

TWO-THIRDS DELEGATES CAST VOTES

Campaigning Gave Way to Anxious Expectancy After Polls Closed

COWBOY BREAKFAST SERVED 350 WOMEN

Oregon Federation of Women's Clubs Winding Up Four-Day Convention This Afternoon

At 2:45 this afternoon, the scheduled time for the announcement of results of the federation election, the program was approximately half an hour behind.

With less than two-thirds of the accredited delegates having cast their votes, campaigning gave way to anxious expectancy at noon today in the twenty-sixth annual convention of the Oregon Federation of Women's Clubs when Mrs. Saldie Orr-Dunbar announced with a blow of the gavel that the polls were officially closed.

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NORTHWEST REAL ESTATE CHIEF HERE TOMORROW

A. H. Barnhisel, president of the Northwest Real Estate association, of Tacoma, Wash., and T. W. Zimmerman, secretary of the association, of Portland, will be in La Grande tomorrow and will meet with the La Grande realty board at dinner tomorrow to make arrangements for the northwest realtors' convention to be held here July 22, 23 and 24.

Mr. Barnhisel and Mr. Zimmerman will also go to Twin Falls, Idaho, and attend a meeting of the Idaho State Real Estate association May 11 and 12. They will return by way of La Grande Thursday, May 12, when the local association will hold a general meeting with them to make further plans for the convention.

Legion Seeks Bathing Beauty Locally For State Contest

Plans were made for a bathing beauty contest to be held in La Grande and committees appointed last evening when the American Legion met in regular session at the K. P. hall. Several girls are expected to enter the contest, the winner of which will represent the local legion post at the state convention to be held at Marshfield in August.

Plans were also discussed for the historical pageant to be presented here under the auspices of the Legion during the Northwest Realtors' convention, July 22, 23, and 24. Word has been received from James Evans, who will direct the pageant, that he will be here in a week or so to make definite arrangements for the production.

Mr. Evans was to be here Saturday, but was called to Butte, Montana, where he is directing the same pageant, so will not be here as early as he expected. Harley Richardson, commander of the post said this morning.

Worthiest



Mrs. E. P. Mossman, whom Mrs. Saldie Orr-Dunbar recommended yesterday for the \$5,000 Delineator prize given to the woman whose service to her state is most worthy. She originated the picture library movement.

DE MOLAY BOYS ARRIVE TODAY

Sixty Are Already in La Grande for Convention—About 300 Delegates Expected.

Wires were received this morning from Portland and other points that 100 more boys than at first expected would be here for the state convention of the Order of DeMolay to be held here tomorrow and Saturday. About 200 rooms had been signed up last night for the visiting boys, with the word of the addition of about 100 more rooms were needed this noon.

The first delegates began to arrive today and by press time about 60 had arrived, mostly from Portland and the Willamette valley town. The majority will be here tomorrow when three special cars from Portland, bringing 100 boys from the Sunnyside chapter with a hand and drill team, will arrive on train No. 24. The Dallas plans to send 20 boys, according to a recent telegram. Bend, 34, Salem about 30 and Corvallis about that many.

Members of the La Grande chapter met this afternoon at 1:30 o'clock in the Masonic hall to check up on the number of rooms already available and organize for a campaign of the town to find more rooms. They hope to have accommodation for visiting delegates.

Alumni Plan Banquet Honoring Dr. W. J. Kerr

Alumni, former students and friends of Oregon Agricultural college are registering with Earl Reynolds for places at the luncheon banquet that will be extended to Dr. W. J. Kerr, president of the college, at the Foley hotel Friday from 12 a. m. to 1 p. m. Dr. Kerr will be here as the principal speaker at the DeMolay convention here.

BAKER HOST TO OREGON CLUB WOMEN

Sixty-Seven Carloads of Federation Members Visit Copper City

RAINEY, APPEBY MAIN SPEAKERS

U. of O. Professor and La Grande Editor Address Delegates in Evening.

Baker did herself proud last evening when she entertained about 300 clubwomen delegates and visitors who responded to the Alpha Literary club's invitation for dinner and a session of the convention in the Copper City. From the swim at the natatorium, through the dinner served with orchestra and a display to the program of dance and music that preluded the reports and speeches of the evening, the hostesses, led by their president, Mrs. Robert D. Service, demonstrated an Eastern Oregon hospitality from which the guests withdrew with genuine regret.

