

THE WEATHER
Wednesday, fair east; increasing
cloudiness west portion;
increasing winds, mostly
southerly.

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YOUTHS HANGED WITHOUT TRIAL AVERS WATSON

Senator from Georgia De-
clares Soldiers Were Ex-
ecuted in France Without
Semblance of Trial.

STORM IS STIRRED, INQUIRY IS ORDERED

Army Records Show None
Sentenced Because of
Military Offense

WASHINGTON, Nov. 1.—Charg-
es by Senator Watson, Democrat,
Georgia, that many American sol-
diers in the A. E. F. had been
hanged in France without court-
martial or other trials, stirred up
a storm in the senate today which
resulted in adoption unanimously
of an order for investigation at
which the Georgia senator will be
asked to present proof of his charges.

A special committee will meet
tomorrow to decide on proceed-
ure.

Evidence Withheld.
Bitter exchanges between Sen-
ator Watson and Chairman Wad-
sworth of the military committee
and other Republicans, marked
debate which preceded the vote
for an impartial inquiry. Sen-
ator Wadsworth denied vigorously
that any American soldiers had
been executed without trial, while
Senator Watson reiterated em-
phatically his charges, and when
criticized for refusing to present
his evidence to the military com-
mittee, agreed to submit it to
some other body.

A photograph of a structure,
which Senator Watson described
as a gallows from which Ameri-
cans had been executed, figured
prominently during the heated
exchanges. Senator Borah, Rep-
ublican, Idaho, said he also had
been shown that or a similar pho-
tograph but that he did not re-
gard the evidence sufficient to
warrant bringing the matter to
the attention of the senate or
country, although two former
service men had vouched for its
authenticity.

New Combs Charges
Senator New, Republican, Indi-
ana, entered the debate to submit
information which he said he had
received from the war department
that of the 23 members of the
American expeditionary forces
who had been condemned by court
martial, only nine had been ex-
ecuted, whereas Senator Watson
had said that at least 21 had been
hanged, many without having
been tried, from the gallows,
which he said was shown in the
photograph.

Examination of army records
made today by Secretary Weeks
revealed that none of the men
executed in France during the
war was charged with a military
offense, desertion or cowardice.
The total number of executions by the
army was 10. There was no
executions, he declared, until af-
ter careful and searching inquiry
and a full trial.

Most Are Rape Cases
In each of the 10 cases, it was
declared, the sentence of the court
was carried out. Six were on
charges of rape, three for rape
and murder, and one for murder
and assault with intent to rape.
All were aggravated cases, it was
explained.

Bicycle Has No Light, Rider Narrowly Escapes

Neglect to provide his bicycle
with a light was the cause of
an unidentified youth narrowly
escaping serious injury last night
when his bicycle was struck by
an automobile driven by A. T.
Pope of 775 Twenty-first street,
according to a report made to the
police by Mr. Pope yesterday. No
damage was sustained by machine
or rider, it was stated.

Similar reports filed with the
police indicate that many bicycle
riders are taking a chance, es-
pecially in outer districts of the
city. A city ordinance requires
that all bicycles be equipped with
adequate lights.

4-Year-Old Child Dies From Mysterious Wound

CHEWELAH, Wash., Nov. 1.—
The 4-year-old daughter of Mr.
and Mrs. John Huber, farmers,
died in the Valley, Wash., hospi-
tal today from a gunshot wound
in the head, according to a re-
port received here. County offi-
cials, according to the report,
have been unable to ascertain
how the shooting occurred. An
investigation will be held.

BRITISH DELEGATES EAGER TO CURTAIL WORLD ARMAMENT

NEW YORK, Nov. 1.—British delegates to the confer-
ence on limitation of armaments will go to Washington re-
solved that, short of compromising the safety of the empire
or its sea security, they will go to almost any lengths to meet
other great naval powers in a mutual and proportionate ef-
fort to relieve their people from the burden of competitive
armament.

This declaration was made today by Lord Lee, of Fare-
ham, first lord of the British admiralty, and an official dele-
gate of his country, who arrived on the Olympic with other
delegates from Italy, China and Japan.

Referring to the war, he said, he had been convinced
for years that Germany meant mischief, and added that the
lessons learned from the war were not confined to those
learned from Germany.

"The world," he asserted, "has learned a wider lesson
still—that militarism is a menace to civilization."

