they had shiny new faircloth covers in bright colors and are as much thrill as the new books, because they have been reborn.

Next week has been set aside as poetry week by the La Grande Neighborhood club in honor of the

PLAY WILL BE GIVEN SUNDAY AT M. E. CHURCH

"The Color Line" is the title of the production which is to be given Sunday morning at 11 o'clock at the Methodist Episcopal church by the young people of the church. The Epworth League and the high school girls' missionary society are working together on the play which is said by those who have seen it, to be one of the best missionary plays ever given here. It comes as a conclusion of a study program which has been followed for the last two months started by the late Rev. V. E. Hill and covering race relationships.

The story of the play has to do with a young Chinese student who has come to this country after having accepted Christianity because of the life and teachings of a faithful missionary, who's daughter has also come to an American college. The attitude toward the young Chinese has a serious effect upon him and the play deals with his reactions to American life.

The cast of characters is as follows:

Dr. Lawrence, president of the college (Clarence Williams); Miss King, his secretary (Bernice Peterson); Fu Chun, the Chinese student (George Moore); Stanley Preston, college senior (Boyd Jackson); Barbara McKee, college senior (Barbara McKee); George senior, daughter of the missionary to China (Elizabeth Hesse); Wanda Williams, a college helper (Ruth Aldrich).

WEATHER TODAY

7:30 a. m.—48 above.

Minimum: 29 above.

Condition: clear.

WEATHER YESTERDAY

Maximum 62, minimum 44 above.

Condition: partly cloudy.

WEATHER APR. 9, 1930

Maximum 42, minimum 27 above.

Condition: partly cloudy, traces of snow, moisture .01 of inch.

La Grande High 27 - Piece Band To Leave Friday

Organization to Take Part
in State Contest to be
Held at Corvallis on
Saturday.

Twenty-seven members of the La Grande high school band, accompanied by W. W. Nussbaum, will leave here Friday morning for Corvallis, where they will participate Saturday in the state high school band contest. They plan to return to La Grande Sunday.

This will be the La Grande high school band's third year of participation. In 1925 the band won fifth and last year placed third. Class B and C contests will be held in the morning and Class A bands, of which La Grande is a member, will be heard during the afternoon, beginning at 2:30 o'clock. The bands will draw for places, with about ten entered in each class.

The contest this year at the Oregon State college is recognized by the national association and trophies will be given winners both by the college and the national association. It is said.

The members of the band who will make the trip are:

Dolph Steier, flute.

Russell Nelson, Billy Eakin, Grace Scully, Guy Andrews, William Scappell, Wilford Zaugg, clarinets.

Leland Hale, Claire Perkins, Bernard Powell, Marvin Mackey, Earl Ashman, Hulon Zaugg, trumpets.

Billy Caldwell and Rosecoe Hurley, French horns.

William Burk, euphonium.

Wayne Nussbaum, Lee Johnson.

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Olsen Players To Give Comedy Drama April 25

La Grande people are soon to have the opportunity of seeing the Olsen Circuit Repertory company in the comedy "White Wings" by Philip Barry. This company has become popular with audiences of the northwest because of its dramatic tours of the past seven years.

Philip Barry has caught and compressed with ironical gaiety in

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George Wilbur, Candidate For Governor, Here

George H. Wilbur, former state senator from Hood River county and candidate for the democratic nomination for governor of Oregon, arrived in La Grande this morning on No. 24 and at noon today was the honor guest at an informal luncheon of members and leaders of the democratic party. The luncheon was held at the Sycamore Inn.

Mr. Wilbur will return to his home after today's visit. In La Grande because of business, he expects to visit other sections of Eastern Oregon on another trip before the primary election.

Mr. Wilbur is a former state commander of the American Legion.

Presbyterial Meet Is Held In Baker

Tuesday morning the Rev. J. Geo. Walz, chairman of the board of trustees of the Presbyterial of Grande Ronde, drove to Baker to a meeting of the board. Mrs. Walz accompanied him and attended the meetings of the Presbyterial, an organization of women interested in the work of home and foreign missions.

