

County Relieved Of Payment Of \$12,000 To The State

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NON-VIOLENT INSANE COST IS REMOVED

\$12,000 Item in Union County Budget For This Purpose.

CANNOT CHANGE TAX LEVY HOWEVER

Fund May Be Credited Against 1935 Levy, or Go Into the Surplus Fund For Emergencies.

Although the state legislature passed a 1933 bill over the governor's veto relieving counties of paying the state for the support of the non-violent insane, a \$12,000 item in the union county budget for 1934 for this purpose, probably will remain unchanged, according to local opinion. The county will not pay this \$12,000—whatever percentage of it is collected by taxation—for the care of non-violent insane in state institutions, but neither can the county strike this item from the budget. With the tax levy already made, no further changes are believed possible, since no law was passed by the legislature this session to take care of this money if already levied. "Counties which already have levied for payment to the state for care of non-violent insane for the year 1934, will carry that sum to the surplus fund and credit against the following year's levy, it was the opinion of members of the state tax commission today," said an Associated Press dispatch from Salem. "The state as a result of the new law will lose its greatest revenue for care of insane, as collections from relatives or estates the past year fell far below that spent by the county. "No law was passed by the legislature this session to take care of this money if already levied. It will there-

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Christmas Toys Are Exhibited By Firemen, Lions

Scores and scores of toys that have been repaired, repainted and practically made new by the fire department are on display in the show windows of the store room next to the Red Cross drug store. Additional toys were placed in the window today. The firemen and Lions are operating this month in preparing toys for distribution to the needy children of the community at Christmas time.

The Story of Christmas



When the Wise Men spoke, saying that they had come to worship Him who had been born king of the Jews, having seen his star in the east, Herod was greatly troubled and all Jerusalem with him.

10 SHOPPING DAYS UNTIL CHRISTMAS

STRINGS MAIN STOCK IN TRADE OF SHOW

If the strings used to operate the famous Olvera Puppeteers of Los Angeles were stretched out and placed end to end they would reach half way to Island City and still supply string to the 244 parcels if two and one-half feet were allowed for each parcel. C. M. Wight, manager of the Liberty theatre where the Puppets will appear today, finds after a great deal of mathematics. Or if the entire 5,000 feet of string were used to wrap parcels at the rate of two and one-half feet apiece, a total of 2,400 packages could be tied. From 10 to 23 strings are used to operate each of the marionettes. Just by pulling the multitudinous

WILL ROGERS says:

BEVERLY HILLS, Cal., Dec. 11 -- From the prices they are charging for drinks all over the country, I guess there never was as much temperance as now. Unless the government makes the drinkers some kind of a loan, they just can't carry on. Let the government do like they do in other federal projects, match you dollar for dollar, or in this case, drink for drink. You buy one, the government buys the next (better let the government buy the first one). Yours, Will Rogers

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OPEN SEASON ON ELK NEXT YEAR LIKELY

State Game Supervisor to Make Recommendations Before March 1.

Announcements emanating from a meeting of the state game commission in Portland yesterday—and still in progress today—caused local sportsmen some concern. They indicated the probability of an open season on elk in Eastern Oregon next fall, although most Union county sportsmen are of the belief that no open season will be held in this county. The Associated Press carried the following report of the meeting, as it referred to the elk situation, on its leased wire today: PORTLAND, Dec. 12 (AP)—A statement that less than half the actual increase of the elk herds in Eastern Oregon was killed during the open season this fall, was accepted by the state game commission at its meeting here Monday, and the game supervisor was instructed to report before March 1 with recommendations as to dates and conduct of the 1934 open season on the big animals. Chester E. McCarty, assistant game attorney general assigned to the game commission, reported that every case prosecuted in Union county in which a hunter was charged with wanton killing of elk during the recent open season, resulted in conviction. Two cases are pending.

WARM DECEMBER CONTINUES HERE Instead of becoming cooler, the weather the last two days has moderated in La Grande. Minimum temperatures both Sunday and Monday nights were warmer than the previous evenings. Last night the mercury went no lower than 42 above, several days since freezing weather was recorded here. The maximum Monday was 54 above. No change in the weather tonight or tomorrow was forecast by the weather bureau for Oregon.