"That is what brings us to Washington, and if, I trust, we all
go there in a spirit not merely
hope and sincerity, but of fixed
determination to convert the pres-
ident's lofty aspiration into a
practical working agreement the
war will not have been fought in
vain.

Failure Not Considered
"I come in a spirit of quiet
confidence that the results of this
conference will be such as amply
to justify President Harding's
far seeing initiative and, person-
ally, I am not prepared even to
contemplate the possibilities of
failure. To do so would be to as-
sume that the world was afflicted
with an incurable insanity and
could not be restrained from suc-
ciding.

"The greatest needs of man-
kind are peace and that relief
from the burdens of war which
peace ought to bring. No one re-
cognizes that more clearly and ful-
ly than the British government

KNICKERBOCKER AND MINTON NOMINATED TO COMMAND LEGION

With an evident determination that the home fires of the
American Legion are to be kept burning, members of Cap-
ital Post No. 9, met at the armory last night and nominated
a number of ex-service men to fill the offices of the post for
the ensuing year.

The men who were named last
night will be voted upon at the
annual election to be held by the
local post on the night of Decem-
ber 6. Preceding nominations
the legionnaires deemed once and
for all the previous method of
permitting a committee to select
the various officers the men so
selected being installed by post
members after a formal vote had
been registered.

List of Nominees
Nominations were as follows:
For commander: Joseph A. Min-
ton, C. K. Knickerbocker.
Vice commander: Mort D. Pil-
lington.
Adjutant: Brazier Small, Theo
Condo, Carl Pope.
Finance officer: Jacob Fuhrer.
Quartermaster: Albert Ander-
son, Allan Bynon.
Historian: James B. Young.
Chaplain: Paul Hendricks, Mil-
ler Hayden, Dave Catlin.
Executive committee: (five to

POLITICS BEHIND JOURNAL'S ATTACK IN PERRY AFFAIR

In its Perry case "expose," all of which, including the
attack on a well-conducted hospital, is a subterfuge with the
purpose of injuring County Judge Bushey politically, the
Capital Journal has requested District Attorney Carson to
make an investigation.

The Capital Journal doubtlessly believes it has espied a
loophole through which it may wriggle out of the predic-
ament in which it finds itself. Should an investigation justify
the action that has been taken by the county court the
Journal, of course, could accuse the district attorney of
"whitewashing officialdom."

The Statesman believes an in-
vestigation, thoroughly and con-
scientiously conducted, would jus-
tify the action that has been
taken by the county court. Fur-
ther, this newspaper believes an
investigation in the hands of Dis-
trict Attorney Carson would be
thorough and conscientious. From
that angle, with every humani-
tarian consideration cast aside,
the county court is in a position
to say: "We welcome an investi-
gation."

But there is another angle.
In most juvenile cases are de-

HULL ELECTED AS CHAIRMAN OF BOURBONS

Congress from Tennessee
Heads National Commit-
tee in White's Place.

AGREEMENT DIFFICULT

Unity Demanded, Republi-
cans Are Flayed in Ad-
dress of Acceptance

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 1.—(By The
Associated Press)—The Demo-
cratic party today chose former
Congressman Cordell Hull of
Tennessee, as chairman of its
national committee to succeed
George H. White of Marietta, O.,
who retired to party ranks.

The change in leadership, which
has been held by Mr. White since
July, 1920, when he assumed the
chairmanship at the call of for-
mer Governor Cox of Ohio, the
party's nominee for president, was
announced early today, when after
conferences lasting practically all
night it was announced that all
elements of the party had agreed
on either Breckinridge or Long,
former assistant secretary of state
of Mr. Hull, Mr. Long's ultimate
selection was contingent, however,
upon the resignation of Edward
B. Coltra, of St. Louis, commit-
teeman from Missouri.

Coltra Halts Program
Mr. Coltra said he would not
resign at Mr. Long's favor. Mr.
Hull then was announced as the
agreed candidate.

Mr. White on his arrival yes-
terday announced that he would
not resign, regardless of the op-
position to him, unless a man
could be found on who all could
agree. A conference finally was
arranged near midnight when it
is understood, the White opposi-
tion led by Senator Carter Glass,
of Virginia, displayed a minimum
of 66 votes out of a total of less
than 100 votes expected to be
present.

White is Pleased
Mr. Long and Mr. Hull as com-
promise candidates are under-
stood to have been put forward
by the opponents of Mr. White
and were declared acceptable by
Senator Pat Harrison, of Missis-
sippi, and his two colleagues on the
committee as Chairman White's
representatives.

