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LABOR GIVES
PROGRAM AT
CLUB FORUM

Explains Position of Organized Workmen in This Community

STRESSES VALUE
OF CO-OPERATION

Speakers Refer to Betterment of Conditions, Resulting in Greater Purchasing Powers.

An explanation of labor's principles and motives, the part it has played in the progress of the United States, and the promise that it desires to do all in its power to continue to better conditions were presented to the chamber of commerce today at noon at the forum luncheon at the La Grande hotel.

The program, in charge of Max Cullen, of the Central Labor council of La Grande, began after locally made cigars were given to those present, manufactured in Mr. Hickman's plant.

After a brief explanation of the purpose of the program—to justify labor's present position, Mr. Cullen introduced J. Y. Walnum, who spoke interestingly on "The History of Organized Labor."

Started in 1825

Referring back to the year 1825 when unionism came into being in Philadelphia, Mr. Walnum carried the theme up to the present, outlining the part labor had played in the upbuilding of prosperity and industry in America with the resultant betterment of conditions in general.

He pointed out the absolute necessity of co-operation in labor movement and closed with the hope that the measure against child labor will be nationally adopted.

George McVey was the second speaker, his subject being "Justification of Unionism." In his opening remarks he told how labor actually fights—always with the idea that it must consider every other part of society.

Labor is Fundamental

"Labor came from necessity," Mr. McVey declared. "It consists of the largest group today and if its work gives a fair wage, other activities will prosper in proportion—because labor is the fundamental, the basic thing."

He explained that unionism is devoted not only to seeking better wages and working conditions but that it also goes into other fields, making of its unions a fraternal organization as well.

In closing, Mr. Cullen stressed the value of co-operation, not only to labor but to the community as a whole. Representing the central council, he promised that labor in La Grande will exert all it can to achieve more ideal conditions in home marketing, home purchasing, etc.

What the Label Means

He told the meaning of the Union label—"It means that what you buy was not produced in a sweatshop or by child labor. It represents sanitation and quality, and it guarantees a living wage and more agreeable working conditions to the employee, with the result that there is more contentment and a greater capacity to produce."

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LODGE ENJOYS
INITIATION AND
ENTERTAINMENT

About 150 members and prospective members of the Pacific Woodmen Life association gathered at Eagles hall last evening for the regular meeting of the lodge. Four candidates were initiated during the lodge meeting, which was followed by a social hour and two boxing bouts for the entertainment of the members and guests present.

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Essay Written
By Miss Barnes
Is Judged Best

High School Girl Given Medal This Morning at Assembly Honoring Abraham Lincoln.

Miss Doris Barnes, a member of the senior class of the local high school, was given a handsome bronze medal this morning during an assembly when it was announced that she had won the annual Lincoln essay contest in the senior class. Mr. Eberhard, member of the school board, made the presentation. A similar medal is presented by the Illinois Watch company to a member of the senior class in every high school in the nation each year for the winning essay. Mr. Eberhard explained.

"Lincoln—the Pattern" was the subject of Miss Barnes' commendable essay in which she declared that Lincoln was today a pattern after which men and women should mold their lives. The struggle that Lincoln made against numerous handicaps was described and from it Miss Barnes drew the moral that the truly great can overcome any handicap. Her essay was written in a vivid, convincing style and won the hearty applause of the students and adult listeners this morning as well as the praise of the speakers on the program. Mr. Eberhard complimented Miss Barnes and also explained how the medals are awarded each year. Because of a severe cold Miss Barnes was unable to read her essay but was present to receive the medal. Miss Martina Sams read the paper for her.

Mr. Walt Speaks

E. D. Fowler, principal, then introduced the speaker for the Lincoln program, the Rev. J. George Walt, who made a splendid talk to the students on "What Made Lincoln a Great Man." Lincoln still lives and the good that he taught humanity has not been lost. The Presbyterian minister told the students.

Following the reading of the Lincoln essay, Donald Poirch, freshman of the high school and local boy scout, recited Lincoln's "Gettysburg Address" in an impressive manner.

W. W. Nussbaum led the assembly in the singing of "Battle Hymn of the Republic" at the opening of the assembly and "America" at the closing.

Second Piggly Wiggly Store To Be Opened

A new store is now being opened in the remodeling of the hotel and dining room of the Somner hotel, which was discontinued when W. D. Vaughn, its proprietor, became manager of the new Sacajawea Inn.

