

PAVING RECORD THIS YEAR IS BIGGEST EVER

Total Hard-Surfacing Laid
This Season About Thirty-
Five Miles, Roadmaster
Reports

OCTOBER 1 IS DATE FOR CLOSING DOWN

Program for Next Year De-
pends on Attitude of
Budget Committee

Marion county paving plants are approaching the end of the greatest seasons operation in their history, according to County Roadmaster W. J. Culver, who said yesterday that nearly 35 miles of hardsurface road will have been completed this season when the five county paving plants shut down for the season about October 1. This amount is nearly one-third more than the paving during the summer of 1922. Approximately 25 miles was completed at that time.

CHERRIANS WILL ASSIST AT FAIR

Members in Uniform to Be
On Grounds at All Times,
Is Decision

Cherrians in uniform will be on the grounds during the state fair at all times, according to action taken last night by the members. Twenty-four volunteered to take turns acting as a reception committee at the fair.

The entire organization with the band will turn out in uniform on Wednesday, Salem day. They also voted to offer their services to the state fair board to be used in any other capacity which was possible.

The Red Cross campaign for Japanese relief was endorsed by the Cherrians and they decided to help individually rather than as an organization. They voted to levy a tax on the members to pay for the Albany trip and a dance will be given during October.

Harry Worth, local merchant, was elected to membership in the booster organization.

POUND TO HEAD RELIEF EFFORT

Part of Japanese Aid Fund
of Red Cross to Come
From Present Account

Willamette chapter of the American Red Cross will appropriate \$500 from local funds for the Japanese relief and as a starter for the \$10,000 quota asked by national headquarters of Marion and Polk counties.

Members of the executive board met at the chapter headquarters on State street yesterday, and named Dr. B. F. Pound to appoint a committee and superintendent a canvas of the city to raise the remainder of Salem's share of the quota.

While final plans have not yet been made, it is probable that an executive secretary will be hired for the relief campaign. Cooke Patton is chairman of the advisory committee. Others who will act in an advisory capacity are T. B. Kay, C. P. Bishop and L. W. Gleason.

SENATOR WOULD ELECT JUDGES

Washington's Junior Senator
Plans to Introduce Such
a Bill

SPOKANE, Sept. 11.—United States Senator-elect C. C. Dill of Washington is going to introduce a bill for an amendment to the national constitution providing for the election of federal judges early in the coming session of congress, he announced here today. He stated his belief that election of federal judges will be "the coming thing," and offered to speak on its behalf before public gatherings.

RECORD MADE

LAKESHURST, N. J., Sept. 11.—The United States naval dirigible ZR-1 successfully completed a continuous 12-hour flight today when it descended at the naval air station here a 6:45 daylight time.

Hack-saws Found in Preston's Shirt When Swindler is Searched by Bower Before Being Locked in County Jail

Vigilance upon the part of the sheriff's office probably prevented a future jail break when two new, fine-toothed hack-saw blades were found in the hem of an undershirt worn by Albert Preston, alleged confidence man who swindled the United States National bank of \$2800 last week, upon his being searched by Sheriff Oscar Bower when he arrived from Portland in custody of Deputy Sam Burkhardt yesterday afternoon.

Preston claimed to have sewed them in his undershirt prior to his passing the bogus check at the bank, with the thought that he might be arrested. The story told by the prisoner is discredited by the sheriff's office, which believes the blades were obtained during Preston's confinement in the Portland jail.

Preston is also said to be an ex-convict, from Folsom prison, and out on parole. He received a 15-year sentence for a crime similar to that committed in Salem while in Los Angeles, and was released about seven months ago.

Deputy Sheriff Burkhardt returned from Portland with Preston a little after 4 o'clock yesterday. He took no chances with his prisoner, and Preston stepped from the train wearing handcuffs. Preston is of slight build, about 5 feet 8 inches tall, and wore khaki pants, flannel shirt, leather puttees and a light grey cap. A portion of the money obtained in Portland is said to have been spent in new clothing.

Preston will probably be held for investigation by the grand jury.

COUNCIL REPEALS TAXI ACT

Fees Increased to \$100 for
State Fair Week When
Former Vote Is Reconsid-
ered at Special Meeting
Monday Night

The Salem city council, at a special meeting Monday night, voted to make taxicab license fees \$100 until after the state fair, as a means to keep out competition considered unfair to Salem taxi men.

This action of the council was a reconsideration of action taken at the regular meeting a week ago Tuesday night when the council voted not to put on the \$100 fee this year.

