

COMBINATION MAY BECOME MUCH LARGER

Hale Holden of the Burlington Gives His Ideas On Railroad Grouping.

OPPOSES PLANS OF THE COMMISSION

Objects to Having Burlington Divorced from Great Northern and Northern Pacific Lines.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Nov. 18.—Consolidation of railroads in the west should result in a creation of four great railroad systems, each having terminals on the Pacific and Gulf coasts and at Chicago or St. Louis, President Hale Holden of the Burlington system asserted today at the Interstate Commerce commission hearing on the suggested mergers.

He opposed the tentative plans of the commission for the consolidation of the railroads of the north-west into two systems in such a manner as would separate his road from the Great Northern and Northern Pacific, suggesting that the commission might consider the advisability of even a larger combination of railroads stretching throughout the west. However, Mr. Holden said, the re-arrangement should maintain the north and south traffic routes as well as the transcontinental east and west routes through the west.

COUNTY LIBRARY IS DISCONTINUED

No Appropriation Made for the Work for the Coming Year is Made By the Budget.

The town office of the economy knife in public affairs is to be felt the first of January for at that time the county library will be a thing of the past. It is due to no appropriation in the budget and therefore no funds available to maintain that branch of work.

Members of the library board had not kept exact tab on the possibility of discontinuing the county library and as result that organization is now casting about for ways and means to continue the work.

Apparently there is no way in sight and very likely on the first of the year the county library service will come to a close.

DUTTON JOINS THE HILL STORE

George Lawrence "Scotty" Dutton, late of Portland, has joined the force at Hill's Department store and in the future will have charge of the furnishings and clothing department.

Mr. Dutton is very well known to many people in the valley and in La Grande and his decision to make La Grande his home comes as a pleasure to all of his acquaintances. He is a live, energetic young man who will be an addition to the city in many ways.

He is a graduate of O. A. C. where he took a prominent place in football circles and other athletics. "Scotty" also served in the late war in the 91st division overseas.

Man Arrested For Larceny of Car Claims Not Guilty

A. R. Busch, giving his home as Baker and his occupation as a traveling salesman, was arrested just this side of Baker last evening by C. L. Lewallen, state traffic officer, and is charged with larceny of a Buick car. He was brought to La Grande and bail was set at \$400 and the Buick car. A time for his hearing has not been set.

Lewallen was driving to Baker last evening and seeing a car about 100 yards from the road investigated and discovered that the Buick, which was occupied only by Busch, contained a Ford license tag from the Willamette valley and that the engine number had been chiseled off.

Busch emphatically claims that he knew nothing about the car being stolen and states that he is not guilty.

His story, as it was told to the local authorities today, is that Busch was walking out of Baker, going to La Grande, and a car came along, whose occupant invited him to ride with him. Busch states that the other man, whose name he states he did not know, asked him to drive the car. Busch acquiesced and the other man asked him to drive from the road, whereupon he left the car. About that time Lewallen arrived on the scene and made the arrest.

PENDLETON'S CHAMP CLAIMS NOT JUSTIFIED

La Grande's Claim is Better Than the Bucks; Local Team Has Better Scoring and Percentage Record.

Coming like a thunderbolt and just as unexpected is Pendleton's claim to the football championship of Eastern Oregon. Local fans and grid authorities cannot understand it. Pendleton claims to have a higher percentage standing and a larger scoring record in an article in one of the Portland papers. Admittedly Pendleton's team is one of the strongest, but her defeat of La Grande, who was crippled and seriously weakened by injuries at the time, is the only loophole through which she can thrust her "pendant" claim.

Pendleton, early in the season, was defeated twice, both times by teams in Umatilla county and by Eastern Oregon teams, just as surely as Pendleton is. Defeated by two teams from much smaller schools. Since then she defeated La Grande by three touchdowns on a day when La Grande could not muster her full strength—and on the other hand the Bucks played their best game of the year. Should one game entitle them to the championship and the Shuehan cup? Truly not a question that would be hard to answer.

La Grande Record Better.

