

THRIFT IS ENDORSED IN CHURCH

Emphasized as a Religious Practice by the Rev. Mr. Pollard

DANGEROUS SIDE OF MONEY GIVEN

"We Must Do Something with It or It Will Do Something with Us," Minister Declares.

Thrift as a religious practice, taught by the Old Testament and endorsed by the teachings of Christ in the new, was preached to nearly every congregation that assembled in the churches of La Grande yesterday, which marked the beginning of the week set aside for the emphasizing of thrift.

"Money is a dangerous side of life," declared the Rev. George A. Pollard as he addressed his parishioners at the First Baptist church yesterday morning in a sermon entitled, "Stewardship."

"Money represents the part of us that we put into our work; the possibilities of life that our earnings open to us."

"The Master who redeemed life, redeemed that into which we put our lives."

Has Dangerous Side. "Money is a dangerous side of life. We must do something with it, or it will do something with us. In other words, we must spiritualize our money, or our money will materialize us."

Every fifth verse in the Bible, they tell us to do with giving. Giving is a habit. If Rockefeller had not developed the habit of giving while he was still a poor boy, he would not be giving his millions to humanity today.

"Giving follows saving. We have means to give only when we have saved."

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CHANGES PLEA: BACK IN JAIL

Exercising a freeman's privilege, Cecil Anderson this morning withdrew his earlier plea of not guilty and pleaded guilty before Justice Hugh E. Brady to a charge of illegal possession of liquor.

New "Ma"



Following the resignation of Representative John W. Langley of Kentucky, it was reported in Washington that Mrs. Langley would try to win his seat in Congress. Langley was convicted in a liquor conspiracy and his resignation took effect when the supreme court refused to review the findings. Langley was sentenced to two years.

Miss Margaret Storie and Miss Laura Davis, both of them nurses at the Hot Lake sanatorium, escaped without injury yesterday when their car, refusing to take the ice hill on O avenue, slipped backward over the left embankment, where it struck and turned over, breaking both left wheels, twisting the fenders and shattering the glass on that side.

A sputtering of light snow over the ice-plated pavement gave very little traction for the wheels as the two women turned their coupe up the hill. Halfway up the grade, the driver attempted to shift gears.

The wheels skidded and spun. The car lurched down the hill and over the high curb, landing on its left side. Surprised to find themselves still intact, the nurses crawled out of the wreckage and called for an auto salvaging crew.

Williams Addresses Local Realtors Today

Sherwood Williams gave a report of the directors meeting of the Northwest Realty board, at Seattle, this noon when ten members of the La Grande board met at the Tiffin for luncheon. Mr. Williams told of some of the interesting talks given at the meeting and also brought a message of how the Florida real estate men are operating during the recent boom there.

Mr. Williams extended an invitation to realtors from all over the northwest to the Northwest Real Estate convention to be held here in La Grande, which was accepted with much enthusiasm by everyone at the meeting, including the real estate men of Seattle besides directors from all over the northwest state, which comprises Oregon, Washington, Montana, Idaho, and Wyoming.

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Christian Church Adopts Annual Budget of \$3,500

The Central Church of Christ adopted a \$3,500 annual budget—the largest in its history—at the morning hour of worship Sunday.

It's "Junk" To You— Every home, every ranch, every office has a certain amount of accumulated material no longer in use that is classed as "junk" by the owners.

"Junk" is, from their standpoint, but much of the material is actually of value if placed in the hands of those who would use it. It takes up space and is worthless as far as you are concerned—but you can get rid of it both quickly and profitably with a Want Ad in the Observer. The expenditures of a few cents will not only touch with nearly 2000 families in the La Grande territory. Come in today—no phone year Want Ad to Main 57.

New Teams Defeated In Double Bill

Tiger Tossers Outclass Bobcats in Basketball; To Play Three Games This Week.

La Grande high school basketball teams won both ends of a doubleheader in the local gymnasium Saturday night. The first team defeated Union's Bobcat five 27 to 15 and the Tiger seconds won from the visiting kitfoxes 15 to 10. Both contests were bitter, but in each case, La Grande's superiority was marked.

Lyman and Zundel were the spearheads in La Grande scoring in the main attraction with Hank Glass and Larson ably taking care of their relative positions in Coach Bennett's system of play.

Geortson and Gilmore, Union forward and center, led in the visitors' offensive, the former carrying three and the latter two field goals. Geortson shows much improvement over his work last year and Gilmore looks good on the floor.

