

MEN AND RELIGION MOVEMENT DRAWS ORGANIZER TO CITY

John Gibson, editor of the Walla Walla Bulletin, is in La Grande today on the interests of the well known and the reaching Men and Religion Forward movement, which is today such a great success in Walla Walla and he is planning for an inception meeting of the same beneficent purpose which will be held in all the churches on the morning of February 11 next. Representatives of the movement in Walla Walla will be here at that date to occupy all of the pulpits in the city and in the afternoon there will be a men's business meeting at some central point to be named at 3 o'clock at which these representatives will again speak to men and boys over 14 years of age. This is preparatory first to the organization of such a movement in La Grande, it being the largest center in Walla Walla, and to the great convention which is to meet in Walla Walla February 18 to 25. At this great meeting will be delegates and representatives from all of the important towns within a radius of 100 miles of the center.

Mr. Gibson is the head of the huge organization at Walla Walla. Elaborations on the growth and purposes of the movement. Mr. Gibson said today: "The more vital or far reaching campaign of a religious nature has been held of mankind since the crucifixion of the middle ages, than the Men and Religion Forward movement" initiated at Buffalo in October 1910, and now being carried to a vigorous and certain conclusion throughout the length and breadth of North America by organized committees of men representing all religious sects and all men's organizations aiming at better things for humanity. Hundreds of men in scores of cities throughout the land are now engaged in doing the work laid out for them on broad lines at that time, and not less active among them is Walla Walla, which is taking the lead as the largest city in a large territory and is now preparing to carry the movement to the smaller towns and cities and rural neighborhoods within a ra-

dius of 100 miles.

Prominent in the movement as it is organized locally may be mentioned T. H. Hanger, J. W. Langdon, S. B. L. Penrose, president of Whitman college, and many other Whitman faculty members; Grant Bond, Postmaster E. L. Brunton, Secretary Fred W. Whitham of the Y. M. C. A., O. S. Jones, superintendent of the city schools, H. H. McLean, president of the farmers' union; W. P. Winans, E. A. Reser, John Watson, city attorney, Former Senator D. H. Cox, Dorsey Hill, Dr. F. C. Montgomery, Byron Hunter, the federal farming expert; all the pastors of the city, and dozens of other prominent professional men and business men. These names suffice to show the lack of sectarianism that pervades the movement, and indicate that the lines of work must be broad and genuinely humanitarian in order to bring together men of so many varied beliefs and activities. More recently the Central Trades Council endorsed the movement after thoroughly looking into it and members of the allied unions of Walla Walla will henceforth sit with the "Committee of 100" in its deliberations.

Same Everywhere.

The organization for the Walla Walla territory is along practically the same lines as were suggested by the convention at Buffalo as may be indicated by a quotation from the resolutions adopted at that time: "Resolved, That as men of America representing every section of this continent and practically every aspect of evangelical faith assembled in conference in Buffalo, we hereby record our solemn conviction that our divine Lord is calling the manhood of our days to a new and unusual consecration for service."

After long resolutions outlining their belief that this great religious and humanitarian awakening must be done through the church as its most effective instrument, although drawing to itself all other organizations having high ideals of life as their object, the conference of 250 men representing all shades of thought con-

centrated on a few things to be done—things which are so practical that regardless of one's religious convictions he will at once recognize their importance.

Concentrate on Main Points.

To "unite the churches, the brotherhoods, the Sunday schools, and the Young Men's Christian associations in a worthy and workable plan of specialized effort for men and boys" is given as one of the main objects; also to enroll men and boys in a systematic study of the bible; to emphasize the belief that the Christian religion is the only hope of the world and to aid all its efforts both at home and abroad, to increase "the permanent contribution of the church to the best life of the continent, commercially and physically, and to emphasize the modern message of the church in social service and usefulness."

Men Find Their Place.

In such a plan men have found that they have a place in the church with plenty of work to do, and it is one of the chief eye-openers of the day that this movement has shown men that the church is not for women and children only. It is an organized effort to prepare the way for the solution of the great social problems with which society is confronted.

It is a crushing refutation of the theory that the church has no message for men. It is proof conclusive that the church does command a large body of loyal red blooded men. It is an outgrowth of a feeling among men that they should give their active support to the church and its activities. In sum and briefly it is a federated movement on this continent of Christian forces to promote the Christian cause.

Peculiar Origin of the Movement.

The movement originated, not with one small body of men from which it spread abroad, but in several large associations where it was claiming a greater and greater consideration, each ignorant of the other's thoughts until finally a meeting of the religious work department of the Y. M. C. A. in May, 1910, brought out the fact that men elsewhere had been thinking along the same lines. It was decided to call a conference and so in October, 1910, there met 272 delegates, representing 72 cities, and 32 states and provinces of the United States and Canada. After several days, wherein all varieties of thought found frank expression and criticism, this course of earnest men—crusaders,

wrote out their ideas setting forth a broad but elastic program and it is this program upon which Walla Walla and other cities are now working.

BULLET HIDES IN MAN'S LEG

SHOOTING AFFRAY AT UNION LAST NIGHT.

**Touch of Mystery Lent to the Affair—
Kirby's Story Believed.**

Cursory investigating and probing have failed to disclose the exact location of the bullet which lodged in the hip of Lon Dotson, a South Union resident, who was brought to La Grande on last night's train after a shooting affray at Union precipitated. It is said by the action of Dotson and a stranger trying to affect entrance into the home of L. P. Kirby presumably for burglary purposes. Dotson is still in the hospital but his condition will likely not become at all serious. He is under arrest.

Kirby Not Arrested.