The Bucks defeated Enterprise 26 to 0, Enterprise defeated Baker 29 to 14, La Grande overwhelmed Baker 72 to 6, using her second team during the first ten minutes of the game. If Pendleton's team was as strong as La Grande's she should have beaten Enterprise by at least three more touchdowns. And with three weeks passing between the Baker-Enterprise game Baker really strengthened their team. La Grande has played consistent, machine-like, aggressive football every game of the season excepting when she met Pendleton and what can a team do when her lineup is weakened at the last minute by having to take out two of the strongest men and another star end for half of the game?

On comparative showings La Grande easily has the edge. Pendleton defeated Enterprise 24 to 0, Prairie City 26 to 0 and La Grande 25 to 7. She lost to Athena 7 to 9, and to Hermiston 18 to 19. Her total scoring record is 122 to 25. La Grande defeated Imbler 58 to 0, the Alumni 21 to 6, Elgin 23 to 0, and Baker 72 to 6, and lost to Pendleton 7 to 25. La Grande's scoring record was 181 to 27. And in high school games it was 160 to 21. The percentage records of the two teams are as follows: La Grande, three won, one lost, 75%; Pendleton, three won, two lost, 60%. They claim that Milton-Freewater forfeited her game which would boost their percentage to 66%. Pendleton has one more game with Baker, and should she win her percentage would be 71%. With three more games to play La Grande could lose one and still be tied with her and by winning them all her percentage would be 85%.

Today's Games.

This afternoon La Grande is playing at Union, Walla Walla, an outside team, goes to Pendleton. Enterprise plays Elgin, Athena takes on Umpqua, Baker tackles Halfway again, and Imbler invades Joseph. Only the La Grande-Union and Enterprise-Elgin games are considered important in regards to the championship race. La Grande should win from Union, Elgin is a favorite over Enterprise, Athena and Baker should win and Imbler and Joseph should play a close game with the former coming out victorious.

CAPPER TELLS WHAT FARM BLOC EXPECTS

If Republican Party Continues in Power it Must Act Says Farm Leader

GENERAL PROGRAM OUTLINED BY HIM

Would Turn Muscle Shoals Over to Henry Ford—Exempt Securities to Be Prohibited.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Nov. 18.—A program of "constructive" legislation coupled with a declaration against the ship subsidy bill, was announced today by Senator Arthur Capper, republican of Kansas, chairman of the farm bloc.

Senator Capper declared if the republican party is to continue in power it must furnish a constructive program including a complete rural credits system to provide the farmer and stockman with an adequate financial system; that it must reduce freight rates and must repeal the law giving the Interstate Commerce commission control over rates inside of states; must carry out a policy for better marketing systems; must put Muscle Shoals development in Henry Ford's hands; must make undistributed surplus and stock dividends pay their share toward maintenance of government; and must pass a constitutional amendment prohibiting tax exempt securities.

AUTO STAGE TO BE INSTALLED

Preparations are being made by G. W. Baars, formerly of La Grande, to install a Pendleton-La Grande auto stage within the next few days. Preliminary arrangements are being completed and it is expected to become a fact in the next week.

Mr. Baars has purchased a large Cadillac limousine car, which will be heated and which has all the modern comforts, and is going to make two trips a day. He will leave La Grande at eight o'clock in the morning and make his return trip in the afternoon, leaving Pendleton at one o'clock.

THE WEATHER

PORTLAND, Nov. 18.—Tonight and Sunday will be fair.

FRENCH TIGER IS IN AMERICA

Fifty Years Since Noted Statesman Had Been Here and He Sees Much Development.

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, Nov. 18.—George Clemenceau, "the Tiger of France" again set foot on American soil today when he landed from the steamship Paris.

A colorful fleet gave him a noisy welcome as his vessel steamed into the bay.

He was much impressed with development here since his first visit to America fifty years ago.

DAYS OF '49 AT UNION NOW

Union Live Stock Show Association is Sponsoring Show; Opening Night Last Evening.

The Days of '49, under the auspices of the Union Livestock Show Association, opened at Union last evening with the exhibition of all kinds of live stock, and a help in our bereavement of our loved husband, father and brother. Also for the beautiful flowers and to Rev. Ross and the singers.

Mrs. W. H. Allstott and Son, Mrs. Geo. D. Malcolm.

Clam Feed the 20th. Wing, F.P. and Fleetfoot.

