

City News
THE WEATHER
Oregon: Generally fair tonight and Thursday, slightly cooler in extreme northeastern portion tonight; moderate northwest winds. Temperature: Maximum, 77 degrees; minimum, 56 degrees. Precipitation, .06 or an inch. Stage of river, 3.9 feet. Wind, southwest.

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NEW RAIL LINKS PEND

SOCIALISTS OF PARIS HAMPER ARMY MORALE
Reported Losses in Revolt in Morocco Seized in Propaganda Move

Government Denies Rumor of Extreme Reverses in African Warfare

PARIS, May 20.—Alarming and sensational reports published abroad, telling of serious reverses and heavy losses allegedly suffered by the French in their campaign against the Rifian invaders, are being exploited to the full by the communists and extreme socialists in Paris.

The communists have placarded the capital with posters appealing to the soldiers to disobey their officer's commands and attempting to stir up the people to manifestations against the dispatch of further reinforcements to Morocco.

This campaign has drawn from Premier Painleve a plain statement of the situation and a defense of the government policy.

Statement is issued
When the government took office, Marshal Lyautey, (Governor-general of French Morocco), asked for help, says the statement.

Reinforcements, the despatch of which has been carefully prepared by the preceding government, were immediately shipped to him.

The road to Fez, which the invaders aspired to threaten by shaking the loyalty of the tribesmen who had submitted to our protectorate, has been barred and the enemy driven back toward the limit of our zone.

At the present time we are proceeding to Caucor our frontier, which must be made safe against any surprise. Thanks to the skill of the command and the precautions taken, the fighting—which still continues, however, heroic the many episodes which mark it—has happily been far from involving the heavy losses.

Peace is Stressed
The premier disclaims any idea of colonial expansion and says the government's only end is to maintain peace.

The statement ends with an appeal for public confidence in the French troops and leaders, disregarding false reports.

The FLAPPER WIFE



Miss Briggs.

(Continued)
THE STORY SO FAR
Beautiful GLORIA GORDON marries DICK GREGORY, a lawyer, for the money she thinks he has. Her idea of married life is to live in luxury and style, and never to have children.

After the honeymoon Gloria refuses point-blank to do any housework. Dick borrows his mother's maid, MAGGIE, for her.

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COURT ORDERS DISMISSAL OF BALLOTS CASE

Referendum Title Changes Are Barred in Action Of C. C. Chapman
Judge McMahon Holds That Precedent Should Not Be Established.

SALEM, Ore., May 20.—Declaring that to grant the prayer of C. C. Chapman in his attack on the ballot title to the referendum petition on the cigarette license law "would establish a precedent which would within itself constitute the gravest assault ever made upon the people of direct legislation," Circuit Judge L. H. McMahon today dismissed the petition.

In his order of dismissal he called attention to the fact that the code grants 20 days after certifying of the ballot title to take an appeal from the decision of the circuit court in such case. He points out that in the present case the relator failed to file his appeal within the time allowed by the code and attempted to secure an order by injunction, which, if allowed at this late date "would render all signatures now obtained by the proponents of the measure valueless and deprive them of the opportunity to complete their petitions within the time prescribed by law therefore. If this can be done in this case it can be done in all cases and every attempt to invoke either the initiative or referendum could be defeated by such proceedings and a complainant judge."

Dealers Hold tax Referendum Sure

PORTLAND, Ore., May 20.—Officers of the Oregon Retail Cigar Men's association, who were responsible for circulating petitions for a referendum on the cigarette tax law, passed at the last session of the legislature, said when informed of (Continued on page two)

Baseball Results

Table with columns for NATIONAL and AMERICAN leagues, listing teams and scores.

Figures in Shepherd Case



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SEARCH STARTS TO TRACE WITNESS OF SHEPHERD HEARING

CHICAGO, May 20.—Grand jury investigation of the disappearance of Robert White, important witness in the trial of William Darling Shepherd, charged with the murder of his foster son, William 'N. McClintock, by administration of typhoid germs, is understood to have been ordered by State's Attorney Robert E. Crowe today.

CHICAGO, May 20.—Robert E. Crowe, prosecutor in the trial of William Darling Shepherd on a charge of slaying his foster son, William Nelson McClintock, with typhoid germs, is determined to locate Robert White, one of the state's chief witnesses, whose disappearance has brought the first session of the trial.

Information has been obtained that White, with his wife and two children, abandoned his home and vanished with a rented automobile last Friday. A letter, written by Mrs. White to Mrs. Marie Rudolph, a friend, said:

"We had to leave. Our lives were in danger."

Mrs. Rudolph has turned the letter over to the prosecutor. He said every effort would be made to find White and when he is found "there will be action." He noted that several detective squads on the search and a police message was broadcast, cashing White's detention if located.

The Chicago Herald and Examiner says it learned from William Adams, a blind news vendor, of an alleged \$25,000 offer made to White ten days ago to leave for Florida.

EUGENE ROUTE TO BENEFIT AS ROAD EXPANDS

Southern Pacific Back of Development Making Eastern Outlet
N. C. and O. and Strahorn Systems Involved in Plans Started

PORTLAND, Ore., May 20.—(Special)—The Southern Pacific company announced last night here and at San Francisco that steps had been taken to obtain a "substantial interest" in the Nevada, California and Oregon railway, which is to be converted into a standard gauge line, and that arrangements had been completed with President R. E. Strahorn of the Oregon, California and Eastern railway, under which funds will be advanced to aid in the construction of the line of his company from Klamath Falls to connect with the Nevada, California and Oregon railway. Both these arrangements are subject to approval of the interstate commerce commission.

