

Mountain Road Work Held Up For a Year

No Work This Year On the Weston-Elgin Highway Is Report.

That nothing will be done this year in the direction of building any section of the Weston-Elgin road is the discouraging news which has reached the Blue Mountain Highway association in a letter to its secretary, Clarence Avery of Weston. The letter, says the Leader, comes from the district forester's office at Portland under date of February 18, and reads as follows:

"At the time your committee, Messrs. Miller, Ritner, Langdon and Barnes, had the conference with Mr. Dater last September, they were assured that the Forest Service would be glad to see the road constructed between McDougal Camp and Tollgate, at an early date.

"At the time of the program conference with the Oregon Highway Commission on December 1, it was proposed to include the 6½-mile section between McDougal Camp and the Tollgate. During the conference a gentleman from Imbler appeared, who claimed to represent the Chamber of Commerce of Imbler and possibly the Chamber of Commerce of La Grande. He argued the merits of a route known as the Thomas-Ruckles road as against the present proposed Weston-Elgin project.

"This action on the part of the Imbler representative resulted in the McDougal-Tollgate section not being included in the road program for this year, even though the County Commissioners of Umatilla County appeared before the Commission and requested that the project be programmed.

"As a result of the statements made by the Imbler representative to the State Highway Commission, as to the desirability of the Ruckles route, it was decided to have an investigation made of both routes the coming field season, and reports filed by the Bureau of Public Roads and the Forest Service.

"In this connection the Forest Service to complete the road between Godman Springs and Tollgate this year, and we are, therefore, particularly desirous of obtaining a better road from Tollgate to McDougal.

"This information was given to Representative Summers by our letter of December 30 to the Forester, and, no doubt, forms the basis of his telegram to your Association.

"As before stated, this office is particularly desirous of the early construction of this section of road, and we trust it will be provided for in the next year's program."

Blue Mountain League
Original entries from the towns of Baker, La Grande, Pendleton and Walla Walla will comprise the teams in the Blue Mountain base ball league, which will swing into action April 17. With no restrictions against salaries or the playing of professionals fast ball is expected in the towns of the circuit.

Man Who Married at Walla Walla Now Held In a Chicago Murder

Delbert C. Prevoe, 27, husband of a 15-year-old girl and illegal husband of another woman, Tuesday was held by Chicago police as a suspect in the murder of pretty Mrs. Mabel Wood 18, whose body was found in a bathtub of her hotel room at Chicago. Mrs. Wood had been strangled to death, Dr. M. L. Trainor, coroner's physician, declared after performing an autopsy.

Prevoe, according to police, was married July 27 at Crown Point to Anna Zidas, 15. After the ceremony he was arrested by Alice Williams who was married to him in Walla Walla, Washington, in 1922. He was released when it developed Mrs. Williams had failed to secure a divorce from a former husband at the time of the marriage.

Prevoe admitted, police said, he had been drinking with Homer Cameron in a room adjoining the Woods apartment, but denied having anything to do with the killing.

Harold Lloyd Coming to The Standard Theatre

Tomorrow night First National presents Ben Lyon and May McAvoy in "The Savage," a photoplay that has been pleasing the audiences of the big theatres on the movie circuit. Sunday night, Buster Keaton of "Navigator" and "The General" fame, will be seen as "Battling Butler," one of the best comedies Keaton has made.

The big mid-week picture coming next Wednesday will be "For Heaven's Sake," starring Harold Lloyd, supported by Jobyna Ralston. Regular admission prices will prevail at the showing of this fine Lloyd comedy.

Thursday following, the big super-production, "Tell It To the Marines," will be shown. Big pictures will be shown mid-week on an average of two a month at the Standard hereafter, so that business men and their families may see them, regular pictures taking the usual Saturday and Sunday schedules so far as possible and with few exceptions.

Two-Day Pheasant Hunting
The legislature passed a measure affecting pheasant hunting in District No. 2 east of the Cascade mountains. It provides for two days shooting each week during the month of October, and the legislature left the selection of these open days up to the state game commission. In all probability Wednesdays and Sundays will be selected. The game limit will be three pheasant roosters and one hen each shooting day of the open season, or thirty-two birds for the four weeks.

