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Insurgents Invited To Party Councils

Republican Leaders Restore Wisconsin Delegation After Two Years.

Washington, D. C.—Wisconsin insurgents were restored to republican party councils in the house by republican leaders.

Reinstatement was effected by the dispatch of invitations to the outcasts to attend a party caucus February 21, at which a speaker and majority leader for the next congress will be selected.

The entire Wisconsin delegation of 11 and Representative La Guardia, of New York; Sinclair, North Dakota, and Keller, Minnesota, were banished from the party two years ago for opposing the Coolidge-Dawes republican presidential ticket.

La Guardia was restored to the party early this session when vacant republican committee assignments were filled.

An invitation to the caucus also was sent to Sinclair. Keller, falling of re-nomination for the next congress, was not asked to attend.

As a result of the invitations, house leaders believe the insurgent group will be ultimately restored to the major committee posts from which they were dropped.

Announcement that the insurgent group would be welcomed back into the party was made by Representative Tilson, Connecticut, republican leader.

No opposition is expected at the caucus to re-nomination of Representative Longworth, Ohio, as speaker and Tilson as majority leader.

MAY PASS THE FARM RELIEF BILL SOON

Washington, D. C.—Farm relief as exemplified in the McNary-Haugen bill will occupy the attention of both houses of congress this week, with strong indications that the legislation soon will reach President Coolidge for his approval or disapproval.

Proponents of the legislation will press for a vote in the senate this week, but final action in the house probably will be deferred until next week. If Chairman McNary of the agriculture committee is unable to get an agreement for a senate vote, the seldom-used cloture rule shutting off debate will be invoked.

Through a combination of supporters of the farm bill and the McFadden branch banking measure, cloture petitions for both of these measures are held in reserve. They have been signed by more than two-thirds of the senators making certain cloture on both bills unless agreements for early votes are reached.

Mosgrove—Myrick

Miss Pauline Myrick, well known in Athena, where she resided until recent years, and Tom Mosgrove, Milton merchant, were united in marriage yesterday at Walla Walla. Jesse Myrick, brother of the bride, and wife of Athena, attended the wedding. Mr. and Mrs. Mosgrove will spend their honeymoon at Banff, B. C. They will reside at Milton.

Legion At La Grande

The American Legion Department of Oregon will hold its annual convention this year at La Grande. Time of holding convention will be July 21, 22 and 23. The Legion Post of La Grande is all pepped up in its attempt to put over the largest and best attended Legion convention ever held in the state.

Home From Pullman

Miss Lois McIntyre is home from Pullman, where she is attending W. S. C., and is spending the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alex McIntyre. Miss Roma Charlton who is also a student in the college will arrive today to spend the week end with her parents.

Adams and Umapine

In the double header basket ball game Wednesday night in the local gym, Athena boys lost to Adams, 14 to 7, and the girls dropped their game to the Umapine girls by the close score of 19 to 15.

Elevator Capacity Will Be Enlarged To Handle Increase In Bulk Grain

The contract has been let by the Farmer's Grain Elevator company of Athena to G. R. Hugunin of Pendleton, for the construction of additional storage facilities at the company's plant here.

Specifications call for the construction of four bins with a total capacity of 60,000 bushels, and when completed the company will be enabled to give storage to 160,000 bushels of bulk grain. The new bins will be located at the south end of the present structure.

Heretofore the elevator has been taxed to take care of bulk grain storage, and last season was forced to turn down storage for 15,000 bushels. Work on the new addition is expected to begin about May 1. The structure will be of cribbing on a concrete foundation.

Athena Basketball Team Had a Wonderful Trip

Coach Stolzeise and his Athena high school hoopers returned Sunday from their Washington invasion, where they played the high school teams of Clarkston, St. John and Endicott.

Team members and those who accompanied them on the Washington trip, speak in highest terms of the treatment and hospitality accorded them in the towns visited. They encountered square sportsmanship in playing their opponents and were treated royally everywhere they went.

At Endicott, the home of M. I. Miller, Athena eighth grade teacher, who with O. O. Stephens, Will Kirk, F. B. Radtke and Art Douglas, accompanied the team, the Endicott players and the people of the town vied with each other in entertaining the visitors, the feature event of entertainment being a dance.

Athena lost all three games on the trip, but nevertheless, had a splendid time and gained considerable experience on the trip. Clarkston won 30 to 13; Athena lost to St. John 20 to 12, and Endicott won 17 to 7.

