

FIVE MILLION TO BE SPENT ON HIGHWAYS

Construction Program for
1932 Agreed Upon By
State Commission.

WORK SCHEDULED IN EAST OREGON

Allow \$26,000 to Pave
Union-Hot Lake Stretch
—\$154,000 Pendleton to
Dead Man's Pass.

PORTLAND, Feb. 11 (AP)—A highway construction program for 1932, involving nearly \$5,000,000 in federal and state funds, and an issue of short-term notes in the amount of \$1,000,000, was agreed upon by the state highway commission at a special meeting here Wednesday.

The construction program takes into consideration the allocation of \$2,333,680 of state funds, \$1,000,300 of federal aid money, and the \$1,500,000 involved in the forest highway program adopted in December.

The program was approved by the highway commission and the federal bureau of public roads.

Work to begin Apr. 1.

It was agreed work will start April 1 when the present emergency program will be concluded.

The million-dollar issue of notes will care for principal and interest payment on bonds coming due and will provide funds to carry on the building program until motor license fees are available July 1. The notes are payable Oct. 1.

Bids on the million dollars worth of notes will be received at the regular meeting of the commission here March 3.

Highway projects costing about \$577,000 will be contracted for at the next meeting of the commission. These will include grading and graveling the Sand Station-Washington line section of the Columbia River highway, \$220,000; Doyle Hill-Nimrod section of McKenzie highway, resurfacing, \$110,000; grading Paradise Creek-Elkton section of Umpqua highway, \$182,000; gravel surfacing Lakeview-Burns highway, \$25,000. In addition contracts will be heard for construction of a \$300,000 four-lane bridge over the Clackamas on the

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LESS WARRANT INDEBTEDNESS FOR 2 MONTHS

Total of warrants have been reduced considerably during the last year, according to a report made to the city commission last evening by City Manager Angus McAllister. The amount of warrants issued for the first two months of the budget year of 1932 was \$17,394.94. This compares with \$25,986.94 the year before and \$29,895.02 two years before for the same period.

The meeting last night was brief. The commission accepted a deed from H. G. Voruz to some property on the north side, bills for January, amounting to \$3029.43.

Cash on hand at the end of the week totaled \$9051.13, divided as follows: La Grande National bank \$2160.50, U. S. National bank \$3917.83, cash \$872.90.

600 Pounds Clams Secured For Feed

With 600 pounds of clams ready to bake and 18 acres of parking space available at the club house—where the feed will be staged—the La Grande Gun Club is completing preparations for its annual clam feed.

All are invited to attend, and annual membership tickets will admit one. These may be procured at the door.

Sportmen are expected from Union, also there may be some in attendance from Baker, Wallowa and Umatilla counties. The main business of the meeting will be consideration of any grievances against present game laws, etc.

The road from the highway to the Lome Tree club house is in good condition and cars should turn in by the beacon light, Floyd Lanning, secretary, announced today.

Monmouth Wins Opening Tilt By 49 to 28 Score

Scroggins Finds Basket
For 20 Points—E. O. N.
Rally Stopped When
Bredow is Hurt.

Conference Standings
W. L. Pct.
Monmouth 1 0 1.000
E. O. N. 2 1 .667
Ashland 0 2 .000

Largely because Harry Scroggins, former Commerce High athlete of Portland, was making uncanny shots, the Monmouth Normal school basketball team trounced Eastern Oregon 49 to 28 here last night.

Even so, the game was a close contest until an unfortunate happening occurred that stilled the rush of the Mountaineers. Trailing 23 to 13 at half time, and 27 to 13 two minutes after the second half opened, the Mountaineers launched a rally that accounted for 13 additional points while the visitors failed to score, bringing the count to 27 to 26 against E. O. N. At this point, in a scramble for the ball, Phillips, Monmouth forward, and Bredow, E. O. N. guard, went to the floor and Phillips so forgot himself as to hot-headedly slug Bredow in the nose. Coach Larry Wolfe immediately withdrew Phillips from the game although it would have been unnecessary. Phillips had two fouls on him. Referee Agee called a third on him in the scramble, and the smash to Bredow's nose resulted in a fourth. For a

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Ski Carnival To Be Held Sunday At Meacham

After entertaining a crowd estimated at 750 last Sunday, the Blue Mountain Ski club at Meacham has announced plans for a ski carnival to be held next Sunday, Feb. 14. The club expects this new event to be the best of the winter season. The ski slides and jump will be improved with the toboggan slide which also will be in condition for hand sleds. No charges will be made and the Eastern Oregon public is invited.

Winners of events at last Sunday's tournament follow:
Fat men's race: Chris Love, of Meacham.
Boys' jumping contest: Bud Hawes, of Meacham.

