

RED CROSS DRIVE BEGINS SUNDAY NIGHT

Red Cross Charity Committees Will Formulate Plans.

BISHOP REMINGTON TO OPEN CAMPAIGN

Will Speak at the Methodist Church; Personnel of the Drive Committees is Given; Red Cross Is Praise-worthy.

Sunday evening Bishop W. F. Remington, head of the Episcopal diocese of Eastern Oregon, will open the Red Cross charity campaign in Union county when he addresses a public gathering at the Methodist church on the merits of the Red Cross work, the needfulness of maintaining the organization, and the spiritual as well as the humanitarian side of the campaign.

Following the sermon all members of committees appointed for the campaign are asked to remain in the church for a few moments while organization for the drive, which begins Monday morning, can be perfected. Receipt books, buttons and other supplies will be given out at this meeting and the committees for the different sections of the city will organize.

Below is given the personnel of each committee and it is hoped by those in charge of the work that all those whose names are listed will be able to remain for the organization meeting which will follow the Bishop's sermon.

Finance—T. J. Scroggins, Hazel S. Paige, J. H. Pearce.

Publicity—A. W. Nelson and Mrs. E. P. Mossman.

Church and Sunday School—Rev. G. H. Quigley, Rev. Stanger, Rev. A. H. Stilton, Father Looser, Elder O. W. Jones, Mrs. E. W. Beckman, Robert Eakin.

Supervision of Solicitation—C. E. Short, August Stanger, Elmer Stoddard, Dr. W. T. Pyle, Father Looser, and Mrs. E. P. Mossman.

General Committee Outside of La Grande—Herman White, Dr. W. T. Pyle, L. A. Wright, Mrs. L. Donham, Miss Anna Brooks.

Zoning the City—Father Looser, Mrs. E. P. Mossman, Mrs. Emma Fowler and J. H. Pearce.

Secret Society—Ad Club, Dr. Mossman and A. W. Nelson; Loyal Order of Moose, D. E. Shanks and M. A. Stillwell; Elks Lodge, S. D. Groves and P. L. Pearson; Modern Woodmen, E. H. Ring and Jacob Rostock; Masons, G. W. Hingner and E. R. Ring; Eagles, Z. Lilly and J. E. Birdwell; W. O. W., John Scott and H. J. Kitchon; Knights of Pythias, Frank Turner and E. L. Graham; Railroad Brotherhood, G. M. Curtis and L. C. Henderson.

Committee on Solicitation.

No. 1 Mrs. L. H. Russell, Mrs. Frank Chavinger, Mrs. P. E. Hoban, Mrs. E. P. Lewis, Henry Nurre (to charge of this district).

No. 2 C. E. Short, Charles H. Reynolds, J. H. Pearce, August Stanger, Elmer Stoddard, A. C. Hampton, T. J. Scroggins and Bruce Dennis.

No. 3 W. D. Grundy, Miss Holida Anderson, Mrs. Oscar Dorsch, Dick Claycomb, E. E. Hargreaves and W. H. Cassey.

No. 4 Mrs. J. E. Hilary, J. H. Blumstein, Mrs. Minnie Rostock, Mrs. John McEwen and Mrs. Monahan.

No. 5 Mrs. Alva Durey, Mrs. John

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Weather Man Says "Fair," Trapshooters Will Slay Clay Birds Tomorrow

With the weather man predicting fair weather tomorrow, La Grande sportsmen who delight in downing the clay pigeon will gather at the Country club traps, armed with their scatter-guns, prepared to boost their trap-shooting average. Due to the agreeable weather, La Grande has been experiencing in the past two months, the regular Sunday shoot has been held each week with hardly an exception, and the trap artists are beginning to excel in accuracy—which gives promise of a La Grande trapshooting entry in future inter-city events that will be capable of holding their own against all adversaries.

The shoot tomorrow will begin at high noon, as the society editors the country over are wont to say, and will last for three hours. Indications are that a large number of clay-bird experts will be in attendance.

SEMI-TITULAR CONTEST TAKES PLACE TONIGHT

Baker Rooters Coming 75 Strong for Baker-La Grande Game; The Imbler Girls Will Meet Local Sex-tette.

