

WILL OPEN NEW SEWAGE PLANT BIDS

Commissioners to Look Over Offers at Meeting Tomorrow Night.

OTHER AWARDS TO BE GIVEN MONDAY

Latter Bids Will Include Work on the City Hall Building and Municipal Water System.

Tomorrow night when the city commissioners convene in regular session, bids will be opened on the proposed \$105,000 sewage disposal plant for La Grande, which was authorized at the June third special election, along with three other projects.

On the following Monday night, August 31, a special meeting of the commissioners will be held to open bids for work on Hidden Springs and the West Park of the city and pipeline that will have to be added near the reservoir.

In addition bids will be opened for alterations in the city hall building, which will be made in order to house the new municipal truck. Bids for the electric work and general bids will be opened Monday.

Plans Are Approved The plans for the city hall work, drawn by Charles B. Miller, architect, were completed some time ago and have been approved by the city commissioners.

The changes which will be made will reinforce the entire city building, from the foundation up and will give it practically the same strength as a new building. Plumbing fixtures and the heat equipment, which will include an oil-burner, will be installed. Bids will be given on these items at a later date.

In order to accommodate the new truck, the old floor must be taken out and a new reinforced concrete floor will be built at the rear, 53 feet in height, which will hold the bell and house the hose driver.

Many Changed Planned On the main floor, the plans call for taking out all the wood in the fire department, which will be replaced by reinforced concrete. The old vault will be replaced with a new one with twice the present vault's capacity.

The recorder's office will be extended the full length of the building. The police and traffic department is to be entirely rebuilt with a new reinforced concrete jail room containing a juvenile ward; new steel cell rooms; and a woman's ward.

The interior of the old jail is to be rebuilt and will contain the woman's ward and new police headquarters. Both the police

CASE THROWN OUT OF COURT

Judge J. D. Shaver, of the Municipal court, dismissed charges of infraction against the Rogers, colored, following testimony of two witnesses for the city at the trial, which started at seven o'clock.

Colon H. Eberhard, prosecutor of the case, and Henry Hess was attorney for the defense.

Grange Preparing For Annual Community Fair

Plans are rapidly maturing for the largest home festival and community fair to be sponsored by the Blue Mountain grange at Grange, Oregon, on October 1.

The entire community will be asked to assist in the work.

Mr. Charlie Spencer, grange lecturer, is working on the program which will be given in the afternoon and evening, and in addition contests which will be staged during the day.

Cow Testers Give Report Of Findings

Average Butterfat, Milk Production Given; Better Feed For Bovines Recommended.

The report of the Union County Cow Testing Association covering the year, August 1, 1924, to August 1, 1925, inclusive, has just been issued.

The association was organized by the State-Hughes department of the Union high school under the supervision of R. C. Emmert and the work was done in collaboration with the Union Extension Service of the Oregon Agricultural college.

A record was kept of the entire production and feed consumption daily for the entire year. Samples of milk were taken and tested once each month for butterfat. The record has been kept complete for the entire 12 months.

Eight farmers enrolled in the association with a combined total of 50 cows tested during the entire year. The work was conducted without cost save for the slight expense incurred by the association for material, glass, etc.

During the year butterfat sold for from 26 to 46 cents a pound. Hay sold at 10 to 11 a ton and oats at about 12 a ton although most cattle tested did not receive any grain.

Production Averages. The average milk production for the entire herd of 50 cows was 4,912.4 pounds. The average butterfat production for the entire year was 299.4 pounds. The average milk yield was 17.7 cents per pound of butterfat. The total cost of each pound of butterfat was 1.2 cents on an average. The average feed cost per cow per year was \$112.29. Seven cows were culled from the herd tested as being unprofitable. Sixteen head of cows failed to pay for the cost of keeping.

Of the total number tested five had produced approximately 400 pounds of butterfat each and two had produced 425 pounds while the remainder of the cows tested as less than 100 pounds of butterfat.

