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## TIRES ARE USED FOR SEVEN YEARS

TWO GOODYEAR'S HAVE WORN OUT THREE CARS.

If All Tires Wore as Well, Tire Firms Could Take Seven Years Layoff.

How long will a tire run? If all tires would wear like a pair now doing service on a car owned by John Brodie, of Los Angeles, the tire manufacturers of this country could take a seven-year vacation without seriously jeopardizing the nation's tire supply.

Just seven years ago, Brodie bought two 30x3 1-2 Goodyear tires, placing them on the rear wheels of one of the old "two lingers" of former days and for three years they carried him into nearly every back and corner of southern California, without once faltering. Then the old time car gave way to a gas chariot of more recent vintage.

But Brodie, unlike his illustrious namesake of Brooklyn Bridge fame, was unwilling to take a chance, so before disposing of the ancient Columbia, he removed the two faithful Goodyears and transferred them to his new mount.

Then for two years he rollicked over the highways and byways of the southwest, traversing desert trails and stony mountain roads until the time came to choose his flier's successor.

So again he removed the rear tires, which had not been off their rims for any purpose whatever, and mounted them on his new Chevrolet. And now after two more years of uninterrupted service these two tires are still doing their daily job.

Brodie does not know how many miles they have actually run in their seven years of service as the ancient "two lingers" was not equipped with a speedometer, but judging from their performance on his last two cars he avers that the correct figure is somewhere near 40,000 miles.

The keynote of success, however, is absolute compliance with the simple rules of tire care. To note: "I have always observed all inflation pressure requirements. During the seven years I have kept these two tires I have kept them up to 70 pounds pressure constantly.

In my driving I have encountered every conceivable road condition and have repeatedly taken trips that I expected would prove the last one for the two tires, but they have conquered all obstacles to date.

I do not drive fast. And most of my touring has been at a speed of about twenty miles an hour."

### EIGHTY ACRES.

This is one of the best sightlines in the valley. 5 miles from town, on a good road. Can be handled on practically crop payments. There are no improvements. Purchaser must have small amount of capital.

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## Island City-La Grande-Hot Lake Road Reviewed

The La Grande-Hot Lake road has been the subject of so much comment and many questions that the Observer herewith prints a letter with detailed costs of the road from Herbert Nunn, the state highway engineer. Mr. Nunn had the figures compiled when it was known that there was a desire for further information:

Herb. Bruce Dennis,  
Senate Chamber,  
Salem, Oregon.

Dear Sir:

As per your request, I am handing you herewith a detailed cost sheet of the work between Hot Lake and La Grande, with an explanation as to the changes made in paving contract.

It is hardly necessary for me to go into details as to the grade conditions which exist on this job. Suffice it to say that the county was expected to comply with the laws of 1917 in grading and placing in good condition all roadbeds over which it expected the Highway Commission to pave.

Because of local conditions, this grade settled badly and it was found by the time the contractor had paved the first mile and a half that the pavement and base was too light for the condition which prevailed. It then became necessary to make such a change in specifications as would give the state a permanent job and the following agreement was made with the contractor:

"That on all pavement which had been completed and which had shown a tendency to fail, the contractor was to lay a 3-inch bituminous base at a price of \$1.10 per square yard and on top of this additional base, the contractor was to lay a 2-inch bituminous wearing surface at his own expense."

In other words, the contractor had already laid a 2-inch wearing surface which had practically failed and he agreed to replace these failures and give the state a 7-inch depth of bituminous pavement at the same cost to the state as we are now paying for 5-inch bituminous pavements and

which pavement is now our standard for bituminous types. This agreement applied on all work which showed failure.

It was deemed advisable at that time to increase the depth of base in the work which had not yet been completed and on this new work it was agreed to pay the contractor for the additional base necessary at the rate of \$1.10 per square yard for 3-inch bituminous base. The price on this additional base was arrived at through detailed costs kept on many paving jobs throughout the state and leaves little or no margin for profit.

The department also considered it necessary to use considerably heavier macadamized base than had been used previously and this was delivered to the Highway Department at the unit prices submitted in the original proposal.

You will note from the detailed statement attached that the department has done considerable grading which should have been done by the county, also that we have built drains throughout the entire length of the work.

The original job was awarded throughout its length for a 3-inch bituminous top, and, as the job stands now, it has a depth of 5 inches over all of that part which was unfinished at the time the first work commenced to show failure, and over practically all of that work which commenced to show failure, we now have a depth of 7 inches of bituminous pavement and the original amount of macadam base has been considerably increased, all of which has raised our original estimate considerably. I do feel at this time that the additional heavy pavement is fully justified by the conditions which we find there and feel that the work will give general satisfaction.

If there is anything further you desire to know in regard to this job, I assure you that we stand ready to supply the information if possible.

Respectfully submitted,  
HERBERT NUNN,  
State Highway Engineer.

