

Training School Amory Bills Pass

MEASURE UP TO GOVERNOR MEIER TODAY

Would Appropriate \$90,000 to be Spent on Building Projects.

BOTH ENCOUNTER SOME OPPOSITION

Nine Men Vote Against La Grande Amory — Eberhard and Kiddle Both Give Support.

SALEM, March 5 (AP) — Only the official pen of Governor Julius L. Meier can now block \$90,000 in building appropriations for the city of La Grande that have completed their passage through the legislature. Late yesterday afternoon the senate passed house bill 70, appropriating \$40,000 for a state amory at La Grande, and last night it passed house bill 409, appropriating \$50,000 for a training school to be operated with the state normal school in that city.

Both bills were debated, the latter along with the general education bill, being a special order at the night session. Should the governor veto the amory bill its sponsors might have difficulty in mustering the necessary two-thirds senate vote to pass it over the veto, for there were nine negative votes and Senator Charles K. Spaulding of Marion, who often votes against appropriation bills, was absent. The negative votes were Bennett of Multnomah, Brown of Marion, Burke of Yamhill, Dunn of Jackson, Eddy of Douglas, Jones of Clackamas, Schulmerich of Washington, Staples of Multnomah and President Marks of Linn.

The school bill apparently would have a better chance to override a veto since only seven voted against it. They were Brown of Marion, Burke of Yamhill, Crawford of Multnomah, Fisher of Lincoln, Jones of Clackamas, Schulmerich of Washington and Spaulding of Marion.

The amory is an \$80,000 project, the city having voted \$50,000. The bill would authorize the Oregon American Legion post having \$12,000 to apply for the training school. The La Grande school district has set aside \$80,000 to add to the appropriation.

LEGIONNAIRES HOSTS TO 40 FROM BAKER

Forty members of the Baker post of the American Legion and the women's auxiliary visited with the La Grande post at a meeting last night at the Sackajaw Inn. The local legion is establishing the custom of exchange visits with neighboring towns for the purpose of promoting good will and friendship.

George Jett, Baker post commander, talked on the advantages which both posts derive from such meetings. The Blue Mountain Wrangler, which many believe to be better than the original Arizona type, played a group of numbers. The Wranglers are Claude Berry, Wren Howell, and Marion Spencer.

A buffet supper was served, after which dancing was enjoyed until midnight, with Dick Lindsay's orchestra furnishing the music.

In charge of the event were Dr. Frank Eames, John Garitty, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Pittenger and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Palmer.

Baker Men Fined \$1800 Wednesday

BAKER, Ore., March 5 (AP) — Fines totaling \$1,800 were assessed against ten men who were charged with possession and sale of liquor, and with gambling when they appeared in justice court here late yesterday. Two men charged with gambling were fined \$50 each. Liquor fines ranged from \$150 to \$450.

The men were arrested Tuesday night by federal, state and county officers.

WEATHER FORECAST
Oregon: Partly cloudy with freezing temperatures in the interior. Friday fair with rising temperatures.
Gentle changeable winds offshore.

WEATHER TODAY
7:30 a. m. — 25 above.
Minimum: 24 above.
Condition: Clear.

WEATHER YESTERDAY
Maximum 37, minimum 26 above.
Condition: Partly cloudy, traces of snow, moisture .05 of inch.

WEATHER MAR. 5, 1930
Maximum 45, minimum 36 above.
Condition: Traces of snow, moisture .15 of inch.

Nearly \$36,000 Is Spent Here on County Highway

325 Employed During Unemployment Emergency — Many Improvements Are Advanced.

The majority of men who were employed by the highway department in Union county under the state-wide unemployment relief program were laid off last Saturday, though about 26 men are being retained to complete the widening of the highway between Hot Lake and Union this week.

According to figures compiled at the highway office, the state has spent a total of \$35,847 during the month of December, January and February, and has given part time employment to 325 individuals. This was in addition to the crews regularly employed on the roads between Union and Telocast.

As a result of the state program a great deal of highway improvement was accomplished, which ordinarily would have been left until a later date. One crew of men worked on the widening project between Hot Lake and Union. Another crew was the curves between Perry and Hillsboro. Much work was done on the removal of the sharp curve at Perry, though a special drilling crew will be needed to complete this project. Highway between Elgin and Minam provided work for another crew, widening, straightening curves, and cleaning the right of way. Several men were also employed in widening the road between Union and Telocast.

