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GRAVEL ROAD
ON ELEVENTH
IS REQUESTEDProperty Owners Pledge
\$300 Cash in Petition to
City CommissionLEGION TO BACK
CARNIVAL IN JUNEDog Ordinance Enforced—Oak D.
Wood Is Awarded Au-
diting Contract.

Bids for auditing the city books were opened in addition to improve a street in Cornville. A petition was received, the dog ordinance was discussed briefly, and the American Legion presented a carnival plan at the meeting of the city commission last evening.

A delegation of six property owners who live on Eleventh street between M and J streets, presented a petition asking that this road be improved by proper grading and by the installation of enough gravel to make the street passable in wet weather. Accompanying the petition were cash pledges in the amount of \$250 and the delegation said that \$250 more had been promised.

Eight inches necessary. City Manager W. C. Crowe said that to improve the street as petitioned, an eight inches of gravel would be necessary. It was also revealed that regular maintenance could not be applied there because the property is already too heavily burdened with sewer and sidewalk lines to permit additional assessments of much size under the present bonding act.

The delegation of citizens said that at present it is impossible to get fuel and other necessities to their homes because of the muddy condition of the road and it was also pointed out that during wet weather this part has no fire protection, because it is not possible to get a fire truck through the mud.

The improvement of three plans for making the improvement possible were briefly discussed and then the matter was referred to the city manager with instructions to secure an estimate as to costs and to consider the possibility of accepting the cash pledges and putting the remainder of the bonding act. It is to be reported next Wednesday if the estimate can be prepared by then.

Devotion to Sponsor Carnival. Harley Richardson and Judge H. E. Brady, of the legion, stated that a carnival company, consisting of some 20 shows, 50 concessions and five sides, is willing to enter La Grande in June if sponsored to give the legion 15 per cent of gross receipts on rides and shows and a flat fee for the concession, provided the legion buys the licenses, pays for lights and furnishes 15 to 20 men to check up on ticket sales. Mr. Richardson pointed out that this would make it possible to also possibly make \$500 or \$750 which would go toward sending the American Legion drum and bugle corps to the state convention in Medford next August. The legion and city will have full authority to regulate the concession, etc., at the carnival, so that nothing in conflict with city ordinances would be allowed. After considerable discussion, the commission agreed to allow the concession to sponsor the carnival, which has appeared under similar conditions in several Oregon and Washington cities.

Four bids for auditing of the city books were received, ranging from \$250 to \$140. The lowest bid, presented by Oak D. Wood, was accepted by the commission.

Dog Ordinance Discussed. The enforcement of the dog ordinance providing that all dogs be kept up between the hours of six o'clock in the morning until eight o'clock in the morning was discussed and the commission decided to enforce that ordinance as soon as possible. The city manager said that attempts had been made to hire a dog catcher but that no one had been found for the position as yet.

The salary bid for the month of February, in the amount of \$5,000, was allowed. An estimate on the 18-inch pipeline in favor of Hattenbrock Brothers company for \$258.19 and a bid for force main for \$14,775. In favor of the same company, was ordered paid.

As both City Attorney George H. Cookingham and City Commissioner H. B. Colburn are out of town, no ordinances were taken up.

COOKINGHAM TO RUN. PENDLETON, Mar. 8. (AP)—Sheriff R. T. Cookingham of Unadilla county has announced his intention of seeking re-election during the May primaries. He has been sheriff for the past two years.

Star Centers To
Meet in Contest
Here SaturdayProceeds of La Grande M.
I. A. Wallowa Game to
Finance L. H. S. Band
Trip to Corvallis.

Announcement by The Observer yesterday of a basketball contest between the La Grande First Ward M. I. A. Eastern Oregon independent champion, and the district high school title winner, Wallowa, to be played in the L. D. S. Recreational hall Saturday night, was received with much interest in athletic circles.

Both teams play a fast, aggressive type of ball and fans believe that it will be one of the most interesting contests of the season. In addition to the other aspects of the game, it pits two of the strongest centers Eastern Oregon has produced in the last three years against each other. Richard Lyman, last year chosen as second all-state high school center, will face Crawford, Eastern Oregon 1248 all-star center, on the tip off. Both men are scoring aces and both are the central figures in their team's offensive thrusts.