Officers Installed

Tuesday evening was installation night in the Rebekah lodge and the following officers were installed for the ensuing term: Velma Schubert, N. G.; Ethel Geissel, V. G.; Bessie Thompson, Treas.; Lilla Kirk, Fin. Sec.; Maude Logsdon, Rec. Sec.; Mary McKay, Chaplain; Charlotte Dickenson, Warden; Ruth Williams, Conductress; Susie Campbell, I. G.; Dorothy Rodman, O. S. G.; Alta Mitchener, R. S. N. G.; Verva Baker, L. S. N. G.; Minnie Willaby R. S. V. G.; Mattie Hill, L. S. V. G. There was a fairly good attendance and after business was concluded delicious refreshments were served by Mrs. William Campbell and Mrs. Lilla Kirk.

Marriage Anniversaries

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Prestbye gave a card party commemorating theirs and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Harwood's 7th wedding anniversaries. Four tables of bridge were in progress, after the play the hostess served dainty refreshments. Those present were, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. McFadden, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Harwood, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Dell, Mr. and Mrs. Max Hopper, Mr. and Mrs. Grant Prestbye, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Lieuallen Jr., of Adams, and Mr. and Mrs. Armond De Merritt of Walla Walla.

Old Time Athena Boy

Ross Maloney, former Athena boy, now a resident of Seattle has become a member of the family of Press readers. Ross recently had his right ankle fractured as the result of a street car accident in which his Dodge coupe was badly wrecked. Mrs. R. L. Maloney, who resides at Yakima, and Mrs. Culley of Weston mother of Mrs. Ross Maloney, are visiting at the Maloney home in Seattle.

Legion Dance

The present series of dances given by Athena-Weston Legion Post, at Legion Hall in Athena, are popular with the young people, and attendance is satisfactory. Another dance is announced for tomorrow night.

Street Improvement

Resurfacing Hunt Avenue with crushed rock has been under way this week. All low places have been brought up to grade, and the surface is now in first-class condition.

Tithing and Budget Bills Easily Carried

Only Nine Votes Recorded Against the Governor's Campaign Platform.

The Oregon Journal says that twice on Tuesday afternoon the Patterson administration rang the bell on its legislative program, first in mid-afternoon when the house passed the "tithing bill" with but seven dissenting votes; second, when the senate put the finishing touches to the governor's "budget bill" with nine recorded in hostility to it.

The house action sent the first of the so-called finance program bills, the companion of the income tax measure, over to the senate for final action there.

The senate action was taken up on a house bill, and therefore sends the budget measure into the governor's office, for his signature and its final resting place as a law in the archives of the secretary of state.

The budget bill gives the governor power to appoint a budget master, and appropriates \$25,000 for the administration of the budget department.

It was one of the principles set out in the Patterson platform when he sought nomination and election to office, and the senate vote grants to him the power which he told the voters he would seek of the legislators and would use, if given to him, to reduce state expenditures.

Little energy was wasted by sponsors of the budget bill in the senate, it being felt, apparently, that the skids were properly greased for its passage without any need for extended oratory on its behalf.

Drumheller Horses In Big Race Event

Athena friends of George Drumheller, Walla Walla horseman, will be interested in the following from the Walla Walla Union:

George Drumheller has entered his horse Bonnie Omar, in the Coffroth handicap, to be run at Tijuana Sunday March 13. This event has \$75,000 added money, and the winner will get \$60,000 and all entrance and starting fees; while second draws \$5500; third, \$3000 and fourth \$1500. The jockey riding the winner, and the trainer of the winner, each will receive \$2500. Bonnie Omar has been a consistent winner at Tijuana.

Drumheller has also entered horses in the following events. Bonnie Omar and Pat in The Speed Handicap, February 13, \$6000 added money; Applesauce, Chance, Rag Bab and Try Me, in the Tijuana futurity March 27, \$7500 added money.

Dogs of the Umapine section have been active among sheep this winter, nearly fifty sheep having been killed, and as many more injured.

BARONESS MALTZAN



New portrait of Baroness von Maltzan, wife of the German ambassador, who, by her charming manners and tact has quickly become one of the most popular hostesses in the diplomatic set in Washington.

Health Bulletin Tells How to Avoid Flu

Be reasonable with yourself—forget the "don'ts" and live comfortably, if you would escape the mild wave of influenza that has entered Portland during the changeable weather of the past few weeks, according to Dr. John G. Abele, Portland city physician.

"Keep regular hours. "Drink plenty of water all the time. "Keep from getting wet. "Don't overeat."

These are Dr. Abele's major points of advice on how to escape the "flu." Overeating, he declares, has much to do with running down one's vitality. Drinking of plenty of water helps keep the bowels from becoming sluggish and drives off tendencies to become victims of "flu."