Longest ski jump for men: Pug McCormick, La Grande.
Men's standing ski jump: Don Hawes, Meacham.
Free-for-all jump: Pug McCormick, La Grande.
Ladies ski jump: Miss Gladys Olson, Meacham.
Best lady ski rider: Miss Olson.
Girls' ski riding: Mary Helene Piersol, Meacham.

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La Grande And
Baker Teams To
Play on Friday

One of La Grande's little basketball classics of the year is scheduled for Friday night at 8 o'clock at the L. D. Recreation hall when the Baker Bulldogs meet the Tigers in the first of their pre-tournament series. Baker won at home 22 to 14 and La Grande is eager to even up the count. So far the Bulldogs have bowed only to Mac-Hi, a team that La Grande defeated decisively here.

Baker sophomores and La Grande sophomores will meet in a preliminary game at 7 o'clock.

Jack Loyd and George Duff will handle the main game.

On Saturday night a preliminary game will be played at 7:30 and the Pendleton-La Grande contest will begin at 8:30 o'clock.

To stress sportsmanship during the last week particular emphasis has been placed on sportsmanship at the school and the L. H. S. students are making plans to do everything possible to entertain the visiting players during their stay here. Some have felt that the quality of sportsmanship is not quite on the same high level among spectators as during recent years and every effort will be made by the students in attendance at the games to make their actions serve as an irreproachable example.

Incidentally, the High school has

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Seventh District Legionnaires
To Hold Conference Here Feb. 22

A conference of the seventh district of the American Legion will be held in La Grande on Feb. 22, according to an announcement made by Frank Flanery, commander of the local post, last night when they met at the Sackajawa Inn. Don Graham, of Nyssa, commander of the district; Carl Moser, of Portland, state adjutant; H. E. Brady, past district commander; and other state officers and state committee chairmen, will be in attendance at the meeting.

Mr. Flanery announces that committees will be announced upon the arrival of definite information from the district headquarters concerning the matter to be discussed.

A valentine dance will be given Saturday evening at Zuber hall and Roy Curry is in charge of the arrangements. Valentine decorations

U. S. War Dogs Head Across Pacific

Led by the mighty West Virginia, the equal of any fighting ship in the world, part of Uncle Sam's battle fleet is shown in this unusual aerial view as it stemmed westward from Los Angeles toward the Far East for Uncle Sam's war maneuvers off the Hawaiian Islands. The fleet will be in readiness in case it is needed to protect Americans in the Sino-Japanese war zone. Front to rear, the warships are: the West Virginia, the Colorado and the California.

RUSSIA WILL
ACCEPT ANY
SOUND PLAN

Soviet Willing to Disarm
in Proportion to All
Other Powers.

SCRAPPING OF WAR
WEAPONS IS URGED

M. Litvinoff, However,
Offers Second Project
For Progressive and
Proportional Reduction.

By P. I. Lipsey Jr.
GENEVA, Feb. 11 (AP)—Maxim Litvinoff, commissar for foreign affairs for soviet Russia, proposed total and universal disarmament to the world disarmament conference today as the only valid security against war.

M. Litvinoff, chief of the Russian delegation to the conference, forecast the approach of another world war which, he predicted, would be more terrible than the last, unless disarmament is achieved.

His plan for total disarmament of the world, he admitted frankly to the delegates, would probably have slight chance of acceptance by the great powers and, as an alternative, he offered a second project for progressive and proportional disarmament. Then, to the surprise of many of the delegates, he assured the conference his government was ready to consider any proposal likely to achieve arms reduction.

Marked By Moderation
In international quarters the soviet declaration was credited with being marked by moderation and as likely to increase the possibility of success for the conference.

He rejected the French proposal for an international armed police force under the supervision of the league of nations after a long analysis of the proposal. It would be unworkable, he said.

"What guarantee is there," he asked, "that the new international organization would be really able or willing to use its strength for the defense of the weaker nation or for the protection of the attacked against the attacker?"

His plan for proportional disarmament included an adjustment of the percentages of arms reduction so as to give equal security to weaker and more exposed countries.

M. Litvinoff was cheered as he mounted the rostrum and a moderate volume of applause followed the conclusion of his speech. This applause was given despite the fact that signs

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24 CANDIDATES
FOR DIRECTOR
POSTS NAMED

Twenty-four candidates have accepted nomination to candidacy for the board of directors of the chamber of commerce, following a primary vote of all the members during the past week, Harold C. Boone, secretary, announced this morning. From the roster of candidates, 12 directors will be chosen, who will, in turn, choose the officers for the coming year.

Candidates for positions on the board of directors are: Henry McAllister, president during 1931-32; Gene Walker, A. W. Nelson, H. E. Brady, L. H. Bramwell, R. J. Green, W. C. Perkins, M. R. Sarvis, J. T. Longfellow, Angus McAllister, Ralph Huron, Charles Playle, Harold Finlay, F. A. Epling, Fred Kiddle, Charles Ramm, Dr. W. K. Ross, F. L. Meyers, E. B. Kennedy, R. P. Tyler, C. H. Reynolds, Ernest DeLong, H. H. Richardson and George H. Curry.