The effect of the absorption of the two smaller systems by the Southern Pacific company will be to give the Southern Pacific system a more direct route to the east from its Oregon territory than either Traffic going through the Eugene gateway, it is pointed out, will take the Natron cut off route to Klamath Falls, the projected Oregon, California and Eastern line to be built by Strahorn from Klamath Falls to Lakeview, and the Nevada, California and Oregon line to a connection at Wendell with the Southern Pacific main line east, thus making a shorter haul and one of easier grades than the present route via California.

In a news story carrying the Southern Pacific company's announcement, The Oregonian says today:

Objective Reached
In connecting the two roads just taken under the wing of the Southern Pacific, that company is accomplishing the purpose formed when the Eugene-Klamath Falls line was first mapped, that of building southwesterly from Klamath Falls and giving a new and shorter route east. The plan of that day is not being followed, but the general objective will be arrived at.

"The Modoc Northern survey was laid down from Klamath Falls south to Westwood Junction, Cal., in 1908, rights of way obtained and taxes have been paid on the property ever since, although no construction has been accomplished. If that survey had resulted in a rail line, the Southern Pacific would have followed the contour of the continental plateau from the Klamath basin, more than 4,000 feet above the sea, to the east, escaping the descent at Weed and the consequent climb up once more to surmount the Sierras, together with (Continued on page three)

COUNTRY CLUB HAS REACHED QUOTA OF MEMBERS OF YEAR

In a whirlwind two day and a half campaign, the Eugene Country club completed its membership quota of 100, and now announces that the roll is closed. A total of 73 new members were admitted, and others could have been added had the club decided on a larger number, it is stated.

The campaign opened Monday. At the end of the first day 24 had been signed up. The number jumped to 41 a little later, and to 62 early in the third day, today. Before noon number 73 had been accepted, and the rolls closed.

In addition to the regular members, two non-resident members were admitted, C. J. Hurd of Corvallis, and Sam Anderson, of Aberdeen, Wash.

The new members added during the drive are as follows: C. I. Durham, Floyd L. Johnson, Miss E. Lynn, Melville S. Jones, W. C. Anderson, George F. Schreffers, J. N. Underwood, Richard Shepard, G. D. MacLaren, G. A. Cord, E. W. Weller, T. I. Chapman, Glimson Dossion, Walter H. Bais, F. C. Speer, R. Stevenson, C. P. Tillman, Frankie Callison, Fred W. Olsen, Earl P. Lundford, Delbert Hill, C. S. Benjamin, Hugh P. Ford, L. H. Jensen, Harvey Roe, Daniel G. Preston, W. D. Abas, H. G. Anderson, Charles Taylor, Fred H. Lindsay, C. K. DeNette, J. O. Holt, C. I. Schwing, D. W. Kilborn, Frank Jenkins, Ernest Gilstrap, Dr. John Simons, Clarence Elkins, Jim Leiby, John T. Evans, F. G. Johnson, Ruth M. Carter, Herbert Lombard, Hugh C. McCannan, Gordon Wells, Clifford Mansard, Howard Hall, Paul A. Clark, Charles L. Sigman, M. E. Sweet, John Stark Evans.

The bus schedule will be arranged so as to co-operate with the railroad, and round-trip tickets will be interchangeable on bus or train. President Turner of the transportation company and the railroad announced.

FEE OF ATTORNEYS IS HELD EXCESSIVE

SALEM, Ore., May 20.—Because of the size of the fees they are asking for their work in connection with state loans to farmers for the reseedling of wheat land, attorneys of several counties drew the fire of state board members today, particularly of State Treasurer Kay.

In counties where loans have been made under the aid act of the 1925 legislature, the state board appointed for each county an attorney to guide the farmers in making their applications to the state. A number of these, it developed today, claim fees of \$200, which Mr. Kay thought excessive, but when the mails revealed one or two asking for \$1000 the state treasurer expressed himself in strong terms. Just what will be done about it hasn't been decided.

Mrs. N. J. Levinson Dies at Portland

PORTLAND, Ore., May 20.—Mrs. N. J. Levinson, 63, wife of N. J. Levinson, well known Portland newspaper man, died last night at the family residence, following a general breakdown. Mr. Levinson, who has been ill, was informed of her condition a short time ago, and here it philosophically. His recovery is expected unless unforeseen complications develop.

REICHSTAG APPROVED

BERLIN, May 20.—(AP)—The government today received a vote of confidence in the Reichstag. The vote was 214 to 129 with 25 not voting.

TWO DIE IN BATTLE OVER SCHOOL VOTE

WILLIAMSON, W. Va., May 20.—(AP)—Sherman Parsley, a merchant of Kermit, near here, and Buck Kirk, president of the board of education, are dead and three other men are wounded, while six are under arrest on a charge of shooting as the result of yesterday's pistol fight at a poll at Kermit, where an election was held on the question of creating an independent school district.

The fighting is understood to have started when Lee Curry took two negroes to the poll. Dr. E. T. Stepp, an election official, questioned the negroes right to vote and Curry struck him, witnesses reported.

Pound Sterling is Near to par Again

LONDON, May 20.—(AP)—Sterling exchange today touched \$4.86 3/8. The sterling quotation of \$4.86 3/8 was for cable transfers.

The pound sterling is making a gradual and apparently a sure progress toward a return to parity (\$4.86 3/8), under steady support from America and from local interests.

Today's point is the highest reached since the resumption of the gold standard.

NEW YORK, May 20.—(AP)—Sterling exchange is now less than one cent from parity. Demand bills were quoted in the New York market today at \$4.85 7/8, the highest quotation since November, 1914. Buying of British bills in this market was inspired by the strength of sterling in the London market where cables on New York were quoted at \$4.85.

TOY GAVE
There is a big surprise hidden in Toy Cave!
And the only way you can find out what it is, is to read the next adventure of Jack and Doty Daw—
Toy Cave
starts in The Guard tomorrow.