"Few of the cases reported in Portland this winter have been the more dangerous 'haemolytic streptococcus' that causes pneumonia deaths," Dr. Abele declares. "Portland residents are suffering from just ordinary gripe, the same they have suffered from for many years. Careful, comfortable living will defend them from that."

Penitentiary Condemned

Condemning the present state penitentiary at Walla Walla and suggesting that a new institution be erected soon at some other location, was the report of the joint committee appointed by the last Washington state legislature to make an investigation of prison conditions, which is made public.

Moved Into New Home

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Ferguson have moved into their new home, corner of Fourth and Adams streets. The residence they vacated is being occupied by Ernest Schrimpf.

A Big Steam Shovel Enlarging City Well

New Steel Pipe to Replace Section of Old Wooden Pipe Line.

The big steam shovel secured by the city for enlarging the well at the pumping plant of the municipal water system, was put to work Tuesday morning of this week.

The well will be deepened and when completed will be 50 feet long and 16 feet wide. On completion of the excavating forms will be put in and the sides of the well will be concreted. Extra depth is expected to improve the quality of water and the additional size of the well is expected to furnish sufficient supply, with the flow from the springs, for the city's needs.

It is probable that additional improvement will be made to the water system in the near future, when the pipe line from the corner of Main and Fifth streets will be replaced with new steel pipe, extending to a point in the Dudley field, southeast of town. The laying of this additional new pipe is in conformity with the present policy of laying a section of new pipe each year, until all old pipe in the system has been replaced.

The fact that seven feet of water—approximately 250,000 gallons—was drawn from the reservoir from Thursday noon to Sunday noon, week before last, and left the mains without pressure, has caused Mayor Watt's to order all meters read every month, winter and summer hereafter.

Hines In "Brown Derby" Nazimova In "My Son"

Figuratively speaking, Johnny Hines takes the lid off laughter and throws it away, in his whizziest, dizziest, fastest marathon of mirth, "The Brown Derby" is by Bert Wheeler, from the musical comedy by F. S. Merlyn and Brian Marlowe, and is by far the best role ever given Hines by First National.

Sunday night, the Standard offers Nazimova and Jack Pickford in one of Gotham's greatest stage dramas of all time, "My Son." The two principals in this wonderful play are supported by an all star cast, including Hobart Bosworth, Ian Keith, Mary Akin, Charles Murray, Constance Bennett and Dot Farley. Some cast, we'll say; and the play—one that should fill every seat in the theatre—is one of the kind you never forget.

Coming up for the week following, the Standard has booked Jack Holt and Mary Brian in Peter B. Kyne's fine Western story, "The Enchanted Hill," and James Kirkwood in "The Wise Guy."

All Set For Seeing "Once In a Blue Moon" At Auditorium Tuesday

"Once In a Blue Moon" a musical romance, is to be presented by the Etude Club, at 8:15 Tuesday night at the high school auditorium.

The production will be enhanced by orchestra numbers, new stage settings and beautiful decorations.

Bond Brothers of Pendleton will sponsor a Style Show between acts. Rehearsals under the efficient direction of Mrs. Loren Basler are perfecting both soloists and choruses.

The cast follows:

Lady of the Blue Moon, Mrs. David Stone; Attendants, Donna Jean Logsdon and Mildred Cannon; Mrs. Montgomery, the hostess, Mrs. R. B. McEwen; Sylvia Montgomery, her daughter, Lorraine Terry; Leatrice Montgomery, her younger daughter, Mary Jane Cornelison; Mr. Babbit Morton, a home town booster, C. M. Eager; Betty Morton, Sylvia's best friend, Mrs. Bryce Baker; Mrs. Lila Lavendar, still in mourning, Mrs. C. M. Eager; Billy Maxwell, a victim of circumstances, Dorsey Kretzer; George Taylor, alias Bob Harrington, Kohler Betts; Sir Percival Chetwood and M. Rene Le Mon Pseudo, Plenipotentiaries, R. B. McEwen and O. C. Hadley; Suzanne, the French maid, Mrs. James Cresswell; Hop Sing Hi, the house man, Melvin Coppock; Skylark Roams, a detective, Floyd Pinkerton; Mooney, a policeman, Justin Harwood.

