

BATTLE ON "BOOTLEG" UNABATED

Governor Pierce Declares Fight Will Continue With No Let-Up

ASKS SUPPORT OF OREGON CITIZENS

Praises Churches for Help in Enforcement of Prohibition Laws in United States.

A plea for united support in enforcement of the prohibition law in Oregon and a promise that the wet element would be given no quarter during the remainder of his term, were emphasized yesterday in a speech delivered in the Methodist church, to more than 500 people, by Governor Walter M. Pierce, who is here for a period of rest before returning to the capital.

The executive began his address with a review of historical events leading up to present day conditions, stressing the fact that laws must be enforced, regardless of their provisions, if the United States can continue in its present course—the leading power in the world. He sincerely deplored the fact that some people fail to uphold the prohibition law and insisted that the law can be enforced. Applause followed this statement.

Mr. Pierce asserted that "we must have honest men in office," men who will not flinch at duty, men who are impartial. "The strongest ally in the fight is the Protestant churches of America," he declared.

He declared that ex-convicts or cleaver tried to enforce the law impartially and said that he has the fullest confidence in William Levens of Baker, cleaver's successor.

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ROBBERS LOOT TWO STORES

Two robberies occurred in La Grande over the week-end, according to an announcement by the local police today.

Richardson's Grocery and the Rose home, in the rear of the building, were entered and about \$1.50 and a few articles of jewelry, are reported to have been taken.

Newlin's Drug Store was also robbed of about \$30 in cash and some clothes. The safe had been left unlocked in Newlin's and the haul was easily made. No clue was left in either the Richardson or Newlin case.

KIDDIES TAKE PART IN PLAY

"Cinderella in Flowerland," by Marion Loder, will be presented under the auspices of the La Grande Neighborhood club Saturday evening, April 4, at 8 o'clock at the high school auditorium. Thirty-seven children of grade school and under grade school are to take part.

The cast follows: Robert Hoffman, Prince Charming; Evelyn Prince, Cinderella; Max Stoddard, Prince Robin Red; Ruth Black, Fairy Lily; Jacqueline O'Brien, Holly.

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La Grande To Be Host To East Oregon Racers

That the place and date of the Eastern Oregon track meet will be in La Grande, May 21st, respectively, was definitely decided by the representatives of the various schools concerned at the annual meeting of the Eastern Oregon Superintendents and Principals Association held here Saturday.

The order of events will be the same as last year. The events will be run off as follows: 100 yard dash, pole vault, mile run, broad jump, 120 yard high hurdles, 40 yard dash, high jump, 220 yard dash, shot put, 880 yard run, discus, 220 yard low hurdles, javelin



Oregon's governor, Walter M. Pierce, of La Grande, who spoke here yesterday and at Elgin Saturday. Yes, he's still wearing the "cowpuncher" hat.

DOG KILLERS AT IT AGAIN

Dog poisoners of La Grande have been busy again, the latest victim being the Jewellin setter dog belonging to W. P. Mohr. The dog probably was poisoned sometime during the night. He died early Saturday morning.

Several valuable dogs, their owners living in the same block with Mr. Mohr, have been poisoned lately and owners have their suspicions as to who has been doing the work, although they have never been able to catch them, it is reported.

BRIEFS SENT TO CAPITAL

Various individuals and organizations working under the direction of the chamber of commerce, are actively endeavoring to have the land office re-established in La Grande.

Briefs stating the case have been forwarded to the Oregon delegation in congress and will be presented to President Coolidge this week if possible.

Letters have been forwarded to the Baker Chamber of Commerce and others to the civic organizations in the Wallowa county cities and other parts of Eastern Oregon most directly affected by the abolishment of the land office here.

Senator Bruce Dennis of La Grande will present the situation to the Federal Chamber of Commerce today in an endeavor to get support in that section. Mr. Dennis left for Portland last evening.

THEFT OF CARS LAID TO GROUP OF LOCAL BOYS

Five local boys, about 14 and 17 years of age, have been arrested by the police here in connection with theft of cars here in the past. One of the boys is alleged to have confessed to participating in eight thefts, including the Hunter and McAdory cars, taken during the past 10 days.

The boys are all in custody and will be brought before the juvenile judge. The maximum penalty would be sentence to the reform school.

CLUB MEETING SET

The meeting of the Men's club of the Presbyterian church will be held Thursday evening of this week at the Leo Reynolds' home on the La Grande-Hot Lake highway. The meeting this week will be the next to the last get-together of the season for the Men's club. C. M. Humphries will make the main talk of the evening.

Robert Eakin Speaker At Hot Lake Meeting

HOT LAKE, (Special)—The Lenten services which are being held each Sunday at the Sanatorium were greatly assisted Sunday evening by Robert Eakin of La Grande who read his manuscript on "The Trial of Jesus." A number of slides which were loaned by Mrs. Mossman of La Grande are being used in connection with these programs which take up the chief events in the last week of the year.