"An exemplification of the spirit of the Oregon Federation of Women's Club," Mrs. Saldie Orr-Dunbar characterized the occasion. 67 Cars in Caravan

Sixty-seven automobiles wheeled into the polished carport Baker beheld over the Old Oregon trail highway soon after 1:30 o'clock. Mrs. Charles Playle, transportation chairman of the Neighborhood club, arranged the trip and provided a service car to follow in case of emergencies. Almost the entire company was back in La Grande before midnight. After the banquet, served in the gymnasium of the high school, the visitors were escorted to the handsome auditorium, where musical entertainment was ready to begin. A mixed quartet sang Cadman's "Spirit of Spring" from the song cycle, "The Morning of the Year," and returned with "Italia, Italia Beloved" when the audience clamored for more. Mrs. Leonard S. Finch, Mrs. Neal Gillman, Dr. Theodore Varison, J. Richard Smurthwaite Jr., were the singers. Miss Collyn Foster accompanied. With Mrs. Norman Muegge executing the terpsichorean features and Mrs. Leland S. Finch singing the lyrics, a group of colonial dancers presented "Lavender and Old

ANDREWS GIVES HIGHLIGHTS OF PROHI MEASURES

WASHINGTON, May 6 (AP)—Assistant Secretary Andrews, in charge of dry law enforcement, explained today to the senate prohibition committee the pending administration measures designed to tighten up enforcement of the Volstead act. Some changes in them were suggested and it was indicated that the bills would have rather hard sledding even before the committee.

Gilbert Here Today To Deliver Addresses

Chaplain William S. Gilbert, regent of the University of Oregon, arrived in the city this morning to speak before the Oregon Federation of Women's clubs this afternoon. Chaplain Gilbert's subject will be the Doernbecher hospital for children. This evening at 8:30 o'clock the Spanish War veterans and American Legion post of La Grande will give dinner for Chaplain Gilbert at the Foley hotel. He is a member of both organizations. He has been chaplain for the past thirty-one years and has reached the rank of Lieutenant Colonel.

Grange Conference to Discuss Year's Program

A masters' and lecturers' conference of the granges of Union county will be held at the Blue Mountain grange hall Saturday afternoon at two o'clock, according to County Master J. A. Nies, of North Powder, who called the meeting for the purpose of planning grange work in this county and improvement of the lecturer and educational service. Among the items to be discussed will be a county picnic at the Union experiment station, community and county fairs, an exhibit at the state fair, state grange convention at Baker in June, and others. All grangers in the county are being invited to attend.

2 Bids Held Inadequate By Plummer

Shipping Board Commissioner Testifies at Senate Hearings—Favors Coastal Trade.

WASHINGTON, May 6 (AP)—Both bids received by the shipping board for the five vessels of the Admiral-Oriental line out of Seattle were inadequate and should have been rejected, Commissioner Plummer declared today before the senate commerce commission investigating the acceptance of the bid of the Dollar interest of \$900,000 each for the ships. The other bidder, W. B. Keene, offered \$800,000 a ship on April 3 and subsequently in a bid which was not considered by the board on advice of its counsel, offered \$920,000 a ship. Keene since has announced a willingness to increase his latest tender substantially.

Commissioner Plummer said that after the five-year period in which Pacific service is guaranteed, the vessels could be withdrawn and placed in the American coast-wise traffic. "If I were buying those ships," he continued, "I would take them out of foreign trade and put them in the coastal trade." He added that profits in the latter routes were greater. Commissioner Plummer said that the various service restrictions imposed upon purchasers by the shipping board reduced the sale value of the vessels by approximately one-half.

Referring to the estimated replacement cost of the ships at \$4,000,000 each, he said that the restrictions and their age of five years reduced their value to approximately \$1,500,000. "If Dollar or any other competent operator buys them," he said, "they should make money because the line is in a profitable condition now." He added that the route had suffered a net loss of \$2,034,000 in the four years it had been operated.

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POWDER, COVE REPORT SNOW

Weather Turns Cold in Union County—Mercury Here Registers 32 Degrees Above.

La Grande experienced the coldest weather since March last night when the mercury fell to 32 degrees above zero. There was no frost, however, and no damage is reported to date the pleasure farmers' have experienced following the rains of yesterday and Tuesday. "The cold weather is general over this part of the state.

SNOW NEAR NORTH POWDER

NORTH POWDER, May 6 (Special)—Little flurries of fine snow fell north here yesterday, followed by an insignificant hail storm and much rain, all of which was a boon to the farmers. It was quite cold about Telocast in the afternoon.

MOUNTAINS TURN WHITE

COVE, May 6 (Special)—Mount Flaming had a thin blanket of snow blanketing it yesterday morning as a result of storms during Tuesday night. The local rains of the past two days have been very beneficial to crops.

