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WORK BEGINS OVER COUNTY NEXT MONDAY

Expect to Have Nearly 400 Men Busy Here Within Ten Days.

FOUR PROJECTS GIVEN APPROVAL

First Operations on Pierce Lane, Hunt Road, North Powder Road, L. H. S. Field.

PLANNING COMMISSION TO MEET

The city planning commission, which will give any local project approval before FERA funds are finally granted, has been called to meet at 7:30 o'clock tonight at the city hall. Under the new set-up, the planning commission becomes an important bureau, since it has the "final say" on all projects within its jurisdiction.

The long awaited signal to start work in Union county under the FERA, which supplants the old CWA, has been received in La Grande, and work will begin on at least four projects in the county next Monday morning, according to C. B. Miller, who has been appointed Union county coordinator.

Hopes are held to have nearly 400 Union county men on the FERA payroll by the last of next week. The maximum work week for any man in the county will be 24 hours, and those with less dependents will receive less than that, depending upon size of families, etc., all of which must follow strict rules made by the government.

All projects under FERA must be approved either by county or city planning commissions. Last night the county commission, which is headed by Mr. Bean, of Elgin, met and approved the Pierce Lane, Hunt road, North powder river road and the L. H. S. athletic field. Work is expected to start on all four of these projects Monday morning and all projects started this month must be completed by April 30, it was said. Charles Reynolds is secretary of the

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Liquor Store To Begin Delivery Service Friday

The new liquor delivery system inaugurated in Portland recently by the state liquor commission, will be put into operation in La Grande Friday, it was announced today by Walter Lohman, manager of the local state store.

Also, opening hours will be increased beginning with Friday, the store to open at 10 a. m. six days of the week. The closing hour from Mondays to Fridays, inclusive, will be 9 p. m., and on Saturday nights the store will close at 10.

The delivery system will be in effect throughout the opening hours of the store each day. Telephone calls for liquor deliveries will be honored when the customer gives his or her permit number over the phone. Then a messenger, who must be 21 years of age or older, will deliver the liquor, and the customer will sign two slips and pay the messenger.

This is one of the new features of the state liquor store recently approved by the commission in the hopes of stimulating sales.

MUCH ENTHUSIASM IN AMATEUR GUN EVENT

Shotgun enthusiasts throughout the valley, particularly those who never have participated in regular gun club shoots, etc., are doing a lot of practicing these days.

It all started when it was announced the Observer had offered a handsome trophy cup for the winner of the first annual amateur handicap shoot — in the novice division — to be held sometime early in May at the La Grande Gun club trap grounds at Lone Tree. The cup will be up from year to year, the winner each time having his name engraved thereon. Three wins are necessary for permanent possession.

This is the first shoot in many years strictly for novices. No crack shots will be allowed, since one of the requirements is that no one who

Will Get Inside Dope on Pictures

SANTA MONICA, Cal., April 11 — We got the moving picture theater owners out here on a big convention. They all report business much better all over. Now what better barometer can you get than them?

Their convention informed the producers that as about everything in the way of sex had been produced and that the audience didn't care to see it over again, they suggested that for a change they thought the audience would like to see just an old-fashioned movie and they also want to eliminate the sensational and suggestive advertising used for pictures. You can't make a picture as bad as the ads lead you to believe it is. Yours,

Phil Rogers
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BEER PARLOR "QUOTA" HERE IS COMPLETED

With 10 Requests For Licenses Approved, City Commission Will Clamp Down Lid.

When the city commission last night approved two applications for beer and light wine licenses in La Grande, the members also served notice that they would approve no more such applications to the state. The commissioners had previously agreed, it was learned, that they would approve up to 10 such licenses.

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27 EAST OREGON CREAMERY MEN IN LA GRANDE SCHOOL

Eastern Oregon creamery managers and butter graders attended a state school and examination held here Wednesday in the Sacajawea Inn, conducted by Creamery Inspector Leach, from J. D. Mickie's office in Salem, and Dr. Wilster, dairy instructor at Oregon State college.

Under the new butter code, effective Monday, graders must be licensed by the state, and the purpose of the

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Tree Trunk Grows Around Old Horseshoe

A curious growth of a pine tree around a horseshoe is revealed in a section of the trunk of a tree probably 35 or 40 years of age, left at the Observer office late Wednesday by G. R. Wilson, of 1202 D avenue.

Just how the growth occurred is not certain, but the horseshoe is completely inside the outer wood and the bark of the piece of trunk. It was found on the George Clark place at the end of Sixth street in the hills last fall.

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UNLUCKY DAY?



Hoodooes hold no terror for Fred Eting, fallen utilities magnate. He gave smiling assent when Friday, April 13, was chosen as the date for opening his trial on embezzlement charges. He is shown in Chicago court as his hearing was set.