Guests of honor at this meeting were Mrs. Evelyn Bancroft, representing the board of national missions, the Rev. and Mrs. Grover C. Hirsch, of Columbia, S. C., and Mrs. D. A. Thompson, synodical president. Mr. Walz returned to Baker to engage in the evening program and hear Mr. Hirsch.

The women of the local Presbyterian church, who presented the play "Missionary Arithmetic" at the church Sunday night, gave it to the women assembled in Presbyterial at Baker Tuesday afternoon.

Howard Speaks At Meeting of Club

Suggestions in solving the needs of a rural school was the subject discussed by State Superintendent C. A. Howard at the meeting of the Educational club in the Normal school auditorium.

Mr. Howard especially emphasized the gradual change in rural school management from the graded system to the present day two-way plan, which is used successfully in some states. This plan makes it possible to use the forenoon for the teaching, and the afternoon for socialized instruction.

A large number of La Grande teachers as well as Normal school students were in attendance.

THREE-POWER NAVY TREATY NOW ASSURED

Japanese Withdraw a Request
to Transfer Ton-
nage to Submarines.

FRANCE CREATES SENSATION TODAY

Will Never Concede Par-
ity and Will Demand
240,000 Ton Superiority
Over Italy.

LONDON, April 9 (AP)—The Japanese withdrew their request that they be allowed to transfer 20,000 tons from destroyers to submarines this afternoon and thereby reached a complete accord with the Americans and British on all points excepting a minor definition concerning training ships.

This development took place this afternoon at a meeting attended by Secretary Stimson, Prime Minister MacDonald and Kellie Wakatsuki. It disposed of the Japanese government's tentative reservations to the tripartite agreement recently submitted to Tokyo.

Now in Position

Conference circles said today's action meant that the three major naval powers were now in a position to proceed with the drafting and signing of a tripartite pact if the attitude of France and Italy should make a five-power pact impossible.

The minor training ship question is expected to be adjusted tomorrow at another meeting of the three chief delegates.

A special committee sitting at St. James palace this afternoon decided that aircraft carriers under 10,000 tons—unlimited in the Washington treaty—shall be deducted from the aircraft carrier tonnage assigned by the Washington treaty. Under this decision all aircraft carriers of the United States and Britain will be limited to 13,500 tons for each country no matter of what size Japan gets.

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RALLY, COURT OF HONOR HELD HERE

Boy Scout Troop No. 4
Takes First—Badges are
Awarded to Boys.

Boy Scout Troop No. 4 of Greenwood school with Elmo Stevenson as scout master took first place in the Scout rally held last night in the high school gymnasium, preceding a court of honor.

Troop 3, of the Methodist church, R. V. Copey scout master, took second place and troop 14, F. G. Macomber, of the Presbyterian church, won third place. Contests were: knot tying, fire by friction, semaphore signaling, skin-the-moose, first aid, fireman's race, Morse signaling, dressing race, paper knife and hand house contest. Inspection, attendance and adult attendance. Other troops participating were troop 13, M. L. A. and troop 15 of the Christian church.

Honors Awarded

F. L. Meyers presided at the court of honor. H. E. Coffield presented the tenderfoot badges, R. V. Copey the second class badges, Sherwood Williams, second class.

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EAST NORMAL GIVEN SPRING RECESS, 3 DAYS

Spring vacation at the Eastern Oregon Normal school, began at noon today and will last until Monday, April 14. A number of members of the faculty will attend the meeting of the Inland Empire Educational association at Spokane.

President H. E. Inlow, member of the I. E. E. A. executive board, Miss Madeline Larson, Miss Carolyn Williams, Miss Kate Houck, Miss Amanda Zabel, Miss Lena Polley, Edward Daniel, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Stevenson will attend the meeting of the Inland Empire Educational association at Spokane.

