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CONTRACT FOR SIDEWALKS IS LET BY CITY

Calvert, Culvert and Schrader of Grants Pass Are Lowest Bidders

WORK TO START SOON

Three-Phase Motor for Normal School; City to Aid on Park Sign

Another decisive step forward in the sidewalk improvement project near the normal school was taken by the city council last night when Culvert, Culvert and Schrader, Grants Pass contractors, were awarded the contract for the entire job. Their bid was the lowest of seven received. They offered to do the work at 16 cents for sidewalks, 22 cents for crossings and 80 cents for curb and gutter. According to the figures compiled last night by City Engineer Walker, the total amount of their bid will reach \$28,622.50. This is approximately the amount which was estimated.

Other Bidders
 A. L. Lamb was next lowest bidder for the work, his total price reaching \$30,959, according to Engineer Walker's figures. Others who submitted bids were Frank Jordan, Freeland and Tinsdale, R. I. Stuart, M. J. Olsen and C. J. Semon of Medford.

The contractors are expected to file the necessary bonds within the next few days and start active construction of the sidewalk improvement early next week.

A controversy which has been carried on for the past several weeks was definitely settled last night when the council ordered electric light wiring to the new normal school for a three-phase motor which is being installed there. City Manager Malone urged that a single phase motor be used because it would save the city a considerable sum of money in laying wires, but J. H. Fuller, normal school regent, declared the building had been wired for a three-phase motor and the cost of changing would be prohibitive at this time. Normal school authorities likewise insisted that the three-phase motor is more desirable.

For Park Sign

At the request of City Manager Malone, the council authorized an appropriation of \$172 to defray one fourth the cost of installing a large electric sign for Lithia Park and the auto camp at the plaza block. The city park board and the chamber of commerce will pay the balance of the cost. Clyde A. Malone, J. H. Fuller and W. H. Perkins were appointed by Mayor Johnson to represent the city at a Southern Oregon milk conference to be held at Medford tonight. The purpose of this conference is to map out some plan whereby the cities of Southern Oregon can procure the services of a regular milk inspector to standardize and inspect all milk sold in Southern Oregon. The project is being sponsored by federal and state health authorities.

Power Company To Extend Line

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 21.—The California-Oregon Power company has applied for a license for a transmission line extending from the Fall creek power plant in Siskiyou county California, to Klamath Falls, Oregon, the federal power commission announced today. The length of the proposed installation would be 38 miles.

Son Of Actor Is Cut Off By Will

NEW YORK, April 21.—(U. P.)—Henry Miller Jr. of Los Angeles, son of Henry Miller, the famous actor and producer, who died two weeks ago here, is cut off without anything in the will of his father.

Harvard Graduate Asked To Resign As Strike Leader

PASSAIC, N. J., April 21.—(U. P.)—Prospects for a settlement of the New Jersey textile mills strike, which is now in its 13th week, appeared to rest today on the willingness of Albert Weisbrod to withdraw as strike leader.

If the young Harvard graduate and alleged communist should withdraw, it is understood that the American federation of labor will take over the strike and negotiate for a settlement.

Today was another peaceful day in the strike area. The usual picket lines are out with police guarding the mills.

MANY FIDDLERS TO COMPETE TOMORROW

American Legion Post Expecting Big Crowd Out For Function

Between eight and a dozen old-time fiddlers are expected here tomorrow night to take part in the old-fashioned fiddlers' contest which will be staged at the armory under the auspices of the local American Legion Post. Fiddlers from all parts of the county are planning to compete for the cash and merchandise prizes which have been offered.

Following the fiddle contest, an old fashioned dance will be staged, with all of the fiddlers furnishing the music. The contest and dance are open to the general public.

Stomach Pump Is Used To Prevent Self Destruction

BEND, April 21.—Prompt use of a stomach pump, which relieved 17-year-old Opal Dunn of two ounces of poison which she had swallowed, will save the girl's life, attending physicians announced. Disappointment in love is said to have prompted the girl's attempt to end her life. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Dunn of this city.

Portland Man Is Injured in Crash

PORTLAND, Ore., April 21.—(U. P.)—John B. Yeon, capitalist and former member of the state highway commission, was painfully injured yesterday when his auto crashed into one driven by a local insurance man. Yeon's right ear was badly lacerated and he suffered other painful injuries.