Chorus—Mrs. Lloyd Michener, Mrs. Victor Hirsch, Mildred Bateman, Mrs. Floyd Pinkerton, Ethel Geissel, Mrs. Ross Payne, Mrs. Archie McIntyre, Mrs. F. L. Ames, Edna Pinkerton, Mrs. Arthur Douglas, Dorothy Rodman Evelyn Sellers, Sadie Pambrun, Lorain Shick, George Gerking, William Coppock, Penn Harris, Herman Geissel, Leonard Geissel, M. I. Miller, Emmett Lee and Fay Pambrun. Accompanist, Mrs. O. O. Stephens. Director, Mrs. Loren Basler.

Dudley—Collins

The marriage of Miss Zorita Collins, of Portland, and Glenn Dudley of Athena, took place Thursday night of last week in Portland. Following the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Dudley left for British Columbia for a two weeks' stay, after which they will make their home on the Dudley farm near town. The bride, who is a charming girl is a prominent golfer and is champion of the Oswego club. Mr. Dudley is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Dudley, prominent pioneer family of this county. He attended University of Oregon and is a member of Sigma Nu.

Mr. Hadley To Leave

Professor O. C. Hadley announces that he will not be the superintendent of Athena schools next year, having decided to accept a position in another school. He is considering an offer from a large school. Mr. Hadley has been at the head of the Athena schools for eight successive years, which is an enviable record for public school work. At the present time sixteen of his Athena pupils are attending institutions of higher learning. As yet the school board has not selected a superintendent to take Mr. Hadley's place.

No Need For Troops

Miss Argetsinger, a missionary on furlough from China, gave a very interesting talk at the Baptist church Tuesday evening on conditions in China at the present time. Miss Argetsinger was strong in denunciation of the powers sending troops to China for the protection of missionaries, as she claims there is no danger of harm being done them by the Chinese.

Cold Hurts Peaches Only

Only cold-weather damage done so far to fruit in the Walla Walla valley is to peaches, according to Wayne Garrett, horticultural inspector. Cherries, prunes and apples are in good condition with prospects for a bumper apple crop. The peaches were harmed to some extent by the cold weather last month but the total harm cannot be determined for a time.

Meldrum's Meetings

The Christian church will open its revival meetings, which has been planned for several weeks past, next Sunday, February 13, at 11 A. M., under the direction of Dr. A. M. Meldrum of Spokane. Dr. Meldrum is one of the very outstanding speakers of the North-west and is well known to Athena people.

Would Participate In the Conference

President Coolidge asks Appropriation to Attend Geneva Meet.

Washington, D. C.—American participation in the Geneva economic conference called by the league of nations was recommended to the senate by President Coolidge.

Requesting an appropriation of \$15,000, for the expenses of delegates to the conference, which will begin May 4, the president said that "this country should stand ready to aid in the study of means to promote economic progress." His recommendation went also to the house, and with it Mr. Coolidge forwarded a copy of the invitation from the council of the league of nations and called attention that delegates to the conference "cannot in any way bind their governments and will not be qualified to act as spokesmen of an official policy."

The president said that the preparatory committee which laid plans for the conference set forth its purposes as "intended to organize a general consultation, in the course of which the various programs and doctrines may be freely exposed without the freedom of discussion being restricted by any immediate necessity to transform the conclusions of the conference into international engagements."

BIG ABERDEEN BANK CLOSES ITS DOORS

Aberdeen, Wash.—The Hayes and Hayes bank, with deposits of more than \$4,000,000, did not open its doors Monday. F. B. Patterson is president of the bank and A. J. Patterson cashier. Bank Examiner Johnson will remain in charge of affairs for the time being.

The closing of the bank is due to an accumulation of losses which it has been unable to touch off the operation of the bank and which have resulted in impairing the capital, Examiner Johnson stated.

The Hayes & Hayes bank is the second largest state bank in Washington. It was organized in 1899 and since 1893 has been a state bank. Its capital of \$300,000 and surplus of \$250,000 will be turned into the payment of the bank's obligations. In addition, stockholders are liable to an assessment of 100 per cent, which will be levied and made available immediately.

Does Not Favor Bill

The East Oregonian says: Representative J. N. Scott, says he doubts the wisdom of the bill to abolish the office of county recorder and raise the salary of other county officials. He says he is not adverse to higher pay for county officials but questions of the bill should be passed in view of the fact the people at the election in November voted down a salary increase plan. Mr. Scott thinks that an income tax law will be passed as a result of the suggestions made by Governor Patterson. He says that in the legislature there was a growing sentiment favorable to the income tax even before the governor expressed himself.