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Cove Seniors To Give Play Friday

By Mrs. A. G. Conklin (Ore. Spec.)—"Hestia's Cove Women," the senior play of the Cove High school will be given at the Macabee hall Friday evening April 11. This is an interesting little comedy full of pun and dash and promises a highly entertaining evening. The cast is as follows: Bob Manning, John Constock, Ann Manning, Miss Anderson, Speed McGuire, Clarence Berisch, Larkie Morten, Mountebank, Parker Severs, Lady Isabelle Morten, Gladys Harris, Henry Watkins, Graydon Lores, Lady Diana Morten, Dorothy Barker, Phil Harder, Kenneth Proctor.

Large Crowd At Dramatic Trial In M. E. Church

Anti-Saloon League Spon-
sors Play "Who Killed
Earl Wright" Before
Local Audience.

A large crowd filling the lower floor and the balcony attended the dramatic trial "Who Killed Earl Wright" given last night under the auspices of the Anti-Saloon league at the Methodist church.

The Rev. R. E. Close, Oregon superintendent of the league, played the part of the defense lawyer, and gave an address while the jury retired, telling of one phase of the liquor problem; that the coming generation which has no actual association with the saloon, will not be as strong against it as the older generation which made it unlawful. He pleaded for the youth of the nation to carry on the fight for prohibition and its enforcement that has been begun. Mr. Close was at one time a resident of La Grande, and one of its popular ministers. He has long been a worker in the Anti-Saloon league.

The Story

The story told in the trial is: Frank (Charles) Cates is on trial for the accidental killing of his best friend, Earl White. The defense attorney (the Rev. Close) brings out in his speech to the jury that Frank was not as guilty of murder as the bootlegger Jack Stiles (Joe Miller) who sold the moonshine whiskey to the youth.

Mr. French (Mrs. Marie French) is a witness to whose home her husband, Frank and Earl came and while there started fighting over a sixth of a pint of whiskey. Earl leaves with the bottle and Frank overbakes him near the gate, where Frank hits Earl in a quarrel knocking his head against the gatepost, breaking his neck. Mr. Cook, the coroner (E. A. Sawyer) arrives and pronounced Earl dead. Mrs. French saw the scuffle from her home and saw Earl make the fatal blow. Carl Hein acted as district attorney. Colonel R. Eberhard as judge, John Speckhardt, the bailiff, Ben Hummel, the sheriff, Alyce Cook, court reporter.

Mrs. T. E. Pieper is the moth-

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Colleen Moore And Husband To Go Their Ways

LOS ANGELES, Apr. 9 (AP)—The Examiner today says that Colleen Moore, screen star, and John McCormick, her producer-husband, have decided to go their own individual ways, and that Miss Moore has indicated that she will file suit for divorce within the next two weeks. She is expected to allege incompatibility.

Miss Moore and her mother, Mrs. C. R. Morrison, returned recently from a tour of the United States, which the actress said, for the purpose of reaching a decision on the separation. The month's trial separation, she indicated, had convinced her that a permanent separation is desirable.

The film player said a proper settlement already has been made. The settlement, she said, was made quickly as she and her husband have kept their incomes segregated for a period of years.

News of the separation and contemplated divorce came suddenly, and was a surprise even to the closest friends of the couple.

The McCormicks were married in August, 1928, when he was western representative of First National Pictures and she was a featured player for the company.

Oral Opinion Given On Wallowa Action

SALEM, Ore., April 9 (AP)—The board of directors of Wallowa Valley Improvement district No. 1, by a majority vote, ordered by a permanent court today, is required to levy a tax sufficient to pay \$12,000 bonds past due, \$500 due May 1 and interest. Mandamus action against the directors was brought by Louis Soudheim and other members of a bondholders' committee against Charles McClain and other members of the board of directors. The district bonds total \$150,000.

The order was made orally and a written opinion will follow.

