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WOOL MEN OF
COUNTY HERE
FOR MEETING

Representatives of Pacific Cooperative Association Attending

SOME CONTRACTING
OF CLIPS IS MADE

Prices Ranging from 28 to 32 Cents Received in Various Parts of the Northwest.

A meeting of Union county sheep men is being held here this afternoon at the city hall, presided over by Ed Miller, one of the largest sheep owners in the valley. The meeting was scheduled to begin shortly after one o'clock with Hugh Sprout, secretary of the Oregon Wool Growers association, as the first speaker. His subject is "The Sheep and Wool Situation."

H. A. Lindgren, extension livestock specialist from the Oregon Agricultural college, was to be one of the speakers this afternoon, but because of illness was unable to be here.

Ludwick Attends

Edgar L. Ludwick, assistant manager of the Pacific Cooperative Wool Growers association, of Portland, accompanied by H. Bentley, warehouse manager for the association, arrived in La Grande this morning.

The association which Ludwick represents is the largest strictly cooperative wool market in the United States, five million pounds of wool being marketed through the association last year, with prospects for even more this year, the membership having increased 500 members during the fall and winter.

Some Contracting

Wool is being contracted on the coast this year for one or two cents less than last year, Ludwick reports, while in Idaho crossbred stuff is contracting for 30 to 32 cents, which compares favorably with local wool. Around The Dalles, although no wool has been contracted, talk is that the price will be from 28 cents to 30 cents for fine wools, and in the Lakeview section the price will probably be about 25 cents for good wools. Ludwick also reports that the wool prices here after the freight on the shipment has been paid.

Ludwick will give a wool grading demonstration at the meeting here this afternoon and will also

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DEE CUMMINGS
FACES CHARGE
IN COURT HERE

Dee Cummings was arraigned in the justice of the peace court this morning on a charge of assault and battery on City Marshal M. H. Allen. His preliminary hearing was set for four o'clock this afternoon. Cummings is said to have interfered when Allen was arresting two other parties.

The preliminary hearing of Charles Stiles and Elmer and Ralph Chilson, which was to have been this morning in the justice of the peace court, was postponed until tomorrow morning at nine o'clock. A charge of possession of morphine has been placed against the three.

A BLANK
DISPLAY
WINDOW

The merchant who has an empty, blank and uninteresting store window doesn't succeed in getting you to "window shop" in front of his place of business. If he puts in a neat, attractive, and interesting window display, you may notice the change and risk a glance. If he continues to have attractive windows, you get in the habit of looking in as you pass his store—others notice the window and gradually a following is built up that is profitable to both merchant and passing customer.

The merchant's "window" display in The Observer—his advertising message—is subject to the same reactions. If it is unattractive, uninteresting, "empty" of information or business news, you give it little more than a glance. But when it is interesting, inviting and very evidently written with your benefit in mind—then you watch for it, "look in" regularly. Hundreds of others do likewise and a following for that merchant's ad is regularly created—profitable to him and his reading customers. His "window" display in The Observer is seen every day by many times as many people as can be reached any other way inexpensively.

Observer Advertising—
A Merchandising Service

Annual Banquet
Plans Complete;
Tickets on Sale

Chamber of Commerce Dinner to Be at M. E. Church Next Tuesday Night at 6:15.

Plans are now complete for the annual Union county chamber of commerce banquet which will take place here Tuesday evening in the dining room of the first Methodist Episcopal church. The dinner of the church will serve and the banquet will begin at 6:15 o'clock.

There will be no outside speaker, but instead each committee chairman of the chamber of commerce will make a report on what has been done in his department during the year. There will be the usual reports of officers and the installation of the newly elected officers.

The annual message will be given by the new president of the organization, H. E. Coddige.

Musical Numbers

The neighborhood club sextet and the chamber of commerce quartet will furnish music. There will also be community singing, in addition to several stunts, the nature of which are not being disclosed.

Invitations have been sent out inviting the heads of granges, farmers unions and other chambers of commerce.

