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## CATHOLIC ABSTINENCE UNION HELP INDIANS TO STOP GRAFT ILLUMINATION MEN MEET

(Scripps News Association)  
Scranton, Pa., May 16—Hundreds of delegates to the annual convention of the Catholic Total Abstinence Union, which opened here today, assembled in St. Peter's Cathedral this morning and attended political high mass, which was celebrated by the Right Rev. M. J. Hoban. After mass the delegates marched to the Knights of Columbus Hall, where the sessions of the convention will be held. At the hall the delegates were welcomed by the Right Rev. M. J. Hoban and Mayo

J. Benjamin Dimmick. A short business session followed. This evening the delegates will be the guests of the local Catholic organizations at a banquet which will be held in the banquet hall of the Knights of Columbus.  
Tomorrow will be the principal day of the convention. At the morning session various amendments to the constitution will be considered and voted on, while in the afternoon session the officers for the ensuing year will be elected.

(Scripps News Association)  
Scott's McAlester, I. T., May 10—A large number of delegates of the Indian Farmers' Union of Indian Territory is in attendance at the convention, which meets here today, for the purpose of formulating some plan whereby the lands to be sold by Indian citizens may come into the hands of homesteaders and actual settlers. The special purpose of the convention is to provide for the defeat of the grafters in obtaining possession of these lands when the restrictions are removed. It is the intention to formulate some plan to assist each farmer in buying tracts of land to suit his ability to pay. Each farmer is to have from 10 to 160 acres. A square deal for the Indian is a part of the plan, paying him actually what the land is worth and arranging for long term loans at six per cent interest thus enabling every farmer to buy a home. No person will be assisted who now owns a farm home, nor will any man

be assisted in purchasing more than 160 acres. It is believed that in such manner the land syndicates and grafters can be defeated.  
The action of the Farmers' Union in this matter is being watched with considerable interest for the reason that in Oklahoma and Indian Territory it now has a strong working membership of over 60,000 members. It is very probable that they will take an active part in politics in some parts of Oklahoma this fall and in fact their intention so to do has already been announced in Pottawatomie county. While they may not put up a separate ticket, they will take a hand in the nomination of candidates and will cast their vote for those men only, whom they consider qualified and identified with their interests. The convention will probably last two days or more and will attend closely to business matters, so as not unduly to prolong the session.

(Scripps News Association)  
Galveston, Tex., May 16—The annual meeting of the Southwestern Gas and Electric Association opened here this morning with a large attendance of delegates from all parts of the Southwest. They were welcomed by Mayor H. C. Landes of Galveston. G. C. Gum and several other delegates read interesting papers and the rest of the morning session was devoted to the transaction of routine business. After the regular session there will be an executive session.

There will be a short afternoon session today and the evening will be devoted to sight seeing and recreation. After the morning session tomorrow the delegates will visit the sea wall, the grade raising dredges and grade raising operations will be made in the presence of visitors.  
In the evening, the sons of Jove will have an informal banquet. On Friday, the business of the convention will be finished during the forenoon and in the afternoon the members will take an excursion trip down the harbor and to the jetty.

### BANKS OPEN JUNE FIRST

(Scripps News Association)  
San Francisco May 16—The decision of the Savings banks to open their doors on May 28, has removed all lingering doubt as to the stability of those institutions and created a good feeling among small depositors. It is now assured that commercial banks will open not later than June first and some will be ready for business several days before that time. With the reopening of the banks and the payment of insurance losses, reconstruction will begin with a rush.

**KITCHENS FEEDING THOUSANDS**  
Five large kitchens are now in operation and within the week these institutions will be feeding 50,000 refugees, although many of that amount will pay for meals.

**SCHOOLS OPEN MONDAY**  
The school authorities have decided to establish a summer school at Golden Gate park where twelve tents will be erected and regular school work will be taken up next Monday.

Prominent Chinese negotiations with Mayor Mott with a view of locating Chinatown in Oakland, are progressing as a bluff and not with much alarm. The move is thought to be made to make San Francisco withdraw opposition in re-establishing the old Chinatown.

