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THE LIGHT OF LIFE—The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light; they that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined.—Isa. 9:2.

Yes, it was a mixed-up election; but some of the neighbors, Latin or Nordic, had to come in and help us straighten it out.

Everyone is pleased to know that the loss of student books was relatively small in the high school fire. With youngsters laboring under a system that requires private ownership of books, a fire could be a real tragedy in many homes if it took only the student text books. Most of them, though water damaged, can be used again and further student expense avoided. Total losses by fire, we hope, may be cared for in the insurance settlement.

Al Smith sought to revive the democratic party in his radio talk last night. The mistake he makes is the same mistake he made in the campaign—trying to put the urban and wet east in the same political bed with the rural and dry south. It can't be done. The democratic party he visions may someday come into power, but it will not be the democratic party of the south. As Governor Smith had the right to head his party by losing his home state of New York, so has he lost the right to speak for his party and its future aspirations. Now, as a year ago, the democratic party needs leadership. Whether or not Smith is a strong likelihood that with it will come a new alignment of states and curtains—new parties in fact if not in name.

ROAD WORK FULL SPEED AHEAD

The state highway commission is encouraged. Yesterday action of that body indicated as much. One would even rather that members of the commission feel the state road system thoroughly vindicated, that they interpret the defeat of the Dunne bills as overwhelming approval of our highway investments and as an urge to go ahead and complete the job.

We believe they are right. We believe that the commission needn't be fearful in the future of constant tampering with highway revenues by any Tom, Dick or Harry (not to mention Joe) who happens to have the money or energy to get some fresh measure initiated. We hardly believe that a bill to reduce auto license fees will have as many lives as the state income tax, especially if the legislative committee pledged to that end can put a reasonable reduction bill through the next legislature.

The highway commission is doing the right thing following the election; it's going ahead with its road program as rapidly as possible now that the revenue threat has proved to be only a threat. Work will be advertised for those sections of the state where winter activity is not impossible. Plans will be pushed to provide for much needed construction next spring. It's only a question of a few years until the present system can be called complete.

But not all of the job of bringing it to completion is in building new roads. A good portion of the construction in the next few years is to be the rebuilding of old state highways, making them more modern, more adapted to the speed and weight to which they are subjected now. That kind of construction will actually go on forever. Old roads will need straightening, widening, a heavier base and a better surface. When that is accomplished, our population will have increased so rapidly—and traffic much more so—that more highways, double decked highways, and segregated traffic highways will be necessary. The help relief that can safely be anticipated will be when air travel becomes sufficiently common to reduce motor traffic and motor needs.

An example of the need for highway reconstruction is found in the Old Oregon Trail from La Grande to Kamela, which will probably be one of the first major projects to receive attention by the highway commission next spring. When finished six or seven years ago, it was an clear practicable road. To have spent more money for a wider and straighter highway would have been considered waste. Now, with the demands of improved motor vehicles, a different type of road is rapidly becoming imperative.

This section of the Old Oregon Trail is not the only example. It's only a question of time until big portions of the Columbia River Highway must be rebuilt to care for more traffic, the lower end of the McKenzie River highway where the turns are sharp and the road narrow, etc. Some of this work has already been done. The Calkins hill road is a big improvement over the original route and grade. The lower end of the Columbia River highway in Clatsop county has had many curves eliminated and a wider, better road built. Similar attention will be given our Islands road next spring, we feel sure. It will be of great benefit to La Grande and a very profitable investment for the entire state.

ABE MARTIN

"I heard an ad'ship" is guilty if he is for commonly expression than "I see by th' papers." You kin lead a feller t' th' pulls, but you can't make him think.

MRS. GROUT IS PRESIDENT OF LIBERTY P.-T.

By Mrs. Charles Spencer
Observer Correspondent

ORANGE HALL, (Special) — When the Liberty P.-T. A. convened last Friday evening at the school house, Mrs. Bob Grout was elected president of the association for the remainder of the year. Lloyd DeLong was chosen vice president and Mrs. Charles Spencer secretary-treasurer. The following committee heads were appointed by the president: program, Mrs. Thomas Maxwell; welfare, Bert Grout; membership, Mrs. C. B. Hammond and chairman, Mrs. Elva Spencer.

Preceding the election of officers and the appointment of committees, Mrs. C. E. McPherson, district president, gave a very interesting talk relative to work that is being done in the various associations.

An enjoyable program of entertainment and refreshments was a feature of the meeting. Before adjournment, arrangements were made at meetings, cake and coffee were served to the remainder of those present. The next P.-T. A. meeting will be announced at the regular meeting date.

The Thanksgiving dinner and public entertainment of the Union Ridge school, Mrs. Joseph Jones, teacher, proved a success, the attendance being good and the entertainment was enjoyed by all. Following the program, the patrons were entertained with a delicious supper consisting of pie, coffee and cake. The proceeds of the dinner and entertainment will be used for the benefit of the school.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kennedy and daughter, Irma, went to Pendleton Monday to visit for the Thanksgiving holidays with Mrs. Kennedy's parents.

Peterson Parole Revoked by Court

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THEY'RE CHILLEAN

Cable to the honors of the "Lone of Bangalore," who's moved to Philadelphia the other day. The last time this remarkable round "Bert" in 1905 the present opinion was placed as a cadet.

