

Spring Highway Work Calls Many Onto Payrolls

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F.R. FAVORS CREDIT BANK SYSTEM

29 MEN GET NEW JOBS IN THIS COUNTY

Projects at Island City, Meacham and Wallowa Now Under Way.

SPRING PAVEMENT PATCHING BEGINS

Crew of 30 Men to Start Work Wednesday at Mission and Work East to La Grande.

Highway and other spring work is getting under way in earnest in this section, with the result that 29 additional men have been called from the national re-employment committee's register in this county the last few days. Most of these go on highway jobs, although a few go to the Bonneville project and elsewhere.

Work has been started on the Island City rock crushing project, contracted to Jones Scott Co., of Seattle, and the Northwest Roads Co. is now at work on a surfacing project on the old Oregon Trail at Meacham. Forty-two men, some of whom are from Union county, are employed now by the Hart Construction Co. on the Wallowa-Lostine section of the La Grande-Walla Walla Lake highway.

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La Grande Wins Four of Seven Tennis Matches

La Grande tennis players won four matches out of seven yesterday when they met players from Walla Walla, Wash., on the local courts. Jean Taylor, Bob Osterling and Roy Nelson won singles matches, and Taylor and Osterling defeated their opponents in the doubles.

Jack Ahearn, Walla Walla's first ranking player, was defeated by Taylor in a three game set, the winner losing the first 1-5, but rallying in the second and third for a score of 6-4 and 6-4.

Bob Osterling also lost the first game to Arch LaRoux 2-6, was an easy victor in the second game with a score of 6-3, while the third game, which Osterling won, was carried to 7-5.

Everett Reynolds lost to Bud Garfield, of Walla Walla, 6-1; 4-6; 6-1. Roy Nelson defeated Louis Ankeny in two games by a score of 7-5; 6-4. The match was hard fought and interesting to watch.

Donna Pourch was defeated by La Salle LaRoux, 7-5; 6-4.

Taylor and Osterling made a fast-moving doubles combination, and put up a brilliant fight against keen competition to win 7-5; 6-3.

Ahearn and Ankeny, of Walla Walla, won a victory, 6-4; 6-4, over Reynolds and Nelson, of La Grande, in the second doubles match.

The Walla Walla players returned to their home last night.

EARNEYS MARRIED 67 YEARS ON MARCH 17

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Earney celebrated their 67th wedding anniversary Saturday, Mar. 17 at Summerville, It was learned today. Mr. Earney is 91 years of age today and his wife will be 84 on May 6. It is believed they have been married longer than any other couple in this section of the state.

Mr. Earney was born in Hale, Hampshire, England and Mrs. Earney was born in Lanark, Scotland. They came to this country when they were 17 and 13 years of age, respectively, and were married at Farmington, Utah. After living in Farmington four years they moved to Hooper, Utah, residing there five years. It was in the spring of 1876 they started

Cool Off About Airmail, Urges Will

SANTA MONICA, Cal., March 18 — This air mail thing, wish they would get them all kinder calmed down over it. Everybody is so heated up over it they can't see the other fellow's side, or any other side but theirs. No use talking about what the government shouldn't have done; it's done now. No use saying "the government can't do this and they can't do that." Say, you would be surprised at the things the government can do.

The army may not be the one to carry the mails. I don't think so, but I am not going to go to blows with anybody over it. After all, it's the government's mail and the government's army. They can do what they want to with it. This thing is not going to be settled according to any one man's wishes, so they just as well cool off and start compromising now. Yours,

Will Rogers.
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GEN. RILEY TO BE GUEST AT BANQUET

Company E to Celebrate Tonight—Colonel Allen and Major Dutton Are Coming Also.

