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GETS PERMIT  
FOR 6-STORY  
LOCAL HOTELW. C. Becktell Project  
Application Calls for  
\$225,000 OutlayBLUE PRINTS IN  
OFFICIALS' HANDSSix-Story Tower to Be  
Flanked by Two Four-  
Story Wings, Ground  
Floor Includes Stores.

A building permit for a \$225,000 six-story hotel was taken out at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon by W. C. Becktell, Portland capitalist, through L. S. Weeks, acting for him here. The permit was applied for immediately after city officials had approved plans for the building.

The project, with furniture and other items included, will cost more than \$250,000, it is estimated.

Plans for the hotel arrived in La Grande yesterday morning from Portland and in the afternoon Weeks turned them over to city officials for investigation and their approval or rejection.

The blue prints, drawn by Ernst Kroner, Portland architect, call for a building 50 feet high and with ground dimensions of 116 by 135 feet.

**Six-Story Tower**  
A six-story tower, topped with an electric sign, will be flanked by two four-story wings, housing 101 rooms, each equipped with bath.

On the ground floor lobby, 59 by 42 feet and extending upwards two stories, will lead off the main entrance. A large dining room will also be a story in height.

Four stairways and a barber shop will face Adams avenue. A coffee shop and grill room will open onto Fourth street.

On the mezzanine floor a private dining room will be located and the remainder of the building will be taken up with the sleeping rooms.

**"Grande Home Hotel"**  
The name of the hotel will be "Grande Home Hotel," according to the blue prints.

Becktell was to have been in La Grande this week but because of a slight illness had to postpone his trip to Eastern Oregon until next week. Yesterday Weeks received word that he was improving rapidly and would be able to be at his Portland office today, in all likelihood.

The front of the hotel will be of brick and concrete and the plans as a whole present an artistic appearance. One elevator will serve the upper floors. The main entrance will be a large arch.

Advertisements call for receiving of construction bids on Feb. 21 and actual work will begin immediately afterwards with the intention of having the hotel opened by July 1 or as soon after this as is possible.

ADDITIONS TO  
CELEBRATION  
PROGRAM MADE

The chamber of commerce quarter—G. L. Dutton, Sherwood Williams, Elmer Stoddard and G. S. Hume will sing at the dinner Monday evening at the M. E. church in celebration of the anniversary of Oregon's admission to the Union. It was announced today.

Other additions to the program have been made also. Ben Grandy will deliver the invocation. Miss Lois Nelson, of La Grande high, will speak on the Mimir, which this year is dedicated to the pioneers. The dinner, which will be at the M. E. church, will be sponsored by the Sons and Daughters of Union county pioneers, will begin at 6:25 p. m.

Baker Tossers  
Bow in Defeat  
Before TigersBoys, with Three Regu-  
lars Out, Win 24 to 8—  
Girls Easy Winners by  
30 to 9 Count.

This is a tale of three raging tigers from sublimed and two husky sharpshooters—who beat back a pack of voracious Bulldogs in a battle that seemed canine bound until the striped cats unleashed their claws in all fury in a victorious offensive and an impenetrable defense.

A story of an undefeated basketball team which, although ridden by temporary loss of three of five first string men, trampled on a copper-jacketed cage crew 24 to 8.

As an opening to the night's entertainment, the La Grande high school girls defeated Baker's sextet by a 30 to 9 score.

**A Great Night**  
It was a glorious night for the blue and white. When the Tigers went onto the maple floor the crowd was doubtful but not for long. McKelvie, at forward, started the scoring after Landreth, of Baker, had failed a point after four Lyman, speedy floor center, between periods of Baker's futile attempts to elude the home team's airtight defense, dropped two more through the ring to make it six to one at the end of the first quarter.

In the second period Lyman and Hanks both found the basket from midfloor and La Grande held a nine-point lead until Hines, dusky guard, flipped the only field goal for the visitors during the first half and that from back of the foul line.

**Lyman, Hanks Continue**  
In the second half Baker had all its available strength on the floor but to no avail. La Grande's two regulars and three subs held them to no field baskets and Lyman and Hanks added four more field goals to the Tigers' total.

In the final period Landreth found the basket once in his only chance of the evening and Hines repeated from midfloor. But, in the meantime, Hanks rang the bell and Lyman flipped through two shots after foul, making La Grande's free throws 100 per cent successful. Stoddard made two in the third quarter.

