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MANY PLANKS IN THE NEW CHURCH CODE

Episcopal Advance Guard Has Radical Measures Before It Today.

WOULD ABOLISH OLD CUSTOMS

Session Today Plainly Tells of the Importance of the Triennial Convention of the Church Next Week.

PORTLAND, Aug. 30.—Revision of the book of common prayer, including the proposal to drop the bride's promise to obey from the marriage ceremony and the elimination of the bridegroom's endorsement to the bride with worldly goods, divorce, woman's status in churches, the industrial situation, church unity and other problems were considered by the informal conference of the members of the House of Bishops starting here today as a preliminary to the forty-seventh triennial convention of the Episcopal church next week.

NEW YORK, Aug. 30.—A movement focused at present in Grace church, Tenth street and Broadway, where meetings for "spiritual healing" have been conducted ever since James Moore Hickson was here three years ago, will appear in prominence with the presentation at the forthcoming general convention of the Episcopal Church in Portland, Ore., of the report of a commission unique in the annals of the church.

For the last three years the joint commission to consider the fuller recognition of the ministry of healing has been engaged in an investigation of the subject. Now it is ready to present its findings for the vote of the convention. Bitter opposition is expected in quarters where psychiatric therapeutics in religion is regarded with suspicion. One of the aims of the commission is to understand, and bring about a closer alliance of the clergy and physicians.

In this connection a report that Grace church is to open a clinic for the treatment of functional nervous disorders could not be verified today in the absence of Dr. Charles L. Starnes, rector of the parish.

The Rev. Eason Cross, curate of Grace church, denied knowledge of any such project, although he sweetly and enthusiastically on the Tuesday afternoon meetings which have been held ever since Mr. Hickson, commonly known as "the healer," left New York. Several cures have been reported as a result of the meetings, he intimated.

"The laying on of hands" is practiced with prayer at these services. They are largely attended by persons in physical or mental distress and by the relatives of cripples and invalids who are too ill to appear in person. Their names are sent up to the altar on slips of paper. The officiating clergyman reads them out, praying for the individual cases.

Silent Prayer Also Held. There is a silent prayer and a chapter on healing is read. Finally each one kneels at the altar and while the clergyman lays his hand on the bowed head and prays, with specific reference to the case, for "strength of mind, soul and body."

This is about as far as any Episcopal church has gone on the question of faith healing, except where church doors have been opened to the professional "healer" in the case of Trinity, which entertained Mr. Hickson when he was here.

Bishop Manning, who was then rector of Trinity, and really launched Mr. Hickson in New York, is known to feel sympathetically on the subject. He is a prominent member of the commission which is to bring in its findings at the convention in Portland.

ENGINES SAID TO BE IN BAD CONDITION NOW

Federal Inspection of Railroad Equipment Not Kept Up and is to be Investigated.

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, Aug. 30.—A decision to institute a special department of justice to investigate alleged illegal stoppages of transportation service incident to the rail strike in the west, a formal relaxation of some of the interstate commerce commission orders, priority for control of coal distribution, publication of the federal safety inspectors' survey of railroad engines and preparation of official estimates that soft coal production for the week is rising above 3,000,000 tons, or 100 per cent more than a month ago, were among elements that emerged today out of the government's actual contact with the industrial situation.

In the midst of these developments, John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers, whose petition has been a dominant one in the continuation of the deadlock which has kept the anthracite fields of Pennsylvania tied up, arrived in Washington and before a succession of conferences shortly after White House expressions, indicated confidence that the long delayed settlement there was to be looked for at once.

Inquiries to Be Made. Attorney General Daugherty announced that a separate investigation organization would be built up immediately in Los Angeles, in charge of Hiram C. Todd, United States attorney for northern New York, who is to resign his post at once to accept the federal appointment. It will be Mr. Todd's duty, it was said, to conduct inquiries into the possible criminality involved in the series of train stoppages and interruptions to interstate commerce in the west.

Likewise the attorney general sent formal instructions to all federal district attorneys to follow up any violations of a federal court injunction obtained by railroads to prevent strikers and their sympathizers from molesting operations in shops and yards. The law, Mr. Daugherty said, must be "impressively enforced" in the matter.

There is "a very general let-down in the matter of inspection (of locomotives), by carriers which gives cause for concern," the interstate commerce commission reported today, answering a resolution brought out by the controversy between strike leaders and the railroads over safety conditions of equipment since the shophmen walk-out.

The railroads are failing to make all the inspections required by law, the report continued, and management all reporting inability to do so because of the strike, while the commission's own staff of inspectors is merely sufficient in number to supervise and test the carriers' inspection system. Notwithstanding, interstate commerce commission inspectors during July inspected 4,083 locomotives on 162 railroads, finding 2,450 defective, and 163 unsafe to operate. Many of the defects on 292 engines still in service were "found to have defects in need of prompt attention."

