

ROAD WORK IN COUNTRY AT AN END

Completion of Alico-Lower Cove Stretch Effected This Week

1925 PROGRAM IS VIRTUALLY CLOSED

Roads Are Now in Satisfactory Condition Generally, County Engineer Reports.

With the completion of six miles of graveling on the Alico-Lower Cove road this week, the year's program of construction and improvements over the market and general roads of Union county has practically been carried out.

About \$55,000 has been spent on the market roads, the state paying approximately half of that amount. General road work expenditures have reached the \$45,000 mark.

Although there are several stretches of grading and surfacing in view for next year, the roads are now in a satisfactory condition generally, the engineer said.

Highways Graded. "Your Eastern Oregon roads are far better than those of the coast counties," was the compliment of J. H. Scott of Salem, state market road engineer, passed to Mr. Morgan during his visit here yesterday.

POST OFFICE TO HAVE XMAS

Rural mail carriers and other employees of the La Grande post office will have a full holiday Christmas, for the first time in the history of the post office there.

Philippine Islands Not Ready For Independence

The Philippine Islands are not ready for self-government, declared Mrs. G. Taylor, wife of a lawyer, in a speech at a meeting of the Presbyterian Women's auxiliary society in the church here yesterday afternoon.

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CHARGES WILL BE FILED AGAINST LA BINE BROTHERS

Charges of possession and sale of intoxicating liquors will be filed against Jack and Charles La Bine today by Carl G. Helm, district attorney.

LA GRANDE AT ENDS

The La Grande high school second football team is playing the Union second at Union this afternoon.

Workers On Projects To Get \$28,767

Estimates Allowed, as Partial Payment to the Contractors by City.

Estimates in the amount of \$28,767.14 for work done to date on the sewerage disposal plant, the Beaver Creek unit of the water supply system, reconstruction of the municipal building, and engineering work, were allowed last evening by the city commissioners, in session adjourned from Wednesday night.

The estimates were as follows: W. C. Kelley, for municipal building work, \$4,915. Hardenbower Bros., for sewerage disposal plant work, \$18,859.57. Hardenbower Bros., for Beaver Creek work, \$8,537.95.

Further discussion of the status of the purchase of the fire truck did not take place last night, because of the absence of Commissioner R. P. Landis. A rooming house license application by Nettie Cottingham, for the Harland hotel, was referred to the city manager.

Other routine matters were attended to before the commissioners adjourned after about an hour's meeting.

HI-DADS DATE GRID BANQUET

The annual banquet at which the Hi-Dads honor the members of the La Grande high school football team was set for Friday, Dec. 11, when the Hi-Dads met in regular session last evening at the office of the Security Land and Savings company.

Dinner probably will be served by the domestic science department in the building devoted to the activities of H. E. Westenhaver, is chairman of the entertainment committee that is arranging the program.

Coach G. L. Bolton gave the organization his report of the game with Pendleton on Armistice day, and commented on the outlook for the meeting with Baker "Thanks-giving day."

"I don't figure that La Grande is going to win," the coach said, "but when the game is over Baker is going to know there was a fight."

Dr. W. P. McAdory presided over the business session, which resulted in the election of seven new members.

Parent-Teacher Body Will Observe Week

In observance of National P.T.A. week, the city council of Parent-Teacher associations is preparing a program that will be presented to the public at a 7 o'clock Thursday evening, Nov. 19, in the auditorium of the high school.

Stork Brings Twins Here Armistice Day

The stork took to the weariness of the armistice day and not only did he deliver himself in the colors of 1918, but he went a step further, when he visited La Grande at 12:29 o'clock November 11 and left twin baby boys at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Sullivan, 1215 S. Avenue. The two babies together weighed 10 1/2 pounds, one weighing one-quarter of a pound more than the other.

The babies have been named Pat and Mike, the proud father announced this morning. Dr. McAdory, who attended the newborn, reports they are all getting along fine.

PORTLAND MAN IN CRASH

BAKER, Ore.—The automobile driven by Charles J. Shelton, Baker attorney, and Mrs. Jackson, Portland business man, collided on the Columbia highway, out of The Dalles, while Mr. Shelton was on his way to Baker. It was learned here.

FARMER IS CONVICTED BY JURORS

J. S. Trent Found Guilty of Manslaughter of George Hamblin

"RED" MUNLEY IS HELD AT PENDLETON

Pennsylvania Man Is Arrested Following Death of Indian Who Suffered from Fist Fight.

McMINNVILLE, Ore. (By the Associated Press)—J. S. Trent, farmer, was convicted of manslaughter last night by a jury which heard his trial on charges of killing George Hamblin, of Portland.

Trent's defense was that he (Trent) when he supposed his melon patch was being raided.

MURDER SUSPECT CAUGHT

PENDLETON, Ore. (By the Associated Press)—Clarence "Red" Munley, 24, of Scranton, Pa., is being held in jail on an open charge as the result of Jim Kaine, 20, an Indian, following a brawl Sunday night.

The two engaged in a fist fight, according to the police, and Munley is alleged to have inflicted injuries which caused the Indian's death last night.

