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SOUTHERN ORE. CHAMBERS TO MEET TUESDAY

Resort Features of This Section to be Discussed at Meeting

ALL AFTERNOON MEET
Session to be Started With Regular Forum Luncheon of Ashland Chamber

All the resort features of this section will be considered at the convention of Southern Oregon city representatives at the Lithia Springs hotel tomorrow.

The gathering will be started with the regular Forum luncheon of the Ashland chamber of commerce. At the luncheon, Colonel C. G. Thomson, superintendent of the Crater Lake National Park, and George Sabin, manager of the Oregon Caves Resort, will be the principal speakers. It will be remembered that last year, Colonel Thomson made the first announcements of the plans for paving roads in the park, at a meeting of the Ashland chamber, and he has assured Secretary Fuller of the local booster organization that he has more plans, to be announced here.

In addition, Thomson will give a resume of the work completed during the past year in the park.

At the afternoon session, representatives of the various civic organizations in Southern Oregon will discuss the means for better attracting and holding the tourist. Among the speakers at this gathering will be I. E. Vining, president of the state chamber of commerce, Hugh Rankin, representative of the forest department, J. A. Perry, president of the Diamond Lake company, Frank Jordan, chairman of the Lithia Park Board, Herbert Cuthbert, manager of the publicity department of the Portland chamber of commerce, and Mayor O. H. Johnson, of this city.

TRAINS CRASH, 20 REPORTED INJURED

BROOKLYN, Jan. 18—(U. P.)—Running through a dense fog, an eight car wooden train telescoped a train of steel cars at the Williamsburg bridge today. More than a score of passengers were injured.

NINE KILLED WHEN GAS TANK EXPLODES

BERLIN, Jan. 18.—(UP)—An explosion here today in a benzine tank in a corner store of a four story tenement building, hurled tenants of the building from their beds with the force of an earthquake.

Nine are reported to be dead, with 33 injured, of whom 13 are seriously hurt. A number of persons are missing.

LEGION AUXILIARY TO HOLD INSTALLATION THIS EVENING

More than twenty five new members of the Auxiliary to Ashland Post No. 14, American Legion, will be initiated tonight, together with the installation of a new set of officers. The initiation and installation will be held at a covered dish supper, to be held at the Parish House.

The Auxiliary to the legion has been very active during the past few months, and is now ready for a drive for membership, in which it is hoped to secure every woman, who had some blood relative in the service during the World War, as a member of the Auxiliary.

It was stated today that the group of candidates, who are to be initiated this evening, were

Knock, Knock, Knock, The Girls Are Coming

HAYWARD, Cal., Jan. 18—(U. P.)—The Hayward Grammar school is claiming the distinction of being the only school in California with a drum corps composed entirely of girls.

The corps now has a dozen members and was organized and is being directed by J. E. Hollingshead, musical instructor at the school.

In addition to the drum corps the Hayward schools have a boys and girls band and glee clubs. Mr. Hollingshead is a full time instructor, and regular credits are given pupils for musical work.

ODD FELLOW OFFICER TO BE HERE TONIGHT

J. C. Pickens, Grand Sentinel, Making Official Visit

J. E. Pickens of Portland, grand sentinel of I. O. O. F. will be a visitor at Encampment No. 16, I. O. O. F., local Odd Fellows lodge, this evening, it was learned today. Pickens is representing the Grand Patriarch of the order on an official visit to the local lodge.

Installation of officers, which was postponed from last week until tomorrow night, has again been postponed until next week, according to officers of the local lodge. This postponement was made necessary because of the visit of Pickens this evening, the lodge deciding to give over their meeting to the official visit.

Officers to be installed next week are: Chief Patriarch, M. S. Nichols, Senior Warden, Leo Schoeniger, Junior Warden, Hazelwood, Treasurer, J. J. Murphy, Financial Secretary, E. C. Payne, Scribe, Charles Hooper and High Priest, H. C. Wolcott.

PICTURE SALESMAN BURNED TO DEATH

NEW YORK, Jan. 18—(U. P.)—Robert Pritchard, sales director of the First National Pictures corporation, was found burned to death in a hotel room here today. Pritchard had apparently fallen asleep with a cigar in his hand, which started the fire.

CARDINAL MERCIER IS REPORTED WORSE

BRUSSELS, Jan. 18—(U. P.)—Cardinal Mercier passed a bad night last night, and his condition has been reported worse.

HEARING OF BAPTIST CASE STARTS TODAY

Ashland Baptist Church vs. First Baptist Church Started

PROPERTY IN DISPUTE
Outgrowth of Services Held Here by Evangelist Price Two Years Ago

Hearing of testimony in the case of the Ashland Baptist church vs. the First Baptist church of Ashland, Inc., started this morning in circuit court, before Judge C. A. Thomas.

The case is one of the strangest in the annals of the Baptist church in Oregon. It is based upon an entire change in the creed used in the Baptist church here, causing a split in the congregation.

Court action has been hanging fire for almost a year, caused by postponements and the filing of demurrers by both sides in the controversy.