Aldermen Change Minds
Aldermen Patton, Rosebraugh, and others who succeeded in defeating the measure the previous week, it is said, changed their minds on the question. Also the local taxicab operators wanted the big fee stepped on to keep out competition, and the reconsideration was the result.

Untaxi Operators Hit
Local taxicab operators are not affected by the increase. To increase the fees to a prohibitive figure just before the state fair has long been the custom in Salem to keep out competition. The fair is a state fair and not a Salem fair, and that taxicab men from outside should be allowed to come in if they desire. However, it is explained that in times past when the city has remained open to them all kinds of advantages have been taken.

Foreigner Came In
One year, it is recalled, a Washington operator with an exceedingly large car, came in. He charged fares of only 10 cents and took away much money that it was felt should have remained in Salem. Also booze cars worked their way into the city, obtained licenses and did a bootlegging business.

Ten of the 14 members of the council were present at the special meeting. Those absent were Vandevort, Dancy, Rosebraugh and Simeral.

Special cars will be brought in by the Salem Street Railway company for fair week to place on the fair grounds line.

Clerical Error Costs Service Men Large Sum

As a result of a clerical error by some committee clerk or stenographer in the last Oregon legislature, about 240 Oregon ex-service men who were kept in Germany as members of the army of occupation after the armistice had been signed will lose \$120 each on their state bonus payments. The error was recently discovered by Adjutant General George A. White. As enacted the measure contains the date November 11, 1918, when it should have been 1919. If a legal way cannot be found to make the correction the American Legion proposes to initiate a measure to give the affected ex-service men the money they were intended to have.

OREGON GIVES MAINE GUESTS BIG WELCOME

Governor Pierce and Mayor
Baker Extend Good
Wishes to Visitors

PORTLAND, Sept. 11.—At a banquet table here tonight 113 citizens of Portland, Maine, sat with their hosts of Portland, Oregon, and exchanged felicitities while discussing the menu which was composed wholly of Oregon food products. The dinner brought to its climax the first day's stay of the visitors here. Tomorrow they will continue their inspection of Portland industries and scenic attractions, leaving in the evening for San Francisco, the next scheduled stop of their coast to coast trip.

At tonight's banquet Governor Walter M. Pierce and Mayor G. L. Baker were chief speakers for the Portland, Oregon, hosts, while James G. Gulnac, president, and P. W. Blake, manager of the Maine State Chamber of Commerce, and Henry Merrill responded for the visitors.

A message of greeting to the touring Maine folks was received by wire here today from Governor Percival P. Baxter of that state.

NATION HAS NOW EXCEEDED QUOTA

More Than the Five Millions
Set as First Goal Has
Been Given

WASHINGTON, Sept. 11.—The five million dollars originally asked of the American people for the Japanese earthquake sufferers was exceeded by more than a hundred thousand dollars today as contributions continued to pour in from every section of the country but Red Cross officials sent forth the word that continued support of the public was necessary.

A total of \$5,108,200 had been pledged when the books were closed for the day.

Three of the country's divisions to which the work of collecting money was allotted, exceeded their quotas on the first \$5,000,000. They were the Washington, Central and New England divisions. The Washington region reported \$3,014,000 against a quota of \$2,900,000; the Central gathered \$801,000 with a quota of \$800,000, and New England showed returns of \$400,000 against \$350,000 asked.

MEMORIAL STAMPS ARRIVE IN SALEM

Not Yet on Sale at Postoffice,
But are on Letters
From Other Places

Although the new Harding memorial postage stamps have not yet been received at the Salem postoffice, they are arriving in the city on letters from other postoffices. In design the stamps are similar to the newest George Washington stamps, but they are black instead of red and contain the dates 1865 and 1923, the years of President Harding's birth and death.

Cost of Coal Reported To President Coolidge

WASHINGTON, Sept. 11.—The cost of a ton of bituminous coal to a mine operator ranges between \$1.20 and \$2.80, the coal commission reported to President Coolidge today, submitting the latest installment of its report on the industry in compliance with instructions from congress. The cost study was based on statistics from 266 mines located in four states and covered operations in 1918, which was selected because conditions throughout that year were considered approximately uniform.

Roll Call of Seven Wives Taken By Telegraph Wires

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 11.—Seven alleged wives of Harry H. Ransom were the objects of a telegraphic roll call being conducted by police and federal authorities tonight as the result of a purported confession today by Ransom, alias A. E. Wode, that he had married seven women in various parts of the country, six of them in the last four years.

Ransom was arrested here last week under the name of A. E. Woods on information furnished by Seattle authorities. In the belief that he was implicated in the death of Anna Daniels there in 1916, but investigation failed to connect him with the case.

