

Local News In Brief

COMING EVENTS

December 12-13—High School Operetta.

Arrested.—A Mexican in the city jail today awaiting trial on a charge of being arrested by the local police, who found two bottles containing liquor.

Deputy Suspect.—A deputy sheriff was taken into custody this morning by the sheriff's posse and will be charged with the murder and sale of liquor. His preliminary hearing will probably hold late this afternoon.

Meeting.—A meeting of the Pythian lodge was held last evening at 8 o'clock in the hall of the Grand Chapter, Commander and Walter Leason, Grand K. E. K. Claude Perry and Ralph Myers, brother knights of Pythias from La Grande attended the meeting.

Business Appointed.—Kenneth Fleischman of La Grande has just been appointed on the program committee for the chemical engineers' party in the educational exposition. Mr. Fleischman is a chemist at O. A. C. in the chemical engineering department.

Going to La Grande.—Word has been received here that Mrs. Emma Wilkinson and Dr. Reynolds will be in La Grande December 15, 16 and 17. Mrs. Wilkinson is deputy State Commissioner of the Women's Benefit association and Dr. Reynolds is State Medical Examiner of W. B. They have been traveling over the United States and establishing health centers. They will stop at the Sommer hotel, where all members wishing to may have a health examination.

Personal Mention

E. T. Bushell of Pendleton was the policy hotel yesterday.

Yoma Conklin of Imbler, was shopping in La Grande yesterday.

Al Denham of Elgin was registered at the Sommer hotel last evening.

C. H. Conkey of Minum was at the Sommer hotel yesterday.

C. C. Chaswick of Baker was among the guests registered at the Sommer hotel yesterday.

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Hunt's Daily Letter

(By Harry B. Hunt)

WASHINGTON (NEA Special). Old-timers in Kansas, whose eyes were devastated by the plague of grasshoppers which swept the prairies in 1874, can't, of course, know that they were simply paying, in advance, the price of making a Kansas boy majority leader in the United States senate in 1924.

Students of cause and effect, however, if they will examine the facts must inevitably decide that is exactly what happened.

For it if hadn't been for the grasshoppers, Charlie Curtis would not have severed, when he did, his life with the Kansas tribe of Indians, and the whole course of his later years probably would have been changed.

Young Curtis was at that time a lad of 14. He had lived intensely, following his mother's death when he was three, with his father's folks in Topeka and with his mother's people in the Kansas tribe of Indians. During this period his maternal grandmother, Julie Pappan, who was one-half Indian, was his constant guide and companion.

He had attended the mission school at the Kansas Indian Reservation, and when with his grandmother and the town grammar school when in Topeka.

When the grasshopper plague hit the state, however, the Indians decided on an exodus down into the Indian Territory, where the pastures had not been stripped.

It was determined Charlie should go with his maternal grandmother. One night while they were in camp about six miles east of Topeka, with everything ready for hitting the trail for the "Territory," grandmother Pappan called the boy to her. Briefly, she told him that while he was one-eighth Indian he was seven-eighths white, and that if he expected to make a success in life he must exist his lot with the white man. She urged him to stay in Topeka, go to school and "make something of himself."

Charlie stayed. He sold fruit at trains and did odd jobs to earn money through that winter.

Next spring he got a job riding running horses and soon branched out as a full-fledged jockey. His success in the saddle won him a chance to make a swing round the circuit in the winter of '76, and he had about decided to give up school and keep with the races when the paternal grandmother, Cornelia Curtis, persuaded him again to stick by his books.

So he stuck it out in Topeka, getting all the education the public schools there offered and



SHOOT TO BE DECEMBER 23

Wing, Fin and Fleetfoot Club Announces Turkey Shoot Prior to Christmas Day.

December 23 has been set as the date for the next Wing, Fin and Fleetfoot club shoot. It is being held on this date with the idea in mind of furnishing brother sportsmen of the city with turkeys and geese to grace the festive board at yuletide.

Shooting will commence at ten o'clock Sunday morning at the trap shooting grounds of the club near Lone Tree. A hot lunch will be served at noon and, in general, everything is being done to insure the comfort and pleasure of the guests.

A number of the finest turkeys, geese, ducks and quail of the finest anywhere has been secured for the event which is sure to draw a record crowd.

leaving still more by a period of reporting on the "North Topeka Times."

In this job he developed his contacts with people—a thing which was later to prove most valuable to him in politics. He came to know almost every man, woman and child in Shawnee county.

