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## CITY STREETS WILL RECEIVE NEEDED WORK

### COUNCIL AUTHORIZES PURCHASE OF NECESSARY EQUIPMENT AT ONCE

### MAYOR ADVANCES PROPOSAL

#### Would Buy Concrete Mixer and Lay Own Streets—Favorable Reception of Plan Seen

Authorization last night by the city council of the purchase of equipment by the street and purchasing committee for work on the city streets insures the residents of Grants Pass that they will have first class thoroughfares this summer. The equipment authorized includes a Cleve caterpillar tractor, a grader and a scarifier. The purchase will be made immediately so that the work can be put under way. It is the plan of the street committee to grade the streets and put them in excellent condition just as fast as possible. The purchase of a scarifier will not be necessary as the old grader can be worked over and teeth added to make it work better than the usual scarifier.

The city council has recognized the fact that the city streets are in a rough condition and were badly in need of repair. The street department, however, was handicapped by the lack of equipment. It had been the custom to use the grader on the back of the city truck, but this not only lacked power but also ruined the truck. When the truck went out of commission there was no method of grading the streets. The purchase of the new equipment was studied and was decided upon as the best means of getting the city streets in repair. The hauling of the necessary gravel will be done with hired trucks for this year. The action of the council guarantees some good roads for the city.

A plan suggested by Mayor W. D. Fry met with much favorable comment. This is for the city to purchase a concrete mixer this spring. As there is a certain amount of paving that must be done, it is felt that the city can do it at a greatly reduced cost, instead of contracting for it. Then each year four or more blocks of paving could be added.

The matter of a whistle for the fire department was again brought up and it now looks as if a method has been devised for an air whistle which can be heard all over the city. Foreman Taylor, of the Southern Pacific roundhouse, has offered air for the department, if it can be piped to the city hall. As this is only a short distance it is believed that it will be worked out. The air will be put in a storage tank with a capacity sufficient to care for any use to which the whistle should be put. The fire department heads found that their other plan entailed too great an expense to justify it.

A number of ladies from the Grants Pass Women's club were present and asked the city to assist in the beautification of the triangular parking strip in front of the George Kesterson home on North Sixth streets. The city dads came through with \$50. The ladies, in addition, have \$100 to put on the strip. It will not be seeded this year, it is understood, but will improve the walks and do other things to make the place attractive. An effort to have the city gather up the rubbish on Clean-up Day did not meet with such success.

The council authorized the construction of an addition to the sewer in block 82, between Fourth and Fifth and K and L streets. The health and sanitation committee was also instructed to look into the matter of emptying the sewage into the Rogue. Several complaints have been made of the present system of dumping in dead water along the river and it is probable that means will be devised to get it out into swifter water.

All of the councilmen and Mayor

## PROBE IS AUTHORIZED INTO ENGRAVING GRAFT

Washington, Mar. 21.—(A. P.)—A committee investigation of the charges that millions of dollars of government bonds have been duplicated at the bureau of engraving and printing was recommended today by the rules committee.

### JOHNSON APPEARS TO BE BEHIND IN S. DAKOTA

Huron, S. D., Mar. 21.—President Coolidge seems to be leading Hiram Johnson in South Dakota's primary fight, which goes to the polls next Tuesday, but the real battling has just begun and in the Coolidge campaign itself one finds a feeling that the president is "slipping a bit."

The state is resounding with as much noise as in the old bull moose days. It is a straight away race between Calvin and Hiram—La Follette is not cutting in here as he did in North Dakota—but old factional and group lines have been shot to pieces and the mixup is as complex as the primary ballot itself, which looks as if the printer had "piled" the forms.

### BOY SCOUTS ARE BACKED

#### Cavemen Will Devote Meeting to Local Youth—Members Elected

A Boy Scout meeting of the Cavemen has been designated for the second session in April. At that time each Caveman will be expected to take charge of one member of the Troop 1 Scouts and have him at the meeting as his guest. Details will be worked out for the session. Troop 2 will be taken care of at a later date. Last night the Cavemen had the Campfire Girls' work explained by four members of one of the local organizations. The Cavemen met last night at the Neighbors of Woodcraft dinner at the W. O. W. hall, to help boost their plans for the district convention here next year.