QUAKE CALLS TAILOR FROM SHOP TASKS

When Shock Came Oriental
Left Suddenly and Unex-
pectedly Taking Tape
Measure With Him

SHANGHAI, Sept. 10.—(By the Associated Press)—Vivid stories of the destruction of Yokohama and other Japanese cities by the great earthquake, are being told by refugees who arrived here on the steamer Empress of Canada. Among those who escaped from Yokohama were Mr. and Mrs. J. Franklin Stevens and Mrs. M. Hance of Philadelphia. They were beginning a tour of the Orient.

"I was in a tailor shop in Yokohama being fitted for a suit when the earthquake hit the city," said Mr. Stevens. "The building seemed to be caught in a tremendous upheaval which cut the room in halves as though with a huge knife. One half was lifted straight up, leaving the earth bare where but an instant before the Japanese tailor had stood with his tape.

Hair Remains
"The half of the building on which I was standing was shaken but it remained in virtually its original position. When I walked outside I saw the tailor scrambling down from the roof of the building.

Mr. Stevens hurriedly sought out the women members of his party and started for the water front. He arrived just in time to see the Oriental hotel burst into flames. While he was watching this, he said, the whole water front wall fell away from the hotel, leaving the interiors of the rooms exposed and disclosing the guests gathering their belongings and attempting to make their escape.

View Seems Unreal
The view was more like a huge stage setting than reality," said Stevens.

Miss Anna Lauritsen, a Danish stenographer of Yokohama, said she was on her vacation at Miyazaki when the earthquake came. She said she lost all of her belongings, became separated from her friends and started alone to walk to Yokohama.

"In some places," she said, "there were fissures in the earth so wide I could not jump over them but had to walk around. In one spot I saw the hands and forearms of a Japanese child protruding from the ground. I stopped to investigate and saw where a huge fissure had opened and closed, catching the child like the jaws of a huge vice and crushing out its life.

SHRAPNEL SENT

MANILA, Sept. 11.—(By the Associated Press)—Anticipating new outbreaks among the Moros in the Lake Lanao region the Philippine constabulary has despatched a supply of shrapnel to Camp Keith.

DONATES FOR RELIEF

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 11.—The Pacific coast baseball league through President William McCarthy, today donated \$1,000 to the Japanese relief fund.

PICKWICK STAGES BARRED IN STATE BY BOARD'S ORDER

Pickwick stages are barred from the state by an order issued yesterday by the public service commission. The order will be effective September 20, and is a result of the investigation conducted by the commission on August 13, when representatives of the Pickwick lines appeared to show cause why such an order should not be made. The stages operate between Seattle and San Francisco.

"It is practically impossible for the Pickwick stage drivers to maintain their schedule and not violate the laws of the state and of the commission," H. H. Corey, chairman of the commission, said in connection with the order.

BUDGET IS ADOPTED BY SCHOOL BOARD; TOTAL IS \$269,500

Action Not Final—Special Committee and
County Supertax Commission Yet to Pass on
Figures—First \$100,000 of Bonds Issue to
be Advertised—Teacher Resigns.

The 1923-1924 budget of the Salem school district as approved by the school board last night totals \$269,500, or \$26,250 more than last year when the total was \$243,250. One of the main items of increase is that for teacher hire, due to the employment of nine new teachers, mainly for high school work.

Expenditures under the classification of personal services are estimated to total \$203,530; material and supplies, \$19,500; maintenance and repairs, \$7500; indebtedness, \$33,500; insurance, \$2000; miscellaneous, \$2000 and emergency, \$1470.

MAN MURDERED ABOARD TRAIN

Transient Named Joe Drum-
mond Stabbed and Body
Heaved From Cars

Information was received by the public service commission yesterday in a telegraphic message from W. Bollous, Oregon-Washington Railroad & Navigation company superintendent at La Grande, of the murder of one Joe Drummond on board a special train in the mountains between Pendleton and La Grande at about 8 o'clock yesterday morning.

The message said that extra train No. 2155 was flagged early yesterday morning near Steam, Or., by a man named Jack B. Inley. Inley said that he and one Joe Drummond were on extra westbound train No. 3628 when Drummond was stabbed by two unidentified men and his body thrown from the train. One of the men who did the cutting was described as about 5 feet, 8 inches tall and the other about 5 feet 6. The coroner at Pendleton and Special Agent Glen Bushee were notified.

