

MEETING AT LA GRANDE ENDS

Delegates to Convention of Oregon Federation of Women's Clubs Return Home—Important Resolutions Passed.

By Sarah A. Evans. La Grande, Or., Nov. 13.—Forest Grove will be the next place of meeting of the Oregon Federation of Women's Clubs. This was decided by unanimous vote of the convention, which closed its meeting at La Grande Thursday evening.

Sixty-four registered and accredited delegates were in attendance at the convention, and perhaps as many more out-of-town visitors and the people of La Grande crowded the convention hall at every session. Many resolutions at the convention were passed at the close of the session. Among those passed were:

1. To petition the legislature to allow the public schools to be used for social centers for the neighborhood.
 2. A bill to require the wife's signature to indorsements of notes or other paper whereby property may be made liable.
 3. An amendment to the pure food bill prohibiting samples of drugs or medicines being thrown around as advertisements.
 4. The president was instructed to appoint a committee to confer with the relatives of Sam Simpson with a view to collecting and publishing his poems.
- The constitution was revised, and hereafter the money contributed for the scholarship loan fund will be sent direct to the chairman of that committee, and subject to change only by a vote of the convention.
- The west bound train being late last evening, most of the delegates were compelled to stay over till morning, when a special standard was placed at their disposal.
- The concert tendered the guests of La Grande by the church of Laiter Day Saints was a magnificent affair, and this chorus of 100 voices is perhaps the best trained of any in Oregon and the east. The solo and quartet work was wonderful and it is safe to say there are few, if any, finer voices in the state.
- When the final curtain was rung down upon the eighth annual convention of the Oregon Federation of Women's Clubs, and the benediction was pronounced in impressive words by Rev. Jennette O. Harris, all felt that they had been blessed indeed in their deliberations.

OPEN CAMPAIGN AT SELLWOOD

Thirteen members of the Sellwood Republican club met in the back room of a candy store at Sellwood last night to organize the opposition to the election of Governor Chamberlain to the United States senate. Jimmy Kercheval and other leaders made speeches depicting the conditions existing by which good and loyal Republicans were pledged to vote for Governor Chamberlain.

A petition was drawn up and adopted, which by its terms releases members of the legislature from their Statement of Pledges. It is the intention to circulate this petition for signatures throughout the precinct, and it is expected that the state managers of the anti-statement forces will circulate the document throughout the state. The petition is as follows:

Whereas, conditions are now radically different from those existing at the time the pledges were given, and therefore, we, the undersigned, legal voters of Multnomah county, do relieve and release such legislators from their obligation under such pledges, and in so far as our relation to such pledges may subsist, we hereby hold them null and void.

BOOSTERS TO MEET AT WHITE SALMON

There is to be a rousing meeting of the Klifklat County Development League at White Salmon tomorrow night, at which H. M. Adams, general passenger agent of the North Bank road, and Tom Richardson of the Portland Commercial Union will be speakers. The Portland delegation to the booster meeting will leave here tomorrow morning from Second and Washington streets and go over the North Bank to White Salmon by way of Vancouver, Wash.

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FORMER POLICEMAN ATTEMPTS TO TAKE HIS WIFE'S LIFE IN DRUNKEN RAGE

Four officers were required last evening to hold C. R. Jodon, formerly a policeman, while he was being searched at police headquarters. Jodon, a big, powerful man, was fighting mad and the liquor he had inside made him forget that the odds were against him.

PORTLAND-SAN FRANCISCO TIME SOON TO BE CUT TO 28 HOURS

Twenty-eight hours from Portland to San Francisco is the time the Southern Pacific is figuring on for its fast train on the Shasta route. The best time at present between the two cities is made by No. 13, which makes the run of 773 miles in 36 hours. The change in time will not be made until March, after the close of the rainy season.

SPENDS DAY IN PORTLAND

S. G. Cosgrove, Governor-elect of Washington, is here on way South.

S. G. Cosgrove, governor-elect of Washington, arrived in Portland over the Northern Pacific this morning and was taken in a carriage to St. Vincent's hospital, where he will spend the day, and if strong enough, will leave tonight over the Southern Pacific for Paso Robles, Cal.

The arrangements for Mr. Cosgrove's care in Portland were looked after by General Passenger Agent McMurray of the Southern Pacific, who had a carriage in waiting and who has instructed agents along the route between Portland and California to take particular care to see that Mr. Cosgrove and his party want for nothing at the various junction points along the line.

