

VANDERLIP "WELCOMES" SUIT

G. COCHRAN THROWS HAT INTO RING

Is Candidate for Congressional Nomination in G. O. P. Primaries

DEMONSTRATION URGES CANDIDACY

Supporters of George T. Cochran Staged Torchlight Procession Last Evening.

George T. Cochran, a member of the law firm of Cochran & Eberhard of this city, last evening announced that he would be a candidate for the United States House of Representatives from the second congressional district of Oregon in the May primaries.

His announcement was made at the termination of a "torchlight" torchlight parade, conducted from the city hall building to his residence on Second street by friends of his who desired him to throw his hat into the ring and Mr. Cochran will be a candidate in the republican primaries.

Torchlight Parade Approximately 100 people participated in the torchlight parade, which was followed by numerous participants of people from La Grande and outside points, including Baker, Union and Willowa counties. The Dalles, Emathia county and other points in this district.

A 20-piece band led the procession which marched from the city hall down Washington to 9th, up Fir to Adams, up Adams to Fourth.

DRAMA CLEARS PART OF DEBT

Although the net proceeds of the "Lion and the Mouse" failed to come up to expectations, a considerable debt was made in the debts of the Grande Home Chautauque association.

Figures roughly estimate today that over \$200 was cleared by the presentation of the drama Tuesday and Wednesday nights in the Arcade. Applying this to the debt about \$400 is still left to be raised.

The efforts of the chautauque association and the play cast have not been restricted to completely wiping out the debt but they did result in giving La Grande people an excellent play, one that drew a two thirds house last night, and which in the subject of much praise by those who witnessed the "Lion and the Mouse."

The final presentation of the drama last evening occurred without a disappointing feature and the cast, on the first night, did themselves proud. The intermission attraction, songs by the chamber of commerce quartette, was greeted by continued applause indicating the pride the local citizens place in the excellent rendition of the quartette.

The "Lion and the Mouse" is a new past history but will be remembered as one of the best plays ever presented in La Grande by native talent.

Fast Hoop Contest is Expected Here Friday

Basketball fans in La Grande and in fact in Union county, are pepped up for one of the best games ever played in eastern Oregon when the Pendleton high school and La Grande high school teams meet on the local gymnasium floor tomorrow evening in the first game of the pre-tournament season for the Blue and White team.

Candidate



George T. Cochran, of La Grande, will be a candidate in the Republican primaries for Congress from the second Oregon Congressional district. He will oppose N. J. Sinnott, present incumbent.

K. P. ANNUAL MEET SUCCESS

The Knights of Pythias lodges of two counties, Willowa and Union, held their annual district convention at Willowa, Oregon, last evening.

A banquet at 6:30 o'clock was followed by a program and ceremony. High school will present a three-act comedy drama this evening which is expected to prove one of the major dramatic attractions of the year in this city.

Mrs. Morgan, one of Inbber's talented elocutionists, will give a reading between acts entitled "Men for Thirty Cents."

JUDGESHIP IS SOUGHT SALEM, Ore.—J. P. Jones, district judge of Willahe and Measuria, with headquarters in Salem, announced his candidacy for county judge at the republican primary election next May. Frank T. Wrightman, district deputy exalted ruler of the Elks' lodge, is the other candidate who has announced himself for this office.

Lawrence, who has been mentioned as a probable candidate for the office are Henry Downing, incumbent, and S. H. Van Trump, county fruit inspector.

CIGARETTE HELD CAUSE OF FIRE ON "NOMENTUM" PORTLAND, (AP)—The steaming tug "Nomentum" docked here last night with a fire today to summon the harbor fireboat when fire broke out on the vessel. The blaze was soon extinguished with little damage. Fireboat officers said the fire was probably caused by a cigarette.

TOY YOUNG TO REDEEM PROPERTY

Commission Offers Him Chance to Redeem Lots at \$1650

CITY SUED FOR \$5,000 BY LADY

Election for Voting Bond Issue Is Discussed—May Be Held Coinciding With Primaries.

Toy Young was by motion of the city commissioners offered his property on East Adams, which was taken by the city for delinquent improvement payments, last evening at the commission meeting for \$1650. Toy accepted the offer and paid \$500 down and will pay the remainder into the city treasury at an early date.

This closes the discussion over the Young property which was brought up when Sherwood Williams, a member of the commission purchased from the city the property in question. The charter provides that no one connected with the city administration shall have a right to purchase property from the municipal corporation, and as soon as that fact was discovered Mr. Williams asked to have the matter re-opened and he withdrew his offer. He made the motion for the city to offer the property to Toy Young, the former owner, on practical the same terms he had intended dealing with the city.