It was pointed out that condition of a repair indicated did not, in the "exercise of discretion and judgment" by the inspectors affect the safety of operations except in the case of the locomotives put out of service. It was, however, impossible, the commission said, for its inspection staff to report on the changing conditions of the 70,000 locomotives which come in service where safety requirements are established in the law.

ANOTHER PRECINCT IN BAD (By Associated Press.) PORTLAND, Aug. 30.—The grand jury is to investigate precinct No. 179 as the result of a discovery in the recount instituted by John B. Coffey, republican candidate for the legislature, that Coffey was credited with five less votes than he received and Kirkwood, his nearest opponent, with two more than he actually received.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS. (By Associated Press.) PORTLAND, Aug. 30.—Top cattle were steady today; half-fat stuff was weak; hogs were weak with prime lights selling at 10 to 11 cents; sheep were steady; eggs two cents higher, buying prices ranging from 25 to 30 cents, and the selling price 33 cents; fancy butter was firm, and ordinary grades were steady.

SALES TAX REJECTED (By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, Aug. 30.—The Senate amendment to the Bonus bill proposing to pay the soldiers bonuses from a sales tax was today rejected by the senate without a roll call.

Hiram Johnson Has Big Lead Over Mr. Moore (By Associated Press.) SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 30.—Returns from yesterday's primary elections increased Hiram W. Johnson's lead over C. C. Moore for the republican nomination of United States

senator. Of the 2344 precincts heard from out of a total of 6695 precincts, the entire state, Senator Johnson has 105,754 and Mr. Moore has 73,812 votes.

FRANCE PULLS UP STAKES IN CONFERENCE

Germanians Announced They Were Ready to Present Reparations Plan.

PROPOSALS ARE UNACCEPTABLE

France Just About Ready to Quit the Reparations Commission and to Take Action on Her Own Part.

(By Associated Press.) PARIS, Aug. 30.—German delegates today presented to the reparations committee their plan of guarantees and a moratorium. Because the Germans advanced new proposals acceptable to France the feeling was expressed today in reparations circles that France would withdraw its delegation from the reparations commission preparatory to important action.

TRAINS DELAYED BY A 'WASH-IN'

Heavy Rains of Yesterday Piled Dirt High on Tracks at Huron Causing Delay to Traffic.

A "wash-in" that occurred at Huron during the heavy rains experienced in La Grande and to the north of La Grande delayed Train No. 18 for several hours, according to reports. The wash-in, as it is defined by railroad officials, consists of a large amount of dirt washed onto the track, similar to a landslide, only due to a rain, and took several hours to clear. Train No. 18 arrived in La Grande shortly after three o'clock in the morning, it being due at eight o'clock.

According to reports from Union and vicinity very little rain fell in that section, most of it being experienced in the northern section of the Grande Ronde valley, Wallowa county and around Huron.

WAGES WAIT ON LABOR MEMBERS

(By Associated Press.) CHICAGO, Aug. 30.—Chairman Hooper today announced that the labor board would not render an opinion on the Maintenance of Way men's request for increased wages until all members of the labor group of the board's members return, which will be about the middle of September. One is on a vacation and another is in California with a sick wife.

THE REAPER—PAST AND PRESENT



PICNIC TO BE HELD AT UNION

Livestock Club Members and Friends Will Gather at Experiment Station on Saturday; Big Basket Dinner Planned.

Preparations are nearly complete for the staging of the livestock club picnic to be held at Union Saturday on the Experiment Station grounds. Robert Withycombe, manager of the station, and L. J. Allen, assistant state livestock club leader, will act as hosts to the club and their friends who will gather Saturday.

One of the important features of the day will be the stock judging event to take place in the morning, beginning at ten o'clock. The following classes will be judged: Dairy cattle, two classes of Jersey cows, hogs, two classes of Berkshire sows and two classes of market hogs, sheep, one class of fat lambs and one class of ewes.

Following the stock judging event a big basket dinner will be held in the grove adjacent to the experiment station buildings. The Union County Farm Bureau will furnish the ice cream and those who attend are requested to bring baskets well filled with eats.

Allen To Speak. At the close of the dinner, L. J. Allen will address those present and several others will also take the platform. Specially invited guests are Mrs. A. E. Ivanhoe, county school superintendent; Roy Conklin, superintendent of the Union schools; Ralph L. Morrison, in charge of the agricultural department in the Union-high school; E. G. Dykstra, formerly principal of the Cove schools; Professor Willard Westenskow, of Imbler, and the public is cordially invited to attend.

