

# Local News In Brief

**COMING EVENTS**  
 March 7-8—Seven Keys to Baldpate—Senior Play.  
 June 4, 5, 6—Union Live Stock Show at Union.

**Rev. Crensey in Baker**—  
 Rev. S. W. Crensey left this morning on No. 24 for Baker on a short business trip.

**To Live in Idaho**—  
 Mrs. Frank Deniger of La Grande left for Lewiston, Idaho, where she will make her home in the future.

**Mrs. to Kamela**—  
 Mrs. John Ward of La Grande, moved to Kamela, where she will make her home.

**To Visit in Colorado**—  
 Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Chapin of this city, left this morning for Otis, Colorado, where they will spend a couple of weeks visiting.

**57 Dog Licenses Issued**—  
 A total of 57 dog licenses were issued up to this morning. 14 licenses may be procured in the city recorder's office.

**Baker Loses To Imbler**—  
 The girls' basketball team of the Baker high school lost a game to the Imbler girls by a 14 to 19 score at Baker last evening.

**Spending Week at Elgin**—  
 Miss Marquand, county nurse, left this morning for Elgin, where she will spend the remainder of the week on business.

**Here from Portland**—  
 Steve Gardiner, former resident of this city, arrived in La Grande yesterday from Portland to visit friends and attend to business interests.

**Marriage License Issued**—  
 A marriage license was issued from the county clerk's office this morning to Howard A. Anderson and Nellie May Cartman, both of this city.

**Return to Imbler**—  
 Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Stringham have returned to Imbler after attending the funeral of Lynn Stringham at Astoria, Sunday. Mr. Stringham is cashier of the State Bank of Imbler.

**Recovering from Operation**—  
 A. E. Weinke, who underwent a surgical operation at the Grande Ronde hospital recently, is steadily improving, according to reports from hospital officials.

**Elgin Man at Hospital**—  
 William P. Elgin, is among the best of town people at the Grande Ronde hospital. Mr. Peck is getting along very nicely.

**Attends School Again**—  
 The many friends of Lyle Phil are glad to hear he is able to attend school again, after being confined to his home at 1601 U avenue with scarlet fever.

**In Hospital Here**—  
 Mrs. Fred Hall, of Elgin, returned home this morning after spending a few days with her daughter, Louise, who is at the Grande Ronde hospital. Miss Hall is doing nicely.

**Go To Baker**—  
 Mrs. E. Rosenbaum and Mrs. J. N. Grant left this morning for Baker, where they will spend the day in the interests of the Relief Society of the L. D. S. church.

**In Baker Hospital**—  
 Edward Richard, of La Grande, was taken to the St. Elizabeth hospital recently suffering from a dazed condition, according to reports from that city. Monday he was unable to recall who had brought him to the hospital and said that he was unable to remember any events of the night before.

This condition was reported improved yesterday. Richard is a brakeman on the railroad between La Grande and Huntington.

**Returned from Auto Trip**—  
 Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Zech of Union and granddaughter, Lucille Craig, of La Grande, returned from a six weeks' visit to Seattle, Tacoma and Medford. They made the trip to automobile.

**Mary Pickford Play Pleases**—  
 "Rosita," starring Mary Pickford, which opened at Sherry's Theater yesterday, shows the popular film star in a slightly different role—that is, she plays the part of a grown-up young woman. "Rosita" is an enjoyable drama and the large crowd present last evening at the initial appearance of the picture here, was evidence of its popularity.

**Judge Knowles in Portland**—  
 For 26 years J. W. Knowles has been practicing law in La Grande, served as circuit judge in the Tenth judicial district of Union and Walla Walla counties. At the coming election Judge Knowles' name will be on the ballot as a candidate for the nomination for supreme court judge on the republican ticket.

Judge Knowles was originally admitted to the bar in 1888 at Eldorado, Kan. The following year he took the advice of Horace Greeley to heart and came west to grow up with the country. He settled at La Grande and has been one of the pillars of the community ever since. Judge Knowles passed thru Portland yesterday—Portland, Oregon.

## CLEAVER SAYS HE'S BANKRUPT

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The client is said to be a woman whose home was raided by his agents and yielded no liquor. She has been a staunch prohibitionist and has been a member of the Women's Christian Temperance Union since she was 15 years of age. Mr. Cleaver said he wished to protect his bondsmen and his creditors. The suit against him had not been filed prior to the filing of his petition, but the attorneys, it is held, plan to file the complaint tomorrow.