The organization last night went on record to have the name of the Crescent City highway changed to the Redwood highway between Grants Pass and the Oregon line. The highway is already officially designated as the Redwood highway to the line, but from that point on the other name applies. A resolution to that effect is being drawn up.

The first meeting in May will be held at Wolf Creek Tavern, it was decided. At the next meeting four candidates will be handed over to the committee on initiation to see if they can qualify as Cavemen. These are Jack Kerr, W. J. Hoffer, Don Springer and Paul B. McKee. Rigorous tests are being provided especially for this quartet. Associate members elected last night were K. M. C. Niell, E. H. Harbeck and W. T. Miller.

## GREATER INTEREST WANTED

### Sportsmen to Gather on Thursday Night for Annual Election

A greater interest by the sportsmen of the county in the preservation of the fish and game life will be sought at the meeting of the Sportsmen's association next Thursday night at the W. O. W. hall at their annual crab feed and election of officers. Officers of the association are anxious to have every man interested in the subject present next week at the meeting. Officers for the coming year will be elected and other matters of importance brought up for discussion.

The tickets for the feed will be on sale this week and must be purchased before Tuesday night. Only those who have purchased the tickets will be able to attend the feed. They may be secured at Joe Wharton's, the Rogue River Hardware and the Cramer Hardware tomorrow. The price of \$1.00 will include membership in the Sportsmen's association for the year. More regular meetings will probably be held in the future and it is hoped that an active organization can be perfected.

Fry were present. This is the second meeting this month, made necessary by the increase in business which must be transacted.

## BOOZE ENTERS IN DAUGHERTY GRAFT PROBE

### WITNESS SAYS TWO DOLLARS A CASE WAS PAID FOR WITHDRAWALS

### HUGE SUMS ARE PAID OVER

#### mits Alone by Bootleggers Thousands Were Paid for Permits lone by Bootleggers

Washington, Mar. 21.—(A. P.)—John Goroni, of the Alps drug company of New York, told the Daugherty investigation committee today that Will A. Orr told him that Howard Mannington, who had a desk in the "little green house on K street," got two dollars a case on liquor withdrawals which he arranged. Goroni said that he paid \$50,000 to Orr. Goroni said he also conferred with Thomas B. Felder regarding the seizure of 7,000 cases of Scotch whiskey. Felder said he was a friend of the attorney-general, the witness said, and told him to go home and that he would get the liquor sooner or later.

Goroni said he paid Owen Murphy, a partner of Will A. Orr, \$150,000 in addition to the \$50,000 to Orr for permits for withdrawals of whiskey from federal warehouses. Fifty thousand dollars in \$1000 bills, Goroni testified, was collected from other parties, among them a liquor dealer named John Lynn, who hanged himself.

"How much of this \$200,000 was for liquor?" Goroni was asked. "No liquor at all," he replied, "that was just for permits." He said the drug companies signed permits for bootleggers at one dollar a case. Goroni said Orr told him he had influence in Washington with Mannington and Jess Smith.

### WAR DECLARED AGAINST BURLINGAME ROOSTERS

Burlingame, Cal., Mar. 21.—(I. N. S.)—This exclusive suburb of San Francisco is in the throes of a fight against Monsieur Chanticleer.

The Burlingame rooster, which L. E. Aubury and 40 other residents here assert has the greatest lung expansion of any bird on the Pacific Coast, must go.

Aubury and the others have filed a petition with Chief of Police J. J. Harper declaring the lusty early morning clonings of the roosters are a nuisance and a menace to the quiet and peace of a well-ordered community and asking the death of all Burlingame roosters.

## 300,000 DEER REPORTED TO EXIST IN CALIFORNIA

San Francisco, Mar. 21.—(A. P.)—California has a population of 300,000 to 400,000 deer, according to estimates of the California fish and game commission and the United States forest service.

The deer are increasing despite the fact that hunters each year kill 20,000 bucks. Mountain lions kill at least 30,000. Mountain lions, however, are comparatively rare in the state, estimates placing their number at about 300. Since 1907, when a bounty was put on lions and a state hunter employed, 4,108 of the big cats have been killed, an average of 257 yearly. It is estimated that a lion will kill one deer each week. Other causes, disease, accident and coyotes are believed to account for another 30,000 deaths of deer annually. Thus the estimated yearly death rate of the deer is 100,000.

