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MANY IMPROVEMENTS MADE ON EAST MAIN

Lithia Springs Hotel, O. H. Johnson Building, Service Stations, Apartment Houses and Other Buildings Are Giving Street Appearance of Prosperity. More Work May Be Started Later.

East Main street is becoming one of the most attractive parts of the city as far as improvements and changes in buildings are concerned and 1925 will bring many different buildings and store fronts in the section between Main and Pioneer streets and Main and Third streets.

Paramount among the changes in these three blocks will be the Lithia Springs hotel, which, the contractors have assured the Lithian Hotel company, will be completed June 1, according to a sign which has been put on the front of the building.

In the same block O. H. Johnson has already completed the excavation on the lot next to Jordan's Electric shop and expects to build shortly. McGee's may also build on the lot next to Johnson's new location.

In the block farthest east, which is practically built solid, no changes or improvements have been announced.

The block between Second and Third streets, however, will present a different appearance no doubt before the end of the year. The Enders' corner lot at Main and Second, from which a residence was removed last fall, will no doubt be improved.

The Oeser station in the same block was recently improved by the laying of concrete in the parking space in front of the station and this week painters have given the station and connected buildings a new coat of paint, making everything green and white.

Across the street at the corner of Main and Third the Weimer building is being completely overhauled and changed. J. A. Shaulis, field manager of the Western Auto Supply company, which will occupy the corner store room formerly used by Dix Bros., is superintending the renovation, remodeling and repainting of the store room.

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Ashland Couple Are Mixed Up in Divorce Battle

JACKSONVILLE, Feb. 21.—Mrs. Francis Alice Murphy of Ashland Thursday filed a suit for divorce in the circuit court against George Cary Murphy, a Southern Pacific employe, alleging the following grounds:

"Cruel and inhuman treatment, impairing her mental and physical health.

"Association with other women.

"Failure to provide, compelling her to expend \$2000 of an inheritance left by her father.

"Furnished the defendant with expense money.

"In 13 years of married life failed to provide over \$200 for clothing for the defendant.

"Used disrespectful language to the plaintiff in the presence of friends.

"Furnished the plaintiff but \$45 while she was visiting in Los Angeles last summer, and plaintiff did house-keeping work and sewing to provide funds."

The plaintiff asked for \$40 a month maintenance, attorney fees, a decree of divorce and her maiden name.

BOOTH ESCAPED AFTER KILLING LINCOLN, NIECE

Assassin Committed Suicide in Enid, Oklahoma, in 1903, Relative Says

MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 21.—John Wilkes Booth crazed actor, slayer of Abraham Lincoln, escaped punishment for his crime, and lived to see most of the men who took part in the hunt for him buried.

This was admitted today by his niece, Blanche Booth of this city. Breaking a sixty year silence carried out by the members of the Booth family, regarding the fate of the slayer of the Great Emancipator, she declared that her uncle was not shot by those who pursued him following the slaying of Lincoln.

In an interview Miss Booth refuted the statement made on February 17 of this year by Edward Sampson of Moline, Ill., one of the guards supposed to have killed Lincoln. Sampson declared that with his death, the secret of the burial place of Booth's body would be forever lost.

She declared that Lincoln's slayer lived thirty eight years after the death of Lincoln, and that he committed suicide in 1903, in Enid, Oklahoma, at the age of sixty-five. The story of the final life of the assassin, written by L. Bates, greatest authority upon the subject, is true, Miss Booth said.

PORTLAND FIRE FIGHTER SAYS HE SET FIRES

PORTLAND, Feb. 21.—Chester Buchtel, 29 year old fireman, who yesterday confessed to turning firebug, simply for the thrill he got out of fighting fire, was today held by the grand jury on a blanket charge of arson, covering a score or more of incendiary blazes within the city limits of Portland. The losses for these fires may aggregate more than a million dollars.

Buchtel was escorted over the city today by fire department and police officials, to the scenes of several large church and school fires which the authorities believe he also started.

His habit of building a fire on his day off, turning in an alarm, and then joining his company, aiding in fighting the blazes, finally led to his arrest and conviction.

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American Fleet Welcome Planned at Melbourne

American prohibition, particularly as applied to the officers and men of the United States navy, has brought forth another puzzling question for the reception committees preparing for the visit here of the American fleet, following the Hawaiian maneuvers.

