

MISSIONARY GROUP OPENS CONVENTION

Thirty-Third Annual Session Well Under Way; Gathering Departs Sunday

RECEPTION IS OFFERED

Five Methodist Churches of Salem Are Hosts; Approximately 200 Delegates Are in Attendance

The annual meeting of the Columbia River branch of the Women's Foreign Missionary society convened for its 33rd session at the First Methodist church at 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon, with Mrs. J. E. Davis presiding.

Visiting missionaries introduced by Mrs. Huet were Miss Ruth Warner, South America; Miss Elizabeth Carlyle and Miss Florence Styles, China; Miss Ethel Butts, Korea; Miss Louise Godfrey, India, and Miss Maude Cone, Africa.

Greetings to the convention were given by Miss Florence Hooper, national treasurer of Baltimore, Md. She gave an inspirational address while Miss Godfrey, in "Glimpses of India," told of the hospital at Baroda and conditions in general throughout the district which are said to be far from modern and sanitary.

Reports from conference secretaries were given, with Mrs. William Park, of Puget Sound district reporting \$18,415.98 raised with \$17,500 pledged. Mrs. Carl Anderson, Pacific Swedish, \$500 paid and great advancement in last year's work. Mrs. F. A. Schuman, Pacific German in spite of a decreased membership, reported \$1162.10 raised on a \$1000 pledge. Mrs. D. C. Bevan of the Oregon district reported \$18,190.13 raised.

Miss A. Criley spoke on "A Half Decade in China" showing the great advancement that has been made in recent years.

Dr. D. H. Leech, who conducted the devotional service, stressed the need of vision, program and mission. Power in Christ's work depends upon a personal acquaintance with Jesus, he said.

Committees were appointed at the afternoon session while Miss Fay Sparks favored the convention with a solo. The auditorium was packed and included in the audience were Dr. Youngton, Dr. Fred Taylor, pastor of the Methodist church here; Dr. Mills, editor of the Pacific Advocate and Dr. Dilliam Park of Puget Sound.

Dr. Carl Gregg Doney, president of Willamette university, delivered the main address last night, emphasizing the needs of favor, able sentiment of world peace and that Christianity must prevail. Three instrumental solos were given by Prof. T. S. Roberts while Mrs. C. O. Powers and Miss Josephine Brown offered a vocal duet.

A formal reception was given last night by ladies of the five Methodist churches which are sponsoring the entertainment of the convention. Refreshments were served.

The main business of the convention will be transacted Saturday. The convention will continue in session today and close Sunday.

Approximately 200 delegates from Oregon, Washington, Montana and Idaho are in attendance.

SEEK MURDER SUSPECTS

MEN IMPLICATED IN KELSO KILLING ARE SOUGHT

KELSO, Wash., Oct. 8.—(By Associated Press.)—The Dovere murder case has settled down to a chase for John William Smith and Frank T. Hart, wanted here on charges of murdering the Kelso editor. The sheriff's office has received a number of reports that Smith has been seen at different points in the past few weeks and is carefully checking each report.

Fred Whaley, Seattle accountant, reports having seen Smith in Seattle near the county-city building about two weeks ago. Smith begged him for some money. Sheriff Studebaker is personally directing the chase.

Sharpe stated this morning that he expected to issue a statement tomorrow relative to George H. Norris, city engineer, who was charged with murdering Dovere by A. Ruric Todd, former Kelso mayor and who is at liberty on \$40,000 bail.

GOVERNORSHIP SOUGHT

PATTERSON MAKES FORMAL DECLARATION AT EUGENE

EUGENE, Oct. 8.—(By Associated Press.)—I. L. Patterson, state senator, while in Eugene today announced his candidacy for governor on the republican ticket at the coming primaries.

CIGARETTES ARE HIT

SEATTLE, Oct. 8.—(By Associated Press.)—Mrs. Jackson Hill, chairwoman of the Northern Pacific railway formed a conspiracy which resulted in her losing a position which she held for six years, Miss Myrtle Ransom, former freight clerk and cashier at the Cle Elum depot, today sued the four alleged conspirators for \$25,000 damages.

