

Blue Eagle To Continue To Fly After December 31

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127 MORE C. W. A. JOBS OPEN MONDAY

14 PROJECTS AUTHORIZED; MORE LIKELY

Local Board Gets Confirmation from Portland Late Last Night

C. W. A. PAYROLL TODAY AT \$2678.55

E. O. N., County Court House and La Grande School District Work All Are Approved

One hundred and twenty-seven more civil works jobs are open in Union county and will be filled Monday morning. With the addition of these 127, there will be a total of 292 at work in this county, J. H. Peare, C. W. A. chairman here, said this morning. Union county's quota is 383 and other projects before the state board would open the remainder of these positions, when they are approved.

Also, F. L. Meyers, county disbursing officer, reported today's C. W. A. payroll totalled \$2678.55, the largest yet paid out. Next week's total will go still higher, with additional men going to work Monday, and those who went to work this week getting

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Chamber Not To Hold Luncheon Until January

There will be no chamber of commerce forum luncheon this month. Because of its nearness to the Christmas holidays, the regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 19, has been cancelled.

Plans are under way, however, for two meetings in January, it is reported.

The Story of Christmas



And Herod said to the Wise Men, when you have found the child that is born in Bethlehem, bring word to me again, that I, too, may go to that place and worship him. But his words were spoken in guile and deceit.

SHOPPING DAYS WITH CHRISTMAS

KIDDIES PUBLISH CHRISTMAS EDITION

The Normal Chieftain Christmas edition beams with Christmas spirit. Hot off the press, it is chock-full of Christmas items written and edited by the pupils of the J. H. Askerman Training school. The edition has been divided into sections with each grade furnishing copy for a page. Eugene Southall designed the linoleum cut on the front page, in which he tells in picture the story of the birth of the Christ child and the star of Bethlehem.

Other art work is furnished by Heloise Lee, Eleanor Seward, Bobby Hyde, Gordon Barnwell, Richard Hatt, Ballard Brooks, Lloyd Cady, Floyd Kingsley and Luan Brady. Little Miss Brady has done a full page picture of Santa Claus with his fur trimmed cap and coat and bells on his shoes.

Poems are furnished by the first grade, all describing a different feature of the Yuletide season. Hildegard Rettig writes:

WILL ROGERS SAYS:

BEVERLY HILLS, Cal., Dec. 16.—Well, I see where the boss says things are going along as well as he expected and that he is not going to stabilize the dollar. Now that will do just as much good as if he had said that he would, maybe more, for a funny thing about the big man and financiers, after they have realized and got it set in their head they are not going to have their own way, why, like an old steer, they sulk a little bit and then join the herd. Everybody likes to make a dollar his way, but if he finds he is not allowed to make it his way, why he is not going to overlook the chance of making it your way. Yours, Will Rogers

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WINTRY WEATHER SWOOPS DOWN ON EASTERN OREGON

La Grande, following 10 consecutive days of weather like that of early spring, experienced some real winter last night and today, with the mercury dropping to a minimum of 24 above early this morning. The forecast was for continued cold this week-end.

Half an inch of snow fell here Friday, and the maximum temperature was only 38 above, six above freezing point.

All highways in Eastern Oregon were open to travel, although somewhat slippery, the state highway division here reported. Use of chains was not advised but motorists were warned to be cautious. Only a light fall of snow was reported in the mountains in this section.

The wintry wave was general

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INDEBTEDNESS OF CITY, COUNTY AND SCHOOL SHRINKING

During the last month, with taxes coming in in fair shape, county, school district and city all have decreased their warrant indebtedness.

At present the school district's record is best, with all warrants up to 3513 (first of June) called in. The amount outstanding is approximately \$56,000.

The county ranks second, with general fund warrants called to March 1, 1933, with \$66,908.01 still outstanding. Road fund warrants are called to May, 1933, with \$26,444.71 outstanding, and market road warrants are called to October 1, 1933, with \$7,150.35 outstanding. The city of La Grande has called all warrants up to Dec. 31, 1932, with approximately \$53,000 outstanding.

