

Highway Commission Hears Wallowa County Request

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MODERNIZING OF ARMY IS HELD UP

NO MONEY ON HAND NOW TO FINISH ROAD

Baldock Estimates Enterprise-Lewiston Project Cost at \$250,000.

COMMISSION MAY GIVE AID LATER

There Remains Possibility of Getting Road Designated as a Federal Project.

That the completion of Oregon's share of the Enterprise-Lewiston highway would require approximately \$250,000 dollars, and that this would be impossible this year, was made clear Wednesday in Enterprise, when the state highway commission and engineers met with Wallowa county people interested in road building.

A meeting was held at the county court house Wednesday morning, attended by business men and farmers. The need of finishing the Blue Mountain highway between Enterprise and Astoria, Wash., was stressed by J. A. Bureigh, speaking for the county.

Commissioners Leslie Scott and E. B. Aldrich spoke of the commission's wish to co-operate but stated there was no state money this year for construction of new projects and that federal funds coming in for that purpose were needed in so many places that it was a difficult matter to stretch them to include all worthy projects.

Chief Engineer C. H. Baldock stated that it would require ten miles of construction to connect with Washington and that the approximate cost would be a quarter of a million dollars.

Commissioner Aldrich spoke of the possibility of getting the road designated as a federal project and stated the commission would act favorably on such a designation if the chance came to secure it.

The commission, engineering staff, county court and others left Enterprise about noon to cover the route between Enterprise and Lewiston. It is to make a general first hand study of the question. The meeting was presided over by County Judge Edgar Marvin.

UMQUA BRIDGE APPROVED
WASHINGTON, Aug. 31 (AP)—Plans submitted by the Oregon state highway commission for a bridge across the Umqua river at Reedport on the Oregon Coast highway, were approved by the war department today. The Reedport bridge, one of five proposed by the Oregon commission for the coast highway, is the second to be approved.

\$5000 INTEREST AT LOCAL BANK FOR C. D. HOLDERS

According to announcement made today by officials of the First National bank of La Grande, \$5000 in interest will be paid to holders of time certificates of deposit at the bank, beginning tomorrow.

These certificates of deposits pay three per cent interest by agreement, which is payable semi-annually on Mar. 1 and Sept. 1, and the money will be available for the holders of the certificates in line with the semi-annual payment agreements.

The bank officials announced today the final clearing up of all indebtedness. The local bank strongly reorganized several months ago, now is meeting all obligations and is serving the interests of this community 100 per cent.

WHAT? NO NRA CODE FOR THE SWAMPERS!

It should be taken up with General Hugh S. Johnson, NRA administrator, with all possible dispatch. At least, that was the opinion expressed by two elderly gentlemen yesterday who conferred with R. Z. Baxter, chairman of the local NRA committee.

They entered the office and inquired as to whether there was a code drawn up for "swampers". Mr. Baxter asked them what work should be included under that heading and they replied that weeding, scrubbing floors, peeling potatoes, killing flies, etc., would all qualify.

WILL ROGERS SAYS:

BEVERLY HILLS, Cal., Aug. 30 — See picture in the papers of an old boy eating 54 ears of corn as an appetizer, and a woman 71 years old stored away 45.

Since we give 'em the vote, there just is no end to women's cleverness. Men just can't hardly beat 'em at anything. If Secretary of Agriculture Wallace will get busy and promote a lot of these corn-eating contests (there is no reason why it can't be made as popular as bridge, it has much more to recommend it), well, with a lot of these contests, they won't have to be plowing up every third row of corn. Long Island better have this kind of parties, then they can't throw anything at the senators but the cobs. Yours, Will Rogers

Will Rogers
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GOSS CONSIDERS BUILDING SUPER SERVICE STATION

New and Complete Service Plant Contemplated For Adams Avenue.

Remodeling of his garage on Adams avenue between Fir and Greenwood streets to allow for the addition of a complete super service station is being considered by M. J. Goss, local automobile dealer. No definite time has been set for the beginning of the work but Mr. Goss is now making plans as to the changes.

When completed, Mr. Goss' plans (Continued From Page Four)

DR. EUGENE MOON TO OPEN OFFICE HERE VERY SOON

Dr. Eugene Moon, who received his certificate to practice medicine and surgery in Oregon yesterday, expects to open offices in the Foley building after Sept. 1, sharing with Dr. James J. D. Hain, a suite of offices.