CREAMERY PLANT BEGINS MAKING BUTTER FRIDAY

The old Commercial creamery plant on Jefferson avenue, is resuming operations tomorrow under the name of the Cloverleaf creamery, with Fred Albertson, for many years in the creamery business here, in charge, it was announced today. The announcement states that substantial capital is behind the new business. Operations beginning tomorrow will include making of grade A Cloverleaf butter. Other grades will be shipped to outside sources, only the A grade

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16 UNION COUNTY YOUNG MEN, SEVEN FROM WALLOWA LEAVE FOR ZIG-ZAG CAMP

Sixteen Union county young men, and seven from Wallowa county, left here at 6 o'clock this morning by truck for Zig-Zag CCC camp, near Mt. Hood, where they will spend the next six months or more in government service. The additional quotas was allowed these two counties because a number of local youths did not enlist, and the new members go as replacements.

The Union county boys selected by the county relief committee for Zig-Zag camp follow:

Ellis Webb, 1202 Y avenue; Glen Ford, 1802 Cedar; Glen Victor, 1812 Y avenue; Charles Zigler, 2005 Cove

avenue; Wilford Mason, 505 C avenue; Charles Hartman, 1704 K avenue; Robert Crampton, 2716 Fourth street; Howard Houston, 1804 X avenue; Melvin Kannard, La Grande; Walter Hinton, 1306 Z avenue; Louis Yohn, 907 Fourth street; Gerald Waite, R. F. D. No. 1, all of La Grande; Joe Gonzales and Robert Bennett, of Elgin and Clayton Cox and Clarence Noonan, of Union.

The list of Wallowa boys was not available in La Grande today.

As in the past, a large portion of the pay these boys receive will be returned to their families at home, taking them from county assistance.

Eastern Oregon Schools Enter Students In Festival

Here are the lists of entries from schools outside of La Grande who will participate in the fourth annual Eastern Oregon High School Music Festival Saturday, Apr. 14 at the E. O. N. auditorium:

Adams
Orchestra—
Violin: Dorothy Jacobson, Dora Jeanne Bunch, Pauline Bunch, Shirley Baker, Marian Baker.
Flute: Harold Cook.
Oboe: Elva Gould.
Clarinet: Randall Potter, Eida Potter, Joe Wak Wak.
Cornet: Harold Gerking, William Wallan.
Trombone: James Bunch, George Wilson.
Baritone: Maurice Webb.
Tuba: Harold Cook.
Saxophone: Ila Cook, Gene Zarba, William Des Volgnes.
Piano: Annabel Payne.
Piano solo: Phyllis Schatz.
Director: Mr. Fred Eting.
Athena
Bass solo: Robert Burroughs.
Girls' sextet: Rachel Smith, Virginia Eager, Mary Jane Miller, Arleen Foster, Genevieve Barrett, Jewel Pinkerton.
Accompanist: Joyce Pinkerton.
Director: Doris H. Lueallen.
Baker
Mixed chorus—
Soprano: May Anderson, Eloise Bieber, Margaret Bradford, Virginia

VARIETY TO BE FEATURED IN FESTIVAL

Many Different Numbers and Musical Groups to Compete Here Saturday at E. O. N.

The numbers which Paul Petri, director of music at Oregon State college, will hear on Saturday of this week at the fourth annual Music Festival for Eastern Oregon High schools, will be varied and interesting, it was reported today. Mr. Petri will act as guest critic and will make suggestions which will be mailed to all schools competing in the festival, to be held at the Eastern Oregon Normal school.

Thirteen high schools will be represented, according to latest reports. Fred Eting, in charge of music at Adams, Ore., is brining an orchestra. Miss Phyllis Schatz, who appeared last year, will again play a piano solo.

Athena is sending Robert Burroughs, bass soloist, and a girls sextet.

A mixed chorus and a band are coming from Baker. Miss Bertha McDougall directs the chorus and H. R. Grant the band.

Enterprise will be represented by a girls triple trio and Wilfred Logan, piano soloist. Miss Maxine K. Moore is director.

Miss Margaret Cullihan, Imbler, has prepared a girls sextet and a girls vocal duet.

Andrew Loney Jr., La Grande, will have the largest representation with the A Capella choir of 122 voices and the High school orchestra.

Lostine will again participate with a mixed chorus and with Louis Olsen, bass soloist. Melvin Crow will direct the chorus.

Miss Thelma Maxwell, the new director of music at McLoughlin Union High school, is bringing the girls trio.

North Powder will again present an orchestra, with Maurice Adams as director.

Ontario, which has not been represented since the first annual music tournament, is sending a girls glee club of 20 members and a girls trio. Miss Dona L. Lueallen is director of music.

Pendleton will again be represented by a mixed chorus and the band.