HAWLEY RETURNS EAST FOR TAX INVESTIGATION

IMPORTANT MEETING OF COMMITTEE OCTOBER 19

Federal Revenue Reduction Bill of \$350,000,000 to Be Ready For Congress

Congressman W. C. Hawley, accompanied by his wife, left Salem Thursday morning enroute to Washington, D. C. for the purpose of attending the meeting of the ways and means committee which has been called for October 19 under an act of the last congress. This committee proposes to have ready when congress convenes on December 7, a bill for the reduction of the revenue of the government some \$350,000,000.

Hawley is ranking member of this tax committee in the world and his presence at its meeting is very important.

Mr. Hawley says, "I anticipate the maximum surtax will be reduced to 20 percent and possibly to a lower rate. Some further relief will probably be given to the smaller income tax payers. I think the corporation tax and the capital stock tax will also be reduced with a possibility that the latter will be eliminated. It will be the purpose of the committee to take advantage of this opportunity of relieving the tax payers whose necessity for relief is the greatest and also to readjust the burdens of taxes so far as is humanly possible so they will bear equally on all tax payers. I think the inheritance tax and the gift tax should be left to state legislation, or at least that these sources of revenue should be left to the states. There are a number of other taxes on automobiles, tires, accessories, and parts. The committee will be hearing for several weeks that all who are interested in the reduction of taxes will have an opportunity to present arguments in support of their contentions."

Prior to the convening of congress, Mr. Hawley will have conferences with the board of engineers for rivers and harbors on several projects of improvement and also with the forest service bureau of public roads upon the construction of various roads in his district.

He is a member of the Republican committee on committees, and will sit with that body when they apportion Republican members of the house among the several committees. He is chairman of the Republican committee on the house and will be asked in matters relative to the business of the coming session of congress.

NEWS PIRACY CHARGED

PAPER SAYS PRESS REPORTS ARE BEING PIRATED

SEATTLE, Oct. 8.—The Seattle Times today obtained temporary injunctions against pirating of play by play news on baseball games of the world series received by the Times from the Associated Press. Persons were taking this news from a play board operated by the Times with information transmitted through an Associated Press operator seated near the board. The news was being telephoned to cigar stores in the city.

Hearings on whether to make the injunctions permanent were set for Wednesday.

The Times obtained injunctions against a man and against the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph company. The company's attention having been thus drawn to the matter it shut off several other persons who it was discovered were pirating this news in the same way.

ESCAPING WIFE CAUGHT

MAN IN JAIL, FINDS SPOUSE PLANNING ELOPMENT

THE DALLES, Or., Oct. 8.—(By Associated Press.)—Hearing that his wife was eloping with another man while he was in jail, Steve Handran last night enlisted the aid of Sheriff Christman with the result that Mrs. Handran and George Vickers were arrested at Hood River. The pair were held in the justice court this morning, under \$150 bail each. Mrs. Handran, when her husband was arrested and sentenced to 60 days in jail on a liquor charge, pleaded with Wasco county authorities for permission to stay in jail with her husband but her request was refused.

DAMAGE ACTION DISMISSED

OLYMPIA, Oct. 8.—(By Associated Press.)—Dismissal by the King county court of the action brought by Andrew Dedrick against Kenneth Durham, former assistant supervisor of industrial insurance in the state department of labor and industries, Matt Starwich as sheriff of King county, and others for damages of \$50,000 for alleged false imprisonment, was affirmed today by the supreme court.

GIRL SAID BANNED

SEATTLE, Oct. 8.—(By Associated Press.)—Charging that four employees of the Northern Pacific railway formed a conspiracy which resulted in her losing a position which she held for six years, Miss Myrtle Ransom, former freight clerk and cashier at the Cle Elum depot, today sued the four alleged conspirators for \$25,000 damages.

RAIL LINES CLASH OVER PRIOR RIGHT

Southern Pacific Representatives Take Stand in Commission Inquiry

OPPOSITION QUESTIONED

Strahorn Details Bend's Antagonism in Past Years and Present Change of Heart

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 8.—(By Associated Press.)—There will be extensive lumber development of the Sprague river and Lakeview will have with activity because of two new mills and the rejuvenation of one already there if the Southern Pacific company is permitted to carry out its expansion plans in Central Oregon, numerous witnesses today told Charles D. Mahaffie, director of finance of the interstate commerce commission.