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WILL BUILD COTTAGES AT RESORT

"Townsite" Near Wallowa Lake to Be Dotted with Private Camps

DANCE HALL IS BEING PLANNED

Building, in General, to Be Active at Wallowa Lake Wonderland This Season.

The head of Wallowa Lake will soon have a little city of privately owned summer homes if the increase in building, which started last summer, keeps up.

Realizing that a great many people would like to have their own cottages near the famous resort, a tract of timbered land, near the lake, has been divided into lots with all the improvements of the city provided.

Instead of the ordinary straight street, which is found in most cities, the "townsite" has winding thoroughfares, swandering through the tall pine trees. Electric lights, sewer connections, and water piped from high up in the mountains are all available for every lot.

Cottages Built. Last summer several of these lots were purchased and on some, cottages have already been erected. Dozens of others are planning to build this summer. There is now room for nearly 200 buildings on this site.

Incidentally, in connection with building, the directors of the Wallowa Lake Wonderland say that they now have on the grounds, enough hard wood maple flooring to build the largest dance hall in the state of Oregon.

May Build This Year. It is possible that the hall may be erected this year, but in case it is not completed for this season, it will be ready before another summer has passed. It is probable that the dance hall will be so designed that it could be used for basketball tournaments, indoor track meets, tennis and other sports during the winter months.

DAMAGE SUIT ON TRIAL NOW

Making up the jury panel for the damage suit, Buchanan vs. City of La Grande took up most of the morning session of the circuit court. Judge C. H. McCulloch of Baker is presiding over court this week in the absence of Judge Knowles who is substituting for Judge Evans in Portland.

The current case is a suit for injuries alleged to have been received by a child, Cula Buchanan. Her parents are asking for \$5,200 damages. Henry Head is representing the defendant and Coler R. Eberhard is conducting the case for the plaintiff.

A slander suit, Gladys Carnas vs. James DeVore and Dressed DeVore, is scheduled for tomorrow. Mrs. Carnas is suing for \$5,000 damages for infamous remarks alleged to have been made by the defendants. Green and Hesse have been retained by the plaintiff and R. J. Kitchin is attorney for the defense. All parties in the case are residents of North Powder.

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Tri-County Grange Will Be Organized

Governor Pierce Chief Speaker at Farmers' Meeting at Elgin Saturday.

Approximately 200 people, mostly members of the granges in Baker, Union and Wallowa counties, attended the Union County Pomona grange held with the Cricket Flat grange of Elgin. More than 20 subordinate granges were represented.

Plans were started for the organization of a tri-county Pomona grange and Dr. W. T. Phyl of Hot Lake, was appointed temporary master to work with the master of the three county granges to perfect the organization. The next meeting of the county grange will be held with the Union grange at the experiment station there and it is expected that the tri-county organization will be perfected at that time.

Pierce Speaker. Governor Walter M. Pierce, a member of the grange, was the leading speaker of the day, reviewing his 27 months as chief executive and what has been accomplished during that period of time.

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LEGIONNAIRES IN CONFERENCE

Legionnaires, gathered at Enterprise Saturday in the Eastern Oregon District conference, went on record as being in favor of sponsoring the boy scout movement in various towns and cities and also spent some time discussing Americanization problems.

The conference met in the county courthouse was followed by a banquet in the Enterprise hotel and a dance, given by the Enterprise post, in the community hall.

Among those present were: Commander Otis Palmer, Chester Thompson, Ray Williams, Robert Scott and Lot Snodgrass, La Grande; E. Blackby, Ontario; Commander L. L. Lenoir, Mr. Bowler; Baker; State District Committee: Harold Warner, Pendleton; State Adjutant Carl Moser; Jerry Owen, editor of the Pacific Leader; Harry Cooper, veterans bureau, Portland; State Commander Griffith, Salem.

The four state officers, who had never been in the Wallowa territory before, visited Wallowa Lake Sunday and were delighted with its scenic attractions.

UNION SCHOOLS CHOSE CONKLIN FOR SIXTH TERM

UNION, Ore. (Special)—Roy Conklin, superintendent of the Union schools, has been re-elected, this being his sixth time to be given the position.

Other teachers will be selected at the regular meeting of the school board on the first Tuesday in April.

TAKEN TO ASYLUM

Dell Parsons, 73, of North Powder, was taken to the Pendleton institute for the mentally defective Saturday evening by Jess Breshears, Union county sheriff.

The aged man was brought here from North Powder last Thursday. He had hallucinations and gave other evidences of being out of his head at the time.