CASE GOES TO JURY

MOBLESVILLE, Ind. (By the Associated Press)—The D. C. Stephenson murder case, sent to the jury at 11:45 o'clock today.

APPLE RATING SECOND IN U. S.

PORTLAND, Ore. (Special to the Observer)—Estimates of production and quality of the total 1925 apple crop, as of November 1, in the principal producing states, also November 1 estimates of the 1925 commercial crop, and December estimates of the 1924 commercial crop, have been made public by the agricultural statisticians of the United States department of agriculture.

The total crop in bushels this year in Oregon is figured at 5,400,000, and the commercial crop at 2,888,000. The quality is 82 which is 4 better than the average. Idaho's crop is 5,100,000 with a quality of 83 and Washington's yield totals 28,700,000 with a quality of 80.

Figures for the United States follow: Total 1925 crop—171,264,000 bushels, quality 75; commercial crop 1925—82,525,000. The October 1 estimate of the total crop set the production at 164,942,000 bushels and the commercial crop was estimated at 50,402,000 bushels. Nearly one-half of the November increase was reported from the two states of New York and Virginia.

This year, according to the November estimate, Washington ranks first in total production, New York second, and Oregon ninth. Only one state—Idaho, has higher quality apples than Oregon.

Belling His Money

When an advertiser buys space in The Observer—local retailers and national manufacturers—it deserves attention not only because of the merchandise that is interestingly presented to you, but also because of the guarantee that he implies.

An advertiser is betting his money—when he buys space—that he can satisfy you with his goods. He can't afford to advertise if he can't get satisfaction. That's what makes it so logical and safe to buy exclusively from advertisers. Their reputation is always at stake and they are intent on pleasing you in every way possible. The non-advertiser is always a careful quantity.

Club Women Prepare For Institute

Union, Baker and Wallowa Counties to Send Delegates Here Next Monday.

Every member of every federated women's club in Union, Baker and Wallowa counties present at the first joint club institute to be held in this part of Oregon is the goal of Mrs. J. D. Lynch and members of her committee in charge of the institute, which is set for Monday in the Neighborhood club rooms at the library.

Mrs. Sadie Orr Dunbar, president of the state federation, at whose recommendation the institutes have been inaugurated into the calendars of Oregon clubs, will be the guest and principal speaker.

Noon luncheon will be served at the domestic science building by high school girls under supervision of Miss Lois Davis, of the faculty.

"Club Relationships" will be the first topic up for discussion after luncheon, Mrs. Robert Service, of the Alpha club at Baker, giving the introductory talk.

Mrs. J. C. Laird of Wallowa, will talk on "Finance." A vocal solo by Mrs. A. K. Parker of Enterprise, will furnish a pleasant intermission from business.

At 2:45 p. m. will begin the discussion of "Relations of Departments to Club and Community." The Neighborhood club being a departmentalized one, the La Grande women will be speakers.

The topics will be as follows: "Art," Mrs. Mossman; "Child Welfare," Mrs. R. E. Westenhaver; "Music," Mrs. G. L. Dutton; "Mrs. George T. Cochran of La Grande, will give the concluding address, her theme to be "Know Your Own Organization."

Every woman interested in women's organization, regardless of her membership in a club, is invited to be present for the institute.

Following the talks there will be round table discussions, with Mrs. Dunbar contributing helpful counsel on each problem presented.

Siberian Mountains Yield Paleolithic Man

KRASNOYARSK, Siberia (By the Associated Press)—Excavations on the Altfront mountains near here have resulted in the discovery of several skeletons of paleolithic man and the remains of several hundred mammoths, wolves and bears.

The skeletons are believed by Russian archaeologists to be about 20,000 years old.

Danger of Fighting Near Peking Averted

PEKING (By the Associated Press)—The danger of fighting in the vicinity of Peking between rival military chiefs has been averted for the time being.

The chief executive, Tuan Ch'i-jui, is telegraphically informed by Marshal Chang Tso-lin, Manchurian leader, that in order to preserve peace he is willing to withdraw his troops from around Peking.

His troops near the capital are already withdrawing. Chang's action caused surprise in foreign circles.

Portland Druggist Dies Following Loss of Leg

PORTLAND, Ore. (By the Associated Press)—John Quincy Adams, druggist, died today after suffering the loss of his right leg above the knee when he fell under the wheels of the rear end of the bus near St. John's Electric train last night. He fell while attempting to board the first car, Mrs. Alice Corbush, 26, is in the hospital today suffering from a fractured skull. Other serious injuries were sustained when the automobile in which she was riding overturned on a curve today as she was returning from a party at a residence, Robert A. Weaver, driver of the machine, was arrested on a charge of reckless driving.

Dr. Harold Elmer Blazer



Dr. Harold Elmer Blazer in court, posing especially for NLA Service and the Observer. He was freed Thursday of charges of murder placed against him at Littleton, Colo., for putting to death his daughter, Hazel, a helpless imbecile. The jury could not agree that he is a murderer nor that he acted in a humanitarian capacity entirely.

