

Local News In Brief

COMING EVENTS
 March 27-28-29 — American Legion Auto Show.
 April 4-5 — April Antics entertainment by L. H. S. girls.
 May 10 — Eastern Oregon Track Meet at Union.
 June 4, 5, 6 — Union Live Stock Show at Union.

Feed Nash in City
 Fred Nash, general salesman of the Velle and Gray cars of Oregon and Washington has arrived in La Grande from Portland to attend the Auto Show.

At Portland Show
 R. Deley of Portland, distributor for the Velle and Gray cars of Oregon and Washington, arrived in this city last evening to attend the automobile show which is being staged by the American Legion.

Issues Building Permit
 A building permit was issued this morning to Loyal Blockford for permission to build a dwelling on Y avenue, between Fir and Greenwood, at an estimated cost of \$1000.

Returns from Convention
 Three carloads of Idaho Republicans went through on No. 24 yesterday on their way home from the Republican state convention recently held in Lewiston, Idaho.

Back on the Job
 Lon Stoop, local real estate dealer who has been recuperating at Hot Lake for several days is back in harness at his office with Phy, Black and Stoop.

Mr. Caviness Here
 L. E. Caviness of Portland, in visiting friends and relatives in La Grande. Mr. Caviness was formerly a resident of La Grande and has many friends here who are glad to see him return.

May Open Beauty Shop
 Mrs. Carrie Deal has arrived from Boise, Idaho, where she has been taking a course in beauty culture under the instructions of Valentine Matthews of the Paris Hair Shop in Boise, Idaho. Mrs. Deal expects to open a beauty shop in this city soon.

Daughter of Champ Clark Is Defeated

NEW ORLEANS, (AP)—J. Zach Spearling, New Orleans attorney and past president of the American Bar association, was nominated in yesterday's Democratic primary to succeed the late Representative H. Garland, Dupre of the Second congressional district, defeating by a combined majority of 1285 votes Genevieve Clark Thompson, daughter of the late Champ Clark of Missouri, and T. Semmes Wamsley, assistant attorney general.

Mrs. Thompson, the first woman in Louisiana to make the race for a congressional seat, is the wife of James M. Thompson, publisher of the New Orleans Item.

The returns, with one small country precinct missing, tabulated by the Times-Picayune, were divided: Spearling 16,735; Thompson 12,545; Wamsley 14,264.

PREDICT SPEED ON SENATE TAX BILL

WASHINGTON, (AP)—Prediction that the revenue and soldiers' bonus bills would be reported to the senate by the finance committee within two weeks and that action on the measures would be speedily forthcoming was made Wednesday by republican leaders.

Many Factions Aiding Oregon Public Service Commission at Hearing

PORTLAND, Ore. (By the Associated Press)—Taking testimony before Examiner Warren H. Wagner of the interstate commerce commission, in support of a petition of the Oregon Public Service commission for an order requiring railroads now touching the borders of interior Oregon to build extensions.

Interveners, in support of the public service commission, were the Portland chamber of commerce, the public service commissions of California, Washington, Idaho, chambers of commerce of San Francisco, Oakland, Klamath Falls, Bend, Coos Bay, Crook county and some central Oregon communities.

J. M. Bevers, for the Oregon commission, announced the intention to let the interstate commerce commission determine what companies shall build desired extensions and the manner of joint construction and operations if any.

Chairman H. H. Corey testified first, emphasizing the economic need of facilities for central Oregon and the saving of distances compared with the present circuitous routes.

Originally the complaint included the line from Klamath Falls to Lakeview but that was changed it was announced Wednesday morning.

H. E. Abery, engineer of the state commission, estimated the cost of constructing the proposed extensions as follows: Crane to Odell, 171 miles, \$5,118,842; Bend to Odell Junction, 52 miles, \$5,127,647; Lakeview to the Crane, Odell line, 104 miles, \$5,249,977. The total of 327 miles would amount to \$15,536,466.

Colonel Roger S. Fitch, San Francisco army headquarters, testified to the need of extensions as an aid to the national defense.

CONSIDERING AN EGG-LAYING TILT IN OREGON SOON

Oregon needs an egg laying contest. The poultry department of the state college not only favors such a contest, but would welcome an opportunity to assist in organizing and maintaining it, provided it could be organized and financed in such a manner as to make it a credit to the state, says A. G. Lunn, poultry husbandman in charge of experiment station work at O. A. C. college.

Many poultrymen and farmers are unable to trap-nest their stock and have no way of telling the real merits of their selection of breeding work without an official test.

It is also a fact that few poultry keepers keep actual records of cost of production, a matter in which the public at large is interested. If, as at the present time, eggs are low in price and if in coming months they are to be high, the public should know it, and knowing it perhaps they would not be adverse to paying at least enough to compensate the producer of good quality eggs," he said.