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At Last, Poor Fish Get a Break



And who can blame these striped bass when Mildred Allen, one of the entries in Marin county's Striped Bass Carnival, gives them a line? An unprecedented "run" of stripers in San Francisco bay waters occasioned plans for the carnival, to be held at McNees's beach, near San Rafael, Cal., Apr. 15.

CITY SPURNS BID TO BUY PROPERTY TO PROTECT LIENS

The city commission, during its executive session last night, served notice on the county that it did not desire to enter bids to purchase several pieces of property up for sale because of delinquent taxes, even though the city has several liens against the property in question.

In brief, the commissioners regarded such action from their standpoint as taking a chance of additional loss, instead of protecting interests already involved.

Several pieces of property were for

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PENDLETON POST GUEST OF LEGION

About 40 members of the Pendleton post of the American Legion were guests last night in a joint meeting with the La Grande post at the Sacajawea Inn. This was in return for a visit which the La Grande post made to Pendleton some time ago.

L. L. Pilling, commander-elect of the Pendleton post, and former resident of La Grande, introduced the visitors after which Harold Warner, state commander gave an interesting talk. Other members of the Pendleton post also spoke briefly. Two visitors were present from Union.

Following the business meeting, the members joined with the auxiliary in a social hour and dance.

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CIVIC CHOIR HERE IS ONLY ONE IN WEST

La Grande Music Lovers to Have An Unusual Treat in Concert Next Monday Night.

Something of unusual interest to this community, especially to the members who put high emphasis on the cultural angles of its life, is that the A Cappella choir, directed by Andrew Loney Jr., is the only civic organization of its kind in the western states. Although A Cappella choirs are many in the mid-west and east, La Grande is taking the lead in introducing them to the west.

The choir, of 60 voices, will give a public concert Monday evening, April 16, at the First Presbyterian church.

Also, in connection with La Grande's distinction in this ultimate in music, the La Grande High school A Cappella choir, also is the only high school choir of its kind in the west.

The new choirs, however, are taking the country by storm, largely because everyone enjoys their music—roughly

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Do Elk Read? The Evidence Seems Good

Do elk read? Maybe—only a short time after the Observer carried a story to the effect that elk would be protected throughout Oregon during 1934, a herd of nine was seen near the Old Oregon Trail highway between Medschan and Kamela by Roy McNeese, driving to La Grande from Pendleton. The elk watched his car until he was within 100 yards of them, and then leisurely trotted away—showing no fright whatever.

Wheat Today

The price of local cash wheat stood at about 50 1/2 cents bulk here today, according to quotations at the Pioneer Flouring Mills. Portland cash 70 1/2 cents, Export bid 74 1/2 cents.

CHICAGO, Apr. 12 (AP) — Liquidating sales of May holdings of grain futures broadened out late today, with corn, oats and barley leading a consequent decline of prices.

Oats fell to within 1 1/2 cents of the season's low price record, and barley was off about 3 cents.

Wheat closed weak, 1 1/2 @ 1 1/2c under yesterday's finish, May 85 1/2 @ 1 1/2c, corn 3 1/2 @ 1 1/2c down, oats 1 1/2 @ 1 1/2c off, and provisions unchanged to a decline of 2c.

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JUST BEFORE PRESSTIME

INSULT ON WAY TO U. S.
DEPOSITORS' BILL REPORTED
F. R. ENDS HIS VACATION
RESCUE MORE FROM FLOE

By The Associated Press
Samuel Insull Sr. was started on his involuntary journey back to the U. S. A. from Turkish jail today. He was removed from the Istanbul house of detention to be taken to Smyrna where he will be placed on board the S. S. Euboea sailing Friday. In Chicago today it was announced by federal officials that Insull will be arrested the moment he sets foot on U. S. soil for mail fraud and bankruptcy violations.

WASHINGTON, Apr. 12 (AP) — The house banking committee today approved legislation to pay off depositors in closed national banks, but limited the amount which may be paid in full to \$2,500.

EN ROUTE WITH PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT TO WASHINGTON, Apr. 12 (AP) — President Roosevelt told newspapermen aboard his special train en route to Washington today that he had a "perfectly marvelous time just laying around," on his two weeks vacation cruise which ended this morning at Miami. He declined comment on pending legislation.

MOSCOW, Apr. 12 (AP) — The government rescue commission announced that 22 more Russians, stranded since February 13 on a drifting ice pack in the Bering sea, were rescued by airplane today. Only six persons remain on the pack. Flights to save the six remaining men were planned today or tonight if the weather remained favorable.

E. O. N. NINE TO PLAY LA GRANDE CLUB ON FRIDAY

The E. O. N. baseball team will open its season here tomorrow afternoon, playing the La Grande town team at the Normal school field at 4:30 p. m. The game will be of seven innings. Coach Bob Quinn was unable to schedule the Mission Indians this week, but will play two contests with them later in the season. A small admission charge will be made.

