

Valley Farmers May Get Wheat Money Before Jan. 1

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TO SUBMIT TRUCK BILL TO PEOPLE

CHECKS FROM U. S. TO REACH HIGH FIGURE

First Allotment Money Due This Winter Estimated at \$115,000.

\$45,000 MORE WILL COME NEXT JUNE

Signing of Final Contracts With Government to Begin Next Week, Report.

When allotment checks to farmers of Union county and totaling more than \$115,000 for the first payment are expected to be received here around or perhaps shortly before January 1. This according to H. H. DeLong, president of the Union County Wheat Production Control Association, who next Friday will announce places of signing contracts which when sent to Washington will return sums of Uncle Sam's cash to local wheat growers.

The first payments are based on 20 cents a bushel for land put out of production.

The second payment, of eight cents a bushel, will be forthcoming about June, and out of this amount will be taken the cost of administrative expenses, amounting to from 1 1/4 to 1 1/2 cents a bushel. Nothing will be taken from the first payment.

One of the largest checks locally will be in the neighborhood of \$2,000, and other checks will vary down according to the acreage and bushels placed out of production to a few dollars.

Signatures of farmers gained earlier in the year were of a preliminary nature, and the sign-up beginning this week, is on the government contracts, and not until these contracts are in Washington will payments be made.

It is expected to take a couple of weeks to complete the sign-up in the county, and probably another couple of weeks before the flow of money from Washington to Union county begins. Speed is important in signing the contracts, as the sooner they are signed, the sooner farmers may

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Mercury Dives To 19 Above In La Grande Today
Following on the heels of the first snowstorm of the season, the mercury went into a nosedive in La Grande yesterday which did not slack up until it hit a low of 19 above here early this morning. At 7 a. m. the reading showed 20 above and by 9 a. m. street thermometers were up to 26 above.

Tuesday was the coldest day since early last spring and this morning saw the lowest minimum of this season. The forecast indicated rain or snow in Northeast Oregon tonight and Thursday, with temperatures somewhat warmer tonight.

Clear skies today helped some, with a bright but not too warm sun slowly warming the valley. Snow plows were used in the Blue Mountain section of the Old Oregon Trail highway yesterday to keep the road clear for travel.

SCOUT COURT OF HONOR ON FRIDAY NIGHT

A Boy Scout court of honor will be held at Honan hall beginning at 7:30 p. m. Friday, Dec. 1, it was announced today. After the awards, a rally will be held. Several of the scouts from Union will be in attendance and participate in the awards.

FIRST THANKSGIVING TOOK PLACE IN 1621

When Thanksgiving day is observed in La Grande and elsewhere in the United States tomorrow, it will be the 313th year since the first Thanksgiving.

WILL ROGERS says:

BEVERLY HILLS, Cal., Nov. 28.—You can watch it from telling jokes about it. Every once in so often America "goes serious," gets all excited and mad at each other. One of these times is just before election. Anything that's said the other side takes offense. Yet all our last presidents have been elected by millions, showing that all that heat and perspiration was wasted. Then after election is over you can call the other side a yellow dog and they just laugh, for they have their sense of humor back.

Now we are going into another of those serious talspins over this money racket and it's just like the election. Nothing you can do, nothing you can say, will change a person's opinion. It will all work itself out, without any personal father from any of us, and in a few months we will regain our humor and balance.

It's just a serious spree that we have every 4 or 5 years to get it out of our system. Yours,

Will Rogers
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FESCUE TURF AT GOLF COURSE IS PRAISED HIGHLY

"I am still telling people about the wonderful fescue turf that I saw on your fairways," writes John Monteith Jr., who visited the La Grande country club recently, and who is recognized as one of the leading authorities on grasses and golf course culture in the United States. Mr. Monteith and his wife have been on a visit in California and were returning to their home in the east. Through the influence of L. K. Kinzel, a personal friend of the authority, Mr. Monteith visited here.