Lyman Has Edge. The two pivot men met at Union last year, twice, and Crawford won the first encounter by a margin of one point, scoring 13 points to Lyman's 12 and assisting his quintet to defeat the Tigers 23 to 17.

But La Grande worked its way into the semi-finals and again met Wallowa, with entirely different results. Lyman broke loose with some spectacular shots and ran up 22 points while Crawford snared only five. La Grande won 40 to 24 and later took the district championship.

Wallowa will play the same line-up it used at Union last week—Crawford, center; Lloyd and Johnson, forwards; Sarrett and Posey, guards. The M. I. A. may start Lyman, center; Geertsens and Black, forwards; V. Stoddard and Hanks or Berry, guards. Jimmy Rosenbaum will referee.

The game is distinctly a benefit affair, the proceeds to be used to finance the sending of the La Grande High school band to Corvallis in April to participate with some 17 or 18 other similar organizations for state honors.

Local Band in Running. When the invitation came for the La Grande band to participate in the contest, high school authorities (Continued on Page 4)

STYLE SHOW TO
BE GIVEN SOONJ. C. Penney Co. Will Pre-
sent New Fashions at
Arcade Mar. 12-13

Spring styles, not only for mid-lady who must have the latest word in frocks and hats, but for the man who wants the noblest tones, and the tiny tots who like to be in style along with mother and dad as well, are to be shown in La Grande next Monday and Tuesday at the Arcade Theater in an attractive revue that is being given by the J. C. Penney company. It was announced today by M. M. Hunt, local manager, The revue, which is called "The Drama of Style" will be an added attraction to the show "A Man's Past" and will last about 45 minutes.

Mr. Hunt has secured a number of local young men and women and children to show their models, which will include the school frock, house frock, youthful modes, the tailored suit, spring coat, afternoon frock, dance frock for women, and several styles for men and children. Those who are to model follow: Mrs. Andrine Phayle, Miss Ruth Brownell, Miss June Stance, Miss Virginia Warnick, Miss Lily Bean, Miss Ruth Trevin, Joan Hunt, Ann Stoddard, Elizabeth Milne, Bobby Stevens, Henry Culp and Edward Buchanan.

Weeks & Buchanan are to show one of the latest Chrysler models on the stage during the revue, for which the stage will be elaborately decorated. A silver background will add to the attractive and colorful decorating scheme which Mr. Hunt has arranged.

La Grande Legion Post Requests
Changing of Convention Dates

The La Grande American Legion post last night in regular session, adopted a resolution asking that the dates of the state American Legion convention to be held at Medford Aug. 2, 3 and 4 be changed to later in the month because many legionnaires will be unable to attend on the dates set. Similar resolutions objecting to the present dates have been adopted by legion posts throughout the state, and it is possible that new dates for the convention will be arranged.

Announcement was made during last night's meeting that complimentary tickets had been secured by the legion post for the seven Grand Army of the Republic veterans in La Grande to attend any

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Critical.

LONDON, Mar. 8. (AP)—British preparations for war in Arabia continued today, men, armored cars, tanks, and airplanes were being mobilized along the border of Trans-Jordan to turn back any attack by Wahabi tribesmen under Ibn Saud.

A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Jafra told of preparations being made by British authorities in Palestine.

Mobilizing Forces. The frontier force was being mobilized. All officers and men were recalled from leave. An armored car company left Hama, Palestine, for Amman, Palestine, yesterday. Several airplanes, each understood to be carrying 20 men, passed over Jafra Tuesday en route from Egypt to Amman.

A Jewish telegraphic agency dispatch from Jerusalem said 22 airplanes and seven tanks were sent to the Trans-Jordan frontier.

Armored trains patrolled the Bagdad-Basra railway in Iraq. Advises received at Haifa said that the Amman and other Wahabi tribes which had been united in the border warfare have received rifles, ammunition, food and tents from Ibn Saud.

Report Uprising. The Jewish telegraphic agency said Iraq newspapers reported an uprising had occurred at Nejd, stronghold of Ibn Saud. It was also said that advisers from Haifa were that a Wahabi force led by Sheikh Ed Dowish was marching toward Iraq with 1400 camels. British airplane scouts, however, reported that they saw no signs of hostile movements in the desert.

Answering a question in the house of commons, the government denied that there had been mutual raids between Trans-Jordan and Nejd.

