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The Weather WEATHER FORECAST Oregon: Local rains in the west and snow in the east portion tonight and Wednesday; warmer in southeastern Oregon tonight; southerly gales offshore. LOCAL WEATHER Monday: Maximum 43, minimum 31 above. Cloudy. Today: Minimum 30, 7 a. m.—33 above. Cloudy.

TODAY IN BRIEF, IN AND AROUND OREGON AN CHRONICLED BY THE DAILY LEASED WIRE OF THE ASSOCIATED PRESS. KLAMATH ACTS ON LIQUOR KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Dec. 5 (AP)—The drug store became the estu- sive unit for liquor distribution in Klamath Falls today. The city council, accepting a sweeping revision of an ordinance provid- ing for privately owned bottle houses, authorized druggists to go into the liquor business as soon as the 30th state formally ratified repeal. The license fee was placed at \$250. Klamath Falls, leader in the fight for municipal control, completely re-organized its program last night. The changes came when Mayor Willis E. Mahoney considered the plan of in- stallating private or municipal liquor stores unworkable. TRUCK MEN TO MEET SALEM, Dec. 5 (AP)—Another mass meeting of the Oregon Truck Owners' and Farmers' Protective association will be held here tomorrow night to determine future policies. Officers of the group are classified with bus and truck law amendments recom- mended by the roads and highways committee. MOSQUITO CONTROL APPROVED PORTLAND, Dec. 5 (AP)—About \$100,000 will be spent in Oregon and \$77,000 in Washington for mosquito elimination and control work, and 1700 men in the two states will be hired to carry on this work. It was revealed through the civil works ad- ministration office here. The work will start immediately, consisting largely of diking, draining and brush cutting. COUNTERFEIT DOLLAR SALEM, Dec. 5 (AP)—A counterfeit silver dollar was detected here yester- day, indicating counterfeiters re- cently active in Northern California may have worked north, police said.

ALEXANDER LEGGE DIES IN CHICAGO CHICAGO, Dec. 5 (AP)—Death from a heart attack has ended the career of Alexander Legge, 67-year-old president of the International Harvester company and former chairman of the federal farm board, who was known to his friends as "The Iron Man." Mr. Legge, called "The Iron Man" because of his seemingly tireless ef- forts, died suddenly Sunday at his home in suburban Hinsdale, where he had been working in his garden. During the war he was director of the war industries board. He was the second important figure in the nation's war time affairs to die with- in two weeks. The other was his close friend, Edward N. Hurley, head of the war time shipping board. Utah Man Named Persian Minister WASHINGTON, Dec. 5 (AP)—William H. Hornbrook, of Salt Lake City, was reported in diplomatic quarters Monday to have been decided upon as American minister to Persia. Announcement of Hornbrook's name is expected to follow an acceptance by Persia. Hornbrook would succeed Charles C. Hart, former Washington news- paperman, who has resigned and is now in the capital. Hornbrook is a former Oregon newspaper publisher. THIRD MASS EMIGRATION TO BE JAPAN'S LARGEST HONOLULU, Dec. 5 (AP)—In pursuance of its policy to colonize Manchukuo the Japanese government at the next ses- sion of the imperial diet will ask for appropriations to send 2,000 addi- tional families to this country. This will be the third and largest group sponsored by the Tokyo gov- ernment. The new emigrants will be armed to deal with bandits. They will be settled along the Hainking-Tumen, the Hulan-Hailun, and the Lafa-Har- bin railways. Finland Rejects Midget Soldier HELSINKI, Dec. 5 (AP)—In the annual enrollment of conscripts for Finland's army a peasant four feet tall and weighing only 56 pounds re- ported at the barracks. He was al- lowed to return home. SOVIET BUYS ITALIAN PLANES ROME (AP)—Five Italian seaplanes have been purchased for a Siberian air line between Vladivostok and Petropavlovsk, a distance of more than 2900 miles. Soviet officers flew the first plane north. NON-PLAYING COACH WINS KANSAS CITY, Kan. (AP)—Percy Parks, football coach whose teams at Wyandotte High school here have been unusually successful, never has taken part in the sport as a player.

