

ENDEAVORERS CONVENE IN 3-DAY MEET

Rev. James M. Cornelison,
of Indian Mission,
Addresses Crowd

BANQUET WILL BE AT CHURCH TONIGHT

Convention Will Come to
a Close With Program
Tomorrow — Eastern
Oregon Groups Attend.

Opening the annual convention of
the Grande Rode Christian Endeavor
convention last night, a large crowd
assembled in the Christian church
and listened to an interesting and
inspiring message by Rev. James M.



Rev. Cornelison

Cornelison, of the Presbyterian Indian
mission near Pendleton. Mr.
Cornelison told something of the

JOHN WAGNER PASSES AWAY AT ENTERPRISE

ENTERPRISE, Ore., May 28 (Special) — John Wagner, a native son of
Northwestern Oregon, died Thursday
morning at the Enterprise hospital
where he was taken after two years
of illness. He was the victim of a
complication of ailments and his
heart, which never had been strong,
failed at last.

John Henry Wagner was a son of
G. J. Wagner and was born in Indian
valley, four miles from Elgin Dec. 4,
1877. He came to Wallowa county
in 1897 and this was his home the
remainder of his life. He was a partner
with his brother George Wagner,
of Swamp Creek, in the cattle business
for most of his active life, and
for upwards of a dozen years he had
made his home with his nephew,
Charles F. Wagner, on Alder Slope.

Mr. Wagner never married, and
is survived by one brother and four
sisters: George Wagner, of Enterprise;
Mrs. E. W. Imbler, of Portland;
Mrs. Anna Hunt, of Pocatello,
Idaho; Mrs. Sam Litch, of Enterprise;
and Grace Barron, of Baker.
All his life Mr. Wagner was fond
of outdoor activities. His own business
kept him out much, and he never
missed a fishing trip to the
high mountains every summer. He
was known for his business integrity
and honor.

Heavy Rain Today At Klamath Falls

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., May 28 (Special) — What promises to be a record
breaking rain is falling here today
with 86 of an inch registered from
5 p. m. Friday until 7 a. m. today,
and the precipitation is continuing.
This is the heaviest rainfall since
November 15, 1930, when 12.5 inches
fell in 24 hours.

Today's shower brought the precipi-
tation of the year up to normal,
19.87 inches, and the weather man
believes that normal expectancy may
be reached by the end of the day.

WEATHER FORECAST
Oregon: Unsettled and
mild tonight and Sunday;
probably showers in south
and east; moderate change-
able winds offshore.
For the week: Generally
fair weather but unsettled at
beginning of week over the
plateau region; normal tem-
peratures, followed by above
normal thereafter.

WEATHER TODAY
7 a. m. — 49 above.
Minimum: 46 above.
Condition: cloudy.

WEATHER YESTERDAY
Maximum 66, minimum
33 above.
Condition: partly cloudy,
frost, rain, 63 of inch. Range
— 33 degrees.

WEATHER MAY 28, 1931
Maximum 74, minimum
47 above.
Condition: clear. Range—
27 degrees.

Stock Show Men To Sell Tickets Here Thursday

Compromise Plan Adopted
This Year — La Grande
Stores Not to be Asked
to Close During Show.

After consultation with stock
show officials at Union to learn the
needs of that organization in fi-
nancing its program for June 8, 9
and 10, a committee from the La
Grande chamber of commerce this
morning announced a plan of co-
operation that promises to go far
in solving existing problems. Im-
mediate need of working capital is
the chief and foremost problem at
Union and to this end the local
committee announces it has asked
a delegation of Union businessmen
to come to La Grande next Thurs-
day to sell advanced tickets.

These tickets will cost \$1.50 and
will be good for three admissions
all on one day or one each day or
any way that the purchasers care
to use them. This is a change from
the first plan. Those who want to
buy three tickets, good one each
day, can still have them for \$1.25.
These coupons must be used on
three separate days. They are put
on the market for such as go each
day and want to save 25 cents.

Stores Not to Close
This method is unique in that it
is a compromise. No stores will be
asked to close on any of the three
days as has been the custom in the
past. To buy a few tickets in ad-
vance would not entail the expendi-
ture that would follow loss of busi-
ness.

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West Virginia Host Today To Bonus Marchers

BRIDGEPORT, O., May 28 (Special) — The "on-to-Washington" bonus army
passed out of Ohio here today and
continued its trek toward the na-
tional capitol under escort of West
Virginia state police who had orders
to convey them to Pennsylvania
state line.

The ex-soldiers were orderly as
they crossed the bridge to Wheeling
Island and were transferred from
trucks to the Ohio state highway de-
partment, which had been provided
by Governor George White, to West
Virginia state highway trucks.

