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ISLAND CITY
IS HOST TO
EPWORTHIAN

Young People of County Communities Gather in Sunday Rally

PRESENT CANTATA
AT M. E. CHURCH

"The Holy City," with Mrs. Sherwood Williams Directing, Evening Feature Here.

Young people from La Grande, Union, Cove, North Powder and Elgin joined the youth of Island City in an Epworth League rally at the Community church Sunday afternoon and evening.

Dr. Harry S. Hamilton, of Boise, the Methodist district superintendent, addressed a full house in the afternoon, and spoke again before a good-sized crowd in the evening.

The intervening period was devoted to sociability and a picnic supper, for which the hosts served hot drinks.

Miss Mabel Doty and Miss Blanche Clark both appeared on the afternoon speaking program. Miss Doty talked on "Choosing the Way." Miss Clark's subject was "The Ambitions of Youth."

Miss Dorothy Brownson played piano solo. Paul Knautz sang. And the Cove delegation was heard in a song number.

In the evening, the Island City orchestra preluded Dr. Hamilton's address with selections.

The sessions were presided over by the Rev. Hall K. Wallis, pastor of Community church.

Cantata Presented

At the Methodist church in La Grande last evening, the choir pleased an audience of about 450 persons with a model performance of Cantata cantata, "The Holy City," one of the most difficult vehicles the chorists have ever undertaken to use as a vehicle for their monthly sacred concerts.

Mrs. Sherwood Williams directed the production.

Besides the chorus of 25 voices, there were four soloists, Mrs. Ray Fuller, Mrs. A. W. Nelson, Paul Knautz and Sherwood Williams. Their interpretations were artistically supported by Mrs. A. E.

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ROTARY CLUB
GIVES THANKS
AT LUNCHEON

In recognition of the spirit of Thanksgiving week, the Rotarians counted their civic blessings at a luncheon meeting presided over by the Rev. William Crosby Ross, Presbyterian minister, at the Foley dining room this noon.

A. T. Hill, as president of the city commission, numbered some of the reasons why the city should return thanks. J. T. Longfellow, school superintendent, talked of the public school conditions calling for gratitude. F. L. Meyers, vice president of the La Grande National bank, said that national business conditions were a subject for rejoicing. Mr. Ross spoke on spiritual blessings.

W. H. Guild, division superintendent, who was to have spoken from the Rotarians' standpoint, and Frank McKennon, who was to have given the farmers' reaction to Thanksgiving day, were absent from the meeting.

Guests who responded to introductions were: Jack Kerr, of Grants Pass, formerly of this city; J. L. Purdy, of Pendleton; Mr. Moore, of Hillsboro; Roscoe Waznoek, of La Grande; and E. Marks, of La Grande.

THREE OR
FOUR DOLLARS
A MONTH

The small business, with an annual volume of only a few thousand dollars can keep the same constant contact with you, his old or prospective customer, that is enjoyed by the largest store.

In the Want Ad columns of The Observer such a business can carry a regular reminder of its efficiency, its service, its superiority—and at the very small expense of three or four dollars a month. New people come to the community, old residents discover new needs—and invariably they are daily readers of The Observer. They total more than 12,000. For a few cents a day a business can regularly invite their attention and patronage. A small business cannot afford to be without this inexpensive but highly valuable contact.

"Observer Advertising—A Merchandising Service"

Gridmen Ready
For Title Game
on Thanksgiving

Second and Third String Men Used Largely in Walla Walla Game in Snow Saturday.

Playing in a storm on a strange field that was hidden four inches deep under fresh snow, after their tiresome bus ride of six hours through the rain and sleet, La Grande gridmen were unable to do themselves justice in their game with Walla Walla Saturday, according to local fans who witnessed the 58-to-0 defeat of the Tigers.

Second and third string men composed the blue and white machine during most of the play. Altering his previous plans when he saw what odds his charges faced, Coach Ian V. MacKenzie reserved his first team, sending in only one or two at a time and that for the conditioning they should get out of it.

End Runs Succeeded

Against the big Walla Walla gridmen, they averaged about 20 yards a man heavier than their visiting opponents—the La Grande line held encouragingly strong. The visitors met opposition there they could not penetrate, but they easily ran the Tiger ends. The Blue Devils realized consistently on their all-state quarterback. And their teamwork and interference carried them steadily forward.