Ballots for the final election will be mailed from the chamber of commerce offices on Saturday, Feb. 13.

E. O. N. Debaters
At O. S. C. Tonight

KOAC, station of the Oregon State college, will broadcast a studio debate at 8 o'clock tonight, when teams representing the Eastern Oregon Normal school and the college will meet on the question "Resolved, That congress should enact legislation to provide for the centralized control of industry." The college debaters will uphold the affirmative of the question and the Normal school will take the other side.

"Garner-For-President" Move May
Develop Into Formidable Campaign

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11 (AP)—The "Garner-for-President" movement still lacks any expression from the speaker of the house, but his friends among the representatives are getting together now and again on ways of speeding it along.

Before the month is out, it may take even more formidable form. The call of a rally at San Antonio for Feb. 22 to begin a campaign for Garner is seen here as offering possibilities for broader activity. Later another rally will be held in Dallas to round up North Texas support.

House members from Southern states, the north, and from New England have manifested substantial interest in their speaker's possibilities. Garner also has received overtures from Democratic leaders from many states, especially from the Northwest and Pacific coast.

The Texan remains silent, but has

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Manifatures
Sales Tax Big
Item In Plan

Feature of New Revenue
Bill Being Drafted By
House Ways and Means
Committee.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11 (AP)—A general manufacturers sales tax of one or two per cent appeared certain to be the big item on the new revenue bill being drafted by the house ways and means committee, with appointment today of a subcommittee of seven to study the proposal advocated by a large number of representatives of big industries.

Subcommittees also were appointed to draft recommendations for increases in income taxes and for the levying of a gift tax.

Acting Chairman Crisp declined to make the personnel of the subcommittee public. The prospect of approval is to levy a general sales tax on manufacturers as they come from the factory in preference to taxes on individual manufactured products.

Later, Crisp told the house that unless sufficient revenue were raised to balance the federal budget, "all the reconstruction and temporary relief measures will be futile."

The Georgia Democrat said the committee was "confronted by the most difficult of all problems any committee of congress ever had" in trying to find ways of getting revenue.

Appealing to all these, Crisp said they should have courage enough to face the issue, saying "I for one, have burned my bridges behind me, and I am going to advance enough taxes to balance the budget, whether I come back to congress or not."

ADD \$375,000,000 TO BILL
WASHINGTON, Feb. 11 (AP)—The senate today added \$375,000,000 to

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4-HOUR TRUCE
FRIDAY MORN
AT SHANGHAI

Arranged on Chapei-Woo-
sung Front to Allow
Evacuation of 30.

AMERICAN MARINES
IN NARROW ESCAPE

Japanese Aerial Bomb
Explodes in Settlement
—Prompt Apologies
Made to Admiral Taylor

By Morris J. Harris
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SHANGHAI, China, Feb. 11 (AP)—A four-hour truce from 8 a. m. to noon tomorrow to permit foreigners to take non-combatants out of Chapei was arranged by a French priest today as both the Chinese and Japanese continued to dig in for a major engagement along the Chapei-Woosung battle line.

Hostilities in Chapei will come to a halt to permit thirty foreigners bearing white flags to get into the Chinese native city. Under a Japanese escort they will carry out women and children and wounded found

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FORD CONFIRMS
NEW CAR RUMORS

Announcement Relieves
Air of Uncertainty in
Trade Circles.

DETROIT, Feb. 11 (AP)—Henry Ford today confirmed rumors that he is planning to bring out an improved four and a new eight cylinder car in the near future. He also said the chassis of the new models will be so constructed as to permit installation of either four or eight cylinder engines.

Mr. Ford, in an open interview, confirmed rumors that the new car will be of longer wheel base, lower chassis and heavier. He added that production will start some time this month, the first public showing to be early in March.

Although Mr. Ford did not indicate what price changes, if any, will be involved, his confirmation of the numerous rumors that have been in circulation here for the past several months definitely relieved the air of uncertainty that has existed in trade circles.

Opens the Way
Many leading automobile executives have held that there could be no definite upturn in the automobile industry until Ford's plans were disclosed.

The new line of Ford cars, it is understood, will consist of 10 models, all of which will continue in the low price field.

Mr. Ford expressed the hope that materials raiser prices would "begin to raise prices" coincident with increasing activity upon the part of manufacturers.

"If American manufacturers do their utmost to start the wheels of

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CRITIC BEATEN
BY MOB NEAR
PINEVILLE, KY.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., Feb. 11 (AP)—Lying in bed at a hotel here today Waldo Frank, New York literary critic, told of being beaten near the Tennessee state line as he and a group of New York writers were escorted out of Pineville, Ky., after midnight.