Gravel Pit Built

The Hart Construction company, which has the contract for the work between Union and Hot Lake, has completed the construction of a gravel plant at Union, and expects to start gravel Monday if the weather permits. This section of the road, which has become badly worn, is to be covered with six inches of gravel and two inches of crushed rock, and will later be resurfaced. A rock crusher is being established near Hot Lake, which will crush rock for the bituminous macadam surfacing to be used on this section and also on the newly constructed shoulders between La Grande and Hot Lake.

H. G. Johnson, who has the contract for resurfacing the highway between Kamela and Hillsboro, has resumed work at least by the first of April. It will take about two months to complete this project.

Tigers To Play Joseph At Union At 8:00 Tonight

TODAY'S SCHEDULE
3 p. m. — Wallowa vs. Joseph.
4 p. m. — Baker vs. Ontario.
8 p. m. — La Grande vs. Joseph.
9 p. m. — Union vs. Vernon.
If La Grande loses tonight the Tigers will play at 10:30 tomorrow morning. If La Grande wins tonight the Tigers will play at 3:30 p. m. Friday.

All was in readiness this afternoon for the opening of the district basketball tournament at 3 o'clock, with eight teams competing for the right to represent the Eastern Oregon conference in the state tournament at Salem later this month.

Coach Ira Woodie had his La Grande Tigers groomed for tonight's game with Joseph tonight, although many fans believed that the Tigers would emerge victorious.

The La Grande team consists of Shigley, Cole, Holm, Torrey, Corey, Burnett, Faus and Cesterling. The officials, R. C. Caccia and Al French, arrived here this morning and left for Union later this day. A large crowd from La Grande was anticipated this evening at Union. This afternoon, with Baker playing Ontario, it was expected the southern circuit would be represented by several hundred spectators.

Local Veterans Receiving First Checks on Loan

The first checks to be received from the U. S. veterans bureau in payment of loans were distributed today. The adjusted service certificates arrived in La Grande this morning. This means that about \$75,000 will be in La Grande within the next few days in answer to application for loans.

Otis Palmer, service officer of the local American Legion post, estimated that the total of these applications were made and that they will average about \$500. About one-third of the world war veterans will borrow on their certificates, about one in 10 applying for a new loan.

Practically every cent of this money will be spent locally, and many men actually need it to feed the children of their families, Mr. Palmer says. Very little of it will be spent "foolishly," and even that portion spent on things not necessary, will nevertheless be in circulation in this locality. The service officer announces he has plenty of loan blanks on hand now and will be glad to be called on by any one at his office after 5 o'clock.

2 Homes Entered; Jewelry Missing

Two homes were broken into last night while their occupants were away, and some jewelry was missing from one. The George Fawcett home at 1112 W. was visited between 7 and 10 p. m. Wednesday, the intruders breaking the glass in the back door. Nothing was reported to the police as missing. The J. A. O'Neil home nearby was also visited. An unlocked back door being used for entrance and a box containing some jewelry was stolen.

HILL'S STORE TO CONTINUE IN OPERATION

F. B. Conner, Purchaser of Business, Announces His Plans.

Review of Mr. Hill's Activities in La Grande Since 1898 Shows Many Accomplishments.

Today was the first, in many years that A. T. Hill was not conducting some business enterprise in La Grande. Yesterday announcement was made that he had sold his department store to Frank B. Conner, of Union, Mr. Hill, who has been actively interested in business, farming

and civic enterprises here since 1898, is not yet ready to announce his plans for the future.

Mr. Conner, interviewed yesterday afternoon, stated that he will continue the department store over the name of Union vs. Vernon, Inc., with a slogan "La Grande's Own Store." He plans to restock the store and include more varied lines of merchandise.

Associated With Buying Group

Mr. Conner is affiliated with the Victoria buying group of 10 large wholesale houses, which buy for some 10,000 independent stores over the nation. He is a member of the Mr. Conner recently purchased the West-Enaver stock, which he plans to close out within the next few weeks. He also has stores at Union and Elgin, and many years ago was a La Grande business man — before

FOWLER PROPERTY RIGHT QUESTIONED

City to Learn Whether it Can Attach—Bond Question Still Unsettled.