Mr. White announced that Mr.
Hull's selection was a "very
bright" one, asserting that he had
not been closely allied with any
candidate at the San Francisco
convention. Reports that Daniel
C. Roper, former internal revenue
commissioner, is to be made
chairman of the national execu-
tive committee in accordance with
the compromise agreement on the
chairmanship could not be con-
firmed tonight.

Unanimous Vote Given
Mr. Hull's name was presented
to the committee by Senator
Glass. Following the agreed
plan, Senator Harrison seconded
Mr. Hull's nomination and asked
for a unanimous vote on approval,
which was given.

Mr. Hull thanked the commit-
tee, praised the work of his pre-
decessor, called for a united
Democratic, predicted future suc-
cess for the party and flayed the
Republican administration.

Mr. Hull said he wanted to "de-
centralize" authority by throwing
greater responsibility on local or-
ganizations. He recommended
close cooperation between national,
state and local committees. He
also urged that women be more
completely represented on local
committees.

Republicans Lambasted
He declared that the "reaction-
ary group of the Republican party
executed a new mortgage on it
last year and when it went into
power last March it had no vestige
of policy—no program—except
to carry out the wishes of the
privileged group which finan-
ced its campaign."

Native of Tennessee
CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Nov. 1
Judge Hull is a native of Overton
county, Tenn., and attended the
Cumberland university, Lebanon,
Tenn. He spent his early life as a
farmer and lumber dealer. His
first public service was as a mem-
ber of the Tennessee legislature.
Later he was judge of the Fifth
Tennessee judicial district and
served several terms in con-
gress. He served in the Spanish-
American war as captain. He is
60 years old.

Partymen Elated
WASHINGTON, Nov. 1.—Selec-
tion of Judge Hull as chairman
of the Democratic national com-
mittee, was warmly approved to-
day by Democrats in congress, es-
pecially by members of the house
in which he served 14 years.
House Democrats call a confer-
ence for tomorrow at which reso-
lutions will be adopted commend-
ing the action of the committee
and "congratulating the party."
During most of his long service
in the house Mr. Hull was a mem-
ber of the ways and means com-
mittee. He wrote the income
law.

NATION-WIDE STRIKE PROBABLE IF COAL MINE OPERATORS HEED INJUNCTION OF FEDERAL JUDGE

LEGION MEN WILL BOOST RED CROSS

Capital Post Votes to Carry
on Campaign for William-
ette Chapter

Salem members of the Ameri-
can Red Cross and recruits for
this meritorious work will this
year be visited by members of
Capital Post No. 9, American leg-
ion, according to action taken
by the ex-service men last night.
During the past two years the
work of solicitation for support
of the Red Cross has been car-
ried on by men and women who
volunteered for the task. The
legion members decided to un-
dertake the work this year when
it was ascertained that the Red
Cross program for the ensuing
year is to be in a large measure
devoted to the aid of ex-service
men and their dependents.

According to the plan adopted
last night, Salem and vicinity will
be thoroughly canvassed by ex-
service men who will aid the 27
captains named by Capital post,
one captain being assigned to
each district.

SALEM HAS HARD GAME SATURDAY

Clash With Corvallis Will De-
cide Fate of Locals for
Rest of Season

That the Salem-Corvallis game
next Saturday will decide the fate
of the season for the remainder
of the season for Salem high school
is the opinion of local fans who
have watched carefully the prac-
tice of the red and black eleven.
Defeat in Saturday's game will
mean defeat for the remainder of
the season, say these prophets.

The record of the Corvallis
team for the season is one of
brilliant victories. It has defeat-
ed Albany 14 to 0, and walked
over Eugene 20 to 0. Advance
dope credits the team of about
equal weight and experience with
Salem, but possessing superior or-
ganization.

From the first of the season
the Salem team has been ham-
pered by the necessity of a con-
tinual change of lineup. Starting
practice several weeks after the
opening of the other schools of
the state their preliminary or-
ganization was soon torn up when
Adolph injured his knee and was
forced to leave the game. Soc-
lofsky, Bailey, Ringle, Purvise
went out in rapid succession, and
each left a big hole to be filled
up by new material. The last
change came when the captain,
Ellis White, had to go to the
bench because of injured muscles.

When the first-string men came
back their old jobs were opened
for them and radical changes
were made to accommodate the
new arrivals. Time which should
have been used to mold the in-
cubine was taken in teaching new
men the inside dope and in giv-
ing old men what they had al-
ready missed.

