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Forecast for Eastern Oregon by the United States Weather Observer at Portland.

Fair, continued cold tonight and Thursday.

ARBITRATION IS REPORTED TO BE AUSTRIA'S PLAN

Reply to American Note on Ancona Sinking Said to Contain Proposal - Will be Unsatisfactory.

MORE EXCHANGES NECESSARY

Diplomatic Correspondence Likely Before Break Comes—Austria Appears to Want to Put United States in Position of Being First to Break Relations.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—Another climax in the Austro-American relations is approaching. Austria's second Anconia note is expected either today or tomorrow. Ambassador Penfield advised that its delivery to him was imminent.

Unofficial reports say Austria proposes arbitration. This is far from what American demands. If Austria fails to comply with the American demands for a disavowal of the Anconia torpedoing, officials admitted there probably will be another exchange of correspondence before a breach of diplomatic relations results. Secretary Lansing plans to telephone President Wilson immediately upon receipt of Austria's answer. Action on the matter probably will await the president's return on Monday.

An Austrian attempt to shift to the United States the responsibility for a severance of diplomatic relations was seen in a forecast of the reply. It is believed Austria desires to place the United States in the position of refusing friendly arbitration. The state department is ready to meet such a move. It will maintain that no question remains for arbitration because Austria has admitted the Anconia was torpedoed while non-combatants were still aboard. There were indications that America is willing to modify its disavowal demands if Austria pledges to modify her future warfare.

Football Star Is Dead. MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 29.—Thomas L. Sheelin, 34, one of the greatest football players in American history, died here.

Chicago Wheat is Down Few Points

CHICAGO, Dec. 29.—Dec. 29-34-122 5-8; May 124 3-4-124 5-8.

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 29.—Club, 97-100; District, 100-102.

Greek Steamer in Trouble. NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—The Greek steamer Theodoros again is in distress off Nantucket. In response to a wireless call, the cutter Seneca has gone to its assistance.

LA GRANDE BOY IS BADLY BEATEN IN BOX CAR FIGHT

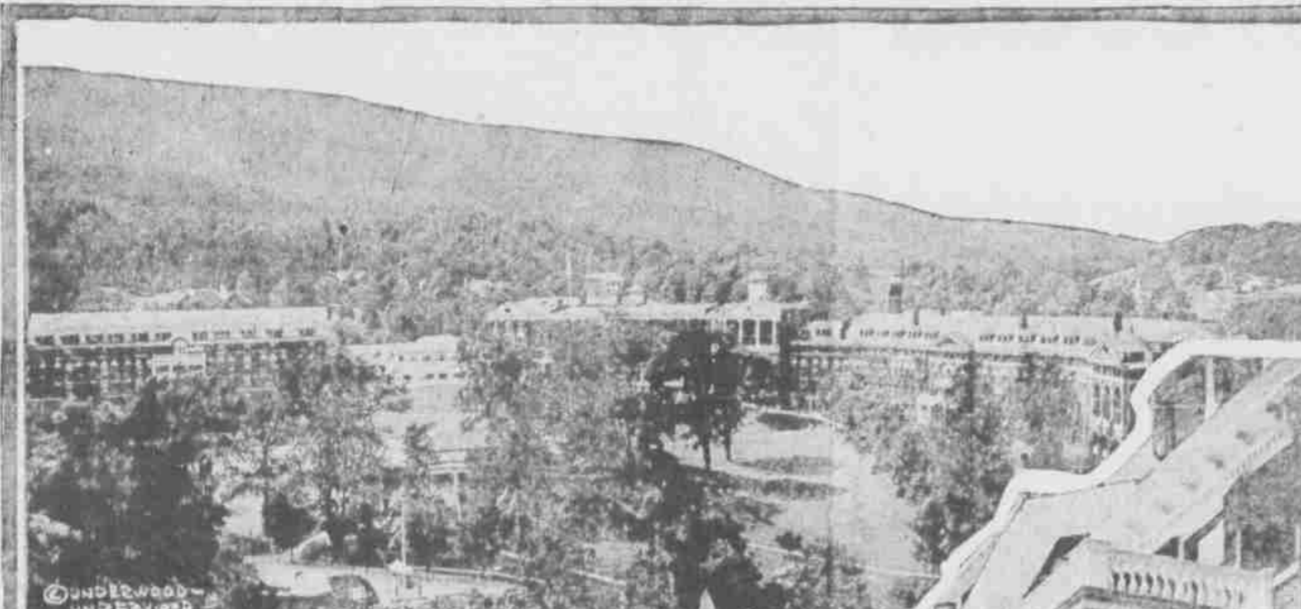
C. O. KEASTER SUFFERS SEVERAL SEVERE BRUISES AT HANDS OF HIS 'PAL'