The action started when the congregation of the church split over the teachings of Rev. Price, who held evangelistic services here over two years ago. Price was a teacher of the Almee McPherson, or "Four Square Gospel" creed, which was adopted by Rev. B. C. Miller, pastor of the church. A part of the congregation refused to accept this creed and were ousted, it is said, from the congregation. Rev. Miller stating there was no Baptist creed, and that any creed could be taught within the church. The followers of Rev. Miller held the church property on Hargadine street, and the parsonage on Oak street.

Suit was brought by the members who were alleged to have been ousted, these members declaring they were the Baptist church of Ashland. However, the followers of Rev. Miller, having filed incorporation papers with the state corporation commissioner, pointed out that the property had been given to the church, in the name of the First Baptist church of Ashland, and that they were therefore the Baptist church.

After several months delay, those opposed to Rev. Miller took possession of the church property, which they now hold, while Rev. Miller still retains the parsonage.

According to attorneys, when the Baptist church was founded in Ashland, it was located on Church street, and was known as the Ashland Baptist church. In the course of time, it was decided to erect a new church, and the Hargadine street site was donated to "The First Baptist church of Ashland."

However, the church failed, through some mistake, to file incorporation papers, changing the name of the organization, and although it remained under

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Flower Society to Hold Meeting Here This Evening

Members of the Ashland Floral Society will meet this evening at 8:00 o'clock in the Library, it was announced this morning by Mrs. Frank Jordan, secretary of the organization.

This is the third meeting of the organization, since its founding a few weeks ago. It is probably that the constitution and by laws will be presented for final adoption this evening. These documents were ready for the club at the last meeting, but a few minor changes were necessary, and no vote was taken. These changes have been made, and the constitution will be ready for final adoption this evening.

"Prince Carol" of the Cheyennes



Little Chief Tom Reynolds is the "crown prince" of the Cheyenne Indian tribe in Oklahoma. While traveling in Germany with a circus he met Fraulin Elizabeth Hornstein and it's said they'll be wed. If he does the tribal officers will bar him from heritage because he did not marry a full blooded Indian. Tom is now trying to get his finance into the United States.

BELLVIEW CLUB GETS \$70 FROM TAG DAY WORK

Building Fund of Rural Club Raised to More Than \$220

Slightly more than \$70 was realized by the Bellview Community club, through the tag day staged here Saturday by the members. The money received from the sale of the tags will be added to the building fund of the club. Mrs. Mary Homes Tucker, secretary-treasurer of the club, announced this morning that the club had slightly more than \$220 in the building fund, as the result of the entertainment, staged several weeks ago, and the tag day efforts.

As soon as enough money has been secured with which to purchase the materials, the work will be started. All the labor needed in the construction will be donated by the men of the Bellview district. In this way it is hoped to secure a building in which meetings of the club may be held.

Mrs. Tucker announced that the chicken dinner and dance, which were to have been held at the Civic Clubhouse on Winburn Way Friday night, has been postponed until Friday, January 29. This move was made because the function conflicted with an affair to be given by the Women's Civic club.

WOOL BODY PRESIDENT HITS FOREST SERVICE

BOISE, Idaho, Jan. 18—(U. P.)—Frank J. Hagenbarth, president of the National Wool Growers association attacked the bureaucratic system of government, that gave the forestry bureau legislative, executive and judicial powers, with practically no right of appeal, in an address at the opening of the national convention here today. The bureau has developed the idea, he said, that "it is the owner, rather than the administrator of the national forests of the country."

More Work for Losers Held in State Pen

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 18—(U. P.)—The retting capacity of the flax plant at the Oregon state penitentiary is to be doubled to meet the demand of an ever increasing yield of flax in the Willamette Valley.

Prison authorities also are considering enlarging the scrubbing capacity of the plant. The state flax plant will contract this year to handle the crop from 2500 acres to be grown by Willamette Valley farmers.

GEORGE ROSS HONORED AT UNIVERSITY

Manager of Year Book is Made Member of Society

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Ore., Jan. 18.—(Special)—George Ross, of Ashland, business manager of the Oregon student annual publication, has just been elected to membership in the W. F. G. Thacher chapter of Alpha Delta Sigma, national honorary advertising fraternity.

Ross has been active in advertising work in connection with campus publications and the election was in recognition of good work he has done. Membership in Alpha Delta Sigma is limited to men who have expressed the desire to make advertising a life profession. Four others were also elected.

MAN DIES WHEN CAR HITS FIRE TRUCK

VINCENNES, Ind., Jan. 18—(U. P.)—A fire truck and an automobile collided here today, causing the death of three men and injuring two others, one perhaps fatally.

GRADE SCHOOL TO BE READY ABOUT APRIL

Bonds to be Sold Soon to Pay For Construction of Building

COLD HAMPERS WORK
February 4 Set as Date for Sale of Part of \$105,000 School Bond Issue

Although severely handicapped by the cold weather of the past few days, the contractors on the new grade school building, being erected on Beach street, are now engaged in putting up the walls of the second story of the structure.

The building will be completed, and turned over to the school board for occupancy some time early in April, Fred Engle, secretary of the board declared this morning.

