

# Expect To Spend \$100,000 On Sheep Creek Road

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# LA GRANDE SEEKS SIX PROJECTS

## COMMITTEE OF EIGHT IS NAMED

Agreement For Decisive Action For Public Works Money.

PLANS, COSTS TO BE SUBMITTED

Complete Story of Each Project Will Be Presented to Governor's Advisory Board.

Decisive action toward La Grande receiving a share of reconstruction money for needed improvements under the national public works program, was started last night with a representative meeting at the city hall. Following discussion it was the decision of the committee that the plans and arrangements for local needs be placed in the hands of a committee of seven, membership to represent the chamber of commerce.

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## 14 Local Men to Leave for Forest Camp This Week

Fourteen experienced woodmen will gather at the court house Thursday morning at 8 o'clock to leave for the Frog Heaven citizens' conservation camp in the Umattilla forest, according to announcement made today by J. H. Pearce, chairman of the Union County Relief committee. All those selected for the camp were taken from the unemployment rolls of the relief committee and have dependents to whom a portion of their monthly pay will be sent.

The following will report: Kenneth Murchison, Louis Greenough, of Perry, Henry Allen, A. N. Anderson, Clarence Looker, Peter O'Rourke, Hugh McNaughton, W. M. Pidcock, George Robertson, Oscar Roe, Euclid White-side, Harlan Yarrington, Ollie Giles, of Hilgard, and Mac McCoy, of Imbler.

## EBERHARD AT BAR MEETING

Colon R. Eberhard, local attorney, is attending the meeting of the state board of bar examiners, of which he is a member, yesterday and today in Portland. The bar examinations will be given to prospective lawyers next month and the state board is making preparations for the event.

## Salmon Now In Catherine Creek

Sportmen report that the salmon are running in Catherine creek right now, and though the fishing is difficult because of high and muddy water, several good sized fish have been caught recently. Frank Flanery took a 12-pounder from the creek last week.

## LOCAL LIBRARY GETS FINE PAINTING

Mrs. E. P. Mossman, who until recently made her home in La Grande, has probably done as much as any other woman in the state in furthering art appreciation. In recognition of her untiring efforts in fostering love of art through many years, a painting has been purchased with Oregon's Renny Art Fund, a snow scene entitled "Snow Clad Maples," a ribbon winner in the second annual art exhibition of the Portland and Oregon chapters of the American Artists Professional League at the Portland Art Museum.

## WILL ROGERS SAYS:

BEVERLY HILLS, Cal., June 12—King spoke over the radio this morning, it was 5 o'clock out here (I was just going to work). Why don't this world's conference fix it so that whenever anybody does anything, it will be the same hour all over. You will say "silly," they can't do that. They can just as easy as they can agree on anything else. Different nations have different problems, just like different nations have the sunshine on 'em at different times. So when they fix how many guns each one is to have, how much foreign goods each one shall consume and how much each one's money is worth, why at that same time fix so it's 5 o'clock in the morning everywhere at once. Yours,

Will Rogers  
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## SHEEP CREEK SLATED FOR WORK SOON

PORTLAND, July 13 (AP)—Tentative allocation of \$585,000 of forest highway funds under the public works bill for immediate letting was effected today at a conference between the state highway commission, the forestry service and the bureau of public roads. The money, as agreed in the fore part of the session, will be expended on nine different projects for these forest highway jobs will be called at the same time as the state will call for about \$1,750,000 of work out of federal funds previously allocated. Advertising of these projects will be ordered when specifications are received from Washington upon final adoption of the public works bill.

The first money of forest funds will be spent as follows: Penikese-John Day highway, four miles grading between Dale and Range in Grant county, \$100,000. Enterprise-Imnaha road, known as the Sheep Creek route, eight miles grading in Wallowa county \$100,000. Tiller Trail grading about two miles to summit in Douglas county \$75,000. Willamette highway bridges near

## MORE STORES TO CHANGE HOURS

Further changes in the opening and closing hours of La Grande stores were announced here today. In addition to the stores which announced new hours last week, Fitzgerald's Furniture store, Botnenkamp's, Melville's, Wagner's Hardware, and Hackman's Hardware have decided to open their stores at 9:00 a. m. and close at 5:30 p. m. during the summer months. Montgomery Ward & Co. will also follow these hours, contrary to last week's announcement that they would open at 8:30.

## SPECIAL MEET OF K. P. LODGE

Chancellor commander Charles Graham, of Red Cross Lodge No. 27, Knights of Pythias, has called a special meeting of all members at 8 o'clock tomorrow evening at the Odd Fellows hall. Important business will be transacted in connection with the initiatory work and the visit of James Dunne, of Cleveland, Ohio, supreme chancellor, of the lodge who will be a visitor here on June 19.