Bend's opposition to railroad extension south years ago when he planned such a railroad in contrast to its support of plans of the Oregon Trunk now and the cooperative service that the two roads could give to Central Oregon were discussed in detail by Robert E. Strahorn, pioneer in railroad building in that section, and 73 years old president of the Oregon, California & Eastern railroad.

The Oregon Trunk completed its case at 10:30 a. m., and Mr. Strahorn, as an ally of the Southern Pacific, was on the stand for the rest of the morning and part of the afternoon. Charles Moran, of New York, president of the Nevada-California-Oregon railway, which the Southern Pacific is seeking to acquire and broaden, spoke of the necessity of this step if the line is to prosper and when he had finished the main case of the Southern Pacific got under way.

E. Dusenberry, of San Francisco, a lumberman of Lakeview, declared that he intended to construct a logging line to tap the Nevada-California-Oregon line and to build a mill at Lakeview that would cut 20,000,000 feet a year, Frank Bontai, a Portland lumberman, also interested in the district, says 250,000,000 feet in the neighborhood of Lakeview, where he would construct a mill and build a logging line to the railroad there. He said, further, that a mill already at Lakeview and which is planning to close down soon, would be rejuvenated if the Southern Pacific and Strahorn plans are carried out.

Charles Moran, president of the Nevada-California-Oregon line said that all of the stock and most of the bonds of the line were owned by himself and his three sisters and that he had made numerous attempts to get the line broad-gauged, but could not finance the plan until the Southern Pacific offered to carry it out at a cost of about \$2,300,000, exclusive of equipment. He estimated that there are about 14,000,000 feet of timber tributary to Lakeview, and that if his line were standard gauge it would be a paying investment.

Estimates of construction cost

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MORE BEAUTIFUL SALEM PLEA MADE BY WRITER

FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS BEING ADVOCATED

Fair Grounds, Fruit Displays in Business Section and Streets Praised

(By COL. E. HOFER) Salem is the most beautiful city in the state. It is the most beautiful inland city and state capital in the west. Considering our wide streets, public buildings, public and private grounds it can easily lay claim to being the most beautiful city in the world. Beauty is its great asset of real value to property and to business. Why not give some thought to further development on this line? We can rest assured that with still greater beauty as a municipal asset the building of a larger city follows as a consequence. No one need worry about more buildings, more population, increasing values of property, increasing business opportunities and for more successful enterprises.

Those who visited the state fair can see what outdoor growing of flowers means as an asset of success. What pleasure the flowers gave! They radiated pure joy to every soul. They inspired thousands to make home plantings for the coming year when the fair and this city shall be still more beautiful. It would be easy to estimate that the influence of flowers added millions of dollars of cash value to Salem and the state. True Salemites must feel it a duty to make more of flowers. This is the time of year to plant peonies—most showy and most beautiful of all glorious large flowers. It rivals the rose in perfume and gorgeous colors. It can be made to bloom over a period of several months in the spring—the earliest of all large flowers. For a month peony plants can be set out with the certainty of securing flowers next spring. The planting is good for five to ten years. October is the best time to plant peonies. Choice varieties can be secured at two dollars a dozen and what a display they make with their beautiful foliage, free from all plant diseases and insect pests. Plant with some rich soil and a good supply of fertilizer.

Salem has another great asset in its displays of fruit in front of

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THREE KILLED IN BLAST

40 INJURED WHEN 10 STORY BUILDING IS WRECKED

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 8.—(By Associated Press.)—The death toll of a terrific explosion that enveloped the 10 story Laclede Gas Light building in the downtown business district here today stood at three tonight after the ruins of the first floor and basement had been carefully searched.

The list of injured who received hospital treatment stood at 40, seven of whom were in a serious condition.

The number of persons cut by falling debris, overcome by ammonia fumes and otherwise slightly hurt in the confusion, police estimate at 40 more.