Frank said his party which had taken three truckloads of food into Pineville yesterday was taken from a Pineville hotel, loaded into cars and escorted to the Cumberland Gap saddle, where the states of Kentucky, Tennessee and Virginia join. He said 14 cars were in the procession.

Frank was chairman of the group of New York writers who came into the Kentucky-Tennessee coal fields to distribute food and test their constitutional right to hold meetings and give relief to miners.

Prices JUMP
SKYWARD IN
WALL STREET

Strongest Rally of the
Year Appears in
Stock Exchange.

U. P. CO. DECLARES
REGULAR DIVIDEND

Wild Outburst of Bullish
Enthusiasm Also Sends
Stocks Soaring in Frisco
Market.

By Frank H. McConnell
(Associated Press Financial Writer)

NEW YORK, Feb. 11 (AP)—Wall street banking circles were surprised when announcement was made today of congressional plans to free American gold supply for increased service to American credit.

It was described by some executives of institutions which regularly handle transactions mounting into the billions as the most encouraging news—and the most spectacular—in years. Their reaction was varied, but preponderant opinion was expressed decidedly in favor of the proposal which calls for measures that would release a large volume of credit and currency.

"It means liberalizing our bank act so the federal reserve system will have nearly as much freedom as European central banks, such as the Bank of France, in meeting its currency needs," said one executive.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11 (AP)—The strongest rally of the year appeared in the stock market today as shorts scrambled to cover on news of the proposed stimulation of federal reserve eligibility. Prices ran up \$1 to \$12 in the early dealing. Many pivotal shares rose \$2 to \$3.

Auburn automobile soared to 109 where it was \$12 above the previous close. United States Steel Common crossed \$43 for a gain of about \$5 and American Telephone rallied more than \$4, selling above \$115. American Can, Santa Fe Railroad, New York Central, Westinghouse and All-Clad rose up \$3 or more.

Trading was active in the opening

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TRUCE PLANS
REJECTED BY
PRES. HOOVER

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11 (AP)—A group of six score business executives who placed before President Hoover today a proposal for "a two years' truce in destructive competition" were directed by him to reconsider their suggestion.

The group, representing independent producers and distributors throughout the country, returned at once from the White House to a continuation of their conference at the Hotel Mayflower.

The proposal for a two-year moratorium in competition was asked as an arbitrary period during which there might be "investigation by a non-partisan committee of congress of existing business conditions."

The proposal called for a national economic "truce board" to be set up, which could act as a clearing house for suggestions and decisions looking toward better business.

Members of the group disclosed that the president had objected on the grounds that a two year moratorium would run afoul of the Sherman anti-trust act.

Two Youths Slain
Fleeing Officers

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Feb. 11 (AP)—Two 18-year-old youths, Howard Cooley and Joseph Loyley, were killed and their girl companion was critically injured early today as the outcome of a 10-mile flight while exchanging shots with police.

The chase ended when the taxicab they were alleged to have seized in a holdup, crashed into a tree. Their companion, identified as Mrs. Dorothy Neff, 17, suffered a broken back.

J. Hamilton Lewis
Becomes Candidate

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Feb. 11 (AP)—James Hamilton Lewis, United States senator from Illinois, was placed in the running as a Democratic candidate for president today, with the receipt of a primary petition prepared in his behalf at the secretary of state's office.

Mellon Impeachment
Charge Is Dropped

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11 (AP)—The judiciary committee voted yesterday to discontinue further consideration of the Patman impeachment charges against Andrew D. Mellon.

Confesses Murder
Of Wife, 5 Others

AGEN, France, Feb. 11 (AP)—Police today said Pierre Delafé had confessed that he murdered his wife and five other members of his family Monday because Mrs. Delafé was slow in opening a door for him.

Wheeler Hits At Shouse

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11 (AP)—The recommendation of Jouett Shouse,

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Wheat Today

CHICAGO, Feb. 11 (AP)—All eyes in the grain today were on probable results of new banking legislation at Washington.

A bullish construction as to immediate effects was generally placed on the proposed enactments, but wheat specialists were not unanimous as to ultimate consequences, owing to premiums already existing in this country's wheat prices compared with those at Liverpool and Winnipeg.

Wheat closed firm, 1 1/4 @ 1 1/2c above yesterday's finish, corn 1 1/4 @ 1 1/2c up, oats 3/4 @ 1c advanced, and provisions showing a rise of 5 to 20 cents.

PORTLAND, Feb. 11 (AP)—With the farmers' national selling wheat May advanced 3/4c on the Portland futures market today while July was up 1/4c as was September. The only trading was in May, sales totaling 12,000 bu. On the Portland merchants exchange cash wheat gained 1/4c bu.

There will be no session of the Portland grain exchange Friday, Lincoln's birthday.