

TONIGHT IS LAST DAY OF BIG FESTIVAL

MODERN STYLES TO BE SHOWN
BY PRETTY MODELS AT 9 O'-
CLOCK THIS EVENING.

LARGE CROWD ENJOYED LAST NIGHT'S PROGRAM

Good Peppy Music and Live Faro Callers Add Much to the Festivity of Second Day of Festival; Large Card Party This Afternoon; Elgin Jazz Orchestra Furnishes Music Tonight.

The second day of the Tree Fund Festival proved even larger and better than the first day, and from the early evening hours until later in the evening, Eagles Hall was crowded with a capacity crowd. Money flowed freely, and little trouble was had at the faro wheel in making things lively, for even the peppy managers of this booth were outdoing themselves in enthusiasm.

The evening's program was opened with a delightful pantomime showing the styles of Civil War days, and bringing nearer to date the historic style show which was started off so well on the opening night in showing the styles of Colonial days.

Mrs. Robert Newlin was in charge of the program for last evening. The orchestra played "Dixie" just before the pantomime. Then the curtain rose, showing the ladies of the Civil War period busy in preparing for the wedding. Preceding the mock wedding ceremony, Mrs. Hal Bohnenkamp sang in a delightful manner, "Drink to Me Only With Thine Eyes." Then to the strains of the wedding march played by Mrs. George Birnie on the melodion, Mrs. John Stoddard, as the bride, entered, and was united in marriage to the groom, Mr. Earl Stoddard, Dr. R. F. Murphy acting as minister. Others taking part in the wedding scene were Mr. and Mrs. George H. Curry, Mrs. Robert Newlin, Mrs. R. F. Murphy, Miss Hilda Anthony, Mrs. James P. McNamee, Mrs. Lute Dunn, and Mrs. Frank Cleavenger, as the bridesmaids.

Between the wedding scene and the going-away scene, a delightful innovation was introduced, Little Carl McInnis, Phillip Newlin, Phyllis Dunn and Elizabeth Healey appearing in gay costume, and giving an old time cakewalk, followed later with a song. These youngsters were recalled with much applause. Then came the going away scene, amid showers of confetti.

Following the pantomime, "The Mystery Lady," was borne in on a litter, carried by four stalwart young men in gay costume. Introduced by Bill Allinson, the "Mystery Lady" gave several exhibitions of her unusual ability in knowing the secrets of all men, after which the curtain was closed, and the stage made ready for the fortune telling games.

Lindsay's Orchestra proved a popular organization last evening, and the dancers stayed until the strains of "Home, Sweet Home," sent them smiling homeward. This evening, another peppy orchestra has been engaged, the Elgin Jazz Orchestra, and an even bigger dancing crowd is expected. Dancing will start early, and, because of the late closing of the stores, the Style Show this evening will not be held until 9 o'clock. Dancing will be stopped during the show. This evening's program is in charge of Robert Pattison and Paul Massee, who have arranged for local girls to exhibit some of the spring fashions carried by the local stores. Geneva Smith and Effie Ainsworth will pose for Wallings; Minna Ash and Lillian McDonald for Campbell Sisters, and Delores Pearson and Wilma Oesterline for J. C. Penney company.

Yesterday afternoon, another large card party was held, bridge and five hundred being the diversion. Twenty tables were arranged by the chairman in charge, Mrs. J. F. O'Connell. Mrs. C. R. Elberhard won high honors at bridge, and Mrs. Claude Mackey at five hundred. This afternoon, thirty-five tables were arranged for five hundred only, under the chairmanship of Mrs. Frank Jackson.

Because of the many calls upon their time, the various chairmen were unable to check up all of the money turned in yesterday, until a late hour this afternoon, but it is hoped that a large sum will be netted for the Tree Fund, which is to be used for the planting and maintaining of the trees along Victory Way, in honor of the Union county men who served in the late war.

