

PETITIONS TO ASK ROAD FROM BYBEE BRIDGE TO HIWAY

Residents of the area between Central Point and the cross roads near the Lybee bridge are circulating petitions asking the county court to authorize the construction of a new highway between the Lybee bridge and the Pacific highway at a point near the C. T. Sweeney gate.

The petitions in effect request that the present Biddle road be straightened and the new road tap a large section of Bear creek bottom land. The petitioners set forth that at present they have to journey via Central Point and that the new road would cut between two and one-half and three miles from their travels and shorten the distance to this city that much.

The petitions will be presented to the county court to show that between 5000 and 6000 tons per annum would pass over the road and that there would be about the same number of loads of hay, dairy products and fruit. They further claim that this tonnage would be increased with the construction of the new road as asked.

If the county court approved the plan it would mean the erection of a new bridge across Bear creek, and the usual delay in the securing of a right of way, some of it by condemnation proceedings more than likely. The bridge over Bear creek at Central Point is close to the condemnation point.

As soon as the petitions have been presented to the county court the county engineer will be instructed to report on the practicability and feasibility of the proposed road and the number of people it would serve and the probable cost of construction.

CHRISTMAS SHOPPERS THRONING STORES

The holiday spirit in Medford was apparent last night as crowds of shoppers in quest of Christmas gifts thronged the stores until closing time.

There is no indication that there will be any let up in buying until the last available hour on Monday. All stores will remain open again tonight and Saturday.

Flash Coming to Rialto Saturday

"Flash," famous police dog actor, has a many declined views on his profession as has any human actor before the camera—but one has to know how to get at them to obtain a really good interview. Which was where Lawrence Gray had the advantage, when he played with him in "Shadows of the Night," which comes to the Rialto tomorrow.

Louise Lorraine is the heroine and Warner Richmond is the villain, a handbill chief. Others in the cast are Polly Moran, Tom Dugan, Eddie Sturges, G. Raymond Nye and others.



TURKEYS FOR CHRISTMAS And Everything That Is Good in the Meat Line Ducks, Geese, Chickens Morrell's Hams, Swift's Hams Sinclair's Hams, Beef, Pork Lamb, Veal, Fancy Roasts Order Your Wants Early We Deliver Medford Center Market In Rear of 20th Century Store North Central Phone 255

MARRIAGE OF CONSTANCE DESCRIBED AS "UNLIKELY"



Constance Talmadge.

CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—(AP)—A report published here that Townsend Netcher, part owner of the Boston store, and Constance Talmadge of the films planned to be married was described as "unlikely" in dispatches from Nice, France where the Talmadges, Norman, Constance and their mother, are wintering.

Obituary

WALKER—Word was received today of the death of Wm. G. Walker, father of A. C. Walker, county treasurer, at 5 o'clock this morning at Salem.

Deceased was born in Wisconsin April 13, 1851 having crossed the plains with his parents in an ox drawn wagon in 1852, taking six months to make the trip. The family settled on an 80-acre tract that is now the business section of Portland, afterwards moving to a ranch near Gervais, now Wasco, Oregon.

Mr. Walker was widely known around Woodburn having been rural mail carrier there for fifteen years. He lived in the Willamette valley since coming to Oregon. He is also known to a great many in Medford, having visited here a number of times.

Surviving the deceased are his sons: A. C. of Medford, M. B. of Salem, Judge Arlie G. of McMinnville, E. B. of Salem, and daughter Mrs. Eva Livesey of Portland; also twelve grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

He was a member of the Masonic lodge of Woodburn, Oregon. The burial will take place Sunday and the remains laid to rest at Belle Passel cemetery, Woodburn, Oregon, beside his wife, who preceded him May 25th, 1925.

A. C. Walker was at his father's bedside when he passed away.

SHARP—W. H. Smith Sharp, father of Mrs. Minnie Heine of 816 West Tenth street, passed away at a local hospital early this morning at the age of 86 years, two days. Mr. Sharp was born in New Brunswick, Canada. His ancestors, of loyalist descent, came from England and landed in a small town where St. Johns, New Brunswick, is now located, but before the city was started. He resided there until about 35 years ago when he came to the states.