**Defensive Strong**  
The Tigers exhibited the most effective defense seen in Eastern Oregon hoop circles in many years to defeat Baker and at the same time made the majority of their shots count.

On the sidelines Zundel, Newlin and Berry watched their team make runs up the score and in the stands crowded to the limit, local fans shouted themselves hoarse and developed new wrinkles from beaming with pride.

**First Quarter Close**  
In the opening game the girls found a hard foe in Baker for the first quarter, which ended six to six, but after that the blue and white offensive ruled supreme. Baker failed to score a single point during the second and third quarters.

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Auditorium At  
New Church Can  
Seat 300 Persons

The recently completed new Church of the Nazarene, which will be dedicated tomorrow at 2 o'clock, is 35 by 50 feet in size and has full basement which will accommodate six Sunday school rooms. The upper floor has one room in the rear which will be used for young people's meetings and also Sunday school classes.

The main auditorium and rear room, when opened, will seat 300 persons.

On the inside the building is finished in clouded oatmeal paper with wainscoting up to the window line. The ceiling is covered in box-timber style and all the woodwork is finished in mahogany stain and varnish.

**To Success Building**  
The exterior of the building is of a Spanish design and later in the season, when the weather permits, it will be stuccoed in light cream.

The building is heated by a furnace.

The church is located at Y and Birch, facing the former. The property was purchased from C. S. Stillwell about a year ago and the house was moved from the corner lots and two rooms built on, which is used as a parsonage by the Rev. D. D. Meggers, pastor. It is later to be remodeled to match the church building.

**Keeney's Take Over Fountain Lunch**  
Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Keeney, formerly of Eugene, will Sunday morning take over the Fountain lunch, in Silverthorn-Wright's drug store. It is announced today, Keeney, who is experienced in this business, intends to install new fixtures and equipment worth \$2400, including a refrigerator, fountain, steam tables and the latest lunch equipment, most of which have already been ordered.

## HERE SUNDAY



The Rev. A. E. Sanner, district superintendent of the Idaho-Oregon district, will deliver the dedication address at the Church of the Nazarene at the 2 p. m. service Sunday afternoon.

SPECIALTIES TO  
ADD TO COMEDY

Evening of Real Amusement Promised Monday, Tuesday by Legion

For an evening of real amusement and situations which call for plenty of pep and comedy from the performers, and some of the best local talent available is included in the cast of characters.

The song and dance numbers fit in perfectly with the rest of the play.

**Specialties**  
"The Owl in the Old Oak Tree" is the title of a song and dance number to be given by Miss Margaret Baker and Miss Trillian Anderson, assisted by a chorus of 20 girls, and a patriotic touch will be added with the number "Good Old U. S. A. For Mine," to be sung by R. M. Scott, accompanied by the chorus.

Miss Myrtle Wilcock is the piano accompanist.

Seats went on sale at the Glass Drug store for the first time yesterday morning and many reservations have already been made for both nights of the production.

**No Conflict**  
Announcement has been made that the pioneer banquet to be held at the First Methodist Episcopal church, in celebration of Oregon's birthday anniversary, will be over early enough for all who care to see the show.

The cast and chorus will practice tonight and again tomorrow afternoon. Monday afternoon the final dress rehearsal will be held at the Arcade theater, where the show will be given.

Slater to Speak  
at Forum Luncheon

"Oregon's anniversary" will be the subject and J. D. Slater will be the speaker at the regular forum luncheon of the chamber of commerce Tuesday at the Sommer hotel. Slater's father was one of the first United States senators and he has long been identified with the history of Union county and Oregon.

**Pendleton Artist Will Come Here**  
The Rev. Melville T. Wire, pastor of the First M. E. church of Pendleton, Ore., well known throughout the northwest as an artist of great ability, will appear before the Neighborhood club Tuesday afternoon, it is announced today.

Mr. Wire's appearance here is sponsored by the Ramblers' Art club.

Preparing For  
Road Construction

ENTERPRISE, Ore., Feb. 12. (Special)—J. D. Walker, state highway engineer, and Glen Jacoby, highway engineer, were here today for a section of market road of about three-fourths miles in length. This road will eventually go through Paradise.

Mr. Stevenson, state highway bridge inspector from La Grande, and Walker made a trip southeast of Enterprise Thursday to determine the type of bridges to be used on market roads in that section.