FIUME CRISIS CAUSES ALARM

Considered Possible Menace
to Settlement of Italo-
Greek Trouble

ATHENS, Sept. 11.—(By Associated Press)—The crisis between Italy and Serbia over the Fiume question is causing grave anxiety here where it is looked on as possible menace to immediate adjustment of the Italo-Greek situation. It is feared in the event of hostilities Italy will find some pretext to continue the occupation of the island of Corfu, the occupation of which seems to be the uppermost factor in Greek circles.

Advices from Belgrade say the populace of the Jug-Slavian capital is in a state of high excitement and that the government will follow step by step every military move taken by Italy.

The Albanians have closed their Greek frontier, according to published reports and are arming all men of military age in the eastern part of the country.

Government Price Fixing Hit By Theodore Roosevelt

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Sept. 11.—Theodore Roosevelt, assistant secretary of the navy speaking today at the New York state fair as the guest of the State Federation of County Farm and Home bureaus, declared combination and cooperation is the hope of the American farmer and warned against "fanatics and self-seeking politicians peddling false doctrines such as government price fixing and unound loans."

Daniel Siddons Killed By Fall Down Stairs

DALLAS, Or., Sept. 10.—Daniel Siddons, well-known farmer of this vicinity, was killed instantly Saturday night when he fell down stairs at his home and broke his neck.

He is survived by his widow.

MAN MURDERED ABOARD TRAIN

Final action has not been taken. The board appointed as a budget committee, under the state law, U. G. Shipley, T. M. Hicks, F. J. Hughes, Russell Catlin and W. H. Dancy. They will sit with the board two weeks hence, doubtless approve the budget, and then it will go before the county tax supervising and conservation commission created by the 1923 legislature, which will have the final say.

The budget in detail follows:

Expenditures

Personal services—Teachers' salaries, \$163,440; principals, superintendents, clerks, nurses, physician, truant, census, librarians, \$27,295; janitors' salaries, \$12,795. Total, \$203,530.

Material and Supplies—Educational equipment, \$3999; furniture, \$1,000; educational supplies, \$3500; library, etc., \$700; janitors' supplies, \$1500; fuel and wood, \$5300; light, power, and gas, \$1750; water and phone, \$1600; postage and stationery, \$200; printing, \$600; freight and drayage, \$300. Total, \$19,500.

Construction—Nothing.

Maintenance and repairs, \$7,500.

Indebtedness—Redemption of bonds, \$10,000; interest on bonds \$5,000; interest on warrants, \$500; Liberty street pavement bonds, \$1,000; interest on new bonds (\$200,000), \$5,000; redemption on new bonds, \$10,000. Total, \$33,500.

Insurance, \$2,000.

Miscellaneous, \$2,000.

Emergency, \$1,470.

Grand total, \$269,500.

Receipts

State school fund, \$3,000; county school fund, \$46,000; elementary school fund, \$35,000; high school tuition fund, \$33,000; other sources, \$5,000; district tax, \$157,000. Grand total, \$269,500.

District tax for 1922-23, 6 per cent limitation, \$119,000; redemption of bonds, \$10,000; interest on bonds, \$5,250; total, \$134,250.

District tax proposed for 1923-24, 6 per cent limitation, \$125,000; redemption of bonds, \$10,000; interest on old bonds, \$5,000; pavement bonds, \$1,000; interest on new bonds, \$5,000; redemption of new bonds, \$10,000. Total, \$156,000.

The board voted to advertise for bids on the first \$100,000 of the authorized school bond issue, and will open bids at a meeting on October 2.

Miss Dorothy Taylor, one of the teachers in Washington junior high school, resigned last night because of ill health.

E. A. Brown, janitor in that building, resigned.

First Refugees Will Arrive In Seattle Saturday Night

SEATTLE, Sept. 11.—Radio messages received today from the steamship Jefferson which is expected here Saturday night from the Yokohama-Tokyo earthquake area with refugees, reported that the commander of the steamship Steel Navigator was killed in the disaster of September 1. Among the injured aboard the Jefferson listed in the messages, was James R. Hughes, a member of the Steel Navigator, who is being brought here for treatment.

Among those named as aboard the Jefferson were Prof. M. D. Collier, Colorado School of Mines, and Mrs. Collier, H. G. Mackay of the British Royal Air Force, who has been serving as instructor in the Japanese air force, and Sister Cabaretta and a party of men from a destroyed institution at Tokio.

THE WEATHER

OREGON: Wednesday, fair except cloudy or foggy near the coast.

LOCAL WEATHER
(Tuesday)
Maximum temperature, 77.
Minimum temperature, 53.
Rainfall, just a trace.
River, —1.5.
Atmosphere, partly cloudy.
Wind, southwest.