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O Lord, open thou my lips; and my mouth shall show forth thy praise. For thou desirest not sacrifice; else would I give it.—Psalm 51: 15, 16.

TAKING THE WHEEL

It is no remarkable feat to handle the wheel when the weather is fair and there is smooth driving ahead; but it is a different story when storms are raging and the going is rough.

Last night at the annual banquet of the Union County chamber of commerce, on which occasion Mrs. A. T. Hill formally installed the 1932 officers, Mr. Harry McKinlay "took the wheel" for a year that will demand real engineering ability.

In accepting the presidency for a second term Mr. McKinlay demonstrated his firm faith in the future of our city and county, and displayed that courage which is so necessary in handling a job that everyone knows will not be easy.

La Grande has shared the economic ills of the nation, and already the chamber of commerce is making plans to take the leading part in pulling the community through the convalescent stage. That public confidence in Mr. McKinlay was well placed is evident from the record of the chamber during 1931.

Principles of good salesmanship were put to work in advertising the many advantages of vacationing in Union and Wallowa counties, and thus promoting our tourist trade. Four new pieces of literature were printed and widely circulated. With vision for the future the chamber successfully undertook the raising of \$2000 for the Mt. Emily road project. It also promoted the Grange Fair and Home Products Show.

Likewise, confidence is well placed in Ernest DeLong, first vice president, a Grande River valley farmer who has devoted years to community service. His part is notably important because he brings to the directorate the farmer's viewpoint, and encourages greater co-operation between farmers and business men in the interests of the entire county.

The installation of two leading business men, Gene Walker as second vice president, and L. H. Bramwell as treasurer, completes the executive committee for 1932 and assures an active year of wisely directed, permanent progress for Union county.

OUR SCHOOLS OF JOURNALISM

The recent discovery by the board of higher education that the University of California has no school of journalism has caused extensive comment throughout the state. In the catalogue of the California institution, according to Mrs. Cornelia Marvin Pierce, chairman of the curricula committee, in a recent interview, is a statement that California does not offer any courses whatever in this field for the reason that the foundation of news and other writing is available to students enrolled in liberal arts.

The curricula committee, she adds, will not say how the California position affects its attitude toward the degree courses offered by the school of journalism at the University of Oregon and the courses offered by the industrial journalism department at Oregon State college.

Dean James H. Gilbert, expert economist and dean of the college of liberal arts at the university, recently compiled statistics to show that the school of journalism at the university, which has attained a wide reputation for its high standards and its excellency of work, involves an expenditure of \$21,832. A considerable number of students who are attracted from out of the state by the reputation of the school of journalism pay, in addition to regular fees, a non-resident tuition fee of \$150 per person, bringing the total amount of fees contributed by students to \$12,178 or 55.8 per cent of the total cost of the school. This means that the cost of the journalism school to the taxpayer is \$9,654 or 37 of one per cent of the total amount spent for higher education in Oregon, in spite of the fact that, as Dean Gilbert points out, the school educates 2.57 per cent of all the students in Oregon's higher education system.

"The university's school of journalism is recognized as the outstanding newspaper training school on the Pacific coast," the Albany Democrat-Herald states. "The problem that confronts Oregon today is how it can maintain these outstanding departments of its higher educational system at their present standards at the least cost possible. It is not a question of destroying what the state has built up through years of effort. It is one of saving what the state has achieved, and of administering it with the greatest degree of economy. A sense of state pride should influence us to

maintain those educational factors in which we have won outstanding success. Why cast them aside because some other state has not done so well?"

The Eugene News says: "About the only yardstick available for measuring any school's service is by the proportion of its graduates who go out into the field for which their studies are intended to fit them. In the case of the university school of journalism that percentage is about 65 per cent, probably higher than that of any other except the medical school."

"Though he be not a graduate of the school, every Oregon newspaper man acquainted with the school and the quality of the young men and women it sends out into the newspaper profession and allied and related activities, knows that the school is doing a fine job and a necessary one," the Bend Bulletin comments. "It will be cause for serious protest if the board, proceeding on the path that Mrs. Pierce seems to point to, should attempt to cut down or hamper the effectiveness of the school."

It is believed, when we consider the importance of the school of journalism to the University of Oregon, its service to the press of the state, and its relationship to the formation of intelligent opinion on questions of public interest, that it would mean a poor piece of economy to uproot the established school of journalism and leave no place in the state of Oregon where professional training in this important field of work could be obtained.

Most men tell their wives everything — even if they don't know it.

GUN STOLEN FROM POLICE BARKS AGAIN

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Eddy's, were met at the scene of the party by several shots directed at them. None took effect. Erpelting, believed the one who did the shooting, made his escape, ransacked another residence and was headed out of the city when captured by Officers Leo Strong and Charles Kuykendall. The gun, identified as the one stolen from Officer Mills, was found in his possession.

