

Elect Boise Woman

MISSIONARY CONFERENCE HERE CLOSES

Mrs. W. S. McBirney to Succeed Mrs. C. O. Heath as President.

UNION WOMAN IS VICE PRESIDENT

Mrs. R. F. Tyler Elected Secretary of Young Peoples Work For the Coming Year.

Mrs. W. S. McBirney, of Boise, was elected as president of the Woman's Home Missionary society of the Methodist church, at the final session of the 8th annual convention which closed yesterday afternoon. The convention opened Tuesday evening, when Miss Mabel L. Keech, superintendent of the Manley Community Center in Portland, spoke on the activities of the center and the Queen Esther society of the La Grande church presented a pageant, "In His Vineyard."

Mrs. McBirney will succeed Mrs. C. O. Heath, of Caldwell, retiring conference president. Assisting her through the coming year will be Mrs. E. Halsey, of Union, vice president; Mrs. H. M. Nelson, of Boise, corresponding secretary; Mrs. H. I. Gardner, Fruitland, Idaho, treasurer; Mrs. R. F. Tyler, of La Grande, secretary of young people's work; Mrs. W. I. Rounds, of Boise, secretary of children's work; Mrs. C. E. Rhodes, of Payette, secretary of mite boxes; Mrs. W. E. Estlin, of Boise, spiritual life secretary.

Retiring Officers Listed
Retiring officers, who assisted the president during the past year, are Mrs. B. W. Holbrook, of Payette, vice president; Mrs. H. Davidson, Boise, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Henry Nelson, Boise, treasurer; Mrs. B. F. Neel, recording secretary; Mrs. Tyler, young people's secretary; Mrs. Rounds, children's work; Mrs. H. K. Wallis, Boise, mite boxes; Mrs. Graham, conference membership; Mrs. H. W. Van Vleet, evangelist; Miss Evelyn Blackburn, thank offering.

The afternoon meeting opened at 1:30, and talks were presented by Mrs. C. O. Heath, retiring president.

BEAVER CREEK WATER GRADE A TESTS REVEAL

According to a report made by City Manager Angus McAllister at last night's city commission meeting, the water from the Beaver Creek pipeline is in grade "A" condition. He has reported to the state board of health given after samples of the water were examined.

Seattle Co-Eds Ill of Smallpox

SEATTLE, Apr. 28 (AP)—Stricken with smallpox, seven University of Washington co-eds have been sent to Finland's sanitarium or their homes, university authorities reported today.

Laborites Favor De Valera's Bill

DUBLIN, Irish Free State, April 28 (AP)—William Hogan, leader of the Irish Laborite group, tonight announced that the Laborites would support President Eamon De Valera's bill abolishing the oath of allegiance to the English crown, thus practicing the passage of the measure in the daily Irish.

FOUR RANCHES QUARANTINED

SACRAMENTO, Cal., April 28 (AP)—Dudley Moulton, director of the state department of agriculture, announced today four ranches, three miles south of Fullerton, have been placed under a provisional quarantine pending an investigation whether 7500 hogs have the hoof and mouth disease.

WEATHER FORECAST

Oregon: fair tonight and Friday, but cloudy or foggy at times in northwest portion and near coast; local frosts tonight in the northwest; gentle changeable winds offshore.

WEATHER TODAY

7 a. m.—48 above.
Minimum: 41 above.
Condition: Clear.

WEATHER YESTERDAY

Maximum 59, minimum 45 above.
Condition: Partly cloudy, rain 62 or inch. Range—24 degrees.

WEATHER APR. 28, 1931

Maximum 75, minimum 42 above.
Condition: Clear. Range—33 degrees.

House Defeats Motion To Cut Navy Money Bill

\$326,000,000 Measure Passed—Move to Eliminate Half Holidays Stricken From Bill.

WASHINGTON, Apr. 28 (AP)—The senate today declared John H. Bankhead entitled to his seat as senator from Alabama.

WASHINGTON, April 28 (AP)—The house today passed the \$326,000,000 naval appropriation bill after defeating a motion to send it back to committee for a ten per cent cut.

The senate finance committee struck out a copper duty from the revenue bill in reversing itself completely on taxes and banning oil and coal import taxes also.

Refusal of the committee to include a tariff on lumber is believed to have had an influence in knocking out the oil and coal levies.

The house today struck from the economy bill the provision eliminating the Saturday half holiday for federal workers. It was estimated to save \$9,000,000 in 1933. The vote was 141 to 118.

The Democratic tariff bill restoring to congress all power to alter import duties was finally passed and sent to the president today by the house. The vote on final passage was 202 to 171.

Evelyn Masten Is Elected By Girls of L. H. S.

Evelyn Masten, as president; Reba Gray, as first vice president; Daphne Boney, as second vice president; Genevieve Flexor, third vice president; and Clarice Taylor, as secretary-treasurer, will head the activities of the La Grande High school in 1932-33, following their election from among a large field of candidates.

