

TWO YEAR PROGRAM IS ANNOUNCED

CITY MANAGER TELLS OF TENTATIVE PLANS FOR CITY

STORM SEWER MAY BE BUILT SPRING OF 1922

City Manager Garrett Expects to Re-survey City this Year and Design Sewer Relief and Water Main Replacement for 1922—Paving Program in 1923.

Until an adequate storm sewer is installed, the wooden water mains replaced by cast iron ones, and the entire city of La Grande reshredded, street and other similar improvements should not be rushed, according to George Garrett, city manager, who is planning a systematic improvement of the city which will within two years make La Grande one of the best improved cities in the state. "At the present time," Mr. Garrett said, "I believe it would be unwise to plan further paving work although I know that many residents along the unpaved streets would like to have paving and are willing to pay for the work. La Grande now needs a storm sewer badly, at present the storm waters being carried off in the sanitary sewer which badly over-taxes the capacity of that sewer and makes it impossible for the septic tank to work with the efficiency that is desirable.

Plans Far-Reaching
"The plans I am now working on call for a resurvey of the city this summer, installation of a storm sewer next spring and replacing the wooden mains with cast iron ones. The wooden mains are constantly causing trouble, for instance, having sprung six leaks last summer, necessitating a big expense in tearing up the pavement and making the necessary repairs.
"It would be folly to put money in to paving now and then have to tear it up to replace the water mains and put in a storm sewer during the next two or three years. I expect to work out plans that will defer paving work until 1922, but when we are ready for that work we can put it in and the property owners will have assurance that their streets will not be constantly torn up as would be the case if we attempted to do the paving first; then tear it up every time a water pipe springs a leak, eventually to tear out the whole system of wooden water mains, and then again tear up the streets to put in a storm sewer."

Will Save Much
Mr. Garrett called attention to the unsatisfactory conditions resulting from the "monuments" and bench marks used in surveying, all being located in the business section. Every time the city wants to make a survey on a particular street it is put to just about 10 times as much expense as is necessary, he said. By resurveying the entire city it is possible to overcome this defect and at the same time make a topographical map to be used in designing a storm sewer that would save the city and property owners much expense.

By making provisions for carrying the water now coming down Mill creek and Deal's canyon off without flowing through the city, Mr. Garrett expects to save much trouble and expense in the future, if his tentative plans are carried out.
The water system of the city has grown as the city grew and it is by no means a satisfactory system, according to Mr. Garrett. Much waste of water can be stopped by putting in cast iron mains instead of the wooden mains which each year now

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FIFTY BANDS WILL ATTEND

DES MOINES, Ia., Feb. 18.—More than \$125,000 will be spent in preparing for and entertaining the 1921 convocation of the nobles of the Mystic Shrine here, Jun 14, 15, 16. Representatives of business men have assumed \$50,000 of the entertainment fund and the As-Go-Zik Temple here will produce the remaining \$75,000. Des Moines was designated the 1921 meeting place early in January. Already approximately fifty bands and patrols of the Shrine have reserved hotel accommodations, while a number have made arrangements for special trains in which they intend to arrive while here.

STORM WAS REAL DISASTER TO TIMBER

EIGHT MILLION BOARD FEET IS DESTROYED.

Hurricane Which Swept Over Washington Coast Recently Said to Be Worst in Annals.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—Eight billion board feet of timber were destroyed by the hurricane that swept the Olympic peninsula, Washington, says a report to the forest service. The report characterized the recent storm as the "greatest disaster ever recorded in the annals of forestry or lumbering."

COLD WEATHER IS PREDICTED

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—The coldest weather of the winter is predicted for next week east of the Rocky mountains.

ENTERPRISE HERE TONIGHT

LOCAL TEAM CONFIDENT OF WINNING AGAIN.

Tonight's Game and Wallowa Game Here March 4 Will End Season For La Grande High School.

Enterprise high school will meet the La Grande high school basketball team at the high school gymnasium this evening at 8 o'clock. While the local boys are confident of winning, Enterprise expects to put up a much better fight this time than earlier in the season when La Grande won by a score that about doubled that piled up against them.

The line-up of the local team will probably be as follows: Black and Christian, forwards; Bean, center; Chandler and Horstman, guards; Larsen, Whipple and Blokland, substitutes.