**200 ALIENED**  
LEBON, Feb. 12 (AP). Three hundred civilians have been arrested in Lisbon since the revolutionaries surrendered to the government. Troops and police are still engaged in rounding up those prominently connected with the movement which sought to bring about the overthrow of the Carnation government.

BLACK CAT  
CORNER NEW  
HOTEL SITELa Grande Hotel Com-  
pany Accepts Offer  
Made by J. RoeschCONSIDERATION IS  
GIVEN AT \$15,000

Next Step Will Be Razing of 60 by 110 Feet of Building to Make Way for Structure.

The La Grande Hotel company, which was organized in La Grande a short time ago for the purpose of erecting a seven-story hotel in the east part of the business section on Adams avenue, announced today that a site on the corner of Adams and Fir, offered by Julius Roesch, was accepted. Consideration is to be \$15,000.

The site is now occupied by the Black Cat, Skala Hardware company and the Star garage. It extends 60 feet on Adams avenue and runs back to the alley, 110 feet.

**To Raze Building**  
According to Roesch the next step will be to begin razing that part of the building occupied by the three above mentioned businesses places, in preparation to building the new hotel from the ground up.

Four other bids were received but as the Roesch bid was considered the lowest and best offer, it was accepted.

Unsuccessful bids were received from Mr. and Mrs. Snyder, Mrs. Patty Hutchins, Andrews and Berry and Shumate and Warmholtz. Offers were received by Mrs. S. C. Zuber, on behalf of the company, until noon Thursday.

Pythian Knights  
To Gather Here  
Monday Evening

Arrangements have been completed for a district convention of the Knights of Pythias lodges of Union and Wallawa counties, to be held here Monday evening, Feb. 14, under the auspices of Red Cross lodge, No. 37, of La Grande.

The grand vice chancellor of the Knights of Pythias lodge of Oregon, Judge Morrow, of Portland, and the grand keeper of records and seal, Walter Gleason, also of Portland, will be here for the convention.

**Banquet Scheduled**  
The evening's program will begin with a banquet, promptly at 7 o'clock at the L. O. O. F. hall. During the banquet hour the address of welcome will be given and responses will be heard from the various lodges of the two counties. Members of the local Pythian lodge will serve.

Following the banquet, beginning at 8 o'clock, the business meeting of the convention will be held at Legion hall. The rank of page, the first rank in the lodge will also be conferred at that time. The class to be known as the Walter Gleason class, in honor of the grand keeper of records and seal.

**Present Drama**  
The drama of Drama and Pythias, known as "The Lesson of Friendship" will be presented by the local lodge, after which talks from the grand officers present will be heard.

District Deputy Ben Wethers, of Enterprise, will be the presiding officer.

Boise Man Speaks  
at Realty Dinner

T. J. Fisher, of Boise, Ida., was a guest and speaker at the regular meeting of the La Grande Realty board yesterday at noon at the Sommer hotel.

Fisher is land appraiser for the Union Central Life Insurance company and supervises loans made in this district. His talk yesterday was pertaining to agricultural and marketing conditions in Southern Idaho now as compared to a few years ago.

William Miller, president of the board, presided over the meeting.

Normal Weather  
Due Next Week

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 12 (AP).—The weather outlook for the week beginning Feb. 13 was announced here today by the United States weather bureau as follows:

De Autremont Is  
Captured, Postal  
Authorities Say

Hugh Held Incommunicado in Manila—Was in 31st Infantry Under Name of J. C. Price.

MANILA, Feb. 12. (AP).—Capture of a man positively identified as Hugh DeAutremont, one of three brothers wanted for the murder of four men killed when a Southern Pacific mail train was dynamited in an attempted robbery in the Siskiyou tunnel of Oregon three years ago was announced here today in an official statement issued by the Philippine post office department.

The man was arrested at Los Banos as James C. Price, a private in the 31st Infantry. He was brought to Manila and placed in confinement under heavy guard. He probably will be returned to Oregon on the first available transport.

The statement said: "On April 22, 1924, James C. Price enlisted in the United States army in Chicago and was detailed to foreign service. He arrived in the Philippines early in 1925, being assigned to Company B, 31st Infantry. Yesterday Price was positively identified as Hugh DeAutremont at Los Banos by an Inspector of the United States post office department, aided by army authorities. He is now under confinement and heavy guard awaiting return to the states."