NEW YORK VETS TO MARCH
NEW YORK, May 28 (Special) — Samuel
J. Stember, a member of the national
provisional bonus march commit-
tee, announced today that 50,000
veterans from the New York district
will be registered to participate in a
"bonus march" on Washington leav-
ing New York June 4.

On June 3 a demonstration at
city hall is planned and the next
day the "march" will begin. Stember
said it had not yet been decided how
the veterans would proceed to Wash-
ington.

Miss Stange In Flight 1 Finals In Golf Tourney

PORTLAND, Ore., May 28 (Special) — Miss Anne Stange, of La Grande,
won from Mrs. B. E. Eva, of Colum-
bia, two and one, in the finals of
the first flight for women today in
the Oregon amateur tournament.

PORTLAND, Ore., May 28 — Miss
Anne Stange, of La Grande, and Mrs.
B. E. Eva, of Portland, were to tee
off here this morning in an 18-hole
match for the championship of the
first flight in the state golf tourna-
ment. Miss Stange was defeated in
the final round of the championship
flight by Miss Jean Plageman, of
Multnomah, who will play Mrs. A. C.
Callan for the state title.

Miss Stange won from Mrs. R. W.
Williamson Friday, 6 and 5.

DOLF PLAYING ROBBINS
PORTLAND, Ore., May 28 (Special) — Frank Dolf, of Alderwood, defeating
champion, will defend his Oregon
state golf title today against his club
mate, Johnny Robbins, who topped
the field.

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Bork Is Elected By Odd Fellows

William Bork was elected noble
grand of the Odd Fellows at a lodge
meeting last night at the Odd Fel-
lows hall. Elmer McClure was elec-
ted vice grand, and the other officers
will be elected at the installation
ceremony to be held at a meeting in
the near future.

P. J. Barron, who was elected dis-
trict deputy grand master of the
state of Oregon at the convention
just closed in Eugene, will report the
proceedings of the convention at the
next meeting of the Odd Fellows next
Friday evening at 7:30 at the hall.

Devine Funeral Services Sunday

Funeral services for Charles H.
Devine will be held Sunday afternoon
at 2:30 o'clock at the Snodgrass and
Zimmerman mortuary. Rev. Clar-
ence Kopp, rector of the Episcopal
church, will officiate. Burial will
take place in the Masonic cemetery.
Mr. Devine served in the Canadian
army during the World War. He was
born May 15, 1886 and was 46 years
and 12 days of age.

WALL STREET DICE LOADED, DILL CLAIMS

Senator From Washington
Demands Restoration
of House Tax.

TERMS EXCHANGE "GAMBLING" PLACE

Declares a Few Manipu-
late the Markets in
Such a Way as to Take
Millions From People.

WASHINGTON, May 28 (Special) — Char-
acterizing the New York stock ex-
change as "a gambling institution in
which the insiders use marked cards
and loaded dice," Senator Dill (D.,
Wash.) in the senate today demanded
restoration of the house tax of one-
fourth of one per cent on stock trans-
fers.

The transfer tax was reached by
the senate today as it swept through
the final stages of the revenue bill,
toward the proposed sales tax fight.

Dill cited the findings of the sen-
ate banking committee in its investi-
gation of the stock market, and said
in the face of these arguments that
the transfer tax would be bur-
densome was "not very impressive."

Asks Reconsideration
Since the finance committee voted
to eliminate the minimum tax of
one-fourth of one per cent, Dill said
"there have been developments in
the stock exchange investigation that
justify a reconsideration."

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TO LAUNCH FIGHT AGAINST "MERGER"

Plan Sponsored by La
Grande, Eugene, Mon-
mouth and Ashland

EUGENE, Ore., May 28 (Special) — A
state-wide fight against the pro-
posed physical consolidation of the
University of Oregon and Oregon
State college into one educational
institution to be located at Corvallis,
and abandonment of the normal
school at Monmouth, will be offi-
cially launched at a large mass
meeting to be held in the armory
here Tuesday night.

Every Lane county taxpayer has
been invited to attend the meeting
which was called by a joint com-
mittee from Eugene, La Grande,
Monmouth and Ashland. The pur-
pose of the gathering is to explain
to the people the damage which the
committee believes would result to
property interests should the con-
solidation succeed.

The committee insists, in addi-
tion, that the plan to establish a
teachers' college at Eugene, and
junior colleges at La Grande and
Ashland is entirely impracticable.
Committee members contend that
with the normal school taken away,
neither the Ashland nor the La
Grande schools could expect an en-
rollment of more than 50 or 60 and
that the overhead would prevent
operation on this small scale.