Resolutions favoring an egg laying contest were adopted by the Oregon Bankers association, the Willamette Valley Bankers association and the Oregon Poultrymen's association at the recent agricultural conference at Oregon Agricultural college.

TUNE OUT IF RADIO OFFENDS

Federal Officials Answer Protests Saying That Ether Laws Are in Infancy.

CHICAGO, (AP)—Is radio a law exempt publicity agency? Has the "invisible audience" any recourse if suggestive or obscene stories are broadcast?

Is "libel or slander in the air" punishable under the same code that obtains in the case of written documents or articles?

These questions, new legal aspects of radio broadcasting, have been raised here by a flood of complaints, mainly from ministers, that sermons broadcast by William Glen Voliva, head of the "Christian Apostolic Church of Zion," from his Zion station are "unfit for anyone to hear, shocking and bordering on obscenity."

Edward A. Beane, United States district judge, believes those listening have but one recourse if they feel their modesty is being shocked—that is, to "tune out" the offending station.

There is no legal filter for the purification of radio broadcasting," he told the complainants in the last case. "There's nothing I can do. Radio laws are still in their infancy. They are as yet vague and incomplete. There is no statute available that I know of that could be invoked."

Chicago lawyers, however, who since the rapid growth of radio broadcasting have envisioned legal clashes in the offing, are not so sure.

It is certain, they say, that the same libel and slander laws which apply to newspapers and other public agencies could be invoked against a radio broadcasting station. The absence of the written instrument, conclusive proof in cases of suits against newspapers, is more than offset, they say, by the number of disinterested persons who could be summoned as witnesses to the libelous statement.

Why, then, they ask, couldn't a station which broadcasts anything offending public morals be prosecuted under the common law by proclaiming it a public nuisance? Offenses against public morals often are committed by individuals, they pointed out, and such individuals are arrested, prosecuted and often are convicted. Law that can apply in one case can apply in another, they say, and while a radio case of this nature never has been tried, the majority expressed little doubt, if concrete evidence of obscenity could be shown, the station could be closed and its owners fined or imprisoned.

Baker Attorney in Race.

BARKER, Ore.—Leland S. Finch, local attorney, announced his candidacy for the democratic ticket for district attorney of Baker county.

Mr. Finch was born and raised in Baker. He attended the University of Oregon and was admitted to the bar in this state in 1912. Since that time he has practiced in this city. Opposing him will be William S. Levens, incumbent, the only other candidate to announce himself thus far.

Brownsville Man Candidate.

ALBANY, Ore.—Joseph Hume of Brownsville has filed notice of his candidacy for the republican nomination for county commissioner.

Mr. Hume is deputy sheriff at Brownsville and is the only candidate for the commissioner's job, as the present commissioner has filed for the nomination on the republican ticket for 1924.

THE OLD HOME TOWN

By Stanley



WIFE MUDDLE IS PUZZLING

(By Michael Doney)

DENVER, (AP)—That Claude F. Bossie, former Denver police detective and later city clerk of Omaha, Neb., will get little comfort in his present difficulties from his first wife, Mrs. Susan Crawford Bossie, of this city, was indicated in a statement by the latter when she learned that Bossie had returned to this country to face charges of violating the Mann act and to explain charges of alleged irregularities in connection with the conduct of office of city clerk of Omaha.

Bossie, a suave Italian-American and once a political leader in Denver, and a woman whom he claimed to be his third wife were married in Paris, when their American passports were canceled. He is now in Omaha.

Mrs. Susan Crawford Bossie, the first woman Bossie married, announced here she would launch legal action that would "jangle the skeletons in the family closet so violently that a couple of women who have tried to get their hands on Bossie's intentions in Italy will be shaken loose for all time."

"When I have wound up my fight," Mrs. Bossie said, "I will have shown that neither of the women has any legal claim on Bossie; that I am still his wife and that my children are entitled to their just share of his property, which the other women have been trying to scheme into their own possession."

"My divorce from Bossie, which was granted in Denver, in October, 1910, is not legal. It was obtained by collusion into which I was caught. I did not want a divorce from him. I have never remarried for the reason that I expected some day to take action to have the divorce set aside. Now the time has come."

"I don't want him back to live with me, but I intend to protect my two children. They are entitled to a share of their father's property, even if they haven't had his support since they were very young."

The two children are Crawford A. Bossie, who lives with his mother, and Mrs. Claudia Lois Finest, of this city.