In Egypt the Anglo-Egyptian situation still claimed attention today. Egypt has refused to enter into any alliance with Great Britain which will allow the British to maintain troops in Egypt. Failure to complete this pact caused Sarwat Pasha, Egyptian premier, to resign. Great Britain, however, intends to control the native police and the army troops in Egypt to protect the Suez canal. She has informed Egypt in effect that complete independence cannot be granted her as yet.

Teachers Will
Hear National
Official Speak

A meeting of all classroom teachers in the La Grande public school system, has been called for tomorrow afternoon after school in the high school auditorium, when C. E. Scott, national secretary of the National Educational association, will be in this city and will address the teachers.

Mr. Scott is a teacher in one of the Portland high schools, and he will talk to the local teachers about a meeting of the department of classroom teachers which just closed in Boston, Mass., and which he attended.

The national secretary is now on his way home from Boston. He will arrive here tomorrow morning going on to Portland in the evening.

Harold Phinney, Central school teacher, has been chosen by popular vote of the local teachers, as chairman of tomorrow's meeting.

Boonham was arrested here Mar. 2 by Sheriff Jesse Breshers on advice from California. It is said that the bad check charge involves a considerable sum of money.

Present Play at
Union Last Night

The First Ward M. I. A. play "The Prince of Larc" was successfully presented at Union last night before a fairly large house. Lee Stockdale, who directed the play, substituted in the part of Elwood Hatt, who was unable to be in La Grande and Cecil Black took the part of Marion Stoddard, who is also out of town. The cast follows: Elwood Williams, Lucille Black, Mrs. Elmer McManus, Ruth Erwin, Maxine McNeill, Barbara Hatt, Lee Stockdale, Cecil Black, Donald Metcalf.

Several Farms
Changing Hands
In This CountyLocal Realtor Reports
Three Sales—Inquiries
as to Valley Lands Show
a Big Increase.

That the back-to-the-farm movement is still healthy is evidenced by some sales made in the La Grande territory recently and close observers are confident that this will continue for many years.

There has been considerable movement in farm lands in this county during the last few months at prices that justified the investment. It is said, and everything indicates that many more transfers will be made during the present year.

George H. Curry, La Grande realtor, this week sold the John Zweifel farm in the Summerville district to Roger Deal of this city, who is now purchasing his equipment and who will occupy his new farm immediately. Mr. Curry also last week closed a sale whereby C. E. Kuhn took title to the Sarah J. Anson farm near Union. Mrs. Anson has moved onto her farm situated a few miles east of La Grande. Recently Mr. Curry sold 160 acres of Sand Ridge land between Allice and Imbler to George B. McDonald and he reports that there has been more inquiries at his office on the part of potential buyers during the past few months than at any time during recent years.

Dentists Plan To
Attend ConventionDr. R. F. Murphy, Dr. H. S.
Brownlow, Dr. C. W. Erwin and
possibly several other local dentists
will represent La Grande in Boise
next Monday and Tuesday when
the second annual meeting of Eastern Oregon and Southern Idaho dentists will be held. The organization met for the first time in Baker last year and proved very successful. A two-day session which will include addresses and discussions on subjects pertinent to dentistry, is scheduled. Dr. Murphy will be one of the speakers on the program and will have as his subject "Relation of the Diet in Effect to the Teeth."Primary Children
To Stage Program

The children of the First Ward primary of the Latter Day Saints church will present a program tomorrow evening at 7:30 o'clock in the high school auditorium. About 50 children between the ages of four to 14 years will take part in the program, which will be a varied one including drills, piano solos, songs, recitations, etc.

The officers of the primary are in charge of the program and the public is invited to attend. A small admission fee will be charged the proceeds to go toward a fund to carry on the work of the primary.

O-W. Club Seeks
Bigger Membership

W. P. White, athletic director of the O-W, who is a La Grande resident, is working with officers of the La Grande Union Pacific athletic club, working to increase the membership of the La Grande club. Payment of dues for the year entitles O-W employees to membership and so far 125 have been enrolled. Mr. White expects to have a membership of 500 when he completes his campaign. He is soliciting the young house today.

Plans for spring sports are now under development and strong baseball, track, team shooting and rifle teams are to be developed, declare the club officers. These will participate in the unit elimination for the system athletic meet this summer.

California Seeks
Man Held in City

SACRAMENTO, Mar. 8. (AP)—Extradition from La Grande, Ore., of O. O. Boudin, wanted in Los Angeles on a bad check charge, was requested of the Oregon governor today by Governor C. C. Young.