Game Hand Fought. After the first half, which ended 12 to 3 in favor of the blue and white, players of both squads increased their efforts and by the time the game ended, several were on the verge of complete exhaustion. Zundel, battered about by the Union guards, was practically all in but kept going nevertheless.

Branch Trip Next. The Tigers' annual branch invasion will take place the latter part of the week. La Grande will play at Wallowa Thursday night, at Joseph Friday night and at Enterprise Saturday night.

Summary La Grande (27) (15) Union Glass 5 (10) Geortson 10 (2) Larson 1 (1) Lyman 12 (3) Gilmore 10 (1) Zundel 12 (2) Casper 10 (1) Berry 8 (1) Sary 8

Score by Quarters La Grande 5 7 7 8—27 Union 3 3 3 5—11 Field goals—Geortson 3, Gilmore 2, Hanks 1, Lyman 5, Zundel 4. Points after foul—Geortson 4.

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FIRE DEPARTMENT WILL GIVE DANCE ON TUESDAY EVE

The members of the La Grande Volunteer fire department will be hosts tomorrow evening at a mid-winter dance to be given in Zuber hall with Mann's orchestra furnishing the music.

Celluloid Combs Blaze; Girl Painfully Burned

Miss Irma Lyman was painfully but not seriously, burned about the head and hands Sunday at 4 p. m. when the celluloid combs with which she was setting a water wave in her hair caught fire from a small electric heater that she had turned on to hurry the drying.

OREGON GAS TAX PHELD BY COURTS

Federal Judge Wolverton Rules Upon Validity of Law Today

TRUCK COMPANIES FIGHTING STATUTE

Suits Entered by the Portland - Seattle Auto Freight company and a long list of other truck firms which had been brought against Secretary of State Koger, contending that the tax is illegal, and in violation of the federal constitution as interfering with interstate traffic.

TO TAKE TRAFFIC CENSUS. A traffic census for three highways running out of La Grande will be taken Wednesday to determine the amount of traffic over the roads during the winter months.

The census will be taken again sometime in February and probably again in March. The number of cars traveling over the La Grande-Pendleton section of the Old Oregon trail will be counted, also the cars using the La Grande-Baker section of the same highway and those moving over the La Grande-Wallowa Lake highway.

NEW BOOKS AT CITY LIBRARY

Fifty-five books, including the collection used in the daily vacation Bible school, have just been presented to the public library by the La Grande Ministerial association.

The volumes have been cataloged and arranged on a special shelf at the library, where patrons are invited to make use of them. Each book has an accompanying teacher's manual.

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Recent Snows Brighten Outlook In East Oregon

Another light snowfall in La Grande this morning, along with today's weather forecast predicting colder weather in this district tonight is relieving citizens of Eastern Oregon considerably of fears of much damage to fall-sown wheat and of severity of water for both drinking and irrigating purposes during the coming summer.

The snow, although not heavy in the lowlands in Union, Wallowa and Baker counties, is piling up much deeper in the mountainous regions.

WALLOWA GREET'S SNOW. Several inches of snow fell over

Gooding Bill Opposed By Commissioner

Opposition to Measure Is Voiced in Senate Committee Room by John J. Esch, I. C. C. Member.

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press).—Opposition of the interstate commerce commission to the Gooding bill, which would prevent railroads from charging higher rates for a short haul than for a long haul, was expressed before the senate interstate commerce committee today by John J. Esch, member of the commission.

Esch said the proposed measure would prevent the interstate commerce commission from permitting carriers to make low rate to market points which are served from other producing points by water transportation.

BILL ARGUED HERE. It will be remembered that several weeks ago both sides of the Gooding bill were presented to the chamber of commerce, J. A. Ford, of the Intermediate Rate association, staunch supporter of Senator Gooding's measure, was opposed by a speaker who represented the railroads. No action was taken by the local organization.

McCann Hearing to Be Held in Capital

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press).—A hearing on the charges brought by Senator Johnson, Republican of California, against Federal Circuit Judge Wallace McCann, of Oregon, was held today by the senate judiciary committee.

Dancer, Married Drunk, Files Annulment Suit

BALTIMORE (By the Associated Press).—Pawm Gray, dancer, filed suit today for an annulment of her marriage to Theodore McFarland, Philadelphia newspaperman. She gives her real name as Gladys Marie Brown, daughter of a New York cartoonist.

