

PORTLAND MEN AND LEADERS WHO ARE TO TAKE PROMINENT PART IN LAYMEN'S CONVENTION, OPENING TODAY AT WHITE TEMPLE.

1764 LAYMEN ARE SIGNED FOR SERIES

Registration Today as Convention Opens Expected to Swell Total Greatly.

QUAKERS STILL IN LEAD

Several Speakers Attend Last Rally at Y. M. C. A. and Delegates Are Enthusiastic When Reports Show Successes.

Registrations for the Laymen's Missionary Convention of Oregon, which opens today, reached a total of 1764 yesterday, according to reports made at the big rally meeting attended by between 200 and 300 of the church leaders of the city at the Young Men's Christian Association at noon yesterday.

The Friends Church still leads in the percentage of its membership, which has signed up for the convention, with a total of 86.54 per cent. The Evangelical Church is a close second with 27.58 per cent.

Among the men who are to take a leading part in the convention who arrived yesterday and were introduced at the gathering are: Fred Fisher, of New York, team leader; Herbert S. Johnson, of Boston, pastor of the Warren Street Baptist Church in that city; C. V. Vickrey, of New York; H. H. Kelsey, of San Francisco; J. E. Crowther and Ernest W. Naffziger, of Boston, who will have charge of the music at the convention.

Mr. Naffziger sang a solo and led the music for the gathering, and the other speakers of the coming convention. Other speakers at Tacoma and Seattle, where they are holding simultaneous conventions.

ELKS INITIATE NEW CLASS

Portland Lodge Has 1500 Members, With 100 More Applicants.

A class of candidates was initiated by the Portland Lodge of Elks at their regular weekly meeting Thursday evening.

An aggregate of 190 new members has been initiated in the last two months. The membership of the lodge now exceeds 1500. More than 100 additional applications for membership are pending.

Following is a list of those initiated at the last meeting: Vernon Adams, F. E. Bacham, William Alfred Burke, R. A. Colton, E. J. Davidson, Dr. Frank P. Frier, Dr. Marcus Fried, Ralph Hahn, John J. Higginson, William H. Hyde, L. Leonard Krause, W. D. McWaters, Oliver P. Rankin, D. W. Sherlock, Frank M. Sherman, Edward Stier, G. Trigan, W. Norman West and Frank L. Williams.

FARM LOAN ACT OPPOSED

Grangers Demand 'Credit Facilities at Actual Administration' Cost.

NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., Feb. 12.—(Special.)—Action was taken at a meeting of Grange representatives from Yakima, Benton and Kittitas counties here Wednesday to unite the Grange of this territory in opposing the Federal farm loan act. Resolutions are to be circulated for adoption by local Granges, denouncing the measure as "providing another system of private profit-sharing, dividend-paying, surplus-creating banks," and demanding that Senators and Representatives oppose and vote against the bill. Grange members are to be asked to sign an agreement to vote against any Senator or Representative who votes for the bill. The resolution demands credit facilities at the actual cost of administration.

BIG TIMBER DEAL MADE

Large Grays River Holdings Pass Into New Hands.

GRAYS RIVER, Wash., Feb. 12.—(Special.)—R. C. Bell, of the Columbia Logging Company, has purchased the holdings of the Portland Lumber Company at this place. This camp is one of the largest on the Pacific Coast and is managed by an efficiency expert. The camp maintains an extensive and complete machine shop, its own school for the children of employees and its electric lighting system. It presents the appearance of a thriving village of frontier days.

IRRIGATION ELECTION SET

North Unit District Vote Will Be Cast at Culver March 20.

CULVER, Or., Feb. 12.—(Special.)—The petition for the organization of the North Unit Irrigation District, presented to the County Court today, was allowed and March 20 was set as the day of election, when the landowners will vote upon the question of the formation of an irrigation district. About three months has been spent in preparing and circulating the petition, as there are a large number of non-resident landowners. The petition contained the names of 80 per cent of the resident title holders signed. Indications are that the project will carry by a large majority.



LADD SCHOOL ROMPS

Gymnastic Exhibition Is Given Before 200 Parents.

GIRLS IN QUIANT DANCE

Exciting Games Are Played, Drills Executed Attractively and Efficiently and Lincoln Day Exercises Are Held.