### AMERICAN FIRM GETS SOFIA AQUEDUCT JOB

Sofia, Mar. 21.—(I. N. S.)—Preliminary contracts for the construction of the new Sofia aqueduct have been signed between the municipality and the Ulen Construction Company of New York. Work will begin early in April. It is expected the cost will exceed \$3,000,000.

### BOOK LADDER IS SECURED

#### Is Latest Addition to Public Library for Juvenile Patrons

The latest addition to the public library is a juvenile book ladder. Each rung contains books for a certain age, thus aiding the child in picking out suitable reading matter. The ladder itself came as a premium for the purchase of a required number of children's books. The library was not able to buy the proper number, but combined with the purchase made by the Demaray Drug Store, the premium was secured and Mr. Demaray kindly let the library have the ladder.

The new books, which will not be ready for circulation before two or three weeks, are some of the most recent and finely illustrated children's works. Already on the shelves, however, are a number of new books for boys and girls between the ages of 11 and 15. There is also a large assortment of new fiction for older people.

### BRITISH SOLDIERS ARE SHOT

#### Detachment Fired Upon by Free Staters—12 Casualties

Queenstown, Ireland, Mar. 21.—(A. P.)—A detachment of British troops landing here on leave today

## SUIT STARTED FOR RECOVERY OF BIG AMOUNT

### GOVERNMENT WOULD REGAIN \$100,000 ALLEGED TAKEN BY FRAUD

### OREGON LAND IS INVOLVED

#### Dummy Entrymen Said to Have Filed on Union and Baker County Lands in 1902

Portland, Mar. 21.—(A. P.)—A suit for \$100,000 against eight persons alleged to have been involved in a land deal in Union and Baker counties, Oregon, in which the government charges it was defrauded, by the use of dummy entrymen, was filed in federal court here today by District Attorney Coke. It is alleged that 52 entries were made in 1902, at \$2.50 an acre, and sold in 1909 at \$9 an acre.

### SENATE TO PUSH BONUS

#### Republican Members Indicate That Priority Will Be Given

Washington, Mar. 21.—Republican members of the senate finance committee have indicated that they would seek to give priority to the soldier bonus bill over the revenue measure.

Senator Watson of Indiana, a Republican member of the committee, said such a move probably would be made this week and Chairman Smoot has said he believed it would be acted upon favorably. Both pointed out that it would be necessary for the committee to know what expenses the government would have to bear before deciding on the rate schedules of the revenue bill.

While Democrats have taken no stand on the matter, no opposition has been voiced to the proposal to give the bonus measure priority.

Chairman Smoot, who introduced a proposed amendment to the bonus bill as passed by the house, providing for life insurance policies payable only at death instead of 20-year endowment policies, today asked for estimates on policies of slightly lower value than he at first suggested.

was fired on by a machine gun in a motor car, reported to have been operated by four free state soldiers. Twelve casualties in killed or wounded were reported among the British soldiers.

## NEGRO KLAN HAS FIERY "L" AT FIRST MEETING

Youngstown, Ohio, Mar. 21.—(A. P.)—The Negro Klan celebrated its organization last night with the burning of a "fiery L." The organization is known as the "Loyal Legion of Lincoln."

### EVEN AMERICANS CURTAIL THEIR APPETITES IN BERLIN

Berlin, Mar. 21.—(A. P.)—Americans here who take their meals at cafes and hotel restaurants have lost their taste for grape fruit, sliced pineapple, and even the old-fashioned baked apple.

A grape fruit, served in the restaurants, costs a dollar or more for one scarcely larger than an orange. A slice of canned pineapple costs 75 cents, and a baked apple about the size of a walnut, without cream or sugar, costs 50 cents.

### FOSSIL BEDS ARE UNCOVERED

#### Cut For New Railroad Yields Organs of Matter of Ancient Design

Eugene, Ore., March 21.—Large pieces of organic matter resembling charcoal, believed to be remnants of the forest destroyed ages ago when this part of the continent was torn by seismic disturbances and covered by volcanic material, have been discovered in the Big Marsh country south of Crescent, in the deep cuts being made for the Eugene-Klamath Falls line of the Southern Pacific railway company on the east slope of the Cascade Mountains.