This game will be one of the best of the season and the high school boys expect a large turnout tonight. The other game will be played March 4 when Wallowa comes here to meet La Grande and the season. Admission to this evening's game will be 50 cents. The girls' team is playing at Pendleton this evening, this being the last game on the girls' schedule.

LA GRANDE MAN TAKES ACTIVE PART IN GOAT ASSOCIATION

Lawrence G. Hill, of this city, was appointed a member of the classification committee of the Oregon Milk Goat Association at a meeting of the association held in the Portland public library Tuesday evening. The committee, the other members of which are, Albert Teal, of Falls City, and Mrs. J. B. Inlow, of Portland, is to have charge of the arrangements for the exhibits at the state fair next fall.

The association has also decided to exhibit more than 100 head of goats at the Pacific International Livestock exposition this year. The association will also attempt to land the 1921 national meeting of the American Milk Goat Record association.

At present there are 51 members in the association. A meeting is to be held in May in Portland, one of the features of which will be the annual banquet of the association.

THREE BOYS SENTENCED AND POOLED, AND ONE IS CLEARED

Ruben Beveridge, tried on a charge of assault with intent to rob, was cleared of guilt by a jury in Circuit Judge Knowles' court.

Grant Geddes, Neal Smith and Clifford Alcott, charged with hunting on a game refuge, were sentenced to pay a fine of \$50 and serve 30 days in jail. Immediately following sentence, Judge Knowles paroled all three.

NINE STORY GARAGE BUILT ON HILLSIDE HAS NOVEL ENTRANCE

LOS ANGELES, Calif., Feb. 18.—Construction has started here on a downtown nine-story garage, which will have novel entrances from the street to the first, second, third, fourth and fifth floors. The garage, built on a hillside, will be, according to its owners, one of the largest of the nation.

PREMIER IS IN EARNEST OVER PLEDGE

LOYD GEORGE SAYS GERMANY MUST PAY TO THE LIMIT OF HER CAPACITY.

ADVANCE INTO GERMAN TERRITORY IS PLANNED

French Military Experts, Including Marshal Foch and Petain, Spend Yesterday in Going Over Plans to Force Germany Into Fulfilling Disarmament Terms.

LONDON, Feb. 18.—Lloyd George declared in the house of commons today that he stood by his pledge that Germany must pay to the limit of her capacity.

France Is Preparing.
PARIS, Feb. 18.—The French military experts, including Marshal Foch and Marshal Petain, yesterday made detailed plans for an advance into Germany if the reparations and disarmament terms were not fulfilled.

COUNTRY CLUB DANCE IS THIS EVENING

The new furniture for the Country Club is now installed, and everything in readiness for the informal dancing party to be given there for the membership this evening. As everyone had such a good time at the opening party held several weeks ago, all of the members are on tiptoe to attend the second dancing party, set for this evening.

The road between the city limits and the club house is in excellent condition, and the committee in charge of the party has left nothing undone to make this dance as nice, or more enjoyable than the opening party.

WELL PLANNED RAID STARTED

DUBLIN, Feb. 18.—A more extensive series of raids than formerly carried out in Dublin, began early today. A thousand troops with motor lorries, machine guns and armored cars, participated.

U. OF O. PHYSICAL DIRECTOR CALLED TO WELLESLEY COLLEGE

EUGENE, Feb. 18.—Miss Mabel L. Cummings, head of the department of physical education for women has been called to head a similar department at Wellesley, one of the three great women's colleges of the country. Miss Cummings will leave the University of Oregon at the end of the present term but will not take up her new work in the East until next fall. She will spend the intervening time in special study.

ENRICO CARUSO IS REPORTED MUCH BETTER

FAMOUS TENOR MAY WIN IN STRUGGLE FOR LIFE.

From Every Land and Sea, Wireless Has Flashed Messages of Hope and Cheer to Noted Man.

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—Enrico Caruso, world famous tenor, was distinctly improved today, and late this afternoon it was believed he had won his fight for life.

It was mostly his virile stamina, and his determination not to die, doctors thought, that enabled the tenor to carry on his fight.

So many admirers have been collecting about the Vanderbilt hotel, where the singer is confined, that a special police guard had to be stationed to keep the crowd moving.

From every land and sea wireless flashed messages of hope and cheer, prince and pauper alike voicing their hope for his recovery. Royalty of Europe wished him well and street sweepers of New York stopped outside his hotel to inquire his condition.

