

WELL, PAY UP WEEK IS HERE AT LAST, AND TODAY THE DOLLARS WILL START MOVING

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WALLOWA HOST TO HUNDREDS OF LODGE MEN

UNION AND WALLOWA COUNTY KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS HOLD DISTRICT CONVENTION.

VISITORS ARE ROYALLY ENTERTAINED BY WALLOWA

Kinsman Lodge Wins Contest in Conferring of Ranks—La Grande Takes Second and Elgin Third—Elgin Knights Present Fine Appearance in Trench Helmets—Local Men Return Home 10:30 Sunday Morning.

Union-Wallowa county Pythianism had its inning in grand style Saturday night when the annual district convention of all lodges in the counties named was held in the city of Wallowa. In point of numbers it was the largest attended of any similar gathering in the district. In point of fraternal fruits, the conclave was exceptionally important. Wallowa Knights and citizens generally received the visitors with characteristic "Wallowa county hospitality." From the moment of arrival until the hour of departure, every visitor was royally entertained.

Wallowa Lodge Supreme. Wallowa committees in charge of affairs revived a method of convention entertainment in vogue several years ago but abandoned of late, namely, staging contests in conferring of ranks. This was done this year, and the good results will be lasting as each participant knows the ritual better now than a month ago. New conception and interpretation likewise prevail.

Wallowa lodge—Kinsman—sprang a sharp surprise and won the contest. It was Elgin that was the pre-convention favorite for this distinction. That enterprising lodge had a statewide reputation and it was not believed possible to wrest her honors away.

Kinsman lodge was spectacular in its work. The escort drill was of such a nature that even grand lodge officers, used to regal brilliancy, sat in wonderment. The charges and speeches were evenly good. Red Cross lodge No. 27, of La Grande, previously deemed a tailender, won second place and Elgin third. Elgin's crack team was sorely disturbed by absence of regular team participants and this unquestionably marred her efficiency much. Enterprise lodge presented a clever minstrel show in place of participating in the contest. Mrs. Connors, Mrs. O. Crawford and other Enterprise musicians assisted with vocal numbers.

Grand Chancellor Harry Wortman of Medford, Grand Keeper of Records and Seal Walter Gleason of Portland, and Past Supreme Representative Marian Davis of Union acted as judges in the exemplification of the rank of knight.

The special carrying of the delegates from points in Union county left La Grande Saturday at 3 p. m., carrying grand lodge delegations, about 60 from La Grande and some Union Knights.

At Elgin, the crack Knights' band and 115 other Knights boarded the train. This delegation was dined in a most laudable manner at Wallowa while the special went to Enterprise to bring over 100 Knights from there to Wallowa. When the Enterprise crowd arrived a grand parade was formed at the depot, an Enterprise band, the Elgin band, and visiting lodgemen participating.

Every year each lodge "springs" something new in distinctive headwear. Elgin always sets the pace, and this year when she formed for parade behind her band each member wore a helmet identical to the German trench helmet and each carrying burning torches. Enterprise members wore hats and paraded behind an unique electric sign spelling "Enterprise." La Grande members wore buckram hats and arm bands of lodge and castle colors. While Enterprise was dined the guests, now 400 strong, gathered in the Wallowa gymnasium where the Enterprises gave an hour's entertainment of high quality.

Then the convention took up. Chancellor Commander Baker of Wallowa opened Kinsman lodge and turned it over immediately to District Grand Chancellor C. T. McDaniels of Wallowa. An eloquent address of welcome was given by John Pace of Wallowa. Mr. Cheney of Enterprise re-

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BRITISH MAKE ADVANCES ON WESTERN FRONT

CONTINUE TO ADVANCE IN MUD AND FOG—GERMAN COUNTER AT ANCRE REPULSED.

(By William Philip Simms, U. P. Correspondent) With the British Army in France, Feb. 19.—The British continue to advance despite the fog and mud. Their lines overlook Miraumont at several points.

A violent German counter north of Ancre was bloodily repulsed.

British raiders penetrated 250 yards toward Crown Prince Rupprecht's second line trenches north of Arras. They killed sixty and bombed many dugouts.

London, Feb. 19.—(United Press)—The British ships, Iola and Okeomont, the Norwegian Delmata, the Spanish Maradriateo were submerged. All crews are believed to be rescued.

