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EXECUTIVE COMMISSION IN SESSION AT WINONA LAKE MUST FILL FIVE VACANCIES

MORE WORK IS NEEDED
AMONG THE NEGRO RACE

Higher Salaries for Missionaries and the Widespread Extension of Evangelization, Especially Among Foreign-Born, Are Discussed Today at Presbyterian General Assembly.

WINONA LAKE, Ind., May 20.—Five vacancies in the membership of the Executive Commission of the Presbyterian church are to be filled at this session of the General Assembly. The terms expiring are those of Dr. George R. Stewart, of Auburn, N. Y.; Dr. William O. Thompson, of Columbus, O.; Nelson H. Loomis, of Omaha, Neb.; Dr. W. W. Boyd, of Oxford, O.; and Dr. Lewis S. Mudge, of Harrisburg, Pa.

The annual report of the Executive Commission reports in detail the effort of the Presbyterian Church to wipe out its \$1,000,000 portion of the Interchurch debt and recommends that General Assembly direct and empower the boards and agencies to pay out of their current funds whatever balance may be due June 1, 1921, on the Interchurch debt. This balance at present is more than \$500,000.

General Assembly is asked by the Commission to consider fixing a maximum limit for the budget to be raised for benevolences for 1922-23. The budget for 1921-22 is apportioned by the Commission as follows: Foreign Missions, \$2,500,000; Home Missions, including self-supporting synods, \$2,381,000; Education, \$1,760,000; Publication and Sabbath School Work, \$430,000; Church Extension, \$250,000; Relief and Sustentation, \$470,000; Freedmen, \$171,000; Temperance and Moral Welfare, \$50,000; Evangelism, \$65,000; Men's Work, \$50,000; Sabbath Observance, \$25,000; American Bible Society, \$50,000; Woman's Board of Home Missions, \$1,140,000; Woman's Board of Foreign Missions, \$1,400,000; Woman's Department of Freedmen, \$198,000; Total, \$12,000,000.

The need for great expansion in the work of the Presbyterian Church among the negroes is shown by Dr. S. J. Fisher, president of the Presbyterian Board of Missions for Freedmen, in his annual report to the General Assembly.

Economy of administration and unprecedented results in all branches of church work are shown in the annual report of the Presbyterian New Era movement as presented by Dr. William Hiram Foulkes, General Secretary, to General Assembly here. The gains in contributions for benevolences have approximated 20 percent, and the gains in accessions to membership 30 percent.

Higher salaries for missionaries and widespread extension of evangelization, especially among those of foreign birth, were reported today by the Presbyterian Board of Home Missions through its secretary, Dr. John A. Marquis.

Never before has the Presbyterian Woman's Board of Home Missions been able to report so many women, young people, and children enlisted in the service of home missions as in the year just closed, says Miss Lucy H. Dawson, its general secretary in her report made to the General Assembly here today.

"Statistics show a membership of 401,400, an increase of 54,276 over the year 1919-1920. Of this increase 39,500 is in young people's organizations. The secretary for missionary education for the board reports 2,650 mission groups for the year," she said.

FIVE KILLED DURING FIGHT

GALWAY, Ireland, May 20.—Sixty men ambushed District Inspector of the Constabulary and twenty policemen at West Port. One constable was killed and one wounded. Four of the ambushers were killed and six wounded. The police attacked the ambushers, entrenched their position and carried it. The ambushers fled across the country, pursued by the police. Arms, ammunition and bombs were captured.

WEATHER FORECAST.
Tough and stormy, with rain.

De Filippo Held For May Hearing

Was Identified By Five Persons As Driver of Death Wagon in Bomb Explosion.

JERSEY CITY, May 20.—Guiseppe De Filippo, charged with conspiracy in the Wall Street explosion, and held without bail for a hearing on May 26, was identified yesterday by five persons as the driver of the wagon of explosion. De Filippo said, "I know nothing of it. I never heard of the explosion. I don't know where Wall Street is."

MATCH MAY TAKE PLACE AT UNION

Ad Gustavo, who has wrestled in this city two times, and has many followers in the sport line, located in La Grande, is in the city for a few days.

At the present time Director Amell, who is looking after some entertainment features for the Union Stock Show, is attempting to promote a match between Gustavo and James Noregaard, of Wallawa county, who is also well known here. As yet, no definite arrangements have been made but friends of the two men are hoping to see them meet at that time. Should the match take place, it will occur on June 9.

Gustavo has also issued a challenge that he can best any man in the county with two fall in one hour.

Negotiations are now under way to have Gustavo and Ted Thive meet about the first of June, to decide the middleweight championship.

MARTIAL LAW IS PROCLAIMED

CHARLESTOWN, May 20.—Governor Morgan today proclaimed martial law in Mingo county, the scene of the industrial strife for the past year.

