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G. L. LARISON IS PRESIDENT OF AD CLUB

Elected to Office Today at Noon at Board of Directors Meeting.

OFFICERS WILL BE INSTALLED TUESDAY

Elmer Stoddard and John Macpherson Are Elected Vice-Presidents; H. E. Coolidge New Treasurer.

G. L. Larison was elected president of the Union County Ad club today noon at a meeting of the board of directors held in the Foley Grill, presided over by Earl C. Reynolds, secretary of the club. Elmer Stoddard was elected vice-president, and John Macpherson was elected second vice-president. H. E. Coolidge was elected treasurer.

They will be installed next Tuesday evening at the Annual Ad club dinner to be held in the Methodist church basement at 6:15 o'clock which will be presided over by C. E. Short, retiring president.

The above officers also make up the personnel of the executive committee of the Ad Club's board of directors.

The chairman of the respective committees, which were appointed a short time ago, will appoint their committeemen before the annual dinner.

Preparations are progressing for the annual dinner and the secretary announces that the tickets should be purchased this week so as to give the Methodist ladies, who will serve the dinner, an estimate as to how many will be in attendance. They may be obtained at the Ad club headquarters in the La Grande National bank building.

BAKER PIONEER DIES IN SOUTH

BAKER, Mar. 2.—The sad news was received yesterday of the death of Mrs. Mary W. Kinnison, widow of the late Joel P. Kinnison, at her home in Long Beach, California, February 27th. Mrs. Kinnison had been ill for several months. The deceased was 72 years of age. She came across the plains by team with her parents when a child and settled in Union, moving to Long Beach from Baker county about 12 years ago.

She is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Flavius Perkins, Baker; Mrs. Mabel Morris, Bishop, California; and three sons, John and H. B. Kinnison, of Baker county; and Joel Kinnison, of Goldfield, Nevada.

The remains will be shipped to Union to be interred beside the body of the deceased first husband, Mr. Hanna, who was a pioneer merchant of Union.

ETHERIDGE ON TRIAL

PORTLAND, Mar. 2.—Arguments were being made today in the Etheridge trial.

La Grande Has Fighting Chance For Championship

La Grande high school, for the first time since 1920, when a Blue and White basketball team coached by Charles Reynolds, went to Salem and although finally eliminated by Salem 29 to 20 in the state tournament, has a chance to journey to the Capital city and strive to wrest inter-scholastic state hoop honors from competitive teams from all over Oregon. Just a fighting chance—that is all. But with a fighting chance La Grande students are praying and hoping that their team will come through with honors and for the first time since 1920, bring basketball honors back to the La Grande school once more.

The trip to Salem rests upon, first, a win from Baker high school here Saturday evening, and second, if they do win from Baker, a choice over the Joseph team for the honor. Very likely, if La Grande does down Baker, she and Joseph will be asked to fight it out on a neutral floor—and there is also a possibility that one of the teams might get invited to play without playing such a game—but the big thing to do is first beat Baker! Beat Baker first and then figure out the Joseph-La Grande rating later.

Big Crowd Expected.

Needless to say the games Saturday night here in the high school gym will be well attended. Baker is sure to bring a large delegation of rooters for they, after starting

Wasn't A Bootlegger; Had to Move to Avoid High Rent, Says Schaefer

(By Associated Press)
OAKLAND, Calif., Mar. 2.—Fred P. Schaefer, who conducts a cleaning and dyeing establishment in this city, claims he was forced to move because he opposed bootlegging in the vicinity of his place of business. In the window of his store there appears this sign:

"We will soon move to our new location, corner 25th and San Pablo, on account of our rent being raised from \$50 to \$200 per month, because we're not bootleggers."

POLLUTED CAR THIEF COPPED IN LA GRANDE

Bert Wright, Alleged to Have Stolen a North Powder Car, Arrested Here; Caught With the Goods.

Bert Wright, of North Powder, is today journeying in the La Grande city jail, awaiting a visit from the North Powder peace officials. Bert can't go back to North Powder until they arrive and then he will go back to face a charge of larceny of a car. Just how Bert got in the city jail is told below.