PIERCES LEAVE FRISCO BY BOAT

Congressman and Mrs. Walter M. Pierce, of La Grande, are now en route to Washington via the Panama canal. The two left San Francisco Thursday aboard the Dollar liner President Lincoln, en route to New York.

The Pierces will be in the national capital in time for the opening of congress next month.

High Goal Set For Mellon Jr.



Richard King Mellon, above, taking over his father's desk in Pittsburgh, faces one of the hardest tasks ever delegated to a young banker—to maintain the records set in the financial world by the triumvirate of the late R. B. Mellon, his father; the late Judge Thomas Mellon, his grandfather, founder of the great banking house; and his uncle, Andrew W. Mellon.

BOTH WILLAMETTE AND WHITMAN TO PLAY E. O. N. HERE

Here's good news for basketball fans. Both Whitman college and Willamette university, leading members of the Northwest conference, will play the Eastern Oregon Normal school in La Grande this year. Yesterday in Portland, Whitman announced it would play the Mountaineer five here Jan. 19, and at the same time Willamette listed among its games a contest here Feb. 10.

Coach Bob Quinn, after refereeing a high school game here last night, boarded a train for Portland and today was to attempt to schedule some more games with Northwest conference members. Willamette did not appear here

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ODD FELLOWS VISIT UNION

A delegation from the La Grande lodge, I. O. O. F. paid a fraternal visit to the Union lodge last night. The initiation degree was conferred on a class of candidates after which a luncheon was served. The delegation included Frank Lock, Jake Bostock, William McCutere and S. B. Zion.

TENTH CASE IS ADDED TO BURGLARIES

Clyde Bunting Identifies Property;—Officers Blame Twidwell

WORK OF OFFICERS IS GIVEN PRAISE

Stewart and Twidwell to Be Taken to Salem After Serving Out Trapping Fine

Officers today reported that another robbery had been added to the list alleged to have been perpetrated by Arlo Twidwell, who with John W. Stewart, is under sentence on charges of burglary not in a dwelling place. Last night Clyde Bunting identified some articles at the police station as having been stolen from his home this fall.

This brings the total number of robberies officers report they have solved in this case to 10. Both Twidwell and Stewart are at present serving out a \$100 fine in the county jail on charges of trapping beaver, and District Attorney Carl Helm said today that they would not be taken to the state penitentiary until after completing their sentences here.

With the news carried to them last evening by the Observer that the many burglaries of the last few months had been solved, people throughout the city today were congratulating those officers responsible for the clearing up of the matter, and residents felt somewhat more secure when leaving their homes in the evening. The state and city police first started the investigations that led to the solving of the problem, and as the search for stolen property

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Normal School Completes Fall Quarter Friday

With their examinations for the winter term completed Friday afternoon, students at the Eastern Oregon Normal school are beginning their Christmas holidays today.

Registration for the winter term will open on Jan. 2, and indications are that an increased enrollment will take advantage of the junior college and teachers' course offered at the Normal school. The faculty will remain the same next term and continuation of the fall term work will be available to students.

Gary Goes Western in New York



He may be dressed in western fashion, but Gary Cooper, the film star, was far from the plains when this picture was taken. He's shown with his bride, Sandra Shaw, also of the movies, as they appeared at the "county fair ball" society gave for charity at New York's Waldorf-Astoria.

CITIES PROTEST LOSS OF FEES IN NEW LIQUOR ACT

The cities of Oregon, while favoring the Knox liquor control bill in general, are opposed to those provisions which take the license fees and tax revenues away from the municipalities. At least, a resolution expressing that sentiment, was adopted at a meeting of the Oregon League of Cities in Baker yesterday.

City Commissioners V. B. Melville, William Condit and F. J. Lott, City Manager Angus McAllister and City Attorney E. B. Ringo all attended from La Grande.

They reported that the new legislation affecting cities, the civil works administration and the public works administration were discussed during the day also. Robert N. Stanfield, of the public works board in Oregon, discussed the P. W. A., stating that 57 Oregon projects have been approved by the state board and forwarded to Washington. He expects gradual approval of these.

William M. Briggs, of Ashland, field representative of the league, discussed the liquor control law.