**MINERS WITHHOLD ARBITRATION**  
(Scripps News Association)  
Indianapolis, May 16—The miners here today refused any and all arbitration offers from operators who have not signed the nineteen hundred and thirteen scale.

**GRAIN MARKETS**  
(Scripps News Association)  
Chicago May 16—Wheat opened at 85 closed at 85 1/2; corn opened at 48 1/2 closed at 49; oats opened at 35 1/2 closed at 35 1/2.

### THE BEAR SUCCESSION ASSURED

(Scripps News Association)  
Berns, Switzerland, May 16—There is great joy among the citizens of the Swiss capital. A happy event has taken place in the historic bear pit of the city, which is one of the interesting historical features of particular interest to all tourists. The bear is the heraldic animal on the coat of arms of Berns, which has derived its name from Master Bruin and from time immemorial the city has maintained a pit in which a family of bears was kept. Grave fears had been entertained for some time that the municipal bear family would ultimately die out, as the female has been addicted to the horrible and unnatural habit of eating her offspring when born. This time, however, a change has come over the depraved bear, and two little cubs enjoy the full measure of her maternal affections. They are thriving splendidly and within a fortnight will make their first bow to an admiring public. The only danger they will run after that will be that of death by overfeeding.

### EX-CONVICT KILLS WIFE

(Scripps News Association)  
Los Angeles, May 16—R. C. Beggs, ex-convict and nut of person on a short time, went to work this morning and about ten o'clock returned to his home and without apparent provocation shot his wife four times. His two daughters witnessed the shooting and saw their mother mortally wounded. Immediately after the shooting, Beggs escaped. He is a father of the famous "Raffie Beggs" a young burglar and now in the reform school. The wounded wife is dying at the hospital.

Mrs. Burns of Old Town is gradually recovering from her recent illness.

### REPUBLICAN CAMPAIGN OPENS TUESDAY

The meeting of the Republican Club in this city last evening partook much of the old fashioned Methodist class meeting wherein brotherly love was manifest on every hand and not a few acknowledged that they had committed sins in the past but ask forgiveness, were rebaptized and promised never more to blackside.

President G. M. Richey called the meeting to order and stated that the call had been made for the purpose of assisting in a general Republican victory next June and the first thing in order would be the selection of officers who would secure harmony and aggressive work.

Mr. E. W. Bartlett was unanimously elected president. Mr. S. A. Gardinier, vice president, J. H. Peare, secretary and W. J. Church, treasurer.

Mr. Bartlett upon assuming his duties reviewed that the past thirteen years history of the La Grande Republican Club and while it had done active service for the party in the past, conditions were that greater work could be accomplished this year than ever and asked the loyal support of every Republican to assist the club in bringing about a complete Republican victory from the top to the bottom of the ticket.

On motion the president was empowered to appoint committees and confer with

the La Grande precinct committeemen to arrange for the reception of Dr. Withycombe Thursday evening.

Hon. Ed T. Judd, who has represented Marion county in both houses was present and in response to the invitation to make a few remarks stated that he has visited quite a number of the counties of the state during the past two weeks and that in consideration of past events it did his heart good to see the way the Republicans were presenting a solid front all over the state.

The president will call another meeting in a few days at which time the club will take up active work.

Arrangements are all complete for the formal opening of the state and county campaign in this city Thursday evening, May 17.

At which time Dr. James Withycombe the Republican candidate for governor and the Hon. Judge H. M. Calk of Portland will address the voters at Steward's opera house.

Hon. E. W. Bartlett, president of the La Grande Republican club has appointed a number of committees to assist in making this the greatest Republican rally ever held in this city, and accord the speakers a most enthusiastic greeting.

The quartette mentioned in the program which follows is the best male quartette that could be found in Portland. They are exceptionally good singers and will undoubtedly please all who hear them. The reception committee is requested to meet at the Foley house promptly at 7:30 and meet the speakers of the day. Ladies are especially invited to attend the meeting.

#### PROGRAM

The following is the program which will be carried out at the opera house beginning promptly at eight o'clock.