Despite their decisive flogging, the Tigers returned to La Grande with bodies and spirits unscathed. Captain Smutz and Baker did not get into action at all, and all the other first team men are in the proverbial pink today.

Play Milton Turkey Day

Putting it down as a defeat by a team that acknowledgedly outplayed them, the blue and white men resolved this morning to get the most out of their lesson and apply it on their preparation for the Thanksgiving day game at Milton-Freewater.

NEW HIGHWAY IS
LEFT TO COURTS

Executives' Action to Determine Future Route of Walla Walla Road

While final action on the proposed new highway to Walla Walla will depend on the forestry department and the highway commission, by whom the greater share of the expense must be met, choice between the old toll-free way and the Thomas Ruckles road will be partially determined by the action of the county courts here and at Walla Walla. It was brought out Saturday evening at a meeting of supporters of both routes with the chamber of commerce good roads committee at the city hall.

To assist the United county court in its selection of the better course, a horseback survey was proposed. The recommendation will be carried to the court Dec. 1 by the good roads committee, with the following additional members representing the communities and organizations interested: Bert Oliver and John Shippley, of Summerville; H. H. Huron, of Imbler; Ed Wright, of La Grande; H. H. Weatherhead and J. Y. Wright, of Imbler. The chamber of commerce committee is composed as follows: G. L. Larson, chairman; A. J. Sturges, A. T. Hill, A. R. Hunter, G. E. Stoddard, W. C. Kelly, and W. W. Stevens, of Union.

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Larsen to Preside
At Ham-Egg Dinner

Holger M. Larsen has been designated toastmaster for the ham-and-egg banquet that the chamber of commerce will substitute Tuesday evening for its usual forum luncheon. Music by the chamber of commerce quartet and brief reports from a few committees will supplement the address of the Rev. Robert C. Lee, Methodist minister at Union, who is to speak on "Frank L. Lally will superintend the culinary preparations for the affair. Officers and directors will serve.

Struggle Through
Marsh Costs Life

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Nov. 22 (AP)—Fettered by the exertion of struggling through the duck marshes of Lower Klamath lake, Ival Whitney, 66, Ashland resident, was stricken by heart failure and died shortly before noon yesterday. His companions, H. E. O'Donnell, of Central Point, and C. E. Carlson, of Ashland, were forced to carry the body nearly two miles from the marsh to their car.

ENTERPRISE
CLUB GIVES
BISON FEED

Affair Feature of 2-Day Shoot Sponsored by Rod and Gun Club

STATE WARDEN IS
IN ATTENDANCE

E. F. Averill, of Pendleton, and Other Eastern Oregon Sportsmen Speak at Banquet.

ENTERPRISE, Ore., Nov. 22 (Special)—One of the biggest and most enjoyable events of the year took place Saturday night at the I. O. O. F. hall, when the Enterprise Rod and Gun club was host to a buffalo barbecue. Part of a two-day shoot program, two hundred and fifty men were present.

The banquet began at 8:30 o'clock with Rev. Weatherhead as toastmaster. Invocation was given by one of the local ministers after which the dinner was served, consisting of buffalo, wild ducks and geese and yams with all the trimmings. This was followed by pumpkin pie and whipped cream and coffee. The meal was served by the Hebekahs.

Mayor-Elect Welcomes All

During the dinner, Weatherhead called upon Mayor-Elect C. L. Booth for the address of welcome which, as he stated, "is always customary at buffalo feasts."

The response came from Dr. A. T. Poley, of Seaside, Ore. Mrs. Honer Jamison sang a vocal solo and responded to applause with an encore. She was accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Eben.

The toastmaster next made the remark that "certain judges may come and circuit judges may go but Herbert A. Hanna stays on forever," and the La Grande man responded by a short talk.

Joe Jaeger, a former jewelry man of Portland and well known in Oregon sport circles, spoke briefly, preceding a vocal solo and encore by N. Graham, accompanied by Mrs. Eiden.

Averill Speaks

Following remarks by Claude Bushe, of Baker, State Game Warden E. F. Averill, of Pendleton, started an address but was interrupted by a bell-ringing ruse, which was planned by the management. Averill entered into the spirit of the evening and postponed his talk until later, when it was enthusiastically received.

Mrs. A. K. Parker sang two Indian songs, backed in appropriate costume, before Bruce Cox, of Walla Walla, delivered a short address which preceded an instructive and humorous talk by W. G. Bethel, of Joseph.