Cream of Track Athletes to Vie At Union Apr. 30

The cream of Eastern Oregon High school track and field athletes will meet in competition Saturday at Union in the 33rd annual "cinder clapper" meet. The La Grande Tigers expected to outclass the field. Incidentally, the eyes of track coaches throughout the state will be on the Union event, watching performances, as well as the state board of education, which will be held at the stock show grounds. Scores from Pendleton, Milton-Freewater, Imbler, Cove and other points outside of Union also are expected.

Preparatory events will be held in the 100 and 220-yard dashes, the high and low hurdles, the shotput, discus, javelin and broad jump in the morning, beginning at 10 o'clock. These preliminaries will narrow the field to eight men in the track events and six men in the field events, and probably will require about two hours to complete.

The final events are scheduled to begin at 2 o'clock, when the last call will be sounded for the century sprint, the pole vault, the high jump, the discus and the shotput.

Other final events will be called as follows:
100-yard dash 2:10
220-yard dash 2:25
100-yard high hurdles 2:40
100-yard run 2:55
Javelin 3:10
Broad jump 3:10
220-yard low hurdles 3:15
880-yard run 3:20
Half-mile relay (4 men) 3:30

Several events are expected to be hotly contested, including the high jump, the 100-yard dash, the pole vault, the shotput, the quarter, half mile and mile, the relay event and possibly the furlong.

Around 100 or more athletes will be present.

Packing Plants At Hood River Razed

HOOD RIVER, Ore., April 28 (AP)—Fire early today destroyed the large cold storage and packing plants of the apple growers' association, and the fruit packing plant and warehouse of the American fruit growers here. The origin of the fire was not immediately determined.

A high wind caused the fire to spread rapidly throughout the structures. Much valuable washing and packing machinery was destroyed, and two adjoining cottages burned.

OREGON TRAPSHOT HOLDS BEST RECORD IN COUNTRY

PORTLAND, Ore., (AP)—Figures compiled by the Amateur Trapshooting association show Frank M. Troeh of Portland as the greatest all-around trapshot in the United States.

Troeh has broken 97,492 targets out of 100,320 for an average of 5718 since his first tournament competition in 1912. He topped the country's best trapshooters in 1930 with an average of 9213 on 3,500 targets and was second high in doubles with an average of 9169. He has annexed more than 500 prizes.

FARM LABOR PARTY NAMES FRANK WEBB

San Francisco Man to be Standard Bearer in Presidential Race

GOLD STANDARD IS GIVEN BLAME

Platform Favors Issuance of Enough Legal Tender to Pay the Bonus in Full.

OMAHA, Neb., April 28 (AP)—For the second straight campaign, Frank Elbridge Webb, of San Francisco, will carry the presidential banner of the farm-labor party. His running mate will be James S. Coxey of Massillon, Ohio. Webb headed the party ticket in 1928.

Webb was given the nomination last night by the party's convention at a fight to have himself accredited as the delegate from California.

The convention adopted a national platform blaming the gold standard for present economic conditions and calling for the placing of the banking and currency system in the hands of the federal state and local governments instead of under private ownership.

A guaranteed profit to farmers, unemployment insurance, abolishment of the federal farm board and issuance of enough legal tender to pay

the crop to be marketed at a profit. The measure provides that the farm board may bar imports when the flow affects the domestic market and when the price is fixed by the cost of production price.

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FROST PREDICTED FOR EAST OREGON

Whether the frosts will extend into the Grande Ronde valley is of course conjecture. The weather forecast is for clear tonight and Friday.

Blossoming of the cherries is later this year than usual, due to the cold period that set in about 10 days ago, when the first apricot trees burst into bloom. These latter have dropped their petals and reports in this locality is that the local apricot crop will be a disappointment.

The project is carried throughout the church to select the winners in five events—retold stories, drama, public speaking, music and dancing. The general board of the church, with headquarters at Salt Lake City, has selected a program which will be followed through the entire church. Three one-act plays have been selected, two of which will be contested in the United States, "The Florist Shop" and "In Secret Places." The M. I. A. slogan, "The Word of

Ward Honor Day To Be Observed Here on Tuesday Evening, May 3

Ward Honor day, when contestants from the six wards in the Union stake of the Latter Day Saints church will be chosen to compete in Stake church day, will be held in all the churches in the Union stake on Tuesday evening May 3. Contestants will be chosen from the Baker, Union, Mt. Glen, Imbler and La Grande First and Second wards and the winners in the stake events will be selected later in the month, according to Mrs. C. J. Black, La Grande chairman of the community activities committee.

The entire honor day of the stake is under the supervision of Mrs. Pearl Lyman, president of the young women's M. I. A., and Grant Bean, young men's superintendent, while the district meeting with the committee which is planning the program, are Mrs. Black, of La Grande, and Parley Thomas, of Baker.

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NEW YORK, April 28 (AP)—English tennis fans will get a look at Ellsworth Vines Jr., this summer, after all.

Escaping a previous decision not to permit members of this country's Davis cup team to compete at Wimbledon this year, the United States Lawn Tennis association announced last night it has decided to send the American champion to the British classic.