COUPLE WILL RESIDE HERE Mr. and Mrs. W. D. McDonald, after making their home in Pendleton dur- ing the past year, have returned to their home in La Grande at 1710 Walnut street. Mr. McDonald was transferred to Pendleton by the O. W. R. and N. Co. UNION PERSONALS Miss Frieda Brown, who is attend- ing Northwestern business college in Spokane, spent her Thanksgiving vaca- tion with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brown. Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Bell and chil- dren and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Bell, drove to Lewiston to spend the Thanksgiving vacation. After spending a few days visiting at the home of their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Bingham, Mr. and Mrs. Decl Allen and her brothers, Kenneth and Max Johnson, drove back to Berkeley, Cal. Sunday. Dr. A. C. McAllister, district super- intendent, gave the morning address at the Methodist church Sunday and held a quarterly conference after- wards. Columbus Arthur Lee died Thurs- day morning following a paralytic stroke and funeral services were con- ducted from the Cook undertaking parlors Saturday afternoon by Rev. C. C. Lee. The deceased was born in Colorado, April 1, 1879 and had lived many years in Union. He is survived by his widow and one daughter, Mrs. Chester Green, of Union. Two brothers, Frank and Ed Lee, reside in Union and a third brother, Elmer, is critically ill in the hospital at Enter- prise. Mrs. N. W. Fries, state vice pres- ident of the state Parent Teacher as- sociation and members of the La Grande City Council of P. T. A. held a school of instruction at the Union hotel Saturday afternoon for the officers and committee chairmen of the newly organized P. T. A. She had an interesting display of exhibits and posters to use in her talk. Those who attended the meeting were the officers: Mrs. L. Z. Terrill, Mrs. Oliver Turner, Mrs. Ida Cline and Mrs. Donald Gale; and chairmen, Mrs. J. F. Hutchinson, Mrs. Carl Eddy, Mrs. Dale E. Richards, Mrs. Ray Baum, Mrs. E. P. Reuter and Mrs. Will Vogel. Miss Connie Rees came up from Portland to spend the Thanksgiving vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hal Rees. Mrs. Margaret Callahan came over from Imbler where she teaches in the high school to spend Thanksgiv- ing with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Callahan.

WEATHER HERE REMAINS MILD Weather continued mild in La Grande today with the sky cloudy and the weather man promising rain or snow for tonight and Wednesday, with the possibility of slightly warmer weather in the immediate future. A southerly gale is blowing off the Oregon coast. There was no precipitation in the 24-hour period ending at 7 o'clock this morning. This morning's minimum of 30 above was the coldest so far registered in La Grande this week. ENTERPRISE PERSONALS Mr. and Mrs. John Branson returned Thursday from a honeymoon trip to Salt Lake. They were married last week in Fruitland, Ida., and continued on a brief trip. Friday evening the choir of the Methodist church visited them for a brief reception. William Raymond McKenzie passed away at his home near Wallawa, Thursday. He was born Nov. 12, 1869 at Summerville. He had spent the last 30 years of his life near Wallawa, with the exception of the time spent in the army during the World war. He leaves a wife and several brothers and sisters. Funeral services were conducted at the Presbyterian church, Sunday, Dec. 3 by Rev. Weston Shields and the Fort Kruse post, American Legion of Wallawa and the Chief Joseph post, American Legion of Enterprise. Burial was in the Summerville cemetery. Mrs. Maud May Brooks, age 49 years, passed away at Joseph Wed- nesday. She was a new-comer to the county, having been in Joseph about 9 months. Funeral services were held at Enterprise Friday, Dec. 1.

Withhold not thou thy tender mercies from me, O Lord: let thy loving kindness and thy truth continually preserve me.—Psalm 40:11.