Last night a telegram was received from the North Powder chief of police, stating that Bert had stolen a Ford sedan and had headed for La Grande, giving the license of the car as 66889. The night police promptly got their peepers peeled for his coming and finally, at 1:30 o'clock the errand Bert arrived. According to the night cops, who picked him up at the corner of Adams and 17th street, he arrived well polluted with moonshine and driving the Ford without a driver's license. A search of his clothing and the Ford failed to bring to light how he got that way but anyhow he is today behind the bars.

MARY M. CLARK DIES AT HOME

Another of Pioneer Ladies of the Grande Ronde Valley Called By Death.

Another of the Grande Ronde valley pioneer ladies went to the Great Beyond late yesterday when Mrs. Mary M. Clark, who has been suffering from a paralytic stroke for some time, died at her home at 805 C avenue. Her demise came as a severe shock to her host of friends who today mourn her passing on.

Mrs. Clark leaves to mourn her loss, two daughters and four sons, Hattie Montgomery, Joseph Clark, Jacob Clark, Nettie Waldorf, Martin Clark and Harvey Clark, all residents of La Grande. She is also survived by twenty grand children and 18 great grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held from the Snodgrass and Zimmerman funeral service parlors Saturday afternoon at two o'clock. The interment to take place in the I. O. O. F. cemetery. Reverend O. W. Jones will deliver the funeral sermon.

THE MARKET

PORTLAND, Mar. 2.—Livestock steady, eggs weak, butter steady.

TWO GERMAN TOWNS FINED BY FRENCH

Bochum is Assessed 35,000,-000 Marks, The French Collected Fine.

GERMANS BEAT UP TWO NEWSDEALERS

Kettwig Fined One Million Marks Because Military Telephone Wires Were Severed.

(By Associated Press)
ESSEN, Mar. 2.—The town of Bochum has been fined 35,000,000 marks because two news dealers were beaten by Germans for selling French newspapers. French troops quickly collected the fine by swooping down upon it.

The town of Kettwig was fined 1,000,000 marks because the military telephone wires were cut.

HAGUE SEAT IS HARD TO KILL

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Mar. 2.—Decision not to act at this session of congress on the president's proposal for American membership in the international court of justice, was reported today after receiving further explanation of the administration's purpose from the president and Secretary Hughes.

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Mar. 2.—The committee took position, after receiving a note from the president, transmitting it later from Hughes, in response to questions sent to the White House earlier in the week.

The note reasserted the administration's desire for American membership in the court and emphasized that arbitration before the court would not be compulsory and that the United States would have the right to decide in each instance whether it accepted the court's jurisdiction.

TO BUILD BRIDGE

PORTLAND, Mar. 2.—The highway commission today took tentative steps toward the construction of a \$200,000 bridge over the Willamette, at the Harrisburg junction in Linn county, next year.

STATE RESTS CASE

PORTLAND, Mar. 2.—The state rested today in the Enrick trial after attempting to prove that part, at least, of the ballots in precinct 201 were genuine as found at the recount.

Senate May Investigate Upward Trend in Sugar Prices; Resolution In

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Mar. 2.—Investigation by the senate manufacturers committee, headed by Senator La Follette, of the recent advance in the sugar price, was proposed in a resolution introduced by Senator Brookhart, republican of Iowa.

PHILADELPHIA BANKER HELD ON KILLING CHARGE

(By Associated Press)
PHILADELPHIA, Mar. 2.—Two women and one man were killed today when an automobile, traveling fast, crashed into them while they were alighting from a trolley car in West Philadelphia. The driver rushed on as the victims were hurled fifty feet.

Later Henry G. Brock, banker and clubman, was found four blocks from the killing beside a blood-spattered motor car, wrecked against a pole. He was arrested and is held with bail on a homicide charge.

RED CROSS TO BEGIN CAMPAIGN

"Angel of Mercy" Organization to Begin Drive for Funds on Monday; Unique Campaign is Planned.

Angels of mercy must, in the long run, depend upon coin of the realm for a basis of supplies in the distribution of their mercies. That's why the American Red Cross must have funds to operate with, and that's why citizens of Union county are annually asked to provide a budget for operating expenses. It has been so, and it will always be so, for without funds, even Red Cross mercy is short lived.

