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(By Harry D. Hunt)
WASHINGTON (NEA Special)—One of the first facts forced home on presidential aspirants is that a candidacy costs money. No really ambitious candidate is willing to trust to "poplar demand" to bring about his nomination. Once nominated, the party organization will stand the cost of the election campaign. But for the pre-convention fight, a candidate needs a sizeable bankroll of his own or an "angel" or both.

An aggressive candidate must have an organization. An organization must have headquarters. Headquarters must have stationery and supplies, stenographers, secretaries and publicity representatives. And all these require cash. No cash, no candidacy.

The problem of an "angel" possibility seems to have been solved without effort on his part. John W. Davis, who will be among those voted for when the balloting begins at the Democratic convention in New York, has announced that he will not turn a hand to get the nomination. John, although advanced as the favorite son of West Virginia, makes a living as a lawyer in New York. Among his clients are the interests of the American automobile industry. This day is good, but the work exacting. So John W. just can't give time or attention to being a candidate, he says. If, of course, democracy chooses him as its standard bearer—oh, well, in that event, of course, duty would require that he sacrifice himself to make the fight. But till duty calls he'll keep on practicing law.

Right there is where John's "angel" appears. If he won't make a fight for himself, a fight will be made for him.

The "angel" in this instance, who stands ready to put up the cash and effort necessary to crystallize support for Davis, is former United States Senator Clarence Wayland Watson, a Lowell, Vermont, resident.

Watson served in the senate from 1911 to 1913, filling out the unexpired term of Stephen B. Lusk.

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BAND CONCERT
TO BE SUNDAY

In addition to furnishing music at the American Legion automobile show this evening, the La Grande Municipal Band will play at the Sunday afternoon at five o'clock, according to announcements by Andrew Loney, director.

The following program has been selected for Sunday:

1. March, "Onward Christian Soldiers"—Klohr.
2. (a) "Among the Ruins"—Lake. (b) "The Old Church Organ"—Chambers.
3. Trombone solo, Aria "Chius Anima" from "Salut Mader"—Rossini, Frank L. Robinson.
4. (a) Quartette from "Rigoletto"—Verdi. (b) Intermezzo "Mancino" from "Cavalleria Rusticana"—Mascagni.
5. Overture, "Stradella"—Piotou.
6. "America".

The last Sunday evening of each month the Methodist church has been furnishing a special music service during the winter season. The choir of the church has been singing to large audiences at their monthly services, and the music given has been first class. Perhaps the finest program which they have given during the season was the "Gospel" evening.

No doubt a large audience will be present Sunday to enjoy the services and also the band concert program.

McNary-Haugen Export
Bill Has 50-50 Chance

PENDLETON, Ore. (Special)—The McNary-Haugen bill has a fifty-fifty chance of being enacted into law.

This was the substance of the report brought back to Pendleton Thursday by R. H. Thompson and R. W. Hittner, local wheat farmers who have been in Washington for the past several weeks lobbying in behalf of the bill.

The measure will command a majority of the votes in the senate, according to the belief of Senator McNary, and it has a chance in the house of representatives. Sentiment is more evenly divided in the lower house than in the senate, both have agreed.

Senator McNary has lent the measure his undivided support and has done everything in his power to secure its favorable consideration, both men said.

They were pleased with Oregon weather when they landed here after having been on the train since Saturday.

The green we saw after we came down off the blue mountains was the first growing crop we've seen on the whole trip," they declared. In Washington a week ago Sunday there was a seven-inch snow fall.

A full report of what they heard and saw and the data they have collected on the McNary-Haugen bill situation will be made by both Mr. Thompson and Mr. Hittner at a meeting of the Oregon Export Commission league and the Umatilla County Farm bureau which will be held in the Pendleton Commercial association rooms Saturday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock.

Following the reports of the two men, officers of the farm bureau will be elected and other business transacted.

LOCAL AUTO
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AMONG BEST

Brandenburg Praises the Exhibition in Glowing Terms

A. A. A. WILL BE ADDRESS TOPIC

Purpose and Other Facts Relative to Automotive Association to Be Recited Tonight.

"The La Grande auto show is undoubtedly the best exhibition of its kind ever held in the state outside of Portland," said George O. Brandenburg, manager and publicity director for the Oregon State Motor association and editor of the Oregon Motorist, the official organ of the organization, this morning.

Mr. Brandenburg is qualified to make such a statement because he has kept in close touch with the doings of motorists in the state for a number of years past. He presided at the management and the way the show has been put over in highly complimentary terms.

While making his statement this morning he remarked upon economic advantages to be derived from such an exhibition.

Mr. Brandenburg who is here for the purpose of organizing a branch of the state auto association and establishing an office in this city, was joined yesterday by L. E. Wardford, of Washington, D. C., representative of the national A. A. A.

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BULLETINS

CONGRESSIONAL HELP WOULD BE UNNECESSARY

Portland, Ore. (AP)—A. R. Olson, of Boring, manager of the Pacific Land and Livestock company, testifying before the interstate commerce commission hearing here today, said that Harney Valley livestock men need no help from Congress if they could get railroad facilities.

Cattle grown in this region must now be driven south to Winnemucca, Nevada, with the result that it deteriorates on the way.

E. M. Blodgett, of Nyssa, testified that Malheur potato growers lost a great opportunity in 1922 by not having access to the Frisco market.

POPE PIUS GIVES RED HATS TO TWO YANK PRELATES

ROME (AP)—The final ceremony of elevating Archbishop Mundelein of Chicago and Archbishop Hayes of New York to membership in the holy council of the Holy Roman Catholic church took place in the right transept of the basilica of St. Peter's when Pope Pius gave them their broad rimmed red hats symbolic of their new rank of cardinal.

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Even a traffic cop has his troubles.

Last evening someone deliberately swiped Altona's police motorcycle and for about half an hour Mr. Dunn was absolutely devoid of all traces of his two-wheeled vehicle. But it didn't last long and finally the motorcycle was again found, undamaged but showing signs of having been ridden for some distance.

No trace was found of the miscreant who took the motorcycle minus the officers' say-so but it is believed that the action was more of a joke than anything else.

6 Convicts
Make Escape;
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Salem Penitentiary Prisoners Make Getaway About 9 o'clock Today.

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Late News Flashes

WILSON ESTATE IS \$250,000. WASHINGTON (AP).—An estimate that Woodrow Wilson's estate is about \$250,000 was filed today by his widow.

WHITEFIELD MUST HANG. OLYMPIA (AP).—George Edward Whitefield must hang for the murder of Anna Nosko, 11 year school girl of Battleground, Clark county, Wash., March 8, 1923, the supreme court decided today after reaffirming Judge Simpson.

DE LA HUERTA THOUGHT DEAD. NEW ORLEANS (AP).—Senora Adolfo de la Huerta, wife of the Mexican rebel leader, today said she believed her husband dead. All traces of him have been lost since he boarded a vessel at Frontera, Tabasco, March 18.

RAILROAD NEED URGED. PORTLAND (AP).—Livestock and farming interests at Harney Valley testified to the interstate commerce commission at a hearing today on the need of railroad facilities. State Engineer Luper said central Oregon farm products would have a profitable market in Portland, California and eastern states if rail lines were built.

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