

Local News In Brief

Here From Menham—Mr. and Mrs. Hadley, of Menham, spent the day shopping in La Grande.

Visitor From Kamela—Charles Brooks, of Kamela, transacted business in this city today.

Putting in Basement—Harry Myers is putting a basement in his residence at 1207 O avenue. Mr. Myers is a La Grande barber.

Returns to Walla Walla—After visiting here for a few days with Mrs. C. O. Howard, Mrs. Leonard Hug, returned today to her home in Walla Walla.

Visiting at Pendleton—Mrs. R. Adler and daughter, Genevieve, of May Park, went to Pendleton on train No. 17 this morning for a day's visit.

Here From Pendleton—Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Huestep and son, of Pendleton, arrived here today for a weekend visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Barclay at 1208 Eighth street.

Go to Haines—Mrs. A. W. Wall and children, Dorothy and Rex, left on train No. 17 this morning for Haines where they will spend the weekend visit.

Registered at Inn—Mrs. Jessie A. Hoskins, of Baker, is registered at the Sacajawea Inn.

Returns to Manistique—William S. Crowe, of Manistique, Mich., checked out at the La Grande hotel yesterday after a short business trip here. He is a brother of S. D. Crowe of this city.

Here From Pendleton—Joe Purdy, of Walla Walla, O. W. agent, is registered at the La Grande hotel.

Go to Baker—Mr. and Mrs. Robert Whites and two children went to Baker this morning for a short visit with relatives and friends.

Here From Kamela—Mrs. P. E. McCouly and Mrs. Schubert, of Kamela, were Saturday shoppers in La Grande today.

Too Many in Seat—H. Seiser was fined \$5 in municipal court on a charge of having more than three persons over 12 years of age in the driver's seat in his automobile.

Volley Turnout Good—Fourteen men were present at the Friday night practice of the La Grande business men's volleyball team at the La Grande hotel, an enjoyable hour of recreation was reported.

Here From Buhl—Mr. and Mrs. Everett Hall, of Buhl, Ida., left La Grande yesterday after a short visit. They are registered at the La Grande.

Leaving for Portland—Mrs. Orville Dean will leave by train tonight for Portland where she will spend several days buying equipment for the new baby shop which she and Mrs. K. L. Lullie Daily are to open soon at the Sacajawea Inn.

Here From Union—Miss Cynthia Hobbs, who is teaching school at Union, was in La Grande today. Miss Hobbs is studying on the organ at the Colonial theater with Robert Beck.

Expected From Baker—Mr. and Mrs. William Metcalf and daughter, Alayne, of Baker, were expected to arrive here this afternoon for a weekend visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Niederer, at 402 Adams avenue.

Baker Teacher Here—George S. Stewart, of Baker, is a weekend visitor here. Mr. Stewart is a member of the Junior high faculty in Baker, and this summer was traveling representative of the Old Oregon Trail association.

Return From Portland—Mr. and Mrs. Martin Fitzgerald returned this morning from Portland with their baby daughter who was born in Portland several weeks ago. They returned here in time for the grand opening of the Sacajawea Inn, the owner of which is Mrs. Fitzgerald's father, Julius Roesch.

Sentenced to Jail—H. C. Hoke was fined \$25 and sentenced to serve 10 days in the city jail when found guilty in municipal court on a charge of intoxication. Officers declare that this was not his first offense.

To Visit Sons—Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Nobles, of Astoria, Wash., spent last night here on their way to Enterprise where they will visit their sons, Frank and Dale Nobles. Mr. and Mrs. Nobles are the grandparents of Opal and Ida Nobles, who are attending school here at the Sacred Heart academy.

ELECTRIC SERVICE CO. WIRES HOTEL

Completed Work Regarded as One of the Best in the Pacific Northwest

The grand opening today of the new seven-story Sacajawea Inn, a 52-room hotel constructed by Julius Roesch, incidentally discloses what is regarded to be one of the most comprehensive electrical wiring jobs in Eastern Oregon.

All of the wiring and all of the other electrical work in the hotel, including installation of all fixtures, etc., was done by the Electric Service company, a firm consisting of C. V. Talbot and Robert A. Helvey, both experienced men in this line of endeavor.

Looking over the finished work on the seven stories, Mr. Talbot today said that it is "absolutely without a doubt the best wiring job in the Northwest."

In this connection, it is interesting to note that the big switchboard in basement is the largest in Eastern Oregon. It has four 400 ampere switches, three for the lights and one for power. In addition to this there is a smaller switch which controls the beauty shop, barber shop and apartment lights.