La Grande will be host to a distinguished military gathering here this evening, when Brigadier General Thomas Riley, commanding the Oregon national guard; Colonel H. A. Allen, United States army, of Portland;

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TIGERS ON WAY TO STATE TITLE PLAY AT SALEM

Eight Tiger basketball players, their coach, Ira C. Woodie and their student manager, Jean Pickcock, left today for Portland, first and only stop en route to Salem to enter the state basketball tournament beginning Wednesday afternoon at 1 p. m. After an overnight rest in Portland, the La Grander will continue on to Salem in time to get in a practice on the Willamette gym floor before the tournament begins.

All but one of the 16 teams had been selected today. Jefferson High is one of the Portland teams to enter.

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COMMERCIAL CLUB DINES WEDNESDAY

The Union commercial club, which is to hold its annual banquet Wednesday night at Union, today extended an invitation to La Grander to be present. The invitation was read at today's luncheon of the Lions club at the Sarcawaw Inn.

The Lions also accepted a challenge from Baker Lions to engage in a volleyball contest, the date to be set later.

Clark Fitzgerald played three violin selections.

Doug and Mary Smile Again



Their differences reported settled over the transatlantic phone, Mary Pickford and Douglas Fairbanks (pictured above) are all smiles again as rumors from London forecast a reconciliation. Doug was named as co-defendant in a recent divorce action by the husband of Lady Ashley, British actress.

COUNTY PAYS ITS STATE TAX TODAY

Union county today made payment to the state of Oregon of its first quarter of the 1933 taxes, payable this

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WEIS CATCHES 3 STEELHEADS

Maurice Weis, of this city, brought in three steelheads Saturday from the Wallowa river, displaying the fish in Wagner's Hardware Co. window.

KIRK WILLS' HOME BURNS TO GROUND

Fire Occurs Sunday About Noon — Only Few Articles Saved From Flaming Residence.

The large dwelling house on the farm of Mr. and Mrs. Kirk Wills near Albee was completely destroyed by fire yesterday about noon, together with the cellar, a detached kitchen and a large poultry house which was being used for storage purposes. Only a very few articles of the Wills' furnishings and personal effects were saved. It is reported that insurance will partly cover the loss.

The flames were discovered by an employee on the place and at that time they had gained considerable headway. The alarm was sounded immediately and the entire neighborhood gathered hurriedly but nothing could be done to stop the course of the fire. Firemen present stated it was the hottest fire they had experienced in many years.

The heavy wind which prevailed in the valley yesterday at midday made the destruction of the buildings a matter of a very short time. Had it been in the opposite direction, those

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Avery's Office Will Aid With Farmers' Loans

The office of County Agent H. G. Avery will be ready to assist farmers in making applications for emergency crop production loans this year is for \$250. All borrowers in excess of \$150 must first apply to the production credit association at either Baker or Pendleton and must then be turned down by them before the application will be approved for an emergency crop loan.

Farmers desiring an emergency loan can facilitate making out the application by assembling required information now, according to County Agent Avery. This information includes complete legal description, taken from the deed, of the farm operated by the borrower, a list of all obligations including mortgages, taxes, unpaid debt bills, etc., kind and acreage of 1933 crops produced, the kinds and number of livestock and equipment owned, and a statement of the seed, grain and feed now on hand.

Applications will be made out at the local office only on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.



Traveling's in Her Blood

With a father who's president of a steamship company and a grandfather who's a railroad president, you'd expect Mrs. Charles Markham Langham of New York to be going places. Well, here you see her sitting pretty at Miami Beach, Fla., where she's staying with her mother.

PIONEER DAY TO BE HELD TUESDAY BY CLUB WOMEN

From the earliest "ex-mobility" to the latest airplane is within the scope of the memory of many of La Grande's pioneers who will be honored tomorrow at a meeting of the Neighborhood club at 2 o'clock at the La Grande hotel. "From Wagons to Wings" is the theme of the program to be presented under the direction of Mrs. Lloyd Pierce and in keeping with the occasion, the pioneer committee of the club, headed by Mrs. Kate Hanley, has arranged a window on Adams avenue and dedicated it to the pioneers of the valley and their descendants who took a prominent part in the growth of the valley and in furthering transportation.