The fairways at the La Grande country club compare favorably with

8 INDICTMENTS ARE RETURNED BY THE GRAND JURY

Eight secret indictments and three not true bills were returned by the county grand jury Tuesday afternoon, after a session of several days. No arraignments had been made on any of the indictments today, District Attorney Carl Heim announced. The grand jury also visited both the city and county jails and the county poor farm, and found conditions at all three to be satisfactory. The not true bills released the following men from the charge of assault with intent to kill: Joe Gonzales, Fonzy Wilson and Clifford Stewart.

GROCERY STORES OPEN UNTIL 8:00

Most of the grocery stores of La Grande will remain open until 8 o'clock tonight, to give housewives an opportunity to complete their Thanksgiving day shopping, it was announced today. Most of the other stores will observe the usual week-day closing hour this evening.

Observer Not To Publish Tomorrow

In keeping with the holiday, the Observer will not publish tomorrow, Thanksgiving day. The next issue of the paper will be on Friday, Dec. 1.

Tale of John D. 'Reward' Denied



When William S. Fitzpatrick, above, received \$300,000 profit from a Sinclair oil stock pool in 1929, he believed it a "reward" for long service to the Rockefeller, he told the Senate banking committee. But this was denied by a Rockefeller spokesman who said no such "arrangement" had been made for the Sinclair aide, former head of Prairie Oil and Gas.

COVE VOTES FOR NEW SCHOOL TO COST \$13,500.00

COVE, Ore., Nov. 29 (Special)—By a vote of 84 to 40, the Cove school district yesterday recorded itself in favor of a \$13,500 bond issue to construct a new school building.

The work will be done under the public works administration plan, if approved by the government. A request will be made for funds, including a 30 per cent grant of the issue. The election board consists of C. W. Clark, Gladys Harris and Mary Davis, judges, and Mrs. E. A. Conklin, clerk.

TWIN GIRLS BORN TUESDAY

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Sayre, formerly of La Grande and Eugene, but now of Portland, are the parents of twin daughters, born at 5:30 o'clock yesterday morning. Both mother and babies are doing well. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Sayre, of La Grande.

FESTIVAL TONIGHT

The Young People's Legion of the Salvation Army is sponsoring a Thanksgiving festival tonight at the hall at 211 Fir street. The annual Salvation Army Thanksgiving service will be held Thursday night. All are invited.

HEBER GRANT TO DEDICATE UNION CHURCH

President of L. D. S. Church to be at Ceremonies Next Sunday

MORMONS PLAN FOR BIG MEETING

Stone House of Worship Now Completed—Construction Started on May, 17, 1932.

UNION, Nov. 29 (Special)—The new Latter Day Saint chapel just completed by the Union Ward membership of the Mormon church will be dedicated Sunday evening, Dec. 3 at 8 o'clock with appropriate exercises. Heber J. Grant, of Salt Lake City, president of the church will attend and officiate at the dedication. A program also has been arranged for Saturday evening at the church.

The completion of the building marked the end of a long patient task in which the members of the church all took an active part. All labor excepting that of the masonry and plastering was donated. Jas. Kofford, bishop of the church, donated the stone from a cliff on his

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Rev. Mortimore Is Speaker At Rotary Meeting

Declaring that we have much to be thankful for, in spite of material losses, Rev. Paul De F. Mortimore addressed the Rotary club at its noon luncheon at the La Grande hotel today on the subject of Thanksgiving day.

The joys and comforts of home and family life remain, and the general social structure with its good fellowship remains practically unchanged, he said. Most important, however, is the fact that the basic spiritual resources of the nation have not been depleted. Regardless of how bleak the picture, we have the same ability our fathers had to rise to the heights again, he said.

A certificate of merit was presented to Woodrow Damerell at the luncheon, the award being made by the national Red Cross in recognition of his saving the life of Ellis Watkins at Cove last summer. Several members of the Porpoise club attended.

The third grade children of Miss McKinney's room at Willow school sang three Thanksgiving songs.

—So Babe Ruth Gave 'Em a Dog!



Babe Ruth is responsible for three things you see in this picture—for the dog, and for the smiles on the faces of Jack McCann (left) and Stanley Hardesty (right). When the story got around that Jack and Stanley had been ordered to take long daily walks for their health at a Baltimore hospital for crippled children, but felt lonely because they had no dog to frisk about with them, the Babe quickly provided the boys with their canine pal.