More than 200 parents and friends witnessed the Ladd school exhibition Friday afternoon given under the direction of Robert Krohn, assisted by Miss Johanna Cramer, and under the patronage of the Congress of Mothers.

Other speakers at Tacoma and Seattle, where they are holding simultaneous conventions.

Mr. Naffziger is said to have sung probably to more people than any other man. He has traveled twice around the world with the Chapman-Alexander combination at that city.

An enthusiastic and wild battle was the baseball game won by the eighth and ninth grade girls, captained by Mira Almada De Courney from the boys, led by Bert Wilson.

Group 1, comprising 160 youngsters, gave a callisthenic drill. A game of "rabbit in the nest" was followed by the "mulberry bush" skip away and a lively race.

Group 2, which numbered 80, marched themselves into favor and played games and danced "Carrousel" by two groups of boys and girls, well done, and "pigs in clover" played by the entire class.

The Ladd School devoted part of the morning to Lincoln day exercises, at which Judge Cleston gave an address on Lincoln.

Myrtle Point Survey Under Way.

MARSHFIELD, Or., Feb. 12.—(Spe-



(1) Laymen Gathered at Y. M. C. A. Yesterday for Last Session Before the Opening of Convention. (2) Ernest W. Naffziger, of Boston, Who is to Be in Charge of the Singing. (3) C. V. Vickrey, of New York, National Secretary of the Movement. (4) Fred B. Fisher, of India, One of the Speakers of the Convention.

AUTO FARE TO BE SET

Council Will Hear Views on "For Rent" Car Schedules.

JEWISH FUND GOAL \$15,000

Mr. Selling Thinks Needed \$1300 Will Be Collected This Week.

WENATCHEE WINS CASHMERE SERIES.

WENATCHEE, Wash., Feb. 12.—(Special.)—In the deciding game of the basketball series Tuesday night between Wenatchee and Cashmere, Wenatchee won by a score of 23 to 16.

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SILKS WITHDRAWN.

Cheney Bros., one of the largest silk manufacturers in America, has just sent out notice of the withdrawal of 22 of their best selling silks.

Many Coyotes Trapped.

COLVILLE, Wash., Feb. 12.—(Special.)—W. D. Elwood, of Arden, during the past week has trapped nine coyotes along the Colville River between Colville and Arden.

Opera Plans Ready

"Romeo and Juliet" to Be Repeated to Meet Deficit.

CHANGES MADE IN CAST

Agreement Reached by Business Men and Opera Association as to Repetition of Benefit for Baby Home.

Plans were completed yesterday by two committees working together representing a party of business men and the Portland Opera Association, where by a repetition of Gounod's opera, "Romeo and Juliet," will take place at the Helbig Theater, Thursday night, February 24, to pay the deficit of \$699 incurred at the previous performance of this opera, and to donate all other proceeds to the funds of the Baby Home.

At this performance February 24 no person concerned in the event will be paid, and no charge—it is declared—will be made for the services of principals, orchestra, chorus, employes, etc. The use of the Helbig Theater and all costumes will be granted free of all charge.

The same cast that presented "Romeo and Juliet," at the Helbig, last month, will be in the production February 24, excepting that the "Juliet" will be Mrs. Burns Albert, and that the "Tybalt" will be Henry Hudson. O. B. Hughes formerly sang the part of "Tybalt," but he is now out of town on a business trip, and regrets that he cannot sing at present in "Romeo and Juliet."

The new "Juliet," Mrs. Jane Burns Albert, is solo soprano of the First Presbyterian church choir, and is a favorite concert and recital singer in this city. She is acclaimed one of the best sopranos in the Pacific Northwest. Mrs. Albert recently returned from New York city, where she studied for several months in singing with noted vocal experts. Her voice is a pure, sweet, bird-like soprano, of a kind that can be adapted naturally to stage use. She is now studying the role of Juliet, under the direction of Signor Corruccini.

The other principals will be: Romeo, Norman A. Hoese; Stephano, Miss Harriet Leach; Gertrude, Mrs. Pauline Miller-Chapman; Friar Laurence, Hart-ridge G. Whipp; Capulet, Otto T. Walmeyer; Mercutio, Warren A. Erwin; Duke of Verona, Louis H. Hansen; Gregorio, W. Lloyd Morse; Benvolio, Reinhard O. Braak, and Count Paris, Herbert J. Anderson.

