

WORK OF SPILLMAN PRAISED

WORDS OF PRAISE AND REMEMBRANCE SHOW GOOD WILL, COUNTY AGENT.

COUNTY ORGANIZATIONS SHOW APPRECIATION

Union County Characterized as All-American, By Recipient of Honors—Farm Bureau to Elect Officers This Afternoon—Spring Farm Labor Wage Scale Maximum \$10.

At the opening of the farm bureau's final session of its annual farm week this afternoon, Paul H. Spillman, for five years county agent of Union county, who recently resigned and expects to leave here within ten days to manage a large ranch in Gilliam county, was presented with a gold fountain pen and a gold eversharp pencil by his Union county friends. The presentation was made by A. W. Nelson, representing the Farmers' Union, County Grange, County Farm Bureau and the Union County Ad club, the organizations instrumental in presenting Mr. Spillman with this token of friendship and remembrance.

Mr. Nelson briefly reviewed the work done by the retiring county agent, stating that no reward measured in dollars and cents can adequately measure the good Mr. Spillman's work in Union county has done.

Union All-American County. Mr. Spillman, in accepting the token of friendship, said: "All I've tried to do is to do my duty. Union county is as near an all-American community as I have ever seen or heard of. I have a kindly feeling towards the people in all the places I have been in, but in none have more loyal friends than here. The friendships I have made here can never be measured in dollars and cents, and they alone would be ample remuneration for my work."

The morning session of the meeting was devoted largely to the discussion of a maximum wage scale for farm hands this spring. The maximum decided on was \$10 a month and board. The range of the scale will probably be from \$30 a month to \$40, although no definite minimum was decided on. The lowest maximum suggested at the meeting was \$20 a month.

Officers will be elected this afternoon. At the time of going to press the nomination committee had not reported yet.

JOSEPH TEAM IS DEFEATED

LOCALS WIN IN EASY WALK-AWAY GAME.

La Grande puts in several subs in last half of game but score continued to soar.

The La Grande high school basketball quintet last evening showed their superiority over the Joseph team, defeating the visitors by a score of 60-15. A few weeks ago, on a journey into Walla Walla county, La Grande played Joseph, and received defeat at that time, the score having been a tie at the end of the game, after which two minutes were allowed and Joseph won by two points. But last evening, all of the members of the team were on hand, and showed that they could play a good game when all of their men were available.

In the second half, La Grande put in several subs, using Chandler as guard, Woodell as center, Block as forward and then, later, Larson as center.

EXPLOSION OF BOMB IS LAID TO POLITICS

SIX MEN INJURED IN CHICAGO NINETEENTH WARD.

Candidate For City Council Had Just Finished Speaking—Explosion Near Platform.

CHICAGO, Feb. 12.—A bomb explosion at the nineteenth ward, Democratic headquarters, last night, seriously injured six men. The explosion was attributed to politics today, by Antony D'Andrea, candidate for the city council from that ward. A big hole was blown in the wall of the brick building close to the speaker's stand, where D'Andrea had just finished addressing a crowd of 300 adherents.

CHAMBERLAIN VISITS SENATE

OREGON MAN IS AGAIN ABLE TO BE OUT.

Has Been Spending Several Weeks Recovering From Operation—Visits Senate Today.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—Senator Chamberlain, who has been ill for the past several weeks, recovering from an operation, returned to the senate today.

ORDINANCE TO BE DRAWN

CITY MANAGER GARRETT IN FAVOR OF CLEAN WALKS.

Promises That City Will Make Every Effort to Make Walking Easy—No Funds to Clean Streets.

An ordinance providing either for a heavy penalty for failing to clean the snow from sidewalks or granting authority to the city to do the work at the property owners' expense, is to be presented to the city commissioners at an early date, according to George Garrett, city manager. Mr. Garrett stated today that he had received many complaints regarding the snow on both the sidewalks and on the streets.

The former can be remedied by changing the present ordinance requiring the snow to be removed from the sidewalks in the business district so that it will cover the entire city, Mr. Garrett said. Refusal to obey the law can be overcome by means of fines and jail sentences and by the city's bringing men to do the work, charging the cost to the taxes on the property.