Tickets for the banquet are now on sale by members of the entertainment committee, of which A. W. Nelson is chairman, and at the chamber of commerce offices. Inasmuch as a limited number of tickets will be sold, everyone is urged to buy early. The ticket sale will close at noon Monday, and in accordance with the custom for the past three years no tickets will be sold at the door on the night of the banquet.

Work Out Plans
For Conference
Here Mar. 15-16

Members of the committee in charge of the fourth annual Union county economic conference plan to have a suggested program ready to be sent to the Oregon Agricultural college tomorrow, where it will be gone over and specialists assigned to the various subjects listed for the conference here.

There was a meeting of the committee at the chamber of commerce offices here Monday night when the work of outlining a tentative program was started.

The conference here will be March 15 and 16, and a conference to be held in Walla Walla county the following two days, March 17 and 18.

Union Pastor to
Be Here Tonight

The Rev. R. C. Lee, Methodist pastor of Union, will be the speaker at the Salvation Army hall here this evening. Mr. Lee is a veteran of the World War. Special music is included on the program, to which all are invited.

The Rev. G. A. Pollard, of the Baptist church, will speak tomorrow evening.

Wolf Creek Pig
Club Is Organized

The organization of a pig club in the Wolf Creek vicinity, the first livestock club in that section, was started last night at a parrot-teacher meeting here. The parrot-teacher association, which was organized this school year, is sponsoring the club.

Mrs. W. E. Lund, president, presided over the meeting, and after a program of music and recitations, H. G. Avery talked on livestock club work.

J. A. Nice was appointed as local club leader and will complete the organization of the club.

Ships That Fire
On Shanghai Taken

LONDON, Feb. 23 (AP)—A Premier's dispatch from Shanghai says that Marshal Sun Chuan-fang's local officials today captured the cruisers whose mutinous crews were responsible for yesterday's bombardment of the Yangtze river arsenal resulting in the dropping of shells in the French concessions. The crews of both vessels had previously escaped.

DR. MEADE COMING

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 23 (AP)—Dr. Woodrow Mead, United States commissioner of reclamation, will be in Oregon early in May on a trip of reclamation projects on the Pacific coast, this information was received by the chamber of commerce today. He will hold conferences here and probably will go to Central Oregon to inspect the Deschutes project for which a bill has been presented to congress by the Oregon delegation.

COURT TAKES
KNIGHT SUIT
AGAINST CITY

Woman Suing La Grande for \$10,000 for Alleged Injuries

JURY SELECTED
DURING MORNING

Testimony Begins This Afternoon—Court Finds for Mrs. Friswold in Preceding Case.

Trial of the case of Minerva Knight vs. the city of La Grande was taken up in circuit court here today and a jury was chosen early this afternoon, after which following the opening preliminaries, taking of testimony was started. Judge J. W. Knowles is presiding.

The plaintiff seeks to secure \$10,000 damages from the city to repay her for injuries she alleges are due to carelessness on the part of the city. She injured her hip in a fall on Ash street some time ago and it is out of this that the suit grew.

Before the Knight-city case was taken up the court disposed of the Foley vs. Friswold suit, the jury returning with a verdict for the defendant. Foley sought to collect some \$170 from Mrs. Friswold but his claim was denied.

WASHINGTON DAY
OBSERVED HERE

Episcopal Club and the Eagles' Lodge Give Programs; Many Attend

George Washington's birthday anniversary was fittingly observed in La Grande last night, two special programs in observance of the occasion being given.

The Washington club of the Episcopal church met at Hanch Hall with more than 50 persons in attendance, where they listened to an appropriate address by Prof. W. R. Davis, of Whitman college. His subject was "The Spotted Actuality of the National Life," and he presented it in a very able manner, bringing out the fact that too often people fail to look at the good things in life.

The other Washington's birthday program was presented by the Eagles' lodge at their hall, beginning at 8 o'clock.