**STATEMENT OF COST ISLAND CITY-LA GRANDE-HOT LAKE PAVING.**  
Salem, Oregon, January 24, 1921.

Items	Unit	Cont. Quantities	F'n'l Quantities	Est.	Amounts
<b>Grading Items—</b>					
Excavation	.50 Cu. yd.	500	\$ 250.00	3,499	\$ 1,749.50
Force Account Grading					12,135.40
<b>Totals for Grading</b>			\$ 250.00		\$ 13,884.90
<b>Paving Items—</b>					
2" Bitulithic Pavement	1.47 Sq. yd.	66,300	\$ 82,761.00	58,123	\$ 85,440.81
3" Bituminous Base	1.10 Sq. yd.			26,284	39,912.40
Broken Stone (Sh & Bs)	3.92 Cu. yd.	8,500	33,320.00	14,077.5	54,909.40
Gravel (Sh. & Base)	3.65 Cu. yd.	3,900	10,950.00	2,758.5	10,557.58
Shoulder Construction	.96 Lin. ft.	63,660	3,801.60	73,074	4,384.44
Clay or Other Earth Filler					490.00
Force Account	1.00 Cu. yd.	100	100.00	490	4,954.54
Deductions Act. War Tax—Credit					189.41
<b>Totals for Paving</b>			\$130,932.60		\$199,659.76

**OLD TIME DANCES** will be held on Wednesday evening, instead of Thursday as heretofore.

P. J. POWERS.

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1-28-21

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LA GRANDE, OREGON.

### NOTICE OF ASSESSMENT

For the Improvement of District No. 401 in La Grande, Oregon.

Notice is hereby given to all concerned and all persons interested, that by ordinance passed and adopted by the commission of the city of La Grande, Oregon, on the 26th day of January, 1921, there was levied upon and against the property benefited thereby, in Improvement District No. 401 in said city, for the cost of making the improvement in said District by paving the alley in Block 107 of Chaplin's Addition from the east side of Elm street to the west side of Elm street and said assessment is now due and in the hands of the Recorder of said city and will be delinquent from and after ten days from date of this notice unless before that time paid or application to be allowed to pay in installments is made as hereinafter stated. Said assessments are as follows: (Chaplins Addition to La Grande, Oregon):

- Reputed owner— Assessment
- Herman Siegrist & N. K. West, —Block 107, Lot 1 ..... \$80.34
  - Herman Siegrist & N. K. West —Block 107, Lot 2 ..... 80.34
  - J. D. Heidenrich—Block 107, Lot 3 ..... 80.34
  - A. C. Huntington—Block 107, Lot 4 ..... 80.34
  - A. C. Huntington—Block 107, Lot 5 ..... 80.34
  - A. C. Huntington—Block 107, Lot 6 ..... 80.34
  - O. F. Coolidge—Block 107, Lot 7 ..... 80.34
  - W. D. Grandy—Block 107, Lot 8 ..... 80.34
  - W. D. Grandy—Block 107, Lot 9 ..... 80.34
  - J. H. Childs—Block 107, Lot 10 ..... 80.34
  - Carrie L. Hibberd—Block 107, Lot 11 ..... 80.34
  - Carrie L. Hibberd—Block 107, East 20 ft. of Lot 12 ..... 51.50
  - William Miller—Block 107, west 10 ft. of Lot 12 ..... 26.78
  - William Miller—Block 107, Lot 13 ..... 80.34
  - Eastern Oregon Light & Power Co.—Block 107, Lot 14 ..... 80.34
  - Young Men's Christian Association—Block 107, Lot 15 ..... 80.34
  - Young Men's Christian Association—Block 107, Lot 16 ..... 80.34
  - Young Men's Christian Association—Block 107, Lot 17 ..... 80.34
  - Young Men's Christian Association—Block 107, Lot 18 ..... 80.34

Owners of property assessed in said assessment will be allowed to make payment in ten equal annual installments upon written application therefor being made to the City Recorder within ten days from the date of this notice, as provided in the ordinance levying such assessment and the charter and ordinances of said city.

All assessments not paid, or for which applications to pay in installments have not been made within ten days from date hereof, will be delinquent and bear interest from date of delinquency at six per cent per annum.

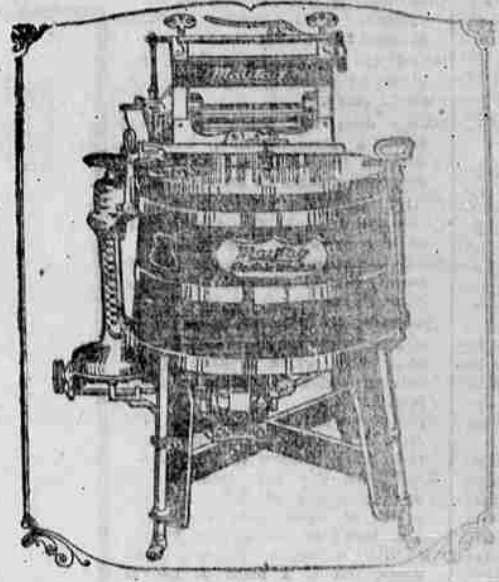
Dated this 29th day of January, 1921.

J. E. STEARNS,  
Recorder of the City of La Grande, Oregon.  
1-29-21

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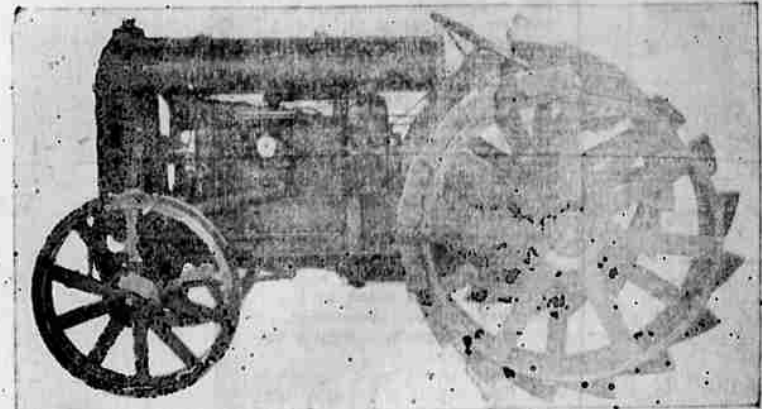
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