Within a few more hours the Blue and White basketball five of La Grande high school and the Purple and Gold quintet of Baker high school will take the floor in the high school gymnasium to play the final game of the season, which will be a direct bearing upon the division championship. Baker is on the way to La Grande as the Observer goes to press, coming in cars. According to reports from Baker about 75 rooters are accompanying the squad.

The definite line-up for tonight's contest has not been announced, but will probably be taken from the following: Captain Metcalf, Leach, Campbell, Smith, Garity, Funk, Richmond, Larson and the other members of the squad. James Collier is definitely out of it with a cracked rib.

Baker is bringing nine players to La Grande, each "bad" King has secured Stoddard, O'Neil, Moody, Ricker, Shephardson, Mortensen, Grant, Payson and Kirkland to make the trip and of the entire squad, Stoddard is considered the best man. Very likely Smith, one of the fastest guards La Grande has developed for some time, will be matched against Ricker.

Imbler Girls Fast.

Reports from Imbler state that the high school girls' team, who will play the La Grande girls in the first game of tonight's double-header, are going in at a fast rate and that they are hopeful of winning from the local sex-tette. The Imbler girls are more or less of a mystery to local fans, at least concerning their strength, but the Blue and White girls are expected to end their season by winning, although a tough battle is anticipated.

The first game of the evening will begin at 7:30. Referees have not yet been announced.

30 WOUNDED IN EUROPEAN CLASH

BERLIN, Mar. 2.—Thirty persons were wounded in a clash today between Bavarian socialists and communists at Augsburg and Bavaria.

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RUM RUNNERS SHOW UP OFF COAST AGAIN

Eleven Vessels Appear on "RumRow" Off New Jersey Coast.

CUSTOMS MEN TO CUT OFF FOOD SUPPLIES

Liquor Ships are Hailed as the Vanguard of a Whisky Armada; Ships Fear Rum Pirates.

HIGHLAND, N. J., Mar. 2.—Resumption of heavy rum running operations off the northern New Jersey coast was indicated Friday with the appearance on Rum Row of a formidable fleet which during unfavorable tide conditions has been greatly reduced.

The fleet comprised 11 vessels of the Bahama type. Six of them were steamers and five schooners.

Indications that the rummers operating small boats were preparing to protect themselves against rum pirates reported to have been active off the coast before the weather temporarily halted smuggling was seen in the revolver practice observed ashore.

The fleet which appeared Friday was hailed ashore as the vanguard of an armada reported to be on its way toward the New York market. As mild weather has broken up the ice fields which have clogged Sandy Hook bay, old residents of the highlands are looking for resumption of smuggling activities on a large scale.

To Cut Off Food.

(By The Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, Mar. 2.—Customs officials, citing the theory that rummers, with all they have to drink, cannot subsist without food, announced Friday they would seek a treasury department ruling to prevent "Rum Row" from getting anything to eat.

The announcement was made after a special inquiry during which H. W. Truitt, skipper of the cruiser Natchez, admitted that he delivered food supplies to the rum boats in Ambrose channel daily.

The treasury department, the customs officials said, would be requested to rule that carrying of supplies of any sort to rum boats would be in effect, allowing violation of the enforcement laws.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 2.—The contested nomination of James C. McNary of New Mexico, as the controller of currency, was reported favorably today by the senate banking committee.

HOPE THEY'RE CHINA EGGS, AFTER ALL



Decree for Separation of Lehigh Valley Railroad From Subsidiaries Filed

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Mar. 2.—In proceedings described by the department of justice as the "first step to bring about the dissolution of anti-trust coal trusts," ordered by the supreme court, Attorney General Daugherty today ordered filed in the United States district court of New York a final decree for the separation of the Lehigh Valley railroad from the coal subsidiaries.

SENIOR CLASS WILL PRESENT 3 ACT DRAMA

"Come Out of the Kitchen," a three-act drama to be presented by the senior class in the high school auditorium on the evenings of March 2-10, is rapidly being smoothed out until within a few days it will be a finished production, ready for presentation upon the set dates. Last evening the cast held a complete rehearsal and privileged spectators were unanimous in hailing the drama as "one of the best ever presented here." As yet the finer details have not been ironed out to the satisfaction of the director, Miss Mable Bennett, but during the next week, the final touches will be added.