MME. CURIE IS GIVEN RADIUM

WASHINGTON, May 20.—Mme. Curie, eminent Polish scientist, came to Washington today from New York to receive from President Harding a gram of radium, purchased for her by the women of America. The presentation took place at the White House this afternoon.

PASSENGER TRAIN RUNS INTO FREIGHT

EUGENE, May 20.—Passenger train 502, of the Coos Bay line, on the Southern Pacific, crashed into a freight train on the siding at 8:30 o'clock this morning. C. J. Griffiths, mail clerk, was seriously hurt, and several of the passengers were injured.

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES HELD

ELGIN, May 20.—(Special.)—Commencement exercises were held at the opera house last evening for the graduates of the high school. Rev. G. L. Clark, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Pendleton, gave the commencement address. Following is the program:

March (duet), Misses Margaret Underwood and Audrey Wood; invocation, Rev. W. A. Winters; vocal solo, Mrs. C. L. Hazen; reading, Miss Rachel Wood; male quartet, R. J. Shoemaker, U. F. Weiss, W. A. Winters, Mr. Mawhin; address, Rev. Geo. L. Clark; tenor solo, Mr. Mawhin; presentation of diplomas by Joe Hallgarth; music by male quartet; instrumental solo by Mrs. Charles Cross. The graduates included Orpha S. Barney, president of the class; Myrtle V. Cross, "vice-president"; Gertrude E. Paxton, secretary; Charles E. Willey, treasurer; Ralph Willey, Gladys N. Stoop, Thelma Hug, Letta Gornelson, Richard Woods, Helen Denham and Anthony E. Maxwell.

IS SEEING WORLD.

Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Moran have received a letter from their son, Charles, who is with the U. S. S. New Orleans, stating that his boat is now in Shanghai, China, but that on May 27, he expected to leave for Vladivostok, Siberia. "I am seeing more of the world than I expected to," he wrote.

FOOD SHORTAGE IS CRITICAL

LONDON, May 20.—The food shortage in Upper Silesia reached a crisis which is likely to be the cause of further disorders unless relieved, according to official advice. The allied governments are attempting to get relief before the meeting of the supreme council, which will take up the Silesian question.

LEGION MEETING ON MONDAY

A meeting for the purpose of initiating a county-wide campaign in favor of the soldier bonus bill will be held by American Legion Post No. 43, on Monday evening in Eagles Hall at eight o'clock. All members of the Legion and ex-service men not members are asked to attend this meeting by Roy Currey, post commander.

Fred Kiddle, of Island City, is now in Portland conferring with state headquarters of the legion regarding the best plans for the campaign to be conducted here and he will be at the meeting and report to the members.

MANY VETERANS AT FUNERAL

Over sixty former soldiers, marines and naval men in uniform attended the funeral of Josiah Brill, held yesterday afternoon. Services were held in Henry Chapel, following which the funeral cortege marched to the Odd Fellows cemetery, where interment took place.

Brill was one of the first of the Union county boys to enlist in 1917 when the war broke out and he died as the result of wounds received in battle in October, 1918. His body was shipped to this country recently and arrived here several days ago. Military honors were accorded him at the funeral yesterday.

Rev. E. J. Huston, of the Methodist church, officiated at the funeral.

CARNIVAL IS COMING HERE

The local lodge of Eagles will bring Bouscher's United Shows, one of the famous carnival companies, here next week, May 23 to 28. The carnival will be held on Jefferson street between Chestnut and Fourth. Some of the best carnival talent in the country is contained in the company. Among the sideshows will be the smallest horse in the country. The Eagles will use the proceeds to put a new front on their hall.

MEMBERS OF CREW CAST INTO RIVER

MARINE STRIKERS AND SYMPATHIZERS ATTACK CREW OF THE STEAMER COAXET.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY WILL ASK FOR AN INJUNCTION

Protest Will Be Made Against the Picketing of the Water Front During the Strike by the Marine Strikers and Their Sympathizers; Threw Filipinos Into Willamette.

PORTLAND, May 20.—The marine strikers and sympathizers here last night attacked the members of the crew of the steamer Coaxet, which is loading here, and threw some Filipino members of the crew into the Willamette river, according to affidavits presented to United States District Attorney Humphreys by J. H. Piltz, fleet captain of the shipping board.

Humphreys said that, on the basis of the affidavits, he would ask an injunction in federal court this afternoon against the picketing of the water front by the marine strikers and sympathizers.

Fourteen affidavits from sailors of the shipping board and other federal officers were in Humphreys' hands, telling of a series of waterfront clashes. One declared that several Filipinos returning to the Coaxet were attacked and the officers said that they had information that some were thrown into the water.