PLACES ARE ORDERED.
WASHINGTON, Apr. 2.—The war department has ordered 235 new airplanes for army air service.

WITHERS FORECAST.
Tonight and Sunday, fair, colder in the interior, light to heavy frost in the morning.

TWO COLLEGE PROFESSORS ARE KILLED

HOLMES BECKWITH SHOT AND
KILLED J. M. WHARTON.

Belief Is That Beckwith, Having
Been Dismissed, Intended Su-
icide, Wharton Interfered.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Apr. 2.—J. Herman Wharton, dean of the college of business administration, of Syracuse University, was shot and killed by Holmes Beckwith, professor of financial and insurance subjects, in college today. Beckwith then turned the gun on himself and committed suicide.

Chancellor Day believed that Wharton died trying to prevent Beckwith from committing suicide, as Beckwith left a note indicating his intention to end his life. Beckwith had been ordered dismissed at the end of the year. He was unpopular with the students.

LUMBER PRICES BETTER HERE

Following the statement by a
Portland man that lumber prices
are higher here than in his own city
and that he felt rather discouraged
about building here it has developed
that as a matter of fact a better
grade of lumber can be secured here
at a price lower than it would cost
to lay the cheapest grade of Port-
land dimension stuff down here.

This cheap lumber is everything that the word "cheap" implies. It can be had down on the coast for \$10 a thousand feet. Much of it is half rotten and all of it is stuff culled out when ships were being built in record time and, for that reason the operators are making all sorts of inducements to get rid of it, according to La Grande architects and contractors.

As a material for building local contractors don't want it at all as they can get pine and larch, as well as good dimension fir lumber, and that is much better, for less than the coast cull lumber can be shipped in here to La Grande.

It costs at least \$13 a thousand to lay coast lumber down here and that brings the cost up to a minimum of \$22 a thousand feet. Contractors have been figuring here during the past two weeks in which as low as \$20 to \$25 a thousand was quoted for the better lumber product. This is less than it would cost to lay down coast poor grade here that is practically unsalable on the coast and can be used only in the cheapest kind of jobs. Twenty-two dollars per thousand for the cheap coast lumber here is a minimum figure. Besides freight the purchaser must pay for drayage on this lumber and as this is a variable quantity the cost is liable to run as high as \$26 a thousand.

The \$10 a thousand coast price is for quantity lots. The retail list price of the better stuff here is \$6 but when the lumber on a house or other buildings is figured by the local companies the \$20 to \$25 figure is used, so in comparing prices it is not fair to use the retail price that is used as a basis for figuring the price on a stick or two. The claim made by local lumber companies regarding the lower price for better lumber produced here is borne out by a number of contracts made recently.

COMMUNISTS ARE KILLED

BERLIN, Apr. 2.—Twenty of a party of 500 communists were killed and fifty wounded today by the police near Halle, in suppressing an outbreak.

PORTLAND MARKETS.
PORTLAND, Apr. 2.—The price of cattle was steady, hogs 25 cents lower, prime light selling for \$11.75 and \$12. Sheep, eggs and butter were steady.

THREE THOUSAND HOMES DESTROYED BY FIRE

MANILA, April 2.—Fire destroyed 3,000 houses, making 15,000 homeless in the entire quarter. The loss is \$1,000,000. The American soldiers were cheered as they marched into the burning district to fight the flames.

CHARLES IS TO LEAVE FOR SWITZERLAND

EX-EMPEROR BLOCKED IN HIS
EFFORT TO REGAIN THE
HUNGARIAN THRONE.

ALLIED OFFICERS WILL ESCORT EX-KING CHARLES

Plans Are Made For His Departure
Either Sunday Evening or Mon-
day Morning—Negotiations Made
For Passage Through Italy—Plot
Is Laid to Bishop.

VIENNA, Apr. 2.—Ex-Emperor Charles will leave Steinamanger for Switzerland, Sunday or Monday morning. The delay in his departure was caused by negotiations at Italy for the passage through that country.

