

WILL DISCUSS LAWNS TONIGHT

Chamber of Commerce Meeting Will Give Ladies a Chance for Suggestions

A TALK ABOUT MEDFORD

Mr. Fitzgerald Will Tell of That City's Wonderful Progress and the Methods Employed.

The meeting hour of the chamber of commerce is now 7:30 instead of 8 o'clock as was the custom during the summer months.

Tonight the subject of lawns will receive attention, and it is understood that a citizen of Marshfield contemplates offering a prize for the best designed and best kept lawn for the coming spring.

Mr. Eddy, an architect recently from Los Angeles, and also with an eye for the beautiful in landscape gardening will handle the subject of "Lawns for Marshfield." Ladies of course will be cordially welcome to hear the discussion and are welcome to take part.

J. H. Fitzgerald, a citizen of the thriving town of Medford, will be in attendance at the meeting tonight. Like a member of the Salvation Army, ever ready to speak in behalf of the cause, a citizen of Medford is always ready to speak for his town and Mr. Fitzgerald will be heard on how Medford has attained so prominent a place among the flourishing Oregon cities.

Seventeen more boxes of apples were added to the collection that is being prepared for the Portland exhibit yesterday. They were secured by I. S. Smith from the orchard of A. E. Seaman, which is the same orchard that grew the premium gravenstein apples.

Mrs. Frank Fay Eddy, who is responsible in part for the sale of a \$35,000 Coos county farm, to Salt Lake parties, was a caller at the chamber of commerce headquarters yesterday.

MILLIONAIRE BURGLAR.

Chicago, Oct. 31.—Mrs. Evelyn Romadka, wife of a Milwaukee millionaire, was indicted today on six counts, alleging burglary and receiving stolen property.

DEBATING CLUBS WILL MEET AT EUGENE

University of Oregon, Eugene, Oct. 31.—The Oregon State High School Debating League, organized during the past summer, is meeting with hearty cooperation from all parts of the state.

SOCIALISM IN ADAMS TRIAL

Prospective Jurymen Questioned Closely Regarding Papers They Have Read.

TEN DAYS TO GET JURY

Ida Crouch Hazlett Figures as Disturbing Element—Judge Hawley on the Ground.

Spokane, Oct. 31.—A Rathdrum special to the Spokesman-Review says: Socialism played a conspicuous part in the work today in securing a jury to try Steve Adams. It is contended that Adams is under protection of socialists and the Western Federation of Miners. The defense having challenged as false an interview in the Spokane Review wherein Ida Crouch Hazlett, a socialist agitator, declared she was going to Rathdrum to make a statement for the purpose of arousing sentiment for Adams.

TWO MEN KILLED IN EXCAVATION CAVEIN

Seattle, Oct. 31.—Two men were killed and one perhaps fatally injured in the cavein of a hole which was being excavated for the reception of a large tank. The dead are Gustave Johnson and A. West. The injured, Ole Johnson. Fully five tons of earth fell on Gustave Johnson and West, and they were completely buried.

ALL THE SOUTH MAY BE DRY IN FIVE YEARS

New Prohibition Law Said to Be Well Received—Eight Alabama Counties Go Dry in Two Weeks.

Chicago, Oct. 31.—"Within five years the South will be solid for Prohibition. That is my absolute belief, based on a trip just completed through the Southern States, where Prohibition is in the air."

The foregoing prophecy was voiced today by Mrs. L. M. N. Stevens, of Portland, Maine, national president of the W. C. T. U., who has been attending the Georgia State W. C. T. U. convention at Columbus.

"The Georgia convention was extraordinarily enthusiastic," said Mrs. Stevens, "and there were evidences on every hand that the Georgia public is delighted with the new state law imposing complete prohibition."

It was predicted today at the Illinois Prohibition headquarters, that the Alabama legislature will give that state a Prohibition law within six weeks. Within the last two weeks eight Alabama counties have voted for Prohibition.

BOURNE DENIES THAT HE TALKED POLITICS

Washington, Oct. 31.—The New York Herald today prints a story that President Roosevelt yesterday read the riot act to Senator Bourne for his third term agitation and told him plainly that he stood by his election night statement and would not accept another nomination. Bourne denies that he talked politics with the president.

CALABOOSE CROWDED WITH YOUNG HOPEFULS

Seventeen Halloween Enthusiasts Enjoying Officer Carter's Hospitality.

The usual number of movable things exchanged places last night, and nearly everything that was not rattled down, walked off in some mysterious manner. The city had a number of extra men on duty last evening and into the night, but the playful marauders succeeded in evading any introduction to the officers upto a late hour.