The question is: Shall liquor be served at official dinners?

No cost is being spared to provide a great welcome for the visitors and to show them as much of Australia as possible during their stay. The preparations for receiving the fleet are still without formal sanction, as Premier Bruce and American Consul General Anderson have not yet been officially informed of the coming visit. Both federal and state governments are co-operating, however, in the reception plans.

ASHLAND P. T. A. IS NOW ENGAGED IN GOOD WORK

Aid Is Given Under-Nourished Children in Local Schools

One of the most constructive organizations in Ashland at the present time is the Parent-Teacher Association. Early in the school year Mrs. Bertha Denton, school nurse for Ashland and Medford, found that a number of children in the grades were undernourished or under weight. She brought this fact to the attention of the Parent-Teacher circles in both the Junior High and Hawthorne schools and urged that some steps be taken to correct this condition.

It was at once decided to furnish milk and graham wafers or hot lunches for those children who needed this. Mrs. Denton either made personal calls or wrote notes to all parents explaining the situation and wherever parents wish to, they pay for the extra lunch provided at the school. In cases where it is not possible for parents to supply this added milk or lunch, the child is supplied in the same way and the P. T. circle of that school pays for it.

At Junior High, where there is a cafeteria, the children are supplied with hot cocoa or a main dish under the personal supervision of Miss Jarman.

At Hawthorne the only lunch provided is milk and graham crackers. This is taken care of by the teachers of that school. Mrs. Denton reports that the children taking advantage of this opportunity are showing a noticeable gain.

This organization is also working with the school board in an effort to secure manual training or some branch of hand craft for boys which will be equal in value to the domestic arts taught to the girls.

The fountains on the school grounds, the playshed, the free swimming lessons in the summer much of the small equipment supplied.

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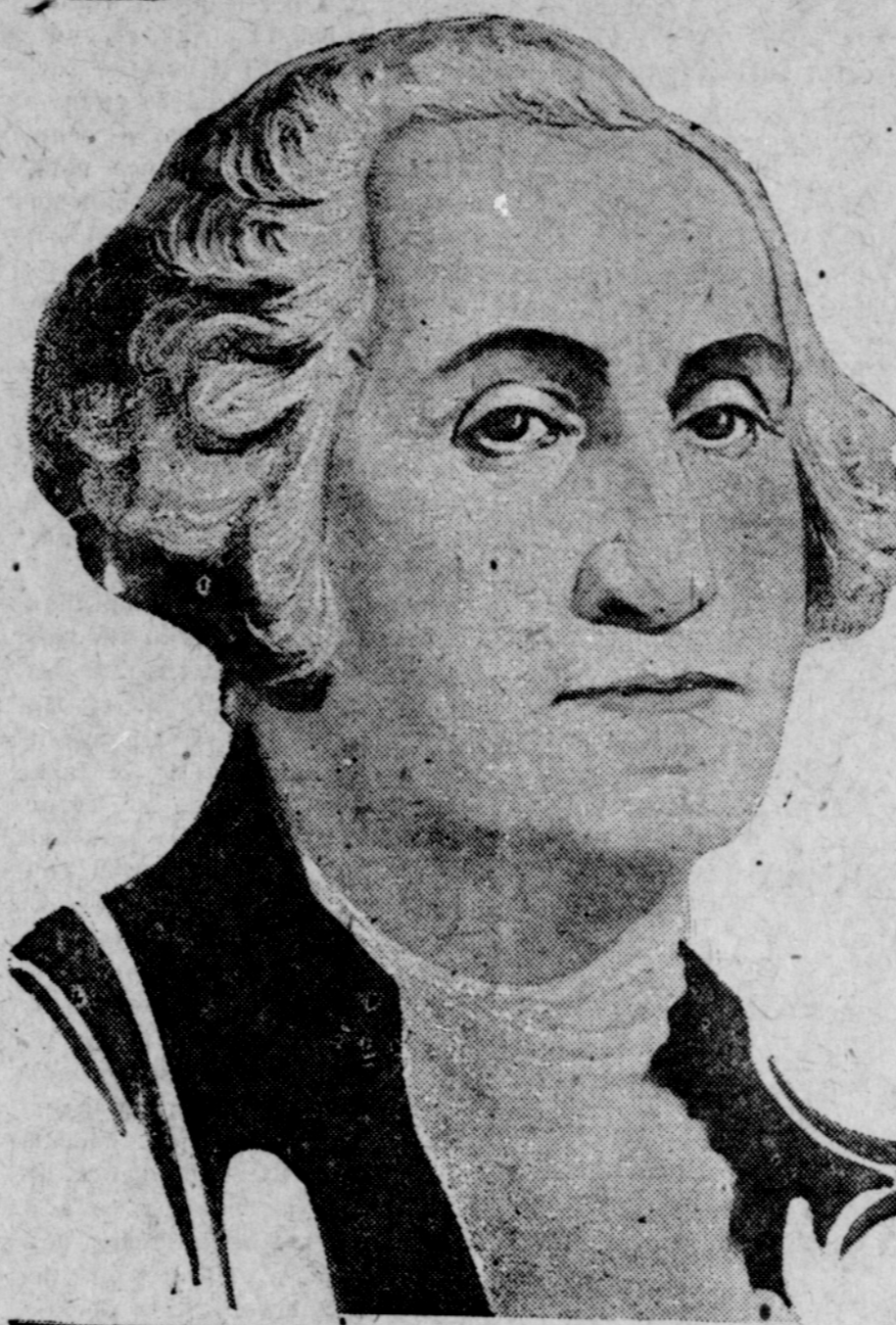
Work to Start on Rodent Control in Klamath District