SPENCER—The remains of Mr. Spencer, who passed away in this city Wednesday evening, will be taken to Ashland this evening by the Congregational parson, where services will be held at the Stoddard chapel at a date to be announced later.

WOMAN TESTIFIES IN OWN BEHALF

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 21.—(AP)—Relating a story of her life, Dolores de Silva testified in her own defense today in her trial for shooting to death Gilbert Plato on the liner Madly here on November 5. She began by telling of wanderings in Siberia and China, and of her first marriage to Quartermaster Clark of the cruiser Albany, in China, where she was appearing as an actress. With Clark she came to Portland and later visited at the home of Clark's parents near Pendleton.

She spoke nervously, and in an accent which at times was difficult to understand.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

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MARRIED MAN with eye, limited means, but if executive ability, ability and energy means anything, requests an interview. Knowledge of tree surgery; expert poultryman or capable of taking full charge of a business in city or country proposition. Has the ability, desires the opportunity. Immediate reply requested. Box 89, Tribune 272

POPCO CHRISTMAS CHILDREN'S PARTY IN HILARITY HALL

The seventh annual Christmas party of the Copco Forum will take place tomorrow afternoon at Hilarity hall. Preparations are being made to take care of nearly 700 kiddies and committees have been working diligently to assure that every youngster has a good time. The program will start promptly at 2 p. m. and Santa Claus is scheduled to appear at the close of the "big show." Gifts and favors will be distributed by Santa and his staff of helpers to all the children. This is the seventh Christmas party to be given by the Copco employes and in accordance with the usual policy of the forum it will be financed entirely by the Copco employes without any outside assistance.

Cow With Ostrich Appetite Found at Michigan College

EAST LANSING, Mich., Dec. 21.—(AP)—The goat and the ostrich, famed for their gastronomical idiosyncrasies, have a rival in the placid bovine which in the wildest flights of imagination, never has been suspected of eating cocks and barbed wire. When experimental cow No. 240, a five-year-old Holstein that had raised twin calves, was slaughtered at Michigan state college, her stomach or "second stomach" was found to contain nails, rocks three kinds of screws, barbed wire, fishing wire, two washers, a ball bearing, a BB shot, and various other metals.

Today, at 5:49 and some fraction

KLAMATH MEN URGE QUASHING COPCO HOLD ON LAKE AND RIVER

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 21.—(AP) The state reclamation commission will today be requested by a delegation from the Klamath Irrigation district to give its support to an effort to get legislation through congress making possible a suit to quash the hold of the California Steam Power company on Upper Klamath lake and the power canals along Link river.

It is desired that legislation be enacted authorizing the federal government to be made a defendant in a suit against the power company. The district seeks to oust a 25-year leasehold of the power company on the Upper lake damsite, obtained by contract with the federal reclamation commission, and also to break the title of the power company on the canals which were sold to the company by the government.

A resolution favoring the legislation was adopted by the Oregon reclamation congress at its meeting here recently.

COLD SNAP TO STAY AT LEAST SATURDAY

Despite the sunshine of today, which is the shortest day of the year, and also the first day of the official winter season, the present cold spell will continue for at least another day, following a minimum this morning of 29 degrees above, which was one degree warmer than the minimum of yesterday, the coldest day of this year so far.

The official forecast for tonight and Saturday again gives the outlook of cloudy weather with probable rain or snow and no change in temperature, with the lowest tonight being about 22 above.

DISCOVERY PLOT TO LIBERATE ROBBER

COQUILLE, Ore., Dec. 21.—(AP) Discovery of a plot to aid the escape of Bud McGowan from jail, where he is being held in connection with the attempted holdup of the First National bank last Tuesday, was revealed by officers today. Two hatchets and blades were found in McGowan's cell today.

Officers were trying to connect this with the appearance here of persons interested in Idaho Martin, the bank robber who was shot to death while he and McGowan were fleeing from the bank.

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