Bursting ammonia tanks in the basement spread the riot but what caused the tanks to explode was unexplained.

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NOTORIOUS GAMBLER IS READY TO GO TO JAIL

FAMOUS "WOLF OF LA SALLE STREET" GIVES SELF UP

Man Who Amassed Fabulous Fortune on Race Tracks Declared Near Death

CHICAGO, Oct. 8.—(By Associated Press.)—John W. Worthington, the "wolf of La Salle Street" who for two years has evaded a federal prison sentence, today voluntarily returned to Chicago to settle his score with the government. After successfully evading arrest for two years "the wolf", one of the most colorful figures in the criminal history of the country, came back, broken in health, practically penniless and believing himself near death's door.

He came to make his will, to make peace with his government and to die behind prison doors. With him came his daughter Alice, who has shared in his adventures and misfortunes.

Worthington's attorney was summoned to "the wolf's" hotel room. He said that Worthington is partly paralyzed and was brought from Mexico on a stretcher. Worthington fled to Old Mexico from the coast. Worthington asked the attorney to draw up his will, declaring he believed he had but a few days to live. The attorney said he expected to go before Federal Judge Adam C. Cliffe to ask for a 30-day stay of execution before his client enters prison.

"The wolf's" return to the city where he amassed a fortune estimated at one time at more than \$1,000,000 was no less dramatic than the exciting life that he led here.

Beginning his fortune with a \$5 bet at a race track, Worthington branched out into the brokerage business when he amassed enough money from gambling, opened offices in La Salle street and apparently was a reputable broker with substantial fortune when the government, about five years ago, charged him with using the mails to defraud.

Worthington waged a long and bitter legal battle to escape the penitentiary. He was convicted and sentenced to serve two years in prison. He fought the case to the United States supreme court where he lost a year ago but in January of this year received a stay of sentence when his physicians believed him to be dying of diabetes.

Other charges were brought against him in St. Louis and California, but his illness kept him out of jail and he went to Los Angeles to recuperate.

FARMERS VISIT PROJECT

YAKIMA, Oct. 8.—Forty farmers from the La Grande district in Oregon, inspected the Sunnyside unit of the Yakima reclamation project today under the guidance of J. L. Lytel, project superintendent. Tomorrow they will make a tour of the Tieton unit.

CHRISTIANITY IS DISCUSSED

SEATTLE, Oct. 8.—(By Associated Press.)—The question of whether christianity is fitted to become a world religion was discussed today by the Rev. James E. Crowther of Seattle before delegates to the Washington Congressional conference here.

PIRATE CREW WINS FROM SOLONS, 3-2

Remarkable Twirling by Aldridge and Cuyler's Hitting Effective

BLUEGE IS BADLY HURT

Star Third Sacker for Senators Hit Behind Ear by Fast Ball; Is Not in Apparent Danger

PITTSBURGH, Oct. 8.—(By Associated Press.)—Undaunted by their first setback, the Pirates sallied forth today, armed to the teeth and came home with booty of the second world's series battle after a rousing hand to hand grapple that was packed with thrills right down to the final thrust.

On the hazy battleground of Forbes field, flanked by a wildly cheering throng of 43,000 non-combatants, the bold buccaners turned the tables on their Senator conquerors of the day before, broke up the sharp shooting of one of Washington's biggest guns, Stanley Coveleskie, and took the second game of the championship conflict in a dime novel finish with a home run by Kiki Cuyler and the stout hearted pitching of Vic Aldridge turning the tide victoriously.

The final verdict was gained only by the hairline margin of 3 to 2, with the outcome in doubt until the last out, but it was enough to put the Pirates on even terms with the world's champion Senators as the rival forces set sail tonight for the capital, prepared to renew the engagement in the third tussle at Griffith stadium tomorrow.

There was a double portion of disaster for the Senators as they pitched away their home game for besides losing the game and their brilliantly won advantage of yesterday, their rank suffered a hard blow in the loss at least temporarily, of Ossie Bluege, star third base guard.