NOVELTY HAT WORN BY CONGRESSMAN

WASHINGTON (AP)—Representative Mary T. Norton of New Jersey has a novel black and white spring hat fashioned of grosgrain ribbon in leaf design. One quarter of the hat is white, the rest black. It has a small brim. With it she wears a short black veil.

BROAD FARM AID PROGRAM IS PRESENTED

Major Farm Organizations Submit Plan to Senate Committee

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GIVES AUTHORITY TO BAR IMPORTS

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Chester Gray, of the American Farm Bureau Federation, submitted the plan on behalf of the federation, the National Farms union and the National Grange.

Includes Allotment Plan
The program also calls for an allotment plan to handle that portion of the crops needed for domestic consumption, as provided in the pending bill of Senator Thomas (D., Okla.).

This measure stipulates that the price the farmer receives for produce needed for domestic consumption shall be equal to the cost of production.

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Muddy Creek Farmers Oust 3 Idaho Japs

BAKER, Ore., April 28 (AP)—Three Japanese gardeners from Idaho who were forced to leave Eagle Valley a few days ago, had the same experience near Haines Wednesday when they left the land they had rented in the Muddy Creek community shortly before a large committee of citizens were to pay them a call and request their departure.

Two Deaths Due To Spotted Fever

HUNTINGTON, Ore., April 28 (AP)—With two deaths from spotted fever reported here in the past ten days, sheepmen, herders and sheeters are arriving daily to receive vaccine against the disease.

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Spitale and Bitz Withdraw From Lindbergh Search

HOPEWELL, N. J., April 28 (AP)—The Lindbergh kidnaping mystery stretched on toward the end of its second month without a solution today, although Norfolk intermediaries trying to get the baby back indicated fresh ground for hope.

Salvatore Spitalo and Irving Bitz, two New York "go-betweens" named weeks ago by Col. Charles A. Lindbergh to deal with the kidnapers, withdrew from the case. Their lawyer, Abraham Kesselman, said in New York that the futile \$50,000 ransom payment made by Col. Lindbergh prompted their withdrawal.

John Huanes and Curtis, Norfolk boat builder, returned home yesterday from a secret mission, later Denn H. Dorflinger, spokesman for the Norfolk men, said.

They have overcome a number of obstacles that have stood between us and our objective.

Curtis had been gone since Sunday. He is believed to have traveled aboard the yacht Maroon.

Sees Defeat For Hoover If Chief Straddles Issue

WASHINGTON, April 28 (AP)—Dr. Levi T. Pennington, president of Pacific college, Newberg, Ore., at which Herbert Hoover obtained part of his education, expressed the opinion today that "if President Hoover comes out on a referendum platform it would mean his defeat politically."

The president attended Pacific college during his youth, when it was a smaller and more elementary Quaker academy. Pennington made his statement to newspapermen in response to questions, adding his belief that "the country won't stand for a straddler on prohibition."

GRID STARS TRY TAP DANCES

AUSTIN, Tex., (AP)—Several stars of the University of Texas grid team are taking tap and clog dancing in physical education classes. They say it's just the thing to keep them in shape.

EXPECT MISTRIAL IN HONOLULU

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O. S. L. To Ask For Increases In Grain Rates

Would Raise the Differential to Seattle Over Portland, Eliminating Former as Market.

CHICAGO, Apr. 28 (AP)—The Oregon Short Line railroad, subsidiary of the Union Pacific Line, will ask for drastic increases in grain rates in the interstate commerce commission hearing, it was understood from reliable sources today. The proposals are being made to raise the differential to Seattle over Portland and virtually eliminate the former export terminal as a market for Southern Idaho growers.

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JURORS TAKE UP CASE AT EARLY HOUR

No Spectators Outside the Judiciary Building This Morning.

HONOLULU, Apr. 28 (AP)—The jury considering second degree murder charges against Lieutenant Thomas H. Massie, Mrs. Grace Forscues, E. J. Low and O. J. Jones, resumed deliberations at 8:50 a. m. today (11:20 a. m. Pacific coast standard time) with no verdict in sight.

The tension which attended sessions of the trial was gone. Judging from appearances, Honolulu had forgotten the sensational trial of the woman and three men for killing Lt. Kahahawai, Hawaiian, while the youth was awaiting a second trial for an alleged assault on Mrs. Thalia Massie, wife of the lieutenant and daughter of Mrs. Forscues.

No Spectators
There was not a single spectator outside the judiciary building as the hour approached for the jury to reconvene its deliberations. The close police guard which during the trial stood watch about the courthouse to keep crowds from overflowing the building had been disbanded. One lone policeman guarded the front door.

The indifference toward the jury clearly reflected the general opinion that no verdict would be forthcoming at an early hour.

Circuit Judge Charles Skinner Davis went to the judiciary building early, but neither he nor any other court official expected a verdict soon.

Mistrial Expected
The general opinion on the street seemed to be that there would be no verdict from this jury, but a mistrial because of inability to agree. This explained the lack of a crowd at the courthouse. During the trial of the Kahahawai case, the jury actually all night to be sure of seats in the small courtroom.

Judge Davis issued orders for the early holding of the trial at the downtown Pearl Harbor naval station, where they had been staying.