## COMING HERE



Supreme Chancellor James Dunn Jr., of Cleveland, Ohio, Knights of Pythias, will speak Monday evening, June 19, at 8 o'clock before Red Cross Lodge No. 27 at the I. O. O. F. hall.

## Dirigible Macon Has Trouble On Mid-west Trip

FRANKFORT, Mich., June 13 (AP)—The coast guard station here reported today that the dirigible Macon, flying in this vicinity, reported by wireless that its rudder had been disabled and it was heading toward Sault Ste Marie, Mich.

At 2:10 p. m. coast guard officials reported, the Macon sent out another wireless message which they were unable to decipher. Members of the coast guard said the huge dirigible passed over here and disappeared to the west.

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## Eagles Present Fine Talent In Weekly Program

A series of features were arranged for the entertainment of more than 500 people gathered last night at the weekly Eagles broadcast at 8 o'clock at the hall. Reuben Vander Yacht and Bill Littlefield, of Oklahoma, singers and instrumentalists par excellence, were the featured attraction. The two young men are working their way around the United States with their music, with the Century of Progress exposition at Chicago via the Old Oregon Trail, as their aim. They played harp, guitar and violin accompaniments to their songs.

A group of Spanish songs, in that

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# Debt Talk Muddles Conference Of Nations

## ROOSEVELT SIGNS HOME OWNERS BILL

President Roosevelt Asks All Mortgage Holders Not to Foreclose.

## TRADE MORTGAGES FOR FEDERAL BONDS

Compromise Bank Bill is Also Passed By House and Sent to the Senate Today.

WASHINGTON, June 13 (AP)—President Roosevelt in signing the home mortgage refinancing bill today, asked creditors to abstain from foreclosing proceedings until the legislation gets into operation. "I appeal to mortgage creditors," he said, "and all others who have claims against the home owners and ask them, until full opportunity has been given to make effective the refinancing provisions of the home mortgage act, that they abstain from bringing foreclosure proceedings and that they abstain from seeking to dispossess the home owners who are in debt to them."

Mr. Roosevelt signed the bill allowing owners of mortgages on homes up to 20,000 to exchange his paper for government bonds at an interest of 5 per cent in the presence of the home loan bank board which will

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## 15 MILLION FOR OREGON COMING

SALEM, June 13 (AP)—It has been definitely determined that the Oregon state highway commission will receive approximately \$15,000,000 for road and bridge construction and national parks, J. M. Devers, attorney for the commission, telegraphed from Washington today.

The total includes \$4,000,000 for forest roads, \$1,900,000 for national parks, \$3,400,000 for bridges and \$6,100,000 for highways. Approximately 30 per cent of the cost of the bridges will be obtained as a direct grant while 70 per cent will be borrowed from the government. R. H. Baldock, state highway engineer, said actual construction operations would begin as soon as the money is available.

## Orchards Attractive Just Now



A new variety of cherry, perfected by Winfield Woodbury, school teacher, is attracting horticultural attention at Stockton, Calif. It's an early ripening Lambert variation. The fairest blossom? She's Eleanor Stevens, pretty College of the Pacific coed.

## Game Commission Urges Cleansing Willamette River

PORTLAND, June 13 (AP)—An organized system of sewage disposal designed to free the Willamette river of pollution, was urged by the Oregon game commission at a meeting here Monday. The system had been proposed at a recent meeting of Willamette valley city officials.

Portland residents will vote July 21 on a proposal to authorize construction of a disposal plant for the city through use of reconstruction finance corporation funds. The game commissioners urged immediate action to see that this money becomes available if needed.

## LOCAL MEN AT LODGE SESSION

The grand lodge A. F. and A. M. will open tomorrow morning in Portland for their annual session. Among those attending from La Grande are T. S. Ringo, grand senior steward, C. R. Eberhard, Walter Nowland and George T. Cochran. Mr. Eberhard is a member of the committee on appeals and grievances.

## JUST BEFORE PRESSTIME

- FORECASTS SETTLEMENT
- RIVER BREAKS LEVEE
- PARDONS GIVEN
- BANK BILL PASSES

LONDON, June 13 (AP)—A satisfactory Anglo-American settlement on the war debt installment due Thursday was forecast tonight by Neville Chamberlain, chancellor of the exchequer, in a three-minute speech before the house of commons.