PENDLETON TO ENTERTAIN VETS AND THEIR WIVES

PENDLETON, May 20.—Pendleton is to entertain on June 14, 15 and 16 the members of the G. A. R. of Oregon, together with the auxiliary convention of the Women's Relief Corps, Ladies of the G. A. R., and Daughters of Veterans. As tentatively outlined the G. A. R. convention program will be as follows:

Tuesday, June 14.—Meeting at the library-auditorium.

Tuesday evening.—Reception for the G. A. R. and ladies at Happy Canyon pavilion.

Wednesday, 15, at noon.—Parade, Wednesday afternoon.—Session at library auditorium.

Wednesday evening.—Campfire meeting at Happy Canyon.

Thursday forenoon.—Final session and adjournment.

GOES TO SPOKANE.

Jos. Diggs, employee of the Pacific Co-operative League organizers of Rochdale co-operative stores will leave tonight on No. 23 for Spokane and St. Maries, Idaho. Mr. Diggs makes his headquarters in Baker.

GRANT BEAN IS TRACK CAPTAIN

Grant Bean was elected captain of the La Grande high school track team last evening. Bean is a junior this year and is La Grande's stand-by in the weight events.

He has made an enviable record during the past season and next year he should develop into a still better point-winner for his school.

WOULD NOT PUBLISH THE SLACKER LISTS

WASHINGTON, May 20.—A bill under which the war department would be directed to suspend the publication of the "slacker" lists is now pending further investigation as to correctness. The bill was introduced by Senator Stanley, a Democrat of Kentucky.

ELGIN SCHOOL STAFF CHOSEN

ELGIN, May 21.—The school year is closed and the board of education has elected the following teachers for the ensuing term: Professor E. G. Bailey for three years; Mrs. Jessie Reiber, Miss Nellie Rush, Miss Stella Mayfield, Miss Bertha Beem, Miss Eva Perryman, Miss Reta Schore, Miss Hazel Richardson, and Miss Hall of U. of O. Mrs. Frank Fine leaves Elgin to take the head of the language department in an Idaho town. Miss Strohbridge will teach in California next year, while Miss Ruth Stewart, Miss Ruth Hallgarth and Miss Flora Allen will be married. A department of agriculture will be added to the school next year.

TOURISTS FLOCKING TO ROME ARE UNABLE TO FIND LODGINGS

ROME, May 20.—"Tenting on the old camp ground" will be the lot of Americans rushing into Rome. Rome is full, full for months, so the hotel men say. American tourists have captured and occupy it so that other tourists and their countrymen wishing to get in must be spoken for in advance of must have a golden road for themselves in gratuities to hotel porters and clerks in order to get a place where to lay their heads.

LOSTONE WINS AND LOSES.

EUGENE, May 20.—Eleven four-member debating teams are here from all sections of Oregon for the championship debating contest. In the preliminaries on Wednesday night Lostone High, champion for Eastern Oregon, won and lost. The negative team won from the Klamath Falls affirmative, while the affirmative team lost to Eugene negative. The finals are being held this afternoon.

Accused Of Wife's Death Is Released

T. W. Gruetter, of Agate, Declared Not Guilty of Poisoning Wife, As First Husband Said.

MEDFORD, May 20.—T. W. Gruetter, of Agate, arrested ten days ago, following the death of his wife, on charges sworn to by J. S. Bomgardner, former husband of the woman, who lives at Grants Pass, was released from jail today and the charges dismissed when a telegram was received from the state board of health that no trace of poison had been found in an analysis of the dead woman's stomach.

ELGIN AD CLUB IS AFTER ROADS

WANT ROUTE TO WALLA WALLA MADE EASY

Plans Are Made For Working Sunday With Fifty Men Swinging Axes and Saws

ELGIN, May 20.—Plans have been going forward this week to have fifty men out Sunday morning to carry out the proposed work on the new highway to Walla Walla. The men are asked to turn out with their axes and saws, while the women in the party are to furnish lunch. Whether the rain will delay the picnic remains to be seen.

This work comes as the result of action on the part of the Ad. Club, who wanted a better route through to Walla Walla.

Headed by County Commissioner Cecil Galloway, a cavalcade left Elgin last Sunday about 8 o'clock, each carrying in his heart, if not on his sleeve the slogan, "Walla Walla or bust," determined to find a more feasible route for the relocation of the Elgin-Walla Walla, or so-called "tolgate" road. They drove as far as they could. For nearly five miles after leaving the cars, the party hiked up the trail, until blocked by banks of snow six feet high. Even then the road enthusiasts continued to climb, and wallow, and wade, until they were assured that all of the bad places in the grade of the proposed new road had been located and means in most instances figured out for surmounting the difficulties encountered on the trail.