SAME OLD BUGABOO "Take off them whiskers, we know yuh!" To replenish Oregon's elementary school funds, its source of revenue crippled because of tax delinquencies, Governor Meier advocates one of two tax measures. One is a bill levying a privilege tax of one per cent on all retail sales of tangible personal property, the other a proposal of a 3 per cent tax on the gross earnings of public utilities and certain other selected businesses including insurance, savings and loan and other financial institutions. Although the voters of the state by an overwhelming count of four to one repudiated a sales tax proposal late last spring the governor and some other proponents of that form of tax legislation appear to be dying hard. The one per cent privilege levy proposal can hardly be said to be little else than another effort to force sales tax down the throats of the 4 to 1 majority of the state electorate opposed. The gross earnings tax against public utilities is admitted and written as a tax to be paid ultimately by Mr. and Mrs. Consumer for the services offered by these utilities. Whether or not either of these proposals will ever definitely come before the legislature is doubtful. They'll probably waste for want of a sponsor. Future political fortunes, perhaps even some personal business hazards, seem certain to hang in balance for proponents and backers of such legisla- tion in light of known general public disapproval. Specialty or sales tax proposals that find their way ultimately into the pockets of Mr. and Mrs. Consumer's pockets in their expenditures for necessities are not wanted nor will they be accepted in this state if the vote of last July may be taken as statement of authority. And a vote of 4 to 1 should, it would seem, be a rather definite decision of fact. Originally, it is stated, the utility tax proposal did not specify the tax to be ultimately paid by the consumer. It was simply a gross earnings tax. But utilities now are taxed to the limit with special and regular assessments. Many to the edge of bankruptcy, and it would not do to put these fine tax paying resources out of business. To increase the burden upon such businesses would necessitate allowing rate in- creases so that these revenue paying institutions could remain as such. It would come down to Mr. and Mrs. Consumer anyway and be discovered. Just as well say so in the beginning. Even as a straight gross earnings tax it was apparently remembered in the wild scramble to load further burden upon utilities that in the great majority of cases, particularly in smaller communities, a large percentage of stock and in- terests in these utilities is owned by citizens who for some time now have received little or nothing in return for their investments. Further, because of the immense tax burden, smaller community utilities have had to cut, slash and elim- inate employees salaries in order to pay the state's tax bill. The public has much money invested in banks, insurance companies, telephone and telegraph companies, light and power companies, motor bus and truck companies and other utilities proposed to be taxed under the measure. To pass either of the two measures proposed would be a direct defiance by the legislature against the expressed wishes of the people as made very forcibly last July. Energy being spent in contrivance of somehow forcing a consumer tax against majority will, would seem better directed in honest, sincere consideration of a revamping of delinquent tax laws to start at least some sort of improved return of outstanding moneys so badly needed and much of which is really available from certain classes now taking advantage of the present system of collection.

BIG JIM FARLEY PLANS VACATION OVER IN EUROPE By Herbert Plummer WASHINGTON—"Big Jim" Farley is going on a vacation to Europe—the first, according to the postmaster general, he has had in so long that he can't remember what one is like. But when he would leave and where to the continent he'd visit was something that he kept to him- self when he made the first an- nouncement of his plans. "Going to the Riviera, Mr. Post- master General?" he was asked. "Might pass through," he replied. At all mention of his sailing date, however, he preferred to keep silent. No one knew better than Mr. Farley, looked upon as the chief patron- age-dispenser of the administration, what would have happened had he announced the date of his departure so far in advance. There would probably have been a record-breaking march of the job-hungry toward his quarters. Washington politicians regard it as significant that "Big Jim" has chosen this particular time for an admittedly needed rest. They figure he won't be away so very long. If he leaves soon he can get in his vacation and still be back by the time congress convenes on January 3. No one believes "Big Jim" will be missing from Washington at that time. No Hard Feelings Incidentally, if Farley ever has had any feelings of depression over the outcome of the New York mayoral election no one here has been able to detect it. Since the election of La Guardia, he has exchanged cranks with those who would joke him about McKee's defeat and admits he "guessed wrong." Recently while discussing his vacation with newspapermen, he was asked if he would go to Europe on an American boat. "I'll come back on one, but probably go over on an Italian ship," he said. "An Italian ship, General?" someone asked in mocked surprise, as the others roared. "I get you," he replied. "But you should see the reply I got from La Guardia after my message of con- gratulations. Fiorello and I long have been warm personal friends." Will Sheppard Continue? Senate gallery observers are wonder- ing if an event which has occurred annually for the last 13 years on the senate floor is to be reenacted next January 13. January 16, 1919, is the day on which the thirty-sixth state ratified the eighteenth amendment. Every year since then, at high noon, Sena- tor Sheppard of Texas, "father" of prohibition, has taken to the senate floor and praised the results to the nation. January 18, 1934, will see the amendment definitely out of the con- sideration. Sheppard's friends, how- ever, believe he will speak and sound the keynote for the renewal of effort to bring back national prohibition.