NATIONAL GUARD ATTENDANCE HIGH

Figures just released from national guard headquarters, reveals that Company E, 188th Infantry of La Grande, had the highest attendance in the state during October, with a percentage of 93.6, a gain of 14 per cent over September. Among rifle companies the local unit ranked fourth. Headquarters company of Union was first among the units of its classification in the Oregon national guard. Company E held its last drill of the quarter last night. Carl M. Amos was re-enlisted in the company, and honorable discharges were given to Carl G. Johanson, private first class, and Jack R. Alvey, private.

WONDER HOW IT ALL SEEMS TO A NEWCOMER?

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COURT TERM TO BE HELD NEXT MONTH

Louis May's Case Up Jan. 8, Followed by State vs. Conrad Reinhartz.

The adjourned term of the circuit court has been called for Jan. 8 at 10 o'clock by Judge J. W. Knowles, circuit judge. Two cases already have been set and others are expected to be ready for trial. The case of the state of Oregon vs. Louis May, charged with non-support, has been set for the opening day and will be followed by that of the state vs. Conrad Reinhartz, charged with larceny of a check. The term of court was decided on after the county grand jury returned several indictments a few weeks ago.

40 Attend Band Rehearsal; Plan Benefit Concert

The La Grande band met at the Elks club rooms last night in one of the best rehearsals this organization has enjoyed for many months. About 40 attended and each band section was fully represented. Much enthusiasm was shown and rehearsals are planned for each Monday evening. The band voted resolutions thanking the Elks club, and also the Central Church of Christ which provided a place for rehearsals since last spring. The band is planning a benefit concert sometime during the winter, with a guest artist as special attraction, for the purpose of raising operating funds. The band will play a short concert at the Central Church of Christ Sunday evening at 7:30. Special music for this concert was rehearsed.

DENIES HE HIT AND RAN IN CAR MIXUP ON GRADE

Harry R. Turner, local railroad shop employee, today identified himself as the La Grande party alleged in a recent dispatch from Wallowa to have hit a car containing the Carpenter family of that city on the Courtney grade. Mr. Turner states that the dispatch was erroneous in several statements, particularly in which it stated that the Carpenters were the victims of a hit-and-run driver. His car did not hit the Carpenter car, there were no cars thrown in the ditch nor did he run away as he was the last party to leave the scene of the collision, says Mr. Turner.

LOCAL COUPLE WILL MARRY

John H. Hoffman and Mary Larson, both of La Grande, were issued a marriage license Monday afternoon by County Clerk C. K. McCormick.

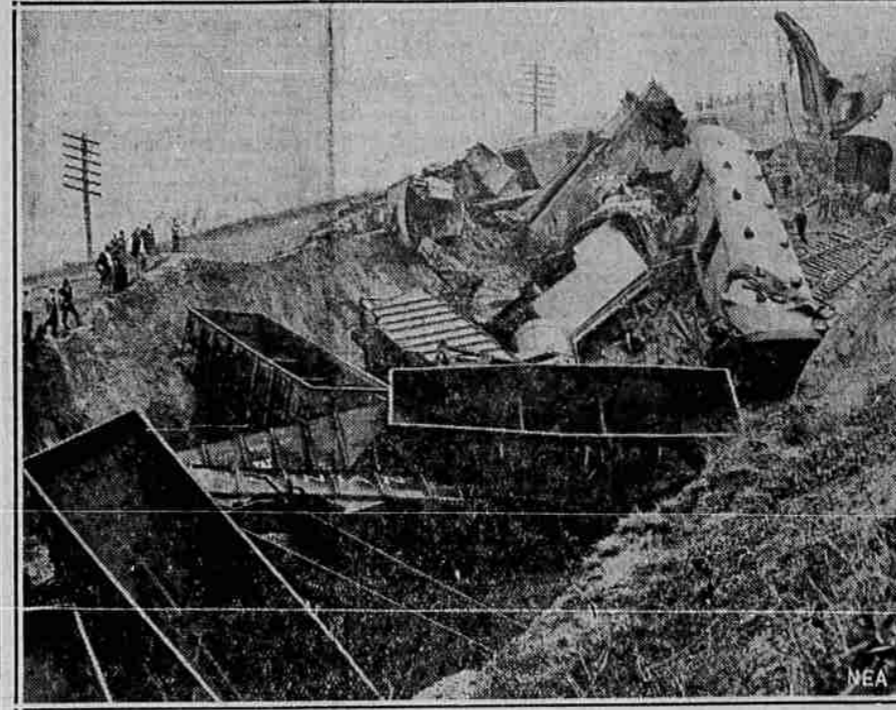
NORTHSIDERS MEET JAN. 17

The Northside Home Improvement club will not hold its regular meeting this month but will meet on Jan. 17 at the home of Mrs. L. P. Kingsley, 2703 North Birch street.