French Office Advised.
PARIS, Apr. 2.—Emperor Charles was blocked in his effort to regain the Hungarian throne, and was escorted back to Switzerland by the allied officers, the French foreign office has been advised.

Plot Laid to Bishop.
BUDAPEST, Apr. 2.—Bishop Roti of the diocese of Boczeprem was, according to the best information obtainable here, the preponderant influence in urging ex-Emperor Charles to attempt to regain the Hungarian throne.

Bishop Roti was in Prangins, the Swiss refuge of Charles a week ago to christen the ex-ruler's new-born daughter. He persuaded the latter to return to Hungary immediately, it is alleged, declaring the pro-Hapsburg propaganda could not be effective without the former emperor's presence there. The success of King George of Greece, despite the opposition of the allies, is declared to have been instigated by the bishop. It is alleged also that the anti-Semitic organization, "Awakening Hungary," had an important share in the plot. Its president, Deputy Sambrachy, has been placed under virtual arrest.

AUTO ROADS EAST GOOD, BUT MEACHAM ROAD NOT YET OPEN

The road from here to Baker and on to Huntington is in good condition, according to autoists who have traveled that road during the past several days. A detour is necessary between Durkee and Huntington, but at all places the road is passable.

To the west the road is open to about five miles this side of Meacham. No machines have crossed the summit yet this year, according to Meacham people, and only two wagons have crossed, and they had a difficult time getting over. There is as much as four feet of snow on the road in places. It will be about two weeks until the road is open over the summit. The road to Elgin is passable without chains now.

W. H. JOHNSON WILL PLEAD GUILTY SOON

WAS INDICTED FOLLOWING THE
CLOSING OF BANK.

Is Ill With Attack of Influenza, But
Tired of Strife, Will Make
Plea of Guilty.

MEDFORD, Apr. 2.—W. H. Johnson, former head of the Jacksonville bank who was indicted following the wreck of that institution, will plead guilty as soon as he recovers from an attack of influenza, his attorneys announced today. He said Johnson had grown weary of the strife. Johnson has been the chief witness for the state in the bank cases.

INSPECT NEW DEPARTMENTS

PARENT - TEACHERS' ASSOCIA-
TION HOLDS MEETING.

Domestic Science and Manual Train-
ing Departments Visited By
Many People.

One of the best attended meetings of the Parent-Teachers' Association for many months was that which was held yesterday afternoon in the high school auditorium when the associations from Greenwood, River and Central all met for the purpose of discussing matters of importance to the association.

Bruce Dennis, of the Observer, was asked to address the gathering on free text book legislation and other matters which came before the last session of the legislature affecting the schools.

After the meeting, adjournment was taken to the new building west of the high school which houses the manual training and the domestic science departments. Each department was found to be well equipped and the work is progressing remarkably well.

TROUT SEASON IS OPEN FIFTEENTH

The trout season in Union and Wallawa counties will open on April 15, and no sooner. Game Warden Walden wishes it understood that this law must be obeyed. He has given various kinds of warning to people to prevent them from fishing for trout before that date and arrests will follow if he finds anyone fishing prior to April 15.

WOMEN ARE HOLDING BIG CONVENTION

PLAN TO ORGANIZE INTERCOL-
LEGIATE LIBERAL CLUB
AMONG WOMEN.

MANY COLLEGES HAVE ACCEPTED INVITATIONS

Leaders In the Movement Assert
That the New Organization Will
Be "Non-Propagandist" and Tied
to No "Isms," and Will Cultivate
Open Minds.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Apr. 2.—Representatives of women's colleges are taking an active part in a convention to be held at the Harvard Union today and Sunday for the purpose of organizing an Intercollegiate Liberal Club. Radcliffe is taking the lead among the women's colleges in promoting the movement, which originated with the Liberal Clubs of Harvard and Radcliffe.