Recommendations. The association recommends better pastures, better winter quarters for stock, better succulent feed for the winter months and more labor saving devices.

With the successful conclusion of the current year the association has increased in size and it now has under observation 17 herds with a total of 299 cows.

Local Grocery Buys Big Lot of Peaches

The Hooverson Grocery has received a car load of Alberta peaches from Home, Oregon, which are proving very much in demand by La Grande housewives.

Three carloads, one for Baker, have also been purchased. In excellent condition due to having been handled carefully and tree ripened, making them very desirable for canning and eating purposes.

Left Campfire Ablaze; Pays Five-Dollar Fine

On complaint made August 22 by Patrolman Ely, of the Fall Gate ranger station, L. E. Hill, of Elgin, was taken before Judge Wynn of the justice court, when he admitted guilt by leaving a campfire burning and unattended.

Mr. Hill was fined \$5 and costs which he promptly paid.

PRINCE GOES HUNTING. PRINCE JOES CAPT.

The Prince of Wales left at midnight for Puget, a night's journey from Home, after a three days rest and big game hunting.

The prince was bid farewell at the railway station by a large number of government officials and a large crowd which enthusiastically cheered Wales.

One Day Festival. The festival will be held but one day although the committee are planning to have something going every minute of the day and evening.

The festival will be the only events wherein prizes will be given and will probably draw a large attendance.

Mr. W. V. Hagan, Mrs. Reingman, Mrs. Annen, Mrs. Harmon, Mrs. Edith Gekeler and Mrs. Service will make up the children's work committee.

HANDS OFF POLICY IS UNCHANGED

Government Will Not Intervene in Threatened Coal Strike.

ENOUGH FUEL TO SATISFY NEEDS

Government Will Confine Its Activities to Assisting in Provision of Adequate Supply.

SWANSPORTE, Mass. (By the Associated Press)—Further indications that the federal government will make no move to prevent a suspension of anthracite operation next Tuesday were given today at the Summer White House.

President Coolidge has been assured there will be sufficient fuel to meet all public needs even if it should happen that the mines close down.

It was indicated that the government would confine its activities to assisting in the provision of an adequate supply. President Coolidge expects to return to Washington around Labor Day.

HILGARD MAN TO FACE JURY

Frank Sanford, a resident of Hilgard was bound over to the grand jury this morning by Judge Hugh E. Brady of the justice court. Sanford was arrested charged with the possession of liquor mash. His bonds were set at \$200.

LIGHT COMPANY STARTS WORK

A crew of ten men started work this morning on the new power transmission line being installed by the Eastern Oregon Light and Power Company between La Grande and Union.

The line will stretch for a total of ten miles and will take 22,500 pounds of No. 2, stranded copper wire which is being put in to replace the smaller No. 8 wire now in use. A two-ton motor truck purchased specially for this project is moving the equipment to be employed on the job.

SPEEDERS PAY FINE

Levi H. Russell, was fined \$10 and costs for speeding on O. D. Dunford, of Okanogan, a transient, forfeited a cash bond of \$15, given in the justice court when arrested for speeding.

PENDLETON WOMEN BUSY

PENDLETON, Ore.—The year's program of the Pendleton Women's club, almost completed by the program committee will consist of 16 members according to the committee in charge of the work, headed by Mrs. Anna G. Hall, chairman. The year's study will begin October 1. Several lectures by prominent authorities will be given during the course of the year.

Some of the subjects to be considered by the club members will be as follows: "The Child Labor Amendment," "Poison and Care of War," "Books in the Home," "Art in the Home," "The Home Budget," "Motion Pictures," "A House as an Art," "Community Betterment," "Home Gardening," "Better Speech Week" and "Better House Work."

Florence Newspaper Planned. EUGENE, Ore.—Florence is again to have a newspaper, according to word received from "Pat" place, Ralph Moore, who some time ago published the "Daily News" and sold-out to the Empire Courier, announced that he will soon start the publication of the Florence Times.

