

S. O. S. CALL SENT OUT

Signers On Cove Road Petition Numerous And Desire Plainly Expressed To Begin Work On Road

People of Different Parts of the County Join in Petitions to the County Court.

The people of the Cove country have waited for their road to be started patiently and now they are going to try and urge the county court to begin the work, according to statement made by several of the leading resident taxpayers of that part of the county.

In order to bring the matter to a focus and stop the delay which seems to have followed the Cove road development petitions were issued a few days ago merely appealing to the county court to begin the work as promised in the road bonding law when the people of Union county adopted it.

That law provides for certain roads in the county, setting them forth on a map and sets aside a certain amount of money for the construction of each road.

All roads stipulated on the map have been started and are under construction now except the road to Cove. General impression is that the Cove is more important from a local commercial point of view than some of the other highways and the long promise made of a highway to connect La Grande and Cove still stand.

That the county court intends to build the road there is no doubt but the time for beginning the work is the feature that Cove people are insistent upon.

Petitions, well filled with names are being returned today and will be presented to the court at an early date.

Mayor Joe Trippier of Cove in speaking of the matter says, "We feel that we have been a patient people to wait this long. When we see road construction going on in every direction except the direction of Cove it makes us wonder whether anyone in the county cares anything about our community except ourselves. The money has been set aside by law for the construction of the Cove highway and we believe that now is the time to begin work on it."

John Dean, one of the prominent men of Cove, says a lifetime goes by reasonably quickly and if the Cove people are ever to enjoy the benefits of a road it must be coming along. "We are a unit on this road matter at Cove," remarked Mr. Dean. "We have waited and waited until patience has almost ceased to be a real virtue and now the rank and file of Cove are saying to all of us who were active in carrying the county bonds for the highway that it is time we were showing results in order to keep faith with the promises that we made and that the men of La Grande made during that road campaign."

Just what the proceeding will be cannot be told at this time but Jno. S. Hodgins, attorney for the Cove people, has drawn the petitions to the court which are now being circulated and after those have been presented to the county administering body, the reply will have a great deal to do with the next development in this important matter.

Leaders In Congress Praise Sinnott Highly

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 15.—Leaders in congress are showing some concern over reports that Representative Sinnott of Oregon has stiff opposition in his contest for re-nomination in the primaries next Friday.

For years congress had been trying to find some way to open the coal, oil, sodium and phosphate lands of the west and Alaska to development, under proper safeguards of the public interest. Three secretaries of the interior and a half dozen congresses wrestled with the problem, which had become well nigh hopeless at the time the Oregon representative came into the chairmanship of the public lands committee in 1919.

The situation as to legislation for the development of water power was identical the same as that of mineral lands. It had been said that neither problem could be solved in a manner to reconcile all viewpoints, ranging from those with capital to invest to those who stand out as ultra-conservationists.

"The far west is primarily interested in land and land development," said Senator Odell of Nevada, a member of the senate agricultural bloc. "Mr. Sinnott understands these problems better than any other man in congress. He is also in a position to give his state the advantage of what he knows by helping to make agriculture and land development paramount issues in Washington," said Senator Odell.

"C'EST COMME CI"



Lloyd George and Barthou, head of the French delegation, deny there is a serious breach between them, but this picture shows them in earnest conversation at Genoa.

KLANSMAN IN REPLY SCORES THE GOVERNOR

Titled Official of "Realm of Oregon" Denies Charges Made Saturday By Oleott.

PORTLAND, May 15.—In reply to the charges contained in the statement and proclamation of Governor Oleott, F. L. Gifford, exalted cyclops of Luther L. Powell Klan No. 1, realm of Oregon, said:

"Replying to the proclamation issued by Ben W. Oleott, governor of the state of Oregon, in which proclamation Governor Oleott has made an open and untrue charge against the Ku Klux Klan, who he claims are endeavoring to usurp the reins of government and are stirring up fanaticism, race hatred, religious prejudice and all those evil influences which tend toward factional strife and civil terror, I have only to say that the Ku Klux Klan is a law-abiding organization, based on the maintenance of white supremacy and the Christian religion."

"There never has been an outrage of any kind committed in the state of Oregon that could in any way be chargeable to the Ku Klux Klan, but, on the contrary, if the authorities of the several counties and cities of this state were to make public the aid and assistance that they received through our efforts in the matter of (Continued on Page Eight)

One Man Halts Eight Bandits

Express Messenger Frustrates Spectacular Train Robbery Effort.

(By Associated Press) TUCSON, Ariz., May 15.—With two well-directed bullets, Express messenger H. Steward early today frustrated a spectacular attempt by eight masked bandits to rob the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Golden State Limited, bound from Chicago to Los Angeles.

Steward killed one and apparently wounded another of the bandits and routed the band empty-handed. Steward fired after the robbers had flagged the train with a red flare and compelled the train crew to disconnect the express and mail coaches from the passenger section.

FRAUD CHARGES TO BE PROBED (By Associated Press) WASHINGTON, May 15.—The house voted \$500,000 for the prosecution of war fraud cases.

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THE DARE-DEVIL



Thrift Shop Appeals To Public For More Cast Off Clothing

ACTION WILL BE TAKEN TO STOP STEALING

Unless depredations by children stealing flowers are checked through parental authority, it is possible that the La Grande police will put on a plain clothes man and those responsible for the ransacking of flower beds will be brought into juvenile court, Roy Feyer, chief of police, stated today. The offenders are mostly children between 14 and 18 years of age who go out in gangs and have, in cases reported the past few days, completely ruined several beds of tulips on the parking strip between the curbs and the sidewalk in the residential district.