Caruso was fully conscious of the severity of his illness. He reaffirmed his determination not to give in, and told Rieti, Italian Ambassador, he wished to die in the land where his voice was born and nurtured—sunny Italy.

HENRY STARR IS WOUNDED

NOTORIOUS OKLAHOMA BANDIT IS SHOT IN HOLD-UP.

With Two Other Men, Backed Officials of Bank in a Vault, Where Rifle Was Hidden.

HARRISON, Ark., Feb. 18.—Henry Starr, notorious Oklahoma bandit, was probably fatally wounded today when with two men, he backed the officials of the People's Bank in a vault, while attempting to rob the institution. The officials shot Starr with a rifle hidden in the vault. The two others escaped.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

PORTLAND, Feb. 18.—All of the local markets were steady today.

LAKE COUNTY TAXES HIGHER

EUGENE, Feb. 18.—The amount of taxes to be collected in Lane county this year is \$1,474,625.58, according to the certificate of the tax roll filed by Herbert Walker, assessor, in the office of County Clerk Bryson yesterday.

Collections will start on March 1. Taxes in Eugene will be approximately 20 per cent higher this year than last.

EFFORTS TO ATTACH RIDER INEFFECTUAL

APPROPRIATION OF \$100,000,000 FOR ROAD CONSTRUCTION IS FROWNED UPON.

MOTION TO INSERT APPROPRIATION LOST

The Rejection of This Appropriation For Road Construction Is Viewed As a Foreboding of the Defeat For the Road Apportionment During Present Session of Congress.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—Efforts to attach as a rider to the post-office bill, an appropriation of \$100,000,000 for road construction, failed today in the senate. The motion to insert in the appropriation, lost with nine less than the required two-thirds majority.

The rejection is regarded as the foreshadowing of a defeat for the road appropriation at this session.

DELEGATE FOR LONDON CONFERENCE IS NAMED

TACOMA, Wash., Feb. 18.—Dr. Edward H. Todd, president of the College of Puget Sound here, has been named a delegate to the ecumenical conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church to be held in London in September. The meeting will consider the many changes that have taken place in the religious world since the last ecumenical conference in Toronto in 1911.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Tonight and Saturday, rain in the west, cloudy in the eastern portion of the state. Warmer in the eastern portion tonight.

JUDGE FREED ON MURDER CHARGE

CLEVELAND, Feb. 18.—Judge William H. McGannon has been acquitted of second degree murder, in connection with the death of Harold G. Kagy.

COLUMBIA HIGHWAY CLOSED FOR TWO DAYS FOR REPAIRS

PORTLAND, Feb. 18.—The Columbia River highway will be closed for two days. The gates will be put up at Bridal Veil, where a sawmill flume was washed out across the famous road Wednesday. The work of repairing the road will take some time and the county commissioners do not want the work to be hindered by trying to keep the highway open. The repair work will be hurried as rapidly as possible.

FIRE CAUSES BIG DAMAGE IN FACTORY

WILLAMETTE IRON AND STEEL WORKS SCENE OF BIG FIRE.

Cause of Fire in Main Boiler Factory Is Unknown—Damage Estimated at \$100,000.

PORTLAND, Feb. 18.—Damage of from \$75,000 to \$100,000 is estimated to have been caused by the fire which destroyed the main boiler factory of the Willamette Iron and Steel works here today. The cause of the fire is unknown.

PENDLETON HAS EXPENSIVE FIRE

PENDLETON, Feb. 18.—A \$75,000 loss is estimated for the fire which destroyed the creamery, cold storage and ice manufacturing plant of the Smythe-Lorenson company here this morning.

FAMOUS PARSON TO SPEAK HERE

REV. C. A. REXROAD CHIEF SPEAKER THURSDAY.

Father and Son Banquet Management Secures Former Senior Chaplain Of 91st Division.

Rev. C. A. Rexroad, popularly known as "the fighting parson," will be the principal speaker at the Father and Son banquet next Thursday evening in the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium. Rev. Rexroad earned his nickname while in service in France.

He was promoted to senior chaplain of the 91st division while fighting on the Argonne and promoted to captain for conduct under fire. Besides being senior chaplain, he was divisional burial officer and divisional school officer.

Has Many Decorations.