At this time a character, representing an interstate rancher, entered, searching for the man who "had what the tail off his cat" and "add realism, he swung the tail as evidence. He continued his search among the tables until he located the man who had done the deed—C. H. Zuercher, who was searched by the deputy game warden and the sheriff. A Chinese pheasant was found on his person. This stunt caused a great deal of merriment.

Before the group adjourned, the following spoke: Judge J. W. Knowles, La Grande; Sam White, of Joseph; H. M. DuBois, Enterprise, and chairman of the committee on game law changes; George Rogers, deputy state game warden of Walla Walla county; Dr. Edwards, of Baker; E. H. Burleigh, of Enterprise; Wynn Huff, of Spokane; Ed Myers, of Baker; Jay Billings, forest supervisor of Walla Walla county; Ralph Felt, of Joseph, and Fred W. Faulkner, of Pendleton.

BLAMES U. S.



Mrs. J. U. Fields, president of the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs, blames the federal government for many of the country's crimes of violence. The government advertises the sale of old army and navy revolvers, she says, and thus makes it possible for criminals to arm themselves.

Story Told by
Henry Stevens
Corroborated

Witnesses Confirm Defendant's Statement as to His Whereabouts on Sept. 14.

SOMERVILLE, N. J., Nov. 22 (AP)—The defense in the trial of Mrs. Frances Stevens Hall and her brothers, Willie and Henry Stevens, for the murder of Mrs. Eleanor H. Mills said today that Willie Stevens would be called to the stand "at the proper time."

Henry Stevens, the first of the defendants to testify, was on the stand the greater part of Saturday. Mrs. Anna Evanson, cook of the Henry Stevens family at the time of the double slaying, was the first witness today.

Mrs. Evanson's testimony corroborated the story which Henry Stevens told of his movements at the time of the killings. "Have you been home all the time since early August of this year?" senator Simpson asked on cross examination.

"I was away for two weeks in the first part of October," she said, "with some friends of mine at Beach Haven."

"What was their name?" "The Johnsons."

Simpson Explains

A few days ago, Simpson announced in court that Mrs. Evanson was missing and his line of cross examination was apparently in the direction of attempting to prove that the defense had hidden witnesses from his investigators.

Henry Stevens testified in his own defense that he weighed a six-pounder caught by Arthur Applegate on the night the slinger was slain with the Rev. Edward W. Hall, Newburgh, from Laval, N. Y., again today came to testify that Stevens was on the beach the night of Sept. 14, 1922, three days placing him there at 10 o'clock or after.

The killing is alleged to have taken place at about 10:20 o'clock, 50 miles from New Jersey coast town.

Establishes Alibi

The next witness, Howard Price, a paint dealer of Philadelphia, told of arriving at Laval for about six p. m. on Sept. 14, 1922. He said that in the evening he was walking along the beach about 9:55 when he saw Henry Stevens.

This would place Stevens on the beach just a few minutes before the killing.

Price said he remembered the date because he had on that day sent a report of an automobile accident to an insurance company.

"I know him," said Price positively on cross examination when the prosecutor asked if he was sure it was Stevens he had seen on the beach.

The Summerville Livestock association held its annual meeting at Summerville Saturday and elected officers for the ensuing year. All of the former officers were reelected: John Shippley, president; Hugh Park, vice president; C. H. Arnoldus, secretary; treasurer and A. C. Glenn and Bert Oliver, members of the advisory board.

The meeting, which was held in the I. O. O. F. hall, was attended by Forest Supervisor J. E. Irwin, of Pendleton, and Gerald Tucker, forest ranger. Mr. Irwin told the association of plans for that association to give up the grazing division of the association, south of Summerville, and add two sheep allotments in the Phillips Creek division. After a discussion the association voted unanimously in favor of change, which will give them grazing land which will be easier reached.

The association went on record as favoring the grazing appeal board for a single forest. Members of the board will be named later.

Spring Blossoms
In Grants Pass

GRANTS PASS, Ore., Nov. 22 (AP)—As a result of warm weather of the past few weeks, wild strawberries are blooming in the Rogue valley. In scattered instances manzanita brush is in full bloom. Ripe tomatoes are being picked by one gardener in this city and blooms are still appearing on the vines. Bulb flowers, which usually blossom in March and April, now ready to flower. Two weeks of warm rains were followed yesterday by a warm sunny day, with every indication that the weather will continue. November rainfall has reached six inches.