Dr. Moon, who returned from Portland Tuesday where he applied for his license, has ordered modern, up-to-the-minute equipment and will begin setting up his offices as soon as it arrives.

He is very well known in La Grande and the nearby community, having been reared and receiving his grade and high school education in this city. He later graduated from Oregon State college and then completed a four year course in the University of Louisville. Only recently he returned to La Grande from Chicago where he served as interne for a year in the Norwegian-American hospital and where he received his license to practice as a doctor of medicine and surgery.

3 MODEL LINERS ARE ON DISPLAY

Disarmament conferences and naval treaties hold no restrictions for Phillip C. Bettencourt, shipbuilder. Mr. Bettencourt has constructed three excellent models of steamships which (Continued on Page Four)

RESPONSE TO NRA DRIVE ENCOURAGING

Campaign in La Grande Near Halfway Mark Today, is Report.

ALL SIGN PLEDGE IN 3 DISTRICTS

Several Committees, Unable to Start Wednesday, Begin Canvassing Work Today.

Following the first day of work, NRA committee representatives had an encouraging report to make this morning as to the progress of the Blue Eagle consumers' drive here. It was estimated that at least 500 signed the consumers' pledge yesterday, and that the drive today had about reached the halfway mark. It was hoped to complete the canvass by Saturday night.

Three districts reported 100 per cent signatures, according to Chairman R. Z. Baxter. No. 23, in charge of the Neighborhood club with Mrs. (Continued On Page Four)

Freshmen To Be Enrolled Sept. 7 At High School

All La Grande high school freshmen should report to the principal of the school, Arnold L. Gralapp, on Thursday, Sept. 7 at 2 o'clock in the afternoon for enrollment. It was announced today by school authorities.

On Sept. 7 the incoming freshmen will be enrolled, and in addition, student body officers for the coming year will acquaint them with the traditions of the school. "It is highly desirable that all freshmen appear that afternoon," Mr. Gralapp said today.

Instructions as to other phases of enrollment, etc., were given out today. All students, both old and new, whose parents do not reside in this county, must get a certificate of residence from their county superintendent before reporting for school, it was said.

Students entering the ninth grade from schools outside the La Grande public schools, are required to present their eighth grade diplomas as (Continued on Page Three)

Wears Birthday Clothes Into Courtroom, Too



Willis R. Willey, 48, Spokane farmer, insists he wasn't disturbing the peace at Portland, when he accepted a cafe man's offer of a job to walk beside a woman picketing the restaurant. But the jury in Judge Tomlinson's court found him guilty—and now his attorney seeks an appeal. Willey goes around wearing shorts and a visor. He's shown in court, with judge and part of the jury.

F. L. MEYERS WILL ENTER NEW WORK; RESIGNS AT BANK

F. L. Meyers, vice president of the First National bank of La Grande, today announced that he is leaving his position in the bank, and will open an office in the New Foley building after Sept. 4, where he will handle general insurance, rentals, surety bonds, real estate, etc. Mr. Meyers' 33 years of residence and business interests in this county, along with scores of friends made in (Continued On Page Four)

SMALL BOY IS HIT BY AUTO

R. G. Smith, of 1508 Y avenue, reported to the police that his automobile hit and knocked down Frank Pat's five-year-old son about 10:50 o'clock yesterday at Adams and Spruce. The boy ran home, Mr. Smith said, and apparently was not injured to any extent.

MISS PIERCE ACCEPTS POST

Miss Mildred Pierce returned this morning to La Grande to accept a position as secretary to President H. E. Inlow at the Eastern Oregon Normal school. Miss Pierce was secretary at E. O. N. two years ago but the past two years she studied at Columbia university in New York and taught in New Jersey. (Continued On Page Four)

Rotary and Lions Clubs to Cross Bats Tonight

The Rotary and Lions clubs, turned athletic during the late summer, will tangle once more on the L. H. S. diamond here tonight with ten-man kitten ball teams. They previously met with the Lions emerging winner by the margin of one run—not enough to satisfy the Rotarians—and so they will meet again. The game is scheduled to begin at 5:30 o'clock. Reports are that both teams, with the kinks mostly ironed out of their muscles as a result of the first game, are "in the pink" and "arin' to go."