Music by the band.  
Introductory address by Hon. E. V. Bartlett, President of the La Grande Republican Club.  
Music by the Quartette.  
Address by Dr. James Withycombe.  
Music by the quartette.  
Address by Hon. H. M. Calk.  
Music by the band.

#### RECEPTION COMMITTEE

Wm. Miller, J. W. Scriber, C. E. Cochran, F. L. Meyers, G. M. Richey, M. I. Causey, Judge Robt. Aiken, Rev. E. B. Hays, J. R. Snook, J. W. Knowles, S. N. Bolton, H. A. Bodmer, A. C. Huntington, B. W. Grandy, Joseph Palmer, G. H. Gurrey, J. K. Wright, E. P. Staples, Mayor Stoddard, Geo. Palmer, G. L. Cleave, E. W. Davis, A. A. Roberts, J. T. Williamson, O. F. Coolidge, David Bay, Geo. Stoddard, Geo. Harmon, J. J. Peebler, Frank Kilpatrick, H. T. Williams, A. C. Williams, J. Caviness, G. E. McCully, E. C. Moore, J. D. Mathison, J. J. Carr, J. E. Foley, F. S. Bramwell, W. J. Church, T. F. Sherwood, Perry Clark, Julius Fisher, A. T. Hill, C. H. Finn, T. J. Scroggin, Dr. Geo. O'Conner, A. B. Conly, John Collier, Rev. F. B. Meredith.

#### ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE

H. Atkinson, S. A. Gardinier, Dr. C. T. Bacon, C. S. Williams, L. J. Furgerson, E. J. Conrad, U. G. Couch.

USHERS  
J. H. Peare, E. E. Roming, Capt. Adney Rogers, W. B. Sargent, Chas. Goodnough, James Snodgrass, P. A. Foley.

### COTTONSEED GROWERS' CONVENTION

(Scripps News Association)  
Atlanta, Ga., May 16—Several hundred members of the Interstate Cottonseed Crushers' association, representing an aggregate capital of \$100,000,000 and coming from all the states between New York and the Rio Grande, were present to day at the opening of the association's annual convention in this city. The gathering was an unusual one and judging from the importance of the matters scheduled for discussion it will be the most notable convention the organization ever has held. Foreign tariffs which operate against cotton oil products will receive attention and plans will be discussed in a general way for the extension of the foreign markets for American cotton oil products. The officers in charge of the convention are: President, J. C. Hamilton of Baton Rouge, La.; vice-president, F. H. Bailey of Paris, Texas; secretary and treasurer, Robert Gibson of Dallas, Texas.

### FEW BOATS IN GERMANY

(Scripps News Association)  
Washington, D. C., May 16—The United States consul in Mannheim, writing in response to an inquiry on the possible demand for motor boats in Germany says 'It would seem that Germany should be a good market for motor boats on account of the many navigable rivers, but boating has never become a popular Tautonic amusement. Mannheim, which is situated at the junction of the Rhine and Neckar, boasts only one or two motor boats. The same undeveloped taste exists in regard to automobiles. With superior highways and picturesque drives, automobiles are not used for pleasure. Notably, a people who have not cared to drive for recreation have not cared to use the automobiles and German factories are selling their machines largely in England and other countries, finding the home market a very limited one, restricted almost altogether to the sporting class.'

### Y. W. C. A. OF THE WORLD

(Scripps News Association)  
Paris, May 16.—The third world's conference of the Young Women's Christian Association opened here today for a six days session. Delegates from all parts of the world are assembled here and the attendance at the opening session was greater than at any previous world's conference of that organization. The American delegates, of whom there is a large number, arrived Boulogne-sur-Mer on May 11 and made a very pleasant and interesting trip through Switzerland and France before they came to Paris.

The American delegates have been invited to come to London after the close of the World's Conference, to attend an important committee meeting in that city, which will be held soon after the adjournment of the Paris Conference. Nearly all the American delegates will accept the invitation.

#### JEFF DAVIS IMPROVING

(Scripps News Association)  
New York, May 16—Jefferson Davis is reported much better and his recovery is expected.



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