BAKER, Dec. 29.—His face and head a mass of cuts and bruises, C. O. Keaster of La Grande, is being held by the county authorities as a witness, while John Meade, a youth of 19, his alleged assailant, is being held in the county jail on a charge of "assault, with intent to kill" as the result of a one-sided fight which took place in a box car of a speeding east bound freight, between Wilgusville and Baker.

According to the story told by Keaster and substantiated by Roy Jargent, another occupant of the car, who is also held here, the aggression came from Meade. Keaster asserts that he was awakened from his sleep by the flare of a match and had barely turned his face away from the light when a heavy blow, presumably from Meade's fist, landed back of his right ear, almost stunning him. A rain of heavy blows followed and the pain partially restoring him, consciousness, Keaster staggered to his feet and grappled with his assailant. As they struggled about over the floor of the turching car they fell over Sargent who awoke and assisted Keaster in relieving Meade of the loaded club and of an iron bar, which he had wielded in either hand during the fray.

The lights of Baker had just come into view when Meade was subdued, and his captors appealed to Officer Brennan when the train drew up at the O. W. R. & N. depot. The three were taken into custody. Keaster's wounds dressed and Meade was turned over to the county officials.

Where the Presidential Pair is Honeymooning



GENERAL VIEW OF HOTEL GROUNDS

Here is a general view of the hotel and grounds which are the scene of the honeymoon of President Wilson and his bride. Hot Springs, Va., has long been a favorite place for bridal pairs, and the president found a few of them when he and his bride arrived. Hundreds more have started since they learned they would have such distinguished company. The president and Mrs. Wilson are expected to arrive in Washington on next Monday.

Macadam Between Pendleton and Walla Walla is Nearly Finished; Junction is Next

The 800 foot stretch of road just this side of Milton, which was not macadamized last year, has now been completed, according to Commissioner Cockburn who was here yesterday, and the rockcrusher which has been in use there will be shipped to Pendleton for use in improving the road between Pendleton and Pilot Rock Junction.

The completion of the stretch this side of Milton, which became so hot last summer, makes the macadam between Pendleton and Walla Walla complete with the exception of three quarters of a mile near Weston and this will be finished before many weeks.

The county court intends starting on the Pendleton-Pilot Rock Junction road in the near future. A hard surfaced road will in all probability be

constructed but the court has not yet decided upon what kind of pavement will be laid. Nor has decision been reached as to whether the court will do the work by day labor or under contract.

The road tax on Pendleton property will produce about \$20,000 and, under the law 70 per cent of this sum must be spent within the district. The balance may be spent wherever the court sees fit. This sum will not be sufficient to build four miles and a half of road but the probability that the state will build the mile along the Eastern Oregon State Hospital will lessen the burden upon the court. There is a possibility that the entire distance cannot be built this year but at least a good start will be made, according to Judge Marsh.

LOCAL AUDIENCE ENJOYS THE U. OF O. GLEE CLUB

TWO HOURS OF SONG APPRECIATED AT OREGON THEATER LAST NIGHT

Two hours of song were enjoyed last evening by two hundred people who gathered at the Oregon Theater for the annual concert of the University of Oregon Glee Club. From the curtain raiser "Oh, Oregon" to the final number, "As I Sit and Dream at Evening," both classics of the institution that inspired them, the program was a meritorious one, ranking as it did from racy "rah rah" stuff to ambitious classical selections.

The club this year numbers some unusually good talent and in another year, when the underclassmen develop a little more finish, the college should have one of the best clubs of its history. If any criticism can be made of the program of last evening it arises from the shortage of numbers full of the "pop and gincer" which somehow or other the average public expects from a bunch of collegians. The gleemen last evening had several opportunities to inject this punch in the program and their failure to respond when further encores were demanded was a distinct disappointment to many.