BURGOO KING BEATEN TODAY AT BELMONT

NEW YORK, May 28 (Special) — E. R.
Bradley's Burgoo King, winner of
the Kentucky Derby and Freshman,
was beaten in the Withers mile at
Belmont Park today, finishing sixth
in a field of seven as Walter M. Jef-
fords' Boatwain won the purse of
\$21,000. Oculator was second and
Fairbypair third.

Boatwain broke on top and was
never headed, running the mile
over a sloppy track in 1:39 4/5.
Burgoo King, a slow starter, also
favors a fast track and over night
rains had left the Belmont strip
apparently not to his liking.

Swift Chairman Killed

Parade, Services at Cemetery And Dinner For Veterans Are Planned

Many scenic spots in Eastern and
Western Oregon cities will be the
vacation land of many La Grander
during the Memorial day holidays,
while for those who remain in the
city there will be a parade in which
the veterans' organizations and their
auxiliaries will participate. The pro-
cession will be under the direction
of R. E. Huron and Walter A. Bean,
representing the American Legion.

Stores will be closed on Monday,
the Observer will not publish a
paper, and Miss Mabel Doty, librar-
ian, announces that the public library
will be closed throughout the day.
Fishing is good in the Wallowa
river and other nearby streams, the
water having receded sufficiently to

ROGUE RIVER SPAN OPENS COAST ROAD

Ceremony Today Links
Washington and Califor-
nia Through Highway.

VICE PRESIDENT FREES BARRIERS

Magnificent \$625,000
Bridge Last Link in
Coast Highway—Leslie
M. Scott Makes Address

GOLD BEACH, Ore., May 28 (Special) —
Oregon linked Washington and Califor-
nia here today and the new Ore-
gon coast highway was opened
throughout its length when Vice
President Charles Curtis from the
White House pressed a telegraph key
that released the barriers on the
magnificent \$625,000 Rogue River
bridge.

Hundreds of persons and officials
from British Columbia and the west
coast states participated in the ded-
ication of the span, known as the
Isaac Lee Patterson bridge. Its com-
pletion and dedication in honor of
the late Oregon governor completes
the last link in the scenic Oregon
coast highway, earlier known as the
Roosevelt highway.

As the ribbon barrier fell the pro-
cession of state officials and honored
guests moved to the south towers of
the bridge where Mrs. Isaac Lee Pat-
terson, widow of the late governor,
placed an Oregon gear wreath on the
bronze name tablet.

Leslie M. Scott, chairman of the
Oregon state highway commission,
made the dedicatory address.

Governor Julius L. Meier was rep-
resented by Brigadier General Thom-
as E. Rilea, ex-governor A. W. Nor-
blad, president of the coast highway
association, was master of ceremonies.
Among official guests at the ded-
ication was Earl Lee Kelly of Redding,
Cal., chairman of the California state
highway commission, and personal
representative of Governor Ralph
Hayes Leeming of Victoria, B. C.;
Harry Lutgens of San Rafael, Cal.

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MOHAWK MAN GETS OREGON LICENSE NO. 1

SALEM, May 28 (Special) — George J.
Camp, of Mohawk, in Lane county,
received automobile license plate
No. 1 of the 1932-33 series at the
drawing at the secretary of state's
office today. The drawing was
made for lower numbers from the
first 2300 license applications re-
ceived to date. The number re-
ceived for the drawing was about
half of the number of early appli-
cants received last year. New plates
are due July 1.

The "unlucky" number 13 this
year will be carried on the car of
Charles Gramae, of Ontario. Ar-
thur W. Shaffer, of Portland, will
be issued number 10. W. R. Mum-
by, of Fort Stevens, will be issued
number 28. Rhoads E. Godfrey, of
Portland, number 25; Winnie Petty-
john, Salem, gets 50; A. H. Gable,
of Pilot Rock, 75, and T. R. Dorn,
of Echo, gets number 100.

Other lower numbers will be is-
sued as follows: Emmett Thomas,
Ontario, number 2; M. B. Englefeldt,
Portland; A. L. Blosick, Multnomah;
C. E. Nichols, Medford; S.
Joseph, J. Gill, Enterprise; G. Jack
J. Longeville, Haines; T. C. J. John-
son, Salem; S. O. J. Evenson, Clats-
kanie; 9; W. M. Ribbert, Pilot Rock,
11.

Governor Likely To Name Hartwig

SALEM, May 28 (Special) — In a signed
article the Capital Journal today says
that it is "informed from authentic
sources" that Otto Hartwig, of Port-
land, former president of the Ore-
gon State Federation of Labor, will
be appointed by Governor Meier
about June 1 to succeed Arthur W.
Lawrence as the member of state
Industrial accident commission rep-
resenting labor.