Big War Loan Grows. London, Feb. 19.—(United Press)—Bonarlaw announced that subscriptions to Britain's "win the war" loan totalled three billion five hundred million dollars. The figures include merely popular donations, not bank subscriptions.

ROAD BOND BILL STILL IN HANDS OF THE SENATE

MEASURE WILL PROBABLY BE REPORTED LATER THIS AFTERNOON.

CALLS FOR SPECIAL ELECTION JUNE 4, THIS YEAR

It Will Carry an Emergency Clause to Prevent Referendum—Legislature Costs \$58,000—President Wilson Sends Letter of Thanks to Secretary of State.

Salem, Feb. 19.—(United Press)—The Senate roads highways committee failed to report the six million dollar road bonding bill early this afternoon.

It will probably be reported later this afternoon. When it comes from the committee the bill will carry an amendment referring the proposition to a special election on June 4, 1917. It also will carry an emergency clause.

Senator Olson said the emergency clause was necessary to prevent the referendum on the special election feature.

The legislature cost this year was fifty-eight thousand dollars, an increase of eight thousand over the last session. Secretary of State is compiling final figures

U. S. Senator Denounces Men Who Play on Good Name of United Press

Washington, D. C., Feb. 19.—(United Press)—Senator Sheppard denounced the United States senate, an outfit in Cleveland, Ohio, which is sending out statements favoring the liquor interests and attempting to create the impression that they are from the United Press associations of New York.

Senator Sheppard exposed "this endeavor of the liquor interests to perpetuate their existence in this country." The senator's statement is included in the following excerpt from the Congressional Record of February 3, 1917, page 2823:

"Mr. Sheppard: Mr. President, I wish to direct the attention of the senate to the fact that a concern calling itself the United Press association has been sending over the country free newspaper copy favoring the liquor interests. This copy is sent out under an envelope bearing the return address, 'The United Press association, Cleveland.' The impression has thus been created that the famous association so familiarly known as the 'United Press' is sending out this copy. The United Press has taken notice of the

fact and has issued a statement which I ask to have the secretary read. The proper name of the United Press is 'United Press Associations,' and the head office of this great organization is located in the city of New York.

"The Presiding Officer: Without objection, the secretary will read as requested.

"The secretary read as follows: 'New York, January 30.—A concern operating out of Cleveland, Ohio, is sending newspapers in the country a great deal of free copy favorable to the liquor interests. This copy comes in envelopes bearing the return address, 'The United Press Association, Cleveland.'

"The United Press Associations with general offices in New York and bureaus in many cities throughout the country, is in no way connected with or responsible for the concern that is sending out this anti-prohibition propaganda, and it has instructed its attorneys to institute proceedings to enjoin the methods which make it appear that the United Press associations has abandoned its course of distributing only regular news matter."

covering the expenditures. President Wilson wrote the Secretary of State expressing his thanks to the legislature for its pledge of support in the German-American crisis.

German Zeppelins' Raids a Failure

Paris, Feb. 19.—(United Press)—It is announced that Zeppelins unsuccessfully raided the French coast near Bologne. Several bombs were dropped. The entire western front is calm. Patrol fighting is going on in Alsace.

Fight In Dense Fog

Berlin, via Sayville, Feb. 19.—(United Press)—It is announced that the dense fog hampered the western front fighting. Several enemy reconnaissance failed. German scouts captured several prisoners. Two hostile aeroplanes were destroyed on the Macedonian front.

LA GRANDE TEAM LOSES

The La Grande basketball team lost to Wallowa Friday night by the score 35 to 15. Though the team work was good the chief difficulty seemed to be in locating the basket. The game at Enterprise was better though the boys again lost, 36 to 16. Reynolds was the star of both games. Pendleton plays La Grande on the home floor Thursday evening.

Mrs. J. L. McCrary and Mrs. James A. Nash of Portland are guests at the Bert Patison home.