Here several tributes were paid to George Washington. A. W. Nelson talked on "The Life of Washington," Hugh E. Brady gave a talk on "Patriotism" and Henry Rosa spoke, besides a talk by Robert Heather on "Eagledom, An Asset to Nation and Home."

Heather explained thoroughly the Eagles' lodge, mentioning the fact that while the old age pension before this session of the legislature had failed, it did not mean that the Eagles' lodge intended to give up trying. He quoted figures showing how the old age pension law in Montana had called for the expenditure of 50 percent less than the poor-house system.

Because A. T. Hill, president of the city, was out of town, George T. Cochran gave the opening talk. The chamber of commerce quarters was unable to appear because of the illness of one of its members.

Brawley Visited
By Sharp Quake

BRAWLEY, Cal., Feb. 23 (AP)—A sharp earthquake was felt here and at other Imperial valley towns at 6 o'clock this morning. No damage has been reported.

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If Tigers Win First Two Tournament Games They
Will Play Third Game at Union Friday at 7 p. m.

According to a telephone call this morning from Roy Conklin, superintendent of schools at Union and manager of the district basketball tournament, everything is now in readiness for the series of games which will decide the championship.

Union business men are making preparations to welcome the crowds that will attend and show windows are being specially dressed for the tournament period. Union high school will also issue programs each day of the tournament, listing the games, team, and players by numbers, also giving information on the following round of play.

Thursday's games are as follows:

2:30 p. m.: La Grande vs. Walla Walla
4:30 p. m.: Union vs. North Powder
7:30 p. m.: Joseph vs. Vale
8:30 p. m.: Baker vs. Prairie City

On Friday afternoon the second round of play will take place. At 1 o'clock the winner of the La Grande-Walla Walla game will play the winner of the Union-North Powder game.

SESSION OF
SENATE ONE
OF LONGEST

Black Canyon Filibuster Keeps Solons at Desks Throughout Night

POWER OF ARREST
IS RESORTED TO

Peevishness and Humor Take Turns in Keeping the Sleepy Law-Makers from Morpheus' Arms.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23 (AP)—President Coolidge today approved the radio control bill which was one of the most controverted subjects dealt with by the present congress.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23 (AP)—With a hard night behind it, a bedraggled senate stumbled along today in continuation of the longest session it has held since early war days.

Senator Hiram Johnson, of California, was the driving force behind the parliamentary wrestling match, and his bill for a great government dam at Boulder canyon furnished the prize of war. Southwestern senators opposing it were added in their filibuster again and again during the night by failure of the sergeant-at-arms to command a quorum, even when armed with warrants of arrest.

With the coming of daylight dozens of senators who had sagaciously related the officers of the law during the night trooped into the chamber to keep company with the little band of the faithful who had been on watch all night and the fight went on much as though there had been on watch all night and the fight went on much as though there had been the usual overnight recess.

Senators Peaved

But the day's session was not without its humor. Of ill humor, considered mainly by those sleepy-eyed senators who had been brought to their desks at all hours of the early morning by assistant doorkeepers. Many of them made free display of their displeasure at having their peaceful slumber rudely interrupted by what one of them, Fred, of Missouri, characterized as an "inconceivable outrage."

The session had begun at 11 o'clock yesterday morning and Johnson insisted that the senate go on because he feared his bill was having its last day in court for this congress. During the early night, it was a comparatively easy matter for the party "whips" to keep enough senators present to enable the world's greatest deliberative body to function.

Some senators, among them Blaine, of South Carolina, and McMaster, of South Dakota, came in early in evening clothes, and the situation was so much to their liking that they decided to sleep it out. But as the morning hours rolled around they realized that their decision would be a little incongruous so they made hasty trips home to change to sack suits.

Arizonaans Keep Talking

While senators lounged around their seats or in cloak rooms and the marble room, the senators from Arizona, Cameron and Arthur, spelled each other during the filibuster. As the clock hands began to point toward midnight, the Arizona senators departed for their homes and a quorum call just before midnight showed only 25 of the 55 senators present.