Snow Protecting Wheat

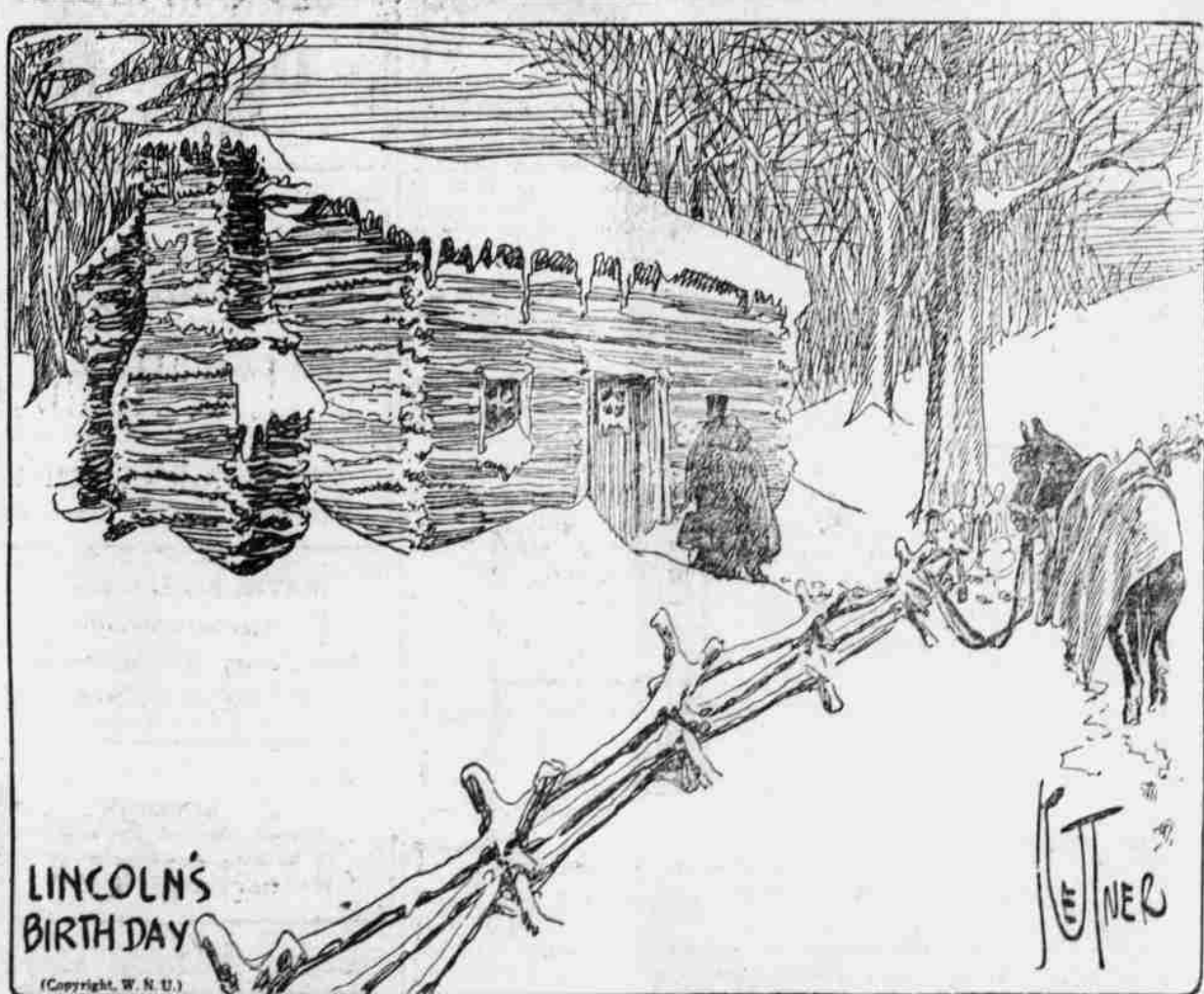
Several inches of new snow has been added to the heavy blanket covering the ground in Walla Walla county during the past few days. Early in the week the weather became quite warm and a chinook wind blew for a few hours and aided much in settling the deep snow. Farmers from various parts of the wheat growing area report condition of winter wheat highly satisfactory. Nearly all frost has been drawn from the soil under the deep snow, and the wheat is green and thrifty.

Seriously Burned

Mrs. Forrest Zerba sustained a severe burn from hot water Tuesday, while engaged in doing the family washing. Carrying a bucket of hot water from the range to a tub she accidentally spilled it, a portion striking her on the right limb, below the knee.

Jack Murphy, employed by the city, has been engaged this week in cleaning the streets of soil accumulation along the street curbing. Quite a lot of dirt and silt has been removed.

February Twelfth, Eighteen Hundred and Nine



LINCOLN'S BIRTH DAY

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