The route fixed for the new highway is probably the best that can be found anywhere across the mountains. It is said to be very much better than the old route. The grade was nowhere discovered to be at all difficult, and another feature that appealed to the club members was the fact that the route is absolutely safe for a car anywhere and everywhere. There was no place discovered where there was any element of danger entering into the traversing of the proposed new road.

It was found that very little work will be needed to put the new road in condition. For the most part, the only thing that obstructs it even now are a few logs, which can easily be cleared out, some brush to be cut alongside the trail to widen it, and the snow, which is still banked to a considerable extent along the way in the higher altitudes. This latter will probably require perhaps another week or two of sunshine to clear away. The warm rains of the past week may have made great inroads into these banks, so that, when the "gang" returns to the scene of operations next Sunday, they may find bare ground.

FOSBURY WILL JOIN BAKER TEAM

BAKER, May 20.—Manager Hunt of the local baseball nine yesterday announced that he received word from Birdall Fosbury stating that he will return to Baker within a few days and will be glad to play the remainder of the season here. Fosbury, has pitched for several local teams and his coming will no doubt greatly strengthen the local team. Mr. Hunt was also received word from Cassidy, another star of last year, that he will be ready to get into the game on next Sunday when Baker meets Union at that place. On Saturday evening a benefit dance will be given at the K. of P. hall for the team and the proceeds will be used to purchase new uniforms.

PORTLAND MARKETS.
PORTLAND, May 20.—The price of cattle was weak, and other markets steady today.

CRISIS OF FLOOD IS OVER NOW

FARMERS HOPEFUL THAT HARM TO CROPS WILL BE NEGLIGIBLE

WATER IS FALLING ON SWOLLEN CATHERINE CREEK

Floods in Other Sections Are Reported to Be Worse, While Union County Conditions Are Getting Better—Columbia Is Rising At Several Points.

La Grande—Catherine Creek gone down some and prospects for early relief bright.

Salem—Willamette is stationary here and at Oregon City. Rise due to backwater of Columbia.

Portland—Columbia continues to rise. High point expected Sunday.

The Dalles—Rise of 2.14 feet in Columbia since yesterday. Squatters homes flooded.

For the first time since the heavy rains started Sunday, the flood situation along Catherine Creek has abated and the crisis now seems passed. There has been a considerable lowering of the creek during the past ten hours. The sky is clear this afternoon and farmers and others are hopeful that the water will now go off their land rapidly. The damage done is believed to have been greatly overestimated and if the water goes off quickly enough much of the land will have been benefited.

Shortly after one o'clock this afternoon, W. J. Towley, whose farm is in the center of the flood-stricken area below Union, reported that a heavy down pour of rain had been falling for over an hour but the creek was much lower than it had been. A further raise in the creek would, he said, make it practically certain that a number of the bridges that have been undermined would be carried out by the rampant waters of Catherine Creek.

The total under water now is conservatively estimated at under 23,000 acres. Of the additional areas flooded in the last 24 hours a small portion is choice grain land between the creek and Hot Lake. There is still much snow in the mountains and the warm rain falling on this snow this afternoon is bound to melt it rapidly and greatly increase the danger of the water spreading to a still greater area.

Some of the levees that broke during the early part of the week have been repaired and relieved the situation in places. Among those repaired is the one at the James Hutchinson ranch which broke several days ago.

A large area has been flooded yesterday at the lower end of the valley in the lower Coos section, this being uncultivated land.

This morning E. H. Miles, who has had a water gauge on his farm along Catherine Creek above Union for about three years reported that the water had dropped to 4.7 feet early this morning but that the creek was rising again. Yesterday the level was at 5.2 ft., and the day before the day before the record level of 6.2 feet was established. Mr. Miles reported that in 1918 the previous high water mark of the creek, since his gauge was installed, was reached, when the 5.8 ft. mark was reached.

A heavy rain lasting nearly all night fell in the flooded area and this is expected to increase the height of the water considerably. John F. Birney, county roadmaster, who was in Union yesterday, reported today that no rain fell in Union yesterday and that the level of the water was gradually receding all day. Rain began falling yesterday evening about 5 o'clock in the mountains, several hours before the rain began in Union and La Grande and other parts of the valley.

G. J. Black, who has a ranch in the flooded district, states that water has gotten into his barn and damaged some baled hay. In places the water has gotten into his field, but the damage there is not great, as it is all in timothy and alfalfa. Mr. Black has been interested in this ranch for sixteen years and he declares that it is the worst flood in that time.

The dike on the Dobbin ranch on the east side of Catherine Creek is still holding, according to latest reports. This has been threatened for several days and if it goes out a considerable acreage on the east side will be flooded. However, there seems to be no danger of this at present.

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