In his petition in bankruptcy filed in federal court, Mr. Cleaver listed two judgments due a national bank at La Grande amounting to \$12,555 and \$7,555.95, respectively, and a judgment due the First National bank of this city, for \$55,442. Among other liabilities listed in the liabilities column were: One to Eliza Withnell of Omaha, Neb., for \$4,000; one to Mrs. Herald Fletcher, of Bremerton, Wash., for \$2,000; one to Helen B. Moore of Seattle for \$250.00, and one to the Williams College University at Salem, for \$2,000. Senator Stanfield was listed as one of Mr. Cleaver's creditors to the extent of \$12.

The assets were declared to consist entirely of stock in the J. W. P. Fire company of Indianapolis, Ind.

The action of George L. Cleaver, state prohibition commissioner, in filing bankruptcy proceedings yesterday, came as no surprise to local lawyers and creditors of the man, as Mr. Cleaver had threatened such action last fall, when attempts were made to collect an eight-year-old merchandise bill against him.

According to L. A. Becken of the firm of Senn & Becken, a demand was made on the dry chief-tain on September 18 that he take steps to settle an account of \$223,222 with the Golden Rule company of La Grande for clothing, hardware and merchandise furnished him while a resident of the eastern Oregon city. Cleaver had even his note for the account, dated June 19, 1914, and payable December 19, 1914.

Action of the La Grande National bank in August, in attaching its salary on the basis of an old deficiency judgment, has his hands as to any payments on old accounts and forces me to file my debt and file them with the

court. Cleaver wrote the lawyer when the latter demanded settlement on the note.

"Of course, you know that a suit is a useless expense under the circumstances," Cleaver added as a postscript to his letter.

Mr. Becken, who represents others of Cleaver's creditors, said that no suit was commenced, as it was understood months ago that Cleaver would go through bankruptcy.

**Dry Department May Go**  
 SALEM, Or. (Special.)—Hold-over members of the legislature have visited the statehouse here within the past few days have made at the next session of the legislature to repeal the law enacted last year creating the state prohibition department.

George L. Cleaver, state prohibition director, has been under fire for the past three months, and pressure now is being brought upon the governor to remove him from office.

In case the prohibition department is abolished it is likely that a law will be enacted putting the enforcement of the liquor laws solely in the hands of the sheriffs, district attorneys and other peace officers.

Money now expended by the prohibition department would be turned over to the district attorneys and sheriffs for the purpose of employing any assistance they might deem necessary in carrying on the work of their offices.

## PRESIDENT SELECTS 2 FOR PROBE

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Completed and are filled with oil and under a supplemental agreement, it was added, construction is under way at Pearl Harbor of 17 additional tanks, each of a capacity of 150,000 barrels, nine gasoline tanks of 225,000 gallons each, and 54 tanks for storage of lubricating oil.

He said all tank construction at Pearl Harbor would be completed by the end of the year.

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Coolidge Tuesday night announced the selection of Silas W. Strawn of Chicago, Republican, and Thomas W. Gregory of Austin, Tex., attorney general in the Wilson administration, as special counsel to prosecute the government's case growing out of the naval oil inquiry.

Mr. Strawn is former president of the Illinois Bar association and is at present chairman of the committee on legal education of the American Bar association. He conferred late Tuesday with the president who has known him for some time.

Mr. Gregory was attorney general of the United States from August, 1914, to March, 1919. It was said at the White House that he would leave Austin for Washington Wednesday.

**Will Determine Action**  
 Both are expected to confer together upon the arrival of Mr. Gregory the latter part of the week and in the light of evidence which has been adduced through other ways to determine what action shall be taken and in what form, especially as to bringing civil or criminal actions. The two will hold equal rank and to them will be left the selection of their legal staffs.

At the White House where announcement of the appointments was made orally, it was indicated that Mr. Strawn and Mr. Gregory would serve under the resolution pending in congress and be paid from funds provided in a special resolution in case the resolution is adopted. In such case, it was said, senate confirmation of the appropriations would be asked.

On the other hand if by any chance at present unforeseen, the conditions should fall of final adoption the two counsels, it was said, would serve probably as special assistants to the attorney general, operating under the department of justice and be paid from the funds appropriated for that department.

In the latter event the White House view was said to be that

senate confirmation would at least be unnecessary.

**Strawn Guest of Payne**  
 Mr. Strawn, in company with Senator McCormick, Republican, Illinois, was the guest at dinner Tuesday night of John Hart Payne, one of the American commissioners to Mexico last year in the recognition negotiations, the two having been law partners in Chicago from 1903 to 1918. It was said that the president's invitation to become special counsel in the oil lease cases was given Mr. Strawn Monday in Chicago by William N. Butler, who is in charge of the Coolidge headquarters there. Mr. Strawn left immediately for Washington.

In his law work, Mr. Strawn has engaged in general practice, he explained, although having few criminal cases, he never has been active in politics. He is 57 years of age.

Mr. Gregory has had wide experience in anti-trust prosecutions both in Texas and as a special assistant attorney general of the United States before becoming attorney general.