ALL HOPES OF RESCUE FADE

LONDON (By the Associated Press)—The admiralty deeply regrets that it no longer holds out any hope that the crew of the M-1 still survives.

This brief official announcement today was taken as definitely sealing the fate of 68 men entombed in a submarine which disappeared off the Devonshire coast during maneuvers Thursday.

Vessels continue to search for the exact location of the ill-fated craft at the bottom of the sea.

Premier Quits After Catholics Withdraw

THE HAGUE (By the Associated Press)—Premier Colijn today tendered the resignation of himself and his cabinet members remaining after the recent withdrawal of four Catholic ministers.

The queen requested that he continue to deal with current affairs pending the formation of a new ministry.

BRIGAND BANDS CAPTURE VILLAGE OF KAWABA, SYRIA

BEIRUT, Syria (By the Associated Press)—One hundred fifteen bandits and 40 Maronites have been killed during attacks by bands of brigands on the village of Kawaba, near Hama, according to information from a French source.

When the encounter ended, the villagers' positions were exhausted and they retired to Ward Marjoun, where French forces are concentrated. The French under attack the bandits treated women and children with the utmost cruelty.

Damascus is described as no longer a menace, except for 200 brigands, who have been levying tribute on outlying villages, and for a band roaming north of Damascus.

REINFORCEMENTS ARRIVE

PALESTINE (By the Associated Press)—French reinforcements have begun arriving in Syria. The appearance of fresh troops, according to latest reports, produced an immediate effect upon the rebels and Druse tribesmen. The country has calmed down, dispatches say.

AGGIES IN LEAD 7-6 AT EUGENE

O. A. C. Gets Touchdown in First Quarter, Oregon in Second

HUSKIES PLAYING AT BERKELEY, CAL.

Win by Northern Team Will Virtually Clinch Pacific Coast Gridiron Championship.

EUGENE, Ore. (By the Associated Press)—Oregon Agricultural College leads the University of Oregon 14 to 13 with the game yet unfinished.

EUGENE, Ore. (By Associated Press)—Shortly before noon a drizzling rain began here and there is every indication that rain might fall during the annual Oregon-Aggie football game. The city is thronged with Oregon alumni and Aggie rooters, and about 10,000 people will witness the game. Fans started for the field clad in overcoats.

Score at end of first quarter: University of Oregon 0, Oregon Agricultural college 7. At the end of the half the game stood: Aggies 7, Oregon 6.

BERKELEY (By the Associated Press)—The Washington university football eleven faced the California Bears today under clear skies in a game expected to have an important bearing on the coast conference title. The field is dry. At the end of the first quarter neither California nor Washington had scored.

SAN FRANCISCO (By the Associated Press)—The peak of the football season on the Pacific coast today brings together California and Washington at Berkeley in a colorful engagement which may determine the 1925 championship.

Neither team has been defeated in coast conference action this year. In addition, California is winding up its sixth season of no defeats by a college eleven. Around 75,000 persons are expected to witness the game.

A win by Washington will virtually clinch the title for the (Continued on Page Five.)

XMAS TREE IS UPHELD TODAY

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—The joy that the Christmas tree brings to children far out classes any damage that the cutting of these small trees does to the forests. The United States forest service state today in endorsing the timber-bearer of Yuletide.

It is roughly estimated that 50,000,000 evergreens constitute the yearly cut of Christmas trees, all of which could be produced on 5,000 acres of land.

This species compares this area with 14,000,000 acres swept annually by forest fires.

Status of Blazer's Act May Never Be Solved

LITTLETON, Colo. (Special)—When the court sustained a motion for a dismissal of all charges against Dr. Harold Elmer Blazer, it still left unsettled the following question:

"Is Dr. Blazer a murderer, or is he a true humanitarian?" That question was a sticker for 12 men who composed the jury that could not agree. A retired pool hall owner, a garage man, an auditor, a carpenter, a blacksmith, an unskilled laborer, and retired farmers—twelve such men couldn't answer the question which involves science, law, religion, the belief in souls and immortality, and the right of humanitarianism to supersede the law.

"Not a crime, but a supreme act of mercy and love, a boon to a hulk of throbbing flesh, a hapless, unformed, mindless being with no right to live." That was the interpretation of the act made by Dr. Blazer's attorneys to the court.

And now Dr. Blazer is free. Biographical Sketches Dr. Blazer's marriage brought forth two off spring. One was Frances Blazer, a perfectly normal daughter, of comely appearance, who is married. The other was Hazel.

Since she was six weeks of age, it is held, Hazel was less than human—almost a "thing," conscious only of misery. She could see and hear and had control of one muscular activity, the ability to crawl or smile. But she could not walk or crawl.

She could only roll on the bed and she could amuse herself by meaningless tearing of sheets of paper in the few twisted lumps of flesh that served for hands. She could make no sound other than strange throaty animal murmurs, gasps and gargles. She could set only pre-masticated food, placed back on her palate with a soft, rubber spoon.

Accepted Responsibility. For 25 years, Dr. Blazer and his wife shouldered their responsibilities. All day he struggled, to vary (Continued on Page Five.)