So far as the snow on the streets is concerned, Mr. Garrett stated that the only way this could be done would be through the inclusion of a provision for this work in the budget. This has not been done this year so there is no way of providing funds for the purpose unless the funds intended for some other purpose be used in this manner, which does not conform with the policy of the city government, Mr. Garrett stated that in his opinion money spent for such a purpose would be well spent but, unless the means for doing the work are provided it will be impossible to do it.

Mr. Garrett is of the same opinion as a number of other officials of the city and prominent residents in believing that the best way to bring about results in this matter is through voluntary action on the part of the residents of the city. Lacking this, he believes putting an ordinance on the books and enforcing it to the letter will be the only means of achieving the desired result. The ordinance, it is believed, will be presented at the next meeting of the city commissioners, on Wednesday evening.

G. R. GRINSBY NOT ENTITLED TO HIS SEAT

JAMES WICKERHAM, REPUBLICAN, CHOSEN FOR THIS TERM OF CONGRESS.

HOUSE HARBORS AND RIVERS BILL FAVORED

Large Sum Is Given For The Purchasing of Free Seeds For Farmers In Drouth-Stricken Areas—Great Britain Proposed Cancellation of War Obligations.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—The house elections committee decided after a long investigation, that G. R. Grinsby, delegate from Alaska, is not entitled to his seat. It was decided that James Wickerham, Republican, had been elected to serve in the present congress, which expires March 4.

Bill Reported Favorable. The house rivers and harbors bill, appropriating \$10,250,000, was reported favorably today by the senate commerce committee.

The agricultural appropriation committee approved by the senate agricultural committee, carried \$206,000,000 more than the \$330,000,000 house total. The principal increases are \$200,000,000 for the purchase by the treasury of federal farm loan bonds and \$5,000,000 for loans to buy seed for the farmers in drouth-stricken areas.

Treasury Refused. Secretary Houston is reported to have told the senate foreign relations committee that Great Britain proposed the cancelling of the war debt, but that the treasury department had refused.

GRANGE WORK IS TAKEN UP

The farmers of the Wolf Creek district near North Powder, have organized a Grange Patrons of Husbandry, organization being effected on Wednesday, with 31 charter members. J. E. Gilserson was elected master, Mrs. Doris Standley, lecturer and J. A. Nice, secretary. W. R. Gekeler, of La Grande did the organization work.

An effort is being made by the membership to have a large class come in at the first regular meeting, when members from other parts of the county will be in attendance.

JOE GORMAN WINS DECISION OVER FOWLER LAST NIGHT

PORTLAND, Feb. 12.—Joe Gorman, of Portland, won the 10-round decision over Monk Fowler, of New Orleans, last night.

DOWN AT SALEM

BY BRUCE DENNIS

STATE HOUSE, Salem, Feb. 12.—(Special Correspondence.)—We have had another chapter of C. C. Chapman in the state senate. This time Senator Joseph, of Mulnomah, dug into the little man who runs the Voter in a way that hurt. Joseph was merciless, baring the past life of the editor, calling in evidence letters from dead relatives, charging him with being worse than most anything that is mentionable. And the strange feature of the whole thing is that not a single man of the entire body offered up any defense for him. On motion, the Joseph speech was ordered printed and circulated over the state. Wow! Poor Chapman—but the glass house man should have just a little care about throwing the stone, and it will be remembered that during a certain campaign, the Voter's editor bore down hard on Senator Joseph, who has repaid the obligation with a heavy interest, heavily compounded.

And there comes a time in every Oregon legislator's career when he must take part in the fish fights, for the fishermen on the Columbia are worse fighters than Irishmen in their native land. This time it was pure seiners who had to be killed off. Pure seiners just happen to be one of the "longs" in the fishing world, and next year it may be the trawlers or some other brand of fishermen. Everybody agrees that the pure seiners are bad actors and when Senator Norblad made his famous fish speech he convinced everyone that if pure seiners were let run for another ten years, there was not to be a salmon big enough to fry between Astoria and Hong Kong. So, as fellows from the bunch, with a desire to help out Astoria and a further desire to get into a fight to break the monotonous afternoon, sailed in and attempted to settle the fracas.