SALEM, Ore., Nov. 22 (AP)—Governor Walter M. Pierce will give his lecture entitled "Christian Civilization" at Spokane, Seattle and Portland on December 7, 8 and 9 before the Northwest Methodist men's convention which meets in the three cities.

REGENTS DUE
IN THIS CITY
NEXT MONTH

Eastern Oregon Normal School Hearings to Be Held Dec. 6-11

VISIT LA GRANDE,
ELGIN SAME DAY

Questionnaire Also Sent to District to Assist in Locating Proposed T. B. Hospital.

SALEM, Ore., Nov. 22 (AP)—An itinerary of the trip to be made through Eastern Oregon by the board of regents of Oregon Normal schools for the purpose of selecting a location for the new normal school approved by the people at the election Nov. 2 was completed today. The itinerary which was made up by a committee of the board is as follows:

Dec. 6, Baker; Dec. 7, Elgin in forenoon and La Grande afternoon; Dec. 8, Milton, Weston and Pendleton; Dec. 9, Arlington and The Dalles; Dec. 10, Redmond and Bend; Dec. 11, Prineville and Hood River.

At each place an opportunity will be given the people for a hearing in behalf of the proposed location. In the party of regents will be the following men: Governor Pierce; Secretary of State Kozier; C. L. Star, of Portland; J. H. Fuller, of Ashland; F. J. Miller, of Albany; W. C. Bryant, of Moro; George A. Hartman, of Pendleton; E. E. Bragg, of Salem; and State School Superintendent R. R. Turner, of Salem.

PROSPECTUS SENT

La Grande's prospectus, compiled and prepared by the chamber of commerce, was dispatched to Salem Saturday in ample time to reach the committee in time for

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Milwaukee Road
Under Gavel; One
Bid Is Offered

WHITE, Mont., Nov. 22 (AP)—Only one bid, totalling \$140,000, was made at the public sale of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul railroad here this morning. The bid was made by representatives of the reorganization company and will be submitted to the federal court in Chicago on Dec. 13 for approval.

It required just a minute more than half an hour for a transaction which ultimately probably means the transfer of a property worth three quarters of a billion dollars. Approval of the court for the bid and the approval of the I. C. C. for the reorganization plan is required to hitch is expected.

Bids were offered on each parcel: \$12,500,000 for the lines west of Moiridge, S. D.; \$67,500,000 for the lines east; or \$119,000,000 for the entire physical property.

Peaches Wins \$300
A Week Alimony

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., Nov. 22 (AP)—Mrs. Frances Heenan (Peaches) Browning was awarded \$300 a week alimony and counsel fees of \$1,500, including the cost of the suit for separation from her husband, Edward W. Browning, wealthy real estate man, by Justice Morschauer today.

King Winter Quits Western Oregon;
Snow Remains on Pendleton Ground

EUGENE, Ore., Nov. 22 (AP)—King winter took a lay off in Eugene for the most part yesterday and a pleasant Sunday was enjoyed.

Lake in the evening it rained, a shower or so, and that was all. Today is damp, and occasionally drizzly.

After the hard rains of last week end, the Willamette river rose to a stage of nine and one-half feet but had dropped back to the five-foot level this morning.

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Nov. 22 (AP)—Beginning at midnight last night, warm rains began their sweep over this entire area. Even at Crater Lake Lodge, on the rim of Crater Lake, rain was falling in the morning with snow flurries. At Pinnhurst 40 miles west of here near the summit of the Cascade, rain fell all night and was continuing today with no sign of snow.

At Lakeview, 165 miles east of here, rain began falling early last evening and continued today without intermission with no snow visible on nearby mountains, a phone report said.

SALEM, Ore., Nov. 22 (AP)—

GANG LEADER



Carl Shelton, shown above, who with his brother is credited with leading one of the two gangs that have waged open warfare for weeks in the vicinity of Hereta, Ill., is blamed by Charles Birger, rival gang leader, for the airplane bombing of one of Birger's resorts. The move is believed to be in reprisal for Shelton's recent arrest in connection with a mail robbery—an arrest that he lays to Birger.

ELECTION FRAUD
CHARGED, MAINE

Gould, Republican Senatorial Nominee, Accused by Demos.

PORTLAND, Me., Nov. 22 (AP)—With republican control of the senate depending on the special election in this state on Nov. 29, Arthur R. Gould, republican nominee, was faced today with charges of exceeding legal expenses in the recent primary and with having given \$100,000 bribe several years ago to the premier of New Brunswick.

