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CHAUTAUQUA DIRECTORS ARE ELECTED

Six Elected to Relieve Retiring Group; All New Except Mr. Black and Mrs. Logan

BURNING OF NOTES IS PRETTY CEREMONY

The Pavilion, the Cottage and the Booth Are Now All Paid For, and Title Reverts to the City of La Grande; Unusual Program Given This Year.

With election of directors, burning of pavilion notes, presentation of a high class prelude of music, and one of the very foremost lectures of the whole week, the 1921 Chautauqua came to a close last evening in a burst of popularity. The audience was the second largest of the session. President R. F. Murphy presided at the short business meeting and called for the report of the nominating committee, E. E. Bragg, chairman. That committee, consisting of Mr. Bragg, Bruce Dennis, Mrs. E. E. Kiddle, Mrs. Lee Warnick and George T. Cochran, presented the following nominations for directors to succeed the retiring group: C. H. Reynolds, David I. Stoddard, C. E. Short, C. J. Black, Mrs. T. J. Scroggin and Mrs. R. W. Logan. Of these, all are new faces in the directorate save Mr. Black and Mrs. Logan. Their election was unanimously ordered.

Old Notes Burned.
With a very pretty ceremony that meant much to those who have shouldered the Chautauqua load for the past eleven years, two notes of \$2000.00 each were burned with a burst of red flares, little Miss Betty Cochran and President Murphy officiating. During the conflagration the audience applauded continuously. Mr. Cochran, treasurer since the association was organized, explained the reason of the notes and what their burning meant. The pavilion, the cottage, and the booth are now bought and paid for and title reverts to the City of La Grande.

Those whose names had been used for collateral at the local banks during the eight years required to pay for the buildings, included: W. H. and Genevieve Bohnenkamp, Geo. T. Cochran, E. and Anna Polack, W. D. McMillen, John Collier, Mrs. C. P. Newlin, C. M. Humphreys, M. K. Hall, Geo. Palmer, Mac Wood, J. A. Russell and William Miller.

Then the Boy Scouts and the P. E. O. and all others who have significantly helped the Chautauqua, were publicly thanked by the president. The Little Symphony presented the highest quality of music of the week. Mr. Lewis, at the piano, being the particular recipient of praise. Then came the closing lecture, and it was a splendid address to close the number with. If La Grande is not a better place for the kiddies hereafter, it will be because fathers and mothers present will shamefully ignore their duty as parents, for Captain Denny Upton plainly pointed the way. He captivated his audience with a clever ruse at the start, and not for a moment did interest lag. The only regret is that every father who thinks he is so busy that he can't play, and play, and be a chum of his son, was not present. "Denny" left such fathers, and such mothers, without a leg to stand on—their almost criminal neglect exposed. Long live Denny Upton and his great work.

The Chautauqua directors told the public through the Observer three weeks ago that the lecture program this year would far exceed previous programs. It has, with wide measure. The music was average, but La Grande is hypercritical and found fault with one and possibly two numbers. Others were above expectations. Out of the whole thirteen, only one program stands out as in disfavor with the majority.

BONUS BILL IS RECOMMENDED

WASHINGTON, July 15.—The soldier's bonus bill, by a vote of 47 to 29, was recommended today to the finance committee by the senate, as requested by President Harding. The amendment by Senator Kenyon to return the bill to the senate the first Monday in 1922, was defeated.

Hides Off Free List.
WASHINGTON, July 15.—The house took hides off the free list in the Fordney tariff bill and imposed an ad valorem duty of fifteen percent.

Japanese Troops Quiet Strikers

Thousands of Striking Dock Workers Charged the Police Cordon to Gain Control of Docks.

KOBE, Japan, July 15.—The troops were called today after thousands of striking dock workers had charged the police cordon, in an attempt to take possession of the dockyards and carry out the project for their control by the workers. A number of strikers were wounded. The ringleaders of the attempt were arrested.