PLENTY OF BIG GAMES SATURDAY

Sectional and Intersectional "Naturals" Billed on Nov. 17 Grid Menu

By Alan J. Gould
(Associated Press Sports Editor)

NEW YORK (AP) — The Man Tradition shows into the gridiron picture November 17 to take command of a back of college football that pass the twelve board of years and the classic score of eleven rounded.

Princeton and Yale, twin of Pulitzer Studios the seventh time since in 1922. The Tiger and the Bulldog have had many a noble battle and this year should be no exception with each, reputedly undaunted after close starts. It has been up and down the year with Princeton whipping Cornell and Yale four engagements, including that at 1927 after Bruce Caldwell had been dramatically removed from the picture but before the game.

Syracuse and Colgate, which when 1921, assembled their teams at Archbold Stadium in a game in which it doesn't seem a blind to be a classic. And, and alumnus of the Warren or Colgate. In the neighboring city of Ithaca, Cornell and Lafayette meet for a game that started in 1906, each meeting in recent years really sensational.

So it goes down the list of outstanding games throughout the country. Tradition may have some an earlier start in the East but it will substitute in the South and West as well. In this Saturday's national left unscrupulated by such as annual rivalry as Georgia Tech—Alabama, Vanderbilt—Tennessee or Chicago—Illinois. It is proved to any number of sectional "naturals" such as Stanford—Washington and Oregon—G. S. C. on the Pacific coast, Southern Methodist—Baylor and Texas Christian—Texas in the Southwest, Colorado College—Colorado University in the Rocky Mountain section and Oklahoma—Kansas in the Missouri Valley area.

This year quite a few championship hopes are involved in these outstanding affairs. Tennessee's Volunteers, for instance, have been showing some of top speed in the Southern Conference, but meeting the big guns in the direction of Vanderbilt. These natural rivals could lose year and the trip at Nashville should be close-fought affair.

Of the games of East-West importance that add spice to Saturday for Nov. 17 that involving the Pitt Panther's invasion of Nebraska offers an entertaining prospect as any. The Cornhuskers already have one Eastern scalp in their belts, that of Syracuse, but the Panthers whipped the Orange by a much larger margin, if that proves anything in the dizzy figure game. The unofficial Syracuse 19 to 6 victory Nebraska lower was a 7-6 verdict, although surprising the Orange by a wider margin than the score indicated.

The international argument will be continued by Carnegie's trip to south Bend to play Notre Dame. Meanwhile home with New York University at the Yankee Stadium and Detroit's visit to the Polo Grounds to meet Fordham. All these affairs promise of exciting conflict among teams with some of the best records of any in the East or Mid-West.

The "Big Ten" title chase may be effected in the Iowa-Wisconsin encounter of Iowa City when the Badgers will seek revenge for last year's shellacking. The Baylor Bears present a strong challenge to the aspirations of Southern Methodist for Southwestern Conference honors, Washington is unlikely to falter Stanford to any great extent, on the basis of past performances. And Southern California is likely to have no hands full with Washington State in another outstanding Pacific Coast Conference affair.

What is determination to some guys life usually goes for obstinacy in someone else.

Lumbermen Meet In Corvallis, Ore.

CORVALLIS, Ore., Nov. 14 (AP) — Retail lumbermen from all parts of the northwest will gather here tomorrow for a two-day conference on wider use of lumber in development of better homes and farm buildings. The conference, first of its kind, is a cooperative venture between the Western Retail Lumbermen's association and school of agriculture at Oregon State college.

Arsenal Explodes; One Man Is Killed

BURBANK, Cal., Nov. 14 (AP) — One man was killed, another was believed to be fatally injured and a third was seriously injured when the arsenal at First National Film studios, near here, exploded today with a roar that rocked the surrounding picture plant. No actors or actresses were hurt.

The dead man is Cecil Irwin, Los Angeles.

Ray Darke of Hollywood, was badly hurt and is thought to be dying, while Gordon Dayton was painfully injured.

Vice President Buries Old Pal

CHICAGO, Nov. 14 (AP) — Charles G. Dawes, vice president of the United States, returned today from New York where during his convalescence he took time to lay a collation on the career of a boyhood pal.—Brad Hulbert, a waiter story called "The Gentleman of the Bowery."

It was a fine casket that vice president had seen, in that in which Hulbert's body, clad in a dress suit, lay in state in the Globe neighborhood. General Dawes had given certain orders, provided certain funds.

"He was my friend," the vice president said.

Back in Marietta, O., where General Dawes and Brad Hulbert were boys, they were pals.

Steamer Hsin Chi Wrecked, Burned

FOOCHOW, China, Nov. 14 (A. P.)—As the passenger ship the steamer Hsin Chi, which ran on the rocks at Tai Island, are being taken except six Chinese members of the crew who are believed to have been lost in a lifeboat. The refugees landed and burned the vessel.

The steamship struck the rocks off Tai Island, northeast of Foochow, last Tuesday and was beached the following day.

WICHITA, Kan., Nov. 14 (AP) — Charles Fairbanks, local grocer, was shot and killed last night by his wife, Mrs. Minnie Fairbanks, when he came home, intoxicated and threatened to kill her, according to the story the woman told officers today.

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