Bootblack Feted As Royal Guest

CORONADO, Cal., April 21.—Society dames are whispering in glee at the consternation of one of their number who exploited the "Grand Duke Sergius Romanoff," to the chagrin of social rivals, and who is now in jail on theft charges. He proved to be a Russian refugee who eked out a frugal livelihood as a Los Angeles bootblack.

Other Girls Want To Be Cinderella

NEW YORK, April 21.—Hundreds of young women want to become Cinderellas and be adopted by rich, elderly men like Browning, really magnum, who recently wedded a 15-year-old girl. Advertisements are flooding the personal columns offering all ages and types of female pulchritude in return for love for some nice lonely gentleman.

KLAMATH MAN THREATENS TO DROWN SPOUSE

City Policeman Interferes As Woman is Pleading For Her Life

HUSBAND IS ARRESTED

Bernie Duckett Jailed After Alleged Threat Against His Wife

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., April 21.—Charged with attempting to drown his wife in Ewauna lake, Bernie Duckett, Klamath farmer, was arrested Monday night at the edge of the lake and yesterday afternoon was arraigned before Justice of the Peace R. A. Emmitt on charge of assault with intent to kill.

That he had beaten her and then dragged her to the edge of Ewauna lake, stating that he would drown her, was the statement of the wife, Mrs. Pearl Duckett, to District Attorney Elliott yesterday afternoon.

Ordered to Plead
 "He told me he would give me five minutes to say my prayers, and that I had better get down on my knees and start saying them," Mrs. Duckett said.

Attracted by the screams of the woman, City Patrolman Reed rushed to her assistance and placed Duckett under arrest. The prisoner was in the act of striking the woman when arrested by Reed on the banks of the lake.

Seeks Divorce

Mrs. Duckett had recently filed suit for divorce and it was the suit that incensed the husband, according to the district attorney's office. He came to Klamath Falls from a ranch where he is working, late Monday afternoon. Seeking out his wife he attacked her, and then dragged her to the brink of the lake, telling her that he would drown her, she told the district attorney.

HIT AND RUN AUTO DRIVER IS JOLTED

Los Angeles Business Men Sent to Prison for Four Year Term

LOS ANGELES, April 21.—Louis Lehman, prominent merchant, was today fined \$4000 and sentenced to four years in the penitentiary on the charge of knocking down an aged man and woman with his motor car several weeks ago. After injuring them, Lehman, it is alleged, speeded up and made off without offering aid.

CHAMBER WILL HOLD PUBLIC GATHERING

Directors Will Meet at the City Hall Next Tuesday Evening

The proposed public meeting of the newly organized chamber of commerce directors will be held next Tuesday evening instead of tomorrow, evening. This was the announcement at the chamber of commerce headquarters today.

The meeting will be held in the city hall and all members of the chamber will be invited to participate. Reports for the past year and an outline of the program for the ensuing year will be considered by the directors.

Hubby Discovers Wifey Fooled Him

KANSAS CITY, Mo., April 21.—Charles Saxton, a plasterer, has divorced his wife, Sadie Saxton. He discovered that she was Sadie's eighth husband instead of her fifth, as she had represented.

LARGE AND SIGHTLY SIGN TO BE ERECTED AS GUIDE TO LITHIA PARK AND CAMP

A large electric sign for the Lithia Park and auto camp will be erected on Main street opposite the Plaza fountain within the next 30 days as the result of an agreement reached by the chamber of commerce, the city park board and the city council.

The sign will be of royal blue with red inset borders and a large red arrow of exposed lamps and will be so placed that it can be seen by auto tourists coming either from the north or south.

The sign will be installed by the city, with the aid of Guy Good, who has been one of the chief boosters for the civic improvement.

Mr. Strickland announced today that he is establishing temporary headquarters in Ashland while he covers the Southern Oregon field.

Kubli To Serve Term In Prison

Chester Kubli, who comes from a pioneer Jackson county family, must serve three years in the state penitentiary for his part in wrecking the Bank of Jacksonville, according to word received by interested friends this morning. The state supreme court yesterday afternoon denied a petition for a re-hearing which had been filed on behalf of Kubli.

PORTLAND RAILROAD OFFICIAL SUCCEUMS

William McMurray, Union Pacific Agent, Dies After Long Illness

PORTLAND, Ore., April 21.—(U. P.)—William McMurray, general passenger agent for the Union Pacific, died here yesterday afternoon. He had been an Oregon railroad man for the past 20 years and was widely known throughout the Pacific northwest. The deceased was born at Belfast, Ireland, 65 years ago. Heart trouble with complications caused his death.

