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## BROOKHART IS LATEST TO BE INVESTIGATED IN THE SENATE

Colleague Declares That He is a Paid Commission Lobbyist

### CHARGES ARE MADE

Will be Called Before Senate Inter-State Commerce Commission

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—Senator elect Brookhart, Iowa republican, today was the latest candidate for a senate seat, to feel the pitiless glare of the investigation spotlight.

Charged by his democratic colleague, Senator Steack, with being a paid "lobbyist" seeking to aid confirmation of Cyrus E. Woods of Pennsylvania for the interstate commerce commission, Brookhart will be called before the senate interstate commerce committee.

The inquiry was voted on motion in the senate by Senator Reed, Missouri democrat.

Both Woods and Brookhart made denials of the charge.

"I have employed no one and insofar as I know no one has employed a lobbyist to aid me," Woods said.

"Not only are the charges without foundation, but I am opposed to the confirmation of Mr. Woods," Brookhart answered.

While Brookhart stood out in the searching rays, the senate spotlight shifted for a short time to the case of William S. Vare, Pennsylvania republican, when Governor Gifford Pinchot notified Vice President Dawes that the usual form of election certificate should be refused the Philadelphia representative.

"I do not believe Mr. Vare was duly chosen," Governor Pinchot wrote, "and I am convinced, as I have often said, that the election was partly bought and partly stolen."

## NORMAL TEAM LOSES GAME WITH ALBANY

Northern Collegians Win, 27 to 26, in Hard Fought Contest

ALBANY, Ore., Jan. 11.—(Special)—Ashland Normal lost its first basketball game on the northern barnstorming trip here last night when Albany College nosed out a 27 to 26 victory during the closing seconds of a hotly contested game. The visitors could not get used to the local floor and were erratic at basket shooting.

Al Maake was high point winner for the normal team, with 12 points to his credit. Other points scored were: But-terfield, 6; Moore, 1; Ramsey, 4; Kinney, 3.

Ashland Normal was leading by seven points at the close of the first half, but the local collegians came from behind during the final period and overwhelmed the southerners.

Coach Hughes and his charges left here this morning for Corvallis where they will play the Aggie Rooks tonight.

## BROADCAST OF FLU INCREASES ARE MADE

Health Department of the League of Nations to Use Radio

GENEVA, Jan. 10.—(UN)—Increase of influenza cases in many parts of the world caused the league of nations secretariat to arrange today to make daily radio broadcasts on the growth of the epidemic.

Information as to the number of cases in each country and the character and extent of the epidemic will be collected by the league's hygienic service from health administrative bodies in all countries.

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## TEXAS MINISTER ON TRIAL FOR MURDER

Dr. J. Frank Norris' Trial Opens in Lone Star State

AUSTIN, Texas, Jan. 10.—(UN)—The Lone Star state and a fighting Baptist fundamentalist preacher came to grips in the historic Travis county court house here today, formally opening the trial of Dr. J. Frank Norris of Fort Worth, charged with the murder of D. E. Chipps at Fort Worth last July.

The state emerged temporarily victorious in the opening legal skirmish incidental to jury selection. The first issue in the trial came when the defense declared it was ready for trial with "reservations" which was contested by the state.

Norris' counsel indicated its willingness to go to trial upon the location of several important witnesses. The state appealed to the bench asking that the defense either reports unqualifiedly ready for trial or file a motion for continuance. The court ruled that Norris' counsel must decide on one of the alternatives when court is resumed Tuesday morning.

## Bellview Folks To Give Dance

Officers Resort to Novel Way of Satisfying Bank Patrons

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## NOTED PLAYERS TO BE HERE SHORTLY

"Outward Bound" to be Given by Moroni Olsen Group Jan. 22

Members of the faculty entertainment committee of the normal school are completing plans for the appearance here on Jan. 22, of the Moroni Olsen Players, who will present "Outward Bound," a comedy-drama dealing with life after death.

This play has been characterized by New York critics as being one of the most amusing productions on Broadway in many years.

For Ashland folks there will be added interest in the appearance of Janet Young, an Oregon girl who is well known locally. She takes one of the leading character parts and her work with the Moroni Olsen players here last fall was highly commended.

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## SEVENTY SIX LITTLE WHITE CASKETS MARK THEATRE FIRE

Funeral Procession Miles Long Will be Held Wednesday

MONTREAL, Quebec, Jan. 10.—(UN)—One of the most pathetic spectacles in history will be enacted in the French Canadian quarter of Montreal Wednesday, when nearly four score children, killed in the panic which followed the Laurier Palace theatre fire will be buried with the last rites of the Catholic church.

### BODIES IDENTIFIED

Grief Stricken French Quarter of Montreal Makes Plans for Funeral

A funeral procession miles long will wind through St. Catherine's street with its burden of 76 little white caskets as the mothers and fathers of the victims needlessly in the stamped at theatre eyes their dead children the full benefits of the faith which they had taught them.

All of the bodies have now been identified and the grief stricken French quarter is turning its attention towards plans for the funeral—the last act in a bitter tragedy which began 24 hours before with light comedy on the screen of the movie theatre.