When the Cosgrove party, including Mr. and Mrs. Cosgrove and Dr. and Mrs. Keylor, reached the Union depot this morning, the governor-elect was assisted to a carriage and taken to St. Vincent's. It was stated at the hospital at noon today that he had slept all morning and would probably be sufficiently recovered to leave for California at 7:45 this evening.

Governor Cosgrove was stricken with Bright's disease some weeks ago, and it was feared that he would never live to take his oath of office. As a last resort the trip to California was agreed upon and his family are greatly cheered over the fact that the first stage of the journey has apparently not fatigued him to any great extent.

LA ROSE CASE COURT GRANTS VERDICTS WITH JURY

At 10 o'clock this morning the jury that for nearly two weeks has listened to testimony and argument in the case of Jack La Rose, charged with beating Hyman Neuman to death with a gas pipe, retired to consider its verdict. No word has come from the jury-room to give any indication as to what the result will be, but it is evident that the jurors are not a unit, and that the majority, which is the law, is trying to get the minority into line.

Attorneys for the state and for the defense were alike positive this morning in predicting that the verdict would favor them. The state contends that the case is strong enough to justify the belief that a verdict of guilty in the first degree will be returned, but this is not the general opinion. Those who have followed the case closely predict that if an agreement is reached it will not be on any verdict stronger than second degree. There are four possible verdicts—first degree, second degree, manslaughter and homicide.

Disagreement is thought by many to be the most likely outcome. This is on the theory that several jurors of positive convictions have been convinced that La Rose is guilty and must not be allowed to escape the law, and that several others are equally sure that the proof of the state is insufficient to require a reasonable charge of homicide. This is also on the theory that the opposing sides will not agree to a compromise verdict, or manslaughter, as was done in the case of Edward H. Martin.

Judge Morrow took little more than half an hour in directing the jury in instructions to the jury. They followed the usual line in such cases, and both sides expressed satisfaction with them.

After the jury retired to the jury-room on the second floor of the court-house, but found the conveniences poor and asked to be taken to the room on the third floor, where the Martin jury deliberated. This request was granted. At 12:15 the jury went to a restaurant for luncheon in charge of a bailiff.

The concluding arguments in the case were made yesterday afternoon by Jay H. Upton for the defense and Deputy District Attorney Fitzgerald for the prosecution. Some comment has been excited by the fact that the trial was held on Friday, the 13th day of the month. Each side hopes that the evil omen will attach to the other.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS FOUND NEW LODGE

A lodge of the Knights of Pythias was organized last night at Gaster, Or., by Grand Chancellor Gus C. Moser of Portland, assisted by J. B. Stinson of Salem, Grand K. of R. and S., and Colonel George W. Knight of Hubbard, together with about 50 other knights from Portland, Salem, Hillsboro, Forest Grove, Corvallis and North Yamhill.

The new lodge starts off very auspiciously with a large membership. It took the boys all night and until 3 o'clock to get the names of the new brothers on their way properly, but Grand Chancellor Moser reports that it was done in fitting style.

The Knights of Pythias now have a membership in Oregon of over 5,000. There are about 175,000 in the United States.

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BRYANS TO TOUR WEST AND SOUTH

Trip May Include Wintering in Mexico—No Political Conferences.

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A rumor that Bryan intended to hold a series of conferences with western and southern Democratic leaders has been denied. Bryan says he is going for a long rest.

B. Meller of London, England, was a visitor at the commercial club this morning. Mr. Meller has two sons in America and is desirous of establishing in business a third somewhere in Oregon. He will leave tomorrow for Hood River to look over the apple orchards there.

ADELA VERNE SCORES AN ARTISTIC SUCCESS

The beautiful Scottish Rite cathedral was taxed to its extreme limit last evening by a fashionable and enthusiastic audience, who had gathered to hear Miss Adela Verne, an English pianist of rare ability.

This was Miss Verne's initial appearance, she coming direct from Europe and the east, where her recent triumphs have won her a place among the greatest virtuosos of the world. She was most enthusiastically received and her wonderful technique and brilliancy of style was probably never better displayed. Her program, which was a difficult but well-chosen one, was accorded hearty applause, and she generously responded with several splendid encores.

The marked advance made in piano construction and tone production, as embodied in the magnificent Weber piano used by Miss Verne, was a revelation to those who have not followed this subject closely. To conceive of a more perfectly balanced scale or stronger, yet purer tones, than those which poured forth from the Weber piano in response to the demands of this gifted young artist seems impossible.

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