Then began the first of a series of futile efforts for a recess. Finally David S. Barry, the sergeant-at-arms, was directed to bring in the absentees, and while the rush calls were going over the floor, the senate sat idly by. Then after a while Barry was called upon

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STATE HOUSE, SALEM, Ore., Feb. 23 (AP)—The last of the administration measures passed the legislature yesterday afternoon when the senate, resisting the onslaught of Senator Klepper and others, passed house bill No. 182. It makes the board of control the central purchasing agency for all state boards and departments.

Senator Klepper led a successful fight in the afternoon upon the majority report of the senate roads and highways committee favoring passage of house bill No. 485, which would pledge the state to a policy of allowing no hard truck tires upon the roads of Oregon after the expiration of five years.

Attempt of Representative E. O. Potter, Lane county, to cut down debate to five minutes for any one member failed in the house yesterday afternoon. The time limit of this week has been 10 minutes with the provision that a member may borrow 10 minutes from another.

Homes Washington

The house paused in its labors yesterday afternoon for a few minutes to observe the birthday of George Washington. Justice O. P. Coshow, spoke on "The Life, Character and Influence of George Washington." On motion of Representative Graham a vote of appreciation was given to Justice Coshow.

Governor Patterson yesterday afternoon vetoed house bill 234, which would have provided for an increase in the salary of Lincoln county officials. He also vetoed house bill 184, which was designed to raise the salary of the county clerk of Gilliam county. In both instances the governor pointed out

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Old Gold Mine
May Again Turn
Out Rich Ores

GRANTS PASS, Ore., Feb. 23 (AP)—Resumption of what was formerly one of Oregon's greatest gold mines, the Greenback, near Placer on Grave creek, is announced today for the very near future by L. E. Klunig, owner. Work on the road to the mine is already under way.

J. W. Wenzell, of Virginia City, Nevada, is in charge of operations. He has had mining experience in Nevada for 18 years and is backed by experience and capital to place the greenback on its former status, when it produced in excess of \$3,500,000.

Three new veins have been opened in the Greenback bringing seven minable veins in sight. An ore body of 40,000 tons is already opened. One of the original Greenback veins runs 115 per ton and on the Martha vein an adjoining one, \$22. There are many streaks of high grade ore throughout the mine.

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The war time mayor rolled up a landslide plurality of 180,000 over Edward R. Lidlester, member of the board of review, and the Senator Deneen-Edwards-Brundage pick for mayor, beating his nearest rival better than two to one, and carrying all but one ward. Mayor Dever had only minor opposition on the democratic ticket.

Ballot Boxes Stolen

Breaking all records in Chicago the Thompson plurality exceeded the 147,477 lead with which the former mayor won his election in 1915 at that time a record breaker. Thompson rolled 342,279 votes against Lidlester's 162,248, in returns from all but two of the city's 2362 precincts. In the missing districts the ballot boxes were stolen.

With no fireworks in the democratic primary, Mayor Dever received 149,422 votes to 13,269 for Martin Walsh, his only opponent. As the returns piled up, a primary vote of phenomenal size was shown. The republicans cast 506,307 votes compared with 386,000 in the republican primary last spring. The total vote was 668,282 out of a registration of one million.

Schemes To Do
Away with State
Deficit Debated

STATE HOUSE, SALEM, Ore., Feb. 23 (AP)—Suggestion that a constitutional amendment modifying or repealing the six per cent amendment be submitted to the electorate along with the income tax was considered among legislators today as a possible way out of the financial difficulties which the governor and the legislature have been facing.

With such an amendment and the income tax approved the state, it was said, would have ample funds to meet the deficit without any additional revenue measures.

While four revenue measures were proposed, both houses were so divided that leaders doubted whether any of the measures could pass.

With practically no debate, the house this morning passed senate bill 81 which would make the public service commissioners appointees of the governor. Under the present law, they are elected by the people.

Unless Governor Patterson vetoed the measure, commercial salesmen who have paid a 50 per cent additional automobile license fee for 1927 will have their money refunded. The house today passed senate bill 120, by Senator Miller, providing for the refund.