The Fowler case again figured in a committee meeting when City Manager A. B. Cherry last night suggested that the city attorney investigate whether the Fowler property may attach any of Mrs. Fowler's property in the city, and whether the city could attach it to the Fowler estate. The commission instructed Robert S. Eakin to prepare such an opinion. Mr. Cherry said he understood the Fowler case had priority over the question of whether more than \$25,000 can be secured from the bonding company in the event the shortage in the city funds becomes a permanent nature.

Some Excitement

Some excitement occurred when J. W. Ferdinand, seeking the position of city inspector, now held by Haskell Andrews, charged that Mr. Cherry was standing in the way of his appointment by Dr. A. L. Richardson.

New York Police Seek "Female Al Capone" In Vivian Gordon Murder

NEW YORK, March 5 (AP) — The World-Telegram says today that the police are looking for a "female Al Capone," who knows so much about the city's night life that she could give material assistance in solving the murder of Vivian Gordon, black-maller and vice inquiry witness.

"Were this woman to appear and tell all she knows," the newspaper says, "she would wreck the homes and lives of numberless men in the judicial, political and business world of this and other cities. She knows them all intimately."

The best of male nocturnal revelers have been entertained in the upper

Court Tense As Mowry Outlines Case For State

Expects to Entangle Bowles and Miss Loucks in Web of Circumstantial Evidence.

HILLSBORO, Ore., Mar. 5 (AP) — Nelson C. Bowles, Portland millionaire, and his former secretary, Miss Irma Loucks, sat side by side in the Washington county courthouse today, as the state outlined the case upon which it will demand the death penalty for the murder of Bowles's wife. The jury comprised two alternates selected, George Mowry, deputy prosecutor of Multnomah county, made the opening argument for the state. John Collier of defense counsel, followed for the defendants.

Mrs. Bowles was stabbed to death last Nov. 12 in Miss Loucks's apartment in Portland, in the presence of the girl and Bowles. They were seen killed herself when she heard of their intimacies over a three-year period. The Multnomah county grand jury indicted them for first degree murder.

Tense Courtroom

The tenseness peculiar to murder trials pervaded the courtroom as the last detail incident to the swearing of the jury was completed.

Two attorneys arose not to notice the change as attorneys bustled themselves with brief cases and the crowd hummed during the momentary lull. Moved by the same impulse, the millionaire and his former secretary left their chairs and went to the seats of the two mothers, Mrs. Ada J. Pissel.

There was a whispered word, a hurried embrace and a smile between one woman and her son, another woman and her daughter.

Lusk Reassigned To Fowler Case In Baker County

Circuit Judge Hall S. Lusk, of Multnomah county, assigned to the Fowler case in Baker county, has been reassigned to the case in Baker county. It was learned here today. Indications were that the trial of Mrs. Fowler in Baker county, on charges of larceny of public money from the city of La Grande, probably would not open before Tuesday or Wednesday.

If the judge arrives at Baker Monday, the first act would be to order the impaneling of a jury. It is believed, Court would then be required to adjourn a day or two to permit prospective jurors could arrive in Baker. Then the trial would open with the selection of jurors.

A. S. Smith, Baker attorney, has been secured to assist the prosecution, according to Carl Helm, district attorney.

Gas Price Still At 23 Cents Locally

Gasoline prices in La Grande were quoted at 23 cents today, the same as yesterday afternoon. Yesterday at noon a two-cent drop went into effect.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 5 (AP) — Motorists purchased gasoline at fourteen and one half cents a gallon at independent dealer stations here today, four and one half cents under the quotations established by major oil concerns.

In some quarters the new slash in prices was considered a fresh outbreak in the gasoline "war" prevalent in the state the last two weeks. Major oil companies remained silent.

In Los Angeles the price was 14 1/2 cents and in a few cases, 10 cents.

Charles Davis Is Dead In Oakland

UNION, Mar. 5 (Special) — Charles Davis, a former resident of Union who is well-known throughout the valley, died at Oakland, California this morning at the age of 76 years. Immediately upon receiving word of the death, his sons, Elwood and Richard, left for Oakland.