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IN TODAY'S CRIME NEWS



George Allen Chisholm, World war veteran and father of three sons, is shown at the right. He has confessed, officers say, to killing two of his boys, George, 9, and Edgar, 7, whose bodies, found with wires, were found in the Indiana Harbor-Joliet canal. He said he was going to kill Bobby, 3, and then himself, but didn't carry his plan through. He is shown telling his story to Police Chief James W. Reagan, of East Chicago, Ind.

First Delivery
From New Lime
Plant Is Made

The Black & Marble and Lime company made its first actual delivery from the new plant this week when a carload of quick lime was delivered to Sile & Company, of La Grande, according to C. A. Binghamman, president of the company, who is delighted with the performance of the factory equipment since the first kiln was put in operation on Feb. 29. The second kiln is now burning and the entire plant is working most satisfactorily, he says.

Mr. Binghamman returned recently from Portland where he attended the banquet of the state chamber of commerce and gave a brief talk on his company before the Oregon business men.

Gang War Is On
Again in Chicago;
Two Shot Down

CHICAGO, Mar. 8. (AP)—Jack McGuinn, 26, whose name has been closely associated with that of Al Capone, gang leader, fell, probably fatally wounded before machine gun and pistol fire in a cigar store on the near north side late last night. Nick Mastro, 35, a real estate operator, was shot accidentally when he walked into the line of fire.

Three men followed Mastro into the store, located in the McGovern Hotel, McGovern, who was in the rear, recognized the trio and started for a telephone booth. The three opened fire, one with a machine gun and the others with pistols. As McGovern fell and Mastro, shot in the arm and shoulder, staggered the gunmen left the store and drove away.

Police believed the shooting marked a re-opening of gang warfare on the north side. At a hospital where he was taken McGuinn refused to answer questions of the police demanding to see his lawyer.

O-W. DIVISION
HOLDS SAFETY
MEETING HERE

A successful monthly safety meeting of the second division of the O-W was held yesterday at the local club house with W. H. Guild, superintendent, presiding. The sessions, which are held on the second of each month, are for "Prevention of Loss and Damage to Freight." In the afternoon meeting regular safety problems were taken up. H. M. J. Turner is safety agent.

Those who attended the meeting were: Mr. Guild, L. V. Chausse, division engineer; F. A. Leavitt, master mechanic; G. G. Olsen, road foreman engineer; G. R. Williams, road foreman; T. A. McKinstry, chief dispatcher; C. B. Johnson, signal supervisor; E. Lackin, B. & E. supervisor; E. T. Staver, general foreman; C. C. Lilly, car foreman; C. H. Feeklin, car foreman; from Huntington: E. A. Tall, car foreman; from Bickel: A. Harlow, road master; F. D. Hall, agent at Pendleton; P. C. Hunter, agent at Huntington; J. H. Keeney, agent at La Grande; William N. Shads, yardmaster; N. W. Courtney, conductor; R. J. Williams, brakeman; C. Redfield, engineer; E. E. Lyons, fireman; E. J. Green, switchman from Ellettsville; Ed Ledbetter, H. & C. conductor; H. S. Nichols, midman from Durkee; Frank Sampson, section foreman from Haines; Ralph Nibler, machinist; E. Hollister, engineer; H. M. J. Turner, safety agent.

HELEN WILLS RANKS HIGH
SAN FRANCISCO, Mar. 8. (AP)—Helen Wills of Berkeley, tennis champion, ranks among the highest 14 of 125 women chosen as candidates for the California "hall of fame."AMERICAN HURT
IN EGYPT RIOTSDr. Russell, College Principal,
Defends Building
Against Strikers

CAIRO, Egypt, Mar. 8. (AP)—During a series of student disturbances yesterday an attack was made by students of the Sheikh school at Assuit on the American college, causing minor casualties among the defenders, including Dr. Russell, the principal.

The Sheikh school students, who are on strike, endeavored to make the students of the American college come out also. The latter refused, whereupon the strikers smashed the glass, tore up the trees and broke windows with stones.

Dr. Russell, with his staff, defended the building valiantly and the efforts to drive out the students under his care failed. Student disturbances growing out of the Anglo-Egyptian question also took place in Cairo this morning. A body of 1500 striking students marched to the Ward, or residential headquarters and stoned a shop, the latter scattering the demonstrators after a charge.