Among us we got a compromise—one of those that you force down a fellow's throat when your arm is around his neck. And when one side was forced in, the other side broke out. The result it plan. It is very much like the man who attempts to settle another man's family row—he gets the worst of it. When we got through, Senator Norblad, who had to give up some of his bill, was not sure whether he liked us, and Senator Farrell, who was for the pure seiners, was certain that there are a lot of d--d fools in Eastern Oregon who don't know a thing in the world about salmon fishing. But the fight was stopped and the wheels of legislation permitted to again revolve.

TO CHANGE AGE LIMIT

CITY ORDINANCE TO CONFORM WITH STATE LAW.

Officials of City Have No Complaints On Gambling But Announce Continued Vigilance.

In discussing Judge J. W. Knowles' statements in yesterday's Observer regarding the discrepancy between the age limits in the state and city pool hall laws, George Garrett, city manager, stated this morning that an ordinance had already been ordered drawn which would prohibit boys under 21 years of age to frequent pool halls. Mr. Garrett stated that on looking up the city ordinance it was also found that no penalty was provided, another defect which will be remedied by the proposed ordinance.

Regarding gambling, Mr. Garrett stated that he had received no complaints on that score. The city police department has also stated this morning that complaints had not been received on that score recently. Mr. Garrett and Chief Flexer both stated that securing evidence in cases of gambling is often a difficult matter. All complaints received are investigated, but as so many are based on insufficient evidence the apprehension of violators is a difficult matter. In this matter, as well as in the matter of stopping violations of the prohibition laws, Mr. Garrett stated that the city administration approved of Judge Knowles' strong stand and would cooperate in every way to stop violations.

PHYSICIANS ARE BAFFLED

STRANGE AFFLICTION OF MIRIAM RUBIN IS MYSTERY.

Started Talking Yesterday and Has Been Talking Ever Since; Could Not Speak For Eight Years.

WAKEGAN, Ill., Feb. 12.—Physicians are baffled by the strange affliction eight years ago of Miriam Rubin, who started talking a week ago yesterday and has continued talking constantly ever since.

LA GRANDE HENS LAZY

Although reports from western Oregon, the eastern and middle western states this week indicate that the hens in those sections are working overtime and forcing the selling price of eggs down, there has been no change in the price of eggs in La Grande. Reports from Salem yesterday quoted the price of eggs at 25 cents a dozen, just one-half the local price. Prices in other cities varied from 25 cents to 30 cents.

Local dealers assert that the local supply comes from the valley farm almost exclusively and that the hens aren't on the job, causing a shortage at present which keeps the price considerably above that quoted in other places where the hens are working overtime.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Tonight and Sunday, rain in the west, cloudy in the eastern portion of the state.

Homage



JAPANESE QUESTION LEFT OVER

NEW ADMINISTRATION WILL ENACT LEGISLATION.

Senator Lachmund Today Receives Telegram Telling of Plans, From Senator McNary.

SALEM, Feb. 12.—Because the new administration, to be ushered in next March, intends to enact comprehensive legislation on the Japanese question, United States Senator Lodge, chairman of the foreign relations committee, has advised against any state legislation on the subject, according to a telegram received today by Senator Lachmund from Senator McNary.

TRAIN ATTACKED AT MILL STATION

HUNDRED ARMED MEN MAKE RAID—TWO KILLED.

Passenger Train Pulling Into Station Carried About Thirty Soldiers. Shots Were Fired.

CORK, Feb. 12.—One soldier was killed and a number wounded in an attack on a passenger train outside of the Mill street station, by a hundred armed men. The attackers fired on the cars, which contained about 30 soldiers.

HOME ORCHESTRA TO BE HEARD

ARCADE THEATRE ARRANGES NEW WEDNESDAY FEATURE.

Andrew Loney, Will Act As Director For Ten-Piece Orchestra to Play at Show.

Arrangements have been completed between Andrew Loney and Meyer & Ford of the Arcade Theatre, whereby the music lovers of La Grande will be able to hear their own orchestra in concert once a week.

The La Grande Philharmonic orchestra under the leadership of Andrew Loney, Jr., will give a concert at the Arcade Theatre Wednesday evening of each week in connection with the regular picture program.

Mr. Loney has arranged a program of classical and popular selections to last about 30 minutes and promises all lovers of music in city a rare treat, as La Grande can boast of one of the best orchestras of any city of its size in the west and the concert will undoubtedly prove a big success.