CLAIM MARINES LAND AT TAMPICO

CHICAGO, July 15.—Claim that the American Marines landed at Tampico, Mexico, from the warships stationed there, were made in a telegram addressed by the federal railway unions of Mexico, to the Socialist National headquarters.

IRRIGATION DISTRICT IS NO FINANCED

PORTLAND, Ore., July 15.—Completion of financing of the Grants Pass irrigation district project was announced here by Wilford Allen, secretary of the district, following recent certification of the bonds for \$325,000. He said that by September 14,000 acres of land will be receiving water for irrigation. Mr. Allen said work of completing the Savage Rapids dam will be carried on without delay. The dam has been constructed for diverting water of Rogue river.

TRADES FOR OLD EAMES RANCH

McKENNON AND LEADBETTER TRADE DAVENPORT PROPERTY

Ranch is One of the Old Farms This Side of Telocaset and Is in Crop.

Hardly had the ink dried on the deeds which conveyed some business property in Davenport, Washington, to Will Leadbetter and Floyd McKennon until another trade showed up on the horizon and today the Davenport property was exchanged by these gentlemen for the Fred Eames ranch this side of Telocaset. This is one of the old ranches in that section of the valley and is in crop.

WARNICK NOT TO BLAME FOR SHOOTING MCLACHLEN

J. H. McLachlen, who was shot in the back several months ago when a party of his fellow officers mistook him for a robber, is well recovered from his wounds. McLachlen feels that the rumors placing responsibility on Sheriff Warnick are doing the latter a great injustice, as Warnick was not to blame for the unfortunate incident, although he was one of the party. McLachlen made the following statement today.

SHOOTING WAS A FRAME-UP

WASHINGTON, July 15.—R. H. Kirkpatrick, former mine foreman at Mingo, West Virginia, testified before the senate investigating committee today that the mine owners had "framed up" the false shooting episode to procure a declaration of martial law "so they would break the strike."



WEATHER
TONIGHT AND SATURDAY
FAIR

SUPERVISED PLAY HOURS FOR CHILDREN

MISS MILDRED BUSH, CHAUTAUQUA JUNIOR DIRECTOR, LEAVES PLANS

Proposition Calls For Place Where Mothers May Leave Children For Play During Summer

Organized and supervised play-hours for the children of the city has been provided through efforts of Miss Mildred Bush, junior chautauqua director, and she is leaving behind her both the desire on the children's part and a concrete organization to conduct it. Mrs. Paul C. Massee, Mrs. Lynn Bohnenkamp and Miss Mabel Osterling have consented to take charge in a supervisory capacity, the three also asking for the assistance of anyone who can and will give some time to the kiddies.

Briefly stated, the proposition is to provide, during summer months, a place to leave their children in the care of competent persons. Organized play will be conducted for an hour or two at stated intervals of the week, namely twice a week and it is to be open to everyone. There will be no restrictions on children. The only regulations are those which will guarantee the safety and pleasure of the little tots.

Question of just where the playgrounds are to be is bothering the promoters some. While the park is a considerable distance out, shade, grass and paraphernalia are already there. Some advocate the more centrally located sections and possibly two sections of the city. These are questions that will be worked out as the plan progresses, but at any event the little tots are to have some attention this summer. Recreation and play is generously provided for the older children and adults but little tots have been neglected. It is contended, and this plan will cure that defect in the municipal playground circles.

The three volunteer leaders are enthusiastic about the matter, and are anxious that volunteers come forward to assist in the management of the playgrounds.

LaGrande Tourists Should Carry Label On Their Car

That it is highly desirable that as many automobiles of La Grande as possible have La Grande name plates on their cars so that wherever these cars go, or be, La Grande obtains publicity, was the decision of Ad Club members in a special luncheon today noon at the Foley. The proposition of a name plate very similar to that of the license plate, and attached, front and rear, is now quite popular elsewhere. It is just now coming into Oregon. W. C. March, secretary of the Ellensburg Chamber of Commerce, addressed the luncheon today, reminding the diners of the community good that results from a name plate on every car. Local men took the same view of it, Mr. C. E. Short, in particular, reciting the happy experiences he had in Washington state recently because of a banner he had attached to his machine.