KLAMATH FALLS, Feb. 21.—With the first signs of spring has come the annual problem of grasshopper and rodent control in Klamath County, County Agent C. A. Henderson said today. Ground squirrels have put in their appearance already and as soon as the ground is sufficiently dry, grasshopper egg beds can be located.

Within ten days poisoning operations against ground squirrels will be started, Mr. Henderson said. Last year, over 300,000 squirrels were killed throughout the county. The grasshopper menace last year was reduced to a minimum by ploughing the egg beds of the pestilent insect and by using a burner to combat the hordes of insects after they had hatched.

While awaiting the arrival of your new license plate you might put in the time working on your income tax report.

George Washington's Birthday



GEORGE WASHINGTON

NEW COW TESTING ASSOCIATION COMPLETES 1ST MONTH'S WORK

Good Results Obtained from Testing of Herds, According to G. O. Game, Tester. Two More Herds Are Needed in Association

The first month's work of the newly formed Cow Testing Association is completed. Two hundred and forty cows were tested in Jackson and Josephine counties. The average production for January was 625.6 pounds of milk and 21.36 pounds of butter-fat. SKM milk from nineteen separators was tested, showing loss of butter-fat ranging from .92 to .11 per cent. There is room at present for two more herds in the association, according to G. O. Game, tester.

Table with columns: Owner, Cow, Milk, R-Fat. Lists various owners and their cow production statistics.

LOCAL MAN, INJURED WHILE AT WORK, DIES

Claire Eugene Heath, aged 22 years, died at the Weed Hospital in Weed, California, February 19. His death was caused from injuries received about three months ago when he was crushed between couplers while working on cars. He had been working as conductor on a Weed Lumber Company logging train at Tennant.

Claire Heath was the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Heath of Ashland and lived in Ashland for about ten years. He is well known here. Besides his parents he is survived by three brothers, Dale, Delwin and LaVern Heath.

The funeral services will be held at the J. P. Dodge & Sons funeral chapel Monday afternoon at two o'clock under the auspices of the B. P. O. E., 944. Interment will be in the Mountain View Cemetery.

While awaiting the arrival of your new license plate you might put in the time working on your income tax report.

OCEAN LINERS HAVE CRASH IN HARBOR

NEW YORK, Feb. 21.—The French liner Rochambeau, in getting under way in the fog today, was swung around by the ebb tide and her stern struck the Cunard liner Tuscania amidships. Considerable excitement prevailed among the passengers of both liners. The side plates, above the water line, on the Tuscania were bent, and some side railing was smashed by the crash. No perceptible damage was done the Rochambeau.

LOCAL MAN NAMED IN BILL MEMBER NEW COMMISSION

SALEM, Feb. 21.—The creation of a state irrigation and drainage supervisory commission composed of three members, was proposed yesterday under the terms of a bill introduced by Senator Corbett. The bill names E. V. Carter of Ashland, William Pollman of Baker and E. McNaughton of Portland as members of the proposed commission.

