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## BITUCRETE, NEW PAVING, ENTERS FIELD

SIMULTANEOUSLY, THE BOTTOM  
GOES OUT OF CEMENT  
FOR PAVING.

## LATEST PAVING DESCRIBED

System Freely Used in Oregon Today  
and in California But is New Here  
—Specifications Filed With City  
Recorder Today—Has Two Plans,  
One Being Concrete Base Too.

Exeunt Dollarway, concrete, bitulithic, et al.  
Enter bitucrete.

Lively music, professor. Now, the curtain: Ladies and gentlemen, introducing for your approval, Linden-Kibbe Construction company with bitucrete paving.

The Bitucrete Construction company (position down stage, voice strong and confident.)—We lay two grades of bitucrete paving, and have this day filed with the city recorder of La Grande these specifications and pray that you list to us with attentive ear. Bitucrete is a near resemblance to gravel or standard bitulithic in one instance and is used on a concrete base in another. On a four-inch concrete base we place bituminous black-top surface one inch thick.

The second type of bitucrete is composed of a three and one-half inch gravel or crushed rock bitumen mixture with an inch and a half top coat.

We have laid 100,000 square yards of this grade of paving in Oregon and 40,000 square yards of that entire amount has been placed in The Dalles. The taxpayers there agree it is satisfactory. California has used this grade of paving for some time and it is not a new proposition, except maybe in La Grande.

This little one-act prologue to more paving competition in La Grande was staged and enacted this morning. It is hoped that the actors have made their propositions clear for all the facts gleaned thus far have come in letters from Portland, the company headquarters as the personal representation for the company has not put in an appearance to date.

The Dalles and Forest Grove papers sent along with the specifications seem highly pleased with the paving and

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## GUNMEN RUSH TO TRINIDAD

BLOODSHED FEARED WHEN THE  
STRIKE IS ORDERED.

Strikebreakers Being Imported to Displace  
Strikers.

Trinidad, Aug. 16.—A hundred gunmen of West Virginia coal fields arrived today preparatory to the expected strike of 9000 miners in Southern Colorado. Members of the United Mine Workers of America are expected to strike early next week, the walk-out orders being momentarily expected. It is feared the walkout will be marked by bloodshed. The operators are importing strike breakers.

MRS. G. O. PHIPPS.

She Refuses to Deny or  
Confirm Report of Wedding.



## C. M. HUMPHREYS RESIGNS POST

BECOMES ACTIVE IN NEW FIRM  
ESTABLISHED.

Secretary of La Grande Commercial  
Club Resigns Position.

C. M. Humphreys has tendered his resignation as secretary of the La Grande Commercial club and the resignation has been accepted. Mr. Humphreys retires to go into private business in this city. During the time that Mr. Humphreys has been secretary of the club, which is nearly a year, he having resigned as city recorder to accept that post, the club assumes its portentous quarters in the Foley building and became a home for club members with reading and pool and billiard facilities. The businessmen's excursion to the Willamette valley last winter was one of the big enterprises undertaken by the club under direction of Mr. Humphreys.

NEW COMPANY FORMS.

Incorporated Institution to Enter the  
Produce Field Here.

Incorporation of four well known men into a new produce company to be known as the Eastern Oregon Produce company, has been perfected and will open offices and transact business September first. It adds a substantial firm to the list of wholesale houses in La Grande. C. M. SeCor for many years in the wholesale produce business, and lately connected with a local wholesale produce house, is president of the new firm, C. M. Humphreys recently resigned from his duties as commercial club secretary, and former city recorder, is secretary of the company and Fred J. Taylor, a contractor located at Portland, several years, and for the past six months making La Grande his headquarters, is the treasurer of the company.

Mr. Humphreys will go directly from the Commercial club to the new business and with Mr. Taylor will take immediate charge and Mr. SeCor will give his principal attention to the fair until after October, but will be the manager of the new firm.

The company will have as its San Francisco representative for shipping connections, S. Y. Edwards, better known as "Red Devil" Ceffent Edwards, who has been in the cement business and contracting business in England, Germany and United States. Mr. Edwards will look after the San Francisco connections for the orient and other points and makes of the firm a big contender in the wheat and grain buying business of this valley.

## SULZER WITHSTANDS ATTACK

### Open Doors In Demand

COMING CONFERENCE DEMANDS  
ASSISTANCE.