Garner Strikes Back at Hoover

A THOUGHT FOR MEMORIAL DAY



... And May Their Sacrifice Guide Us In the Paths of Peace Today.

Stillings, Duncan Continue To Lead In Delegate Race

PORTLAND, Ore., May 28 (Special) — H. J.
Stillings, of Umatilla county, and
William M. Duncan, of Klamath
county, continued in their positions
as the head of the field of candidates
for the position of Democratic dele-
gate to the national convention from
the second (Eastern) Oregon district.
Two are elected from each congress-
ional district.

Martin A. Fitzgerald, of Union
county, was third, and close behind
Duncan. With only a handful of
votes unaccounted for, however, the
two voters were safe.

The votes: Stillings 4,702, Duncan

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Jacob Gassett, Pioneer of Cove, Dies at Age 82

Jacob Gassett, pioneer resident of
Cove, died at the Grande Rode hospi-
tal last night after a long illness.
He was about 82 years of age.

Funeral services will be held at
Cove Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock
with Snodgrass and Zimmerman in
charge of the burial.

Mr. Gassett leaves four sons, Carl,
of Gilroy, Cal.; Ben, of Fordson, Mich.;
Lewis, of Bend, Ore.; and George, of
Pomeroy, Wash.; one daughter, Syl-
via Martin, of Nampa; one sister,
Mary Chambers, of Cove, besides
other relatives.

Blast Demolishes Hillsboro Cabin

HILLSBORO, Ore., May 28 (Special) — A
cabin that had been used by Jack
Cove, a woodcutter, was blown to
kindling by a dynamite blast Friday,
according to a report made to Sher-
iff Cornell today. The sheriff, who
investigated the incident, said no
one was in the cabin when the blast
occurred. It was assumed a heavy
charge of stump powder exploded.

Edward F. Swift Falls to Death From 6th Floor

CHICAGO, May 28 (Special) — Edward
F. Swift Sr., chairman of Swift and
Company, plunged to death at 9 a.
m. today from the window of his
sixth story apartment at 1550 North
State street.

Charles H. Swift, his brother and
vice-chairman of the packing com-
pany, issued this brief statement:
"Edward F. Swift had been in his
usual good health and spirits. He
had been attending to business as

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TRIAL OF CURTIS DUE NEXT MONTH

Secret Indictment Return-
ed in Flemington Follow-
ing Probe of Case.

FLEMINGTON, N. J., May 28 (Special) —
An indictment, presumed to be
against John Hughes Curtis, Norfolk
hoaxer in the Lindbergh case, was
returned today to Justice Thomas
Trenchard who ordered it delivered
to quarter sessions court for further
proceedings.

J. Chester Skillman, foreman of
the grand jury which considered the
Curtis case earlier this week, handed
three indictments to Justice Trench-
ard, who announced that one of
them dealt with Julia Winterstein on
a charge of murder. The other two,
he said, would be sent to quarter
sessions.

The grand jury only considered
three cases at the sitting at which
evidence was presented in the Curtis
case, and so it seemed certain that
one of the two indictments not made
public today was against the con-
fessed hoaxer.

Prosecutor Anthony M. Hauck
would not say definitely today that
the indictment had been returned
against Curtis but he did say: "The

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SEES DRIFT TO COMMUNISM IN OLD MEXICO

MEXICO CITY, May 28 (Special) — The
newspaper La Prensa called upon the
Mexican federal government today to
take a hand in what it described as
a drift toward communism in the
states.

The newspaper referred to the re-
cent passage of confiscatory laws in
the states of Vera Cruz and Hidalgo,
empowering the state governments to
confiscate, for public use, any private
property, including farm land, indus-
tries, stores, factories, or transporta-
tion lines.

"If we are drifting toward com-
munism," the newspaper said, "let us
do it directly and openly. Let us
modify the constitution and go
the whole route. But if that is not
the aim, what is the wisdom of per-
mitting states to flirt with commu-
nism? Our program is the more dis-
concerting because we do not seem
to know whether we are drifting."

The government of the state of
Hidalgo this week made use of the
new confiscatory law to take over a
cement plant.

Crowd Cheers When Broderick is Freed

NEW YORK, May 28 (Special) — A crowd
that sat up late to hear the verdict
broke into cheers when Joseph A.
Broderick, state banking superintend-
ent, was acquitted at 2:35 a. m. (E.
S. T.) today of willful neglect of duty
in failing to close the Bank of United
States sooner than he did.