The legislature has already repealed that section of 1925 law providing for the charging of a 50 per cent additional license against commercial salesmen.

Clubber Murders
Detroit Woman

DETROIT, Feb. 23 (AP)—Identity of a clubber who killed Mrs. Grace Loomis, 34, last night while her two children slept in an upstairs bedroom was sought today. The woman's husband, Dr. Frank R. Loomis, said the attack occurred while he was gone for a short walk.

The body was found on the floor of a sun room, near a blood stained settee. A pane of glass in a window near the settee was broken, but no other evidences of a struggle were found.

PENDLETON, Feb. 23 (AP)—Pendleton is enjoying sunshine today after a rain and windstorm starting yesterday afternoon. Wind did nominal damage to trees and fences in sections of the city.

STRENGTHEN
NAVAL FORCE
AT SHANGHAI

Defeat of Sun's Army Brings Nationalists Almost to City's Gate

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AMONG NATIVES

Deserters and Stragglers Arrive—Rumors Are That Looting of Shanghai Is Imminent.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23 (AP)—The American naval force at Shanghai is being strengthened by the addition of four destroyers.

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French authorities strengthened the defenses about their concession, which yesterday was bombarded by a Chinese warship which had deserted Marshal Sun's cause and gone over to the Cantonese. The French quarter was struck by five shells and the native section by five more because of defective guns and poor marksmanship. The intention was to shell Marshal Sun's arsenal by firing over the city and the shells fell short.

Refugees Arrive

In spite of the incident in the French quarter thousands of refugees poured into it from the native section as the situation outside became more tense.

The French consul general lodged a protest with the commandant about the incident, but declared he did not doubt that the arsenal was the only target and believed that the sailors were trying to hit the French concession.

Strike Abates

Meanwhile the strike abated appreciably. It was estimated that 30,000 of the 100,000 which were on strike yesterday had returned to work. The majority of the inside force at the postoffice went back and transportation services were nearing normal operations again.

Probably as a result of protests by Chinese public officers, public executions in the Chinese city have been stopped but it was understood that several headmen had taken place inside the military headquarters adding to the execution list which previously numbered some 30 strike fomenters.

SUN'S ARMY DEFEATED

SHANGHAI, Feb. 23 (AP)—The nationalistic drive on Shanghai, which within the last few weeks has carried the southerners almost to the gates of the richest city of the Orient today had virtually reduced to crumbled ruins the power of Marshal Sun Chuan-fang, master of five provinces until the rise of the nationalist government less than a year ago.

General Chang Tsung-chang, military governor of Shantung province nominally Sun's ally but once his enemy, entered Nanking this morning and assumed control of the city preparatory to sending 30,000 northern troops to the defense of Shanghai. The move was taken as an indication that Sun has practically been eliminated as a factor in the military situation.

General Chang, while defending Shanghai, will out Sun and take over his last remaining province, Kiangsu, of which Shanghai is the principal city.

Sun, in addressing a gathering of notables in Nanking prior to Chang's entry, went, declaring that disloyalty of his officers alone caused his defeat.

Thousand More
Marines on Way
To Nicaragua

QUANTICO, Va., Feb. 23 (AP)—Atlantic coast marine corps expeditionary force, 1,600 strong, marched aboard the naval transport Henderson today for duty in Nicaragua.

It will augment the force of 300 marines and bluejackets already there charged with the protection of American lives and property.

The transport also had aboard 500 marines and bluejackets from the Newport, R. I., Naval training station. Its next call will be Paria Islands, S. C. where 200 more marines will be embarked.

The Henderson, recently overhauled at Philadelphia navy yards, will discharge the Newport sailor detachment at Guantanamo, Cuba, where the seamen will join the scouting fleet.

House Passes Bill
For New Barracks

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23 (AP)—The House bill to authorize an appropriation of \$3,451,000 for new barracks at various army posts, was passed by the house today and sent to the senate.

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