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WEATHER
Tonight and Friday unsettled; probably rain or snow.
Maximum 54; minimum 32; rain-fall .03; wind, southwest, brisk; weather, clear.

SPRING CAMPAIGN PIVOTAL POINT IN PEACE MANEUVERS

Advisors Believe Wilson Has Created a Situation Whereby Neither Side Can Continue War After Results are Known.

ONE BIG EFFORT NECESSARY

All Preliminary Plans Are Progressing; Details of Gigantic Blow Will Be Complete in 4 Weeks.

(ROBERT J. BENDER.) WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—It is officially believed that a great spring offensive will be the trying point of the peace maneuvers. It is understood that President Wilson expects that one great effort will be necessary before the first actual peace steps. Diplomats agree that peace is impossible until the gigantic effort.

MORE OBJECTION IS MADE TO OIL PLANT

Petition May Be Presented Asking That Standard Oil Co. Remove Buildings Outside the City Limits.

Further objection to the city granting the Standard Oil Co. a franchise to build and maintain an oil-distributing plant at its present location was made last evening when the ordinance introduced at the request of the company came up for discussion.

The company has an option on the Frazer property and will buy it as soon as the franchise is granted. Mr. Keating was present last evening and reminded the council that there was other private property in the neighborhood and that the company should buy the entire block.

STORM FORECASTS TO AID STOCKMEN

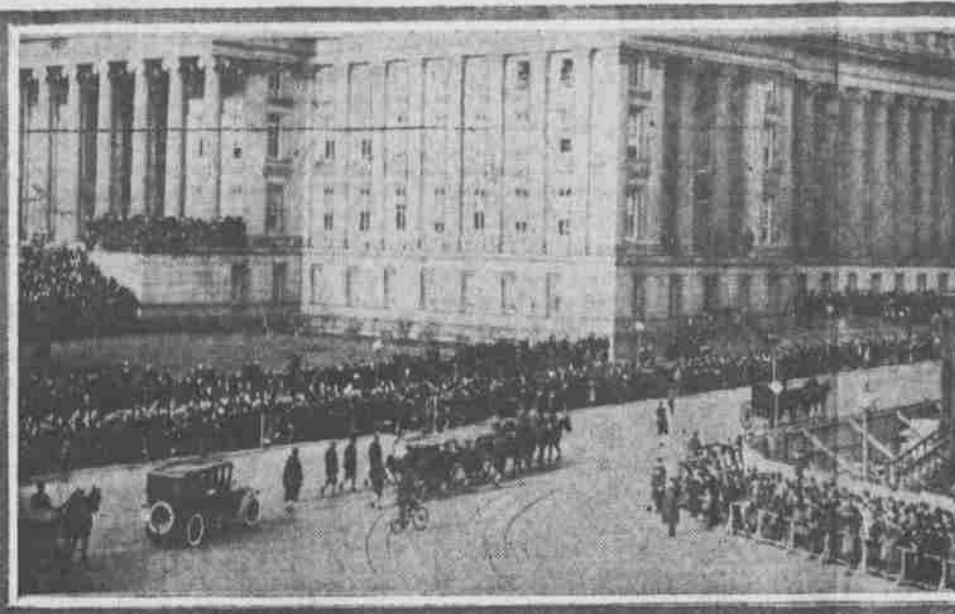
WEATHER BUREAU WILL ENDEAVOR TO PROTECT THE SHORN LAMB.

Forest Supervisor Snyder announces that beginning about February 1 the District Forecaster, H. S. Weather Bureau, Portland, Oregon, will begin sending the special weather forecasts for the benefit of stockmen. This is the resumption of the service maintained last winter and spring which proved so valuable to the stockmen.

STRONGER TONE IN WHEAT PIT TODAY

CHICAGO, Jan. 25.—(Special to the East Oregonian)—Range of prices today: Open High Low Close. May \$1.85 1/2 \$1.86 1/4 \$1.84 \$1.85. July \$1.45 1/4 \$1.44 1/4 \$1.53 1/4 \$1.53.

NATION HONORS DEWEY. LAID AT REST IN ARLINGTON



THE CASNET & ITS ESCORT, PASSING TREASURY BUILDING ENROUTE TO ARLINGTON CEMETERY.