In '78, when 19 years of age, the district court conferred the rights of majority upon him. So he became "his own man" at 19 instead of 21. In that same year he began the study of law with A. H. Case in Topeka. He was admitted to practice in '81 and in '84 made his first venture into politics, getting himself elected county prosecutor.

In this office, which he held for two terms, he made a record seldom equaled. He lost but three cases his first year, only one the second and none at all in his third and fourth years.

Next came congress. First as representative, then as senator, he has served a total of 26 years in Washington—10 in the house and 16 in the senate. In the house—perhaps because he had learned how to wield one as a jockey—he was assistant whip. On coming to the senate he was made assistant to Murray Crane of Massachusetts, then whip, and succeeded to the position of whip when Crane retired in 1911.

That position he held throughout the rest of his senatorial career until advanced to the Republican leadership following the death of Senator Lodge.

A taciturn, self-contained individual is Curtis, as befits his Indian ancestry. Swarthy of skin, powerful of build with a square jaw and a firm hand, he looks like to lead by sheer force should temptation fail.

In person and personality he is the exact opposite of the leader he succeeds.

But then Lodge could only trace his Americanism back to the Mayflower. Curtis' folks were here some centuries before that!

Toy Thieves Released

HOOD RIVER, Ore. — H. P. Whoppy and H. B. Willett, arrested Sunday for stealing a suitcase of toys, purchased for Christmas presents for his children by H. E. Young of Hosum, Wash., were released and escorted to the city limits by officers. Both had credentials showing them to have been war veterans. Each was presented with \$1.50 by the local American Legion post. The men, who said they had vainly sought work for several days, declared that the theft was impelled by hunger.

OLD OREGON TRAIL WILL BE PUSHED

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nation of the trail as a national highway.

Already 299 of the markers designed by Avaris Fairbanks of the University of Oregon have been purchased by the Oregon highway commission, and other states are expected to do likewise.

"Since last year the publicity that our organization has given the Old Oregon trail has caused an increase of 50 per cent in travel over it," says Meacham. "Seventy thousand cars passed over it, bearing 229,000 people."

"Spokane and Seattle are pulling for the Yellowstone trail, Los Angeles for the Santa Fe trail and San Francisco for the Lincoln Highway."

highway. Oregon has the best and most famous route historically of all and it behooves us to exploit it as fully as it deserves."

Monuments Planned.—The backers of the American Revolution in Baker and in Caldwell, Idaho, have, according to Meacham, already established monuments marking the historical spots on the trail. La Grande also has created a monument, and the state highway commission's purchase of the site on the top of the Blue mountains where President Harding was entertained July 2, 1922, will result in erection of a Harding memorial.

The annual report of the secretary-treasurer, A. W. Nelson of La Grande shows that funds collected during the last year have been spent largely upon booklets descriptive of the trail, upon windshield stickers and calendars.

THOSE ENROLLED

Those who have registered for the Old Oregon Trail meeting are: Portland—Frederick V. Holman, C. H. Farrington, J. Nelson Barry; D. A. Watters, W. H. Ross of the Portland Realty board, A. H. G. Williams and F. M. Handlett of the Oregon Technical council; Wilbur Henderson, president of the American Legion post, and Oliver Huston, Joe Erick and W. H. Masters of the Legion; Paul T. Shaw, W. H. Elmer and several members of the Women's Advertising club; Lee Pace and J. P. Place-mann.

Outside points—G. C. Smith, San Jose, Cal.; G. M. Hattenbrack, Longview, Wash.; H. B. Ryder and J. H. Ryder, Baker; C. C. Clark, Arlington; W. O. Johnson, The Dalles; A. W. Nelson, secretary, La Grande; Bruce Dennis, La Grande; Dr. M. R. Kern, Pendleton; Peter G. Schmidt and Thad S. Pierce, Olympia, Wash.; George R. Trenbly, Hood River; H. C. Priddy, Baker; Leslie Butler, Hood River; John W. Langdon, Walla Walla; William Doby, Baker, of the state highway commission, and J. D. Wood, Boise, Idaho.

GRANGE PLANS BAKER MEETING

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cial drill work and tableaux by the Mitchell Springs drill team. Among other matters to be taken up will be the arranging of a contest for membership and attendance between the granges of Union, Wallawalla and Baker counties. Twenty-four subordinate granges are represented in these counties and it is expected to increase the membership in these counties by a thousand members.