The shooting, according to testimony taken by District Attorney John A. Carson, followed a drinking party, but the cause was not learned from any members of the Eddy family. Carson expected to take testimony from the younger Eddy who was wounded, later in the day, while state and local officers were to quit the three men arrested.

Woman Hit on Face Reports made to the police were that Erpelting did the shooting after he put out the lights at the Eddy residence. The two men were shot during the scuffle, and Mrs. Eddy, mother of the boys, received blows on the face, also alleged inflicted by Erpelting. Following the shooting Erpelting was reported to have entered the residence of Mrs. G. H. Colgan, and searched the house for money. Failing to find any he left the house with the comment "how are your boys getting along?"

State Police Officer Parley Morgan recognized Erpelting as the man who was involved in the Albany shooting last Saturday, and the gun he had in his possession was identified as that stolen from Mills. The Albany officer, it was reported today, was recovering from gunshot wounds and would be called upon to identify Erpelting and Archie Eddy. Erpelting gave his age as 23, while Eddy said he was 29.

State police officers reported that Erpelting and Eddy had served time in San Quentin penitentiary. A short time ago the former was released and came to Salem and made his home with the Eddys, as suggested by Archie, with whom he became acquainted at the prison. Archie Eddy was later released and joined Erpelting. Both denied knowledge of both shootings early today, and refused to explain the presence of Officer Mills' gun.

GENERAL BUTLER WILL SEEK TOGA

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fication of federal prohibition. General Butler made his announcement after a conference here with P. S. Stahlmecker, secretary to Governor Pinchot. The primary will be held April 26.

FEDERAL FORCES AID IN SEARCH

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HOUSE COMMITTEE ACTS WASHINGTON, March 2 (AP)—Fired by the news of the kidnaping of the Lindbergh baby, the house post office committee today voted a favorable report of the bill for the federal prosecution of those sending kidnaping threats and taunts through the mail.

ABANDON REWARD PLANS

TRENTON, N. J., March 2 (AP)—Governor A. Harry Moore and Republican legislative leaders, after conferring by telephone with Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh, abandoned plans today to offer a reward for the apprehension of the kidnapers of the Lindbergh baby. Lindbergh, officials said, asked that such action be deferred for the time being while initial efforts to capture the abductors were being made.

All plans for issuance of a proclamation, and legislative action to increase the proposed reward from \$10,000 to \$25,000 were held in abeyance.

BRITISH PEOPLE ANXIOUS

LONDON, March 2 (AP)—England's anxiety over the kidnaping of the infant son of Colonel and Mrs. Charles A. Lindbergh seemed almost equal to that of the United States today. London evening papers printed the story of the kidnaping under the largest headlines, with pictures of the Lindberghs and the baby.

MRS. CUTLER NOT NOTIFIED CLEVELAND, March 2 (AP)—Mrs. Charles Long Cutler, great-grand-

mother of Charles A. Lindbergh Jr., was kept in ignorance of his kidnaping today because of her advanced age.

Her daughter, Miss Annie S. Cutler, was notified of the kidnaping late last night in a long-distance telephone conversation with Mrs. Dwight W. Morrow, grandmother of the baby and sister of Miss Cutler.

TO PUSH DEATH PENALTY BILL WASHINGTON, March 2 (AP)—Aroused by the kidnaping of the Lindbergh baby, Senator Patterson (R., Mo.) said today he would press for immediate action on his bill providing the death penalty for interstate kidnaping.

Drunk Charges In Portland Dropped

PORTLAND, Ore., Mar. 2 (AP)—Drunk charges against two Portland policemen "blew up" into thin air Tuesday when an investigation was called and no accusers appeared. The two, W. B. Adair and W. M. Buchholz, were suspended yesterday on complaint of an apartment owner that they were intoxicated when they appeared at the house to arrest a man on a drunk and disorderly charge.

The attorney for the policemen presented several witnesses who testified neither appeared intoxicated when seen at various times during the day.

JOSEPH PERSONALS

By Mrs. Maida Stevenson (Observer Correspondent)

JOSEPH (Special)—F. H. Gauke returned Tuesday from a ten days trip to Portland, combining business and pleasure.

Mrs. C. H. Patten has been on the sick list for several days. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wolfer had a pinocle party Tuesday evening. There were four tables at play.

J. L. Seary and small son, Jack, have had the flu but are better at present.

Sam Richards has lost several head of cattle during the last week, due to what is said to be blackleg. Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Roup and daughters, Geneva and Edna, and Mrs. Alvera Roup who have spent the winter in San Diego, returned home Saturday. They drove home, coming over the inland route and report a good trip without any trouble.

Two doctors were called Monday for Miss Teresa Winston, who has been sick the past month, due to a relapse of the flu.

Joseph won second honors in the basketball tournament at La Grande last week and the boys will go to Union Friday and Saturday of this week. Frank McCully was high man in the regular tournament games.