Growth of Materialism Is Fought By Churches

MONTEVIDEO (By the Associated Press)—A growing spirit of materialism with a tendency to throw overboard anything that savors of religion and a tendency to question all traditional modes of thought are the principal reasons why the evangelical churches of the South American republics should increase the amount and scope of their work, says the report of the Commission on Evangelization prepared for presentation today at the Congress on Christian Work in South America. The chairman of the commission which prepared the report was Dr. Charles M. Hudson of Chicago, a former college professor of the Methodist Episcopal church in Chile.

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RICKARD TO PAY \$7,000 AS PENALTY

Fined Today for Illegal Transportation of Fight Films

FOUR OTHERS IN CONSPIRACY RING

Handling of Dempsey-Carpenter Pictures to Cost Group Twenty-Three Thousand Dollars.

NEWARK, N. J. (By the Associated Press)—Tex Rickard, nationally known fight promoter, was today fined \$7,000 by Federal Judge Hildre for conspiracy to violate the law regarding illegal transportation of prize fight films.

Rickard and four co-defendants were convicted March 19th on the charge in connection with the Dempsey-Carpenter fight films.

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GERMANY FAILS TO AGREE UPON A NEW LEADER

BERLIN (By the Associated Press)—Yesterday's presidential election failed to give any of the seven candidates a majority, and a second election is scheduled for April 26th, when the candidate receiving the highest number of votes will be declared elected.

"How to Make Things" Contest Inaugurated

A "How to Make Things" contest has been started at the public library for the grade school children of La Grande. The children can make anything they wish but the idea must be obtained from books from the library. The contest will close April 15, and all work must be turned in at the library at that time. Two prizes, one for a boy and one for a girl, will be awarded for the best article.

The contest has been announced in the schools and a poster placed in each school building. The articles will be exhibited at the library.

Coolidge Is Asked to Tone Down Decision

WASHINGTON, (By the Associated Press)—A communication asking for simplification of certain features of President Coolidge's Taena-Arica arbitration award will probably be presented to the state department today.

After calling attention to reports of Chilean atrocities that might affect the result of the forthcoming plebiscite in the province, the communication will suggest that a native constabulary be organized to replace the present Chilean garrisons in Taena-Arica until after the election.

RECOVERING NICELY

Mrs. W. S. Brown of Palmer Junction is at the hospital recovering from a minor operation. Mr. Brown was in La Grande this morning to visit his wife.

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Joseph Head to Await Action of Grand Jury

ALBANY, Ore. (Special)—Joseph P. Head, of Portland, La Grande and Eugene was bound over to the United States grand jury on a \$2000 bond here by Victor Oliver, deputy United States commissioner, on a charge of violating the Mann act.

He is accused of inducing Mrs. Edith Wirth to come to La Grande from Spokane, Wash. Mrs. Wirth was taken home by her husband.

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The "Jazz Girl" of Today



There is a marked difference in the appearance and actions of Dorothy Ellington, 16-year-old girl on trial at San Francisco for slaying her mother. Jail life has softened and matured her face.

BAKER WOMAN THUG VICTIM

PORTLAND, Ore. (By the Associated Press)—Mrs. Hazel Heister, 26, who was attacked in her apartment here Saturday by an unidentified man, and beaten with a piece of gas pipe, died at 11 o'clock Saturday night.

Jack Hall, 27 a logger, who discovered the body and then disappeared, was arrested early in the night when he returned to the apartment. He was said to be a friend of the woman and was held by the police for questioning.

FORBES VERY ILL

BOSTON, (AP)—The condition of Colonel Forbes, former head of the veterans bureau, stricken with paralysis Friday night, is unchanged today, it was announced at the hospital.

PAYS FOR RIOTING

PARIS, (AP)—After conferring with Premier Herriot until two o'clock this morning, French Minister of Education Albert Loday suspended Dr. Barbelin, dean of the Sorbonne law faculty, and closed the law school until further notice as the result of rioting by Royalist and Conservative Republican students Saturday. Albert's orders stated that Barbelin declared he would not impose penalties on participants in the rioting and that he also refused to cooperate with authorities who insisted that classes be held despite the students protests.

ROBBERS LOOT BANK

CHICAGO, (AP)—Four robbers, one carrying a sawed-off shotgun, today held up seven officials and employees of the Ashland 63rd Street Bank today and escaped with between \$10,000 and \$15,000 in cash.

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Sargent Biggest, Newest Man in Chief's Cabinet

(By Harry B. Hunt) Sargent typifies the "rugged Vermont strength" which the poet writes about. Although his 64 years have brought a certain flaccid looseness to the skin of his neck and jaw the lines of his jaw are still firm and strong.

The very bigness of his body; ponderous but powerful, suggests a mind that, likewise, while perhaps not of panther-like quickness, plows straight ahead through all obstacles to definite and substantial conclusions.

Sargent ought to help Coolidge.

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