In the melee eight policemen and 27 students were injured and were carried into the Ward headquarters where they were given medical attention. The brush with the police produced more or less rioting in other streets and many of the rioters were clubbed.

Burn Three Autos. As part of the same nationalist demonstration, school boys at Tanta, 55 miles northwest of Cairo, burned three automobiles, including one belonging to the Egyptian commandant, who was severely manhandled.

Student demonstrations and strikes have been in progress ever since it became known that the differences between the Egyptian government and the British authorities over treaty negotiations were becoming accentuated.

NEW YORK, Mar. 8. (AP)—Dr. Charles P. Russell, of Hastings, Neb., who was reported injured in an attack on the American college at Cairo, has spent more than a score of years as an educator in Egypt. A former association in the work of the school of which Dr. Russell is principal, today said that the college proper is located a mile outside of Cairo, while a preparatory branch is near the Cairo railway station.

County Court To
Install Culvert

The Union county court completed its regular work of signing bills, authorizing their payment this morning—the second day of the regular court session, and the court docket will be taken up early this afternoon.

Yesterday afternoon Judge Couch and the two county commissioners, W. W. Stevens and W. R. Ledbetter, visited the Lower Cove section, looking over a bad section of road about a mile east of the Red Pepper school house to determine what action should be taken to improve the condition. It was decided to put in a culvert and the work will start as soon as possible.

"Lame Duck" Bill
Again Voted Down

WASHINGTON, Mar. 8. (AP)—An unsuccessful effort was made in the house today to revive the proposed "lame duck" constitutional amendment to provide for a four, instead of two-year term for house members. After extended debate the chair held the proposal was not in order and the decision was sustained by a vote of 207 to 33. Representative Bankhead, democrat, Alabama, sponsored the proposal.

Chicago Grain
Merchant Tells
Of Bond DisposalTestifies Before Senate
Teapot Dome Commit-
tee—Reveals McCorm-
ick's Contribution.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 8. (AP)—James A. Patten, Chicago grain commission merchant, revealed today to the senate Teapot Dome committee that he disposed of \$25,000 of the Continental Trading company bonds which were turned over to the republican national committee in 1923 by Harry F. Sinclair.

These bonds were a part of the \$50,000 which Will H. Hays, former chairman of the republican national committee, forwarded to the late Fred W. Upham, treasurer of the republican national committee during and after the 1920 presidential campaign.

Patten said on Dec. 5, 1923, Upham called on him and told him that there was a large deficit coming over from the 1920 campaign and that a lot of United States bonds had been put up as collateral to secure the loans of the national committee.

"He wanted me to put up \$25,000 and sell the amount in bonds," Patten said. "I was indignant and said at the size of the deficit," he said, "I'm afraid I used bad language."

"That will be overlooked here," said Senator Walsh, democrat, Montana.

"Can I repeat the language?" Patten asked as the crowd laughed. "I saw the necessity for paying off the deficit," he continued. "I went to my secretary and had him send a check. I was very mad. I hate to give up money to pay for a dead horse. I wondered why Upham gave the bonds to me instead of selling them in New York, the best market in the world."

Patten said he pondered over what to do with the bonds and finally decided to give them to the Jefferson hospital, to which he had promised a contribution of \$25,000. "I had no idea of the origin of the bonds at the time," he said. "After all of this came out I had an idea where they came from."

Asked by Senator Walsh as to the Chicago people who were the highest contributors to the republican campaign funds, the grain dealer named William Wrigley Jr., E. B. Eckhart, a grain miller; Arthur Cullen and the McCormicks. Walsh suggested that Cyrus E. McCormick was a democrat but Patten said he would contribute to the republican war chest.

One administration objection met is that no limitation would be placed on the presidential power of appointment to the federal farm board created under the bill, the ex-officio chairman of which would be the secretary of agriculture. Twelve additional members would constitute the board, one being selected from each federal land bank district.

Wife Drives Two
Holdup Men Away
After Gun Fight

WILDWOOD, N. J., Mar. 8. (AP)—While Iver J. Russell, 24, lay wounded on the floor of his garage station between Wildwood and Cape May last night, his wife exchanged shot for shot with two holdup men and drove them from the place empty handed.