The lobby and dining room will be converted into a store room which is to be occupied by a new Piggly Wiggly store, according to announcement today by George L. Anderson and W. S. Price, proprietors of the Piggly Wiggly store on Adams avenue.

The opening date has not been decided upon as yet. The new store will be operated by Mr. Anderson and Mr. Price along the familiar Piggly Wiggly lines, thus giving the two men two stores of this kind in La Grande, as the present store will be continued in its present location.

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Red Cross Meeting
Set For Thursday

The local Red Cross organization will meet Thursday evening at the chamber of commerce at 7:30 o'clock, according to Dr. Ray Murphy. All interested persons are urged to attend.

Alicel Store, Post Office Entered

ALICEL, Feb. 14 (Special)—The Alicel store and post office was broken into some time Thursday night but it is thought the prowler was frightened away by some one, as nothing was reported missing by Mrs. Bryant. The front window had been pried up with some instrument and was left up when the visitors were frightened away.

Fears Anti-Semitic Riots, Disturbances

BUDAPEST, Hungary, Feb. 14 (AP)—The minister of education has ordered schools and colleges throughout the country closed, fearing anti-Semitic disturbances. The government has under discussion a proposal to modify restrictions against the enrollment of Jews as university students.

Disorder occurred at Budapest university when Christian students declared a strike as a protest to the government proposal. A strike was also declared at Szeged university.

SUTTON COURTENAY, Eng., Feb. 14 (AP)—Surrounded by members of his family, the Earl of Oxford and Asquith, Great Britain's premier during the first two years of the world war, today lay all unconscious of his surroundings in his country home by the Thames, with the end apparently near. After the doctor's visit this forenoon, the earl's son-in-law, Sir Maurice Bonham-Carter, said: "There is no hope now."

SCOUT DRIVE
TO BEGIN ON
WEDNESDAY

La Grande Citizens Will Be Asked to Give \$2500 for the 1928 Work

COMMITTEES MEET
THIS AFTERNOON

Sum Held Necessary in Order to Insure Continuation of Boy Training in This City.

A campaign for \$2500 to continue boy scout work in La Grande during 1928 will start in La Grande tomorrow morning under the direction of H. E. Dixon, chairman of the finance committee. This evening at 5 o'clock a meeting of the five committees to assist in the campaign for funds, will be held at the chamber of commerce office when plans will be made for the opening of the drive.

Included in the five committees are: one from the Rotary club, headed by W. C. Perkins; one from the American Legion, of which Dr. Ray Murphy is chairman; one from the chamber of commerce, which is under the leadership of H. E. Matthews; one from the railroad employees, headed by J. Y. Walnum, and a scout committee under the chairmanship of H. E. Dixon.

To Canvass City

These committees will make an entire canvass of the city, soliciting money for the fund not only from the business men of the city, but from the fathers of scouts and others who are interested in scouting as well.

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PIONEER DINNER
TONIGHT AT 7:30

Annual Banquet and Program Will Be Held in Sacajawea Inn

This evening at 7:30 o'clock the third annual banquet sponsored by the Sons and Daughters of Pioneers and in observance of the anniversary of Oregon's admission to the United States will be given at the Sacajawea Inn here. The banquet is the first to be given in the new hotel and is expected to be one of unusual interest. Tickets for the banquet, which are on sale at the Glass Drug store, are going rapidly. The public is invited to attend.

The reception committee for the affair includes Mr. and Mrs. Julius Roesch, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Hunter, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Reynolds, Mr. and Mrs. George Curry and Mr. and Mrs. Pat Powers.

An interesting program has been arranged to be given during the banquet. Dr. W. T. Poy will be the main speaker, and in addition to the talks there will be several musical numbers. After the banquet those attending will join in a Virginia reel and one or two square dances, the music for which will be furnished by M. L. Carter and his fiddle.

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ASQUITH ILL

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Music Program At
Sacajawea Sunday

An interesting and enjoyable musical program was presented by teachers and students of the Eastern Oregon School of Music Sunday evening at the Sacajawea Inn as a feature of the opening of the hotel's dining room. The program was well received by the hotel guests. Mrs. W. H. Parkinson and Leo Cullen Bryant, of the music school were in charge.