FOUR MORE IMPLICATED IN ROBBERY

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ated probably in the very near future.

More Loot Discovered

Because of a great deal of the jewelry stolen here and in Baker was recovered yesterday in Baker, the plan to prosecute the men for house robbery here has been abandoned and the trial will be held in Baker. Over \$1000 worth of jewelry stolen in Baker was uncovered.

Clark's watch and a lavender taken from his home a week ago tonight have been recovered at Baker and a watch and gun stolen from the Jackson home were also found.

Women Nonchalant

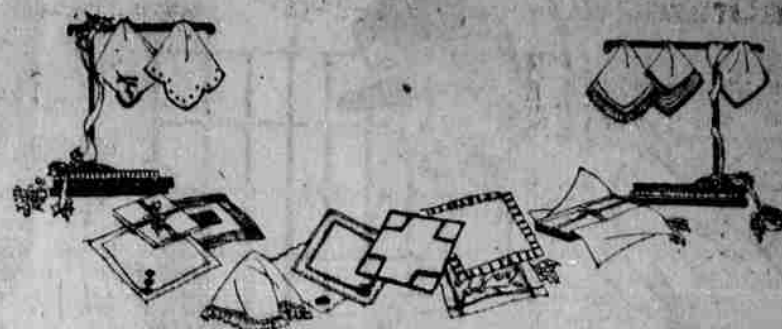
The two women are seemingly little worried about their arrest. When they left here this morning the officers asked if they wanted to take their suitcases with them. "Oh, it doesn't make any difference, we'll be back," said Mrs. Howard, who is a tall, good looking woman about 24 years of age. Mrs. Shellen is probably seven years older.

Both were well dressed. Mrs. Shellen wore a black fur coat and Mrs. Howard had on a black coat with expensive fur collar and cuffs. Expensive silk stockings, shoes, dresses and hats completed their "well dressed" appearance.

EVIDENCE GROWS

BAKER, Ore. (Special).—The net grew tighter yesterday about J. J. Jones and Dewey Russell, who are held by the local police in connection with recent burglaries in Baker and La Grande. Chief of Police Vaughn and his assistants made a third search of the rooms occupied by the men in the "C. O. K. building" house on Center street, and succeeded in uncovering several guns, large knives and pieces of jewelry including rings, a watch, pins and other pieces of jewelry. They were found back of the drawers of a dresser.

A .25 caliber revolver and a large clasp knife found in Russell's room, have been identified as having been taken from L. C. Edwards' home on Third street. The watch and some of the smaller jewelry was identified by Constable Jones, chief of police, of La Grande, as belonging to a lady of



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Among the things found in Jones' room was a nickel plated, pearl handled automatic pistol, which has been identified as one of the articles taken from the J. L. Soule home on Dewey avenue.

The officers are still on the hunt for the loot of the burglars and feel that they have a chance to recover much of it that is still missing. Chief Haynes, Charles McCreary and J. H. McLaughlin were in the city assisting in the investigation.

Cleaver Hands Pierce Official Resignation

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The report which prompted the addressing of the query to the governor was to the effect that, by agreement between the anti-saloon league, Mr. Cleaver and the governor, the official seal of the prohibition commissioner was to be sacrificed to demoralize the opposition to the prohibition enforcement program before the legislature convenes in January, at which time drastic revisions in the prohibition laws of the state will be proposed, according to a story published in the Capital Journal.

Principal among the proposals are those that the law creating the state enforcement department be amended to give that department half of all of the fine money collected from prohibition law violators, increasing the minimum fine for any violation of the law to \$500 and imposition of a compulsory 90 day jail sentence. It is also proposed that judges be deprived of the right to parole offenders, or to remit fines.

Criticism Given

Under the law at present time the state department receives 25 percent of the fine money and its total revenues from this source are limited to \$25,000 a year. Alleged extravagance in the administration of this \$25,000 has been one of the principal criticisms directed at Cleaver's administration. Under the proposed

amendments to the prohibition law it is estimated that at least \$200,000 a year would be made available to the department.

The plan to have Cleaver step out is also viewed as a move to wipe the prospects of a suggestion that the enforcement department be taken out of the hands of the governor and placed in the state board of control, on the ground that the department has been flagrantly mismanaged by Cleaver and the refusal of the governor to discharge him, the Capital Journal asserts.

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