Ed Purdin is a patient in the Wallowa hospital with an attack of pneumonia.

The weather has warmed up considerably and the snow is going off gradually.

Jeff Stickney came out Saturday from Big Sheep and took the cattle lambs down. This band of sheep has been wintered at the Louie Audet farm on Prairie creek. Mr. Stickney reports the snow about gone, the range good and the sheep in excellent condition.

John Huffman came out from Big Sheep creek on horseback Monday. Mr. Huffman is a pioneer cattlemán and has lived on Sheep creek the past 40 years.

Lice Donley, of the Divide, came in Monday on business. He made the trip by team.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Ryason were called to Enterprise from La Grande by the illness and death of Mr. Ryason's father. The funeral was held Sunday afternoon at the Booth chapel.

Wm. Scott and Ralph Sprague went to Sheep creek Sunday to herd sheep for one of the big sheep companies.

Mr. and Mrs. Win Cameron are both in bed at the home of Mrs. Cameron's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Needham, with bad cases of the flu. Mrs. Cameron has been very sick and has had two hemorrhages of the nose which have weakened her a great deal.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. McAllister, of Enterprise, were at Joseph Tuesday as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wolfer.

Sunday a car was seen moving down Main street without a driver and Mrs. J. L. Seary rushed out of the house, managed to get the door open and stopped it before any damage was done.

Mrs. Margaret Sheets, pioneer hotel

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Friday, Saturday, Monday---in the Basement

You all know the reputation Falk's have for their feature basement events — Here is one we don't think a woman in Union or Wallowa county should miss if she really wants to save money.

LADIES' COATS

Mostly spring styles — some of these run a little shorter than this spring's models but can be altered to fit — These coats were marked up to \$69.50 — All standard makes.

ALL COATS GO AT JUST 2 PRICES

9 Coats to go at \$5.95 10 Coats to go at \$2.95

Purses Formerly Priced to \$2.95 25c

LADIES' HATS

150 Spring Hats (we're not saying what spring) but some of them are remarkably good looking, many of the shapes being the same as this spring's.

32 HATS AT 25c 32 HATS AT 50c 38 HATS AT \$1. 48 HATS AT \$1.95

35c Eveready Sanitary Belts 15c

Kiddies' Wash Dresses

Miss Spokane and Jack Far fast color wash frocks for kiddies, aged from 8 to 14 years — 24 of them in the lot — originally sold for \$1, each — your choice for — 19c

Purses Formerly Priced to \$3.75 \$1

A LARGE GROUP OF SHOES TAKEN FROM OUR REGULAR STOCK

Enna Jetticks and other makes of Ladies' Shoes formerly selling at \$5 and \$6 — nearly all sizes — at just two prices. \$1.49 and \$2.95

Corsets and Lingerie Practically Given Away Who wants them?

Be Here Early Friday for it's First come, First served

woman of Joseph, has been on the sick list the past week.

Mrs. F. H. Gauke and Mrs. Maida Stevenson spent Saturday at the home of Mrs. F. D. McCully. The afternoon was spent quilting on Mrs. McCully's quilt.

Several women here are busy making quilts with "Grandmother's Flower Garden" as the favorite. It seems

But it was Ashurst whom Anderson will think of in connection with the event.

Ashurst always has a big time when he finds himself in a position such as this.

Suave, the acme of politeness and gallantry, the Arizonan has a way all his own in handling a witness. He was in fine form the morning of Anderson's appearance.

Friendly Smile Wearing a frock coat, horn-rimmed pince-nez poised delicately between two fingers, he sat directly across from Anderson. His manner is such as to completely disarm a witness.

He listens attentively, apparently completely absorbed in what the witness is saying. He smiles encouragingly from time to time, nods his head in approval when it appears that the witness has scored a good point.

It is not very long before the witness becomes convinced that if he has no other friend in the room he can certainly rely on Ashurst.

They found out later, however, as Anderson did, that behind that sunny Ashurst exterior lies a mangled fist. He tore into Anderson several times during that brief hearing in the senate judiciary committee room in such fashion as to make it long remembered.

Ashurst Stops Him There was one instance in particular, Anderson in attacking Cardozo referred to his father, also a judge, as being under the influence of Tammany, while he was on the bench.

Ashurst stopped him in his tracks. "The gentleman is not trying to make us believe that the sons of the father are to be found in the son?"

And before Anderson could say any more, Ashurst struck.

"I would remind the gentleman that we will hear all the charges he has to make. But they must be fair ones. We don't hit below the belt in the senate ever. We hit each other frequently and hard, but never below the belt."

The manner in which he said that was the thing. It must have struck Anderson with telling effect. He attempted an explanation, but it didn't seem quite to get across.

He finished soon after that.

Liberty Theatre Starting Thursday

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