

UNION PERSONALS

By W. V. Conner (Observer Correspondent)

UNION (Special)—Pupils of Mrs. Mabel Laughlin, who teaches music in connection with the Union High school, will give a recital at the High school auditorium tonight. The numbers include:

"Song of the Anvil," "Little Tin Soldier," Lorene Carnes.

"A Child's Food Night," Lora Scott.

Musical readings:

"Alry Fairies," "The Light Bird," Mary Jean Tallman.

"Vena Mazurak," "Serenade," "Pirates at the Zoo," Mary Hutchinson.

"Gypsy Maid," "The Jolly Tinker," Kathleen Conklin.

"Tumble Weed," "Valse Caprice," Lillian Brown.

"Nest of the Balcony," "Melody of Love," Elaine Hies.

"To a Hilltop," "Till the Stars Have Ceased to Shine," Eldora Hutchinson.

"Sonata in C Minor," Gwendolyn Causton.

"The Union," Ethel Conklin.

"Star Spangled Banner," Frieda Brown.

Miss Marjorie Grant, who is a student at the Eastern Oregon Normal school in La Grande, was a guest of Miss Ruth Connor Wednesday evening. Miss Grant's home is near Pendleton.

John Richards and Charley Conner were here from Cove Tuesday evening.

A recently organized band of Camp Five Girls held a meeting at the home of Miss Letha Watts Wednesday evening. Lucia Bassett was chosen president, Marian Busick, vice president and Bernice Jones secretary. Committees will be appointed later. The girls plan to meet each Wednesday night. Miss Grace Haggerty will be their guardian. Miss Letha assisted by Misses Lucia and Marian acted as hostesses at the meeting this week.

Mrs. and Mrs. Ab Gipsen arrived home from Portland Wednesday. They had been in the city for a visit and were called home when their home partly burned down a couple of nights ago.

The senior play given Thursday night at the school gym was well prepared and acted and furnished the audience with plenty of good clean comedy. "Fry" Crossland, who had the leading part as the "Cheerful Liar," lived up to the name and glided from one difficult situation to another with little regard for the law. As he remarked, "I didn't make the law," but he certainly twisted some of its applications.

Mrs. Clarence Kohler, who has been at Hot Lake for the past couple of weeks, was able to return to her home Thursday.

A string of trucks is working both day and night shifts hauling gravel to build up the highway west of Union. The gravel is being taken from the pit near the Standard Oil station.

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Il Duce Fears Bombs; He Keeps Plans Secret

ROME (AP)—Mussolini's daily movements have become a greater secret than ever.

Italian newspapers are learning that they must refrain from giving advance notice of the Duce's whereabouts.

A few days ago the Lavoro Fascista, an ultra-fascist newspaper, was sequestered because it gave the exact time when the Duce was expected to attend the world grain conference.

Changes Schedules

In order to forestall possible clock bombs, Mussolini never arrives exactly on time. At the grain conference, scheduled to be there at 11 a. m., he came a half-hour early, and began to talk at 10:35.

On the contrary, scheduled to speak at the recent meeting of the Association of Stock-Companies at 3:30 o'clock, he arrived at 4:05.

No advance information of any kind is given as to whether Mussolini will be present at various functions.

His Plans Secret

Even on occasions like the recent celebration of the twentieth anniversary of the Fasci, the beginning of the fascist party, when it could be taken for granted that the Duce would attend the Rome observances, the information was withheld.

Inquiry at the Ministry of the Interior, over which Mussolini presides, developed the answer, "We don't know."

Highway Travel

Generally speaking, for transcontinental routes the Lincoln highway and the National Old Trails road have the most traffic. The latter probably has the greatest, as it is more or less of an all-year-round highway, and can be traveled almost any time of the year successfully.

CHEATING SCHOOLBOYS STIR FRENCH SOLONS

PARIS (AP)—Nervous schoolboys are going to feel the eyes of the whole chamber of deputies upon them next time they are tempted to cheat in examinations.