Colleges which accepted invitations to join the organization are Harvard, Princeton, Brown, Tufts, Boston University, Radcliffe, Wellesley, Jackson, Goucher, Wheaton, Vassar, Mount Holyoke and Barnard. The plan is for a central organization, with self-governing clubs in the individual colleges.

The purpose of the proposed club are announced as "the cultivation of the open mind" and "the development of a formed student opinion on social, political, industrial and international questions." Leaders in the movement assert that the new organization will be "non-propagandist" and "tied to no 'isms.'"

Among the speakers for the organizing convention are President (Emeritus) Charles W. Eliot, of Harvard, President LeBaron Briggs of Radcliffe, President Henry MacCracken of Vassar, Senator Ladd of North Dakota, and Walter Lippman, editor of the New Republic.

UNION COUNTY MEN LISTED

Adjutant General George White has just compiled statistics showing that 865 Oregon men were wounded during the World War. The following comprises those listed in the county of Union:

Manuel V. Alves, Nye; Henry B. Bellmer, Stanley C. Bradshaw, Jr., Grande; John Brant, Jr., North Powder; Hugh E. Gibson, Frank B. Hamlin, La Grande; James H. Houck, Cove; Hugh C. Hulas, Albert L. Lamm, La Grande; Orin K. Mudge, Union; Claude J. Pomeroy, La Grande; Earl R. Sanders, North Powder; Carl H. Smith, Cove; Walter L. Stringham, Lyle; L. Veach, Lester A. Wilson, Frank J. Young, La Grande.

OREGON ELKS SEEK ANNUAL CONVENTION

CAMPAIGN TO GET 1924 SESSION
IS LAUNCHED.

Copies of Resolution Telling of the
Great Beauties Around Portland
To Be Sent Officers.

PORTLAND, Apr. 2.—With a burst of enthusiasm and without a dissenting voice, 1000 members of Portland lodge of Elks adopted a resolution at the regular meeting Thursday night declaring their intention to invite the grande lodge to meet here in July, 1924.

Immediate steps will be taken, it was announced, to put under way the campaign to bring 100,000 Elks here in 1924.

Like the Shrine convention last summer, the 1912 convention of the grande lodge of Elks held in Portland went down in history as one of the greatest meetings ever held in Elksdom.

Copies of the resolution which calls attention to the hospitality of Portland's people, Portland's salubrious climate, wonderful roses, excellent hotels, the scenic grandeur of the Columbia highway, and the beauty of homes and public buildings, will be sent immediately to the officers of the grand lodge.

AUTO TURNS OVER ON TWO

ALBERT CAIN AND WIFE ARE
SEVERELY INJURED.

Accident Happened Early This Morn-
ing As Car Struck Curb—Both
Will Recover.

Albert Cain, manager of the Palace Confectionery, and Mrs. Cain were severely cut and bruised about 7 o'clock this morning, when their machine turned over as it struck the curb on Washington avenue between Hemlock and Spruce streets, the car rolling over on both.

The accident happened in the middle of the block and Cain's head struck the pavement at the intersection, causing ugly gashes to be cut in his head and neck, it being feared at first that his skull was fractured. He was also badly cut about the body.

Mrs. Cain was also severely bruised but was not as badly injured about the limbs and body as her husband. According to Cain, he was not driving at an excessive speed. The car was a cut-down machine of a small and popular make.

The injured couple was taken to the Grande Ronde hospital, where their injuries were dressed. Later they were removed to their home. They will be confined to their home for several days, at least. The machine was only slightly damaged.

INDICTMENTS ARE RETURNED

CHICAGO, Apr. 2.—Indictments charging conspiracy, boycotting and blacklisting, were returned against the officers of the retail coal bureau, retail coal merchants association and several private detectives.

CRADLE SONG IS SUNG AT FUNERAL

WEST PARK, N. Y., Apr. 2.—Simple funeral services were held for John Burroughs, famous naturalist, Henry Ford, Thomas A. Edison and other friends attended.