RANSOM IS SOUGHT FOR BROOKLYN GIRL

Daughter of Wealthy New Yorker Held for \$8000 By Kidnapers

NEW YORK, April 21.—(U. P.)—A score of detectives searched the Brownsville section of Brooklyn Monday night for 10-year-old Emma Martucci, daughter of a wealthy tile company owner, who was kidnaped at noon Monday as she was returning home to luncheon from school. The child is held for \$8000 ransom, according to a note handed her father by a messenger boy.

Universal Health Exams Are Urged

DALLAS, Texas, April 21.—(U. P.)—Universal health examination through district organizations as the most feasible plan to ward off and halt disease, is advocated by Dr. William D. Haggard, president of the American Medical Association.

Speaking at the opening session of the association's seventh annual convention here, Dr. Haggard urged that the plan be adopted in the 34 states where it is now in operation.

Peking Without Any Government

PEKING, April 21.—(U. P.)—Peking is without any government today, following the flight of former President Chi Jui to Tien Tsin, and there are indications that the situation will be further aggravated by a clash between Manchurian troops and the army of Wu Pei Fu.

ANOTHER ROW STARTS OVER DRY HEARING

Anti-Saloon League and Liquor Interests Reopen Fireworks

MORE TIME DEMANDED

Wets Want to Close Argument And Drys Say They Have Last Say

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 21.—(U. P.)—Drys and wets reopened the clash over the fairness of the senate prohibition investigating committee today as the hearing drew near a close.

Wayne B. Wheeler, general counsel for the Anti-Saloon League, demanded that the dries be allotted an additional three hours in which to present testimony. He claimed that Senator Reed had taken up too much time in the examination of witnesses.

Julien Codman, attorney for the wet interests, protested. He said that dry members had taken up more than this amount of time in their examination of wet witnesses.

Wheeler also demanded that the dries be permitted to present the final argument to the committee instead of the wets. This question was taken under advisement by the committee.

ONE RESCUED FROM DEBRIS OF TUNNEL

Workers Find Body of Another Man; Fate of Others Doubtful

QUINCY, Cal., April 21.—(U. P.)—Bucks mountain tunnel of the Feather River Powder company today yielded up its second dead victim. Six men were imprisoned in the tunnel in a cave-in last Saturday night. Thus far it has been a fifty-fifty race with death.

One man, Thomas McDermott, was hauled from the mass of dirt and timbers yesterday and has a chance to recover. This morning the rescue workers found the lifeless body of James Coyne, aged 45.

DEBT AGREEMENT IS REPORTED REACHED

Premier Briand Ready to Settle With U. S. Says Reliable Report

PARIS, April 21.—(U. P.)—It was learned from an authoritative source today that Premier Briand has informed the senate committee on foreign affairs that an agreement has been reached for a settlement of the \$400,000,000 debt which France owes the United States.

He Wanted To Get Rid of Sons Who Caused Him Grief

SAN FRANCISCO, April 21.—"To my worthless son, Wilfred, I have already given \$1000 on condition that he expends that for a ticket that would take him as far away from me as it would go." In the will of Wilford Salmon Sr., just filed, testator further says he had bequeathed \$1000 to each of his other sons, with the satisfaction that it would send them to the devil quicker than they would otherwise go. He reproached them for trying to railroad him to an asylum to secure his estate. Bulk of his estate goes to distant relatives.

Wandering Hobo Is Left Fortune

NEW YORK, April 21.—Wandering around somewhere, and probably without a meal or a bed, is Wallace Ellis-Irving for some time a ward of the Salvation Army, which is seeking him with good news. The evangelists say they have word that Irving has fallen heir to a bequest of \$11,500 by the death of a cousin.

Both Bills For Farm Relief To Go Before House

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 21.—(U. P.)—An effort to have the house agricultural committee rescind its action of yesterday in deciding to report out both the Haugen and Tinscher farm relief bills was made today at a turbulent session of the committee.

At one time the discussion became so heated, one member of the committee threatened to resign unless the quibbling was stopped. It was predicted that if both bills were reported out by the committee the open debate would become so bitter and extended it might defeat any and all farm relief legislation at this session.