Athletic Program. The afternoon will be spent in athletic and a sport program. Although this is not completely arranged yet, croquet, eating contests, a tug-of-war, stou, sack and three-legged races will all be held in conjunction with the usual field events.

LEONA WALDROF LEADS CONTEST

(By Associated Press.) NOME, Alaska, Aug. 30.—Captain Amundsen has abandoned for this year his plan for an airplane flight from Northern Alaska across the North Pole to Spitzbergen, or Grant's Land, but plans to hop off next spring. The cutter Bear brought this word from the explorer at Point Barrow.

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PRIATES WILL ELECT TONIGHT

The members of the La Grande baseball team and those interested in the club will meet this evening in the Union County Ad club offices for the purpose of electing officers and beginning preparations for the coming season. The meeting will be held at 7:30. The Ad club rooms are in the Y. M. C. A. building.

With the prospects of entering the contemplated "Big Four" league next season, La Grande is already beginning work preliminary to putting a first class team in the field. The proposed membership to the league will include, Baker, La Grande, Walla Walla and Pendleton.

GARTERS WERE KNOWN IN CITY

The death of Mrs. J. L. Carter, who passed on at her home in Portland a few days ago, was well known to the older inhabitants of this valley. Mr. and Mrs. Carter were for years identified with educational work here. He was county superintendent at one time and Mrs. Carter was a prominent teacher in the schools of the valley. That was back in the days of the old Blue Mountain University, but the sweet memories of those days, clinging in the minds of the older people and the death of Mrs. Carter, which occurred after a long illness, is remembered in La Grande and Union county with considerable sadness.

LEONA WALDROF LEADS CONTEST

Standing of Competitors Today. Leona Waldrof 3404 Pearl Cyr 2745 Nellie Swartz 2111 Marie Bowman 2102 Evelyn Smith 1600 Roberta Smith 610

The six competitors for the honor of going to Pendleton on Labor Day as the La Grande Goddess of Labor are warming up to their task of soliciting votes in true political style. Leona Waldrof still leads the contest but Marie Bowman dropped to fourth place, while Pearl Cyr is runner up to Miss Waldrof, having only 688 votes less to her credit.

NEW MEN GET RAISE (By Associated Press.) PORTLAND, Aug. 31.—The new Union Pacific shop workers, who took the place of the strikers, announced today they had an agreement with the railroad for a rate of pay from two to fifteen cents an hour higher than fixed by the railroad labor board, effective September 16th.

WHEAT MARKET (By Associated Press.) PORTLAND, Aug. 30.—Wheat was \$1.04 to \$1.10 today.

PALM TREES TO ADORN THE CITY

Official Decorator to Make La Grande a Wonderful Oasis in the Desert of Life.

That the gods are with the Dokie convention is apparent today following the glorious weather after the soaking rain of yesterday, which wet down the dusty roads of Eastern Oregon. The rain was general and reports are that highway are greatly improved because of the rain. Simultaneous with the burst of sunshine this morning there loomed up on the public horizon a fine lot of window decorations in the contest to entertain and charm the visiting Dokies. Fully half a dozen of the windows are now complete and ready for admiration and are real works of art. The splendid co-operation on the part of the business men going to heavy expenses in preparing these windows is greatly appreciated by the Dokies and Ad Club committee. The public is urged to inspect these windows because many of them are gems. Among the outstanding windows this morning that are attracting attention along the business streets are Seigrist & Co. Patterson Bros., J. H. Peare & Son, French & Greene, Clint's Clothery, U. S. National Bank, N. K. West, O. K. Barber Shop, The Toggery, C. H. Sevanton, Carr Furniture Co., Oregon Hardware & Implement Co., Red Cross Drug Store, Holm's Grocery, Jack O' Lantern, Woolworth's and F. E. Oxtier.

Other windows are being prepared and will blossom out this evening. In several instances the display made at night is even more effective than in daylight. The judging of these windows for the cash and special prizes that have been hung up will be done Friday and Saturday and the judges will all be out-of-town people. That there are at least five windows which will keep the judges guessing is conceded.

As the day of the convention approaches the street decorations are being hurried along and in another 24 hours the palm trees will have been erected along Adams and Depot. Some of the exterior decorations are elaborate.

There is an added hum of activity around headquarters. The automobile parking committee, the automobile parking committee, which is making it possible to check in cars under a crew of guards like one checks a hat at a party, the local contest committee, the coronation committee, eating facilities committee, the joint finances committee, the housing committee, the recreation committee, the stunt committee, the street dance committee, the various committees on entertainment for ladies and those who are building the various floats are knee deep in work but the chairman in each case reports that his affairs are coming along successfully. The big general convention that La Grande has ever tackled will be set and ready when the first delegation comes Thursday afternoon.