In addition there was a demand before Senator Reed, of Missouri, for a federal inquiry into the primary situation here.

Fighting back at his opponents, Mr. Gould said that the bribery was old and asserted the money had been paid by former business associates in a railroad construction project as a political campaign contribution and without his knowledge.

The charges were contained in a statement issued by a committee associated with the campaign of Folton J. Redman, democratic senatorial nominee. The statement reviewed the investigation conducted by Chief Justice Harrison A. McKown, of the province, in which the jurist characterized the payment to Premier J. K. Fleming as a "bribe."

TWO SLAIN BY
NEPHEW; SISTER
ALSO WOUNDED

BRIDGETON, N. J., Nov. 22 (AP)—Mr. and Mrs. William Gandy, of this city, were shot and instantly killed today by Linwood Ware, 22, their nephew, who also shot and seriously wounded his sister, Mrs. Madeline Maxwell, 26.

Mrs. Maxwell is reported to be dying in the hospital here.

Mr. and Mrs. Gandy and Mrs. Maxwell lived with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ware, parents of Linwood. While the family was sitting at breakfast in the dining room, the youth entered from the kitchen with an automatic pistol in his hand. He at once opened fire on his aunt and uncle and then shot his sister. After seeing the three fall from their chairs, he walked out of the house.

Young Ware was arrested shortly after the shooting.

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Harrisburg Boy, 3,
Drowned in Ditch

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The little boy had gone out to play by himself, and details of the accident are not known. Search was made when he did not return, and the body was found lodged in some brush.

His father was in Portland at the time of the accident.

PENDLETON WOMAN DIES

PENDLETON, Nov. 22 (AP)—Mrs. J. E. Arkell, for 36 years a resident of Pendleton, died here Sunday. She was 88 years old and was born in Osprey, Ontario in 1858.

3 Perish When
Flames Destroy
L. A. Apartments

Early Morning Fire Envelops Building, Hemming Some of Occupants in Trap.

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 22 (AP)—Three persons are known to have perished, several were injured and a number of women were saved from death by firemen early today when fire gutted the four-story Rangley apartments in the heart of the downtown apartment district. The origin of the fire is unknown.

The dead: Mrs. Elizabeth Stages, Mr. and Mrs. W. Rockwell. The known injured: Norman Boylan, broken leg; George C. Boner, overcome by smoke.

A Japanese house boy was reported to police as missing. A definite check of those injured was unavailable to police as several persons hurt in leaps from windows and others partially overcome by smoke were taken into nearby apartments and hotels. Others were taken to the receiving hospital.

Flames Envelop Building

The building became a mass of flames within a few minutes after fire broke out in the basement engine room at 3 o'clock. The flames swept up an elevator shaft to the third floor and spread to other parts of the structure.

First police officers at the fire were told an explosion preceded the burst of flame that flashed through the building. Dense clouds of black smoke belched from the basement.

Easy Divorce Is
Thing of Past in
Chicago Courts

CHICAGO, Nov. 22 (AP)—An edict against easy divorce was pronounced today by Judge Marcus A. Kavanaugh, dean of Chicago jurists, as he took over his assignment as judge of the divorce court.

"In hearing divorces cases I am going to make it a rule that the cause must be proved and residence here established. Chicago should not have her good name tarnished by flimsy divorces which they are not entitled to."

"One of the main reasons for the shocking unrest, which lies behind most separations is want of a home," said the judge.

"There are few divorces among people who own their homes."

"Today the strongest recollection children have of their home is the picture of a moving van on May 1. Three-fourths of the defendants in criminal court come from broken homes, caused by death, desertion or divorce."

New York Man May
Succeed Butler

NEW YORK, Nov. 22 (AP)—The New York American says today that Charles D. Hilles of New York, is likely to succeed William M. Butler, of Massachusetts, as chairman of the republican national committee next spring.

The paper says the matter was discussed at the week end conference here of the party leaders.

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FALL, DOHENY
TRIAL OPENS
IN CAPITAL

Selection of Jurors Occupies Attention of Court Today

CROWD GATHERS
IN SMALL ROOM

Case Expected to Continue for Weeks—Oil Scandal of 1924 to Be Reviewed.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22 (AP)—The jury for the trial of the celebrated Naval oil reserve criminal conspiracy case, against Albert B. Fall, and Edward L. Doheny, was completed late today in the district of Columbia supreme court.