The campaign that begins next Monday is unique. It is one of those events in the life of a community which bears aught but good will from those who take time to reason and to think. The tradition, the history and the reputation—the fruits in all cases—join to create a unanimous and spontaneous atmosphere of good will. There needs not to be artificially stimulated in these annual campaigns to arouse universal interest. The task of the committees in charge is but to advise and direct, and the people do the rest, for without organized charities and without the annual budget, there would be no Mrs. Catlin, the lady who makes contact between the fountain of mercy and the party in need. There would be no contribution to the national fund which steps into the chasm when chaos and suffering develop out of catastrophes throughout the world.

There would be no fund to speed—

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NORWEGIAN GOVERNMENT HAS RESIGNED

CHRISTIANA, Mar. 2.—The Norwegian government has resigned, following the rejection by the Storting of its proposal for a commercial treaty with Portugal.

ELKS ELECT NEW YEAR OFFICIALS

Annual Election of Officers Resulted in DeLile Green Being Elected as Exalted Ruler.

Nearly three hours were required to cast necessary ballots for the election of the ensuing year's officers of the La Grande lodge of Elks, held at the home last evening. The crowd in attendance was the largest in some time. DeLile Green was chosen exalted ruler without opposition, and in two or three other instances, the same was true, but on the other hand, three of the races were hotly contested, it is said.

The new officers are:

Representative to grand lodge, S. D. Crowe, present exalted ruler.

Exalted ruler, DeLile Green.

Grand lodge alternate, H. J. Ritter.

Potestated leading knight, Robert Pratt.

Loyal knight, Lester Bramwell.

Lecturing knight, C. G. Bolton.

Treasurer, Chas. H. Harding.

Trustee, C. W. Van Fleet.

Secretary, Maud Eckley.

Tyler, C. O. Murchison.

ARMY BILL SIGNED

WASHINGTON, Mar. 2.—Army appropriations bill, carrying \$56,580,000 for river and harbor projects, was signed by the president today.

TODAY'S POWER READINGS

The E. O. L. & P. Co.'s report on the following conditions:

Output of plants	K.W.H.
Rock Creek	7,000
Fremont	2,025
Morgan Lake	1,610
Cove	2,750
Steam Plant	9,450
Baker Municipal	832
Total	23,617

Same day of week last year, 32,750.

Water Storage	1922, 8 ft. 4 in.	Drop 1 in.
Olive Lake, 1923, no report		
Morgan Lake, 1923, 2 ft.		
1922, 4 ft. 8 in.		

Pola Negri, Film Star, Breaks With Chaplin; Break Didn't Last Long

(By Associated Press)
LOS ANGELES, Mar. 2.—"We have made up," said Pola Negri today. "Charlie came to my home early last evening and stayed late. I have taken him back and we are quite reconciled and are engaged again. And I am so happy I cannot sleep."

LOS ANGELES, Mar. 2.—Pola Negri, motion picture actress, has broken her engagement to Charlie Chaplin, comedian of the films, according to an interview the Los Angeles Times will publish Friday.

"I consider I am too poor to marry Charlie," she said. "I wish to marry a wealthy woman, and he should have no difficulty in finding one in the United States—the richest and most beautiful country in the world."

"Therefore, I give Mr. Chaplin his freedom and release him from his engagement. I wish him the best of luck and I will always be his devoted friend."

MANY BUILDING PERMITS ISSUED IN TWO MONTHS

Fifteen Permits, Six Representing Business Erections, Issued Since January 1st.

Another proof that the building in La Grande this year is going to boom ahead at a great rate was discovered by a perusal of the city records relative to building permits. Already fifteen building permits, six of them for buildings in the business section, have been issued, and the estimated total to be expended in erecting fifteen buildings will amount to \$60,437.50. Spring hasn't yet arrived which promises many times that amount to be constructed before the year has finished.

Apparently La Grande has an early start over other cities in Eastern Oregon for reliable statements made by a Pendletonian who is close to the doings in the city hall at that place, say that very few building permits have been issued there this year. Last year La Grande spent \$101,510 on new construction and Pendleton spent more than that—nearly fifty per cent more. Other Eastern Oregon cities are also giving promise of a big boom during 1923 in the building line.