Almost all kinds of Hot Drinks are served at our Soda Fountain such as Hot Chocolate, coffee, hot malted milk, hot lemonade, hot tea, mules, hot sundaes, and in a day or two we will serve home made pies of several kinds. We will be glad to have all try our Fountain service. We hope to have it quite complete and to your liking at Silvertown-Wright's Family Drug Store, formerly the C. D. Palmer Drug store.

One today sued the Federal Reserve bank of San Francisco in federal court here for \$130,000 alleged damages, charging persecution in an effort to force the Brookings bank to clear federal reserve checks at par.

LIVESTOCK MARKET

(By Associated Press.)
PORTLAND, Nov. 18.—Cattle and hogs steady, sheep steady at 50 cent advance late yesterday. East mountain lambs at \$11 to \$11.50. Eggs and butter scarce.

WHEAT MARKET.

PORTLAND, Nov. 18.—Wheat sold at \$1.16 to \$1.18 to day.

DEMOCRATIC LEADERS ARE HERE TODAY

La Grande is Meeting Place for the High Powered Democratic Officials

DR. MORROW AND DR. SMITH MEET PIERCE

Review of Future Developments in Legislative Affairs One of the Matters Under Discussion.

When a city's son has been elevated to state leadership they come from a distance for his council. That is the case today for Dr. J. W. Morrow, national committeeman of the democratic party, and Dr. C. J. Smith, state chairman of the democratic central committee, arrived in La Grande this morning for a conference with Governor-elect Walter M. Pierce.

These two leaders in party matters have long been prominent in Oregon politics. Dr. Smith at one time lived in Pendleton where he was a leading character having been elected mayor of that city and also having served in the state senate from that district. Dr. Morrow is quite well known because of the recent encounters he has had to retell the office of national committeeman in his party.

They will spend the day with Governor Pierce and this evening Dr. Smith will leave for New York and Dr. Morrow will return to his home in Portland.

The purport of the meeting was not made public in detail, although all members of the party stated that there was nothing under discussion except state affairs and the future of the Pierce administration.

Mrs. Mary Peterson Died at Her Home on Y Avenue Last Night

Mrs. Mary Peterson, wife of Geo. W. Peterson, died last night at her home on 1708 Y avenue, aged 64 years, 3 months and 2 days. Paralysis was the cause of death.

She leaves besides her husband, a daughter, Mrs. Myrtle Frey of Seattle, two sons, Clyde Peterson of La Grande and L. G. Peterson of Seattle, two sons, Clyde Peterson of Michigan, and a brother, Roy Foglesong of Conrad, Montana.

The funeral services will be held at the chapel of the Snodgrass & Zimmerman undertaking parlors on Monday afternoon at 2 p. m., Rev. Quigley preaching the funeral sermon.

SOCIAL CENTER AGITATED FOR ISLAND CITY

ISLAND CITY, Nov. 18.—Agitation was started here last evening for the erection of an amusement hall which will contain moving pictures and other pastimes for the people of this part of the valley who are up in arms against the La Grande streets which they are forced to travel after leaving the highway.

"We can't get to town so we will have to make our own fun and do so a community center must be erected in Island City," was the way one very prominent rancher of the valley spoke. Others decided it was the proper course to pursue. They claim repeated mention of the condition of the streets in La Grande has brought no response and if the people of that city will not take sufficient interest to see that officials who are supposed to look after the streets do their duty, it is time for the valley people to begin in some other plan.

LULU BETT IS GREAT DRAMA

Neighborhood Play to Be Presented Soon, Won Pulitzer Prize in 1921.

Miss Lulu Betts, which is to be staged November 28th, by the Neighborhood club at the high school auditorium, was Zena Gales' prize play, and has found great success in the theater, following its first presentation at the Belmont Theater, New York. It has won the Pulitzer drama prize of one thousand dollars for 1921. A chorus of praise for it has arisen from all sides. In the dramatic form it brings to the audience a marvelously exact and entertaining picture of the manners and the personalities of an American home today.

It is a comedy of American life, whose every speech brings delightful recognition of its human everyday truth.

GRANDY FUNERAL WILL BE HELD ON SUNDAY AT 2 P. M.