State Officials Plan Inspection Trip Friday

The state park board and members of the state highway commission will visit two parks in the Blue Mountains and then visit Wallawa and Union county points Friday. It is announced today. The two groups will meet in Pendleton Friday morning, visit the parks, then drive to Wallawa county, returning to Union for an examination of the tree nursery at the experiment station. Saturday they will visit the Herndon experiment station, the Boardman school of tree nursery, the More tree experiment station and the roadside plantings between Boardman and The Dalles. H. G. Smith and Oscar Carter, of the La Grande office, will accompany the party.

POLAR TRIP AIRPLANE IS SHATTERED

Alaskan, Belonging to Detroit Arctic Expedition, Badly Damaged

NORGE ON LAST LAP OF JOURNEY

Amundsen-Ellsworth Dirigible Leaves Oslo, Norway, for Spitzbergen Late Today.

FAIRBANKS, Alaska, May 6 (AP)—The Alaskan, a one-engined plane of the Detroit Arctic expedition, was seriously damaged in an attempt to take off for Point Barrow today.

The propeller of the Alaskan was splintered, its wings torn to shreds and its landing gear on the right side reduced to a tangled wreck. The Alaskan has made three flights to Point Barrow, 520 miles northwest of here on the first of which she flew out 150 miles over the ocean, penetrating further than the highest recorded north, but seeing no land.

SEATTLE, Wash., May 6 (AP)—Wrecking of an airplane today at Fairbanks, Alaska, deprived the Detroit Arctic expedition, led by Captain George Hubert Wilkins, of aerial transportation. Dispatches from the North American Newspaper alliance, published here today from Fairbanks, said:

"Captain Wilkins plans to hop off as soon as possible in the three-engined monoplane Detroit." The Alaskan made three flights from Fairbanks to Point Barrow, 520 miles distant, but the Detroit attempted a trip and fell April 26.

OSLO, Norway, May 6 (AP)—The Amundsen-Ellsworth dirigible Norge, which arrived at Vadsø, in Northern Norway this morning, started on the last lap of its trip to Spitzbergen this afternoon.

OSLO, Norway, May 6 (AP)—Lieutenant Commander Richard E. Byrd who has been making experiments with the Fokker monoplane with which he hopes to explore the Arctic regions, today succeeded in making a two-hour trial flight, according to reports received here.

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SINNOTT MEASURE APPROVED TODAY BY HOUSE BOARD

WASHINGTON, May 6 (AP)—The Sinnott bill to relinquish federal rights to public school lands granted to states or territories was approved today by the house public lands committee. A similar bill by Senator Jones, democrat, New Mexico, passed the senate. The Sinnott measure contains the clause that would prevent the proposed title confirmation in connection with the government's suit over the Elk Hills naval oil reserve in California.

Although confirming title, states could not benefit from any minerals that might be found on the lands, but must lease such mineral rights. It will be called up as a substitute for the Jones bill.

TWO OF TWO LOST

Traces of two of the men have been lost. All seven rode in Klein's automobile, stolen at the prison, but when the first traces of them was found, the party numbered only five. It was believed two of the men had left the automobile at a long railroad grade west of Morris, where trains bound for Chicago are forced to slow speed.

It was near Marshallville, 15 miles west of Morris, that James Kelley, prison guard, and James Cassidy, a trusty prisoner, were found handcuffed to trees 50 feet apart, after they had been forced to

Farm Home Fire Fatal To 7-Year-Old Girl

TACOMA, Wash., May 6 (AP)—A girl, seven, is dead, her sister, 12, in the hospital here, and their stepfather, Fred Harper, is suffering from cuts and burns as the result of a fire which destroyed the farm home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Harper between Orting and Kapowsan, 20 miles from Tacoma, last night. Others in the home, including the mother and three sons, were saved.

Moroccan Conference On Peace Breaks Down

OUJJA, French Morocco, May 6 (AP)—The peace conference between the Rifians and the Franco-Spanish delegates broke down today. The Rifian delegates who returned today from consulting Abd-el-Krim, their chief, told the conference they must maintain their previous attitude. Thereupon, General Simon, chief delegate and chairman of the conference, declared the negotiations at an end. French military headquarters has been established at Taza, and operations will begin as soon as the conditions along the present front permit.

\$15,000 For A Smile



Miss Teddy Winslow, 18, smiled and won \$15,000 as Los Angeles' most beautiful girl. And now she's going into the movies.

OFFICERS TAKE FOUR CONVICTS

LEONORE, Ill., May 6 (AP)—Two convicts, who escaped with five others from the state penitentiary near Joliet, were captured today on the farm of John Rose. They were found buried under the hay in the loft of the barn.

