

BRIEF FORMATION

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Coming Events

Portland and vicinity: Tonight and Sunday cloudy and occasionally threatening weather, slight temperature changes; westerly winds.
Weather Conditions.
A large high pressure area over the entire country, with a much colder air mass from the north.

Observations

Table with columns: Station, Max. Temp., Min. Temp., Precipitation, Wind, etc.

TOWN TOPICS

Auto Keys Found on Prisoner.—If the owner of a Hudson machine who thought he lost his car keys will call at police headquarters he can probably find them, for a bunch of three keys was found in the possession of Winter Willis and George Hickie when they were arrested Friday at Hillsboro for auto theft.
G. W. R. & N. Dancing Party.—A musical and dancing party will be given tonight at the new modern Woodmen building, Eleventh and Burnside streets, by the accounting department division of the O-W-R & N Employees' Club.

ROSE FESTIVAL WILL BE HELD AT USUAL TIME, EARLY IN JUNE

Auxiliary at Meeting Friday Night Decided So to Instruct Festival Board.
ELECTION HELD MARCH 16
Mossosohn was elected secretary of the auxiliary, with J. E. Verlein, elected chairman of the auxiliary, was given authority to appoint the nominating committee.

GERMANY ADMITS ITS PLOT TO LINE UP JAPAN AND MEXICO IN WAR

The state secretary for foreign affairs answered: "You understand that it is impossible for me to discuss the details of the German offensive against this moment and under these circumstances."
Does Not See Unfriendliness.
The English reports expressly state that Germany expected and wished to remain in the United States on terms of friendship, but that in case the United States declared war against Germany, we prepared measures for a "reversal plot."

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DEUTSCHE ZEITUNG SAYS ALLEGED PLOT OF GERMANY IS FAKE

The Oregon Deutsche-Zeitung, which represents German-American opinion in this state, has written a German plot against America as a canard foisted on the people by jingoes, munition makers and the administration, as a trump card with which to force the United States into war.
Claim Canard Is Foisted on People by Jingoes and Administration as Trump Card

SEC. ZIMMERMAN'S INSINUATIONS ARE DENIED BY OFFICIALS

There is no question of how it was planned and the object that was expected to be attained in the opinion of the United States government. And, having acquainted the nations of the world with the facts, the government waits developments, no matter what they may be.
Convoy Would Mean War.
The declaration by Senator Lodge that for the United States to convoy vessels carrying munitions through the submarine zone would be an act of war was confirmed by the state department today.

Battery A O. N. G. Out With 90 to Drill

Battery A, field artillery, O. N. G., turned out Friday night under command of Captain C. W. Helm with 90 strong. Captain C. W. Helm was present part of the evening. The drill was snappy, although nearly all the men were new recruits.
"Aim to Sow Discord."
Tokio, March 3.—(U. P.)—That the letter of German Foreign Secretary Zimmerman was designed wholly to create distrust of Japan in the United States, according to a dispatch between the United States and Germany was the view expressed by officials here today.

Hope War Will Be Averted

Berlin, March 3.—(U. P. S.)—Failure of the United States congress to give full support to President Wilson's program in dealing with Germany has aroused hopes here that war between the two countries may yet be averted.
The newspapers comment cautiously on Washington reports, stating that the house refused to vote the president's request to send the fleet to regard this as optimistic, but an awaiting the action of the senate with great interest.

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Bids for Building School Authorized

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Sketches prepared by Architect F. A. Wasmore were adopted by the school board to contain 23 classrooms, a kindergarten room, manual training room, cooking room, sewing room, swimming pool and the usual auxiliary rooms.

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