

WILSON DENIES HOODLUM TERMS

Never Referred to Legionnaires As Bums, Hoodlums, Imps of Hell.

Dr. Clarence True Wilson, general secretary of the board of temperance, prohibition and public morals of the Methodist Episcopal church, issued a statement declaring he had never referred to American Legionnaires as "bums," "hoodlums" or "imps of hell." He also said it had never been his opinion that "American Legion conventions are planned ahead of time as drunken orgies."

"When the American Legion convention in Detroit passed a resolution which was generally interpreted as 'wet,' although the newly elected commander, Mr. Stevens, says that this is a mistaken interpretation, I made certain comment which was in accordance with the text of a carefully prepared statement," Dr. Wilson's statement said. "Subsequently to the publication of this comment, I was approached by reporters for a Western newspaper who asked for a special interview. Being in a hurry to reach an engagement, I explained that I could give no interview and referred once again to the prepared statement. I was astonished to see certain statements attributed to me on the basis of that brief conversation which included the use of terms for which I am unable to assume responsibility."

"These terms have been used in a way which clearly indicates a purpose to arouse prejudice against the cause of prohibition, against the church of which I am a minister, and in a sense all evangelical churches. It becomes necessary, therefore, for me to say specifically that at no time have I referred to Legionnaires as 'bums,' 'hoodlums,' 'imps of hell,' nor has it ever been my opinion that American Legion conventions are planned ahead of time as drunken orgies."

"The statement of my opinion prepared in manuscript and released at the time is the only statement for which I assume responsibility, and it is a correct report of my opinion at present."

Minister Wants Nicolls Boy
At a meeting of the Washington state prison parole board at Walla Walla this week, it developed that Rev. E. J. Flanagan of Omaha wishes Herbert Nicolls, 12-year-old slayer of the Asotin, Washington, sheriff, paroled to him. It is said the board will probably pass up the minister's application. Members expressed the desire to wait at least until the spring session of the board giving any consideration to the matter.

The Final Big Game of Football to be Played at Portland Tomorrow

The final big football game of the season in the northwest will be played tomorrow afternoon at Portland between University of Utah and Oregon State on Multnomah civic stadium field in Portland. The game, which will start at 2 o'clock, will be played for the benefit of the unemployed. All seats are reserved and are selling for \$1.00 each.

Utah closed its conference season Thanksgiving day by defeating Utah Aggies 34 to 0 and at the same time won its fourth consecutive Rocky Mountain conference championship. The Utes have lost only one game in 30 contests in the last four seasons. They placed five men on the Rocky Mountain all-star team this year. Outstanding among the Utah players is Captain Frank Christensen, considered one of the greatest full-backs in the country.

Coach Schissler of Oregon State scouted the Utes when they swamped Utah Aggies. Schissler says the Orangemen are in for a lively afternoon and will be lucky to win. Jack Cox, two-year letterman guard of Union, will captain the Orangemen.

Indians Foil Death In Terrible Blizzard

Through snow rapidly thawing under a warm sun, more than 100 Navajo Indians marooned on snowbound mesas of New Mexico for a week, straggled back to their pueblos in safety. The Indians were overtaken in their mountain camps, by deep snow and blizzards. They had trekked to the mountains for the annual harvest of pinon nuts.

Convinced that relief supplies have reached 200 other Navajos stranded on the Cerro Alto mesa and those on the Santa Rita mesa, Indian reservation authorities were concentrating on clean-up work and sent food and supplies out in all directions to make certain none of the Indians was overlooked. More than 1000 had been trapped by the storm.

With only seven known dead, although 11 were reported dead, it had been demonstrated once again the Navajos are resourceful under adverse circumstances.

In many instances relief parties found the Indians well camped in the snowbound areas, and comfortable, except for hunger.

Freewater Man Suicides
Said to have been despondent over losses from a fire which destroyed his restaurant three years ago, and his home last year, W. A. ("Curley") Reynolds, 50, died at Freewater Thursday night after taking poison.