Rev. Perkins Is Rotary Speaker

The Rev. Judson Perkins, of Hyderabed, Deccan, India, was the main speaker at today's Rotary club luncheon in the La Grande hotel, giving a very interesting and instructive talk.

Mr. Perkins told of the wild life of India and also of the jungle people.

URGES QUIZ OF COUNCIL OF CHURCHES

Two Organizations Ac-
cused by Representa-
tives Tinkham Today.

TESTIFIES BEFORE LOBBY COMMITTEE

Methodist Board of Tem-
perance, Prohibition and
Public Morals Denies
His Charges.

WASHINGTON, Apr. 9 (AP)—A statement requesting the senate lobby committee to investigate the Methodist board of temperance, prohibition and public morals and the federal council of churches was issued today by Representative Tinkham, republican, Massachusetts, as he took the witness stand before the lobby committee.

The statement given to newspapermen said:

"I believe that this committee can render no greater public service than to do its part toward a public exposure of the practices of these organizations, in violation of the principle of the separation of church and state, so that their church constituencies, as well as the public at large, may be informed and so condemn such practices."

He said the Methodist board "for some years has attempted to influence and direct the legislative and executive branches of the federal government and to influence and interfere with judicial appointments and the administration of justice."

Statement Not Recorded

The federal council of churches, he added, "working largely by propaganda, attempts to influence congress on both domestic and foreign policies."

Tinkham was refused permission to place his statement in the record.

The Massachusetts representative, spoke in a low, quiet tone as he said that his principal objection to the organizations referred to in his statement was they had violated the principle of separation of church and state.

A letter he had written to Chairman Caraway of the lobby committee containing charges against the Methodist board was read into the record. It said in part:

"This organization has erected its headquarters opposite the United States capitol, at a cost, it is said, of about \$500,000 in an official publication of the board called 'The Supplement to the Voice' issued in January, 1929, to

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Pendleton Hopes To Become Terminal

PENDLETON, Ore., Apr. 9 (AP)—Possibilities of Pendleton becoming an important terminal for air transportation is seen in the visit of Bruce B. Booth of Portland, representing the National Aircraft corporation whose plant is at Beaverton. Up to the present, this company has been engaged in the manufacture of airplanes and schooling pilots, but are now embarking upon the transportation end.

Mr. Booth is surveying this city and feeling out sentiment in regard to the plans, with a view of establishing passenger plane service between Portland and Pendleton, with this city serving as a terminal for the inland empire.

Knowles To Make Decision In Case

BAKER, Ore., Apr. 9 (AP)—Testimony in the case of city of Baker versus Stella M. Messick, wife of Mayor J. R. Messick, for approximately \$2000, alleged due in payment for payment and sidewalk around the Messick property on Third and Court streets as well as interest and taxes, was completed Monday evening before Judge J. W. Knowles of La Grande in circuit court here.

The court gave the attorneys time in which to file their respective briefs. On submission of the briefs Judge Knowles will render a decision in the case. The briefs are expected to be filed in about 15 days.

Educators Meeting In Spokane, Wash.

SPOKANE, Wash., April 9 (AP)—Nearly four thousand educators of the west were here today to mail over questions which ranged from smoking cigarettes by teachers, and child mortality rates to revised educational standards and the trend of youth.

Delegates from Alaska, Washington, Montana, Idaho, Oregon, Utah and Nevada were registered for the annual convention of the Inland Empire Education association, the first sessions of which were held for this morning.

The opening session was to be presided over by President A. C. Hampton, of Astoria, Ore. The convention will close Saturday.

FOR STREET



A practical spring frock for street or business wear of printed crepe with collar and cuffs of pongee.

Associated Press Photo

MYSTERY BABY IN LIMELIGHT AGAIN

Los Angeles Woman
Claims Child Involved In
Portland Controversy

PORTLAND, Ore., April 9 (AP)—Physicians today prepared to take blood tests in the hope of establishing scientifically the parentage of Georgianna Jane Schaefer, Portland's three-month-old mystery baby.