HOLDUP DIES OF WOUNDS

SALT LAKE (AP).—Shot by a policeman happening to be in a drug store on the evening of January 8, when he and a companion attempted to hold up John Brewer, 29, Dallas, Texas, died of his wounds Sunday. His mother, Mrs. Laura Stuber, Dallas, claimed the body.

HIGHWAY BOARD ORGANIZES

ST. MARIES, Idaho.—Directors of the Scenic-Better Roads highway district organized with the following officers: Milton Cook, St. Maries, president; D. L. Strud, Fernwood, secretary-treasurer.

Arthur Foster to Be Speaker at Luncheon

Chamber of commerce members will hear a discussion of the land settlement question Tuesday at the regular forum luncheon. Arthur Foster, manager of that department of the Portland chamber, to be the speaker. William Miller will preside over the meeting, at which several matters of business are to be presented. The speaker will meet with the regular board at 2 p. m.

Boy Friends On Her Buttons



Here's another wrinkle, girls—photographs of your boy friends on your dress buttons. Miss Loretta Hatmann, of New York, is given credit for this one. The photos are glued to the buttons.

TANK BLAST KILLS NINE

BERLIN (AP)—Nine persons were killed and 30 injured in the Mosbit cigar factory tank of gasoline. Great property damage resulted.

WILL REVIEW CASE

WASHINGTON (AP)—The supreme court today agreed to review the Skinner and Eddy ship building case growing out of the cancelling of wartime ship building contracts on the Pacific coast. The case involves the right of Skinner and Eddy, contractors, to compel the comptroller general to pass their claims against the emergency fleet corporation. The comptroller general has insisted the shipping board should adjust the dispute.

CHICAGO BANK ROBBED

CHICAGO (By the Associated Press).—Four robbers held up the state bank of Franklin Park, a suburb, today and escaped with \$14,000, mostly in gold.

SENATORS SCORN COPELAND PLAN TO END STRIKE

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press).—Chairman Watson of the senate interstate commerce committee, has given no thought to the Copeland resolution to authorize the president to take over and operate anthracite mines. "I am against such legislation," Watson said today.

GRAND JURY TO ACT

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP)—Ten roadhouses near Portland investigated, evidence obtained, including names of many prominent patrons, will be submitted to the grand jury Sheriff Hurlburt announced today. The sheriff said the object was to obtain a reversal of a decision of Judge Skipworth, of Eugene, who held, about a year ago, that roadhouses are not subject to dance hall regulations because they were eating places.

SUGGEST DATE FOR VOTE

WASHINGTON (AP)—Chairman Borah, of the foreign relations committee, today suggested Feb. 10 as the date for a vote on the world court issue.

4 DEMOCRAT CANDIDATES DETERMINED

Presidential Seekers Already Launching 1928 Campaigns

THREE GOVERNORS AMONG ASPIRANTS

Ritchie, of Maryland; Donahy, of Ohio; Smith, of New York, and McAdoo to Enter.

NEW YORK (By the Associated Press).—Campaigns for two and possibly four candidates for the 1928 Democratic presidential nomination are definitely under way, the New York Times says today. The four aspirants named are:

Governor Albert C. Ritchie, Maryland. Governor A. Victor Donahy, Ohio. Governor Alfred Smith, New York. William G. McAdoo, former secretary of the treasury.

RIVER YIELDS FOURTH BODY

PITTSBURG (By the Associated Press).—The death toll resulting from the fall of a street car from a bridge into the Ohio river last night was increased to four today with the recovery of the body of Gilbert J. Schell, conductor of the ill-fated trolley. The body was found in the river a short distance from the scene of the accident.

Rubber Situation Is Brighter, Hoover Says

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press).—The American people are responding to a national necessity and "are well on their way" toward solving the rubber problem, without government aid, Secretary Hoover told the house commerce committee today.

CARDINAL FAILING

BRUSSELS (AP).—Cardinal Mercur's condition is so serious today that his physicians have requested that even his secretary cease visiting him. He has been unable to retain food for 48 hours.

Prepare Dictionary Of Hollywood Screen Slang

NEW YORK (By the Associated Press).—Because of the increasing use of studio vernacular in motion picture work and the fact that the uninitiated find it almost impossible to understand director with famous Players-Lasky, is doing most of the work on this "Hollywood Edition" of the English Dictionary. To date he has collected upwards to 400 words of mystical meaning to the intelligentsia.