The club carries this year an exceptionally strong list of soloists. Topping them all is Albert J. Gillette, Jr., the wonderful young baritone of Eugene whose voice should prove his fortune. He sang the "Prologue" from "Parsifal" in Italian last evening in real grand opera style and this and his one encore number did not half satisfy the audience. In fact many would be glad if the university would send out young Gillette all by himself that they might enjoy a whole evening of him.

The first solo number on the entertainment last evening was a baritone selection, Schumann's "The Two Grenadiers" by Harold Humbert and it, too, deserves more than passing mention. John A. Black sang a bass solo, "The Mighty Deep" and, while his voice lacks volume, its quality pleased his hearers and they demand.

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COUNTY JUDGE MARSH ACTS IN ROLE OF PEACEMAKER

AS RESULT LITTLE EVA BENNETT WILL HAVE BOTH PAPA AND MAMMA

County Judge Charles H. Marsh this morning acted the role of peacemaker and, as a result, little 15-month-old Eva Bennett will have both a father and mother to look after her. The case came to his attention yesterday when the mother, who is the daughter of Mrs. Joe Sullivan of Milton, formerly of this city, accused her husband, Albert Bennett, of kidnaping the child.

The couple had been living in Walla Walla and by reason of domestic discord had separated, the wife taking the child and going back to the home of her mother. On Sunday, she alleged, her husband and his father called at the home of her mother with whom she had left the child during a short absence. While the elder Bennett engaged Mrs. Sullivan in conversation, she alleged, the younger grabbed up the child and fled, pushing the grandmother over on a couch in the hurried exit.

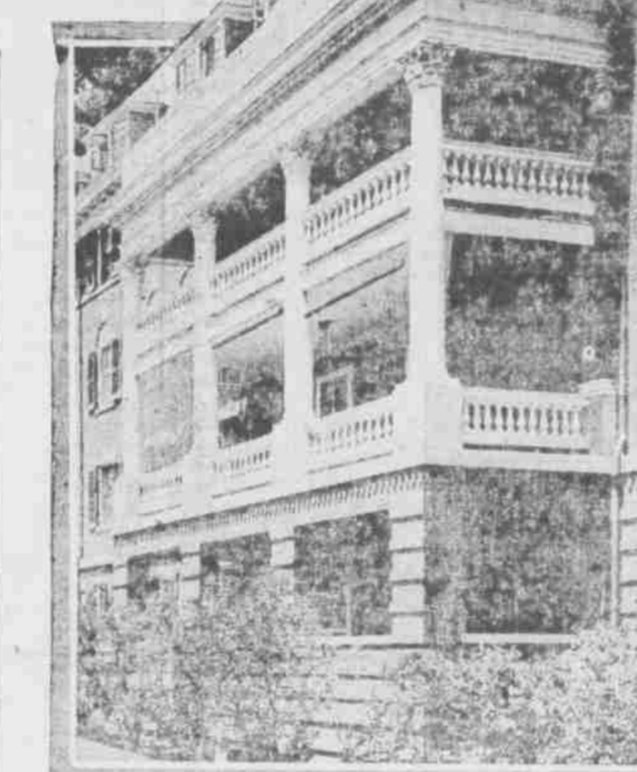
Judge Marsh cited the man and wife to appear before him this morning and they appeared with the child. Both had grievances to relate but in the end they walked away in peace and harmony with the child between them.

BRITISH STEAMER MORNING IS BELIEVED TO BE LOST

LONDON, Dec. 29.—The crew of the British steamer Morning, which was submerged is believed to be lost. Only the captain and the second mate are reported saved.

Three were killed, three wounded and eight rescued when the Dutch Trawler Erin was mined.

The Norwegian steamer Hornselen was either mined or foundered north of Bergen. Wreckage of the Norwegian ship Helrum and one boy have been washed up on the Wales coast.



OUTDOOR SLEEPING PORCH

Prank of 8 Year Old Boy Causes Worry to Mother

YOUTH TAKES HORSE AND STAYS AWAY ALL NIGHT—SEARCH REVEALS HIM

Eight year old Herbert West was determined to find adventure. Last Thursday he wandered out into the country and spent the night while his frantic mother and the officials searched for him. But walking in suited him and three miles was not far enough away. Therefore he planned to make a trip horseback.