De Autremont was held incommunicado and has issued no statement.

ROBBERY RECALLED  
PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 12. (AP).—The attempted robbery of the Southern Pacific train in the Siskiyou tunnel, near Ashland, Ore., occurred on Oct. 11, 1923.

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INCOME TAX BILL  
PASSED IN HOUSEOnly Nine Representa-  
tives Vote Against Pat-  
erson's Measure

STATE HOUSE, SALEM, Ore., Feb. 12. (AP).—With but nine dissenting votes the house yesterday afternoon following a protracted debate passed house bill 491, the governor's income tax measure. The vote was 49 to 9. Representatives Mack McCallister and James H. Hazlett were absent.

Speaker John H. Carlin explained his "aye" vote, the first time he has done so during the session. "We should not go wild in spending money if the income tax is to become law," he said. "With it in effect the people of the state will look for and demand a change."

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ARRESTS MOB  
AT HARVARD  
AFTER RIOTThirty-Nine Students Re-  
leased on Bond; Hear-  
ing to Be Feb. 18SEVERAL INJURED,  
NONE SERIOUSLY

Gang of Collegians Runs Amuck After Attending Vaudeville, Policemen Have Hands Full.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Feb. 12. (AP).—Several hundred Harvard students and other men battled with two officers who tried to quell a riot in Harvard square early today. Both policemen and several rioters were bruised considerably, but no one was seriously hurt. Forty-one arrests were made, including 39 students, and in court today all were held in small bonds for a hearing on Feb. 18.

A number of them appeared in court with their heads bandaged. Judge Robert Walcott disposed of the cases quickly. The courtroom was crowded but there was no demonstration. The police said that the origin of the trouble was obscure and that apparently it started merely in a display of exuberance after the close of a mid-night vaudeville performance in the university theater, open to both students and residents of the city. There had been considerable disturbance at the performance but not enough to lead to any complaint from the theater management.

It was announced at the court that Dean Chester N. Greenough had requested a continuance of all cases against the Harvard students but it was not indicated what action, if any, was planned by the college.

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Butchers' Feud  
Is Fatal to Two

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Feb. 12. (AP).—A butchers' feud, which had raged for three years was ended today with two of the participants dead, a third under arrest and two others wounded. Fired with what he thought was the slow process of the courts in settling his business difficulties, Harry Gordon, 34, took the law into his own hands last night, armed himself with two pistols and set forth on a shooting spree which resulted in the death of Harry Katz and Sam Toltz, two of his business rivals, the possible fatal shooting of Morris Klam, a friend of Gordon's, and the wounding of Frank Cohen. All were butchers.

The news that Arthur French, (Continued on Page Five)

Temblors Again  
Visit Imperial  
Valley DistrictMexicali and Calexico  
Shaken—Weakened  
Buildings Are Further  
Damaged.

CALEXICO, Cal., Feb. 12. (AP).—A series of earthquakes starting after midnight and continuing at intervals of about a half hour until 4 o'clock rocked the Imperial valley today.

The first tremor, described as the sharpest of the series, was felt at 12:58 a. m. It caused some damage to buildings here and in Mexicali across the international boundary line in Lower California. Damage as confined to buildings under repair or condemned as a result of last week's day temblors which caused extensive loss.

The initial disturbance was followed a half hour later by two others which were light and a few seconds apart. Each successive quake diminished in intensity.

**First Shock Severe**  
El Centro and Brawley, respectively 12 and 23 miles north of here reported the quakes, the first being the severest. No damage was known to have been done in the two localities.

In Calexico the damage in nearly every instance was plaster shaken down.

The Virginia hotel, condemned as a result of the January 1 quakes, was damaged further. Its cornice fell into the street. A few bricks were knocked off the rear wall of the Overland hotel which was undergoing repairs.

LINCOLN'S OLD  
TOWN IS REBUILT

Illinois Is Recreating Old Salem, Where Abe Spent Many Years

SALEM, Ill., Feb. 12. (NEA Special).—Old Salem—the Salem of Abraham Lincoln's early hopes and dreams—is being rebuilt.

Building for building, the little town on the winding Sangamon river where tragedy first met Lincoln and marked him for its own, is being restored.

The old town site has been made into a state park, and when all the work of rebuilding is complete Salem will stand just as it was when Lincoln left it, every building and store, even every cow path reproduced.

