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COLLIER HEADS COMMERCIAL CLUB

STRONG SET OF OFFICERS SELECTED.

John Collier, President; George Palmer, Vice-President; Fred G. Taylor, Secretary, and Geo. L. Cleaver, Treasurer, Are New Club Officials—Meeting of Board of Managers Held Last Evening—New Club Will Start to Do Things at Once.

The board of directors of the La Grande Commercial club, held its first meeting last evening in the director's room of the La Grande National bank. After an informal discussion of the intents and purposes of the club, officers were elected and a permanent organization was perfected. John Collier was elected president, George Palmer vice-president, Fred G. Taylor secretary, and George L. Cleaver treasurer. Committees were appointed to secure a proper location for the club offices, and to dispose of the club property now on hand. This consists of the furniture in the old building and a few minor effects. A communication was read from General Passenger Agent Wm. McMurray, of the O. R. & N., in which he stated that he had some important plans for securing some publicity for Oregon and desired the co-operation of the La Grande Commercial club, and would like to meet with the club at a near date. Mr. McMurray was notified that

the club would be pleased to meet with him next Wednesday evening, and it is thought that he will be here on that date. Other matters were discussed and the matter of securing an experienced secretary was given consideration and the board will take steps to secure such an one as soon as one can be found.

The board of managers evidently mean business, and within a very short time the effects of their work will be in evidence.

Bryan Men Hopeful.

New Haven, Conn., April 28.—Bryan men are hopeful of controlling the action of the democratic state and congressional conventions, which met here today and will continue through tomorrow. Many delegates favor an uncommitted delegation, but the friends of the Nebraskan are confident of securing the selection of men favorable to his nomination as the democratic standard bearer.

Papal Benediction Read.

New York, April 28.—Following the centenary anniversary of the establishment of the New York diocese of the Catholic church today, the papal benediction sent through Archbishop Farley, was read by Mgr. Diomedeo Falconio, the papal delegate. Congratulations were read from President Roosevelt.

Two Vessels Remain Here.

Washington, D. C., April 28.—Because the Maine and Alabama have demonstrated that they are great coal consumers, these battleships will probably not accompany the Atlantic fleet on the trip across the Pacific, and may be left on the Pacific coast as a nucleus of the new and enlarged Pacific squadron that is proposed.

OLMSTEAD WANTS TO KNOW WHY

MAY CALL LILLY BEFORE BAR OF HOUSE.

Lilly is Suffering With Nervous Prostration and Can Attend no More Meetings of the Investigating Board—Olmstead Says Unless He Finds Out a Few Things He Will See That Lilly is Promptly Expelled.

Washington, D. C., April 28.—Representative Olmstead of the committee which is investigating the charge involving the Electric Boat company, surprised Representative Lilly's attorney, Frank L. Brown of Connecticut, today, by declaring that Lilly might be called to the bar of the house and expelled because of the failure of the committee to unearth any facts to support Lilly's charges. Lilly was not present at the time. He is ill at his apartments as a result of a nervous collapse over the failure of the committee to get data he believes is in existence and which would prove his charges. His doctor will not allow him to attend any more meetings.

Dustless Streets.

The sight of the street sprinkler on the streets makes the merchants and citizens in general wear the pleased expression which is next to impossible to remove from their countenances.

THE PRESIDENTS LAST MESSAGE

SCOLDS CONGRESS FOR INADEQUATE LEGISLATION.

Organized Labor Trying to Locate Itself Today—Did Not Find Message Altogether to Its Liking—Big Corporations Also Find Themselves Placed in Unfavorable Light—Has Decided Opinions Relative to Use of Boycott—Anti-Taft Men See a Great Opportunity.

Washington, D. C., April 28.—Organized labor is trying to locate itself this morning. After reading the president's message and in particular those portions of the message which dealt with the labor unions and the anti-trust and injunction laws, they are, figuratively speaking, wandering about with their eyes shut, wondering where they are at. The president defined their position, however, quite sharply, as he saw it. Now it's up to Gompers, Mitchell and other labor leaders to elucidate their position. The president's attitude in regard to the boycott is directly opposed to that of many labor leaders. He declares in his message:

"But when labor undertakes in an unlawful manner to prevent the distribution and sale of the products of labor, it has left the fold of protection, and by its action may be plainly in restraint of trade."