The Croix de Guerre was awarded him by the Belgians and he also received a U. S. citation covering this. A personal citation signed by General Pershing is one of the fighting parson's most prized possessions. This was given him for conduct as chaplain. He also wears three battle stars and one citation star.

Since his return from service, Rev. Rexroad has spent some time on the Ellison-White chautauqua circuit. He ranks among the foremost speakers in the country and the local Y. M. C. A. considers itself lucky in securing his services for the evening. While his subject has not been announced it is known that he will speak on some phase of the father and son movement.

Boys to Speak.
A number of other numbers are also being arranged by Secretary J. C. Cronner, of the Y. M. C. A. Some of the boys will be asked to say something and probably some of the fathers will also speak.

The dinner is to be served by the ladies of the Christian church and the hour for beginning is set for 6:15. Every father attending the dinner is expected to bring some boy who otherwise could not attend.

BATTLE FOR TWO HOURS WITH DECISIVE RESULT

PORTLAND, Feb. 18.—Ted Thye and Sam Chapman quit with honors even in Tuesday night's wrestling match at Columbia hall. Each gained one fall and then wrestled 23 minutes and ten seconds, completing the two-hour limit without either gaining a second fall.

Beyond any question, it was one of the greatest grappling matches ever seen here.

Thye is entitled to a great deal of credit. Weighing 164 pounds, he was pitted against a skillful opponent of the art who tipped the scales at 180 pounds. This advantage in poundage wasn't so pronounced at the start as it was later.

WOMEN'S PARTY MEET DISBANDS

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—The national women's party has disbanded in convention here. A new organization to continue the efforts to secure full political and citizenship rights for women, is to be formed.

BOARD OF CENSORS CREATED

MOTION PICTURE CENSORSHIP BILL PROVIDES FOR BOARD OF THREE, WITHOUT PAY.

JOINT WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE IS AGREED

Will Recommend Appropriations For the Next Biennium of \$6,667,338.97—This is above the limit Allowed Under the Six Per Cent Limitation Act.

SALEM, Feb. 18.—The house today passed a motion picture censorship bill creating a state board of three censors serving without pay. The senate late yesterday passed the co-operative marketing measures and the bill increasing the salaries of the attorney-general, tax commissioner and the state engineer.

At the completion of its labors last night, the joint ways and means committee announced that it had agreed tentatively to recommend appropriations for next biennium, totaling \$6,667,338.97. This amount is \$142,603.62 above the amount available under the six per cent limitation act, but it is believed that sources to meet the excess amount will appear.

The two new Roosevelt highway bills passed the senate late yesterday after aizzling debate. The house passed the motor code fixing fees for licensing automobiles.

The house defeated the free text book bill, which had passed the senate. The house, on reconsideration of the bill declaring the policy of the state ownership of measured lake bottoms, passed the bill. The house passed the senate double election board bill providing for the counting of ballots during election days.

The house roads committee has introduced a \$7,000,000 road bond bill for highway construction. Under the constitutional limitation, the \$2,500,000 which is asked for the construction of the Roosevelt highway, may still be issued if authorized.

The senate passed the Dennis bill making the governor the state hydro-electric commissioner.

CALIFORNIA WILL HONOR DEAD

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 18.—High up on Inspiration Point, in Lincoln Park here, on a spot commanding a near view of the Golden Gate, the broad Pacific and a portion of San Francisco, a cornerstone will be laid tomorrow for the Palace of the Legion of Honor, a memorial to California's war dead, presented to the city and state by Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Spreckels.

The San Francisco memorial will be a replica of the famous Palace of the Legion of Honor of Paris. When completed the building will be used as an art gallery.

Governor William D. Stephens, Mayor James Rolph, and H. C. J. Neltnor, consul general here for France are expected to speak at tomorrow's exercises.

LICENSE LAW IS 100 PER CENT ENFORCED HERE

La Grande and surrounding country is observing the motor vehicle license law almost 100 per cent. J. Saltsman, license inspector attached to the secretary of state's office, left here this morning for Pendleton after spending several days here without being able to collar a bona fide license evader.

Only three suspects were discovered by him, two of whom had already applied for their license but had not received their plates, while the third had merely failed to observe the regulations requiring the plates to be placed in certain places on the vehicles. In other places Saltsman has collected as high as \$100 in delinquent fees on several days but the La Grande authorities, he said, did not give him an opportunity to catch them napping.