Mr. Briggs said that the sale of liquor of 14 per cent alcoholic content or under by volume is left to license, but liquor containing a greater amount of alcohol is to be sold by the state or drug stores on prescriptions. In certain small towns

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USE VETO ON ONLY THREE OF 97 BILLS

Bus and Truck Measure Signed by Governor — to Be Effective Immediately

SALEM, Dec. 16 (AP)—A large block of bills passed by the Oregon legislature in special session became law late yesterday when all but three of the 97 bills passed were either signed by Governor Julius L. Meier or filed without his signature with the secretary of state.

The emergency clause was attached to the bus and truck bill and numerous other bills, making them effective as soon as signed. The approved bills without the emergency clause will become effective 90 days from the close of the session.

The governor vetoed three bills and filed two without signature. The veto was exercised against senate bill 65.

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JAMES OGILVIE FUNERAL TODAY

James ("Jimmie") Ogilvie, former popular high school student and athlete, died in a Mill City hospital Wednesday following an operation for a ruptured appendix, according to word received here last night. Funeral services were held this afternoon at Oregon City and the body is to be brought to Cove for interment.

He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Ogilvie, of the Cove, and was a student in the Cove school. Later he enrolled at the Union High school and from there came to La Grande, where he finished his work. Three or four years ago he went to the Willamette valley and had been employed at various localities around Oregon City. For the last few months he had been at the C. C. G. camp near Detroit. Besides his parents, he is survived by a sister, Elvior, and a brother, Ted. He, with his sister and brother, were well known over the county for the outstanding work they had done in the 4-H clubs, their fine Guernsey cattle bringing them much recognition.

Wheat Today

The price of local cash wheat stood at about 50 1/2 cents bulk today, according to quotations at the Pioneer Flouring Mills, Portland cash 67 cents.

CHICAGO, Dec. 16 (AP)—Weekend evening up of accounts lifted wheat late today, and largely overcame earlier losses.

A strengthening influence for wheat prices came from reports of persistent lack of moisture throughout domestic winter wheat territory southwest.

Wheat closed irregular at 1/2 cent decline to 1/2 cent advance, compared with yesterday's finish, corn 1/2 = 1 1/2 cents down, oats 1/4 = 1/2 cent off, and provisions unchanged to 5 cents lower.

JUST BEFORE PRESSTIME

NAME NEW AMBASSADOR
AUTHOR BURNED TO DEATH
LINDBERGHS AT MIAMI
17 SEAMEN RESCUED

TOKYO, Dec. 16 (AP)—Hiroshi Salto, 47, the youngest man ever picked for the post, was selected today as the new ambassador to Washington.

NEW YORK, Dec. 16 (AP)—Louis J. Vance, well known author, was burned to death today at his east side apartment, apparently as the result of falling asleep with a lighted cigaret.

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 16 (AP)—Col. and Mrs. Charles A. Lindbergh alighted here at 1:06 P. M., eastern standard time, today to complete the last link in an aerial Odyssey that began more than five months ago.

HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 16 (AP)—Seventeen seamen of the American fishing schooner Ellen T. Marshall were rescued today, two were known drowned and seven were missing after the schooner burned near Seal Island, 18 miles west of Cape Sable, N. S.

BAKER, Dec. 16 (AP)—John Burton, of Oklahoma, who was arrested by a state police officer at Crown Point Dec. 9 in connection with the passing of a worthless \$10 check on a Pleasant Valley merchant the day before, pleaded guilty in circuit court Friday afternoon to a charge of forgery and was sentenced to two years in the penitentiary by Judge C. H. McCulloch.

WOMAN SCREAMS CONFESSION IN SIEVER SLAYING

PASADENA, Cal., Dec. 16 (AP)—Led on a false trail by a woman who screamed a confession to the killing of Dr. Leonard Siever, 44, dentist, and later retracted her statement, police turned again today to a study of the life of the dentist in hope of uncovering some clue to explain his death.

PASADENA, Cal., Dec. 16 (AP)—A woman, identified as Yvonne Howard, 24, of Inglewood, Cal., screaming she had committed a murder, was taken into custody today and confessed, police said, to the killing of Dr. Leonard Siever, socialist and art patron, here last Tuesday night. She said Siever had double-crossed her.