Rev. H. L. Kempton, visiting pastor from Portland, who has been speaking at the services which are being held at the Baptist church, is arousing much interest in the meetings.

Mr. Kempton has been speaking upon the comprehension plan of the Ages from the standpoint of revelation. With the aid of a large chart, 22 feet long, he has been explaining the way God has acted toward man and what He will yet do for, and with man.

Tonight the subject is "The Course of the World Powers, Past, Present and Future," showing the nations that are still to arise in the world before the end of the present age and the coming of Christ.

Church Meetings Arouse Interest

## FRUIT ASSOCIATION HAS A GOOD YEAR

Taylor is Re-Elected Manager for the Coming Year

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## PRESERVING COMPANY NAMES NEW DIRECTOR

The stockholders of the Ashland Preserving Co. held their annual meeting at the Chamber of Commerce rooms, Monday evening and re-elected Dr. F. G. Swendenburg, C. H. Pierce and C. W. Banta directors for two years, and J. C. Hopper for one year, to fill the term of E. E. Phipps, who has moved to Portland.

S. D. Taylor submitted his report as manager, showing a considerable reduction in the indebtedness, incurred the first year of operation. R. E. Kooser, manager of the Bagley Canning Co., lessee, reported that in spite of the very unfavorable year just passed, he had every confidence that the cannery would still grow and prosper and that he expected to organize a new company and take over the plant at the expiration of his lease.

He spoke particularly of the need of further diversification of products for the cannery. In order to reach middle west points with mixed cans of canned goods. He also spoke of the fact that he had to go to Grants Pass, where 150 acres of berries were planted last year, for his berries, when same should be produced here.

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## RAILROAD OFFICIAL PREDICTS GOOD YEAR

Traffic Man From Portland is Visitor in This City

A good year and a prosperous one, is the forecast for 1927 made by John M. Scott, Passenger Traffic Manager for Southern Pacific company, who today returned from San Francisco where he attended a three day conference of the company's traffic officers, gathered to discuss business conditions for the coming year and to plan refinements of service in the handling of traffic.

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"There should be little if any falling-off in prosperity during the coming year," Mr. Scott said. "The nation's business is generally good and this satisfactory condition is bound to be reflected throughout the West.

"Faster and more dependable freight service has placed the nation's buying on a hand-to-mouth basis, enabling manufacturers and merchants to release for productive purposes many millions of dollars that otherwise would be tied up in high inventories.

"In spite of this the greatest volume of freight ever offered for shipment in any year was loaded on Southern Pacific Pacific lines during 1926, and all freight loading records for the railroads as a whole were broken.

"It is obvious that rapid and profitable turn-overs must have been made on the break bulk of the commodities thus handled, and that business is not indulging in the excessive and speculative buying which heretofore has marked every peak of American prosperity immediately before the coming of depressions.

"Reports from the company's eastern agents confirm earlier predictions that 1927 will be a year of heavy passenger travel. With the tourist influx will come many settlers and home-seekers, creating new demands for homes, which should work to the advantage of the building trades.

"Southern Pacific started the year by placing an order for nearly two and one-half million dollars worth of new locomotives and rolling stock, all of it to be built in the company's western shops.

"Plans were discussed that will result in new and nation-wide advertising for our state, calling attention not alone to scenic attractions, but to agricultural, manufacturing and business opportunities. These matters will also receive extensive publicity through the company's foreign agencies in Europe.

"All signs point to a year of satisfactory business conditions, continued buying, plentiful credit and steady employment; a year that at worst will not fall far below the high records established in 1926.

WIFE TIES UP THE CHAPLIN FORTUNE

Suit for Divorce is filed Yesterday, With Numerous Charges Made

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JOINT INSTALLATION

The Modern Woodmen will hold a joint installation with the Royal Neighbors at Moose Hall, Friday evening, January 13, an event which promises to be an interesting social one, in addition to being important in the way of business routine. State Deputy Johnson, of Portland, will be present to participate in the installation ceremonies.

First Aid Work Is Demonstrated

An interesting and instructive demonstration of first aid work was given at the chamber of commerce forum today noon by Dr. M. J. Fenton and Mr. Young of the American Red Cross. They first showed how to stop the flow of blood in various wounds and how to apply first-aid bandages. They also demonstrated methods of saving lives in drowning cases, how to restore persons who fainted and other first-aid work.

At 2:30 this afternoon, the two Red Cross workers gave a demonstration to the local fire department. They are traveling throughout the county giving these public demonstrations.

Rev. P. K. Hammond presided at the forum lunch.

## FURTHER STEPS ARE TAKEN BY PRESIDENT IN NICARAGUA

Special Message to Congress Strikes Openly at Dubious

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—As the American government was taking further military steps regarding Nicaragua today, President Coolidge struck openly and without warning, in a special message to congress to rally dubious members and public opinion behind him.

### SUPPORT IS GAINED

Senators and Congressmen Applaud the Stand Taken by Chief Executive

There was a distinctly somber note in Washington tonight. Nobody knew what might break next. Senators and congressmen applauded the president's special message, but there was an atmosphere of gravity around the capitol and few members would make public statements.

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## New Year's Resolution Stuff