Forest officials who have returned from the scene of operations along the new line state that charcoal has been found under layers of pumice and volcanic material over 20 feet in thickness.

The south-central section of this state has long been known as a rich fossil region, geologists and paleontologists having unearthed mineralized skeletons of prehistoric life in the vicinity of Fossil and Christmas lakes.

It is thought probable that other fossil beds may be found in the less exploited region east of the mapped fossil beds.

Whether the charcoal found along the new railroad line can be used for heating purposes has not been ascertained.

### GLEE CLUB HERE MONDAY

#### University of Oregon Will Present Evening of Song

University of Oregon, Eugene, March 21 (Special).—On Monday evening, March 24, at 8 o'clock, the University of Oregon men's glee club of 20 voices will give a concert of popular and classical numbers in the Rivoli theatre at Grants Pass. John Stark Evans, professor in the university school of music, will direct the concert.

Fireside songs and solos by Roy Bryson, tenor; Ronald Reid, pianist; and Aubrey Furry, bass singer; will be features of the program. In Dale Cooley and Siemon Muller, a Russian student at the university, the glee club has two clever comedians, and their portrayal of the Bolshevik Duo never fails to draw a laugh. Lyle Palmer is a soft shoe dancer of merit, and his dexterous performances are both funny and interesting.

Those in charge of the glee club program have promised there will not be a single dull moment during the entire evening. Snappy encores have been provided and the entire program is something different from anything attempted by the glee club before.

Members of the club, carefully trained by the faculty of the school of music, have developed a high degree of technique in the interpretation of their parts. In November the club gave concerts at the University of Washington and at Whitman college, and won whole-hearted applause for their audiences.

Eugene people who heard the annual home concert, given by the men's glee club in January, declare it was the best ever heard in the city.

Tickets to the concert may be obtained at the Rivoli theatre and the high school.

## COMMITTEE IS THROUGH WORK SAYS COUNSEL

### LAWYER FOR SINCLAIR HOLDS OIL PROBE BODY HAS NOW COMPLETED JOB

### QUESTIONS RIGHT TO GO ON

#### Contends That It Has Done That Which Congress Wanted—Senators Not Decided on Action

Washington, Mar. 21.—(A. P.)—The oil committee's right to proceed with the inquiry was challenged today by Martin W. Littleton, counsel for Harry F. Sinclair, when Sinclair returned to the witness stand for questioning. Littleton argued that the Walsh resolution, adopted by congress directing the annulment of oil leases, declared the leases were made under circumstances indicating fraud and corruption, and that if this be true the committee has ascertained what it was directed to ascertain. Littleton asserted that congress, by the resolution, not only had ended the committee's jurisdiction, but defined the government's policy that the oil shall be preserved for the government.

After an argument among the senators as to whether Sinclair should be called, the committee adjourned without reaching a decision.

Long Beach, Cal., Mar. 21.—(A. P.)—Al Jennings, former train robber, now an evangelist and politician, will tell the senate oil probes of the million dollar cash payment that "bought" the nomination of Harding, according to his statement to the Long Beach Telegram before he left for Washington.

### BRITISH FLEET TO BURN OIL SAYS FORMER NAVAL CHIEF

London, Mar. 21.—(A. P.)—Prediction that the future British fleet would be oil burning was made by Lieut.-Col. L. C. M. S. Amery, former first lord of the admiralty, in an address at the Royal Colonial institute recently. Replying to the government on the Singapore base question, he admitted the increasing menace in air development, but insisted that the main defense of these islands as well as of the empire as a whole depended upon the maintenance of sea communications and that nothing but an efficient navy could maintain those communications.

Lieutenant Colonel Amery declared that fleets of the future will each be a great complex with many forms of vessels, but the capital ship always will remain the kernel of the complex.