SOLONS BACK IN RING FOR LEGAL FIGHT

Pay Check Period Over, But Legislators Vote to Stick on Job

FINANCES IN MUDDLE House and Senate Will Meet Again Monday in Effort to Untangle Financial Mess.

SALEM, Feb. 21.—Their contact with pay checks from the state ended at midnight last night, the members of the senate staggered groggily into the ring this morning for one more round of their session which is expected to last until late this afternoon. They will then reconvene on Monday morning, when they will celebrate the birth of George Washington, by falling into a clinch for another two or three days.

The ways and means committee, over the week end, with the aid of the legislative leaders, will endeavor to get a definite financial program in shape for passage. The committee is having a hard time finding sufficient funds with which to carry on the state activities.

The house, by more than a two thirds vote, today passed, over the veto of Governor Pierce, the bill making the secretary of state the chief of the enforcement officers of the highway traffic laws; and permits him to employ more senate resolution, submitting the vote of the people, the constitutional amendment providing that no income tax or inheritance tax law may be enacted in Oregon until 1930.

The Mills post-primary bill was overwhelmingly defeated by the senate today.

BOYS WHO STOLE CAR HERE SENT TO SALEM

Julienne Daley, 12, Fred Reavis, 14, and Elmer Howell, 11, Medford boys, arrested here Sunday night by Chief of Police McNabb for stealing an automobile owned by Ben Bowen of this city, were yesterday sentenced to the reform school by Judge Taylor.

After being arrested for the theft of the car, the boys confessed to a burglary in Medford, and later, at the county jail, admitted to members of the sheriff's office that they had been implicated in many other thefts around Medford.

Influence was brought to bear upon Judge Taylor in an effort to get the boys off without punishment, but the judge ruled that they must remain in the state training school until they are 21 years of age.

KLAN ORGANIZER IS INJURED IN CRASH

GAINESVILLE, Ga., Feb. 21.—Colonel Simons, founder, and formerly Imperial Wizard of the Ku Klux Klan and Captain Moore, former federal prohibition agent in Texas were injured today, so badly in an automobile wreck that neither is expected to recover. Colonel Simons suffered a punctured lung, both collar bones broken, several ribs fractured and facial cuts. Moore's neck was broken.

Siskiyou Liquor Cases Net County Neat Sum \$8,000

YREKA, Feb. 21.—Fourteen men and eight women received substantial fines and were placed on extended probation when they appeared before Superior Judge C. J. Luttrell here Friday afternoon and pleaded guilty to charges of violating state liquor laws at Weed, Mount Hebron and Shastina, thus bringing to a close the now celebrated so-called Ku Klux Klan indictments brought in December and January by the grand jury which threatened to plunge the county into a financial crisis for a time.

By reaching a compromise after the cases had been set on the trial calendar as far in advance as June 15, counsel for the people and the defense enriched the county coffers with \$8150. Five indictments were dismissed on the motion of District Attorney Charles E. Johnson, who lacked sufficient evidence to keep the cases in court.

Billion Dollars Yearly Spent on Printing Products

NEW YORK, Feb. 21.—More than a billion dollars yearly is expended upon the product of the printing press in the United States, according to an estimate by Richard F. Grant, president of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States.

BUTTE VALLEY IRRIGATION JOB IS COMPLETED

Big Project Finished at a Total Cost of Over \$594,000

YREKA, Feb. 21.—Completed at a cost of \$594,000 the Butte Valley Irrigation District is ready to divert the waters of Butte creek, Antelope creek and Bear creek on to approximately 22,000 acres of the most fertile and hitherto most arid land in Butte valley.

The announcement was made by F. S. Bramwell, manager for the district, who was a Yreka visitor last week. Bramwell is jubilant over the completion of the huge project, as it is the first irrigation project in California to have been finished within the estimated cost.

By economical administration, the Bear creek diversion was included in the project, although when the bond issue was put on the market, it was thought that it would be necessary to develop this diversion later. The Bear creek diversion gave a large additional flow.

In the course of development, several irrigation experts declared that it would be impossible to divert the waters of Antelope creek into Butte valley because of the topography of the land, but this obstacle was overcome and the flow has been perfected.