Some Speakeasies To Shun Licenses (Continued From Page One) cent alcohol. The site of New York's famous Belmont bar is now a beer garden, and the bar itself has been set up in the basement of a suburban New Yorker's mansion. The domestic production of whisky in 1910 was 82 million gallons. The stock of legal whisky in 1923 was only slightly over 15 million gallons, or just enough to trickle over nine weeks. Cocktails To Wine? Al Capone, czar of prohibition rum runners, hailed repeal in his prison cell at Atlanta. Imbibing connoisseurs from cocktails to wine. Westerville, Ohio, home of the anti- saloon league, is still dry. During prohibition, night clubs sold spurious champagne for \$17 a quart—it was just apple cider charged with fizz which cost 80 cents a quart to manufacture. Thousands of still existent speakeasies, their proprietors wondering whether, whether, new? L. E. Einstein, most colorful of dry raid- ers, is a bail bond agent. The As- sociation Against the Prohibition Amendment estimated that 200,000 gallons of hard liquor was consumed annually while the eighteenth amend- ment ruled. Bars, Bars, More Bars? San Antonio's historic Buckhorn saloon, with silver dollars in the floor, became an effie curio shop. The ancient Waldorf-Astoria bar, made of Santo Domingo mahogany boards, was chopped to bits and given to sentimental souvenir seek- ers in 1920. The first of Man-

hattan's new bars under repeal is a black glass and silver affair, illumi- nated by a glow of concealed lights, and cost \$50,000. Any route one may choose, there will be dry spots on the transcon- tinental train journeys despite prop- ertor's repeal. New York to California travellers along the northern route will find the dining car liquor cabinet locked in Ohio, Iowa, Nebraska, Wyoming and Utah. The southern route offers slightly less aridity because of Colorado and New Mexico. New York led all states in number of rail visitors to Yellowstone na- tional park last season, with Penn- sylvania second, Illinois third and New Jersey fourth.

Library Chats (By Mabel E. Doty, Librarian) The library has now seven books which are on the teachers' reading circle list for 1933 and 1934. Boas "Our New Ways of Teaching." Davis "Uncle Sam's Attitude." Kistler "I Find My Vacation." Lampman "Northwest Nature Trails." Nielson "Roads to Knowledge." Thrills "Geography in The Ele- mentary Grades." Wilkinson "Poetic Way of Release." To meet the demand for material on Diesel engines the book "American Diesel Engines" by Lacey Morris- son has recently been purchased and is now ready for circulation at the public library. hattan's new bars under repeal is a black glass and silver affair, illumi- nated by a glow of concealed lights, and cost \$50,000. Any route one may choose, there will be dry spots on the transcon- tinental train journeys despite prop- ertor's repeal. New York to California travellers along the northern route will find the dining car liquor cabinet locked in Ohio, Iowa, Nebraska, Wyoming and Utah. The southern route offers slightly less aridity because of Colorado and New Mexico. New York led all states in number of rail visitors to Yellowstone na- tional park last season, with Penn- sylvania second, Illinois third and New Jersey fourth.

RALPH HURON IS SELECTED AS CHAIRMAN (Continued From Page One) of commerce committees. Walter Parker, chairman of the executive committee of the Old Timers' club and railroad employes, president at the meeting. Feature of the celebration will be parades, pioneer meetings, the coronation of a queen to reign during the two-day observance in addition to many others, plans for which will be perfected later. Committees appointed include: Executive committee—Old Timers' club and R. R. employes—Walter Parker, chairman, Lee Hanford, D. B. Pidcock, T. B. Salmon, Garfield Sim- mons, W. McDaniel, W. C. Nowland;

chamber of commerce committee: A. W. Nelson, chairman, Ed Fitzgerald, Jack Paris, C. H. Reynolds, Angus McAllister, Fred Reed. Program committee—Exclusively in the hands of the executive commit- tee. Publicity—Jack Paris, chairman, J. H. McLaughlin, C. J. Shorb, H. W. Fredericks, Nolan Skiff, A. W. Nelson. Pioneer meeting—J. E. Reynolds, chairman. Home-coming—Mrs. Kate Hanley. Parade—A. W. Nelson, chairman; H. E. Coolidge and H. H. Brady, vice chairmen; music, Andrew Loney; In- diana, Hubert Anderson; queen's float, Harley Richardson; Brotherhood floats, Vernon Bull; commercial floats, Ed. E. Baxter; pioneer features, Frank Owsen, pioneer float; Mrs. George H. Carter, Old Timers' sec- tion; Lee Hanford, pensioned ren-

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