**Views of President**  
 The president considers the whole oil leasing investigation a having resolved itself into two major problems for the executive branch of the government—first to determine whether there was criminal liability, and second, to ascertain whether the leases are legal and to the best interests of the government. All other matters are of lesser importance, in his opinion.

These two problems are to be worked out by the special counsel to be employed by the president and there is no indication that the executive at this time is contemplating any additional action. He discussed the matter Tuesday at a cabinet session lasting nearly two hours.

It is Mr. Coolidge's plan to have the men selected proceed at once to court action without reporting to the White House.

According to a Portland newspaper's Washington news service bureau Representative Sirost of Oregon took the floor in the house Tuesday to clear the public lands committee, of which he is chairman, from any imputation of failure to guard the naval oil reserves. He pointed out that the oil leasing bill passed in February, 1920, contained a provision against leasing the naval reserves except producing wells.

Leasing of the reserves was made possible in June the same year, he said, when, at the suggestion of Secretary Daniels, a rider was attached to the naval appropriation bill making it possible to lease them.

"This is said without any reflection upon Daniels," Sirost observed, "and it does not excuse any abuse of power later on, but it was then the bars were let down."

At that a voting machine might work more intelligently than some American citizens.

## BACK BAD TODAY?

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## CASE CLAIMS HE WAS NOT TEMPTED

BY MRS. LELAND

CHICAGO, (I.N.R.)—Rev. Carl D. Case returned to his witness stand and answered the charges of Mrs. Charlotte Leland that he was a lover of such volcanic intensity that he swept her into sin, with testimony to show that he was a man of glacial composure, restraint and apathy in woman's presence.

The clergyman, named by Albert Leland in his divorce suit as the other man, testified that during all his years in the ministry he never had felt any temptation when emotional women came to him for sympathy or advice.

The highest crowd that has appeared since the case was reopened by Dr. Case's request in an effort to clear his name, surged in the corridors—flat fights were frequent and enthusiastic.

## DRY LEADER IS CONVICTED; MAY FILE AN APPEAL

NEW YORK (AP)—William H. Anderson, state superintendent of New York, Tuesday night was convicted by a seven-member jury on both counts of an indictment charging him with third degree forgery in connection with the "splitting" of commissions with a former league fund solicitor.

## Lyman Griswold Talks Before Business Men

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in reference to a recent speech by the county commissioner, C. R. Selby, took issue with his statements that county road work could be completed to a better ad-

vantage with the county doing its own work.

Mr. Stackland, an ardent booster of the Cove interests, asked for a resolution asking the county court to ask for bids to construct the Island City - Cove road in order to determine whether the county or private contractors could do the work less expensively. The request was referred to the proper committee and will be reported back to the Chamber next week for action by that body.

**Railroad Bill Approved**  
 J. H. Keeney, of the Chamber railroad committee, reviewed phases of the Esche-Cummins measure, requesting a resolution recommending certain phases of the measure by the Chamber.

There seems to be a disposition on the part of some interested parties to change the Transportation Act of 1920 known as the Esche-Cummins law before the senate has given a fair and unbiased trial and the shipping and traveling public seem to be well satisfied with the working of this statute and the method of its administration by the Interstate Commerce Commission and the railroad committee, having considered this matter, felt that the subject should be presented to your body for consideration and we recommend that you take favorable action on the matter at this time and that a resolution to this effect be passed," Mr. Keeney stated.

**Resolution Adopted.**  
 The following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Chamber:  
 Whereas, the Western States, owing to the perishable nature of a large percentage of their products are vitally concerned in the maintenance of good railway service, the development of new territory, and industrial expansion, all of which are dependent in a healthy measure on the sound and healthy condition of the common carriers by rail; and  
 Whereas, the Transportation Act of 1920 deals fairly with the

interests of the shippers, the passengers, and the railroads themselves by instructing governmental bodies to determine the value of that portion of the railroads' properties devoted to the public service, and then fix rates on the basis which under honest, economical and efficient management will permit the carriers to earn a fair return (the amount to be fixed by the Interstate Commerce Commission) for the service they render; and

Whereas, there appears to be some uncertainty on the part of concerning the wishes of the shipping and traveling public with respect to the treatment accorded the railroads;

Now Therefore, Be It Resolved, that we, the Union County Chamber of Commerce hereby make it clear to our representatives in Congress that after witnessing the result of private operation under governmental regulation under the conditions prescribed by the Transportation Act of 1920 we are opposed to any change in this piece of legislation at the present time;

Further, that no change should be proposed until such time as something of a constructive nature be advanced and that copies of this resolution be forwarded to our Senators and Representatives for their information and guidance, as well as to other organizations or individuals having an interest in the questions here involved.

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