The girls were not in hiding, and early in the evening the reporter met several men who were quite wrathful over having come in contact with handful of flour thrown by the girls. One man with a flowing tie met with an extra large dose and was looking like a miller working double time.

Later—A visit to Front street and the calaboose developed the fact that there were thirteen boys in the cooler. Just as the reporter came along at the Pioneer Hardware, four innocent looking fellows came along and the officers took them in charge and locked them up with the other thirteen. The four who were walking

along the street were Henry Stevens, Frank Brady, George Taylor and Henry Bidwill, according to information received through the cracks of the calaboose. Only three of the other thirteen cared to let their names be known. These were Ed. Sherlock, Frank Chapman and Henry Herman. Officer Carter said they would remain in the pen over night, and then he left. One officer was asked just before the last arrest was made whether they had taken anybody into custody and answered, "No, we have not." The police force evidently do not care to give out any news to reporters, but that doesn't make any difference. The boys who were arrested said they were walking along Front street when they were arrested and were doing nothing outside of minding their business. They added they were taken on suspicion, as there was no proof with the officer of their having committed any depredations. Chief Carter found time enough to say that the school house steps had been torn up, and that the north end of Front street had been blocked in several places. The boys will probably be arraigned today for violating the curfew ordinance. When the reporter departed the boys were singing "We won't go home till morning." This was at 2.30.

HITCHCOCK FAILS TO APPEAR FOR TRIAL.

Noted Actor Is Missing in New York---Friends Are Divided as to Cause for His Disappearance.

New York, Oct. 31.—The mysterious disappearance of Raymond Hitchcock, following his indictment by the grand jury which had heard the stories of the three little girls, was the absorbing topic today on Broadway. The actor's closest friends who have energetically defended his name since he became involved in the trouble, are divided in opinion. Many insisted today that, driven desperate by the serious accusations, he had committed suicide. Others were satisfied that he had been spirited away and possibly been murdered by men who had practiced blackmail on the comedian and who feared exposure if the case of their victim came to trial.

Mrs. Hitchcock, though near collapse, has continued to play opposite her husband's understudy at the theater where both were engaged until yesterday, when Hitchcock failed to appear at the matinee. Fromme said "Hitchcock would not go away of his own accord. He had either been kidnapped by the band of black-

matters by whom he had been annoyed, threatened and hounded for the past two years." Six of these dozen men are known to me by name. Hitchcock has lived in a continual state of terror on account of their threats for the past two years. Nevertheless he has not left his wife voluntarily. He is an innocent man and there is no proof against him that there is the slightest foundation for the accusations made. Four men have been trailing him for months. Now it turns out that they are blackmailers. Last Monday Hitchcock was anxious to have the entire matter settled in court, but adjournment prevented this. The case was called for this afternoon. I believe he is a victim of the blackmailers who are not anxious to have it threshed out. While these theories gained some credence, the police did not relax their efforts to locate Hitchcock which began when a police alarm was sent out last night. All outgoing steamers were visited and their passenger lists scrutinized. Wireless messages were sent to the steamer Majestic which sailed yesterday.

COURAGE FAILS WARDELL AFTER WOMAN SUICIDES.

New York Man Gets Cold Feet in Suicide Compact and Is on Trial for Manslaughter.

New York, Oct. 31.—After being convicted of manslaughter in the first degree in aiding and abetting his wife to commit suicide, James Wardell today confessed he killed her and fired a bullet into her dead body to give the impression that she ended her own life. Wardell said his mind had been completely upset by his wife's misdoings and he suggested they die together. She readily

agreed. He placed a gas tube in his wife's mouth and turned on the gas, and when she was dead, his own courage failed, and he dared not end his own life. He then thought to shield himself by firing a shot into her brain to make it appear she committed suicide. After the confession, Wardell said: "Try me for murder, that's what I want. That's what I wanted to do."

MEXICAN BANK BRINGS SUIT

Chihuahua Institution Wants Millionaire's Son to Keep His Obligation.

ASKS AID OF U. S. COURT

Amount Involved, \$7,1936—Clark Promised to Finance Several Mining Operations.

Helena, Oct. 31.—A suit for collection of judgment against Charles W. Clark, son of former Senator Clark, which was filed in federal court today by a Mexican bank charges that a transfer of stocks by Charles W. Clark to his father "was a fraudulent transaction."

The plaintiff is a bank in Chihuahua, Mexico. It is alleged that in 1900, Charles W. Clark agreed to finance the mining operations of Whitmore and Sizer, the latter of whom opened an account with the plaintiff. His account was overdrawn in 1906 and judgment for \$7,196 (American) and costs was sustained. Garnishment of the Colusa Parrot mining company and of the firm of W. A. Clark & Bro., were met with the statement that they had no money belonging to Charles W. Clark. The plaintiff now alleges that Charles W. Clark is owner of \$3,000,000 of the mining stocks and that the transfer of these stocks to W. A. Clark was "a fraudulent device to hinder and delay creditors of said Charles W. Clark." The court is asked to set aside the transfer and order sufficient of the stock sold as will be necessary to settle the judgment.