TWO SLAIN IN RUNNING GUN FIGHTS

Kansas Sheriff and Nebraska Traffic Officer Shot Down.

POSSES SEEKING FUGITIVE KILLERS

Couple Suspected of Hold Ups, Confronted by Officers, Fought Way to Freedom.

COLBY, Kan. (By the Associated Press)—Posses today are seeking two young men who yesterday shot and killed Sheriff Sam Pratt, of Thomas county, and then crossed the Nebraska line and killed Edward Clark, traffic officer, after running gun fights with posses of two states.

The slayers are believed to have committed a series of hold ups in Western Kansas, and were making their escape in an automobile when they encountered the officers.

Pratt with his posse, blockaded the highway. The two men shot the sheriff, through the blockade, and crossed the line where another posse met them.

MONTREAL BLAZE PUTS 61 FAMILIES ON THE STREET

MONTREAL, (By the Associated Press)—Fire late last night and early this morning leveled an entire block of houses here, rendering homeless 61 families. Starting about 11 o'clock, the flames raged with great violence under an extra heavy wind, and were aided also by a lack of sufficient water pressure to combat them.

Three firemen were overcome by smoke and several other persons were injured by falling glass when a hose wagon, rounding a corner, crashed into a store window, smashing the plate glass and sustaining a broken pane.

STOCK JUDGING SHOW

PENDLETON, Ore.—Facts about livestock raising and how to judge cows, pigs, chickens were related to members of the Hamilton County Bankers' association at Pendleton when the monthly session of the bankers was held. Stock judging topics from Hamilton, Pilot Rock and Prineville, and Fred Benson, county agent, were special guests of the association.

In the afternoon members of the Pilot Rock and Prineville clubs gave a demonstration of dairy cattle judging, and then individually told the bankers the reasons for their placings.

NAVY PLANES TRIP DELAYED

SAN FRANCISCO (By the Associated Press)—The proposed flight of the three navy airplanes from San Francisco to Hawaii has been postponed from Friday, August 25, to Monday, August 31. Difficulty in installing in the Pacific the big Boeing plane which flew here from Seattle last week, a new engine to replace that which developed a broken oil feed, was the cause of the postponement.

Wilderness May Be Added to Yellowstone

OGDEN, Utah. (By the Associated Press)—About two hundred thousand acres of primeval wilderness to be enjoyed only by those who are willing to go by pack horse method will be added to Yellowstone national park, if the recommendations of President Coolidge's coordinating committee on national parks and national forests are adopted.

R. H. Estabrook, district forester at Ogden, who was with the committee in Yellowstone park, said Tuesday that the suggested addition to the park is a part of the Teton national forest, it would be kept in the present and natural state as an outdoor museum and game and timber preserve. No wide roads would be built but trails improved for pack horse traffic. This area is near the southeast corner of the park.

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Germany Again Rules The Ruhr



German police shown marching into Esen to relieve the last of the French troops occupying German soil in the Ruhr. This marks the departure of the last of the Allied troops from German territory and also the resumption of German control of the Ruhr Valley.

ROUND-UP HAT SEASON OPENS

PENDLETON, Ore. (Special)—What Easter day means to the so-called gentler sex, Round-Up Hat Day, September 1, means to the men folk of Pendleton, for it is on that day that all loyal citizens cast aside their regular headgear and don the Western-sombrero.

Hats of straw and brim are strictly the vogue, and to add further to the ensemble, Pendletonians wear gaudy Round-up shirts and boots so that said citizens resemble all the sartorial glory of the cowboy.

Pendleton is a busy place during these bright days of Indian summer, for the dates of the Round-Up, September 16, 17, 18 and 19 come on apace and the Oregon city is determined that this year's celebration shall not only equal but eclipse those held in past years.

"It's going to be a swell" predicts Henry Collins, president of the show. "We've got the live stock; we've got the performers, and above all, we've got Pendleton, backing us. I know everybody is going to like the four day show, and the big sale of ticket orders indicates the approval of the public. There are as many four day orders as there have been three days orders in the past."