As soon as work on the new grade school is completed, it will be occupied by the pupils now attending the Hawthorne school, and that building will be turned over to the contractors for repairs and additions which will be made on it. In addition to changing the exterior of the building, giving it a more pleasing appearance, an auditorium will be added to the structure.

When this work is finally completed, the Hawthorne school will be made the Junior High School, while the present Junior High building will be used as a grade school.

Engle announced that \$50,000 worth of the \$105,000 bond issue will be offered for sale at once. Bids will be received, up to 7:30 p. m., February 4, at which time the bonds will be sold. The bonds will be dated February 1.

Sale of the bonds has been postponed as long as possible, in order to save the interest which otherwise would have been paid out on them.

This \$50,000 issue will be used in paying for the construction of the Beach street grade school.

MRS. COOLIDGE HAS SEVERE COLD ATTACK

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18—(U. P.)—Mrs. Coolidge is confined to the White House with a cold, due to the damp, foggy weather at the capital. President Coolidge remained home from church because she was undecided whether to go out or not.

SUPREME COURT DROPS APPEAL FROM WASH.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18—(U. P.)—Appeals from the Washington supreme court decision, holding constitutional that the state's law, regulating wholesale fruit and produce businesses and commerce in agricultural products on commission, were dismissed by the United States Supreme Court here today.

Donald Wright is Member of Handball Team at O. A. C.

OREGON AGRICULTURE COLLEGE, Corvallis, Jan. 18.—(Special)—Donald G. Wright of Ashland, sophomore in commerce, is showing up well in intramural handball competition. The Theta Nu Phi team of which Wright is a member is one of the teams showing the most speed and style of the many teams entered in the competition. The winning team will have its name placed on a loving cup. The team winning three times in succession will come into permanent possession of the cup.

Goes to Tacna



Gen. William Lassiter, U. S. A., commandant of the Panama Canal Zone, has been appointed successor to Gen. Pershing as head of the Tacna-Arica plebiscite commission. Pershing will return home on account of illness.

BARNARD JOY IS WINNER OF ESSAY PRIZE

Local Youth Winner of Portland Chamber Market Contest

PORTLAND, Jan. 18.—Bernard Joy of Ashland high school and Eleanor Wilmer of Gresham were named state winners, respectively, in the high school and grammar-school divisions in the finals here Saturday night of the state essay contest on marketing, conducted under the auspices of the agricultural committee of the chamber of commerce, the Oregon Agricultural college extension division and the Oregon State Bankers' association.

OREGON FOREST FIRES COST STATE \$239,000

SALEM, Jan. 18—(U. P.)—Losses from forest fires in Oregon, exclusive of national forests, were only \$239,980 during 1925. The total acreage burned over was 61,576. In 1924, the loss was nearly \$1,000,000.

THE WEATHER

Oregon and Washington: Generally fair. Colder in the east portion, with gentle variable winds.

ASHLAND FIVE TO TANGLE WITH MERRILL HI TONIGHT

After taking an overwhelming beating at the hands of the Medford high school five Saturday night, the Merrill high basketball team will stack up against the Ashland high tossers at the Armory this evening. Merrill was unable to even make a showing against Medford, being on the short end of a 79-5 licking. Medford scored almost at will, and, although it was the first game of the season for the 1925 Southern Oregon champions, they went through their paces as though they were due to repeat.

With a green quintet, having only Al Marake back from his 1925 quintet, Coach Walt Hughes will be faced with a tough proposition this year in an effort to make any sort of a showing. He declared this morning that he does not expect to have his charges run up any such score as Medford made against Merrill, and that he will be satisfied if his men win by a comfortable margin.

LOCAL SCHOOL REGISTRATIONS TOTAL 1209

Slight Increase is Shown at Opening of Second Semester

ONE CHANGE MADE
Opportunity Room is Opened, With Mrs. L. K. Merritt in Charge

Total enrollments at the Ashland schools for the coming semester will total about 1208, according to figures given out this morning by G. A. Briscoe, city superintendent of schools. These registrations are divided, about \$75 for the grades, with about 334 for the high school.

Last semester, the registrations for the grade school were 843, while at the end of the semester which closed Friday afternoon the registrations at the high school were 299. Thirty five new students have been added to the high school rolls, most of these coming from the Junior High school eighth grade graduates. About the same number entered the grade schools at the opening of this semester. These, Briscoe explained, were children who were too young to enter school at the beginning of the semester which opened in September.

But one change in the teaching personnel of the school system was made this semester, Briscoe stated. Mrs. Lizzie K. Merritt, who has had charge of the third grade at the Junior High school has been put in charge of the opportunity room at the Junior High. Miss Hazel Bruner has been transferred from the Hawthorne school to the Junior High, to take charge of the third grade, while Miss Margaret Gordon, formerly of Spokane, has replaced Miss Bruner at the Hawthorne school.

WHO SAID GREEKS LACKED REAL NERVE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18—(U. P.)—The Greek debt commission today informed the American Debt Funding commission that it had no authority to make a funding agreement unless the United States advances Greece \$33,000,000 more on their original credit of \$48,000,000. The American commission refused to consider the proposal, and the Greeks withdrew to communicate with their government.

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