### POLYGAMY CHARGE IS UPHELD

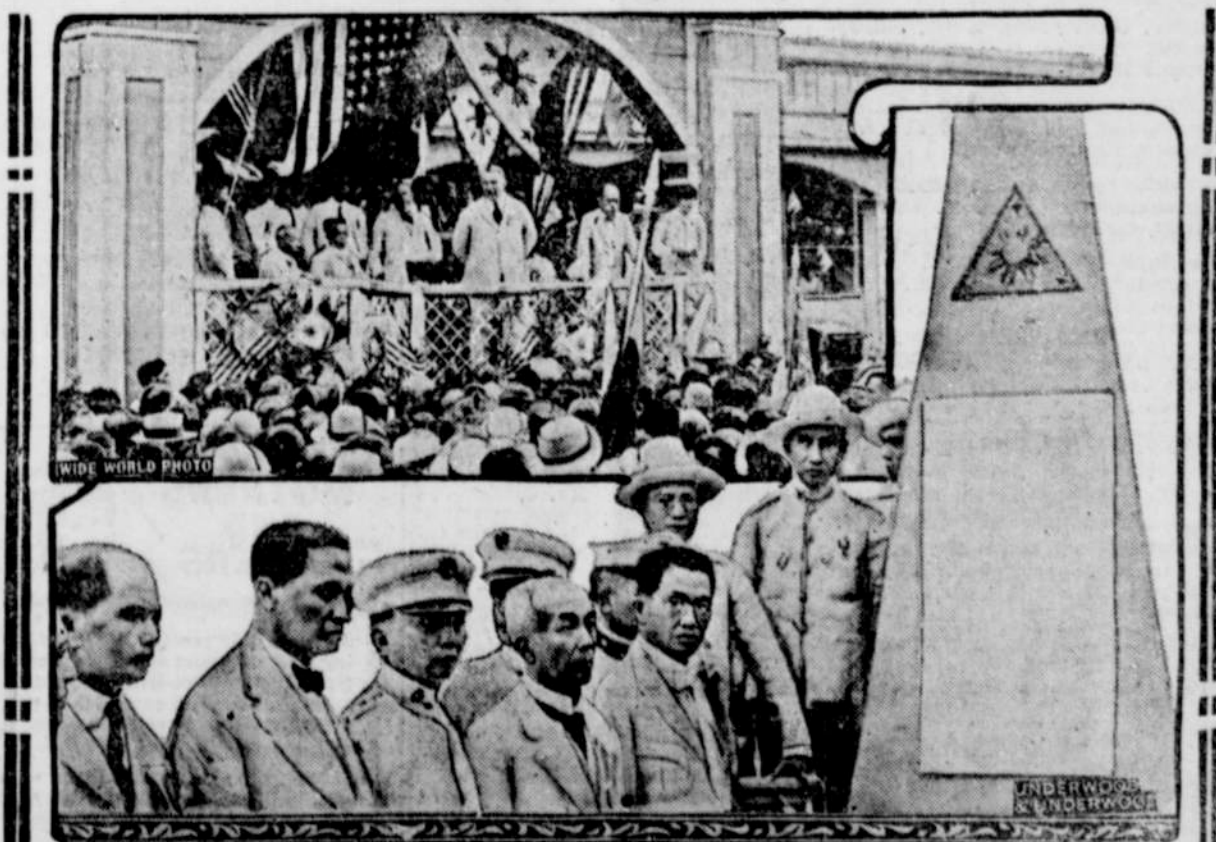
#### Eagle Point Youth Found Guilty of Too Many Wives

Medford, March 21.—Mark Calvin Winkle, of Eagle Point, aged 23 years, charged with polygamy, was found guilty by a jury in the circuit court at Jacksonville, Wednesday afternoon, after 30 minutes deliberation. Sentence will be passed next Monday. It is one of the few cases in Oregon jurisprudence where a prosecution has been based on the polygamy statute.

Winkle was charged with having married Audrey Sabin Winkle at Bend, Oregon, in 1920, and a year later to have married Hazel Stillman Winkle of this city. The two women were the chief witnesses, and documentary evidence was introduced by the state. Hazel Stillman Winkle was in court with her children, aged one and three years, and Audrey Sabin Winkle sat with her, during the closing arguments.

Winkle was the only witness in his own behalf, and asserted that he was in the neighborhood of Grants Pass on the day the state contended the first marriage was consummated. This alibi was uncorroborated, however.

## Filipinos Unveil Independence Monument



On the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Filipino declaration of independence from Spain, January 23, a shaft was unveiled in front of the Barasoain church in a suburb of Malolos—the "Independence Hall" of the islands. In the illustration Emilio Aguinaldo and other prominent natives are seen beside the monument; and Governor General Wood is shown addressing the veterans of the war of independence.