New Amendments To Second Hand Ordinance Likely

Amendment of the ordinance designed to regulate second hand shops, wrecking houses, etc., was decided upon at last night's meeting of the city commission. The ordinance, now past its second reading, probably will be amended so that it will be lawful for second hand dealers to sell to minors, although not lawful for minors to sell to the dealers. Another suggested amendment would be to make it unlawful for minors to sell second hand articles to anyone. The reason for this was reports of frequent thefts of milk bottles by children, who later sell them elsewhere. This would put a stop to such sales. (Continued On Page Four)

REPEAL BY NOVEMBER 7 HELD LIKELY

Washington 24th to Ratify; at Least 15 More States Prepare For Vote

By John F. Chester
WASHINGTON, Aug. 31 (AP)—A clear-cut possibility that the eighteenth amendment could be voted void within the next 10 weeks emerged today from three-one repeal majority cast by voters representing nearly three-fifths of the nation's population.

The heavy recording of Washington as the twenty-fourth state to ballot in favor of the twenty-first or repealing amendment carried the anti-prohibition surge across two-thirds of the distance to its goal.

At least 15 or more states will vote before November 8—providing a minimum of three more than necessary for repeal—should the uninterrupted procession of the first 24 be continued. Vermont and Maine next New England became the focal point of national wet and dry interest today as Vermont and Maine sharpened pencils for early September balloting. They were the first of seven states to vote within the next three weeks.

Should twelve of the 15 states sure to vote before the eighth of November follow the line of the first 24, the prohibition amendment would be formally abolished on December 5 or 6. Three ratifying conventions meet on December 5 and two more on the sixth.

Statisticians adding up and analyzing the vote thus far figured today that although only half the states (Continued on Page Four)

"TIGRESS" DRAWS 199-YEAR TERM

CHICAGO, Aug. 31 (AP)—Mrs. Eleanor Jarman, called the "Blond Tigress" by police because of her alleged participation in holdups, was under a 199-year prison sentence today following her conviction on a charge of murder in connection with the recent slaying of Gustave Hoeb, 71, in her haberdashery. She is the mother of two children.

Wheat Today

The price of local cash wheat stood today at 54 cents bulk, according to quotations at the Pioneer Flouring Mills.

CHICAGO, Aug. 31 (AP)—Erratic fluctuations characterized the grain markets today. Wheat dropped abruptly more than two cents a bushel at the start on profit taking from speculators who thought yesterday's six cent advance was too steep. This was followed by breaks and rallies in rapid succession. Wheat closed unsettled, 1/4 to 3/8c below yesterday's finish. Oats 1/4 to 1/2c down, rye 3/4 to 3/8c higher, and provisions mixed, 8c lower to 10c advanced.

JUST BEFORE PRESSTIME

THREE AMERICANS SAFE
NRA DEPUTY QUITS POST
BATES TAKEN TO OKLAHOMA
TWO KILLED IN STRIKE RIOT

WASHINGTON, Aug. 31 (AP)—Three Americans in the danger zone of communist civil war in the South-east China were reported today to the state department to be safe under the care of General Liu Hsi-Ting, commander of the forces opposing the Chinese reds. With the American naval vessel Sacramento scheduled to reach Foochow today, it was reported the situation there was unchanged.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 31 (AP)—The resignation of Dudley Cates, as deputy administrator was announced today by Hugh S. Johnson, the NRA chief.

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., Aug. 31 (AP)—Albert L. Bates, indicted as one of the principals in the Charles T. Urschel kidnaping, arrived here today by airplane from Denver. He was handcuffed and under guard of five federal operatives.

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 31 (AP)—Two men were shot and killed and at least 18 persons were injured today as 200 police battled many times their number of strikers and sympathizers outside the Cambria hosiery mills, Northeastern Philadelphia. The dead men were Clem H. Norwood and Frank M'Inor, strike pickets.

SIMLA, India, Aug. 31 (AP)—One hundred and fifty persons were killed today as the result of heavy fighting between Turgans and Kirghiz tribes in Eastern Turkestan.