It was a scene such as might have occurred in the old western frontier days. The men entered the place wearing black masks and hooded reaching down to their shoulders. Russell was alone in the gas station, his wife being asleep in an adjoining room.

Both intruders brandished revolvers. They forced Russell back to the wall and while one held his arms, the other sought to pry open the cash register. Their loud talk awakened Mrs. Russell. She snatched up a revolver and ran to her husband's aid. She sent one bullet at the man who held her husband but it went wild. The other robber turned from the cash register and shot at Mrs. Russell, but the bullet struck her husband in the chest and he slumped to the floor.

Both robbers then returned their attention to Mrs. Russell. She stood her ground and exchanged shot for shot with them. The fight wound furiously and then the men turned and ran through the open door. Russell was so badly wounded he may not recover.

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Robbers Escape
With \$715,000.00

CHICAGO, Mar. 8. (AP)—Chicago Protestants gathered by the thousands yesterday in their places of worship and bowed in prayer for a city's political soul. The meetings resulted from passage at a recent meeting of members of a resolution which developed public and moral conditions in Chicago and which set aside March 7 as a day for Protestants to pray together for Divine aid in the election of city office holders.

FARM RELIEF
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WASHINGTON, Mar. 8. (AP)—The long awaited McNary-Haugen farm relief bill, modified in an effort to meet objections of President Coolidge but retaining the controversial equalization fee, was reported favorably to the senate today by Chairman McNary, Oregon, for the agricultural committee.

The report noted that "far reaching changes" made the bill a "very different measure" from that which passed the last congress, adding that "it is addressed to the same problems and is based upon the same general principles."

Favorably Changed. "The changes which have been made," it continued, "meet in large part the objections expressed by the president in his message of Feb. 25, 1927, in returning the former measure without his approval. Especially does the present bill provide an almost unlimited opportunity for the administrative body created under it to deal with the problem of agricultural surpluses through loans and advances which those who have opposed the past committee bills urge would be fully adequate to meet the situation."

The bill, which was favorably acted on by the agricultural committee nearly a month ago, would authorize an appropriation of \$250,000,000 to carry out its provisions; the main one of which is that expansion of marketing and any surplus crops shall be borne by the producers through the means of the equalization fee levied back on those producers.

Includes All Commodities. One administration objection met is that no limitation would be placed on the presidential power of appointment to the federal farm board created under the bill, the ex-officio chairman of which would be the secretary of agriculture. Twelve additional members would constitute the board, one being selected from each federal land bank district.

The new bill also would be applicable for all agricultural commodities, instead of enumerating six "basic" commodities, as a result of the opinion expressed by President Coolidge that the former measure "singled out a few products chiefly sectional" for its operations.

TO DETERMINE
EAST OREGON
STREAM FLOW

SALEM, Ore., Mar. 8. (AP)—Stream flow in five main rivers and many smaller streams of Oregon can be forecast accurately by a survey of snow in the mountains, State Engineer Elmer L. Jones believes and such a survey is to be introduced in Oregon this year by the engineer. It will be in charge of Galt A. Hathaway, hydraulic engineer in the department with the field work in the hands of the water masters in various parts of the state.

Depth, weight and water content of snow will be ascertained at stations in the Blue Mountains. Deschutes national forest, Fremont national forest and the Headwaters of the Rogue river.

Mussolini Plans
To Visit America

NEW YORK, Mar. 8. (AP)—Premier Mussolini of Italy has promised the World Anti-Narcotic league to come to America to attend a proposed world conference of narcotics experts.

A letter from the premier, promising his attendance at such a conference, was read by Miss Sara Graham-Mulhall, former deputy commissioner of the department of drug control of New York state, at a preliminary organization meeting. She was sent abroad by the Federation of Women's clubs to study the work of the optimum commission of the league of nations.

Mayo Clinic Not
In Market For
Hickman's Body

ROCHESTER, Minn., Mar. 8. (AP)—Mayo clinic officials today characterized as "preposterous" a report from Los Angeles that counsel for William Edward Hickman, convicted slayer, desiring of saving him from execution, has announced his body would be turned over to the clinic here. Officials at the clinic said the Los Angeles report was the "first we have heard" of the matter, it was further indicated the clinic did not care for the body.

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CHICAGO, Mar. 8. (AP)—Two robbers bound watchmen of the Borin Manufacturing company of Cicero early today and looted some of \$715,000 in non-negotiable securities and jewelry.