Charges that cheating is widespread in high schools shocked Mario Roustan, a new minister of public instruction, when his department's budget was recently debated by the chamber.

He announced it would be stopped or he would know the reason why.

Women's Headdress

In the days when St. Paul laid down the ruling that men should pray uncovered and women with their heads covered, a woman was not considered to be "properly dressed" for the streets with her head uncovered.

Even for light opera, opinions the office sage, things look darkly.

Melody Is Sullivan's

The melody of the song popularly known as "Hail! Hail! The Gang's All Here," was taken from the marvellous song of "Pirates of Penzance," which was composed by Sir Arthur Sullivan of the famous English light opera team of Gilbert and Sullivan.

No one knows the true measure of Mayor Walker better than his tailor.

Englishman's Odd Will

On dying, a sealed note was found on an English farmer, stating that his will would be found in a room upstairs. The room in question was searched without success until some one, noting that the wallpaper was loose at one end, placed his hand upon it, and immediately the whole piece fell out. On the back of the wallpaper was written the testator's wishes.

In speaking of army maneuvers as "games," you get the impression that "war is fun."

Birds and Law of Gravity

Birds would fall to earth unless they exert themselves against the pull of gravity by flying or taking advantage of upward currents of air.

Powder School Gives Contracts To 2 Teachers

By Mrs. C. J. Law (Observer Correspondent)

NORTH POWDER, Ore. (Special)—Two teachers have been hired to teach in the high school for the coming year—Miss Beatrice Westhoff, who is now teaching in Richland, and Lawrence Foster, of Medford. Miss Westhoff is a graduate of Oregon State college and Mr. Foster will graduate from Linfield college this spring.

Julio E. J. Sencerber was in Medical Springs section Wednesday finishing his session.

Jay Haden lost control of his car Saturday evening after backing away from the curb, the car running forward across the sidewalk. The front of the Mann building formerly occupied by the Barred pool hall, was demolished. The occupants of the car were not injured, although the large plate glass window and the frame work was shattered in small pieces. Small damage was done to the car.

W. A. Conaghanour shipped one car of cattle and L. M. Clement shipped one of cattle and one double-deck car of sheep to the Portland market Saturday.

Mrs. Will Gorham has gone to Santa Rosa, Cal., where she was called by the serious illness of her mother, Mrs. J. B. Henderson. Mrs. Henderson was a former resident here and is 82 years of age.

Mr. and Mrs. Glad Best, of Pocatello, spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. Best's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Henderson.

W. L. Merritt, of Spokane, engineer on mines, is here on a business trip this week.

Miss Melba McCarthy, of Ontario, is visiting this week with her aunt, Mrs. W. A. Conaghanour.

Mrs. George Ballard is quite ill at her home and is being cared for by Miss Honey, a nurse from Baker.

Testing Tough Meat

To test the toughness of beef-steak, a European inventor has perfected a machine in which a dial attached to the blade records the degree of difficulty the blade encounters in cutting through the meat.

A man who thinks he is boss in his home takes a little dictation every now and then.

Named for Spaniard

The city of Albuquerque was named after Don Juan de Albuquerque, who was viceroy of New Spain. The name is now spelled Albuquerque.

"Cernak in Office: 2000 Lose Jobs" Headline. There is some truth apparently in the maxim "a new broom sweeps clean."

True Happiness

Happiness is in taste and not in things; and it is by having what we love that we are happy, not by having what others find agreeable. —Rochefoucauld.

The trouble with house-cleaning time is that too many robbers think it applies to them, too.

Lost Taste for Tobacco

Jud Tunkins says he lost his taste for tobacco early. He once had a drummer give him a fifteen-cent cigar. It made him sick and he found later that the drummer was discharged for too big an expense account.—Washington Star.

Getting True Opinion

Discover the opinion of your enemies, which is commonly the truest; for they will give you no quarter, and allow nothing to compromise.—Dryden.