In the game with Corvallis
White and Bailey will probably
be unable to take their old places
and there is a possibility that So-
colofsky cannot carry the ball.
Adolph will probably play the en-
tire game, and so will Brown,
Salem's star quarterback. A
large portion of the remainder of
the lineup is still in doubt and
has not been announced.

An excursion to accompany the
team when it invades Corvallis
Saturday is being planned by the
student body. Sale of tickets for
the special train which will be
run was begun yesterday by Aubrey
Trawick, the yell leader who is
in charge of the day.

No Inquest to Be Held,
Says Coroner Rigdon

Coroner L. T. Rigdon announced
yesterday that no inquest will be
held relative to the deaths of
James H. Wilson, retired farmer
of Salem, and Miss Ruth Worth-
am, colored missionary, who were
killed in an accident on Pacific
highway south of Salem last Fri-
day night. The accident is attrib-
uted to the glaring headlights of
another car, the license number of
which showed it to be owned by
Joe Swearingen of Monmouth.
The coroner said the case seemed
to be purely an accident and that
nothing could be gained by an in-
quest.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Nov. 1.—(By The Associated
Press)—A nation-wide strike of coal miners seemed inevit-
able tonight if operators heed the injunction issued by Federal
Judge A. B. Anderson, which proscribed the check-off
of union dues.

A telegram sent late today from headquarters of the
United Mine Workers after it had been definitely learned
that the injunction was not yet in effect, advised union offi-
cials to regard discontinuance of the check-off as breaking
the existing wage agreement.

The telegram, signed by President John L. Lewis, vice-
president Philip Murray and Secretary William Green said:
"Any abrogation or setting aside of any part or section
of this agreement, including the section providing for the
checking off of dues and assessments cannot be regarded
as other than a violation of the agreement and should be
treated accordingly by the district officers and local unions."

MRS. BRUMFIELD VISITS BRUMFIELD

Wife of Prisoner Will Make
Home at Williamina With
Her Sister

Mrs. R. M. Brumfield, wife of
Dr. R. M. Brumfield, who was re-
ceived at the state penitentiary on
Monday night to await execution
for the killing of Dennis Russell
in Douglas county, arrived in Sa-
lem yesterday and visited her hus-
band at the prison.

Mrs. Brumfield was accompa-
nied by her sister, Mrs. G. S. Pat-
rick of Williamina and by her
three sons, ranging in age from 8
to 13 years. Mrs. Brumfield was
composed as she entered the pris-
on.

Mrs. Brumfield said that while
her husband is an inmate of the
state penitentiary, she will make
her home with her sister at Willa-
mina, and that if the authorities
will allow her to visit her hus-
band once a week she will come to
Salem each week. C. B. Patrick,
the husband of her sister, is a con-
ductor on the Southern Pacific
lines.

About the first question Mrs.
Brumfield asked her husband was
whether he was cheerful.

"I am trying to be," he an-
swered.

Prison officials said that Brum-
field appeared more cheerful yes-
terday than the night of his ar-
rival, but that he also seemed to
be weaker. He and Mrs. Brum-
field discussed at some length
the attitude of the people of Rose-
burg toward them, agreeing that
the attitude appeared to be
against them. The prisoner was
persecuted, not prosecuted, they
said.

Mrs. Brumfield was given per-
mission to visit her husband twice
a week.

New Dairymen's League Is Formed by Rebels

PORTLAND, Nov. 1.—Follow-
ing their break last night with
the Oregon Dairymen's Co-opera-
tive league, the former members
of the league in what was known
as zone 5 have formed the Lower
Columbia Dairymen's association
by the election of temporary of-
ficers as follows: Mark J. John-
son of Lewis and Clark, presi-
dent; C. W. Loughlin of Gray's
River, vice president; Albert E.
Engelbreton of the Astor experi-
ment station, secretary; Otto A.
Owen of Astoria, treasurer.

Hawthorne Bridge Crew On Strike in Portland

PORTLAND, Or., Nov. 1.—Ap-
proximately 60 men working on
repairs on the Hawthorne bridge
here, went on strike today. Car-
penters, pilerdrivers, riggers, en-
gineers, firemen and laborers left
the job. Wage troubles were the
cause of the walkout, according
to county officials. Union heads
said that violations of working
rules had more to do with it than
wages.