This was but one of many rather important matters which claimed the attention of the commission last evening. W. C. Perkins, chairman of the fiscal park committee, of the chamber of commerce, presented a petition to the commission praying that immediate

action be taken to have the city acquire the property of the United States National Bank, et al, in being tried in the circuit court today before Judge J. W. Knowles. Testimony was being heard this morning.

STANFIELD GOES BACK TO CAPITAL TO RESUME DUTIES United States Senator Robert N. Stanfield passed through La Grande last evening on his way back to the national capital to resume his duties as junior senator from Oregon. He has been in Oregon attending to private business for a few days.

He was met here by State Senator Roy W. Ritter, who also went to Washington, D. C. in the interest of the wheat export bill which is now before congress.

CITY AT WORK ON GRADING STREETS City Manager Frank Hayes calls the Evening Observer's attention to the fact that on February 13th, which was the first date sidewalk work could be done on account of the weather, a force of men with graders was put to work on the streets of the city which are not paved. This is good news to the people who own property out of the paved district and the Observer stands corrected in a statement we made to the effect that work had not begun as yet on the dirt streets.

EGYPT RULE OUSTS CARTER CAIRO, Egypt (By the Associated Press)—The dispute between the Egyptian government and Howard Carter over the conduct of the work on Tutankhamun's tomb was suddenly terminated on Wednesday by the ministerial order cancelling the license of Carter's excavations under which Mr. Carter was operating. It is believed here this action ends Mr. Carter's connection with the most wonderful of all Egyptian archaeological discoveries unless, as has been intimated, there is recourse to legal procedure.

The ministerial order, after having been issued in detail, describes Mr. Carter's action in closing the tomb and abandoning the work as a grave violation of the obligation assumed by Mr. Carter himself has avowed, it exposed the treasure to irreparable damage and thus gave the government the right to cancel the license.

City Cannot Stop Chapel Construction

Snodgrass and Zimmerman Secure Building Permit This Morning.

A petition signed by several La Grande citizens, living in the district adjacent to Fourth street and Pennsylvania avenue, was refused last evening by the city commissioners and an order was given City Recorder J. E. Stearns, authorizing him to give a permit to build a residence chapel to Snodgrass and Zimmerman funeral service firm.

The matter came up two weeks ago at which time city attorneys were of the opinion that the firm could not be restrained from erecting a chapel at the corner of Fourth and Penn. The action of the commissioners last night in removing all obstacles from the proposed construction, bore out the attorneys' claim.

Permit to be issued. This morning L. L. Snodgrass and Clyde Zimmerman secured a permit to erect a two-story masonry building to be used as a residence chapel, on a part of lot 4 and lots 5 and 6, Block 67, in Chaplin's addition, fronting Fourth street between Pennsylvania and O avenues. The preliminary estimated cost is \$12,000.

The plans for the building was recently completed by Charles Miller, architect, and construction is expected to begin immediately.

OWEN HUDSON IS DEAD; BELIEVED SLAYER OF SELF

EBERHART, Wash. (AP)—Owen Hudson, sought since his brother and two neighbors were killed, was recently found dead twelve miles from here near Bluff Lake. Apparently he had killed himself.

Trying Civil Case The case of Charles Walsh vs. the United States National Bank, et al, is being tried in the circuit court today before Judge J. W. Knowles. Testimony was being heard this morning.

FRANK HAYES BUYS HOME ON O AVENUE

Last evening a deal was closed between Frank Hayes, city manager of La Grande, and Henry T. Hill whereby Mr. Hayes became owner of a new bungalow recently erected on O avenue and Third street. It is a modern home, elegantly designed and Mr. and Mrs. Hayes will occupy it at once.

Late News Flashes

DAUGHERTY FURTHER IMPLICATED. WASHINGTON (AP).—A report that Attorney General Daugherty has bought and sold Sinclair oil stock is under investigation by the senate oil committee today.

Such reports were submitted by special investigators and were held before the committee in executive session.

A checkup on broker's books to establish whether it is true is now in progress.

Senator Wheeler, Democrat, of Montana, author of the resolution proposing the installation of a probe into Daugherty's administration, said today he understood the information indicating Daugherty had dealt in Sinclair stocks had been laid before President Coolidge.

What attitude the president may have taken toward the report that a member of his official family dealt in the oil stocks remains a mystery.

MERCHANTS END CAUCUS AT EUGENE

Directorate of Oregon Retail Merchants Assn. Is Meeting Today

McNARY-HAUGEN BILL ENDORSED

C. Van Fleet Elected to Two Year Term on the Board; Officers of Association Named.

A telegram received by the Evening Observer just before going to press announced the fact that the Oregon State Retail Merchants' association endorsed the McNary-Haugen bill. The telegram was sent from Eugene by Clint Van Fleet.