The window is a roster of prominent La Grander who have been active in the community since its founding and their descendants.

Among the prominent early residents pictured are E. S. McComas, publisher of The Sentinel, the first daily of La Grande, which was awaited eagerly in spite of its small size;

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E. R. A. WORK WILL BEGIN ON APRIL 2

Will Replace C. W. A. Which Ends March 31; Believe Important Projects to Go Ahead.

MAY CONTINUE PROJECTS

Word as to the E. R. A., to become effective April 2 following demobilization of C. W. A. March 31, is believed locally to mean that most of the local C. W. A. projects, including the fish hatchery at Union, will be completed under the new order. Detailed word as to the full extent of the E. R. A. is expected in La Grande soon. It is believed the same set-up of officials will be utilized in each county as at present.

PORTLAND, March 18 (AP) — A new three-point program for relief work will supplant the civil works administration in Oregon on April 1. It will be known as the ERA, the emergency relief administration.

On March 31 the CWA will be suspended. Elmer H. Goudy, newly appointed state emergency relief administrator, said after receipt of instructions from Harry L. Hopkins, national administrator.

To Continue Projects
Work divisions will be organized by the emergency relief administration.

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ARMED GANGSTER STRENGTH GREAT

WASHINGTON, Mar. 19 (AP) — Attorney General Cummings said today that America's underworld has more armed men than the United States army and navy combined.

The statement was made to the senate judiciary committee as it began consideration of bills submitted by the justice department to aid the government in a war on gangsters.

Wheat Today

The price of local wheat stood at about 52 cents bulk today, according to quotations at the Pioneer Flouring Mills, Portland cash 51½ cents. No export bid.

CHICAGO, Mar. 19 (AP) — Dominated by liquidating sales, grain values displayed weakness today. Notwithstanding that rallies in the wheat market followed late upturns of cotton prices, wheat failed to recover with vigor. Uneasiness over labor unrest was a conspicuous factor in grains.

Wheat closed unstable, ¼¢ to ½¢ under Saturday's finish, May 87¢ to 87½¢, corn unchanged to ¼¢ lower, oats ¼¢ to ½¢ down, and provisions varying from 20 cents decline to an advance of 20.

JUST BEFORE PRESSTIME

INDEPENDENCE BILL PASSED

TO VISIT TONGUE POINT

GEORGE TO BE CANDIDATE

OFFICERS ACT QUICKLY

WASHINGTON, March 19 (AP) — The McDuffie-Tydings Philippine independence bill passed the house today and was sent to the senate.

ASTORIA, Ore., March 19 (AP) — Favorable progress in the plan for promotion of a destroyer and submarine base at Tongue Point, near Astoria, was reported today with the announcement that Rear Admiral E. H. Campbell, commandant of the Bremerton, Wash., naval base, and two other high ranking officers, were to arrive late today for an inspection of the site.

EUGENE, Ore., Mar. 19 (AP) — A formal announcement by S. S. George, prominent American Legion member, that he will seek the Republican nomination as secretary of state, is expected this week. George announced here Saturday night he will file for the office.

PENDLETON, Ore., Mar. 19 (AP) — Charles Smiley, of Pendleton, and Bob Greet, of Stanfield, each 21, were arrested here Sunday 20 minutes after a service station in the west end of Pendleton had been robbed of \$23. Police said both were armed when arrested.

WASHINGTON, March 19 (AP) — The Bankhead compulsory cotton control bill was passed today by the house. It now goes to the senate.

ARMY IS ON WING AGAIN; NEW BILL BEFORE CONGRESS

WASHINGTON, Mar. 19 (AP) — Senator O'Mahoney (D., Wyo.) announced today he would offer a substitute for the administration's airmail bill which would provide for airmail transport on a basis similar to that used in carrying it by rail.