Following is the program as it was presented: "Amour Coquer" (Piano) Leo Cullen Bryant, violinist, "Smile Thru Your Tears" (Bethel Trill, vocal); "Serenade" (Schubert) Jennie Nielson and Mr. Bryant, violin duet; "Antic's Dance" (from Peer Gynt Suite) Grief; Mildred Shumate; "Beautiful Lady" (from the Pink Lady) Mrs. W. H. Parkinson; vocal, "Liebesfreud" (Kreutzer) Mr. Bryant.

Winter Returns To Oregon For February Visit

Icy Highways Cause Stage Wreck at Cottage Grove—Four Inches of Snow Falls Here.

EUGENE, Ore., Feb. 14 (AP)—Three men were injured and several other persons more or less shaken up and bruised, when a Pickwick stage southbound crashed into the approach of a bridge south of Cottage Grove at 6:30 o'clock Tuesday morning.

The injured were: George Louis, 67, Edmonton, Alberta, back wrenched and cuts on arms and legs; Laverne White, 31, Clam Falls, Wis., cuts over eye and on hands, severe bruises; Oliver Huff, 47, 310 East Ninth street, Portland, bruised back and bruised right leg.

Rushed to Hospital

All three men were rushed to the Pacific Christian hospital in Eugene by ambulance, at the request of the driver of the stage. They were attended by Dr. S. A. Kerron, who stated that none of the injuries would prove fatal.

Cause of the accident is laid to icy pavement on one of the elevated curves of the Pacific highway, near the approach of a bridge. As the big stage bus swung around the curve the wheels failed to hold traction and skidded.

The stage turned broadside and crashed into a cement station which held it from rolling over, down a 45 per cent grade to a creek about 25 feet from the highway.

SILVER LAKE
IS SCENE OF
WILD AFFRAY

Stock Men and Pioneer Participate in Pool Hall Gun Battle

TWO HELD IN JAIL ON OPEN CHARGES

Veteran of 50 Oregon Summers in Lakeview Hospital, Perhaps Fatally Wounded.

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Feb. 14 (AP)—Two prominent young livestock men of Lake county are in jail and an aged pioneer lies in a hospital seriously and perhaps fatally wounded as the result of a shooting scrape in Silver Lake Sunday night that might well have been taken from the lurid page of a dime novel.

The two young men, Dorris Porter, 23, and Cecil Owsley, 23, are behind the bars in Lakeview. No definite charge will be filed against them until it is determined whether or not their alleged victim, Jefferson Howard, 77, will recover.

It was a wild tale of whiskey, of cowboy "slip-ups," of two young cowboys shooting at bottles on the shelf of a pool room and at lights hanging from the ceiling, that was told to the district attorney's office of Lakeview.

Had Attended Wedding

According to authorities, Owsley and Porter had been attending a wedding ceremony in the Silver Lake region Sunday. They had imbibed too freely of whiskey and conceived the idea of "shooting up" old Jeff's pool hall in Silver Lake. It was late Sunday and the pool hall, a community center in the Lake county livestock district, was filled with cowboys and livestock operators playing cards and shooting pool.

Suddenly according to the report to officers, the doors of the pool hall swung open and Owsley and Porter, their faces flushed with excitement, entered with revolvers drawn.

They opened fire almost immediately. At each bang a bottle on the wall behind the bar was reduced to splinters of glass. There was a general exodus of inmates of the pool hall. Out the windows, through the back door streamed scores of

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WILD LIFE TO
BE SUBJECT OF
LOSTINE MEET

LOSTINE, Feb. 14 (Special)—Lostine is making extensive preparations for the Greater Wallawa county meeting that will be held here Monday evening, Feb. 20. Better fishing and hunting will be the chief subjects for discussion. State Game Warden Harold Clifford will be here and other members of the state game and fish commission will be in attendance, according to G. R. Tilton, president of the association.

The meeting is for the purpose of formulating plans for the bettering of fishing and hunting conditions in Wallawa county. The banquet will be served by the South Fork grange at seven o'clock, the plates being 75 cents. All sporting club associations and individuals interested are urged to be present. Union costs is invited to come also, as the meeting should be of interest to the many sportsmen who come over to Wallawa county for fish and game.

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Flapper and Her Wise-Cracking Is
Out of Style—Miss 1928 Described

CHICAGO, Feb. 14 (AP)—Gone is the flapper! In her place has come the young woman with poise, soft-toned and correct speech, soberly costumed and with hair. Such are the specifications of Miss 1928 as set forth in the current number of the Junior League magazine, national organ of the younger social sets of 25 American cities.