"What Must I Do To Be Saved?" Is a Big Question



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BY REV. H. L. FORD
From the hour of birth, until death, and all stages between, man needs deliverance and salvation. Infancy in its helplessness needs the redemption of affection and care. Childhood needs deliverance from ignorance, waywardness and selfishness; youth from self-will, passion, inexperience, and false estimate of strength; manhood from anxiety, covetousness, care and the lust of the flesh; old age from the statement of natural force, from the decay incidental to human history, and from the power of death and the grave. These are self-evident propositions. Human experience everywhere endorses the testimony. There is no room to argue the question. Man's need of salvation is as palpable and incontrovertible as the statement that a straight line drawn between two points represents the shortest possible distance. When therefore the question, "What must I do to be saved?" is asked, no man is at liberty to regard it merely as a theological one—a question seemingly sufficient

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BORAH SAYS FOOD COST CAN BE LOWERED

Washington, Feb. 19.—(United Press)—Senator Borah charged the department of justice was careless in administering laws affecting food prices. He suggested that the Attorney-General recommend additional legislation if necessary. He said he was convinced that proper administration food laws will reduce the high living cost. He cited the Federal Trade Commission's recent victory in the news print paper fight as evidence "of the potentiality of Federal regulation."

Submarine Is Sunk

New York, Feb. 19.—(United Press)—The officers of the French line freighter Guaynere reported that the vessel sank a submarine off Bordeaux January 22. Captain Rousselot said the submarine fired three ineffective shots. The Guaynere fired twice, the second shot sank the submarine.

H. C. Grady Is Transferred

H. C. Grady arrived from Portland this morning on No. 6. Mr. Grady has been transferred from the Portland run to the Joseph branch line.

VILLA TAKES TOWN, COWBOYS INVADE MEXICO

FOUR HUNDRED AMERICANS ARE ON THEIR WAY TO EXTERMINATE CORNER RANCH RAIDS.

El Paso, Feb. 19.—(United Press)—It is reported that Villistas captured Guadalupe thirty miles southeast of Juarez.

Four hundred American cowboys have invaded Mexico, determined to exterminate the "corner ranch" raiders.

Andrew Peterson, Jr., leads the Americans.

Villa Captures Town

El Paso, Feb. 19.—(United Press)—The United States government agents have learned that Villistas captured the town of Pearson in Western Chihuahua. Canadian mills are located there.

Militia To Go Home

San Antonio, Feb. 19.—(United Press)—General Funston announced that the entire militia remaining on the border had been divided in two contingents preparatory to homeward trip. The first contingent is scheduled to start moving without delay. It is planned to dispatch each group with only a week's interval.

LANSING SENDS NOTE ALMOST AN ULTIMATUM

STATE DEPARTMENT DEMANDS IMMEDIATE RELEASE OF YARROWDALE PRISONERS.

GERMANY SAYS PRISONERS WILL BE RELEASED SOON

United States Senate Debates Espionage Bill—Senator Oberman Says There Are a Hundred Thousand Spies in United States—Bolivian Government Denounces Submarining—President Is Not Planning to Address Congress Until Situation Darkens.

Washington, Feb. 19.—(United Press)—The state department announced that the United States has demanded the immediate release of the Yarrowdale prisoners. Secretary Lansing forwarded the note Saturday. It is almost an ultimatum.

Germany notified Secretary Lansing Sunday night that the prisoners were scheduled to be released soon. This communication answered the administration's earlier inquiry regarding the situation.

Senator Lee Overman asserted that there were a hundred thousand German spies in the United States. The Senate debated the espionage bill. Senator Overman is in close touch with the department of justice.

The Mexican embassy received the Bolivian government's communication, scathingly denouncing submarining. It summons all American nations to confer regarding the menace.

President Wilson is not planning to address Congress again unless the situation darkens. Preparedness work is continuing. Advances indicate that the submarine victims are decreasing.

Fire Breaks Out in Mine, Three in Danger

Denver, Colo., Feb. 19.—(United Press)—The Oakdale coal mine is burning. The Watson mine sent rescuers. A superintendent and 14 men were working when the explosion started a blaze. Three men were trapped in the lower levels. Helicopters descended to the fifth level attempting to save them. Manager Harry Hass expects to rescue all.

Dr. Bacon Appointed On Health Board

Salem, Ore., Feb. 19.—(Special)—Governor Withycombe Saturday sent in the following appointments to the state board of health, which were confirmed by the senate: Dr. C. T. Bacon of LaGrande to succeed Dr. E. B. Pickel of Medford, whose term expired January 15, 1917; Dr. Robert L. Marsh of Portland to succeed Dr. E. A. Pierce of Portland, whose term expired January 15, 1917; and Dr. Harry E. Clay of Salem to succeed Dr. W. B. Morse of Salem, whose term expired January 15, 1917.

John Larison, nine-year-old boy operated upon at the Grande Ronde hospital for appendicitis, is reported as rapidly regaining strength. Master Larison is the son of Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Larison.