BASEBALL PLAYERS ASKED TO PRACTICE

Formation of Ball Club Still Considered Likely For Ashland

Doug Reed, temporary captain of the Ashland baseball club, today urged that all players who wish to play this summer turn out for practice every evening at 5 o'clock at the high school grounds. Baseball enthusiasts now have one or two sites under consideration for a ball park just outside the city limits, and a determined effort will be made to organize an Ashland baseball club. It was decided at a meeting last night.

CHICAGO BANKER IS VICTIM OF ROBBERS

Assistant Cashier Waylaid by Bandits and Relieved of \$25,000

CHICAGO, April 21.—Three robbers pounced out of a dark hallway on Halstead street here yesterday, hurled Kasper G. Schmidt, assistant cashier of the Prudential State Savings bank to the ground and took from him a package containing \$25,000 and then threw him into a nearby basement. They also took the assistant cashier's revolver.

Schmidt, whose father is president of the bank was returning to the bank with \$25,000 he had just obtained at the First National bank downtown.

ONE PARK COTTAGE IS NOW COMPLETED

Second One Will Be Ready Next Week; Other Facilities Planned

One of the double cottages at the Lithia Spring auto park was completed last evening and is now ready for occupancy, according to announcement by Frank Jordan, chairman of the park board. The other double cottage will be furnished and ready for occupancy by the last of next week.

The park board is now considering plans for the construction of several summer cottages to help take care of the auto tourists during the summer months.

Escapes Jail By Ingenious Trick

KHLSO, April 21.—H. Taft, held on a liquor possession charge in the newly completed juvenile ward, fashioned a hook from wire, attached it to a transmission rod, opened a drawer in the desk of the juvenile officer, hooked a bunch of keys, including that of the ward, and escaped. No trace of him has been found.

FOUR ALLEGED AUTO THIEVES ARE ARRESTED

Everett Rhodes, 15, Shot in Leg in Attempt to Escape Officers

IN THRILLING CHASE

Local Officers Nab Quartet of Boys in Hard Chase on Highway

Everett Rhodes, aged 15, of Los Angeles, is in a local hospital with a bullet wound in his right leg, while three youthful companions are held in jail on charges of auto theft as the result of a thrilling chase on the Pacific highway a few miles south of Ashland early last evening.

Rhodes was struck by a bullet from the revolver of Policeman Harry Ingling when the supposed stolen car failed to halt at the command of the officers. The bullet pierced only the flesh and is not considered serious.

Three Others Held
 The other three boys held are Pearl Roberts, 15, of Long Beach, driver of the alleged stolen car; Joseph Beach, 15, of Long Beach and George Thornton, 16, of Los Angeles.

The chase started a short distance the other side of Neil Creek when Policeman Ingling and Jack Schrader, who accompanied him, set toward Ashland at a high rate of speed. Ingling turned his own car broadside across the highway, but the four boys swerved their roadster around the police car and speeded on toward the city. Ingling fired several shots at the fast disappearing car, one of them going through the rear part of the car and hitting young Rhodes in the left leg.

Talent Glass Chase
 State Traffic Officer Charley Talent was a short distance behind the police car, and when he saw the roadster speed by him he turned about and gave chase. When the boys saw he was gaining on them, they jammed on the brakes, turned the car into a ditch at the side of the road and leaped out.

Two of the boys, Roberts and Beach, fled into the underbrush of Neil creek and tried to escape. The other two, Rhodes and Thornton remained with the stalled car. "Stay right here or the policemen back of you will shoot to kill," Talent warned the two boys in the auto as he leaped to the ground and took after their two fleeing companions.

Finds Fugitives
 About 500 yards from the roadside, Talent found the pair of youthful fugitives and covered them with his gun. They submitted to arrest without further trouble.

The quartet of boys had been chased through Siskiyou county by State Traffic Captain Dutro of California. They had out-distanced Dutro, and the California officer then telephoned into Ashland for the local police to intercept them.

From Long Beach
 According to word received by Chief of Police McNabb, young Roberts and Beach are alleged to have stolen the roadster at Long Beach. They are said to have picked up the other two boys at San Francisco and offered to bring them north.

The four will be held here until officers from California arrive to take them into custody.

Elks Ladies Club Meets

Elks Ladies Card club will meet Thursday at 2 p. m. at the club room. Hostesses for the afternoon will be Mrs. J. D. McRae and Mrs. Frank Merrill.

Rain in West Portion of East Portion of Oregon

Ocasional rain in Washington tonight and Thursday. Southwest coast winds.