Having no horse of his own he had to think up a scheme to get one. Monday morning he appeared to O. W. Huey, proprietor of the Telephone livery barn, for the use of a horse for an hour. The liveryman refused unless he could secure an order from his mother. The boy went home and found his mother gone. His elder sister had been in the habit of writing sentences for him to copy and, with rare ingenuity, he asked her to write the following sentence: "Telephone stable; Please let this little boy have a horse for an hour." Unsuspecting, she wrote the sentence and he pretended to copy it. Instead, however, he tucked the paper in his pocket and just at noon presented it at the barn.

The horse was given him and the boy rode forth. That night he did not return nor did yesterday morning find him back. The liveryman began to worry about his horse and the boy's mother became wild with anxiety. Sheriff Taylor was enlisted in the search and last evening, through the use of the telephone, he and Mr. Huey located the boy at one of the Shuster ranches near Nollu Mr. Shumway, who lives there, had stopped the boy yesterday noon, and suspecting him to be a runaway, had held him. Both boy and horse will be returned today.

Greek Steamer Disabled. NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—The Greek liner Theodoros with 300 passengers, disabled by a storm and by engine trouble, sent an "S. O. S." signal. The Italian steamer Stampella hurried to the assistance and is standing by. The position of the vessel is 550 miles east of Norfolk.

Oporto, Portugal, now has 200,000 inhabitants.

Heroic Brakeman Prevents Accident By Stopping Cars

RUNAWAY AT KAMELA GOES TWO MILES DOWN HILL BEFORE HALTED

LA GRANDE, Ore., Dec. 29.—Twelve freight cars, two of them loaded, broke loose from an extra east yesterday morning at Kamela and ran a considerable distance down the grade before being stopped by Brakeman Wilson who was on the cars and by his bravery and coolness of head was responsible for the entire lack of accident.

Extra 541, eastbound, Conductor Lefel and Engineer Larcom, with 23 loads and 19 empties, arrived at Kamela at 9:45 a. m. with meet orders on No. 17 at Casey. In making the stop at Kamela they broke a knuckle and to avoid delay to No. 17, the conductor cut out the engine to go to Casey and bring No. 17 up to Kamela. Shortly after the engine started for Casey, two loads and ten empties on the head end of the extra started down the hill. Brakeman Wilson was on these cars and stopped them at the yellow board at Casey. No damage resulted and the westbound passenger continued on its way with little or no delay. The cars had traveled two miles.

A man can be pleasant when out in company and still act like a circus boss carterman when around home.

NEWS SUMMARY

General. Britain will have conscription to get men for new armies. Austria's reply is forecasted as unfavorable to the United States. Girl is found naked in the snow after being assaulted near Portland.

Local. Today coldest day of winter. Small boy borrows horse and sets out to see the world. Milton road finished; work to start here soon. Judge Marsh patches up family difference in court. Movie news on page 5.

Head of Sing Sing Prison is Facing Removal from Post

INDICTMENTS ARE RETURNED AGAINST HIM FOR ALLEGED MALFEASANCE

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 23.—Warden Thos. Mott Osborne faced removal from his Sing Sing post following indictments returned against him, superintendent Riley of the state prison department said he would remove him immediately if a proper successor was available. Only intervention by the governor can save him. Whitman is reported as not believing the charges against Osborne's conduct. The warden pleaded not guilty to charges of improper personal conduct and malfeasance in office. He produced \$2000 bail.

Big Liners Proposed

TACOMA, Dec. 23.—Preliminary steps were taken for the organization of a company to build and operate three big steamships at a cost of a million and a quarter, to ply from Tacoma and Seattle to Hawaii, the Philippines, Australia and New Zealand. R. M. Calkins, traffic manager of the Milwaukee railroad, heads the movement.

Speculation Evils in the Irrigation Districts Denounced

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 23.—Three hundred and fifty irrigators this morning heard L. M. Rice, a Seattle seismologist, denounce the evils of land speculation in irrigation districts. Addresses of Judge Graves of Seattle and Attorney General Brown of Oregon approved the district plan of irrigating.