LEONORE, Ill., May 6 (AP)—Three of the seven long-term convicts who escaped from the new state penitentiary at Stateville yesterday after slaying Peter M. Klein, deputy warden, were sought today by posse and sight-seers numbering 800, in the heavily wooded section of LaSalle county near Sandy Ford.

Two convicts were in custody at Streator, one in a hospital and riddled with buckshot, and the other unharmed in jail. Both are Mexicans sentenced in Chicago for murder.

WASHINGTON, May 6 (AP)—President Coolidge has signed a bill reserving certain lands in Coos county, Oregon, as public parks and camp sites.

DALLAS, Tex., May 6 (AP)—Lower Gulf coast counties of Texas were inundated over wide areas today by rain variously estimated from nine to 11 inches, part of the general precipitation extending north to the Red River and to the eastern boundary. One death was caused by the floods inland from Corpus Christi, where 6.66 inches was recorded.

TUBBY ANNOYS TAMPA

TAMPA, Fla.—Tubby has his night out. A trail of broken fences, trampled hedges and fallen clothes reminded his path through a residential district of the city. Tubby is none other than a huge circus elephant, who broke his moorings and created no little stir among Tampa residents before being towed back to the circus by his trainer.

Woman Shoots Children, Self To Escape Starving to Death

CASA GRANDE, Ariz., May 6 (AP)—Faced by the prospect of a slow and terrible death for herself and starvation for her two small daughters, aged four months and three years, Mrs. E. J. Cox shot and killed her offspring and then ended her own life with a rifle on a lonely ranch, 25 miles from here Tuesday.

The tragedy was discovered by Cox when he returned to his deserted homestead after an absence of more than a week. A blood stained diary told of the tragedy that had its inception Sunday when Mrs. Cox was bitten on the foot by a rattlesnake. Falling to get relief from the pain by home remedies, the woman slit the wound with a pen knife, the diary said. In doing so she severed an artery and suffered the loss of a large amount of blood.

She was too weakened to crank the automobile and go for aid to the nearest neighbors, seven miles away, the scrawled diary said.

She fired many shots in a futile attempt to attract attention. Knowing the diary declared, that she would be dead and her children starved to death before her husband would return, she fired a bullet into the heart of each of her children, and then turned the rifle on herself.

BELLAIRE, Ohio, May 6 (AP)—Edward Davis shot and killed his wife and her sister, Miss Florence Bennett, at the family residence in South Bellaire today and then turned the pistol on himself, dying instantly. Police began an investigation to learn the motive. The shooting was believed to have resulted from a family quarrel.

BRITISHERS STAND FIRM ON DEMANDS

Third Day of Strike Sees No Weakening of Either Side

ALL PEACE RUMORS OFFICIALLY DENIED

Further Rioting Reported; Mostly from Scotland; Food Supply Will Last a Month.

LONDON, May 6 (AP)—The government won a victory in the house of commons today on its proposed measures to control the strike situation. A labor amendment to a bill relating to the protection of property was defeated, 377 to 95.

LONDON, May 6 (AP)—The grip of the general strike gives no sign of lessening. The third day finds both government officials and labor chiefs proclaiming their determination to fight to the end.

The administration's new mouthpiece, the British Gazette, declared: "There can be no compromise of any kind. Either the country will break the general strike or the general strike will break the country."

An official communique at noon reiterated that there would be no negotiations until the men returned to work. Deny All Peace Rumors.

Trades union officials denying all peace rumors, announced tersely: "The situation continues satisfactory." Meanwhile attempts of strike sympathizers to halt the volunteer transportation service has failed to further rioting. As before, the worst of the disorders were in Scotland, especially along the Clyde side, the center of labor radicalism.

Train Attacked. At Musselburgh, near Edinburgh, a train was attacked and passengers were injured by the smashing of the windows. In the Scotch capital itself there were sanguinary troubles during the night, with police wielding their clubs in mass charges to clear the streets of rioting gangs which sought to stop the emergency tramway service. Buses were attacked at Paisley, another Scotch city.

Mounted police were called into action in the southeastern section of London at the "Elephant and Castle," a tavern and traffic center, where strike sympathizers attacked and caused damage to a motor bus. Government continued its efforts to assure the food supply of the population, and it became known that soldiers and sailors will be used in this work if necessary. The country's supply of tinned and

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THREE RUSSIAN OFFICIALS PUT TO DEATH TODAY

MOSCOW, May 6 (AP)—Three important finance ministry officials, Violin, Chepelovskiy and Itabinkovitch, were executed today by order of the G. P. U. (state political police). The trio were charged with abusing the trust imposed in them by the government to advance their own interests through speculation in the Chervonetz. They are said to have worked in league with professional speculators on the Moscow and Leningrad bourses. A number of these speculators were recently imprisoned.