The committee of business men in charge of the event consists of Henry J. Ellers, Warren A. Erwin and J. E. Werlein. The committee representing the Portland Opera Association includes: Warren A. Irwin, Harold Hurlbut and Mrs. C. L. Thompson.

CHILDREN WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE "SHOW-THE-PARENTS" ENTERTAINMENT AT THE LADD SCHOOL FRIDAY AFTERNOON.



A GROUP OF GIRLS IN COSTUME READY TO PLAY THE "ACE-OF-DIAMONDS" GAME.

NEW WORK LAID OUT

Y. M. C. A. Convention Urges Use of Volunteers.

GOSPEL TEAMS OF VALUE

Local Associations Are Asked to Assist in Extending State Work and Raising \$12,000 Budget Proposed for Year.

The extension of gospel-team methods of carrying forward the Young Men's Christian Association work was recommended and local associations urged to assist in the establishment of new organizations in recommendations adopted at the 18th annual convention of the Young Men's Christian Association of Oregon and Idaho here yesterday.

About 60 delegates from the two states were present.

The convention also asked the approval and co-operation of the local associations in providing the budget of \$12,000 for the year. Of this amount \$10,000 is to be used for the year's expenses and the remainder to be applied on indebtedness.

The organization and development of effective volunteer working forces and the adoption of programmes of work by the local associations was also recommended. Greater emphasis and more persistent effort for the building up of strong Bible study classes among both men and boys was also urged.

When the gathering assembled at the Young Men's Christian Association here yesterday morning M. A. Keek, of Albany, was chosen chairman and Alvin A. Anderson, of Astoria, secretary. Reports were heard from the different heads of departments on the progress of the work. An address was delivered by H. W. Stone on "The Place of the State Work in the Association," and one in the afternoon delivered by the same speaker on "Occupying the Field."

Among other speakers during the day were: President P. L. Campbell, of the University of Oregon; Paul Wallace, of Salem; Harry J. Mitchell, of Astoria; Henry Keeney, of Newberg; C. E. Cox, of Albany; L. H. Compton, of Salem; Harry Richter, of Oregon Agricultural College; A. L. Venzke, of Portland; W. I. Staley, of Salem; John Goodell, of Portland; Leslie Butler, Hood River, and Kenneth Latourette, Portland.

The speakers took up various questions of interest to association workers.

Rev. Herbert S. Johnson, of Boston, who is to be one of the speakers at the laymen's convention, delivered the principal address at the dinner for delegates last night. The gathering closed last night with a stereopticon lecture by Secretary L. B. Rhodes, who told the progress of the association work.

A resume of their experiences in association work formed the basis of brief reports by the laymen at a noon session by J. D. Foster, University of Oregon; A. C. Schmidt, Albany; R. E. Randall, Portland; B. J. Clark, La Grande, and C. L. Shaw, Baker.

LAYMEN TO BE HEARD

Delegates to Missionary Convention Will Speak at Chamber.

Prominent representatives to the laymen's missionary conference in Portland will be speakers at the luncheon of the members' council of the Chamber of Commerce tomorrow noon.

E. L. Thompson, chairman of the members' council, is also active in the arrangements of the laymen's missionary conference in Portland and has urged attendance of the full membership of the Chamber, if possible.

The speakers tomorrow will be F. B. Fisher, team leader of the National Laymen's Missionary Convention; Dr. J. P. McNaughton, recently from Turkey, who will talk on "The Armenian Question"; Dr. Herbert Johnson, of Boston, a prominent clergyman.

Fruit Agency Changes Rumored.

NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., Feb. 12.—(Special.)—Gossip here over the coming reorganization of the North Pacific Fruit Distributors and the Yakima Valley Fruitgrowers' Association, is that F. E. Siskels, heretofore secretary and acting general manager of the Yakima association, will be made executive secretary of the distributors; that B. A. Perham, sales manager of the distributors, will manage the Yakima association; and that W. McCullough, of the distributors, Minneapolis office, will be made sales manager of the Yakima association.

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