"Come Out of the Kitchen," was written by A. E. Thomas and was arranged for presentation by special arrangements with Samuel French of New York. It is considered one of the most successful dramas of its kind that has been released for some time and the theater-going public is assured by the high school that it will be a rare treat.

The cast of the play is as follows: Elizabeth Dufferfield, Bertha Berger; Elizabeth Dufferfield, Jane Harland; Mrs. Falkner, Genevieve Hanna; Vera Falkner, Dorothy Krone; Amanda, Lucille Craig; Burton Crane, T. E. McDonald; Thomas Loffert, Jess Bean; John Tucker, John Robinson; Paul Dufferfield, Floyd Smith; Randolph Weida, Raymond Payton; Charles Dufferfield, Donald Rohan.

A pep assembly was held in the high school yesterday and each of the members of the cast contributed a short extract of the play. The ticket sale has commenced and considerable enthusiasm has been aroused regarding the coming presentation.

LAMBING SEASON ON IN FULL BLAST

UNION, Mar. 2.—S. E. Miller reports the lambing season in full swing at the ranch near Hot Lake and a few miles west of Union. He has a full crew of men and handles this branch of work with the same system that characterizes all branches of his business.

WHEAT QUOTATIONS (By Associated Press.)

PORTLAND, Mar. 2.—Hard white \$1.33; Red Western \$1.16.

ETHERIDGE IS ACQUITTED OF ONE CHARGE

Held Not Guilty of Embezzlement Charges in Portland Today.

ETHERIDGE MAY FACE OTHER CHARGES NOW

Acquittal is Echo of Collapse of Bond House in 1920, of Which Etheridge Was President.

(By Associated Press.)

PORTLAND, Mar. 2.—John L. Etheridge was acquitted today of the charge of embezzling \$25,000 worth of securities from the Morris Brothers, Inc., of which he was president. The acquittal is the echo of the collapse of the bond house in December, 1920. Other charges are pending against Etheridge.

NEW RESORT AT HEAD OF LAKE

J. Ross Leslie Is Erecting Buildings and Will Be Ready for This Season.

"The head of the lake is to be more popular this year than ever before, and all know what a drawing card it has always been during warm weather for years," said Auditor Phayle, of the Phayle Oil company, who recently returned from a business trip extending through Wallawa county.

Mr. Phayle says J. Ross Leslie has interested capital in erecting a new resort at the head of the lake and as present the new mill is running, turning out logs for the rustic hotel of 36 rooms with large dining room and porch, and also lumber for 25 cottages, all of which will be erected and ready for business this season. A filling station is to be put in at the lake, and it is being stored in it is very evident that Ross Leslie is going to make his dream come true. Ross' dream has always been that Wallawa lake, if given half a chance, would be one of the most popular resorts in the entire northwest.

"With the good roads now completed," said Mr. Phayle, "there is no doubt as to the travel that will go to the summer resort, and I look for an unprecedented tourist business on the Oregon trail and, also on the side trips this year, especially where such a magnet as Wallawa lake is located to draw the people who are out enjoying themselves and seeing the country."

Crew of Burning Ship Safely Removed Today To Santa Cruz, Calif.

(By Associated Press.)

SAN FRANCISCO, Mar. 2.—Fire burst out in the engine room of the motorship Bahinda, threatening the fuel tank, when she was off Santa Cruz, Calif., early today, and after the vessel sailed for help the steam schooner Ceila removed the crew.

Santa Cruz reported that the Bahinda burned ten miles off shore.

BANK ROBBED; BANDITS MAKE SAFE GETAWAY

Telephone Operators Bound, Wires Cut, Bank Robbers Flee With Loot from Yacolt Bank.

(By Associated Press.)

VANCOUVER, Wash., Mar. 2.—Bank robbers drilled the safe of the State Bank of Yacolt, at Yacolt, Wash., in Clarke county, about 20 miles north of here, early today, after binding the telephone operator and cutting wires, according to messages from residents who had to travel 12 miles out of town to give the alarm. No explosives were used. Sheriff Thompson and Deputy Kemp left here to head a posse.