Old Salem will stand unique among the towns of the country—a monument to a great man's past—a little community of 1830 re-created after nearly 100 years.

**Where Lincoln Kept Store**  
Many of the old buildings still exist or already have been restored to their original state.

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## THE WEATHER

OREGON: Generally fair in west and unsettled, probably with light local snows and rains in east portion tonight and Sunday. Normal temperature.

HOUSE TAKES  
UP STUDY OF  
RELIEF BILLRepresentatives Confer  
Today to Discuss  
the SituationNO CHANGE LIKELY  
HAUGEN BELIEVES

Measure Will Probably Be Substituted for a Twin Bill Now in Committee.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12. (AP).—House supporters of the McNary-Haugen farm relief bill passed by the senate yesterday, have tentatively agreed to seek a recommendation from the rules committee by which the measure could be substituted for a twin bill now being considered in the house.

A group of representatives, not with Representative Dickinson, republican, Iowa, today to discuss the situation and Chairman Haugen, of the house agricultural committee, gave the senate bill a study to determine whether it was acceptable as amended.

Haugen said he felt sure he would press for passage of the senate bill as it came over.

The vote in the senate yesterday on the McNary-Haugen bill follows:

For the bill:  
Republicans, Cameron, Capper, Curtis, Deneen, Fraser, Gooding, Gould, Harrell, Howell, Johnson, Jones of Washington, La Follette, McNamara, McNary, Means, Norris, Nye, Oddie, Pine, Robinson of Indiana, Schall, Stanford, Stewart and Watson—24.

Democrats, Ashurst, Bratton, Caraway, Copeland, Dill, Ferris, Fletcher, Hawes, Kendrick, McKellar, Mayfield, Neely, Pittman, Ransdell, Robinson of Arkansas, Sheppard, Simmons, Smith, Steck, Trammell, Tyson and Wheeler—22.

Farmer-laborer, Shipstead—1. Total, 47.

**22 Vote Against Bill**  
Against the bill:  
Republicans, Bingham, Borah, Coutsens, Dale, Ernest, Foss, Gillett, Goff, Greene, Hale, Keyes, Leinroth, McLean, Metcalf, Pepper, Phillips, Reed, of Pennsylvania, Shackett, Shortridge, Warren, Wellor, and Willis—22.

Democrats, Bayard, Blewett, Bruce, Edwards, George, Gerry, Glass, Harris, Harrison, Heflin, King, Overman, Reed of Missouri, Stephens, Underwood, Walsh of Massachusetts and Walsh of Montana—17.

Total, 39.

FRANCE WILL  
REPLY ON ARM  
REQUEST SOON

PARIS, Feb. 12. (AP).—France's reply to President Coolidge's naval disarmament proposals, it was understood after a cabinet meeting today, will constitute acceptance in form but "under serious reserves."

Foreign Minister Briand will draft the reply and present it for final cabinet approval Monday.

Recommend McNary  
For Federal Bench

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12. (AP).—John H. McNary, of Salem, a brother of Senator McNary, has been recommended to President Coolidge for appointment as federal judge for the district of Oregon.

McNary has the endorsement of both Oregon senators, and it is expected his nomination will be sent to the senate within a few days.

Fog Holds Back  
Varney Mail Plane

A Varney mail airplane, carrying mail over the Elko-Pasco route piloted by Joe Cass, was forced to land at the emergency landing field here yesterday the fog between here and Pasco being so bad that he was unable to travel. Mail was sent on west on train No. 5 last night.

Cass again attempted to get to Pasco this morning and almost reached his destination, but because of the heavy blanket of fog was unable to land, so had to return to La Grande. He planned to return to Boise, but a heavy fog is reported there also, and he would probably not be able to land.

**COMMITTEE ACTS**  
WASHINGTON, Feb. 12. (AP).—In line with the recommendation of President Coolidge, the house foreign affairs committee today approved a bill to authorize appropriation of \$75,000 for further participation by the United States in the Geneva arms conference.

## HIGH POINTS IN THE EARLY LIFE OF LINCOLN



Illinois is recreating the century-old town where Abraham Lincoln's fame was born. Above are some pictures taken in that vicinity and some sketches to illustrate portions of the Great Emancipator's early life. It was here, in the little town of Old Salem, that Lincoln got his early political start and it was here, also, that sorrow wrecked his heart and almost destroyed one of the greatest minds of the ages.