Fund to Fight Fires
Federal appropriations for forestry fire protection to aid state and private agencies may be increased to include funds for suppression of fires.

Pilot Bigelow, Varney Airmail Pilot Meets Death In Plane Crash

Pilot Edgar C. Bigelow, flying the night mail plane from Portland, crashed in the fog three miles west of the Pasco airport Thursday night of last week, and was killed.

Apparently confused and seeking a landing place, airport officials said, he brought the plane down near the buildings of C. A. Bell, a rancher. At the last moment, they added, he speeded up his ship to gain altitude but hit in the sagebrush.

Bigelow, who was a reserve pilot for the Varney Air Lines, Inc., was flying the route for another man who is on his vacation. The plane did not burn.

He had brought the plane safely up the Columbia river gorge from Portland but encountered fog around the Pasco vicinity, which had settled in late in the evening. Due in Pasco at 10:30 p. m., he was heard by the Bell family circling about for nearly half an hour before the crash.

Farmer Is Frozen To Death

Joseph D. Robertson, 52, a farmer in the Hartland section of the Klickitat valley, was found apparently frozen to death by neighbors.

Authorities learned that Robertson, who was a bachelor, had left his home Wednesday to get a load of wood with his four mules hitched to a wagon. Neighbors observed the team wandering around without a driver Sunday, and discovered the body of Robertson in the woods. It is believed he suffered a heart attack.

The animals had been hitched to the wagon from Wednesday morning until Sunday night.

Gored to Death by Bull

Another farmer has met death by being gored to death by an infuriated bull. Thursday evening of last week, George Darling, employed on the C. K. Fisher ranch near Haines, Baker county, went into a corral to feed stock. He was immediately attacked by a Hereford bull and died shortly afterward from the terrible goring onslaught, which he was powerless to resist.

Boy Gets the Goose

While a turkey shoot was in progress at Enterprise, a wild goose flew over the traps and several men took a crack at it. The bird, a large one flew a short distance and crumpled down. The shooters thinking that it was a swan turned their backs on the game bird, but a boy went and recovered it. He had a fine wild goose for his Thanksgiving dinner.

Goes to Willamette Valley
S. S. Pierson of Pendleton, former Athena resident, will spend the winter with relatives in the Willamette valley.

ARCTIC GROWER IS TITLED WHEAT KING

Takes Prizes With Wheat That Is Raised Way Up in Arctic Circle.

Chicago.—Herman Trelle has little trouble in retaining his crown.

From his Canadian acres, far up on the Arctic watershed, Trelle again brought the supreme sample of wheat to the international livestock show and grain exposition and retained the title of wheat king.

In 1926 and again last year the grower from Wembley, Alberta, won this title. This year's victory gave him permanent possession of the wheat trophy.

Trelle was victorious this year with an exhibit of durum, the other times with hard red spring wheat.

O. Edeson Smith of Corvallis, Mont., winner of the white spring exhibit, was the reserve wheat champion.

Trelle operates 1000 acres, 450 miles north of the international boundary. Only 550 acres are in crops, the rest virgin soil.

Trelle's wheat fields are divided between durum and hard red spring. The wheat king won only third award this year for hard red but he got blue ribbons for field peas, flax and timothy seed.

Dorothy C. Hinder of Long Green, Md., won a blue ribbon from judges who appraised the first section of exhibits, ranging from canned peas to window curtains, that 4-H club girls have entered in the 10th national congress, held in connection with the livestock show.

Miss Hinder won the ribbon in competition with 30 states for a smart and economical complete sport or street clothes outfit. Her exhibit was a brown and yellow two-piece cotton frock, the cost of which, including shoes, hat, under garments and accessories, was \$16.38.

Kathryn Phillips, Portland, was eighth.

Thirteen states competed in the same window decoration contest and first place was awarded to Cora Torgerson, Freeborn county, Minn. Her curtains cost \$1.50 a pair. Alice Ingram, Maplewood, Or., was sixth.