WEATHER OUTLOOK.

Western Oregon, western Washington, occasional rain; Eastern Oregon, eastern Washington, Idaho, fair.

PRESIDENT DISLIKES BOURNE'S BOOMING

Says He Will Be Better Pleased With His Friendship If He Steps Booming the Third Term Idea.

Washington, Oct. 31.—An interesting development of the day at the White House will make third-term boomers a little cautious.

There is excellent authority for the statement that the President has informed Senator Bourne that his persistent third-term propaganda is not receiving hearty endorsement at the White House.

Senator Bourne has been a frequent caller at the White House and on leaving has always given out an interview reiterating in one form or another his opinion that the President must be nominated whether he gives his consent or not. The President has gone so far as to inform Senator Bourne that he will be better pleased with his friendship if he will discontinue his propaganda.

CHARLES DEERE, PLOWMAN

Head of Great Industry Dies Immensely Wealthy.

Chicago, Oct. 31.—Charles H. Deere, of Moline, head of the great plow and implement company founded by his father, John Deere, died at the Lakota hotel in this city shortly after midnight this morning after a lengthy illness. He was immensely wealthy and a great power in his home city and community.

The little business founded by his father has grown to vast proportions, with branches in St. Louis, Dallas, New Orleans, Kansas City, Denver, Omaha, Portland, Indianapolis, San Francisco and Minneapolis. Mr. Deere was prominent in Republican politics. Frequently chosen delegate to national conventions, he always refused political honors, although many were within his grasp.

Stoves and ranges for coal or wood. See Ekblad & Son, Hardware.

ACUTE STAGE SEEMS PAST

New York Feels Optimistic and Looks Forward to Speedy Return to Normal.

LONDON SHOWS BELIEF

Her Rate is Below the German Discount Now in Effect, Being 5 1/2.

New York, Oct. 31.—Indications that the available supply of cash would be materially increased within a short time with the imports of gold and the increase of bank note circulation and that the movement of cotton and grain crops would be facilitated in every way possible with the result of increasing our credits abroad, were the salient features of today's financial situation. It seemed to be recognized everywhere that the acute stage of the crisis was over and that all that remained was to obtain sufficient currency to resume currency payments upon a broad scale and thus restore the conditions prevailing before the crisis. Exchange of gold made in New York, Chicago and elsewhere brought up the total import movement within the past week to \$23,750,000, it will in itself, afford much relief to existing conditions. The action of the Bank of England in raising its discount rate from 4 1/2 to 5 1/2 per cent was in accordance with expectations. The fact that the increase was not made to 6 per cent and that the English rate remains one per cent below the German rate, is accepted as an indication that in London the situation is not considered acute.

UMATILLA TO GET NEXT LAND OPENING

Restoration for Only 2640 Acres, but All Will Be Irrigated.

Pendleton, Oct. 31.—By a special order of United States Land Commissioner R. A. Ballinger, 2640 acres of land under the Umatilla irrigation project will be restored to entry. The opening of the land was made on advice of the engineers in charge of the project.

January 28, 1908, is the date set for filings, and no rights can be obtained by going upon the land prior to that time. The date for the restoration is December 28, 1907.

Because the land is capable of being irrigated from private ditches, it is probable that there will be a desire to file upon it. The tract that has been restored is situated in the western part of Umatilla and the eastern part of Morrow counties.

TURTLE TAKES BOAT OUT INTO OCEAN

San Diego, Cal., Oct. 31.—Word has just been received from Ensenada of the narrow escape from death of William J. Forbes, prominent in the affairs of Wall Street, who is a guest of Walter Nordhoff at his home at Punta Banda. Mr. Forbes was fishing on the bay in a small boat accompanied by a boatman, when their line was taken by a sea turtle. The line held and the turtle towed the boat for some distance. The fishermen determined to land the turtle if possible, and in their efforts they overturned the boat. The turtle got away with the tackle, and the fishermen were in the water for two hours before they were rescued.

STEEL COMPANY PAYS DIVIDENDS

New York, Oct. 31.—The directors of the United Steel corporation today declared the regular quarterly dividend of 1 1/2 per cent on the preferred stock and a half of one per cent on the common.

The earnings for the three months ended September 30 were \$43,301,285, and increase of \$5,699,661 as compared with the same quarter of last year.

Roller Breaks Pipes.

A number of water pipes were broken yesterday by the heavy steam roller which was working on Front street.