Results of a nation wide survey by Junior League show the flapper has long been a thing of the past, south, east and west.

"Those hard-boiled little things with shaved necks and no underwear have gone completely out of style," says Mrs. Alexander Kirk, an active Chicago Junior League.

New Style in Girls

"This year the style in young girls is to be quiet, conservative and terribly in earnest about careers."

The article written for the magazine by four leaguers from four corners of the nation says in part:

"The flapper was a post-war creation. Her hair overnight resembled a hotentot's; her skirts ended about her knees; she sneaked about her brother's cigarettes, and wore like a trooper. She chewed gum—great wads of it—vigorously and incessantly. Her makeup was as crude as a clown's; she was

supposed to be a 'neck artist,' 'booze hound' and 'human smoke-stack.'"

"The flapper wasn't half so sophisticated as the present-day girl, smoother, more polished. Young 1928 uses more subtle methods, that is all."

"She wears black satin instead of corset; she blends her rouge evenly; she inhales her cigarette without puffing furiously. She dances gracefully to muted jazz and drinks liquor quite as much as her predecessor, but from a tea cup rather than a flask."

"She is more refined and veils her frankness with artful politeness, takes life for granted and lives frankly and calmly if not wisely."

Mental Qualities

Catherine Wignore, of Los Angeles, writing on the mental qualities of Miss 1928, says:

"She frequently is to be found in book shops, and art galleries and unobtrusively admits her aptitude for tending toment babies. She is able to swim when conversation plunges her into deep waters of political politics."

"The flapper's 'time' with its 'wine cracks' is passed. It is no longer considered essential mental equipment for the successful girl."

DANGEROUS?

Lindbergh Says Air Service To South Feasible

Lone Eagle Believes That Commercial Flying Between Americas Is Not Far Distant.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 14 (AP)—Aviation on a commercial basis is practicable and feasible between the United States and the South Central American countries, said Col. Charles A. Lindbergh on his return from a good will tour of the southern countries.

He said he saw no obstacle in flying in the tropics that were any worse than those encountered in the United States.

He spoke highly of the behavior of his plane saying: "I think it is in almost perfect condition although it will be overhauled here."

Had No Parachute

"No, I did not carry a parachute on the flight," he replied to another question. Parachutes are necessary in military maneuvers but not in passenger transportation and also "they are of no use on the type of plane I'm flying."

The "Spirit of St. Louis," he said, "is so constructed that it is possible to land without injury to the pilot or passenger in case of necessity. I believe a parachute should be carried where it is advisable and makes for greater safety, but when the gas tank is in front of the pilot he is in little danger of a forced landing."

But what would have been the outcome," he was asked, "if you had been forced to land while over the water?"

"I guess the outcome would have been that I would be dead," he said and laughed merrily.

Plans Trip Next Week

Turning to his planned trip for next week over the old air mail route to Chicago which he abandoned exactly one year ago yesterday to go to San Diego where the "Spirit of St. Louis" was being built, Lindbergh said:

"My primary object in going over the old mail route is to stimulate aviation and interest in it—although I do want to go over the old route. But I think the air mail will become more and more important especially as the ground organization is developed. I expect to see all important mail sent by air in the future."

Negotiating a planned course from Havana, Cuba, to Florida and thence northwest to the Mississippi river, Col. Lindbergh scooped out of the fog at Lambert St. Louis field last yesterday and ended his journey of 1300 miles in 15 hours and 35 minutes.

His flight, begun Dec. 13 at Washington and leading down through Mexico, and the Central and South American republics was described today as an Odyssey of the air which in its spectacular aspects was second only to his New York-to-Paris flight.

Not Lost, He Says

With characteristic modesty Col.

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Millionaires In
America Gaining
Trust Firm Says

NEW YORK, Feb. 14 (AP)—Millionaires have increased in number about 600 per cent since 1923, judging from statistics showing million dollar estates for which trust companies have acted as executors or trustees.

Francis H. Sisson, vice president of the Security Trust company of New York, speaking here today before the mid-winter conference of the American Bankers' association, said that a survey of the national field indicates that in five years the institutions have handled 608 estates valued at \$1,000,000 or more.

