

Bids Opened on Lyons-Lebanon Bonneville Line

A low bid of \$146,000 was submitted at Eugene Thursday to clear the right-of-way for 23 miles of transmission line between Lyons and Lebanon for the Bonneville power administration. Low bidder was the McPhail Engineering company, Tacoma, Wash. Other bids ranged to \$175,000. The clearing contract is for the second section of the 230,000-volt transmission line which is scheduled for completion by 1950. It will connect the Bonneville-Grand Coulee grid with Eugene. Clearing the first section between Lyons and Detroit is now under way. The two sections between Detroit and Lebanon are being rushed to provide construction power for Detroit dam. The project will also provide a 115,000-volt line between Albany and Lebanon to tap power from the Bonneville substation at Albany.

Klamath Falls Imposes Tax on Phone Firm

KLAMATH FALLS, Dec. 18—(AP)—Klamath Falls has imposed a tax on the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company, in what may eventually become the first test of a state law. Mayor Ed Ostendorf notified the telephone company that the city would levy a 5 per cent gross income privilege tax for operating here without a franchise. The telephone company's old franchise expired last January, but city and company officials have not been able to agree on terms for a new one. Telephone officials declined to say what action they will take. The city based its tax decision on a state law, which authorizes cities to impose a privilege tax up to 5 per cent on private utilities using streets and alleys without a franchise. The former franchise here provided a 2 per cent gross income tax, and free telephone service to the city.


Southern Oregon Opposes Board's Gas Tax Plans

MEDFORD, Dec. 18—(AP)—County judges and commissioners of the 4th congressional district said they do not approve of the financial proposal of the legislative interim highway committee. The committee had proposed increased license fees on vehicles and an increase of state gas taxes -- the augmented revenue to go to the state highway development. The southern Oregon county officials said they thought counties should receive 19 per cent of the increased revenue -- the same percentage they receive of present taxes. Dayton—Christmas vacation for both grade and high school begins Friday, December 24, and classes will resume Monday, January 3. Grade school Christmas program will be given in the gymnasium December 23. Mrs. Veda Smith and Mrs. Edna Kpocher are in charge of the program.

Turner Farmers Plan Meeting At School House

TURNER — Meeting of farmers will be held at the Turner school auditorium Monday at 8 p.m. Under discussion will be the tax problem and the possibility of organizing a farm group. "The Turner Community Club" is the name selected for the newly organized club, Friday night at Turner. The constitution drawn up by an appointed committee was also accepted. The program committee showed three films. Vice President Eddie Hatfield appointed Richard and Melvin Holt as the program committee for January. Helen Grimm, Ruth Neimi, and Evelyn Holt were appointed as a refreshment committee. The annual election of officers according to the constitution will be held at the January meeting which will be held the third Friday in January. The Rev. Gilbert Carey of Portland has been elected pastor for the Christian church at Turner. He and his wife and family are moving into the parsonage now. The Rev. Carey preached his first sermon here two weeks ago.

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