FAMILY DINNERS TO FEATURE DAY OF THANKSGIVING

Family reunions about a table well loaded with turkey, goose, duck or chicken—that will be the main feature of Thanksgiving day observance in La Grande tomorrow. The day will be a legal holiday, and stores, courts, schools, etc. will be closed. Many out-of-town people are arriving today to spend tomorrow with

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TWO ACCIDENTS; NO ONE HURT

Two automobile accidents occurred in and near La Grande yesterday, both of a minor nature and with no one injured, according to the police. Cars driven by Walter E. Young and Gene Heivley collided on Adams avenue at 10:15 a. m. and cars driven by George Hamden, of La Grande, and L. A. McMullan, of Union, collided nine miles from Medical Springs toward Union at 2 p. m.

YOUNG NEGRO PUT TO DEATH IN ST. JOSEPH

Lynch Law Rules in Missouri—Attacker Dies At End of Rope; 7,000 Watch Death.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Nov. 29 (AP)—Lynch law has settled the case of Lloyd Warner, confessed attacker of two women. The 19-year-old negro died in flames at the end of a rope last night before the eyes of a mob of 7,000 which battered its way through national guardsmen and peace officers to seize him in the Buchanan county jail.

Warner was hanged to an elm tree near the courthouse, drenched with gasoline and set afire. Women and children watched him die. Some were friends of the white girl of 21, who, officers said, Warner assaulted in an alley here Sunday night.

"String him up," shouted from many throats, drowned out the last attempt of the muscular young negro to speak.

Terror-stricken and stripped to the waist, he was pulled from a third floor cell by four young members of the mob, beaten, kicked and cursed.

"I'm a fighting Dutchman," said Sheriff Otto Theisen, 60, "but there

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NEGRO GIVES LIFE TO STOP ESCAPE

TOPEKA, Kas., Nov. 29 (AP)—A negro, Benjamin J. Davidson, gave his life to prevent the escape from the Shawnee county jail last night of Cecil Thornburgh, white, bank and post office robber.

Soon after the 53-year-old negro jailer was slugged and then fatally wounded with his own pistol, a menacing crowd gathered outside the jail and Thornburgh was hurried to the state penitentiary at Lansing.

Wheat Today

CHICAGO, Nov. 29 (AP)—Unexpected developments in regard to Argentine government agricultural and financial policies tend to notably today to lift grain values here.

JUST BEFORE PRESSTIME

SMITH MAY BE CANDIDATE? MEIER FAVORS ROAD BONDS ALLOCATE LIQUOR IMPORTS MOVIE COWBOY KILLED

DETROIT, Nov. 29 (AP)—Representative Hamilton Fish Jr., New York, said today he believed Alfred E. Smith again will become a candidate for president if President Roosevelt "continues his trend toward inflation."

SALEM, Nov. 29 (AP)—In another special message to the legislature Governor Julius L. Meier today recommended to the lawmakers that the state highway commission be authorized to issue general obligation bonds in the amount of \$10,500,000 to finance an emergency highway construction program of \$15,000,000 for unemployment relief with funds borrowed from the federal public works administration.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29 (AP)—The government today notified liquor importers it intends to use repeal to bring about a lowering of tariff barriers against American products in foreign countries, through allocation of liquor imports after December 5.

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 29 (AP)—A motion picture cowboy was killed and seven other persons injured in a traffic crash in which four automobiles were involved early today on the Mint Canyon highway near the Acton road. A blinding snowstorm which hampered vision of drivers was blamed for the accident. Roy "Skeeter Bill" Robbins, a film cowboy employed on the Hoot Gibson ranch, was killed.

MRS. GAINES IS FREED BY JURY ON FIRST VOTE

SPOKANE, Wash., Nov. 29 (AP)—Lily Banka Gaines awakened in her own bed today, free of the charge of murdering her husband, Dr. James I. Gaines, for his insurance and his property.