PORTLAND, Ore., Apr. 9 (AP)—Wheels of justice today began grinding out the truth about Portland's mystery baby.

The infant Mrs. George F. Schaefer, Portland, claimed as her own several weeks and physicians said did not belong to her, yesterday was reclaimed by Miss Geraldine Watson, 23, Los Angeles.

Portland authorities had closed their books on the mysterious baby case which held their attention three months ago after Mrs. Schaefer had been brought before the city health officer and other agencies. But Los Angeles authorities that Portland authorities that a baby, which had been born in the ward of a Los Angeles hospital had been turned over to Mrs. Schaefer and that its real mother, Miss Watson, sought its return.

Mrs. Schaefer's Claims

Mrs. Schaefer during the time she was in the limelight, claimed the baby was born to her in a maternity hospital here and named a physician who was in charge. The physician denied he attended Mrs. Schaefer and the hospital denied she had given birth to a baby within the hospital walls.

One peculiarity of the case came with the announcement of Mrs.

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A. A. P. A. HEAD WILL TESTIFY NEXT TUESDAY

WASHINGTON, Apr. 9 (AP)—Records of the association against the prohibition amendment were subpoenaed today by the senate lobby committee and Henry H. Curran, of New York, president of the organization, was summoned to appear before the committee next Tuesday.

Chairman Caraway, in making the subpoena, said the association had refused to permit a lobby committee investigator to examine its records.

He added that John Holland, the investigator, would be sent back to New York tonight with the subpoena to obtain the data sought.

Curran, in a statement yesterday, denied that permission had been refused the investigator to examine the records.

NEW YORK, Apr. 8 (AP)—Informed by the Associated Press that he had been summoned to appear before the senate lobby committee in Washington next Tuesday with records of the association against the prohibition amendment, Maj. Henry H. Curran, president of the association, today said:

"I'll be there."

Hoover Speaks At Convention Of Engineers

Believes His Own Profes-
sion Can Make Great
Contribution to Welfare
of Humanity.

WASHINGTON, April 9 (AP)—President Hoover believes that his own profession of engineering can make a contribution to the welfare of humanity which goes beyond the benefits derived from its great discoveries and inventions.

This, he says, is the application of the engineer's trained capacity for methodical, patient, unemotional fact finding to the solution of the many problems of government that arise from the creation of the profession.

The chief executive last night received from the American Society of Mechanical Engineers a special medal in honor of his civic and humanitarian achievements and in reply delivered a short address in which he outlined his two-fold conception of professional ideals.

"With the development of our great national tools, our engines, our railways, our automobiles, our airplanes, our steamships, our electric power and a score of other great implements, together with the supplies of material upon which they depend," he said, "the engineer had added vastly to the problems of government, for government must see that the control of these tools and these materials is not misused to limit liberty, and freedom, that they advance and do not retard equality of opportunity amongst all our citizens."

"In solving these problems we have need for a large leavening of the engineering knowledge and engineering attitude of mind and engineering method. These problems of public relation are unsolvable without the technical knowledge of the engineer. They are unsolvable without the fundamental engineers' approach to truth. That is, first to determine the facts, arrange these facts in proper perspective and then distill truth from them in the retort of experience."

Thus the president revealed his conception of the obligation which he regards as resting upon his profession and offered an insight into the ideals by which he has been guided first as an engineer himself and then as a public servant.

Indirectly, the address was an exposure of the motives which have led him to appoint numerous fact-finding commissions for the guidance of his administration.

Emotion plays no part, he said, in the engineer's search for truth, but when the problems which his products create come to the door of the government they too often become enveloped and obscured in the emotionalism of controversy.

"The resolution of our people," he added, "for equality of opportunity, for freedom of initiative and liberty of action, arise from the deepest human emotions." When the emotional aspect of any problem comes first, he continued, then the difficulty of dealing with that problem becomes greatest.