According to the Denver Mrs. Bossie, the marriage of Bossie to Maybelle McKean, a New York divorcee, was in Omaha, Neb., in September, 1917, was illegal. Mrs. Bossie No. 1 charges that her preliminary divorce decree from Bossie was granted in Denver in October, 1910, and that the absolute decree was not effective until a year and a day later. Thus she asserts, Bossie was not free from his marital bonds in Denver when he married the second woman.

Mrs. Bossie No. 1 declared that Maybelle McKean was responsible for stopping Bossie in his trip to Italy with the woman declared to be Emma Marion Wamsley. "She wanted to keep Bossie from going to Italy with the Wamsley woman," Mrs. Bossie No. 1 said, for she feared the Wamsley woman

would get the money away from Bossie."

"Now that the McKean woman has started it," the Denver Mrs. Bossie continued, "I will finish up the job and see that neither one of them gets any of the money, if it is possible to do so. I have been fighting for my children for 14 years and I am not going to quit now."

Bossie's Italian legacy, according to the Denver woman, will approximate \$20,000, he receiving a third of his parents' \$150,000 estate.

Mrs. Bossie maintained that Emma Marion Wamsley, the woman said to have been with Bossie when his European trip was interrupted in Paris, was the cause of breaking up the Denver home of the Bossies.

"I hunted her once with a pistol," Mrs. Bossie No. 1 declared, "and if I had caught her this story would not need to have been told."

Wheat Quoted at One Dollar in Portland

PORTLAND, Ore. (By the Associated Press)—Wheat was quoted on Wednesday's market as follows: hard white \$1.00; western red \$0.92.

Eugene School Officials Named.
EUGENE, Ore.—The Eugene school board has announced the reappointment of its principals, supervisors and teachers of the local schools for the year 1924 and 1925, and that a number now serving have signified their intention of teaching elsewhere next year.

Baker Man is Candidate.
BARKER, Ore.—Charles J. Shotton of this city today announced his candidacy for representative in the legislature from Baker county.

Mr. Shotton, who served in the last session of the legislature, is the first and only one in Baker county so far to run for this position.

POLITICAL GRAFT LAID TO J. HAMON

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that Hamon told him it had cost him half a million dollars.

"Want Hamon for Wood at the start?" asked Senator Bursum, of New Mexico.

"I've never liked Wood," Jenkins replied. "He said Wood was too much impregnated with the damned fool honesty of Theodore Roosevelt."

DEATH CALLS T. H. CRAWFORD THIS MORNING

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years he was in the firm of Slater, Crawford and Slater, but then

Bottled Sunshine



John J. Tomashil, 45, inventor of what is said to be a new kind of artificial light, is shown here in first photo with his invention in New York. Tomashil is fighting infringers which might prevent him from manufacturing his article on patent infringement grounds.

went into practice alone and thus continued until he became a member of the present firm of Crawford and Eakin.

Mr. Crawford has always taken a keen and lively interest in politics and in 1888 was nominated for district attorney on the democratic ticket, but the issue of free wool at that time cast the winning count with his opponent J. L. Rand. In 1896 he was nominated for circuit judge on the democratic ticket in a three-cornered fight, R. J. Slater being the nominee on the populist ticket and Robert Eakin on the republican ticket, the latter being elected.

Mr. Crawford was chairman of the democratic state convention in 1894, the democrats and populists being allied on the free silver issue at that time.

On March 19, 1875, he and Miss Rosa A. daughter of Augustus Smith, were married at Dayton, Washington. The fruit of the union is one son, Clarence H., born

in Dayton, Washington May 1, 1879, who has been at Hot Lake for the past few days with his father.

Fraternally Mr. Crawford was associated with the Knights of Pythias, in Union; with the Elks, Lodge 328, Baker. He was also a member of the American and the Oregon state bar association and has held many high offices in the Union county bar association.

In the practice of law Mr. Crawford has been eminently successful in both the civil and criminal departments and has won for himself a name and reputation that is commendable and praiseworthy.

It is also pleasant to state that in addition to the distinct practice of law, he was an especially talented orator and on numerous occasions won plaudits and glowing tributes, while his after dinner orations and extemporaneous speeches often contained brilliant gems of genuine merit and are universally received with applause.

As a scholar, a profound student of legal lore, a successful practitioner, a brilliant orator, a genial and pleasant companion, and a perfect and thorough gentleman, and true man, Mr. Crawford stands as a leading figure and has enjoyed to the full the esteem and confidence of his fellows.

He was a man of fine capabilities, fortified with a thorough and extended classical education and his death brings sadness to a host who were proud to be listed among his acquaintances and friends.

Funeral Services Friday.

Funeral services over the late Judge Crawford will be held in La Grande tomorrow afternoon at two o'clock from the Elks Temple. Interment will be in the Union cemetery at Union, Oregon, where he will be laid to rest by the side of his wife.



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