FOUR INJURED IN HIGHWAY ACCIDENT WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Four persons were injured last night about 8:30 o'clock on the highway near Mencham when the trailer of a large gasoline truck struck the automobile in which they were riding. Mrs. William Smith sustained a fractured leg. Mrs. Don H. Fowler suffered severe lacerations of the face. Mr. Fowler had minor injuries and George Holland received injuries the extent of which is not known. The truck stopped to render any assistance possible.

They were riding in a large sedan, owned by Mr. Fowler, which Mr. Holland was driving toward Mencham where the owner of the automobile was going to transact business. Their automobile had passed the truck when the trailer swung to the wrong (Continued on Page Eight)

F. R. BEGINS TRIP ON YACHT TODAY

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., Aug. 31 (AP)—President Roosevelt set out today from the docks here today at 12:15 p. m. aboard the yacht of Vincent Astor for a weekend cruise to the capital. Before leaving his Hyde Park home, Mr. Roosevelt held a last minute conversation with General Hugh S. Johnson, the industrial administrator in Washington, who assured him the new work relief agreement for the coal industry would be on his desk when he returns there next Tuesday morning. Apparently, the president also talked about the delay of Henry Ford in (Continued on Page Eight)

EAGLES HONOR WM. BLANCHARD

A farewell party for Bill Blanchard, who plans to leave soon for a prolonged stay in San Francisco, Cal., will be the main feature of the meeting of the Eagles Lodge tonight at 7:30 o'clock at the hall. Regular routine business will also be transacted.

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. Wright each interviewed will be granted two complimentary tickets to the Liberty Theatre. The current attraction is Carol Lombard in "Supernatural."

Another record was smashed when an Italian aviator flew upside down for three hours. There seems to be some debate as to whether the breaking of such records is a material contribution to aviation. Miss Ruth Cullen, Foley apartments, says, "And the world laughs at flag pole sitters."

PROGRAM TO AWAIT ARMS CONFERENCE

Hoped to Strengthen U. S. Army With Assistance of Public Works Money.

PLAN DEPENDS ON GENEVA AGREEMENT

If Put Into Effect, Airplane Construction Particularly, Would Provide Work For Many.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 31 (AP)—Secretary Dera said today a program of some \$70,000,000 to \$80,000,000 for modernizing the army's fighting equipment on land and in the air is being held up to see what happens at the Geneva arms conference. He and his associates have wanted to strengthen the army with the assistance of money from the public works fund.

Such money, he said, provides a ready source for expenditure; whereas, under ordinary conditions, it would be difficult to get army modernization appropriations through congress.

Besides performing the important and necessary function of providing the army with the latest type of equipment, Dera told reporters, a program like this would relieve unemployment. Airplane construction particularly, he observed, would provide work for mechanics and other skilled workers not reached by the public works projects already being undertaken. The secretary indicated the entire plan depends upon whether definite agreements are reached at Geneva for reducing military strength.

70 Millions To Be Expended On Ninety Projects

WASHINGTON, Aug. 31 (AP)—The public works administration today turned \$70,000,000 over to the war department for rivers and harbors work on ninety projects in all parts of the country. The army chief of engineers said the \$70,000,000 will provide 40,000 man years of work, meaning employment for 40,000 for a year. Projects approved include: Columbia river and Lower Willamette below Vancouver and Portland, dredging and dike construction to complete 35 foot channel to Portland. Columbia river and Lower Willamette below Vancouver and Portland, 28 foot channel and turning basins port of Vancouver.

Lindberghs Visit Kings and Queens

HELSINGBORG, Sweden, Aug. 31 (AP)—Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh visited the land of his forefathers a few hours today when he and Mrs. Lindbergh were the guests of the Swedish crown prince and princess at their summer residence, Sofiero palace.

COPENHAGEN, Denmark, Aug. 31 (AP)—Colonel and Mrs. Charles A. Lindbergh were received in private audience today by King Christian and Queen Alexandrine at Amalienborg castle.

Body of Kidnaped Girl Is Discovered

DALLAS, Tex., Aug. 31 (AP)—The body of Miss Katherine Price, 21, kidnaped from an automobile last night by two negroes who shot her in a cotton field southeast of Dallas today. Two negroes were arrested and jailed, as citizens of Mesquite, near Dallas, expressed great anger.

NOW WE'RE GETTING ECONOMICS SIMPLIFIED