Not since the body of the martyred McKinley was born through the streets of the national capital has such honor been extended as was extended George Dewey, late admiral of the

United States navy. While the nation paused in its daily tasks, all of Washington officialdom and the diplomatic corps paid homage to the hero of Manila Bay. The machinery of govern-

ment halted as the funeral procession passed along Pennsylvania avenue. From the president down to the humblest office holder—all honored the great Dewey.

BONE DRY BILL IS MADE THE SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR HOUSE MONDAY MORNING

(East Oregonian Special Wire Service.) SALEM, Jan. 25.—The committee reported the bone dry bill to the house this morning. It made it the special order of business for Monday morning at ten thirty o'clock. The judiciary committee adversely reported Rowman's bill prohibiting the circulation of initiative, referendum and recall petitions by hired agents. It was indefinitely postponed.

MEMORIALIZING CONGRESS CRITICIZED. The house memorialized congress urging the establishment of a naval base at Astoria. Technor protested, advocating Port Orford. Peck urged Coos Bay. Lewis and Stott opposed "continually memorializing congress." Lewis said it cost the house eight hundred and ten dollars daily for operating expenses. He charged the time was wasted. Belland replied, asserting that Lewis wasted much of the time talking.

After a bitter debate the house memorialized congress to appropriate three hundred thousand dollars to improve the harbor at Crescent City, California. The Rogue River delegation argued that the improvement would benefit their district. Peck and Technor said Coos Bay and Port Orford offered better harbor facilities.

The house adopted the resolution providing for a joint committee to discuss the Columbia river fishing laws with the Washington committee, and memorialized congress to urge the development of Oregon's water resources. It asks congress to act immediately on the Anthony suffrage amendment.

MINORITY REPORT ADOPTED. A majority of the Judiciary committee unfavorably reported the bill providing for the sterilization of feeble minded persons. Wilbur, Olson and Steiner returned a favorable minority report. The senate adopted the minority report 21 to 6, after a lengthy discussion. The bill was made the special order of business for two o'clock Monday afternoon.

THREE AMENDMENTS UP. Three proposed constitutional amendments relating to elections, initiative and referendum petitions were introduced in the senate. Three others are scheduled

for introduction in the house this afternoon. Secretary Fording of the constitutional revision association handed the amendments to Senator Olson. Olson said he had not studied the measures yet and was unable to explain them.

KINDNESS IS REPAID BY BULLET IN HEART

Immigration Inspector Shot and Killed by Man Whom He Was Taking to Prison Unmanned.

WINDSOR, Ont., Jan. 25.—"This is what I get for being kind to you," were the last words of immigration inspector M. B. Jackson of Winnipeg, whom James Stewart, a safe blower, killed. Jackson was in the smoking car while enroute to Windsor, where the American police planned to arrest Stewart on a charge of blowing the safe at Battle Creek. The prisoner took Jackson's revolver from his pocket while talking. Jackson permitted Stewart to take the long ride unmanned.

GIRLS WHO NAMED LEWIS IN MODEL MURDER



This is the first photograph of the two Germantown school teachers, who supplied the Philadelphia police with the name of Bernard W. Lewis, self-slain suspect in the "model" murder case. It was on information supplied by the teachers that detectives traced Lewis to Atlantic City, where he took his life just in time to

LATE WIRE BULLETINS

BOHAI HAS WARNING. WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—Senator Bohai offered a resolution warning the United States against the "danger of becoming involved in an entangling alliance with European nations." He asked the senate to reaffirm the Monroe Doctrine principles. It was aimed at President Wilson's speech.

SECRET SESSION HELD. PARIS, Jan. 25.—The cabinet of deputies met in secret session to discuss the Greek situation.

MOTHER KILLS CHILD WITH GERMAN FATHER

PARIS, Jan. 25.—Josephine Barthelmy aged twenty, was acquitted of the charge of killing her own baby. She told the jury she killed the child because it had a German father. She pleaded that German soldiers attacked her and her baby was unwelcome. Her lawyer said: "Would you condemn a girl for stifling the life of a child whose father killed France's sons and violated France's daughters?" The government has re-established the custom of placing a cradle outside the town halls where mothers may leave unwelcome children, the government guaranteeing their support.

DIET OF JAPAN IS DISSOLVED AND MINISTRY OVERTHROWN

Critical Political Situation Develops From Activities of Opposition Party in Kingdom.

VISCOUNT KATO IS LEADER

Claims Selection of Teraychi's Cabinet Was Unconstitutional; Newspapers Fail to Make Any Comment on Wilson's Peace Note.