He is survived by a widow; three sons, Elwood and Richard of Union, and Alton of Oakland; two brothers, Fred and Ed, and a sister, Mary Mallory, all of Redfield, California, and another brother, A. B. Davis, of Union.

He lived in Union until about 10 years ago when he was forced to go to California because of ill health.

NIGHT WATCHMAN HELD UP

PORTLAND, Mar. 5 (AP) — Three masked men early today held up Earnest Northwick, night watchman of a dairy near Hillsboro, locked him in an ice box and then blew a safe in the office escaping with \$13 Northwick was in the refrigerator for three hours and finally was released by two truck drivers who came to take cream to Portland.

Over \$18,250,000 To Be Spent In Oregon

WASHINGTON, D. C., Mar. 5 (AP) — Appropriations in excess of \$18,250,000 were made available to the state of Oregon by the 71st session of congress, a review of the session shows. For two decades the state has been paid to veterans in the state under the terms of the compensation act approved by congress over the veto of the president.

Approximately \$13,200,000 was allocated for Oregon in supply bills of the departments of agriculture, interior and war. The state got \$1,000,000 from the emergency construction federal aid bill, and federal buildings money amounted to more than \$3,000,000.

Counterfeiter To Serve Ten Years

PORTLAND, Ore., Mar. 5 (AP) — Mickey McPadden, who has spent 28 of his 53 years of life in the state's prisons, was on his way to McNeil Island federal penitentiary today for another "ten-year stretch." And he was sour on the world.

McPadden, known in Portland as "Red" W. Moore, pleaded guilty to a counterfeiting charge, said he had not been in trouble for the past four years, and threw himself upon the mercy of the court.

"Ten years," said the judge. "Why," Mickey complained, "don't a man get credit for going straight for four years?"

Bechtoff Home Guarded

AUDUBON, N. J., March 5 (AP) — A police guard was stationed today at the home of the late Senator Charles Bechtoff.

HARMONY IS RESTORED BY DEMOCRATS

National Committee Meeting is Held Today in Washington.

NO COMMITMENT WILL BE ASKED

Cheers Greet Announcement Made by Raskob — No Stand is Taken on Prohibition.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 5 (AP) — A dispute over prohibition threw the Democratic national committee into disorder and confusion late this afternoon.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 5 (AP) — State liquor control was advocated before the Democratic national committee this afternoon by Chairman Raskob, who declared the time had arrived to "redeem the party" to make it one of all the people and a liberal party.

WASHINGTON, March 5 (AP) — Harmony spread over the Democratic national committee meeting today as Chairman Raskob, in calling for a united front in 1932, assured the apprehensive party hosts that he would seek no commitment of the committee on issues.

The cheers greeting this proposition (Continued on Page Six)

"FIRST LADY OF LAND" TO GET ANNUITY

PHILADELPHIA, March 5 (AP) — An annuity of \$12,000 to supply "pin money" for the "first lady of the land" was provided in the will of Henry G. Freeman Jr., owner of a large parcel of Philadelphia real estate, who died in October 1917.

This was revealed today, when the Fidelity-Philadelphia Trust company, executor and trustee, began accounting because of the death of a son, William McLean Freeman, survivor of two children, who were life tenants of the residue of Henry Freeman's \$2,000,000 estate.

Whether Mrs. Herbert Hoover would receive the annuity, however it is acceptable, and whether disposition of the residue to three institutions would be made in accordance with the will of the son, depend upon several questions that the orphans' court must decide.

ONE MILLION DOLLARS TO BE SPENT BY R. R.

PORTLAND, March 5 (AP) — An eight-months program during which approximately one million dollars will be spent, will be required to rebuild the 24-mile line replacing the Shevlin-Hixon logging railroad, used as part of the Great Northern system from Bend to Klamath Falls, where the line will be rebuilt for 24 miles south of Bend and the work will be completed before 1932, when the Great Northern's California extension will have been finished.

The new line will connect with existing tracks near the Oregon trunk roundhouse in the southeast section of Bend, will follow the east side of the Shevlin-Hixon line for a point near Klamath Falls, where the connection with the Shevlin-Hixon line is made. From this point south for ten miles a new line will be built paralleling the logging road grade.