She was released from custody last night, a few minutes after a superior court jury had acquitted her, refusing to accept the state's theory that she shot the wealthy sanpactor and sportsman as he stepped from his automobile in the driveway of their home here last August 15.

Acting in sharp contrast to the slow-moving trial, which consumed 14 court days, the jury apparently entered upon its deliberations and unanimously agreed on its verdict, which was registered on the first ballot.

The case was one of the most mysterious in police records here. Although a dozen persons were found to have what appeared to be motives, no one was found who saw the shooting, or who could say definitely that Mrs. Gaines was the murderer.

TENNIS CHAMPION IS THREATENED

BOSTON, Nov. 29 (AP)—Helen Jacobs, national tennis champion, today reported to federal authorities she had received several threatening and obscene letters and appealed to the authorities for help.

Miss Jacobs, a resident of Berkeley, Cal., who has been the guest of Miss Alona Friend of Marblehead and Brookline, since her default victory over Mrs. Helen Wills Moody, reported the receipt of the letters to the department of justice office here.

Francis J. W. Ford, United States attorney, asked Miss Jacobs to bring the letters into his office immediately that they might be examined and postal inspectors assigned to running down the writer.

MAY INVOKE INITIATIVE TO KILL LAW

State Council of Commercial Vehicle Owners Announces Plans.

SMALL TRUCKERS SUPPORT ACTION

C. T. Giffen, Chairman, Declares 100,000 Signatures Can be Obtained in 10 Days.

SALEM, Nov. 29 (AP)—Initiative will be invoked to eliminate the bus and truck law, C. T. Giffen, of Roseburg, chairman of the state council of commercial vehicle owners announced last night.

The announcement followed his declaration at a legislative roads and highways committee meeting that small truck owners were not allowed to voice their opinions, while railroad and allied truck representatives were given the courtesy of the floor.

All small truck organizations are joining to put over the initiative and will get better than 100,000 signatures in 10 days, Giffen declared.

He said in the meantime small truckers will seek passage of Senator Burke's bill which would repeal the bus and truck law and substitute a new tax plan.

SALEM, Nov. 29 (AP)—Divergent ideas as to when and how Oregon should act in development of Bonneville dam's power possibilities were aired at a joint senate and house utilities hearing of the legislature last night.

Some favored leaving the development up to the federal government for the present. Governor Julius L. Meier, who previously mentioned Bonneville power development in a special message to the legislature, sent another message to the committee. Oregon must act at once if it ever hopes for cheap power from Bonneville, Meier's message stated.

He said that in two years' time the

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Johnson Loses In Move Aimed At Henry Ford

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29 (AP)—For the second time, Comptroller General J. R. McCarl held today that Ford Motor company products are eligible for government contracts.

This was ruled in an opinion given the department of agriculture as the result of an attempt by Hugh S. Johnson, the NEA administrator, to keep the Northwest Motors company of Bethesda, Md., a Ford dealer, from receiving a contract for civilian conservation corps trucks.

Johnson contended the company might be in violation of the retail motor code because its bid probably was under the minimum set by the code.

McCarl held, however, that this question "is for judicial determination and not for consideration by the purchasing or contracting officer in the awarding of a contract."

No Significance In Black's Visit To The President

WALM SPRINGS, Ga., Nov. 29 (AP)—President Roosevelt is going on with his objective for a commodity dollar, it was re-emphasized today at the "Little White House" in making plain that no particular significance is attached here to the visit of Governor Black of the federal reserve board.

EXPERT SUGGESTS CONTRACT "WIDOW"

NEW YORK, Nov. 29 (AP)—A "widow" for contract bridge was suggested today by Ely Culbertson for consideration in future improvement of the game.

The widow would consist of four cards dealt face down in the middle of the table while each player was receiving 12. The winner of the auction would look at the widow, select one card himself and pass one to each player as the dealer desired. Culbertson thinks a widow would add a zest of uncertainty to the game and in addition promote skillful play by the declarer. For instance, if the widow should consist of high cards, the declarer would have to plan carefully to utilize his cards to the best advantage.