TOKIO, Jan. 25.—The Japanese diet has dissolved. Count Teraychi's minister has been overthrown. The political situation is critical. The mikiro appointed Teraychi as premier, replacing Okuma. Viscount Kato led the opposition. He claimed Teraychi's cabinet selection was unconstitutional.

TOKIO, Jan. 25.—Japanese newspapers have not commented on President Wilson's peace proposals. They are entirely occupied with internal problems and the diet's dissolution.

DAMAGE FROM 49 FIRES WAS \$78245

Annual Report of Fire Chief Ringold Shows That Burning Trash Caused Most Conflagrations.

There were 49 fires in Pendleton during the year 1916 and the total damage is estimated at \$78,245. The value of the buildings and stocks jeopardized by fire was \$480,550 and the insurance carried was \$269,300. The loss on old frame buildings was \$14,500.

Fire Chief Ringold made his annual report last night and it shows that the burning of trash was responsible for more fires than any other cause. There were five fires from this cause and two more caused by burning trash in stoves. Other causes were as follows: Defective stoves 3, spontaneous combustion 3, ashes piled too close to buildings 2, exploding lantern 1, thawing of kerosene engine 1, gasoline on floor 1, escaping gas 1, filling gasoline tanks 2, children with matches 1, cigar stub in sidewalk grating 1, cleaning bed with coal oil 1, stove pipe through roof 1, gas heater 1, electric iron 1, cigarette butt 1, grassfires 2, electric stoves 2, unknown 2.

There were 30 alarms called over the system and 19 by telephone. There were four false alarms. The number of feet of hose laid was 22,650. 351 gallons of chemicals were used and seven quarts of Pyrene. The total value of the fire fighting apparatus is \$16,541.50. The fire chief issued 170 electrical permits during the year and estimated cost of wiring was \$5574.

U. S. NEWSPAPER MAN IS MISSING; MAY BE IN A BRITISH PRISON

NEW YORK, Jan. 25.—The newspaper syndicate has asked Lansing to learn the fate of George Bacon, an American newspaperman believed imprisoned in England or Ireland. He was sent abroad December 5. He wrote a letter mentioning the possibility of a new Sinn Fein uprising Easter. An Englishwoman heard that the British had arrested Bacon.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—It is announced that the state department intended to act immediately to ascertain the fate of George Bacon, American newspaperman supposedly imprisoned in England since December. Lansing received appeals this afternoon and promised instant inquiry through Ambassador Page at London.

LIBRARY ORDINANCES REPEALED; JUDGE FEE MAKES RECOMMEND

DESTROYS 1 AEROPLANE A DAY, 27 HIT SO FAR

PARIS, Jan. 25.—It is announced that Lieutenant Guyener has destroyed his twenty-seventh German aeroplane, the second within two days. The French repulsed a German attack south of Berrybac. The enemy lost heavily.

COSTS \$700,000 TO REFLOAT MILWAUKEE

Cruiser's Boilers, Armor Plate and Engines Will Be Impossible to Save Say Salvage Contractors.

EUREKA, Jan. 25.—Salvage contractors said it would be impossible to save the cruiser Milwaukee's boilers, armor plate or engines. The metal is worth twenty dollars a ton as junk and it would cost a hundred dollars a ton to remove it. The engines are unsuitable to merchant ships and not speedy enough for modern warships. Contractors expect to save a million dollars worth of equipment and material. The cost to the navy department will be seven hundred thousand dollars to refloat and equip the cruiser.

N. P. TRAIN WILL BE GUARDED FROM SPEEDING AUTOS

Whether the Northern Pacific train is more dangerous to auto traffic than it is endangered by it is a question given the council to consider.

Last evening one of the councilmen recommended that the N. P. Co. be ordered to install a bell at the East Court street crossing as a warning sign.

H. C. Blydenstein, who chanced to be present, volunteered the information that the public needs protection more from automobiles who use East Court as a speedway than it does from the N. P. train. Councilman Phelps, thereupon, declared that some steps should be taken to safeguard the N. P. train from the speeding autos. "One of these days an auto is going to knock that train off the track," he said, and thereupon at the suggestion of Councilman Taylor, the police were notified to enforce the traffic ordinance to the end that the N. P. "cannonball" be protected from danger.