Pamphlets from the Scriptures and from Wadsworth, Emerson and Whitman were read. The singing of a cradle song was a feature.

J'ever Hear This?

By STRICKLAND GILLILAN
Broke Up the Service.
Possibly had exactly two fire-
ers in the night. When them
two, one was straight up, one
straight down. They often made
rather striking combinations but
never perhaps more startling one
than the day he found what
would have been a perfectly good
sermon by the Quakers.
When the roll a cold up you-
der, pointing straight up, "I'll
there, pointing straight down."

COMMISSION WILL MEET ON TUESDAY

HIGHWAY COMMITTEE WILL
HOLD TWO-DAY SESSIONS
HEREAFTER.

WORK COSTING MORE THAN \$2,000,000 CONSIDERED

Two-Day Session Will Give Small
Contractor An Opportunity, If Re-
jected the First Day, to Put In a
Contract On Other Work During
the Second Day.

SALEM, Apr. 2.—Proposals for road improvements aggregating a cost of more than \$2,000,000 will be considered at a two-days' meeting of the state highway commission to be held in Portland on April 5 and 6. The contemplated improvements include the paving of approximately 50 miles of highway, grading estimated at 80 miles, 5 miles of rock surfacing, considerable graveling and a number of substantial bridges.

Under a recent ruling of the highway commission, future meetings will be of two days' duration instead of one day, as in the past. This innovation in the procedure of commission, it was explained by Roy Klein, secretary of the body will give the small contractors an opportunity to compete more successfully than under the present system.

Saves Big Delay.
Because of the short sessions now held by the commission contractors whose proposals are rejected have to wait several months before they again submit bids for state work. The two days' session will give contractors whose bids are rejected the first day an opportunity to submit proposals for other work on the second day of the meeting.

Mr. Klein said today that representatives from many counties in Oregon would be present at the April meeting of the highway commission, and that the contracts, if awarded, will insure stimulation of the labor market during the summer. Besides the \$2,000,000 of contracts to be awarded at this session of the commission, there is about \$8,000,000 represented in projects for which bids were accepted at previous meetings and unfulfilled jobs carried over from last year. All of this work, which represents an aggregate expenditure of \$10,000,000, will be completed this year, according to the commission.

There also will come before the commission at the April meeting proposals to issue bonds in several counties in Oregon for road improvement work in co-operation with the state. The proposed improvements for which bids will be considered at the April meeting of the commission, as announced by the highway department today, follow:

Grading and Graveling.
Crook county—Ochoco highway; Prineville-Ochoco forest section, 17.06 miles grading.
Harney county—Central Oregon highway; Burns-Sage Hen hill section, 14.52 miles grading.
Malheur county—Old Oregon Trail; Ontario-Wesler section, 14.36 miles grading and graveling.
Union county—Old Oregon trail; Kamela-Hillard section, 12.75 miles grading; Hilgard-La Grande section, 6.31 miles grading.
Wallawa county—La Grande-Enterprise highway; Wallawa Canyon section, 6.4 miles grading; Wallawa-Lostine section, 12 miles grading and graveling.

Paving.
Douglas and Josephine counties—Pacific highway; Wolf Creek-Grave Creek section, 14 miles paving.
Douglas county—Pacific highway; Oakland-South section, 1.2 miles paving; Drain-Anlauf section, 7 miles paving.
Lane county—Pacific highway; Walker-Goshen section, 9 miles paving.

Bridges.
Josephine county—Granta Pass-Crescent City highway; One reinforced concrete bridge over Wolf creek.
Klamath county—Klamath Falls-Lakeview highway; One bridge over Altamont canal; one over crossing of the O.C. & E. railway near Delby.

EUGENE GARAGE FIRE DESTROYS 35 AUTOS

EUGENE, April 2.—Thirty-five automobiles and one airplane were destroyed in a garage fire here early today. The loss is \$50,000. Several families on the upper floor of the garage had a narrow escape.