The strike, according to strik-
ing workmen, was due to com-
plaints that the contracting firm
against which the strike is direct-
ed has been employing laborers
at \$4 a day instead of the \$5.50
a day scale and, in addition, has
been having them do the work of
skilled men for whom the scale is
\$7.20 a day.

SEVEN KILLED
PORTLAND, Or., Nov. 1.—Seven
persons were killed in auto-
mobile accidents in Multnomah
county in October, according to
Coroner Earl Smith.

MINISTRY QUILTS
BERLIN, Nov. 1.—The Prus-
sian ministry has resigned. Its
decision was taken after the fail-
ure of attempts by Premier Steg-
erwald to reconstruct the minis-
try.

SALES TAX OF UTAH SENATOR MAY BE VOTED

Proponents Claim Close to
Necessary Majority to
Put Through One of Three
Alternative Plans.

DEMOCRATIC SUPPORT CLAIMED BY SMOOT

Quiet But Earnest Campaign
Has Been Waged During
Last Four Days

WASHINGTON, Nov. 1.—Sales
tax proponents in the senate claim-
ed tonight to have close to the
necessary majority to put through
one of the three alternate plans
offered by Senator Smoot, Repub-
lican, Utah, as a substitute for
the miscellaneous excises contain-
ed in the pending tax revision bill.

Canvasses of the senate made
tonight while the luxury and nu-
isance taxes were under debate,
were said to have shown at least
half of the total Republican mem-
bership prepared to support the
sales tax. Senator Smoot had a
number of Democratic supporters.

Smoot Feels Assurance
Those behind the Smoot plan
said their calculations tonight
gave assurance of not less than
42 Republicans and three Demo-
crats or only four short of a ma-
jority of the senate. Counting the
number of senators now here they
claimed to have close to enough
votes to carry them to victory.

A more official, but incomplete
canvass of the Republican mem-
bership showed 29 for the sales
tax and only seven against with
five doubtful.

Sales tax advocates have been
conducting a quiet but earnest
campaign in the senate for four
days. This was followed tonight
by a charge from Senator King,
Democrat, Utah, that the tax bill
was being stripped of the mis-
cellaneous excises with a view to
making a sales tax more logical.

Plan Analyzed
One of Senator Smoot's plans
proposed a 1 per cent levy on all
manufactured goods where sales
exceed \$6000 a year, and another
proposes a general turnover of
one-half of 1 per cent where the
sales exceed \$6000.

Senator Smoot previously had
offered an amendment providing
a general manufacturers' sales tax
of 3 per cent with certain exemp-
tions, this to be in lieu of all mis-
cellaneous taxes. His new plans
would replace many miscellaneous
excises and would provide for a
10 per cent tax on corporations in
place of the 15 per cent tentative,
ly agreed upon by the senate.

Stiff Opposition Expected
It is understood to be his plan
to offer his amendments one by
one with a view of testing senate
sentiment on each. The Smoot
amendments are expected to meet
stiff opposition.

Luxury and nuisance taxes
stricken from the bill by the sen-
ate, included those on articles
made of fur, toilet soaps and soap
powders, tooth and mouth washes,
dentifrices, tooth paste, toilet pow-
ders and petroleum oil, electric
fans, thermos and thermosatic
bottles and photographic apparat-
us and accessories.

Tax Retained List
Taxes retained included: photo-
graphic films and plates, other
than moving picture films, 5 per
cent; candy, 3 per cent for all
kinds in lieu of the present rate of
4 per cent; perfumes, essences, ex-

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LEBANON COUNTY MAN FACES CHARGE OF 1ST DEGREE MURDER

LEBANON, Or., Nov. 1.—Facing a charge of murder in
the first degree for the killing of John Painter, 65, and his
son, William Painter, 19, whose bodies were found today in a
shallow grave on the former's farm about seven miles north-
east of Lebanon, Peter Beebe, 25, was in the Linn county
jail at Albany tonight. The three men had been living to-
gether on Painter's 400-acre farm since last January.

Beebe told officials here that the elder Painter shot his
son Wednesday, October 19 and then committed suicide, and
that in compliance with the old man's request he buried the
two bodies the next day in a grave which the old man had
dug in the timber about half a mile from the house after he
had killed the boy.

A post mortem examination of the bodies was
made at the Painter farm, following a coroner's in-
quiry, and the two men died from gunshot wounds.

District Attorney Lewelling said he won-
dered if murder in the first degree against Beebe.