BROWNS IN RIVER OREGON CITY, Ore., Dec. 12 (AP)—

Valentine Schachner, 30, drowned in the Sandy river yesterday when he was swept over a 50-foot dam.

Two Die as Freight, Flyer Crash in Virginia



The cars jumbled into a heap by the terrific impact, this was a view of the wreckage after a Florida-New York express plowed into a freight which had been derailed by a landslide at Quantico, Va. The engineer and fireman aboard the flyer were killed.

PARAGUAY CLAIMS VICTORY IN WAR WITH BOLIVIANS

By The Associated Press Paraguay claimed a victory today in its war with Bolivia in the Chaco Boreal.

From Bolivia came the announcement of a new chief of staff for the Bolivian army. Asuncion, capital of Paraguay, reported the surrender of more than 13,000 Bolivian soldiers Monday and the capture of large quantities of Bolivian munitions.

Cabinet Members In The Hospital

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12 (AP)—Two members of the Roosevelt cabinet, Secretaries Dern and Ickes, who are confined in separate government hospitals, were described by their physicians today as resting comfortably but each "out of action" for at least a week.

WHEAT TODAY

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Seattle Man's Ark Ready For Flood

SEATTLE, Dec. 12 (AP)—William Greenwood, bearded prophet of West Seattle, is all set for a deluge, his "second ark" having been moored for years in west bay. But he refused to be impressed by the present inundations. "It's nothing more than a sign," he said.

THIRD DEFAULT ON FRENCH DEBT

PARIS, Dec. 12 (AP)—A third default on the French debt to the United States was confirmed by the cabinet today.

PEEK WILL HEAD TRADE COMMITTEE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12 (AP)—President Roosevelt has announced a special government foreign trade committee has been set up with George Peek as the head. Peek will retire as the agriculture adjustment administrator and will be succeeded by Chester C. Davis, the chief of the production division of that agency.

Government Will Buy Storage Eggs

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 12 (AP)—Positive confirmation of the government's plan to purchase liberal supplies of eggs for relief purposes, was received here today by George C. Keane, general manager of the Pacific poultry producers' cooperative. A message to Keane from the association's New York office said the federal relief corporation is setting aside \$225,000,000 with which to purchase storage eggs. The purchases will be allotted to the several states according to surplus.

Wallace Asks For Farm Co-operation

CHICAGO, Dec. 12 (AP)—Secretary of Agriculture Wallace presented today a report of his stewardship as champion of the farmers' rights and asked members of the American Farm Bureau Federation to bid with the Roosevelt administration's program for recovery. Both he and George N. Peek urged that farmers not be dissatisfied over slowness in the program, and both declared already much more good than appeared on the surface had been done.

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LINDBERGH'S FLY ACROSS JUNGLES TO PORT O' SPAIN

PORT-O-SPAIN, Trinidad, Dec. 12 (AP)—Col. and Mrs. Charles A. Lindbergh arrived here this afternoon after a flight of more than 900 miles from Manaus, Brazil.

They encountered a few rain squalls as they reached the low-lying coast of Venezuela, according to Mrs. Lindbergh's reports, but most of the trip was made in perfect flying weather. She constantly reported "unlimited visibility" beneath a sky "seventy-eight overcast" with clouds. The total elapsed flying time was 9 hours, 39 minutes.

MAY STRENGTHEN SECURITIES ACT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12 (AP)—Notice was given today by Chairman Fletcher of the senate banking committee that if any change is made in the new securities control act, it will be to strengthen it rather than to bring about any modification. This declaration was regarded as going far to stamp out any prospect of modification of the new Roosevelt law providing strict supervision over new security issues at the coming session of congress.

SEATTLE REPORTS DAIRY BOMBING

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JUST BEFORE PRESSTIME

MEIER FACES RUSH OF BILLS
F. W. A. MONEY ALLOTTED
PENDLETON BOY WOUNDED
MORE OREGON C. W. A. JOBS

SALEM, Dec. 12 (AP)—Prospects that Governor Meier will complete his consideration of 88 bills left to him and upon which he had taken no action when the legislature adjourned before next Saturday night grew dimmer today when it was learned that the major measures enacted had not yet reached his desk.