The jury had been out 15 hours.
The verdict was a climax to an
eight weeks' trial during which Gov-
ernor Franklin D. Roosevelt, who ap-
pointed Broderick, testified in his
defense. Max D. Steuer, noted attorney
who acted as special prosecutor in
the case, was not present when the
jury reported.

Congress Called Upon To Balance Budget By Knox

CHICAGO, May 28 (Special) — Congress
was called upon in a statement to-
day by Frank Knox, chairman of
the president's anti-hoarding com-
mittee and publisher of the Chi-
cago Daily News, to balance the
budget, cut government costs by
\$350,000,000, enact a sales tax, pro-
vide \$300,000,000 for early relief of
distress, and go home.

Knox was instrumental in calling
together a group of newspaper pub-
lishers recently for a conference
with President Hoover.

Filing the democratic members
of congress under Speaker Garner's
leadership for advocating a \$2,100,-
000,000 relief bill, Knox accused
them of "resorting to the discredit-
able device of sugaring all sections
with proffers of postoffices and
other substantial gifts from the
federal treasury," by way of "pre-
paring for the November harvest of
votes."

"In the past anxious months of
congressional frivolity, the only
leadership worthy of the name that
has shone here anywhere is that
coming from the White House,"
said Knox. "The White House pro-
gram is simplicity itself. It may be
stated in three words: balance the
budget."

Tax discussions, he said, had

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Bank President To Retire May 31

PORTLAND, Ore., May 28 (Special) —
Charles F. Adams, president of the
First National bank here since 1927,
will retire from that position Tues-
day and will be succeeded by E. B.
MacNaughton.

C. C. Colt, vice president, will
be advanced to the position of senator
vice president.

The change is at Adams' request.
He will remain with the bank as
chairman of the board.

De Forest Victor In British Amateur

MURFIELD, Scotland, May 28 (Special) —
John De Forest, 25-year-old London
player, today won the British amate-
ur golf championship, defeating
Eric Piddan, his 23-year-old oppo-
nent, three and one.

Amelia in Air But Man Does Piloting

LONDON, May 28 (Special) — Mrs. Amelia
Earhart Putnam, first woman to fly
the Atlantic alone, took to the air
again today but let a man do the
piloting.

She was flown from Heston air
park to Brooklands by Gordon Self-
ridge Jr. to attend the civil air day
welcome. She received a tremendous
welcome from the crowds.

PRESIDENT'S CRITICISM IS GIVEN REBUKE

House Leader Denies His
Relief Program is "Pork
Barrel" Bill.

STATEMENT ISSUED TO NEWSPAPER MEN

"Democrats Did Not Ex-
pect to Receive Real
Co-operation From
President" Garner Says

WASHINGTON, May 28 (Special) —
Speaker Garner in a formal state-
ment today assailed President Ho-
over for his criticism of the \$2,300,-
000,000 relief program and denied it
was "pork barrel" legislation.

At his daily conference with
newspapermen, the Texan handed a
single copy of his statement to
them. He said the president's allu-
sion to the proposed public works
program in his relief plan as "pork
barrel" came "with poor grace from
one who demanded that congress
co-operate with him in passing the
reconstruction finance corporation
act."

"Not a 'Pork Barrel'"
"It would be," Garner added,
"just as logical to refer to the re-
construction finance corporation act
as a 'pork barrel' for the banks, in-
surance companies, railroads and
financial institutions of the coun-
try."

"It is not 'pork barrel' nor can
any other program which will ex-
tend aid in this period of distress
be termed as such."

Garner amply, as he handed his
statement to the newspapermen.
He laughingly said President Ho-
over's "opposition to the bill to re-
lieve destitution, to broaden the
lending powers of the reconstruc-
tion finance corporation and to cre-
ate employment by subsidizing and
expediting a public works program
was not unexpected."

Co-operation Not Expected
"The Democrats did not expect to
receive real co-operation from the
president in any matter benefiting
the masses and those who might be
termed the middle class of Ameri-
can people," Garner said.

The text of the Garner statement
follows:

"President Hoover's opposition to
the bill to relieve destitution, to

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Bromley Plans Take-off Today For Long Flight

NEW YORK, May 28 (Special) — Stanley
Hausner, of Linden, N. J., hopped
off at 3:05 p. m. (Eastern Standard
time) today on a projected flight to
Europe. He said his goal was either
"London or Paris."

ROOSEVELT FIELD, N. Y., May 28
(Special) — Harold Bromley arrived here
this morning in his oil burning speed
plane and announced he expected to
take off non-stop for Los Angeles this
evening.

Although he denied earlier, on
leaving Camden, N. J., where he
spent the