The fact is again impressed upon the public that with the exception of the coronation Friday afternoon everything is free and open to the public. For the benefit of people who have not seen the elaborate stage setting employed in coronations it can be said that the Rex Hall doors will be open Friday morning, Friday noon and after 2 o'clock Friday night for public inspection. This setting is worth while seeing and anyone is welcome to inspect it.

FRAGAS IN BOSTON LUNCH

Monte Elam and Joel Hibbs are in the city jail today awaiting the time when the hands of the clock will point to 7:30 p. m., when they will be tried in the police court on the charge of disorderly conduct and possibly a charge of attempted robbery.

About 12:30 this morning three men were in the Boston Lunch. The Chinese cook, Lee Bong, was standing in the doorway and some words passed between the men and the cook. One of the men threw a salt shaker at Bong, hitting him on the hand and cutting it quite seriously. Whereupon Bong rushed to the kitchen, grabbed a kitchen knife and started for the men, who picked up the cash register and started to throw it at him. That is their story, according to the police and to witnesses, but Wong Sing, proprietor of the Boston Lunch, believes that they were attempting to carry the cash register away.

The two men, Elam and Hibbs, who are awaiting trial, state that they were not implicated in the matter but the waitress and others identified them as two of the men. The other has not been found. According to Wong, this is the fourth time his restaurant has been the scene of an attempted burglary.

THE WEATHER. (By Associated Press.) PORTLAND, Aug. 30.—Tonight and Thursday probably showers, and cooler in Eastern Oregon.

BONUS BILL BRINGS MORE OPPOSITION

Addition of Reclamation and Foreign Debt Amendments Does No Good.

HARDING NOT PLEASED AT ALL

Visitors at White House Think Chief Executive is More Bitterly Opposed to Bill in New Form.

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, Aug. 30.—White House callers, who discussed the proposed soldiers' bonus bill with the president today, came away with the impression that the executive regarded the addition of the McNary land reclamation amendment, which was passed by the senate yesterday, and the Simmons foreign debt amendment also adopted yesterday, as making the measure all the more objectionable, in fact more so than it was in its original form.

BOY SCOUTS HAVE RETURNED

Completes Two Weeks Outing Extinguished Forest Fire; Ed Fitzgerald All Around Champion.

The boy scouts arrived in La Grande yesterday afternoon about six o'clock bronzed from two weeks camping, but just about as glad as could be returning home. "We have had a wonderful time," they said unanimously, "but home looks pretty good to us, just the same."

The two weeks spent at their summer camp on the Big Minam were uneventful in regards to big adventures, but not a dull moment was spent in the entire two weeks. A program was observed daily that left nothing unprovided for and an overnight hike was made at the end of one week in camp, each tent forming a party and going different ways.

Ed Fitzgerald Champion. Athletic contests were held and the results of the various events gave George Glass the honor of being champion in field events and swimming. Leo McCorkle was runner-up, being one-half point behind Glass. Ed Fitzgerald won the all around athletic championship, winning from Marion Headley by three-fourths of a point.

First tent prize went to Wigwag Inn, with Francis Robinson, leader, George Glass, assistant, and Raymond Griffin, Cameron Miller and Bob Smith making up the rest of the tent's personnel. Second prize went to "Nobody Inn," captained by Leo McCorkle. The other three tents ranged "Wigwag Inn," "Dewdrop Inn" and "Trails' End."

The prize for the biggest fish will have to be split between Ed Fitzgerald and Fern Kelley, each catching a 15 1/2 inch trout, the former being a Holly Vardon and the latter a Rainbow.

The photographic contest is incomplete as it will not close until September 15.

Practically all of the boys were increased in scouting efficiency and many passed the degree tests in the "Woodcrafters' Lodge." A new organization of older boys will be formed soon comprising those who have passed the Woodcrafters third degree and also first class scouts.

Harvey Carter, scoutmaster of Troop No. 1, claims the honor of being the unluckiest man in camp. Besides receiving a sprained ankle and a cut artery he was stung by a yellow jacket. "Outside of those few mishaps, I had a fine time," he remarked.

Put Out Fire. Three scouts, who were going to Cove to meet two others who were joining the camp last week, arrived on a small forest fire that was just beginning to be of a serious nature. Prompt work resulted in extinguishing the blaze. The fire had apparently been started by a cigarette carelessly thrown by the roadside.

Already a number of the boys are looking forward to next year's outing and from the appearance of the boys, and the scout commissioner, the trip was beneficial from every side.

Japanese Cruiser and Crew Sink in Typhoon

(By Associated Press.) TOKYO, Aug. 30.—The Japanese cruiser, Nitaka, was down in a three hundred mile storm, off the coast of the Philippines, and was virtually all hands, com

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