As for the installation of the bell, most of the councilmen could see no reason for it. It was pointed out that the N. P. train only makes a speed of four miles an hour inside the city and, as Phelps pointed out, a collision is impossible because there is only one engine on the line.

5 MACHINES STOLEN IN 24 HOUR PERIOD

PORTLAND, Jan. 25.—The police reported that automobile thieves stole five additional machines in twenty-four hours. This makes a total of thirty for the month. Eighteen were not recovered. Some were found stripped.

WITCH GIRL DRAWS ENORMOUS CROWD

DETROIT, Jan. 25.—A crowd gathered in front of the home of Celia Wrobleksi, aged sixteen, following the report that she was possessed of supernatural powers. The police tried vainly to disperse the throng. Many declared they expected to see the "witch girl" transform herself into animal shapes. Men said they feared to see her face, lest a terrible calamity befall them. It is unknown how the strange rumor originated. Father Kiril, pastor of St. Francis church, said: "It sounds incredible. I cannot understand it. The girl is among my parishioners. The whole story is false."

The crowd was increasing this afternoon. Spectators came from every part of Detroit and nearby cities.

Discovers Constitutional Obstacles to City Making Library Contract With Any Corporation.

"PEACE COMMISSION" NAMED

Latest Denouncement in Library Situation Is Welcomed by Council Who See Signs of a Clearing Up of the Hard Fought Controversy.

An unexpected denouncement to the library situation which threatened to develop special elections and injunction suits, came last evening when Judge Fee appeared before the council and recommended the repeal of the four ordinances recently passed turning over the city library to the Pendleton Public Library, Inc. His recommendation was at once accepted and the repealing ordinances passed. However, Judge Fee made it plain that he was not surrendering to the requests of the Commercial association because of the showing made but because he had discovered constitutional obstacles to the city making a library contract with any corporation. This obstacle, he said, not only would prevent the city from contracting with the Pendleton Public Library, Inc., but would prevent any contract with the county or the Commercial association for the maintenance and operation of the city library. In other words, he holds that the city has no option but to conduct its own library.

Peace Commission Named. Further evidence of a clearing up of the controversy came later in the evening when Councilman Penland reported that the special committees from the council and Commercial association had met and had decided to ask that a "peace commission" be composed of three members of the council, three members of the Commercial association and three representatives of the county, none of whom to have any personal interest in the controversy, be named to arbitrate and settle the differences.

Mayor Best empowered the same committee to act for the council, namely Councilmen Penland, Taylor and Kirkpatrick. The Commercial association committee consists of A. H. Cox, J. B. McCook and W. J. Clarke. Neither the judge or commissioners will represent the county, it is understood. Mayor Best insisted that whatever decision was reached should be presented to competent attorneys for approval.

Legislature in Error. After routine business had been disposed of last evening, Judge Fee threw a surprise into the meeting when he made his recommendation and presented repealing ordinances. In presenting the original ordinance recognizing the Pendleton Public Library, Inc., he said he had acted upon the assumption that the act of the legislature giving municipalities the power to contract with corporations for the maintenance of a library was valid. However, subsequent investigation had proved to him, he said, that the legislature had been in error inasmuch as the constitution of the state expressly forbids such a contract. He quoted Section 9, Article 11, as follows: "No county, city, town or other municipal corporation, by vote of citizens or otherwise, shall become a stockholder in any joint stock company, corporation or association whatever, or raise money for, or loan its credit to, or in aid of, any such corporation, company or association."

His construction of that section, he said, was that the city could not contract with the Public Library, Inc., the Commercial Association or Umatic, county for the maintenance of a joint library. He assumed full responsibility, he said, for the passage of the ordinance which he now asked be repealed. The ordinance were repealed at once.

The Pendleton Public Library, Inc., will cease to exist, Judge Fee stated, that the charter would be surrendered. This leaves the situation just the same as before the passage of the ordinance. The city library is under the supervision of the city library board and the \$2100 which was to be given to the corporation will be used for the support of the city library. The council seemed mightily relieved at the turn of affairs and Recorder Pita Gerard declared he always expected those library ordinances would come to grief because the number of the last one ended in 13.

SINETY DEFENDANTS NAMED

CINCINNATI, Jan. 25.—The grand jury which is investigating the vote fraud returned six named defendants, naming ninety defendants. It announced the police would immediately begin arresting the accused, revealing the names later.