The total number of permits issued last year was 193, of which only one represented any building in the business section of any size, that being the reconstruction of the Foley hotel building. Practically all of the other permits represented residential buildings and advance notices from authorities are to the effect that residential building will exceed last year's record considerably. The business building has already shot far ahead of the 1922 record.

MEXICAN GETS A FOUR-YEAR TERM

Joe Martinez, Guilty of Larceny in a Store, Is Given Stiff Sentence By Judge Knowles.

Joe Martinez, Mexican, who was found guilty before Circuit Judge J. W. Knowles early in the week of a charge of larceny in a clothing store, was sentenced yesterday to a term in the state penitentiary, the maximum time not to exceed four years. Martinez was arrested some time ago by the city police, through the aid of Rob. Baker, on the charge of larceny in Seranton's clothing store.

According to the sheriff both Martinez and A. J. Howell, carrying a two year sentence, will be taken to Salem sometime within the next few days.

SCHOOL CHILDREN'S CLUB Work Highly Successful

That boys' and girls' club work has been a success in Union county during the past year is undoubtedly proven by the following reports that Mrs. A. E. Ivanhoe, county school superintendent, has only recently received. The report contains statistics relative to the work in Union county during the club year ending November 30, 1922.

Many interesting facts are given in the report. Among them is the statement that 201 boys and girls enrolled in the clubwork, the total value of products amounted to \$4,187.08, the total cost aggregated \$1,654.43, and the total profit on the club products was \$2,532.65, which is a very remarkable showing.

Thirty-three enrolled in pig club work, six in calf club work, 10 in

NIGHT RIDING CASE READY; WITNESS ILL

J. F. Hale, the State's Chief Witness, Is Seriously Ill Today.

ATTORNEY ASKS FOR CASE'S POSTPONEMENT

Reporters Taken to Bedside of Sick Man to Prove He Is Not "Faking"; Hale Wants to Testify.

(By Associated Press)
MEDFORD, Mar. 2.—At the opening of the night rider trial today the assistant attorney general, Mr. Liljequist, asked for a postponement because of the serious illness of J. F. Hale, the state's chief witness, and victim of the Table Rock "hanging," in which the defendant is alleged to have participated.

Hale was stricken late yesterday with hemorrhage of the stomach and his condition is today declared serious.

Liljequist called reporters to his bedside to show that Hale was not faking. Hale himself begged to testify but Liljequist said that he would rather drop the case than risk Hale's life.

TRIAL RECESSED

(By Associated Press)
MEDFORD, Mar. 2.—The night riders trial recessed at ten o'clock to allow the state to prepare a motion asking for continuance. The defense called Dr. Stearns to examine Hale following an examination by Dr. Pickett by the state. Judge Thomas admonished newspapermen regarding the publication of articles bearing on the case.

FAIR BERTH MAY GO TO CURREY

(By Associated Press)
SALISBURY, Mar. 2.—Fred Currey, state deputy of the Modern Woodmen of America in Oregon, is said to be slated for appointment to the position of secretary to the state fair board, according to apparently well founded rumor current here Wednesday.

Currey, a former La Grande newspaper man, a lifelong democrat and a close friend of Governor Pierce, has been prominent "among those present" about the executive office since the new administration was ushered into office. Currey was here again Wednesday, spending several hours in consultation with James Linn, chairman of the board, and being admitted to the presence of the governor late in the afternoon.

Action on the appointment of a successor to A. H. Lea, who resigned last September, has been postponed by the board from time to time, but it is expected that the vacancy will be filled at the meeting of the board next week, since it will be necessary for the new secretary to begin his duties soon if the work is to be under way in time for the fair next fall.

The position carries with it a salary of \$2,600 a year. While there are known to be several applicants for the position, Currey is regarded as having the inside track.

Rumors of a general shakeup in the personnel of the fair board itself are generally scooped here, although one or two changes would not be surprising.

Mr. Currey was formerly a resident of La Grande, leaving here a few years ago for Portland. While a citizen of this city Mr. Currey held many important positions, among them being the position of city manager. Many friends in La Grande heartily endorse him for appointment to the fair board.