The lineups:
E. O. N. C. La Grande
Dreibach C. Wilson
Cammann P. Courtney
Konkin 1. Nelson
Wagner 2. Jones
Hodges SS. Evans
Anderson 3. Sullivan
Worthley LF. Moore
Fagdale CF. Cochran
Hicks RF. Hartman

For Brookline.
**or Wheeler.
Others who may see action are: E. O. N.—Kimmell, Fix, McEwen and Pierson; La Grande—Woods, Nichols, Blokland, P. Wilson, Hall.

BODIES OF TWO GIRLS ARE FOUND

KLAMATH FALLS, Apr. 12 (AP) — The bodies of Andreau Mandelle and Doris Sparks, Hollywood cosmeticians, were found in Sand creek canyon on the east entrance to Crater Lake park this morning. The discovery was made by the park rangers. The women had been missing since November 12 when they left Spokane for Klamath Falls via The Dallas California highway.

Tracks made visible by the melting snow indicated the girls' automobile had kicked in loose dirt, had missed a guard rail, and had tumbled into the canyon.

SPRING MEETING OF PRESBYTERY BEGINS

The spring meeting of the Presbytery of Grande Ronde, composed of the Presbyterian churches of Eastern Oregon, is being held in the Presbyterian church in La Grande, opening its sessions this afternoon with the moderator's sermon at 2:30 o'clock. The present moderator is Rev. Wesley F. Shields, of Enterprise. Following the sermon there will be a conference and open forum.

Friday morning at 8:30 o'clock Presbytery will again convene at the church. The moderator will be elected, and committee reports will be read. Commissioners to the general assembly in Cleveland will be elected.

ed and such other business as is scheduled for Thursday. At 6:15 a banquet will be served to the visiting elders and the ministers of the Presbytery in the La Grande hotel, following which there will be a conference and open forum.

92 MILLIONS MORE ADDED TO TAX BILL

LaFollette Amendment Passes Upper House By 65 to 14 Vote.

HOUSE DUBIOUS ABOUT SUPER TAX

Leaders Are Uncertain Whether 10 Per Cent Extra Levy Will Survive Congressmen's Vote

WASHINGTON, Apr. 12 (AP) — The senate today voted for a big increase in inheritance taxes, designed to raise \$92,000,000 a year in additional revenue. It adopted an amendment to the revenue bill by Senator LaFollette (R., Wis.) making the range of super inheritance or estate taxes 1 to 60 per cent as against 1 to 24 in existing law and 1 to 50 in the finance committee schedule. Exemptions on gross estates were reduced from \$50,000 to \$40,000.

Taxes paid under the super estate schedule are not subject to the 80 per cent credit for similar taxes paid to states.

The newly adopted rates begin on net estates under \$20,000, compared with \$10,000 in existing law, and graduate upward to 60 per cent of those over \$10,000,000, with an exemption of \$40,000 on gross estates against \$50,000 in existing law.

LaFollette explained the composite rates, on estates under his amendment would amount only to about 44 per cent over \$10,000,000. He said the 60 per cent probably would not apply until \$100,000,000 was reached.

The vote for the LaFollette inheritance taxes was 65 to 14.

House leaders look dubiously at prospects for acceptance of the 10 per cent super tax on incomes adopted yesterday by the senate.

To make gift taxes conform to the companion estate taxes, the senate approved without a roll call another LaFollette amendment increasing these rates, which amount to three quarters of estate taxes.

An amendment by Senator Borah (R., Idaho), to repeal the corporation privilege of filing consolidated returns was adopted 40 to 37.

Finals In M.I.A. Contests To Be Held on Friday

The semi-finals in the M. I. A. contests held in the various wards of the L. D. S. church in Union county has been completed and tomorrow evening the winners will meet the winners from Baker in the finals for this district.

The program for tomorrow will begin at 4 p. m. with the re-told story contest, to be followed by the public speaking contests and at 6 o'clock there will be a dance contest. At 7 o'clock the drama will be presented, to which the general public is invited and there will be no charge. At 8 o'clock there will be a dance given by the M. I. A. in the gymnasium of the Reformatory hall.

These contests will be judged by W. O. Robinson, of Salt Lake City, who is judging similar events in Boise tonight, and on Saturday night at Portland.

Winners in the contests Tuesday evening were Ellen Anderson, of Union in the re-told story contest, Billie Hawkins, of La Grande First Ward, for the boys re-told story, Dorothea Wood, of La Grande First Ward in the Gleaner Girls public speaking contest, Carlyle Nibley, of La Grande First Ward in the "34" men public speaking contest, and the First Ward also won the drama contest.