Bluege was hit just back of the ear by one of Aldridge's fast in-shoots in the sixth inning and by Myer, an untired recruit, took his place in the field. Bluege dropped as though shot and if first seemed that he was severely hurt, but he recovered sufficiently to walk from the field to the club house. There, though still in a daze, physicians discovered no apparent danger in his condition. He left shortly after the game with his team mates to board their Washington train, but doubt remained as to whether he would return to the lineup tomorrow in spite of Manager Bucky Harris' optimism on this subject.

The loss of Bluege, whose play had been a feature of the series thus far, came at a critical moment for the Senators who were battling to break the 1-1 deadlock brought about when Glenn Wright, Pirate shortstop, walloped a home run into the right field stands in the fourth inning that offset the advantage gained by the senators on Joe Judge's round trip smash into the right field grand stand extension. Even with Bluege in the lineup, however, it is doubtful whether the Senators could have survived the final Pirate drive in which Cuyler's homer broke the deadlock and scored Eddie Moore ahead of him with the deciding tally while Aldridge, making the last of a series of gallant stands, kept the Senators from boarding the Pirate craft in a desperate ninth inning rally that fell only one run short of tying the count.

The Senators had filled the bases with none out in their last inning counter attack, and did manage to push over one more on a long sacrifice fly by Bob Veach in a pinch hitting role, but Aldridge struck out Dutch Ruether, another substitute batsman and tired the dangerous Sam Rice on an easy bouncer for the final out.

It was the second time in the game that the world's champions filled the bases with none out but on the first occasion in the fifth inning they were evened last successful, going out without making a run. In that frame Aldridge put

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STATE TREASURY IS LOW

ABOUT \$3,000,000 WITHDRAWN FROM DEPOSITS

State deposits in Oregon banks to the amount of \$3,000,000 have been withdrawn during the past month in order to obtain money for ordinary business, according to T. B. Kay, state treasurer. This has been made necessary because no state tax deposits on second half payments have been received with one exception, \$100,000 from Multnomah county. Most of the withdrawals have been from western Oregon and Portland banks.

Payments from the counties will relieve the situation but temporarily, declares Treasurer Kay, and he predicts that after the first of the year the treasury will be at low ebb and the present lack of funds the more serious than at any time during the past ten years.

The payments from the counties will bring in about \$3,500,000 but only \$1,500,000 of this goes to the general fund for state purposes. The remainder goes for specific purposes, mainly millage tax levies.

SERIES SIDELIGHTS

PITTSBURGH, Oct. 8.—(By Associated Press.)—Baseball paid tribute to the one and only Matty "Christie" Mathewson, who died at Saratoga, N. Y., yesterday, by placing the world's series flag by half mast, uncovering heads and wearing black arm bands. Further ceremonies are to follow at Washington on Saturday when "Big Six" is buried, according to present plans.

"Goose" Goslin, from whom exceptional play was expected when the series started, has not had a single chance in the outfield and has scored only one hit in eight times at bat.

Max Carey has banded both Johnson and Coveleskie puzzling. Yesterday he went out on three pitched balls, all of them called strikes. Today he did the same thing against Coveleskie, but took a swing at the last one.

Prophets are again confounded. Pittsburgh's defense was supposed to be unsteady at critical stages but it remained for the usually reliable Peckinpaugh, voted the most valuable player to his team in the American league, to commit two bobbles in one inning. Peck has the error column all to himself so far, having made one yesterday.

PROBE OPENS TODAY

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Oct. 8.—Investigation of the county and city health department which has been charged with inefficiency in office will likely be held tomorrow by the board of county commissioners.

MASKED BANDITS STAGE DARING MAIL ROBBERY

REGISTERED MAIL TRUCK IS ROBBED BY FIVE MEN

Highwaymen Force Driver Into Side Alley and Strip Car of Valued Mail

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 8.—(By Associated Press.)—A gang of masked men, numbering five or more, held up a United States mail truck here tonight and escaped with registered mail of undetermined value.

The truck, driven by J. M. Johnson, was on its way to the Santa Fe station with registered mail for Chicago and the east when the robbers, traveling in a big automobile, intercepted it at Second and Santa Fe streets, not far from the depot and forced it into the curb.