Union, Jan. 18.—(Special)—L. P. Kirby who admits having shot at and hit Lon Dotson of South Union last night, is at liberty today and probably will not be prosecuted. He asserts that he opened fire on two would-be burglars and that he shot to kill and the officials find tracks in the snow about the home that appear to substantiate Kirby's assertions. The other man is still at large and if officers know his identity, they do not admit it. When the shooting occurred Marshal Huffman left his home in South Union and stepped to his veranda from where he saw a man passing, indicating that he had been at the scene of the shooting but if his identity was known to Huffman, he does not indicate it.

Investigation today discloses that Dotson had been drinking during the evening prior to the shooting, but was not believed to be much affected by it.

A touch of mystery is added by the assertions of Dotson. Soon after the shooting, that he has no remembrance of having tried to burgle any home, and offers the information that he was going home when, as near as he can remember, someone jumped upon him from a dark alley or a woodpile. Other than this he claims to have no recollection of what occurred. Kirby's story is that there were two men and that when the fire arms were cut loose Dotson alone was hit while the other man fled. Officers evidently believe Kirby for they have made no effort to arrest him.

The bullet lodged in the hip and Dotson was taken to La Grande shortly afterward to be given treatment in the hospital there.

Dotson crawled to the home of Mr. Brown before giving the alarm that he was shot.

Geible's

Clearance Sale

Stock Arranged For Easy Choosing

We have eliminated the disagreeable features of sale shopping. Stocks offer countless solutions of sale shopping and are arranged for quick choosing. No matter the crowds—regardless of the rush,—facilities are such as to give thorough and courteous attention to your every need.

A Little Money Accomplishes Wonders

Perhaps the most pleasing feature of our sale service lies in the price tags. While our stocks are the choicest, most diversified, and most satisfactory for solving bargain problems you have access to, you will find our prices the lowest in La Grande. Just a few more days of the sale.

Don't Delay

Geible's

P RINTING has style and tone, as much so as any other industry based on artistic skill and high quality of working material.

I NKS, you know, enter largely into the quality of the finished product, and it has long been the Observer's policy to buy the best inks on the market and skilled blending of the best inks insures high quality in the finished product.

M ACHINERY of the best make is as necessary in the production of good job printing as the printer's individual artistic propensities and the inks. The best presses on the market for job printing purposes are now installed in the Observer.

T HE FINISHED PRODUCTS TELL their own tale by their neatness and "classy" looking appearance. Let the Observer's "finished product" talk to you.

MERCHANTS AT MEDFORD

(Continued from Page One.)

of students entering from the 12th grade of high school. Fifty-five students entered this year from other colleges and universities in which one or more years' work had been completed.

Faculty.

The faculty comprises 29 professors, two associate professors, 10 assistant professors, 53 instructors, and five laboratory assistants. In addition there are 18 devoting their entire time to experimental and research work, exclusive of those in charge of the branch experiment stations. Some of the members of the experiment station staff devote part of their time to instructional work. The faculty represents the full time of 87 instructors. Those engaged in the work of the experiment station, represent the full time of 25 persons.

Data has been compiled showing the training of the members of the faculty. From this data it is learned that members of the faculty had received training in 85 different institutions; 79 in the United States, and six in foreign countries. The institutions with the largest representation include:

- University of Chicago—16.
- Cornell university—14.
- University of Illinois—12.
- Harvard—eight.
- University of Wisconsin—Six.
- Michigan Agricultural college—Six.
- Kansas Agricultural College—Six.
- University of California—Five.
- Iowa State college—Five.
- Columbia university (New York)—Four.
- Ohio State university—Three.
- Massachusetts Agricultural College

—Three.

Among other institution with one or more representatives are Yale, Johns Hopkins university, Brown university, University of Virginia, University of Nebraska, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Colorado Agricultural college, etc.

Foreign institutions represented:

- University of Strassburg, Germany;
- University of Halle, Germany;
- University of Berlin, Germany;
- University of Basel, Switzerland;
- Normal school, Switzerland;
- Queen's university, Ontario, Canada;
- Ontario Agricultural college, Ontario, Canada.

Data regarding Oregon Agricultural college:

- Land—Including campus and farms, the college owns 350 acres of land.
- Buildings—There are in all 25 buildings used to house the college and its work. The mining building will be constructed and ready for occupancy by September next.
- Value of Plant—Including land, equipment and buildings (counting mining building for which contract will soon be awarded), the total value of the college plant is approximately \$1,250,000.

Under the direction of the Minnesota state bureau of labor, a state conference of employers and employees recently was held in the twin cities to discuss the problems of safeguarding machinery and prevention of accidents.

FOR SALE—Singing bird and cage. Inquire 1104 M avenue or phone Black 832. 1-17-3t.

75 PER CENT

of the public eyes are defective and

70 PER CENT

of the defective eyes should be wearing

PROPERLY FITTING GLASSES

From all parts of the country people come to me; some suffering with severe HEADACHES, and OTHER FORMS OF EYESTRAIN, others who have not seen PROPERLY all their life, and to one and all, I render a service which it has taken 10 years of constant study and practice to

PERFECT.

If you are a sufferer from headaches, if the print blurs when reading; if you cannot see to sew or knit as you once did, it is certain that

EYE STRAIN IS PRESENT.

Call and let me make a scientific examination of your eyes, and advise you as to their care and the

BEST METHODS FOR PRESERVING GOOD VISION

I GRIND ALL MY GLASSES.

HEACOCK

EYESIGHT SPECIALIST
Next Door to the Post Office

HACK AND AMULANCE

Uptown office Main 720
Residence phone Main 25
E. L. BUSSEY

CUTTERS FROM BUGGIES

A Gutter to enjoy this splendid sleighing is possible at a small cost. Have runners put on your buggies at a small cost. It is done quickly and neatly by

BAY & ZWEIFEL

PLUMBERS, HEATERS, SHEET METAL WORKERS