The connection with the permanent alignment of the Great Northern will be made 46 miles north of Chemult.

Hearing Is Held On Soldiers Home

WASHINGTON, Mar. 5 (AP) — Senators and representatives from Washington, Oregon and Idaho today appeared before the federal board of hospitalization to urge that their state be selected as the site for the new United States soldiers home in the Pacific Northwest.

Representative Hawley summed up the Oregon plea that the town of Roseburg be selected. The two senators from the state made similar pleas.

Portland to Vote On Big Bond Issue

PORTLAND, Mar. 5 (AP) — Bond issues totaling two million dollars, for a new city hall, a new city auditorium and a new city hall, and employment will be voted upon by residents of Portland and of Multnomah county at a special election to be held April 10.

The date was agreed upon at a special meeting of the city council last night, and the county commission was expected to concur today, as an agreement already has been reached.

Fifth Annual Shoot Opens at Del Monte

DEL MONTE, Cal., Mar. 5 (AP) — The fifth annual Grand Handicap and Hundred Traps shooting tournament started here today and will be concluded Sunday. More than a hundred shooters are competing for \$1,500 in cash prizes and trophies. Targets will be registered with the Pacific International Traps shooting association.

Frank Troch, national famed shot from Portland, Ore., is on hand while practically all parts of the west are represented. San Francisco has the largest delegation, approximately 30. Other entries include:

Bend, Ore. — Dr. J. C. Vandervort.
Portland — Harry T. Spicer, H. M. Holliday.
Corvallis — Mark Rickert, John Gallagher, C. H. Woodcock, J. H. Camp, R. A. Babbs.
Klamath Falls — E. N. Hardenbrook, R. E. DeWeese, C. A. Dunn, O. W. Houston, H. E. Hunter, W. E. Lamm, Chester Wood, M. Gilbreath.

NOMINATED



FILES PETITION AIMED AT RATES

Farm Groups, Granges, Grain Men and Ranchers Sponsor Protest.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Mar. 5 (AP) — A formal petition complaining against "excessive and discriminatory freight rates" resulting from defective railroad regulation, sponsored by farm groups, granges, grain men and ranchers of Oregon, Washington and Idaho, was before the interstate commerce commission today. It was filed by Arthur M. Grant, Portland, Ore., attorney, who in addition, took the case up with the congressional delegations from the three states.

The petition asks the interstate commerce commission how present laws can be amended to obtain effective regulation vital to agriculture.

The report directed the attention of the commission to the "huge returns" the railroads are said to be making from operations of fruit express systems.

The charge is made that the railroads have manipulated their maintenance accounts to hide many millions of dollars actually received as net returns from railroad operation.

Boyish Prank May Cause His Death

PERDLETON, March 5 (AP) — A boyish prank resulted in tragedy and may end in death for Harley Maynard, eight years old, unconscious in a hospital here.

Yesterday he jumped in front of an automobile driven by John E. Matthews of Portland. He suffered severe head injuries and a broken arm.

Dr. L. L. Lichman, traffic officer, found upon investigation that the child had been in the habit of running in front of cars "to scare the drivers."

Alcoholism Cause Of Four Deaths

WHEELING, W. Va., Mar. 5 (AP) — Four persons were dead today following a party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Schwabenberger, at Bridgeport, O., and county authorities said they were victims of alcoholism.

Harry Church, 58, died early today. Mrs. Schwabenberger, her husband, and Samuel Berchoff, 58, were the other victims. They became ill after the party Tuesday night. Coroner J. W. Neal of Belmont county, O., said he had obtained a statement from Schwabenberger, before his death which may result in the arrest of the person who sold the liquor.

Cocoanuts Used To Hide "Wet Goods"

CLEVELAND, Mar. 5 (AP) — Police who found 200 casks in the apartment of George Davis, 46, became suspicious. So they arrested Davis, charging the nuts were filled with liquor made by man indicted by jury last night in dual debates held on each campus. Chain store operation, the subject of the debates, emerged victorious in both contests. Both home teams won by 2 to 1 decisions.