Near this huge switchboard are the two distribution cabinets. One is located next to the big boiler and the other one is about 20 feet in front of the boiler.

Approximately 16 miles of wire was used in the building ranging in size from No. 18 up to 750,000 CM. The biggest wire is one and one-eighth inches in diameter.

The Electric Service Co., installed the telephone system, bringing these lines over the same company's switchboard and the phone company service.

The wiring work was started last April and was carried on as the construction of the building advanced. Wires were laid before the pouring of the cement, and the greatest care was exercised to see that every wire is hidden from sight.

The company had from one to six men working on the hotel, but the average force employed was about four.

Although everything in the electrical line was done by the Electric Service Co., all materials, etc., was furnished by the La Grande Electric company, of which Harry Williams is proprietor. Both of these firms occupy the same offices—in the Roesch building next door to The Observer.

Disappearance Of 3 Children Solved Today

MADRID, Spain, Feb. 18. (AP)—The mysterious disappearance of three children five years ago was solved today in the course of excavations for a new building.

Angeles Cuevas, Maria Del Val and Maria Ortega were sent by their parents five years ago to buy some groceries. They failed to return and a frantic search by the police yielded no trace of them. The hunt was long ago abandoned as futile.

Today while laborers were digging for the foundations of a new building they came across human skeletons, wrapped in bits of clothing. In the hand of one was clutched some small coins.

The authorities identified the skeletons as those of the missing girls.

The coins clutched in the hand of one of them indicated that the children had stopped to play in an underground cave at the spot where the skeletons were found before going to the store. While they were there the entrance caved in. They were unable to make their plight known and died a horrible death.

P. E. P. Co. May Buy Northwestern Co.

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 18. (AP)—Plans for purchase of the Northwestern Electric company by the Portland Electric power company subject to the approval of the people of Portland at a special election to be called for that purpose were announced today.

Franklin T. Griffith, president of the P. E. P. Company and Guy W. Talbot, president of the Northwestern, in a joint statement said that reductions of rates to users of electricity was planned, effective immediately after the sale becomes effective.

21 POULTRY MEN ATTEND MEETING WITH DR. JOHNSON

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plants. The birds are kept in this yard until they are feathered out and large enough to move to clean open range. The brooder house yard should be swept and scrubbed every day.

Dissects Sick Birds

One of the most interesting features of Dr. Johnson's lecture was the dissecting of several sick birds, which were brought to the meeting. He demonstrated how to administer capsules, which has become a common way of doctoring poultry. All of the birds dissected were found to be badly affected by worms. He showed how to determine whether or not the fowl had worms by examination, and demonstrated treatment for each type.

Dr. Johnson left last night for Western Oregon, where he is attending a meeting today. He will return to Corvallis tonight.

Here is an advertisement clipped from a western paper. NOTICE TO PARENTS—Grade cards were issued to all high school students yesterday.

Committee Will See Coal Strike Region Tuesday

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18. (AP)—A senate interstate commerce subcommittee will leave here Tuesday for Pittsburgh to make a personal inspection of conditions in the Pennsylvania coal strike region.

This was announced today by Chairman Watson after a meeting of the entire committee. The subcommittee, which is headed by Senator Gooding, republican, Idaho, is to take no testimony, but merely observe conditions in the strike district and report back to the full committee.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18. (AP)—Hitting back vigorously at his critics, John J. Esch, of Wisconsin, re-nominated to be a member of the interstate commerce commission, declared today before a senate committee that the commission decided all cases "free from any duress or outside influence."

OPENING OF SEVEN-STORY HOTEL TODAY

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gram arranged includes many interesting numbers. A male quartet, consisting of Bert Wardell, Wilbur Teck, Austin Beck and Richard Southworth Jr., all of Baker, will open the program with Miss Lola Carpenter at the piano.

Thomas Whitel, of Baker, will sing "Devil's Love Song," "Trees" and "Tally Ho" accompanied by Vernita Clare Corbett, after which Miss Corbett will play a piano solo.

Mrs. A. L. Richardson will sing two selections, the first "Homing," a request number, and the second "I Baccio." Miss Edris Maguire will be her accompanist.

The male quartet will then sing a second selection after which Mrs. Hoskins will sing "The Answer," accompanied by Miss Florence French at the piano.

This program, to be given during the dinner hour, will close with several clever Scotch selections by Mr. Whitel, who will appear in costume.

Hundreds of local and out-of-town people are visiting the Sacajawea this afternoon and a record-breaking attendance is expected this evening.

Three Members Of Firm Are Arrested

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 18. (AP)—Three members of the defunct brokerage firm of Overbeck and Cooke were technically placed under arrest last yesterday and attorneys arranged bond for their appearance in court, following an indictment returned by the Multnomah grand jury, charging larceny by bailment.