Not Even the Sundae is Allowed a Cherry

MARASCHINO COMES UNDER THE BAN AFTER THE FIRST OF THE NEW YEAR

Even the innocent and dainty maraschino cherry, which is used to top the cone of a merry widow sundae, will be under the ban after the first of the year. Because they have been steeped in liquor they are included in the list of things intoxicating, according to leading authorities on the new prohibition law. The cherries are grown in Oregon packed in brine at the canneries and then shipped to California where they are put through an alcoholic liquor process.

Druggists will not be permitted to use cherry or other wines as vehicles for physicians' prescriptions nor can they use whiskey for like purposes, according to these same authorities. If a physician thinks his patient must have whiskey then he must provide it himself, according to the governing interpretations. The druggist can only sell ethyl alcohol and then every individual salesman in the store, who expects to furnish this alcohol, must furnish a bond of \$500.

ENGLAND AND FRANCE TAKES BIG MILK SUPPLY

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 23.—The entire output of the Pacific Coast Milk Condenseries for the next two months, besides all the supply on hand, has been purchased by England and France for army use. It was announced in explanation of a sudden rise in milk prices. The sale exceeds a million dollars. The order was limited only by the capacity of the condenseries.

Blank Passports Held

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GIRL ASSAULTED AND LEFT NAKED IN SNOW FIELDS

Mrs. Mabel Myers, 19, a Bride of a Month is in a Critical Condition at a Portland Hospital.

FARMHAND IS BEING SOUGHT

Young Woman Has Bullet Wound in Breast—Posses are Trailing Down Every Clue to Find E. G. Kemp Who is Wanted for Crime—Letter Furnishes Information.

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 23.—Mrs. Mabel Myers, 19, a bride of a month is in a serious condition at the Good Samaritan hospital today. Posses are trailing every clue to find E. G. Kemp a farm hand, near whose cabin the girl was found, naked and crawling through the snow, last night. She was shot through the breast and had been badly maltreated.

The chief clue connecting Kemp is a letter, bearing a special delivery stamp, which was delivered to Sheriff Hurlburt last night, telling him to rush to the rescue of a "poor woman assaulted by a tramp." Kemp is missing. His description has been sent broadcast. Eugene officers this morning arrested a suspect.

O. H. Myers, the husband of the woman, a young farmer of Gresham, has vowed vengeance and is aiding in the search.

The letter the sheriff received had Kemp's name and address in the envelope. His mother, living at Portland has not seen him. The letter is a rambling way said a tramp had shot the girl. It said "I'm going to Canada. I don't want the blame. I'll kill myself before taking the blame." Kemp recently was discharged from the navy at Bremerton. Every avenue of escape is being watched.

Alleged Plotters Said to be Mixed in Mexican Broil

PLAN TO HAVE HUERTA LEAD NEW REVOLUTION MAY END IN NEW ARRISTS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—New indictments in connection with the alleged plot to have Huerta lead a revolt against Carranza were forestalled following anti-ally indictments. A new grand jury next week will investigate all the alien conspiracies against the United States.

The relations of Franz von Rintelen and David Lamar with Huerta will be probed. The government hopes to prove that Rintelen, with unlimited funds, plotted to supply Huerta with the sinews of war. The alleged efforts of Rintelen to furnish Mexican trouble was claimed to be for the purpose of keeping America busy at home, so she could not become embroiled with Germany.

Lamar and Jacob Taylor surrendered themselves today, pleaded not guilty and were released on \$5000 bail. The fact that Buchanan intends to retain his seat in congress may affect the prosecution, inasmuch as congressmen are exempt from prosecution while they retain their seat.

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Britain Answers Germany's Peace Feeler By Decision to Conscript Men for Army

LONDON, Dec. 29.—The decision to resort to conscription to raise new armies is England's answer to Germany's latest "peace feeler." The Wolff bureau sent out the following possible German terms of peace:

The evacuation of Belgium and France.

Establishment of a Polish kingdom dominated by Germany.

Russia to pay Germany a premium annually.

Belgium to pay the amount she formerly spent annually for military preparation.

The allies in pay 12,000,000,000 indemnity.

A statement that Belgium will not enter an anti-German alliance.

A great parliamentary battle was foreshadowed by the announcement that a conscription bill will be introduced next week. Plans for anti-conscription are being devised and an informal conference of laborites has been called. Plans meeting place to oppose the bill are in progress and in motion. It is reported that the government will exclude Russia from the opening of the markets to escape the debt obligation. It is believed the smallest plans first to debt suspended.