VESUVIUS ON SPREE AGAIN

NAPLES, Italy (By the Associated Press)—Mount Vesuvius has resumed extraordinary activity. The volcano is erupting great quantities of ash and lighting up the whole countryside at night. Authorities at the volcanic observatory express the opinion that there is no great danger imminent.

XTRA FORTUNE CACHED

DENVER (AP)—\$800,000 in Colorado has slipped away in \$100,000 fortunes, says James C. Slaughter, former cashier, alleged wrecker of the Miramonte National Bank of Pueblo, Colo., who was captured last night by police, the cache is said to represent Slaughter's ill gotten gains. He escaped from Leavenworth last February.

ROBBERS ESCAPE

SANTA ANA, Cal. (AP)—Robbers who looted the mail and express car of a Santa Fe train between here and San Diego last night after shooting and probably fatally wounding Elmer Campbell, express messenger, today appeared to have made a clean getaway with three pouches of mail and an undetermined amount of loot.

VISITORS WELCOMED

PORTLAND, (AP)—To work towards a mutual drive for economy in cost of government, representatives from 12 western states assembled here today for the third annual session of the Western States Taxpayers conference. Governor Pierce welcomed the visitors.

FAMILY FAITHFUL

SALTEM, (AP)—While condemning him for his career of crime, the family of Tom Murray leader of the recent jail break from the penitentiary will stick to him to the end. His father, mother and sister have assured him when they visited him at the prison today.

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Investigation Report Made

PORTLAND, Ore. (By the Associated Press)—Governor Pierce today received a report from his special committee investigating conditions at the state penitentiary. The governor declined to comment on the contents of the report, which were not made public.

50 Young Singers Are Stranded in Missouri

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (By the Associated Press)—Fifty boys, members of a Los Angeles boys chorus, are stranded here. Three weeks ago the chorus started a cross-country concert tour. Defections of advance agents are said to be responsible for the financial plight of the chorus, which is directed by Dr. H. E. K. Whitney, formerly of Spokane.

NEW RESERVOIR WORKING

ST. HELENS, Ore.—Notwithstanding the exceptionally dry season the city of St. Helens had no water shortage this summer. Repairs to the old wood pipe line and the installation of about two miles of 12-inch steel pipe, which replaced the wooden pipe ended a considerable part of the leakage and more than 500,000 gallons of water was added into the reservoir each day.

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BODY FOUND SAID TO BE MRS. LOREN

Gruesome Remains Unearthed in California By Officials.

FRIENDS STATE HAIR MATCHES

Blonde Strands To Be Closely Examined by Experts; Oakland Dentist Gives Opinion.

OAKLAND. (By the Associated Press)—Positive identification of portions of the dismembered body was made by Mrs. Loren's mother and brothers, it was announced after officers found another section of human scalp covered with blond hair.

RICHMOND, Cal. (By the Associated Press)—With the discovery late yesterday of two additional portions of a human head in El Cerrito marshes, close to where a woman's car and a section of a scalp wrapped in a discolored newspaper previously were found, the members of the family of Mrs. Beane Loren today voiced the belief that the supposed murder victim was the attractive young Oakland nurse who disappeared August 19.

The latest additions to the gruesome exhibits include a lower jaw and a severed tongue.

Hair Tests Made Mrs. Loren's family today gave officials strands of hair retrieved from her bathrobe. These will be examined in an attempt to establish whether they check with strands of blond hair on portions of the scalp found in the swamp.

Two Oakland women, close friends of Mrs. Loren, after examining sections of the scalp, said they were positive the hair and scalp were those of Mrs. Loren. An Oakland dentist who did dental work on the lower jaw found yesterday resembled that of Mrs. Loren's.

Wants Upper Jaw He said that he was not certain as all of his work had been done on her upper jaw.

"Find the upper jaw and I'll tell you whether it is that of Mrs. Loren," the dentist told officials.

Draining of the swamp was to start today to facilitate searchers seeking other portions of the dismembered body.

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