BEDS ARE CHIEF ITEM

Coming of Delegates Next Week Demands Co-operation.

Men and women of La Grande, who can entertain one or more delegates to the big Idaho-Oregon Methodist conference here next week, with bed and breakfast, can help La Grande be a gracious host by notifying Rev. E. B. Fyke at once to that effect. The church is going to entertain all the delegates, and there will be several hundred of them, with luncheons and dinners at the new church but beds and breakfast facilities are going to be in demand. The hotels will accommodate many but there must be a general opening of doors in private families. The membership of the church cannot handle all the delegates and friends of the church interested in having La Grande treat the guests with a style befitting the city can be of great aid in the matter. The magnitude of the conference is generally underestimated.

BIG PAYROLL COMES.

Biggest Number of Families in Railroad History Here Paid.

With the payment of salaries for the month of July, the O.-W. has sent the biggest sum of money to La Grande for distribution on the 16th of the month today that has yet come. The addition of the many offices to the division headquarters has swelled the usual amount, and the three brakemen order for freight trains has also increased the payrolls.

## MRS. DIGGS MAY BE USED TO SAVE HUSBAND'S FATE

San Francisco, Aug. 16.—It will be wife against former affinity with the husband's fortune hanging in the balance between freedom and the penitentiary when the Diggs trial is resumed Tuesday. If the apparent plans of the defense are carried out they will have Mrs. Diggs on the stand.

It is patent that the men witnesses for Diggs thus far have failed to shake, or even seriously mitigate the damaging volume of testimony of Marsha Warrington and Lola Norris. The defendant as a last resort, is relying upon his wife to come to his aid with testimony. The wife's testimony, unless the defense changes its plans, will be a pathetic effort to show that

The company will handle cement, hay, grain, flour, wood, coal and feed will be sold in small lots. Flour will be handled in carloads alone. All commodities traded in a produce house will be handled in addition to a general brokerage in wheat. The Gust building of Greenwood and Jefferson, will be the home of the company.

In addition to the above lines of business it will do a general forwarding and storage business.

## THREATS MADE TO UNSEAT HIM GO UNNOTICED

CONDITION OF MRS. SULZER IS  
ADMITTED TO BE EXEREME-  
LY CRITICAL.

## HONOR GLYNN GENERALLY

Situation in Albany Changes Little  
Except That There is Hourly Be-  
coming More Dangerous of a Phys-  
ical Conflict Between the Two Exe-  
cutives Now Doing Business in the  
State.

By John Nevin.

Albany, N. Y., Aug. 16.—Governor Sulzer continues in possession of the executive chamber, while Lieutenant Glynn, who signs himself, "Acting governor," is discharging all gubernatorial duties, and is upheld by most of the state officers and many sources are exerting pressure to have Glynn forcibly eject Sulzer, from his stronghold at the capitol, but Glynn refuses to engage in the unseemly wrangle.

It is predicted that the dual governorship will continue a long time although undoubtedly Glynn's position is the stronger.

The leaders of the two factions are discouraging the talk of violence but their followers are threatening and it is feared riots will mark the dispute. Information as to the condition of Mrs. Sulzer was refused.

Sulzer's private secretary this afternoon denied the exact condition of Mrs. Sulzer's being suppressed. He said, "She is very sick and cannot sleep without opiates."

she attempted to hold her husband's waning affection, and that her threat of prosecution frightened him to the flight with the two girls.

CHERRY SEASON WANES.

Twenty-five Cherry Pickers Return  
From Cove This Morning.

That cherry picking at Cove is about finished is indicated today with the arrival of a crew of about 25 cherry pickers employed in the cherry belt the past few weeks. G. G. Stackland, who is in the city today from Cove and is of the best known owners of Cove, said today that the picking season will be brought to a close within a few days.

READ THE CHARTER.

In this issue of the Observer is a section of the proposed city government by commission charter. Sections of it will be run from time to time to fully converse with the salient facts of the new government scheme. A section is printed today on another page.

## Lodge Meets On Eagle Cap

ENTERPRISE TO PEAK IS NOVEL  
AFFAIR

DUE HOME SUNDAY

Many Prominent Knights Make Inter-  
esting Journey to Peak.