Beyond the assertion she had been tricked by the prominent dentist, police said they had obtained from her no additional explanation for a motive. An immediate investigation was begun to determine whether the woman actually had shot the dentist or was seeking to create a sensation. The detention of Miss Howard

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Farmer Uses Windlass to Get His Milk Supply

FOREST CITY, N. C., Dec. 16 (AP)—M. H. Kennedy went to his barn to milk but the cow wasn't there. The door was locked and she couldn't have been stolen.

Kennedy was puzzled until he heard a noise overhead. He found the cow had walked up a stair to the second story of the barn. She wouldn't come down.

He used a windlass to get his milk supply to the ground.

NEGRO LYNCHED BY MOB IN TENNESSEE

COLUMBIA, Tenn., Dec. 16 (AP)—A 20-year-old negro a grand jury returned to indict on a charge of attempted attack on an 11-year-old girl was lynched near here last night.

The body of the victim, Cord Cheek, was found suspended from a rope tied to the limb of a tree after Sheriff Claude Godwin said he received an anonymous telephone call advising that he would find a "dead negro" at the forks of the road" in the Glendale section nearby.

In response to a request to "come and get him" the sheriff said he went to the place designated and found the body. Godwin said marks which appeared to have been made by bullets were found on the body and that the negro apparently died shortly after the hanging.

The attempted attack on the girl, an orphan, was alleged to have occurred about a month ago in the section where the negro was lynched. After the grand jury's refusal to indict, Cheek was released.

Officers here said they did not know the negro was in the section until the body was found. He had been released in Nashville, where he was taken for safekeeping. Jailer B. M. McDonald said the girl identified Cheek as the negro who attempted to attack her. He said "feeling ran pretty high for a time" but seemed to have quieted down. Sheriff Godwin said he found no one in the vicinity of the lynching and that he had been unable to find anyone who knew anything about it. He said he had tried unsuccessfully to trace the telephone call.

PRESIDENT'S N. R. A. PLANS GOING AHEAD

Re-Employment Agreement to Be Extended, Washington Reports

PROGRAM SOON TO BE ANNOUNCED

Officials Insist the Blue Eagle Has Real Trade Value and Cite Cases as Proof

By James Cape (Copyright, 1933, by the Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16 (AP)—NRA's Blue Eagle will continue to fly after December 31, and a program soon will be announced to extend the president's re-employment agreement for the trades and industries which do not have codes in effect on that day.

The Blue Eagle agreements were sent out in August. Millions of businessmen signed their names in a promise to comply with the higher wage, shorter hours requirements until the last day of the year when the agreements expire. They promised also to help get their trades organized for code purposes.

Today, many of those businessmen are under permanent codes. They stand more probably will be by the end of the year. But there will remain a residue of coded industries groups with codes pending, but not approved, or not even in formulation.

The administration has no intention of letting these slip away from the re-employment rally for a possible new competitive reduction of wages. Further, and despite the "chiseling" going on, for which the Blue Eagles now are being ordered

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Christmas Seal Sale Response Not So Hearty

The Christmas Seal sale, proceeds from which are used by the Oregon State Tuberculosis association and by the Union County Health association for its activities in the county, is not meeting with the hearty response that is necessary if the two organizations are to work effectively and efficiently. Mrs. E. A. McEachran, chairman, said today. Many of the seals distributed have not been heard from, she said.

Mrs. McEachran and members of her committee urge that every one in the county stand behind the drive, since it is an enterprise from which both the county and the state derive benefit.

School Armistice Is Reported; Kerr Refuses To Talk

SALEM, Dec. 16 (AP)—In a signed article, the Statesman today said "an armistice has been called in the field of higher education in Oregon if one can fully credit reports seeping out of the news front in the last fortnight."

The cessation of hostilities is not a calm before a new battle, the article says.

PORTLAND, Dec. 16 (AP)—Dr. W. J. Kerr, chancellor of Oregon's higher educational system, today, in a telephone conversation from Eugene, declined to discuss a report in a Salem newspaper that he would retire at the end of the school year.