The funeral of the late William D. Grandy will be held at the Methodist church at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon under direction of the Elks lodge of which he was a member. The body will lie in state at Snodgrass & Zimmerman's until that hour.

His death occurred Thursday evening at his home in this city. In yesterday's paper mention of his death the names of relatives present when the end came did not include Charles Grandy of Ladd Canyon who was also present.

Mr. Grandy's health had been poor for the past year and of late he had been at the Adventist sanatorium at Walla Walla where his condition seemed to be growing much improved. In fact he showed steady improvement of late until the last severe illness which overtook him at the sanatorium. He was immediately brought home although his condition was critical.

PROTESTS OLCOTT DEFEAT.

SALEM, Nov. 18.—Dr. Andrew C. Smith of Portland, member of the state board of health for 20 years, today resigned as a protest against the defeat of Governor Olcott.

ATTENDING CONVENTION.

Miss Elaine Cooper arrived yesterday from Portland and is a guest at the A. Thomas home. Miss Cooper is state president of the Christian Endeavor, and is here for the convention now in session. She is a graduate of the University of Oregon, where she was a member of Alpha Delta Pi, and has many friends here among the university people. Another guest here for the convention is Miss Helen Anderson of La Grande, who is State Life Work superintendent.—Pendleton Tribune.

THE SULTAN'S DEPARTURE IS HAREM SHOCK

Sad and Dismayed Are the Wives and Ladies of the Sultan's Household

MOSLEM LAW WILL BE INVOKED ON HIM

Nationalist Governor Says Ruler Has Surrendered All When He Goes Under Christian Protection.

(By The Associated Press.)
CONSTANTINOPLE, Nov. 18.—The Sultan's wives and ladies of the Harem are overwhelmed with grief and dismay over the Sultan's flight. Rafet Passa, Nationalist governor of Constantinople, said the Turkish Nationalists consider the Sultan by his flight has surrendered the Caliphate, as according to Moslem law when the Sultan leaves Turkish soil and enters Christian territory, he places himself under Christian protection and thereby loses the Caliphate.

TO HOLD CLAM FEED MONDAY

Wing, Fin and Fleetfoot Club of La Grande is Making Final Preparations for Banquet.

Only two more days before the Wing, Fin and Fleetfoot club clam feed, to be held in the Methodist church Monday evening, and members of the club are wetting their appetites and preparing for one of the finest repasts of the season.

At Andrews, secretary of the club, reports that everything is progressing favorably, and urges all members to get their blue cards from him before the dinner. His headquarters are at the Toggery. Walter M. Pierce, governor-elect, will be the main speaker of the evening and an interesting address is confidently expected by all. Indications are that about two hundred will be seated Monday evening.

DECIOUS SELLS SILVER GRILL

A. L. Brown, Well Known Restaurant Man of Seattle, Purchases Restaurant

Final details of a deal were closed today in which Ben Decious, who has developed a very fine business in the Silver Grill, sells all of his interest in that business to A. L. Brown of Seattle. Mr. Decious has not determined as yet just what he will do but for a time he will take a rest from the restaurant business and do some running around seeing the country.

Mr. Brown has been one of the substantial restaurant men of Seattle for a number of years, having at one time been associated with the Leighton restaurants.

"I traveled quite a while before I found La Grande," said Mr. Brown today. "But the moment I entered this city I was positive this is the town for me. Mrs. Brown and myself both like La Grande already and we are here to stay. It is going to be our town in the future."

PRINCETON WINS

PRINCETON, Nov. 18.—The game today closed, Princeton 3, Yale 0.

Woman Loses on Claim of Being Descends Wife

(By Associated Press.)
PORTLAND, Nov. 18.—Petition of Madame Jeanne Grevious, who sought to be declared the legal wife and heir of Ernest S. Decamps, former leader of the Portland French colony who disappeared mysteriously in 1920, was denied today by Circuit Judge Tarsell.

Had the claim been allowed she would have become the sole owner to a \$70,000 estate.

Following Decamp's disappearance parts of a human body were found in various sections of Portland. The police suspected they were remains of Decamps, though this was never established.

Madame Grevious' claim was based upon an alleged marriage in the state of Washington which the court held was not sufficiently proven.