The bill will provide for a complete divorce between carrying of the mail and the subsidizing of aviation. Mail-laden army planes again zoomed today over a skeletonized system of airways, with "safety first" the order of the day.

Grounded for a week because of a 10-man death list—now raised to 11

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THREE KILLINGS SHOCK THE EAST

CLEVELAND, Mar. 19 (AP) — P. B. Newcomb, prominent Cleveland attorney, killed his wife early today with an axe and then committed suicide, police reported, by slashing his throat with a knife.

Newcomb had been under treatment for a nervous breakdown.

WEST BROOKFIELD, Mass., Mar. 19 (AP) — Ralph Moulton, 25, killed his former sweetheart, Adella Swedalsky, 22, with a knife today, seriously wounded her sister, Algona, 16, and then committed suicide by diving head first into a well on the Swedalsky farm.

NEW YORK, Mar. 19 (AP) — John McHale, object of an intensive manhunt after the slaying of his four small daughters, was still at large today as police broadcast his description to five states.

The four children — their heads crushed by a hammer — were found by their mother when she returned to their Bronx home after being away 15 minutes to buy milk.

LABOR SITUATION AT A GLANCE

By the Associated Press

High spots in capital-labor disputes today included:

1. A showdown in the motor car industry, with a general strike threatened for Wednesday, drew near. The executive committee of the vast industry's code authority met in crucial session in New York, with Gen. Hugh S. Johnson nearby. Both sides stood firm. The issue include recognition of A. F. of L. unions, with charges and denials of discrimination against union sympathizers.

2. Representatives of the railroad brotherhoods and the managers gathered in Washington to confer on a wage dispute. The latest proposal of the managers is that an existing wage

LEGISLATION STARTED IN BOTH HOUSES

Quick Action Follows Recommendations Today By Roosevelt.

PRIVATE BUSINESS TO BE BENEFITED

New System of 12 Banks Would Have Authority to Loan Direct to All Industries.

SILVER BILL PASSED

WASHINGTON, Mar. 19 (AP) — The house today passed the Dies bill for purchase of silver abroad at 25 per cent above the world price provided it is exchanged for United States agricultural exports. In the senate the administration bill to guarantee the principal as well as interest of home loan mortgage bonds was passed and sent to the house.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 19 (AP) — Legislation to create a system of banks with power to pump billions of dollars of government credit into private industry, was introduced in congress today immediately after a message from President Roosevelt recommending it.

Identical bills were introduced in both houses providing for the creation of credit banks in each federal reserve district. The government would capitalize the system at approximately \$140,000,000. The banks empowered to borrow five times this amount.

Primarily, they would be designed to lend for as long as five years to industry and commerce through banks or other financial institutions, but they would have authority to make

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Sailing Is Not So Smooth For Samuel Insull

ATHENS, Mar. 19 (AP) — Samuel Insull Sr., erstwhile giant of American public utilities, cruised a storm swept Mediterranean today in a tramp freighter.

His friends here said the very life of the 74-year-old man was endangered by the violence of the storm, since Insull was not a good sailor even in the days when he occupied whale suits in the best ocean liners afloat.

Rumor said the safety of the Chicago fugitive also was endangered by the presence aboard the old freighter of a group of gangsters who hoped to hold Insull for ransom.

The presence of gangsters was theoretical, but there was no question about the actuality of the storm. The Associated Press could not confirm rumors of gangsters aboard.

The freighter, the Malotis, was presumed to be about 300 miles off shore, probably cruising a zig zag course and awaiting instructions from the shore as to where Insull could head on his present attempt to escape United States justice.

President's Son Loses Appendix

WASHINGTON, March 19 (AP) — John Roosevelt, youngest son of the president and Mrs. Roosevelt, underwent a successful appendicitis operation today at the naval hospital.

Captain Ralph McDowell, chief surgeon, performed it.