Final action was deferred, except that a tentative contract was entered into while the local situation is canvassed by Secretary C. B. Miller.

The plates are neat, so colored and embossed that they can readily be read, and when three or four hundred cars have them attached, a vast amount of community good will be accomplished. Practically every car that comes through La Grande on a tourist mission is "branded" in some way, but this is a permanent, neat and effective way of doing what is now done without uniformity or permanency. The cost is \$2 per pair.

The question of sending a complimentary

Japan Reserves Answers on East

Would Learn More as to Scope and Nature of Questions To Be Considered at Conference.

TOKYO, July 15.—Japan, in answer to President Harding's proposal for a conference on armaments, has forwarded her reply to Washington, accepting the suggestion for the conference, says Kiki Shimo. Japan makes reservations concerning the general Far Eastern question until more is learned as to the scope and nature of the questions to be considered.

REFUSES TO GIVE UP NOTE

SEATTLE, July 15.—The body of the wife of Clarence L. Reames, former special assistant attorney general, was found early today in the kitchen of her home. Death was from asphyxiation, the police said. Reames found a note which he declined to turn over to the officers. The coroner is investigating to determine whether she committed suicide.

MANY BANKERS TO ATTEND MEET

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., July 15.—Although the program for the nineteenth annual convention of the American Institute of Banking, the educational division of the American Bankers' Association, to be held July 19 to 22, inclusive, here, is still tentative, items definitely arranged include addresses by a number of men financially known in commercial and financial circles.

One of the features of the convention will be ten departmental conferences, with an Institute man of recognized ability as leader in each.

Between 1,000 and 1,500 delegates from all parts of the country are expected to attend. They will represent 44,000 bank officers and clerks of the United States, principally from eighty-four of the country's largest cities.

U. S. SENDS REPLY.

WASHINGTON, July 15.—The United States has informed Japan of its ideas and the scope of the disarmament question in order to meet Japan's desire to know the extent before accepting.

In addition to discussing the name plate matter, the visiting secretary pointed out virtues and faults of La Grande as he saw them, disavowing that there are knockers in La Grande but insisting that those who sit back and criticize without offering assistance or help in community betterment, have simply gotten into the dust kicked up by those who do things, and because of the dusty atmosphere, have developed a serious attack of community asthma. The cure for this malady is to get up in front, he said.

mentary shipment of Grande Ronde valley cherries to the San Francisco Ad Club was delegated to the secretary.

FRIED CHICKEN 'N' EVERYTHING



British and Irish Continue Talks

Conversations Are to Be Resumed Again Monday; Today's Discussion Not Lengthy.

LONDON, July 15.—Another meeting between Eamon De Valera and Premier Lloyd George was held today, the discussion of the preliminaries of the hoped for Irish peace lasting about an hour and a half. At the conclusion of the meeting, announcement was made that the conversations would be resumed later, probably on Monday.

MILITARY TAKE CONTROL AGAIN

BELFAST, July 15.—The military resumed the control of the North Queen street area today, while armored cars patrolled the streets. Two persons were killed and between thirty and forty were wounded in the rioting last evening.

WOULD OPEN CAVES OF JOSEPHINE COUNTY

GRANTS PASS, Ore., July 15.—The government is pushing work on the new highway to Josephine caves, and it is expected that by next year tourists visiting the caves will be able to travel by automobile all the distance. The county is improving the road to the forest reserve. The trip from the end of the county road to the caves, a distance of five miles is now being made on foot or with pack horses. The trip through the caves takes about four hours.

NEW OFFICERS ARE ELECTED

A. C. BRINKER, PRESIDENT LABOR COUNCIL

Three Members of Clerks' Union Now on Roster of Officials; Labor Day to Be Celebrated

At the semi-monthly meeting of the Central Labor Council officers were elected to serve the coming six months. A. C. Brinker of the Clerks' union was elected president to succeed Clinton Schultz. E. Benner of the Butchers' union was elected vice president for another term. Ira Cantrell of the Clerks' union was re-elected treasurer. H. A. Gjerno of the Clerks' union was made conductor and Putnam Yeck of the Bootmakers, trustee.