Those indicted were James P. Cooke, Charles S. Goodwin and Howard F. Philpott, president, vice president and secretary, respectively.

WATER POWER INCREASES

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18. (AP)—Water power developed in the United States increased 575,000 horsepower, or 5 per cent in 1927, there being a total of 12,296,000 horsepower Jan. 1, 1928, the geological survey, discloses in a report showing that the increase was in plants of public utility power companies.

LINDY FLIES TO CHICAGO

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Feb. 18. (AP)—Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh left Lambert St. Louis field in a monoplane at 10:15 a. m. today for Chicago to inspect the aerial route over which he will carry mail next Monday and Tuesday.

STILL HOLDING SUSPECT

MARYSVILLE, Cal., Feb. 18. (AP)—Although he has been positively identified by a number of people as John Meek, suspected killer, Klamath Falls officials declined again last night to accept the suspect held here as the man they want for the murder of John Anil on January 2.

CONVENTION APPROVED

HAVANA, Feb. 18. (AP)—The Pan American union convention which has been the chief bone of contention in the present Pan American congress, was approved today in a plenary session of the conference.

TO GET MEDAL

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18. (AP)—For "characteristics of modesty and idealism and outstanding work in the teaching profession," Mrs. Evangeline Lindbergh will be awarded a gold emblem and life membership in the National Educational association at its convention in Boston March 1.

For Evening

A new note gaining popularity in the smart world is the close-fitting evening cap. The hair is entirely covered by this one, of brown tulle, trimmed with rows of gold beads radiating from a point at the back. A cluster of blue crystal leaves covers each

PENDLETON WINS WITH EASE, 32-12

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Pendleton was considered nothing unusual, inasmuch as a La Grande basketball team has only won one game on the Buckaroo floor in the last half dozen years.

"The boys had on off night at Pendleton, that's all," was the comment of the local mentor, Ralph Christie this morning. "They got off to a bad start, missed baskets, missed free throws, and were generally below par on both their offensive and defensive game," he went on. According to Mr. Christie, the Tigers' shooting was particularly weak. He believes that the La Grande team had nearly as many chances at baskets as the Buckaroos, but couldn't find the net.

The Pendleton team played a far better game on their own floor than they did here, said the coach, particularly on their offense.

"No, Pendleton didn't have a lot of 'lucky long shots'—they made most of their points on regular plays up to the basket," said the coach.

The coach put his four substitutes, Roy, Newlin and Hugg, in at the last quarter. Nelson referred, only a few local fans made the trip to Pendleton last night.

Following the game last night the Pendleton high school put on three one-act plays at the high school auditorium at which the local team and the coach were guests. "The plays were well staged and we certainly appreciated Pendleton's hospitality last night," said the coach today.

VICE RING SAID TO INVOLVE 250

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The confession was declared to admit orgies in Portland extending back several years and to throw new light on a vice scandal in 1913 when Coffin according to his signed statement first associated with the clique.

Burns detective, Deputy Sheriff Christopher and H. S. Franks, business man, who was the investigator of the present vice inquiry, traced Coffin to a hotel last night. The arrest occurred shortly after midnight after the officers and a committee of business men aiding Franks broke into the scene of alleged orgies. Coffin was taken to jail and detained in lieu of \$2,000 bail.

The new developments follow the conviction here this week of William Armstrong, on charges growing out of the vice ring investigation. Charges against three other men are pending.

More Candidates Enter Ohio Race For Nomination

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Feb. 18. (AP)—Three more presidential candidates were brought into the Ohio fight between Senator Frank B. Willis, and Secretary Herbert Hoover, for control of the state's delegation.

Former Gov. Frank O. Lowden of Illinois, Senator Charles Curtis of Kansas, and Senator James E. Watson of Indiana, each have authorized Willis candidates for delegates to name them as their second choice. Willis headquarters announced. These written consents already have been received it was stated.

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Dinner \$1

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Asia Sea Food Cocktail

Chicken Brazillianaie Consomme Celestine

Native Celery Mission Olives

Burr Gherkins

Pineapple Fritter, Sauce au Rhum

Roast Young Turkey with Dressing

Cranberry Sauce

Baked Corn Fed Capon Giblet Gravy

Filet of Mignon Champignon Sauce

Southern Sweet Potato

Asparagus Tips in Butter

Parker House Rolls

Banana and Orange Salad, Cream Dressing

Pumpkin Pie Hot Mince Pie

Apple Pie

Mocha Ice Cream and Cake

Coffee Noir

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