Audrey Spencer, Woodbury county, Iowa, drew first prize in the children's garments contest in competition with 17 state champions.

Loiss Bailey Lane county, Oregon, was third.

Four clover growers from Bend, Or., made a clean sweep of the first four places in Alsike clover at the hay and grain show.

The Oregon men finished in the following order: First, Geo. Thompson; second, Glen McFall; third, Clayton Green, and fourth, E. E. Varcoe.

Senator Steiwer Indorses Hoover's Credits Proposal

Indorsement of President Hoover's proposals to release frozen credits in the home building industry was given the chief executive by Senator Frederick Steiwer of Oregon.

Steiwer said that on the basis of information thus far received he favors the plan for a system of home loan discount banks recently put forward by Hoover.

The senator added, however, he was uncertain whether such a plan would cause an unwanted inflation. Steiwer was emphatic that steps are necessary to release credit in home building, contending "the building and loan associations have not proved entirely satisfactory."

Red Cross Faces Problem
Possibility of a lack of funds within the next year was seen by officials of the Portland chapter of the American Red Cross after final check has been made on the annual roll call drive which ended Thanksgiving day. According to Miss Jane V. Doyle, executive secretary, a total of \$14,410 of the \$20,000 quota was obtained in the campaign and an additional \$2000 is expected before December 1.

Brown at Pendleton
Spokane.—The federal farm board saved the nation from a countrywide collapse of the agricultural credit situation with its price stabilization operations last winter and spring, according to Charles S. (Farmer) Brown, special representative of the farm board, who is on a two weeks' speaking tour of the Pacific northwest. Brown will speak at Pendleton on December 3.

Killed While Hunting
Elmer Thayer, 24, of Moscow, Idaho, was shot and instantly killed Saturday by the accidental discharge of a brother's rifle while they were hunting deer. The hammer of William Thayer's rifle caught in the thick brush as the two brothers and four men were trailing a wounded deer. The bullet, a 30-30, entered Elmer's jaw, killing him instantly.

Mrs. Whittaker Dies
Susan Jane Whittaker a resident of Umatilla county since 1871, died at her home in Pendleton, Wednesday of last week. She was a native Oregonian, born in Polk county. She is survived by her husband, Harry Whittaker; one son James Whittaker of Pilot Rock and one daughter, Mrs. G. E. Hunter of Pendleton.

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Idaho Farmer Kills Neighbor; Hangs Self

N. O. Neilson, 69, of Districh, Idaho, shot and killed his neighbor, George Loden, 65, and then committed suicide by hanging Saturday, the climax of an old feud over water rights. Harlan G. Heist, Lincoln county attorney, announced after an investigation.

The tragedy was disclosed when Neilson's lifeless body was found swinging by a rope from a granary scantling on his farm, which he had used to butcher hogs. Loden's body, mangled by shotgun wounds, was found in the snow near his farm.

Fog Holds Up Flying

Heavy fog has enveloped the Pasco airport, and since the tragic death of Pilot Bigelow in a crash there last week, Varney mail planes have at different times been held up. The crash last week, due to fog, was the fourth fatality on the original Elko-Pasco line since its establishment in April, 1926.

Christmas to Nebraska
Oregon fir trees to brighten Christmas for Nebraska passed over the Old Oregon Trail in a huge truck driven by William Stage of Lebanon. There are no evergreens in Nebraska and the Lebanon man expects to find ready sale for his trees there.

High School Notes

Vacation Ravages
(By Doris Street)

"Oh! My, I'm so sleepy." "Didn't we have fun?" "I got in at one o'clock." "What time did you get in?" "I sure stored away the 'eats' this week-end." These are all frequent expressions heard about the school room after a season of vacation. The first day back to school no one feels like studying, but still the teachers think it best to assign one big lesson right on top of another. Everyone walks around in a stupor hardly realizing where he is or what he is doing. In these dull, gloomy winter days we can brighten our school room by making our faces bright and shiny, and by showing intelligence and expression. So let's quit walking in our sleep, and brighten our faces by going to bed early the night before school starts again. Then we will be rested, our dispositions will be sweeter and more agreeable, and we will be in a good all around mood for the tasks and trials that the next day's school will bring forth.