PORTLAND, Dec. 12 (AP)—An allotment of \$192,000 from the public works administration for three river and harbor projects in Washington, announced by the PWA regional adviser here, will provide about 480 man-months of employment, it was said today.

PENDLETON, Ore., Dec. 12 (AP)—Critically wounded by accidental discharge of a small rifle, Thelbert Wilson, 18, received blood transfusions in a hospital here today. The bullet injured his heart and physicians said there was but little hope he would recover.

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 12 (AP)—Three thousand more jobs for unemployed men are to become available in Oregon at once. The state committee of the civil works administration today announced the original allotment of 21,000 jobs has been increased by 3,000 and that these places will be filled before Friday.

GENERAL WHITE TO HEAD LEGION LAW, ORDER BOARD

SALEM, Dec. 12 (AP)—Major General George A. White will head the American Legion's new state committee on law and order, it was announced here today.

The state committee will study crime and plan American Legion participation in curbing crime in Oregon. Unqualified support of constituted authorities in crime suppression was pledged at the American Legion's national convention, Department Commander Harold J. Warner announced. "Recently reported crimes both within and without our state make the appointment of our committee especially pertinent," he declared. Integrity in public service will be studied by the committee.

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DEATHS 8 IN NORTHWEST'S STORM AREA

Washington and Parts of Oregon and Idaho Report Fatalities.

SKAGIT, SNOHOMISH RIVERS ON A TEAR

Loss of Property Counted in the Millions of Dollars—Mountain Snow Melting.

SEATTLE, Dec. 12 (AP)—A wide area of the Pacific Northwest, stretching eastward into Idaho, still was in the grip of dangerous flood conditions today, with the menace growing anew in one section. The loss was counted in the millions and at least eight dead.

In the Skagit and Snohomish river valleys of Northwestern Washington, new flood torrents were pouring down out of the mountains. The temperature was reported in the 60's at Zenith last night, threatening to wipe away the remaining snow fields.

Those dead over the area were: Walter Dimmock, 28, a CCC worker, who drowned in the Snoqualmie river.

Gerald Worley, 30, drowned near the Chehalis-Napavine road. Carl Holly, a trapper, who perished in a Snohomish county blizzard.

Joseph Meggs Williams, 32, a trapper, dead of exposure and exhaustion northeast of Sandpoint, Idaho. Omar E. Baker, 64, who died of heart failure on a raft south of Riverton.

Mrs. Dorothy Thompson, of Vancouver, Wash., dead in an auto crash near Vancouver.

Miss Mary Berry, 16, and an unidentified man, auto victims here. Valentine Schachner, 30, drowned in the Sandy river near Oregon City.

Ice winds, snow and intense cold prevailed over Europe and most of North America today.

The lowest American temperature was 40 below at White River, Ont. The temperature was 24 below zero at Owl's Head, N. Y., 10 below at Montreal, 6 above at Portland, Me., and 8 above at Boston, New York City had a biting wind that fanned the thermometer down to 16.

Name Delegates To Meeting Of Oregon Teachers

Delegates to represent the county and the schoolmasters club at the meeting of the Oregon State Teachers' association in Portland Dec. 27 to 30 were selected last night when the schoolmasters met at Union.

Delegates from the county are Supt. Herbert Evans, La Grande; F. C. Smith, Edin; Milton Boring, Union; and Elmo Stevenson, Eastern Oregon Normal. Kenneth LaViolette, of Cove, represents the club.

Alternates are J. W. Leonard, principal of Central; A. L. Gralapp, principal of the High school; Cecil Posey, La Grande; and Maurice Wells, Ferry, for the county; and Ivar Masterson, of Edin, for the schoolmen.

Forty educators attended the Union meeting and discussed school relief in which the school board of Union participated.

Musical numbers were furnished by former Union High school students.

Klamath Wrestler Wins In Portland

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 12 (AP)—After losing the first fall, Bulldog Jackson, 160, of Klamath Falls, took the next two to win the main event on last night's wrestling program here from Mickey McGuire, 177, of Salem. Jack Dempsey, former heavyweight fight champion, was the third man in the ring.

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