The Dangerous Truth

"To speak only the truth," said Bill Ho, the sage of Chinatown. "It is to earn little gratitude from friends and increase the resentment of enemies."—Washington Star.

Keeps Hair Orderly

Each individual hair on one's head has a tiny muscle at its root which, in the ordinary way, keeps the hair lying on the head or in whatever position we have trained it to grow.

Stationary

Little Dee had a cold, and his mother came in to his bed to see how he was getting along. "Is your nose running, dear?" she inquired. "No, mamma," said a serious voice, "it's just standing still!"

Good Stomach Ache Idea

The small boy thinks he would like to pick up after that hurricane one a banana firm.—San Antonio Evening News.

Not a "new model" but a new era free wheeling Studebaker

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Foreign Trade Tax To Give Abyssinia New Coin System

ADDIS ABABA (AP)—Abyssinia, one of the few countries of the world without money of its own, is to have a modern currency and on a gold basis.

The expense of this reform is to be borne by international trade.

Much to the discomfort of foreign merchants here the government of Emperor Haile Selassie suddenly increased import and excise duties, some by as much as 30 per cent.

"The yield from these taxes," stated the decree, "is to be used exclusively for the purchase of the National Bank of Abyssinia and establishment of a gold currency."

Control of the bank is to pass from its present Egyptian management late in May.

Hitherto Abyssinia has depended for what little money it needed upon the Marie Theresia thaler, introduced several years ago from Austria. These coins were minted in Aden and brought across the Red Sea. More recently the National Bank of Egypt established a branch here and issued some paper money.

But the bulk of the citizens have been content to use bars of salt, empty bottles, tin cans and rifle cartridges as media for buying and selling.

SOUND FILMS BRING GRIEF BOGOTA, Colombia (AP)—Sound movies have brought trouble to the motion picture theatre owners of Colombia.

Although large portions of the Spanish speaking audiences understand English, they know only the book variety and don't like the dialect regarded as funny by American audiences.

Colombian audiences do not suffer in silence. If a picture is out of focus or there is too much English dialogue or the hero turns into a sour note they boo lustily.

More active dislike is expressed by lighting matches, thereby dimming the images on the screen. If the film is too bad, there is a riot.

One theatre manager, seeing that a film had sent his audience into the match lighting stage, ordered his operator to stop the show and play a record of the Colombia national anthem.

The audience stood, silent and respectful, while the anthem was played five times without intermission. By that time a messenger from another theatre had arrived with a more popular film.

Great Hospital Investments

Hospitals in the United States represent an investment of more than \$3,000,000,000, which makes them one of the nation's major industries, a research study indicates.

Ban on Indian Outcasts

In southern India the Brahmans will not allow their wells to be used by men of low caste and even prohibit them to walk on certain roads.

Blame Put on Rats

A number of German explorers who have just returned to Capetown from the Nguni lake district in Africa report that Lake Nguni was formerly a deep lake 20 miles long and 10 miles wide. Today it is very shallow and almost dry, because, according to the natives, rats had stopped a number of rivers from flowing into it.

Expensive Ointment

The sweet-smelling highly curative balsam of Gilead, known in commerce as Balm of Gilead, is obtained from incisions in the bark of the Zakkim tree, a drop at a time, and always has been expensive because of the tedious and laborious business of procuring, retaining and preparing it for application to sores and open wounds.

Careless Old Chap

Evidently the old married man whose wife is able to find his shirt and collar for him and tell him where he left his hat feels able to put on her own goshaws and get into her coat without the help he used to think she needed. —Cincinnati Enquirer.

Canadian Bird Sanctuaries

Canada now has more than 40 bird sanctuaries specially reserved for bird protection purposes. These are scattered across the country from Nova Scotia to British Columbia. Some of the provincial governments also maintain similar areas for the benefit of native bird life.

Comparison of Weights

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