Enterprise, Aug. 16.—(Special)—Tomorrow night one of the most novel pilgrimages ever undertaken by a lodge in Oregon will come to an end with the return of a large group of Knights of Pythias members from Eagle Cap, said to be the highest peak in Oregon. While on the summit the plan is to administer the third degree to several members. The journey's plan and its possibilities are told from Enterprise, but as there are no wireless stations in that country the progress of the trip and its incidents will not be known until the pilgrims return to Enterprise. Incidents relative to the trip are told thusly:

They're off for Eagle Cap.

After many days of preparation and discussion the Knights of Pythias expedition is under way. The indications Thursday morning before the start were that nearly 50 men were to make the trip. The number on the committee's list was over 40.

An advance squad departed Wednesday morning, with lodge paraphernalia and general supplies. Those who went were F. A. Clarke, J. J. Bauer, Jr., and Arthur M. Pace, and William Hayes. Mr. Bauer led the way. Mr. Hayes followed leading the pack horses, and Mr. Clarke rode out of town as the rear guard, Mr. Pace followed after, a few hours later. Everybody on the street knew what the pack outfit meant and no one let it go by without some shouted salutation. So it was a very cheerful get-away.

Thursday morning came the grand start of the main army. The committee in charge of the whole program is A. C. Miller, Carl Roe and T. M. Dill. They assigned the various men to their respective squads and in the afternoon there was a great gathering of frying pans, pots and kettles and blankets at the opera house.

The committee made all arrangements for pack horses, and did a good deal in the way of getting saddle horses. Members who had their own horses, however, needed no assistance of this kind.

The party expected to camp at the base of Eagle Cap Thursday night. Tents will be set up, the various squads will prepare supper, each forming one mess. Then will follow an evening of fun and jollity. There are entertainers enough in the lodge to guarantee there will be no dullness. A photograph and a great bundle of records went along on one of the pack-horses to give variety to the program. An entertainment committee will help

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## KANSAS DASES SURROUNDED BY THIRSTY FOLKS

MANY FAMILIES RUSHING TO  
WELLS TO AVOID WATER  
FAMINE.

## LIGHT SHOWERS A HELP

Situation From Heat Wave in Kansas  
Becomes Hourly Worse—Few Wat-  
ering Holes Surrounded—Trains  
Carry Water to Dried-Up Sections  
of the State—Situation is Worse.

Kansas City, Aug. 16.—This is the 13th day that Kansas has been sweltering in such terrific heat. Many of the towns are practically forced to suspend business operations and there is no relief in sight. Reports from over the state show that temperatures are around 108. Springs everywhere are drying up. The trains are loaded with water en route to many localities which are practically without water. In some sections the inhabitants have left their homes and camped around such wells as still hold the liquid to cool their sufferings.

Showers in Kansas.  
Showers slightly relieved the suffering in Kansas, Oklahoma and Missouri today, but they were inadequate to break the backbone of the mercury which is climbing rapidly this afternoon. Practically every crop in this section is burned up.

Chicago in Heat Belt.  
Chicago, Aug. 16.—The thermometer registered 93 at noon and is climbing two degrees hourly. Chicago is facing one of the hottest afternoons of the summer. Many prostrations are reported. The heat extends through Illinois, Indiana, Missouri, Iowa and Wisconsin.

One Killed as Car Turns.

Seattle, Aug. 16.—Mrs. Rose Winchell aged 40, was killed and Mrs. Anna Phelps was seriously injured today when a car driven by Chas. Gams of Tacoma, left the road near Allentown and ran into a stump overturning. Both the women lived in Chehalis. Gams was slightly injured. H. D. Williams, the fourth occupant of the car, escaped uninjured.

JOHNSON IS MATCHED.

Pelky Willing to Meet Colored Scrapper in Paris Says Report  
San Diego, Aug. 16.—Arthur Pelky will fight Jack Johnson in Paris according to an announcement made by Pelky's manager, Tommy Burns. It is announced that he had expected the challenge sent for Johnson by Jim Pratt the Paris promoter.

## NEW PARCELS POST LAW IS UNUSED IN LA GRANDE

Another change in the parcels post laws went into effect Friday. This is the change regarding rates whereby a 20-pound package is carried to any point within 150 miles of posting for 4 cents. The new law will effect all material within the first and second zones, which cover all the territory within 150 miles of La Grande. La Grande postal authorities say that as yet no special use has been made of the new rating but as soon as the people become familiar with its working principles, it will become one of the most prompt systems of postal delivery. In the larger cities the department stores are making use of the new law in the delivery of mail orders to suburban points.