A large canal was constructed on the west side of the Bayse ranch to divert the water from sink holes of volcanic origin, and by this canal the water is carried direct to Meiss lake, which is the storage reservoir. There is a flow of 8000 inches and the great reservoir will have a storage capacity of 80,000 acre feet.

Two 30 inch pumps have been installed to force the water to the higher lands lying within the project, while the southern end of Butte valley will be watered by gravity. A drain has been built, 20 feet wide at the bottom, which carries the water to within an eighth of a mile of Maedool, the heart of the new project.

LOCAL PEOPLE AT O. A. C. HELP IN BIG DRIVE

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, Feb. 21.—Students from Ashland have had a part in raising more than \$300,000 of the \$500,000 required to erect a Memorial union building on the campus. An Ashland student who worked in the campus organization is Melwood Van Scoyoc, a junior in electrical engineering.

Inspired by the example of the men who gave their lives in the Spanish-American and world wars students and faculty pledged \$263,000 to the project in less than a week. Of this sum faculty members contributed \$31,000. Alumni in Portland and business men of Corvallis have contributed nearly \$40,000 in campaigns not yet completed. With less than \$200,000 to be raised and the entire alumni field practical.

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MEDFORD WINS FIRST GAME OF SERIES, 29-20

Spurt in Second Half Gives Victors Margin by Which They Win

PAGE SET IS TERRIFIC Knips and Chastain Score 25 of Total of 29 Markers Chalked Up by Visitors

BY TUT JACKSON Staging a spurt at the opening of the second half, by which they grabbed a nine point lead, the Medford high basketball five last night trounced the Ashland tusslers 29-20 in the first tussle of a four game series.

The game was the fastest tussle seen on this floor this year, and the terrific pace told on the players. As the game progressed, the Medford outfit set the pace and won by out seeding the locals in the second half.

Ashland went into the lead early in the game, Tom Bryant dropping in a pair of field goals, with Butterfield adding one, before the Medford outfit got started. The Ashland offense worked to perfection in the first quarter, while the players checked beautifully, and the affair looked like an Ashland victory. At the quarter the locals were leading 10-6.

Starting the second quarter, Knips and Chastain dumped a pair of baskets, and the score was knotted. During this period both outfits checked wonderfully, and the game was an even up affair. Ashland could score but two points, a field goal by Bryant, while Medford scored seven, taking the lead at the half, 13-12.

Medford opened the second half with a terrific offense which had the locals bewildered, Chastain and Knips flashed up and down the floor, scoring rapidly, until the visitors at one time had an eleven point lead. Then a field goal by Bryant cut the lead to nine points, where it remained for the remainder of the game. First Ashland would chalk up a pair of points, then Medford would even the thing up again.

The second half marked the slowing up of the Ashland team work. Butterfield started fighting the ball and everything else on the floor. Coach Hughes jerked him and in the final quarter pushed him back in the lineup, and he showed flashes of real basketball. Butter was closely guarded throughout the tussle and broke into the scoring column with but one field goal.

The locals were held to one field goal during the second half, scoring the remaining six points on free throws.

Al Marsko, although he failed to break into the field goal class, showed his steadiness in free throws, dropping six of the one point variety through the ring in the second half. He failed to miss a free throw throughout the tussle.

Chastain, Knips and Allen played a wonderful offensive game for the visitors, while Williams and White checked beautifully throughout the tussle. The Medford defense was a tough one to get through, and the Ashland outfit attempted passes which were altogether too long, in breaking through this defense. Short, lightning fast passes appear to be the only method for breaking through the Medford defense.

Tom Bryant was high point

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Another Cave-in Prevents Work on Rescue of Miners

SULLIVAN, Ind., Feb. 21.—A big cave-in in the main entry of the City Coal company's mine here occurred early today, still further impeding the work of getting out the bodies of the miners who were trapped by the explosion yesterday afternoon.

Wild rumors that a fire had been started in the mine where a number of men, believed to be alive, are trapped, were circulated freely, but the mine officials denied that any such horror has been added.

The total death list has been set at fifty by the mine officials. Sixteen identified dead have already been removed by the rescue crews, while thirty-five more still in the pit, are counted as lost.