The names of some of these marauders are known to the police and although some of them are members of good families the police will take drastic action against them if further reports of this nature are made.

Aside from the flowers planted in the parking strips many beds of flowers near the sidewalk are in danger and if the practice of being overly generous with other people's flowers is not checked La Grande will not present the appearance of a "City Beautiful" this summer, as in past years.

TO ALL ORGANIZED WORKERS

The Central Labor Council of La Grande will have a rousing meeting at Eagles Hall Tuesday evening, May 16. Don't fail to attend. Important. A. H. CANTRELL, Secy.

WALK OFF WITH \$2,000.

(By Associated Press) FREMONT, Neb., May 15.—The Fremont State Bank was held up today by two men who escaped on foot with \$2,000.

ACTOR'S MARRIAGE VOID.

LOS ANGELES, May 15.—Court officers said that the marriage of Rodolph Valentino, screen actor, at Mexicali Saturday was void in California because Valentino had obtained an interdictory decree from Jean Acker, his first wife, in January of this year, and that the decree will not be final until next January.

A short time ago three little boys, four, seven and nine years of age, came into the Red Cross Thrift Shop. They were ragged and dirty, their shoes were worn out and their feet were barely covered and they showed evidence of not having had enough to eat.

After questioning the little fellows, the lady in charge of the Thrift Shop discovered that they were being supported by their grandfather, who is too old to work and that the old gentleman had given practically all of the food to the youngsters and was himself in a very weak condition. The boys' father was out of work and had left town seeking a position.

So the Red Cross Thrift Shop clothed the boys, arranged for feeding the boys and their grandfather and made arrangements for them to use the Y. M. C. A. for bathing.

This is only one of many instances in which the local Red Cross has aided those who were destitute and unable to provide for themselves. Old cast-off clothing, shoes, bed clothes, and in fact, any article that could be in any way utilized is asked for by the Thrift Shop. Many families are buying made-overs at a price they can afford due to the efforts of the local organization in soliciting cast-offs and putting them into shape for use. "If you can't wear your old suits, give them to the Red Cross," is the slogan used by the Red Cross in its effort to emphasize the necessity of giving their old clothing to the society. Shoes, trousers, and coats are especially desirable as the demand for these articles is heavy.

The school children are being urged to help their effort along by one of the Red Cross workers who is speaking in the schools today.

Aggies Win In Annual Meet

University of Oregon Defeated by Narrow Margin On Saturday.

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, May 15.—The Oregon Aggies won the dual track meet from Oregon by a score of 71 to 60, completing the junior week-end athletic events.

SEATTLE, Wash., May 15.—University of Washington's track team overwhelmed the Washington State College team in their annual meet here Saturday, the purple and gold winning by the score of 183 points to 38.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., May 15.—The Harvard track team, strong in the hurdles and field events, defeated Yale, 73 13-15 to 64 2-15 Saturday.

PIONEERS WILL MEET THURSDAY

For the purpose of making plans for the trip to Baker July 4th, when the Old Oregon Trail association will put on a pageant there, pioneers will meet in the Y. M. C. A. Thursday at 2:30 p. m., President T. H. Crawford announced today. All pioneers are asked to attend the meeting.

Highway Commission Is Unable To Come Here

With a terse statement that "We regret to advise you that no date has been found on which all commissioners could come and that the visit to Union county must be postponed for the present," the highway commission of Oregon has again disappointed Union county road boosters. There will be no meeting with that commission this week as had been fondly hoped. The whole county was keenly disappointed and this second postponement is even more regrettable. The postponement came in a telegram received late Saturday night and the Ad Club has again postponed its highway commission luncheon. These road matters were to have been a sole topic and program at this week's

EUROPE ASKS U.S. TO AID CONFERENCE

Genoa Conference Completely Wrecked; New Meeting Looms.

STATE DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS SILENT

Situation in Europe Back Where it was When "Balance of Power" was Recognized.

WASHINGTON, May 15.—A communication from American Ambassador Child reporting that the United States had been invited to participate in the newly planned economic conference at The Hague, was received today by the state department but officials indicated no immediate determination regarding it "would be reached."

Completely Wrecked. (By Associated Press) GENOA, May 15.—The economic conference today stands a desolate hulk in the vision of an expectant world. Out of weeks of negotiating has come the treaty of Rapallo between Germany and Russia, virtually re-establishing the old order of "balance of power," a decision that continues the discussion of Russian rehabilitation at The Hague and manifestation of irreconcilable differences between Great Britain and France over the Russian question.

(By Associated Press) LONDON, May 15.—It is semi-officially reported that Lloyd George and the British delegation at Genoa expects to return the end of the present week.

Reconvenes June Fifteenth. (By Associated Press) GENOA, May 15.—The Genoa economic conference will be reconvened on June 15 at The Hague to discuss Russian questions, if the plan agreed to Sunday afternoon at a private conference of the inviting powers be accepted by the subcommission on Russian affairs at its meeting today. This decision to postpone action relative to Russia is prompted largely by the desire of the European powers to induce the United States to participate and, apparently is merely a means of dissolving the Genoa conference without admitting that the differences between France and Great Britain regarding treatment of Russian problems can not be reconciled in Genoa.

BULLETINS

(By Associated Press) WASHINGTON, May 15.—Chile and Peru, estranged for 40 years by the Tacna-Arica dispute, joined here today in a new effort to compose their differences.

(By Associated Press) PORTLAND, May 15.—A slight earthquake here at 9:30 today rattled windows, shook pictures on the walls and agitated birds as usual.

Weather (By Associated Press) Tonight and Tuesday, Clear.