HOOD RIVER, Ore., June 13 (AP)—The Columbia river here fell three inches in the past 24 hours, although the slackening of the flood came too late to save a dike at the Button pear orchard and truck garden just east of the city. The levee broke during the morning and the tract was inundated.

SEATTLE, June 13 (AP)—Gov. Martin today said Bert Bland, one of the I. W. W. group sentenced to long prison terms following the Centralia (Wash.) Armistice day riot in 1919, had been paroled from the state penitentiary. The governor also revealed that John Lamb, another of the group active in the riot in which several World war veterans were killed, had been released from prison in April.

WASHINGTON, June 13 (AP)—The senate late today concluded congressional action on the Glass-Steagall banking bill by the adoption of the conference report. The measure now goes to the White House for presidential signature. The conference report was approved by the senate with a yeas and nays vote and after less than an hour's debate.

## Controversy On Veil Cuts Holds Up Adjournment

WASHINGTON, June 13 (AP)—After a conference with President Roosevelt, Democratic leaders returned to the capitol today for a mighty effort toward reaching an agreement on the controversial legislation cutting allowances for war veterans. That was the big obstacle to an early adjournment of congress, indications were however, that a rough road lay ahead for the legislation, with doubt expressed by Democratic leaders the senate would concur in an agreement reached by the house and President Roosevelt.

## National Guard Leaves For Camp Monday Evening

Company E, 18th Infantry, Oregon National Guard with Captain Walter A. Benn, Lieutenants Jesse V. Andrews and Robert E. Carey and 57 enlisted men boarded the train last night at about 7:15 o'clock for Camp Clatsop where they will spend 15 days in federal service. The company had "mess" at the rifle before boarding the train which will also carry companies from Baker, Union and Pendleton.

## TRIO ON TRIAL IN COURT HERE

The case of the state vs. Oscar Ayars, Clarence Johnson and P. A. Ingram continued today in the circuit court with the attorneys examining witnesses. The three men are charged with extortion upon complaint filed by Arthur Bruce. District Attorney Carl G. Helm and H. L. Hess are conducting the prosecution while Burleigh and John S. Hodgins are attorneys for the defense.

## INQUIRING REPORTER

Each day as the Inquiring Reporter makes the rounds two persons will be stopped at random on the street corner and asked some question of the day. Through the courtesy of Manager C. M. Wight each interviewed will be granted two complimentary tickets to the Liberty Theatre. The current attraction is John Gilbert in "Fast Workers."

Can a permanent and lasting peace be reached between the nations without a final settlement of the war debt question? The United States delegation to the world economic conference at London has been trying to completely side-step the issue without much success. Mrs. Harry Sandow, 1103 Eleventh, says: "The world can not arrive at a permanent peace without going to the bottom of the matter and eliminating the bone of contention. The war debts are one of the chief bones and should be settled if any attempt is to be made to acquire permanent peace." Shirley Price, 1914 Cedar street, believes "The settlement of the war debts is one of the principal problems before the world today and without a definite and final settlement no semblance of peace can ever be attained."

## A TALKING POINT FOR PROSPECTIVE HUSBANDS



## MATTER IS OVERDUE ON PACIFIC HOP

NOME, Alaska, June 13 (AP)—Twenty five hours after he left Khabarovsk, Siberia, on a flight to Nome, Jimmie Mattern, Texas aviator, was unheard from here at 9:15 a. m. (12:15 p. m. P. S. T.) today. By a direct route the distance was about 2500 miles.

## FARMERS PICNIC HERE SATURDAY

All farmers are cordially invited to a big picnic which will be held in Riverside park, La Grande, next Friday, June 16, according to announcement made today by the Grande Ronde Co-operative Creamery association, and the Union County Grain Growers, the two organizations which are sponsoring the event.

An interesting program of entertainment, principally music, will begin at 10:00 o'clock in the morning. Lunch will be eaten between 12:00 o'clock and 1:30, and free ice cream and coffee will be obtainable on the grounds.

## Flood Danger Is Decreasing Today

PORTLAND, Ore., June 13 (AP)—The flood menace on the Columbia and Willamette rivers began to ebb today as cooler weather in Eastern Oregon and at the headwaters of the two streams slowed the snow run-off.

## Wheat Today

CHICAGO, June 13 (AP)—New record high prices for wheat and rye distinguished late trading today, but met with increased selling and declines ensued. Advances in securities were largely responsible for the transient upturn of grains. Numerous unfavorable crop reports were also a bullish factor. Wheat closed nervous, 3/4 @ 3/8 under yesterday's finish, corn also 3/4 @ 3/8 under, oats 3/4 @ 3/8 off, and provisions varying from 5 cents decline to a rise of 15 cents.