Ten of the best musicians in the city have been selected by Mr. Loney to make up this orchestra, the personnel of which is, director, Andrew Loney; violin, L. J. Lindsay; clarinet, Kenneth Gekeler; bassoon, Alvin Snapp; piano, Mrs. T. O. Mead; pipe organ, Miss Ann Shell; cornet, G. McMillan; trombone, F. L. Robinson; bass viol, O. Humphries; drums and tympani, E. H. Ford.

No effort has been spared to make this a first class musical organization and Mr. Loney has been busy the past month getting things in shape for these concerts. Just how long these concerts will be given is entirely up to the people of La Grande, as long as the people show their inclination to attend these concerts they will be continued, and the fact that this orchestra is a home product should be sufficient to make these concerts a big success.

The first of these concerts will be given at the Arcade Theatre on Wednesday, February 18, and the following program has been arranged for that date: (1) Overture, Morning, Noon and Night in Vienna, Suppe; (2) Popular selection, Blacksmith's Rag, Redwings; (3) Selection, from, Ziegfeld's Follies (1920), Berlin; (4) Waltz Song, On the Trail to Home Sweet Home, Ernest Ball; (5) March, Washington Greys. The concert will be given only once in the evening, immediately following the feature picture.

GOVERNOR SIGNS 13 HOUSE BILLS

MOTOR BUSINESS MAY BE HANDLED BY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION.

ARMISTICE DAY IS MADE LEGAL HOLIDAY

House Bill, Under Which State Engineer Capper Might Have Been Ousted, Was Defeated Last Evening By the House, By a Vote of Forty-three to Eleven.

SALEM, Feb. 12.—The governor today signed thirteen house bills, including the measure making Armistice Day a legal holiday, and the bills regulating aircraft and providing admittance of the world war veterans at the soldiers' home.

The senate today passed a bill placing motor business under the jurisdiction of the public service commission. The bill requires that bus companies furnish adequate facilities along their routes for the use of passengers and to prevent their using railway stations.

The house bill, under which it was proposed to oust State Engineer Percy Capper from office and make radical changes in the irrigation laws, was defeated by the house last night by a vote of 11 to 43. The house passed the bill providing that habitual criminals be sentenced to the penitentiary for life.

HOUSE PASSES FISH CODE.

The house today passed the commercial fish code, segregating the commercial interests from the game interests. They also passed the bill increasing the state fire marshal's authority, and the bill regulating cattle running at large, and also the bill revising the workmen's compensation code, as recommended by the governor's committee of fifteen.

BERNARD HEINZ PASSES AWAY

Efforts are being made to locate the relatives of Bernard A. Heinz, who died yesterday morning at the La Grande hospital. Mr. Heinz, who was a woodchopper, was brought here from his timber claim seven miles from here last Saturday by a rescue party that had found him suffering from exposure and starvation.

He had been on his claim for six weeks and suffered from frozen feet which made it impossible for him to get out and get wood. Lack of proper nourishment for several weeks aggravated his condition so that when he was brought here it was impossible to operate on his limbs.

Mr. Heinz has been a resident of this section for about nine years. He was about 45 years of age. Nothing is known of his relatives.

MUST STAY IN QUARANTINE

FIRST ARREST MADE FOR VIOLATION.

Contagious Diseases Now at Sixty Places—Lessening in number the Last Few Days.

All violators of the quarantine ordinance will, in the future, be arrested, according to Chief of Police Roy Finner. The first arrest of this nature was made last night when H. A. Green was taken into custody for breaking quarantine. He was released on his own recognizance until the quarantine at his home is removed.

At present there are 60 families in La Grande under quarantine for contagious diseases and while fewer cases were reported during the past few days, the police department, as well as the health officer is doing all in its power to prevent further spread of smallpox and scarlet fever.

The policy of the police and health officer has been to allow the head of the family to work, but so that he keeps himself isolated from his family. In the Green case, the complaint filed alleges that Mr. Green did not keep himself clear of his family to such a degree as to avoid contagion and worked regularly, thus subjecting others to contagion.

TWO WEEKS TO SELECT JURY

WILLIAMSON, W. Va., Feb. 12.—After over two weeks spent in selecting a jury to serve on the Morgan shooting trial, the trial has been started.