This very bold declaration on the eve of a presidential campaign and nominating convention, in which the president's favorite candidate is already severely attacked as a foe to labor, is astounding. This morning the enemies of Taft declare that despite this strong stand the president takes against law-breaking corporations and his evident desire to restrict the power of injunction, labor will view the message as less favorable to them than they had hoped for.

The president advocated a national incorporation law, and declared there should be a limit placed upon the indiscriminate power of the injunction, but that as a legal instrument it should be preserved as an arm of the courts. He also declared that amendments to the anti-trust law were sorely needed and that in regard to great corporations and wealthy combinations the burden of proof should rest upon them when their right to exist was questioned by the government. He asserted that a commission or a body of some sort should be created by congress with the power to make these investigations and decisions in regard to these combinations. The president scolded congress sharply for their failure to attack the subject of regulation in an interesting manner, in effective fashion, designating legislation on this subject as "occasional" and "inadequate." He declared that the issuance of securities of any combination doing interstate business should be under the supervision of the government.

In making reference to the scandal in collusive bidding by certain contractors on supplies in Boston, the president stirred up a hornet's nest. The contractors declare that the president has done them an injustice.

President Smith of the Smith-Loew company, denied that his concern was named in the message in connection with what is known as the "Boston agreement," has never been concerned in any deal involving city contracts. Smith declared that his company has been made to act as a scapegoat for the "higher ups." Other contractors also denounce the president for using their names.

Successor of St. Patrick.

New York, April 28.—Cardinal Logue, primate of All Ireland and successor of St. Patrick in the See of Armagh, celebrated a pontifical mass in the cathedral today, as one of the features of the Catholic centennial. The Irish cardinal is well advanced in years and has never before visited this country. As the direct successor of St. Patrick, he is one of the best loved churchmen in the world. Car-

dinal Gibbons preached the sermon at today's meeting. This evening there will be pontifical vespers in the cathedral, Mgr. Falconio being the celebrant, and Archbishop Glennon of St. Louis will preach. The program for tomorrow includes a great mass meeting at Carnegie hall in the evening.

YOUNG MAN DEMENTED.

Mud Flat Resident Loses Mind and Wanders About in Sad State.

John Herman, who lives at Mud Flat, on the road between Wallowa and Flora, became demented recently, conveying the idea that two men were on his trail. Thursday last he took his gun and wandered away from home and was found two days later about 40 miles to the north, where he was captured and taken to Enterprise for examination.

Mr. Herman is a comparatively young man, and up to the time of becoming mentally deranged, was possessed of ability and promise. He has a wife and two small children.

SAYS HE MIGHT ACCEPT.

Longworth Thinks His Father-in-Law Might Accept Stamped Convention Nomination.

Pittsburg, Pa., April 28.—Today Congressman Nicholas Longworth intimated that Roosevelt might accept the presidential nomination if the convention stamped and forced it upon him.

"I am sure," said Longworth, "that the president does not want another term, but I do not know what his attitude would be if it was forced upon him."

Longworth is here to deliver an address before the American club.

PASSENGER WRECKED.

Two Fatally Hurt in Wreck in Oklahoma This Morning.

Paris, April 28.—The westbound train, No. 1, on the Frisco road, has been wrecked a short distance this side of Stanley, Okla., and two passengers are fatally injured. Twenty-three others were badly bruised and cut. The Pullman sleeper and two day coaches were hurled down the embankment. There is some evidence of train wreckers as the accident occurred on a straight piece of track.

Those not expected to recover are J. S. Maxwell of Lowell, Ark., and J. Adams, of Francis, Okla.

DIED TODAY.

Bomb-Throwing Anarchist No Longer Dangerous.

New York, April 28.—After lingering a month, Selig Silverstein, the young anarchist who tossed a bomb at the police on March 25, terribly wounding himself and killed a bystander, died today.

Rumor Unconfirmed.