EUGENE. (By the Associated Press)—The new board of directors of the Oregon State Retail Merchants' association, are meeting here today following adjournment of the annual convention late yesterday.

At the election of officers yesterday L. L. Thomas, of Marshfield, was named president, David M. Graham, of Eugene, was re-elected vice president, J. C. Mann, of Portland, was elected second vice president; J. H. Garrett, of Hillsboro, was elected third vice

SINCLAIR IS SILENT ON OIL

NEW YORK. (AP)—Harry F. Sinclair, president of the liner President Harding Wednesday, smilingly willing to discuss the weather, international politics and horse races, the gasoline business in Europe, the kingship of Albania—everything but oil and the Teapot Dome.

As his ship, already delayed by blizzard and heavy seas, reached quarantine and lay there for several hours waiting for the rain quarantine to lift and the fog to clear, he met reporters and photographers who swarmed aboard with handshakes all around and a prepared statement.

SENATE BITTER AT DAUGHERTY

WASHINGTON. (AP)—Senator Lodge at the White House Wednesday advised Frank Coolidge of growing sentiment in the Senate against Daugherty remaining in United States attorney general.

YOUTH MURDERED FATHER, MOTHER AND 2 SISTERS

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. (AP)—Frank McDowell late Wednesday confessed the murder of his father and mother here Tuesday night and the murder of his two sisters in Decatur, Georgia, a year ago, according to the police.

REQUEST MADE TO BUILD SIX MILE RAILROAD

WASHINGTON. (AP)—The Nevada-California-Oregon railroad has asked the interstate commerce commission to authorize six miles of new line northward from Lakeview, Oregon, into timber tract.

TED KRACHE IS BEATEN BY CLINE

PORTLAND, (AP)—Gene Cline, of Oakland, California, won a ten round decision over Ted Krache, of Houghton, here last night.

Sue Vanderlip for \$600,000



Roy D. Moore (left) and Louis H. Brust, present owners of the Marion, Ohio Star, told the Senate investigating committee recently of details of sale of the newspaper by the late President Harding. They are now suing Frank A. Vanderlip for \$600,000.

State Prohi Agents Face Murder Charge

SALEM. (By Associated Press)—Miles H. McKee, assistant attorney general, today in an effort to Gold Beach to assist in the investigation of the killing of Lawrence Hare, in connection with which Paul Mumpower and Ed Neff, state prohibition agents, are under arrest charged with first degree murder.

A message from Dr. J. W. Wheeler, physician, and James D. Fay, chairman of the chamber of commerce, advised the prohibition agents under the influence of liquor when the killing occurred.

GOVERNOR GEER DEAD.

PORTLAND. (AP)—Former Governor T. T. Geer died this afternoon after several days illness from paralysis.

PRINCIPALS SOUGHT.

SALEM. (AP)—Governor Pierce is requesting the attorney general to send special prosecutors to Yamhill county to assist in the cases against Tooze and Temple, at the request of District Attorney Conners of Yamhill county.

CULBERTSON NAMED.

SALEM. (AP)—W. C. Culbertson, Portland hotel owner, today was named by Governor Pierce to succeed Arthur C. Spencer, Portland attorney, as a member of the World War Veterans state aid commission. Spencer resigned due to the press of private business.

BANDITS MAKE HAUL.

PARKERSBURG, W. Va. (AP)—Two unmasked bandits held up Herman Juskirt, messenger for the Citizens National bank, today and seized registered mail pouches containing \$1400 in one dollar bills. The bandits escaped by automobile.

WANTED "WORLD POWER."

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. (AP)—Argentinian, atheism and advanced radicalism caused Frank McDowell, confessed murderer of his father, mother and two sisters to commit crimes that removed from his path and to make plans for the removal of another, Mary Birsbey, of Forsyth, Ga., a beautiful young college girl, whom he believes stands in his path and defeats his progress toward becoming a world power, according to police.

NEWSPAPERS SLAMMED BY NEW YORKER



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WILL SPEND BIG SUM IN COURTS

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NATAL DAY WILL BE OBSERVED IN CITY TOMORROW

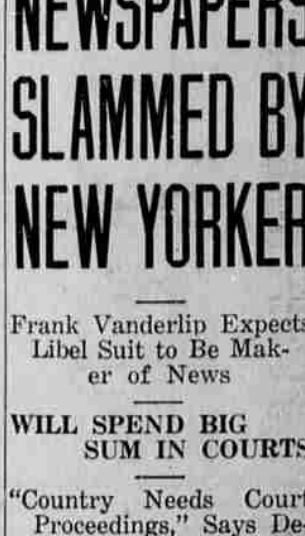
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