DEBATE WIN AT HOME

CORVALLIS, Ore., Mar. 5 (AP) — Oregon State college and the University of Oregon varsity debate teams tied last night in dual debates held on each campus. Chain store operation, the subject of the debates, emerged victorious in both contests. Both home teams won by 2 to 1 decisions.

Wheat Today

CHICAGO, Mar. 5 (AP) — Corn prices developed strength today largely because of attention to the wheat supply. 19,000,000 bushels compared with a 5-year average of 36,000,000. The increase so far this year has been only 2,500,000, against 19,000,000 in 1930. Sales of United States wheat to Havre and Marseilles, France, were reported.

Corn closed firm 1/4-1/2 cents higher. Wheat 3/4 decline in price, but a 1/2 cent up, and provisions unchanged to 5 cents down.

Boston Coast, Vicinity Hit By Terrific Gales

Damage From Wednesday Flood Estimated at \$3,000,000 — Second Flood Last Night.

BOSTON, Mar. 5 (AP) — Twice within 12 hours extremely high tides have been churned into raging floods by a powerful onshore gale to wreak tremendous damage along the coast of Boston and vicinity.

Damage from yesterday morning's flood was estimated at \$3,000,000. The loss was greatly increased by a second flood shortly before midnight. Hundreds were driven from homes in various communities.

200 Left Homeless

More than 200 were left homeless in Revere alone. The Red Cross supplied 200 cots and the city furnished food for the refugees, many of whom had not been able to return to their homes from work or school.

Only an occasional building remained in many of the summer colonies along the north and south shores.

The affected places included the North Shore communities of Winthrop, Revere, Lynn and Nahant, and on the South Shore, Hull, Nantasket and Pemberton.

A full moon brought the tide to a record high shortly before midnight and water flowed through the streets with an increasing toll in damage.

Streets Inundated

The water front streets in Boston were heavily inundated. Water was two feet deep in stores.

Corvallis, Me., Gloucester, Marblehead and scores of other communities felt the fury of the gale but the brunt of last night's damage was apparently centered in the vicinity of Boston.

Yesterday's tide, normally expected (Continued on Page Seven)

Mal Daugherty Facing Term In State Prison

WASHINGTON COUNTY HOUSE, O., Mar. 5 (AP) — Mal S. Daugherty, brother of Alvin Karpis, was sentenced today to a term of 10 years in the state prison for a conspiracy to defraud the Ohio State bank.

Daugherty was found guilty yesterday by a Payette county jury of conspiring to defraud the bank. The 68-year-old former banker, whose three weeks' trial was interrupted by the death of his aged mother, sat unmoved as he heard the verdict.

His attorneys announced a motion for a new trial will be filed, pending which his sentence will be delayed. It was argued that the jury was composed of the indictment, each of which carries a maximum sentence of 30 years imprisonment and a fine of \$10,000.

Daugherty came into national attention a few years ago when as president of the Midland National bank he refused a senate commission to investigate alleged bribery in government oil deals. He was cited for contempt of the senate, but was never prosecuted. The Midland and two other banks were later merged to form the Ohio State bank.

MISSING HEAD IS SOUGHT BY AUTHORITIES

VALLEJO, Cal., March 5 (AP) — Deputy sheriffs and volunteers dragged the Sacramento river near Rio Vista today for the missing head of a nude white man whose weighted, trussed and decapitated body was discovered in an unmarked Solano county cemetery with a gruesome murder mystery.

State board of identification experts from Sacramento and the FBI are making an effort to establish identity, and Sheriff John R. Thornton, Fairfield, said he was convinced the man had been the victim of a carefully planned and cleverly executed murder.

H. N. Karlstedt, Montezuma packing plant foreman, discovered the body trussed with wire and anchored to a 100 pound tractor wheel. C. G. Stewart, Solano coroner's assistant, said the body had been in the water about twelve days.

Contractors Will Proceed With Work

WASHINGTON, D. C., Mar. 5 (AP) — Elwood Mead, commissioner of the reclamation bureau, announced today that contractors have been ordered to proceed with work on the main canal of the Vale, Oregon, project and the Bully Creek lateral system.

The work will cost approximately \$1,000,000. Mead said. Bids were opened Dec. 10 but the awards were held up because of lack of government funds.

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