Paris, April 28.—News of the death of the bandit Raibault, though not confirmed as yet, is generally believed here. Stories of renewed Moslem outbreaks have caused the government great concern. Effort is being made to get exact information.

CHARGES OF TREACHERY HEARD

ENGLISH INTERESTS IN ORIENT ARE HAMPERED.

Well Known Fact in Japan That English Merchants Openly Sympathize With Chinese in Their Boycott on Japanese Trade—Japanese Accused of Dishonesty in Trade Relations With Korea and Manchuria—England Investigating Conditions.

Tokio, April 28.—Ugly charges of treachery against the Mikado's occidental ally are heard everywhere in Japan, because of the attitude of the British in regard to the Japanese protectorate in Korea and their subsequent monopolization of trade in that country and Manchuria.

Threats that Japan will also attempt to absorb much of England's Indian and Australian trade are heard here. English commercial interests are behind an investigation that England is now carrying on as to the trade conditions in the Far East.

It is well known in Japan that English merchants openly sympathize with the Chinese in their boycott on Japanese trade. The English openly charge the Japanese with dishonesty in trade relations in Korea and Manchuria.

ABE RUEF JURY ALMOST FILLED

NINE PERMANENT JURORS HAVE BEEN SWORN IN.

The Abe Ruef Trial, wherein the Curly Handed ex-Boss is Charged With Bribing Supervisors, Will Likely Be Commenced Tomorrow, as Both Sides Hope to Have a Jury Before Tonight—Only One Peremptory Challenge Left on Each Side.

San Francisco, April 28.—A jury will probably be secured in the Abe Ruef trial, in which the former boss is accused of bribing supervisors to pass the Parkside street railway franchise.

Nine permanent jurors have been sworn in and the box is filled with an additional three tentative jurors. As each side has but one peremptory challenge left, the hope is expressed that the work of getting the jury completed will be done before adjournment tonight.

The 40-horse power touring car purchased by Tom Wright of Union, passed through La Grande this morning.

Some Special Good Values in Ladies' Suits, Characteristic for Splendid Style, Superb Workmanship

And most beautiful shadings in all the popular colors—in black, brown, tan and blue, of the Cadet, Navy and Copenhagen hue, made from Serges, Panamas and Chiffon. Panamas in plain white striped and self-striped weaves. Jackets trimmed in flat braids and oriental Silks, with full Silk linings. Skirts made in the most approved styles, and trimmed with folds, etc.

These Suits were a little late in reaching and in order to move them quickly we priced them from \$4.00 to \$7.50 below what they would ordinarily sell for. Choose one today and tomorrow for

\$18.50, \$20.00, \$22.50, \$25.00.

Ladies' Jackets

The sensible thing to buy for the woman who feels that she cannot afford a Suit for every occasion, and for that matter desirable for most anyone—if you possess a Jacket which can be worn with any kind of an extra Skirt, you can be stylishly dressed at any time and have as many changes as you desire, at very small cost. Don't fail to inspect our line of Jackets.

\$3.50 TO \$15.00.



SEVEN DOZEN LADIES WAISTS WORTH, REGULAR, 75c to \$3.50, THIS WEEK 39c, 89c and \$1.18. Waists made from Linens, Lawns and mercerized Waistings, in plain white and a few figured materials, pleated, tucked and lace and insertion trimmed. Slightly musced and rolled, but otherwise A-1 Waists. Special this week—39c to \$1.18.



FREE THIS WEEK. And in this connection let us impress on your mind that we have an immense line of Boys' Suits—too many, in fact—and will sell them to you at Special Price Reductions for this entire week and, in addition, will give the boy.

ABSOLUTELY FREE,

a good, hard-wood baseball bat, and ball, with each Suit.



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THOUGHT TO BE THE HAPPINESS AND GLORY IT every citizen to live and act that his fellow citizens will esteem him for his goodness, his kindness, and his usefulness. The principles of good citizenship should constitute the code of rules for every kind of business whether public or private. This applies particularly to the drug business, because, owing to the limited knowledge of the qualities of drugs by the general public, it follows that the reliability of the druggist is the chief guarantee of good service.

HILL'S DRUG STORE

La Grande Oregon