The new president of the labor council is also grievance man for his union and it is expected that considerable activity will result in his election to the presidency of the council.

At the meeting last evening it was also decided to make an effort to hold the labor day celebration here this year. Pendleton and Baker will be asked to join in the affair. It has previously been announced that the celebration this year would not be held here but indications are now that La Grande will be chosen for the event. Definite arrangements will be made at the next meeting of the council, it was believed.

ESCAPE WITH MONEY.

PITTSBURGH, July 15.—Four masked men held up an electric car and escaped with \$40,000 which was carried by the coal company paymaster.

BUSINESS PROPERTY CHANGES OWNERSHIP

The Lewis building, occupied on the ground floor by the J. C. Penney Company, and with a series of modern apartments on the second floor, changed hands today when B. M. Vandonga decided the property to the La Grande Building Company. In the transaction was also the residence on G. avenue erected some time ago by W. H. Kivisto, one of the most up-to-date bungalows in the city.

Mr. Vandonga purchased these properties last fall and has managed the business building since that time. He came here from Pendleton where for a number of years he was engaged in wheat raising. The deal closed today carries with it a trade wherein J. H. Marshall, former owner of the Washington hotel at Weiser, Idaho, deeds to Mr. Van Donge, a large fruit orchard in the Weiser country. Mr. Marshall held the La Grande property only a few

WARRANT OUT FOR ARREST OF BRUMFIELD

Roseburg Dentist Is Sought to Answer to Charge of Murder of Dennis Russell

CARRIED ACCIDENT, FIRE AND DEATH INSURANCE

Clothing Found at the Scene of the Wreck Points to the Theory of Fool Play; Headless Body Is Found Underneath the Car, But No Trace of Brumfield.

ROSEBURG, July 15.—Dr. R. M. Brumfield, local dentist, is sought on a warrant charging the murder of Dennis Russell, laborer, who was living alone in a cabin near Dillard.

The warrant was issued last night after Sheriff Starn investigated the wreck of Brumfield's automobile, which was found burned at the foot of an embankment west of here, with a headless body beneath it.

The Sheriff said that Brumfield carried automobile, accident and life insurance totalling \$27,000. It is believed that Brumfield murdered Russell, loaded the body into an automobile, drove over the embankment, exploded dynamite, blowing off Russell's head. Articles of clothing and other effects of Russell and Brumfield were found at the scene of the wreck, said the officers.

The mystery at first baffled the police, as it was at first believed that the "headless" body was that of Dr. Brumfield, but no explanation could be given for the clothing of Russell being in the wreckage. Only a murder theory could account for the ring of Brumfield, which was on the finger of the body, which has now been established as that of Russell.

Circulars offering \$250 reward and describing Dr. Brumfield have been sent out by the sheriff. The officers are endeavoring to close every avenue of escape for Dr. Brumfield. It is believed that he either took the coast road over the mountains, or returned to the city and then took the midnight train north. The officers are guarding all passes leading out of Douglas county.

Dynamite Carried in Car.

In the car prior to the wreck were six or eight sticks of dynamite, three caps and several lengths of fuse, all of which were to be used in blasting stumps. The explosion of the dynamite explains the decapitation of the body, only three sticks remaining intact after the accident.

The automobile was driven over a steep grade at a sharp curve, and crashed into a tree. It then rolled over a high culvert and dropped about ten feet into a ravine. The explosion of the dynamite evidently occurred as the machine struck the tree, for the position of the body indicated that the head was gone when the body rolled under the machine.

Dr. Brumfield was one of the city's leading dentists. He was a member of the Elks lodge and president of the Roseburg Monthly Music club and was quite prominent in business and professional circles of the city. He is survived by his widow and three children.

Dennis Russell was a laborer, residing alone in a small cabin. He was well known throughout the county.