"Facts and the technical knowledge come but slowly or are lost in a sea of unbridled controversy," he said. "It is for all these reasons

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Continue Search For Armed Man With 'Goofy Grin'

BEND, Ore., Apr. 9 (AP)—The armed and mysterious stranger with a "goofy grin" who was reported by local authorities of being implicated in the death of Nelson F. Macduff, 45, supervisor of the Cascade national forest, was reported today to be somewhere in Central Oregon.

The stranger, who was first seen by Mrs. W. E. Travis, summer resident in the forest, walking down the trail from where the body of Macduff was found with a bullet hole in his head, was reported to have crossed McKenzie pass late Sunday.

He was reported near Sisters, Ore., by Mrs. Bertha Patena, who characterized him as being a "man with a silly grin."

Ed Spoo, of Bend, picked up the stranger on the road and gave him a lift but upon hearing Bend the man refused to ride farther and left the machine.

PORTLAND, Ore., April 9 (AP)—Coroners Earl Smith, Multnomah county, and F. W. Branstetter, Lane county, today announced that authority to conduct an autopsy on the body of Nelson F. Macduff, 45, supervisor of the Cascade national forest, found shot to death near McKenzie bridge, had been granted by federal authorities.

Scout Saves Life Of Salem, Ore. Boy

SALEM, Ore., Apr. 9 (AP)—Jesse Humphrey, 13-year-old boy scout of Salem, is given credit by the father of Russell Toyen for saving young Toyen's life yesterday. An automobile driven by Miss Florence Rinkie ran down Toyen, who was on a bicycle. The young scout gave first aid and called help. When officially commended last night he said he had simply pursued the first aid methods taught by the scouts.

WOMAN WINS NOMINATION IN ILLINOIS

Ruth Hanna McCormick
Defeats Senator Deneen
in Primary Vote.

WILL FACE LEWIS NEXT NOVEMBER

Aggressive Campaign
Against World Court
Carried on by Mrs. Mc-
Cormick Wins Support.

CHICAGO, Apr. 9 (AP)—Once more a McCormick stands for election to the United States senate as representative of Illinois republicans. Twelve years ago it was Medill McCormick. Today it is his widow, Congresswoman Ruth Hanna McCormick. She was nominated at yesterday's primary election with more than 140,000 votes to spare over Senator Charles S. Deneen, seeking reelection.

Medill McCormick won the republican nomination of 1918 from one of the political powers of Chicago—William Hale Thompson. Yesterday his widow overturned the dominant republican organization in Chicago, and she did it with the full support of the reconstructed city hall republican faction that Deneen forces crushed in 1928.

Face Lewis in November

Next November, as a result of Tuesday's primary, history will get a chance to repeat—or reverse itself—for then, as 12 years ago, it will be McCormick vs. James Hamilton Lewis. Lewis, whom Medill McCormick defeated in the 1918 election, ran away with the democratic nomination yesterday.

With 4350 of the state's 7117 precincts counted early today, Mrs. McCormick had polled 455,747 votes against 344,845 for her opponent, Newton Jenkins, was third on the ballot with 74,305 votes.

Senator Deneen today issued this statement:

"The returns speak for themselves. I wish to thank sincerely those in all parts of the state who supported me with such zeal and enthusiasm and to assure them that their efforts are none the less appreciated by me because of the results of the primary."

The senator sent the following telegram to Mrs. McCormick:

"I congratulate you upon your nomination."

The victory of Mrs. McCormick, the first woman ever to win a senatorial nomination from a major political party, was accomplished by pluralities from every part of the state. However, her great strength, which showed itself as a surprise to many political wiseacres, was in Chicago. Senator Deneen's home town where, only two years ago, he led the fight that dumped Mayor Thompson from his place of party power.

Mrs. McCormick's indicated advantage in Chicago and Cook county alone, on the basis of the incomplete returns, may exceed 100,000 votes.

Mrs. McCormick sought the nomination on a platform of opposi-

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DOCTOR, NURSE FOUND DEAD IN GOTHAM ROOM

NEW