Freddy Makes Hot Air About Snow
Dear Folks: A very attractive tint has been given to the surrounding countryside by the recent snow fall. Snow now adorns all of mother nature's plants and surroundings. After a few nights of zero weather, we are attracted by the sound of sleigh bells at night and children with their sleds hooking on to the sleds drawn by horses. We can now forget our aching stomachs from our Thanksgiving dinner, and look forward to a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Yours, Fred Singer.

French Class Starts in New Text
The French II class, taught by Miss Cameron, started Monday in their new French readers, Sans Famille. The story is about an orphan and his adventures. It is written in simple style so that the reader may translate at sight. The class is already interested and reading ahead to enjoy the caprices of the lovable Remi.

Thanksgiving Program
A charming and entertaining pro-

gram was presented by the grades Wednesday, November 25, in honor of Thanksgiving Day. The high school, many parents, and friends enjoyed the program which consisted of musical numbers, exercises, and a short play by the boys of Mr. Miller's room.

Band Appears at Game
Spectators at the town team basketball game with Pendleton Monday evening enjoyed hearing several selections from the high school band. They played "Oregon, My Oregon," "Rifle Rangers," "Auld Lang Syne," "Battle Hymn of the Republic," and "America," thus adding much "pep" to the occasion. They are to entertain at future basketball games during the winter.

Student Body Meets
At a student body meeting, held at one o'clock Tuesday afternoon, November 24, the students voted to buy

a new snare drum for the band. Mr. Tilley made a short speech in which he said, "We, the band, feel that we are as much a part of the student body as the athletic teams, and since this is our first request for equipment I feel justified in asking the student body to purchase a drum for us." A treasurer's report was given concerning the proceeds of the play. It was found that \$87 was taken in. The expenses were figured at \$10 and \$20 was donated to the unemployed of Athena.

Eight Students on Honor Roll
The students who are on the honor roll for this last six weeks are as follows: Seniors—Betty Eager, Arleen Myrick, Marjorie Douglas and Mildred Hansell. Sophomores—Walter Singer and Maxine Moore. Freshmen—Aaron Douglas and Buddy Weber. To be on the honor roll a student must have no grade below a two.

Advertising Is Buying Information

Today advertising has more of a story than ever to tell—a story of marvelous values, a story of stable merchandise in every conceivable line reaching almost down to the scale of pre-war prices.

The language of advertising talks convincingly of the merchant's offerings to his customers, and these customers have lately more than ever before learned to follow the newspaper columns for the buying information they are seeking.

Money saved to provide living expenses is known to go further in the family where the newspaper ads are carefully read than in families where the value of advertisement reading is not a recognized detail in the depression struggle to protect the monthly budget.

Yes, advertising has a real story to tell, the story of marvelous values, penned in truthful sentences and punctuated with price figures by your home merchant. Read their advertisements and profit by so doing.



Starting that's swift... starting that's safe, because this free-flowing oil never leaves working parts.....

Tomorrow morning, as you step hopefully on the starter, will there be a s-l-o-w disappointing groan, as it tugs at your unwilling motor? ... Or, will there come a swift responsive roar?

If you're having trouble starting, you're probably using an old-type oil that congeals at temperatures well above freezing. You should change to Conoco Germ-Processed.

But that's not all! To ward off the wear that these prolonged starting periods bring, you want an oil which provides instant lubrication at the first reluctant revolution of a cold motor... And there's just one oil which can do that! Because there is just one lubricant which penetrates metal surfaces and never drains away in idle periods.

Conoco Germ-Processed Motor Oil is that one lubricant. Change to this motor oil with twin advantages for winter use.

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