Ordering Johnson into a dark alley nearby under guard of one of the masked men, the other members of the gang forced a mail clerk and a guard who were aboard the truck to lie down in the rear of the machine.

They then drove the truck into a dark side street and stripped it of its registered mail pouches.

The bandits were armed with sawed-off shotguns as well as pistols, and worked with military precision. Their masks were handkerchiefs.

Tonight's robbery took place within a few blocks of the scene of the so-called "million dollar" mail truck raids led by Herbert Wilson, former evangelist, in March and November, 1921. Postal authorities declined to give out any information save that the superintendent of mails and Postmaster O'Brien were checking the schedule of contents of the six registered sacks reported missing, and that a statement would be forthcoming later.

INDIAN TRIBES GATHER

INDIAN TRIBES ARE TO MEET AT SPOKANE

SPOKANE, Oct. 8.—(By Associated Press.)—Reminiscence of the old days when Indians were summoned to councils of war or peace, 26 Indian messengers mounted on their cayuses are to ride from the Colville Indian reservation in Stevens county tomorrow at daybreak to carry to other tribes of the Pacific northwestern states invitations to participate in an Indian council here October 30 and 31.

The council will be the principal feature of the annual Halloween celebration here, which will include also the Haskell Indian-Gonzaga football game. Indian games an Indian baby clinic, a beauty contest for Indian and white girls, and luncheons and other functions for the visiting Indian chiefs and belles.

Charges made by the three ex-convicts in a confession signed by them in the Newman home in New Era, in which they said that Davidson, if he had killed Jones, had done so in cold blood, were apparently refuted in court yesterday by the introduction of several pages from a notebook found near Jones, in which he stated he had committed suicide. The three convicts said that when they left Jones he was still alive.

The brief disconnected message, scribbled in blue pencil on seven pages of the note book, is believed to have been written by Jones, he lay outside the prison walls after having been shot by Davidson at long range. The note reads: "I would like to see Des (a brother in the prison). I love him. I love the Jones's, my people. I die game!"

"Oh my, how I hurt!" "I hate to die. I am shot. They will hang me if I don't. I shot myself. Oregon Jones."

Other inscriptions, also written with the same blue pencil, were

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SEPTEMBER DAYS HOT

90 DEGREES TEMPERATURE REACHED TWICE

September provided two days of mid-summer warmth when the thermometer touched 90 degrees on the third and 23rd, according to the report of Clarence Oliver, weather observer. The minimum temperature was reached September 20, with 42 degrees. The mean maximum temperature for the month was 73.7 degrees, the mean minimum 50.5 degrees and the mean temperature 62.1 degrees.

A total of 1.73 inches of rain was recorded, the greatest being .77 inches on September 29, the second day of the state fair. Eightydays of rainfall while eleven were cloudy, seven partly cloudy and twelve clear. Thunderstorms were reported September 6 and 7.

HOMECOMING IS SLATED

ANNUAL WILLAMETTE WEEK-END OCTOBER 30-31

The date for the Homecoming week-end at Willamette university this year has been set for October 30 and 31, according to an announcement made Thursday by Charles Nunn, manager of the event. Saturday will be the big day of the occasion, as it will be then that the Bearcats will be matched against the team from Whitman, one of Willamette's oldest and most ardent rivals.

Manager Nunn is at present making plans to make this year's homecoming the greatest yet staged at Willamette, and in order to do this, he is going to ask the hearty cooperation of the town folks. Theta Alpha Phi, national dramatic fraternity, will stage a play Saturday night of the week-end to take the place of the junior vaudeville which has been held in former years.

HOLIDAY IS REQUESTED

STATE BANKS WANT TO CLOSE COLUMBUS DAY

Through a representative, the Portland clearing house Thursday requested Governor Pierce to declare October 12, Columbus Day, a legal holiday in Oregon. The association is of the opinion that the law intends the day as a legal holiday but holds that the statute is not clear.

Before complying with the request Governor Pierce will take the matter up with I. H. Van Winkle, attorney general, and is withholding a proclamation pending legal opinion on the matter.