Recalling that George Washington, one of the wealthiest men of his time left an estate worth only \$539,000, Mr. Sisson reported that in 1923 trust companies handled 48 million-dollar estates; in 1924, 69; in 1925, 101; in 1926, 151, and in 1927, 298.

The largest estates were not confined to cities, Mr. Sisson said. In one small town to which a boom had brought wealth, as well as all the local trust company handled, five \$1,000,000 estates in one year and six the next. In some sections banks reported handling few or no estates ranging in value from \$500,000 to \$1,000,000, a fact Mr. Sisson suggested was indicative of the wider spread of wealth in this country.

British Flier Is Safe in Karachi

KARACHI, India, Feb. 14 (AP)—Completing a flight of some 550 miles from Java, Pasha, Bert Hunkler, British flier en route to India, arrived here this afternoon.

Harry Hill Case Is Given to Jury

OTTAWA, Ill., Feb. 14 (AP)—The case of Harry Hill, charged with the murder of his mother, Mrs. Eliza A. Hill, was given to the jury today.

Association of Christians Backs Hefflin

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14 (AP)—The drafting of Senator Hefflin of Alabama for president and Mrs. Hubert Walker Willebrandt, of California, assistant attorney general, for vice president on the "Christian party" ticket was proposed in circulars widely distributed today at the capital.

The circulars bore the name of the National Fundamental Protection Christian association and said: "Vote the Christian party" ticket. For president, James Thomas Hefflin of Alabama, for vice president, Hon. Hubert Walker Willebrandt, of California. They do not choose to run for president and vice president but we are going to draft them."

Mrs. Willebrandt is in charge of the enforcement of prohibition and other laws.

HICKMAN TO
BE EXECUTED
ON APRIL 27

Judge Trabucco Denies a New Trial and Sentences Slayer to Death

TWO DAYS REMAIN TO FILE APPEAL

Defendant Is Unusually Grave as He Learns Fate—Slumps in Seat as Judge Quits Talking

HALL OF JUSTICE, LOS ANGELES, Feb. 14 (AP)—William Edward Hickman today was sentenced to hang on Friday, April 27 for the first degree murder of Marian Parker.

The sentence was imposed by Judge J. J. Trabucco after the state had put on two witnesses to establish the crime and the degree of murder.

Hickman was ordered turned over to the sheriff at once for transfer to San Quentin prison. The prisoner, who had stood erect to hear his sentence pronounced, dropped heavily into his seat after the last word fell from Judge Trabucco's lips.

Hickman Unusually Grave

Hickman appeared more than usually pallid and his countenance was more than unusually grave as he was led from the court room. However, ten minutes after the brief procedure was finished, Hickman was smiling and jaunty as he returned to pose for news camera men in the court room.

Previous to the fixing of the death penalty for the self-styled "Fog City" slayer, Hickman denied the notion of Jerome Walsh, chief defense counsel, for a new trial for Hickman, and a formal motion to the effect that the court was without jurisdiction to sentence the defendant.

Two Witnesses Heard

Two witnesses to establish the crime for determination of its degree then were called by District Attorney Am. G. Koyne. They were County Attorney Susan A. F. Wagner and Chief of Detectives Herman Ellis.

Wagner testified to having known the slain girl, Marian Parker, and to performing the autopsy upon her mutilated remains.

Ellis testified to the hunt for the kidnaper-killer and to the confession Hickman made to him on the train that returned him from Oregon, where his flight ended in capture.

No Appeal Yet

On the charge of kidnapping, on which indictment Hickman also was declared sane by the trial jury, Judge Trabucco sentenced him to the term prescribed by law.

The disposition of Hickman on the kidnapping constitution, the court left to the state board of prison directors.

No notice of appeal of the case was filed by Walsh, which, last week he indicated he would make. After the session ended he pointed out that he had two days in which to take this action.

Alfred Hickman brother of the condemned man, was in the court room to hear the sentence imposed. His only indication of his feelings was a downcast expression and a reluctance to answer the inquiries of interviewers.

The condemned youth received the news of her son's death sentence with apparent outward calm. The announcement was telephoned her at her hotel by Alfred, Richard Cantillon, associated defense attorney said that the gray haired mother who had suffered a partial collapse when the jury last week found William to be sane, had steered herself today to the expected death penalty.

Mrs. Hickman, Cantillon said, will remain here until completion of the trial in which her son is accused of complicity in another murder which is scheduled to open tomorrow.

In Hickman's case the order of the court that he be turned over

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