Loot Totaled \$5,500 (By Associated Press.)

VANCOUVER, Mar. 2.—Three unmasked men committed the Yacolt bank robbery after binding three boys on duty at the telephone exchange and cutting the wires. Bank officers reported that \$500 in silver were taken from the outer compartment of the safe and that the robbers failed to enter the inner compartment where the main funds were kept.

About \$500 worth of liberty bonds belonging to depositors were taken. Officers learned that a high-powered car was heard speeding through Helson, southwest of Yacolt at 4:30 o'clock this morning.

WILLIAM DUBY ACCEPTS POST

BAKER, Or., Mar. 2.—William Duby, former county judge of Baker county, photographed Governor Pierce of his acceptance of the latter's appointment as state highway commissioner. Notification of his being named for that post was received by Judge Duby earlier in the day. He is a democrat, but was not active in the last election. He is 60 years old.

The position several weeks ago was tendered William Poltman, banker and banker, who Wednesday notified the governor of his inability to accept because of private business interests. Mr. Poltman, however, is known to have endorsed Mr. Duby for the appointment. State highway commissioners are not paid.

Officials Endorse Work Done by Mrs. Catlin and The Red Cross Chapter

How strangely dependent the endorsing bodies and government agencies are upon the American Red Cross in reflected in interviews with such organizations. The campaign for the annual budget of the American Red Cross in Union county, which begins Monday morning, is of vital interest to the public. It is even more so to those who have to do with handling delinquent children and unfortunate people generally.

"We couldn't get along without Mrs. Catlin and the Red Cross," is the enthusiastic statement of one official.

Typical interviews held with public officials who probably best realize the benefits of the Red Cross, reflect the unanimous opinion that this organization is almost indispensable. Here are two very typical expressions, coming from two institutions which come in very close contact with the work for which funds will be solicited next week throughout Union county:

A. C. Haynes, Chief of Police: "The Red Cross means more in the police department in La Grande than any other society. At all times of the day or night we feel free to call upon this organization and we have never yet called Mrs. Catlin that she did not help us, regardless of the hour or of her personal convenience. We could not get along without the Red Cross."

Ralph Huron, Commander of La Grande Post No. 43 American Legion: "The most valuable organization in existence today to disabled ex-servicemen is the American Red Cross. The American Legion is doing its best for service men, and we are proud of our record of things accomplished. But in the matter of preparing the enormous amount of evidence required by law to connect disability with service, without the Red Cross, the task for the Legion would be hopeless. No post of the Legion would be able to find officers who would have time to do this work. Further, trained workers are required. Workers who know what evidence is required by existing law, and who have experience how to spend money available for this work to the best advantage. I find that the number of new men being handled by the local chapter of the Red Cross for disabled service men, who are having difficulty in proving that their disability is a result of their service, is appalling. I believe that all members of the Legion and all service men

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City Officials Mapping Out Years Paving Plans

Not only is 1923 going to be a busy year for building in La Grande but the construction of improvements, including pavement, sidewalks and sewer work, in practically every improved district in the city is being contemplated. As the matter exists at present, the city is planning on a program that may approximate \$200,000 worth of improvements during the present year, and it is very unlikely that the total will fall below \$150,000.

"We are now getting busy on all improvement conditions," stated W. E. Hayes, city manager today, "and the city asks the public, as a personal favor, to get all petitions for improvements in immediately so that the preliminary surveys may be made in the various sections before actual construction is possible."

Every street leading into La Grande from country districts should be paved," Manager Hayes believes. "We expect to have plans for the improvement of the inland city road. Adams avenue stretch before us every season. The second street which will have to be re-paved; we expect to re-grade many streets and have already tried preliminary grading on North 1st and Adams, which was very successful, and many other sections will be improved during the summer."

To Investigate Water.

Mr. Hayes also stated that he and the city water superintendent expected to make a complete investigation of the city water system as soon as possible, with the view of improving the system as much as possible without incurring too large an expense. "The water problem here in La Grande should be solved," said Mr. Hayes, "and we are planning on doing our utmost to solve the problem of the city."