Porter Graham
Funeral services were held at Weston, Friday for Porter Graham, 92, one of the oldest pioneer citizens of that community. He crossed the plains by ox team in 1864, settling near Salem, Oregon, and in 1872 came to Weston. Of his 10 children, three survive, with 16 grandchildren and 14 great grandchildren. Mr. Graham was a charter member of Weston Masonic lodge.

31 Years Ago

February 27, 1896

Edgar Nye, (Bill Nye) the celebrated humorist is dead. The announcement of his death will cause sadness wherever the English language is spoken throughout the world. His mission was to make men happier and he succeeded well. This world has been too long regarded as a place of penance and "a vale of tears" through which mankind should pass with lengthened faces and solemn tread. Mr. Nye has lived things up considerably during his short career, and humanity is his debtor. One heart-felt laugh is of more value than all the tears that were ever shed. In the untimely death of this gifted and tender-hearted man one ray of sunlight has been taken from the world and darkness comes again, to that extent.

Our friend, Joseph Rainville, is surely having more than his share of ill luck. Not long ago, he lost his fine home and all it contained, together with his barn, outbuildings, etc., by fire. One day last week his smoke-house, which contained 2,200 pounds of bacon, hams and shoulders, in process of preserving, were consumed by the fiery element. Some of the meat that was in the smoke-house belonged to neighbors. The fire originated from smoldering embers on the ground floor of the building.

County School Superintendent Woodruff visited the Athena public school Wednesday afternoon.

County Clerk Ben Burroughs was up from Pendleton Sunday, a guest at the home of G. W. Hansell.

E. L. Barnett and family arrived in Athena this week, from Colton, Washington. Mr. Barnett has assumed his duties as cashier of the First National Bank.

Saturday last a serious accident happened to the little son of Mr. E. Pickel, the new photographer, who has recently arrived in Athena. It seems the little fellow was playing about the studio, when a heavy counter fell on the child's leg, resulting in a very painful fracture.

A number of the young friends of Mrs. C. C. Sharp, surprised her at her home last evening. Games and refreshments. Those present were: Misses Ruby and Iva Callendar, Lida Beale, Bell Johnson, Hattie and Tillie V. Luna, Mae and Lillie Fischer, and Messrs. John Foss, Charlie and Fred Fischer, Charlie Stansel, Dick Maloney, Charles Henry and Alf Johnson.

Pursuant to a call recently issued by Chairman Livermore, the Umatilla county republican central committee met in the court house at Pendleton, Saturday, and took preparatory steps looking toward the holding of primaries and conventions to nominate a ticket for the coming June election.

Agency at Pendleton, Oregon, February 22—Since we, the Umatilla Indians, became citizens we are losing our people very fast. We now have lost eight persons from drinking whiskey. Before we were citizens we never lost any of our people in this way. Whiskey is what keeps our people poor; they drink up all the money they get hold of and buy

nothing for their families. The whites are glad for they are wishing all Indians dead so they can get our land. I, Young Chief, keep telling my brothers and friends not to drink or it will kill them all and then the whites will get our lands; for I know that if my people keep on drinking they will soon die away, and this is all I got to say to my white friends.

YOUNG CHIEF.

That Athena Hose company, No. 1, are alive and proficient in their work, is duly attested by the extraordinary quick maneuvering of last Saturday evening. Foreman C. C. Sharp rang in a surprise on the boys. In four minutes from the first tap of the bell water was issuing in a seething stream from a nozzle on Main street. The company was unprepared for the call, but with promptness was the above quick time made.

Odd Fellow Contest

At the annual district convention of Odd Fellows, held at Echo, Saturday the degree team from the Stanfield lodge won the contest in competition with other teams of the Umatilla and Morrow county lodges. Weston was selected as the place of the next annual convention.

NOTICE OF FINAL ACCOUNT
In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County. In the Matter of the estate of Jacob Franklin Reno, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed his final account and report in the above entitled matter and that the above entitled Court has fixed Saturday, the 5th day of March, 1927, at the hour of 10:00 o'clock A. M. of said day, as the time, and the County Court room in the County Court house at Pendleton, Umatilla County, Oregon, as the place, for the hearing of said final account and report. Objections to said final account and report should be filed on or before that date.

Dated at Athena, Oregon, this 4th day of February, 1927.
S. F. SHARP,
Administrator with the Will Annexed of the Estate of Jacob Franklin Reno, Deceased.
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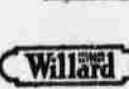
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