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S. P. Will First Build South End Of Road

Company Tells I. C. C. Cornell to Alturas Sector of Modoc Northern to be Completed First

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 25. (AP)—The interstate commerce commission was informed by officials of the Southern Pacific railroad company Saturday that that concern has begun construction of the Cornell-Alturas sector of the Modoc Northern railroad, a portion of the project 61 miles long.

The Southern Pacific will not, however, undertake construction of the Klamath Falls-Cornell sector of the Modoc Northern, a 49 mile segment, at this time.

To Meet Costs
Construction costs will be met by the Southern Pacific from funds on hand and raised through sale of securities.

The only stations contemplated on the new line, or rather the first section of the new line, are Canby, Alturas and Cornell. Alturas is the point of junction where the line will join the Nevada, California and Oregon, an extension to Lakeview, which will be standard gauged this summer and fall.

Opens Timber Belt
About 2400 square miles, largely timber, will be provided with transportation in northern California as the result of the new rail line.

The Southern Pacific said that it intended to eventually build the line from Klamath Falls to Cornell, California.

To date the commission has received no application relating to a common user agreement between the Southern Pacific and the Great Northern railroads for terminals in Klamath Falls.

Celebration Plans Are Now Complete

Plans for the big three-day celebration in Klamath Falls are now completed, and indications are that the city will be host to one of the largest crowds that ever attended a similar function here. People throughout southern Oregon and northern California have been invited to take part in the jubilation.

A three-day program including all the events of an old-fashioned 4th of July celebration will be staged, with the big patriotic parade and open air program on the morning of July 4th.

Fireworks will be staged both Sunday and Monday nights during the celebration. Games of all kinds, dances at Altamont, three fast baseball games between the Klamath Pelicans and Mt. Shasta, a tug-of-war, a carnival company and many other attractions are included in the celebration plans.

Body of Missing Aviator is Found

SANTA ANA, Cal., June 25. (AP)—The body of Lieutenant Commander William S. Hactor, naval officer attached to forces stationed at San Diego, and missing since the crash of a seaplane early last Wednesday morning several miles out at sea, was washed ashore today at Seal Beach, near here.

The body was washed ashore at 4:30 this afternoon and was immediately brought here by Corporal C. D. Brown, of Orange county. An inquest, the coroner said, will be held tonight.

One other person lost his life in the plane, which occurred while the plane was enroute from Seattle to San Diego. Charles Robbins, machinist mate, traveling as civilian passenger in the plane, lost his life. His body was washed ashore the following day. Lieutenant Thomas Fisher, also of the naval forces at San Diego, who was piloting the seaplane, succeeded in swimming ashore.

SOLON SAYS WHITE COMB WASP'S NEST IS BEST FISH BAIT

KANSAS CITY, Mo., June 25.—If President Coolidge, angling for the trout in South Dakota streams, needs any advice as to what bait to use, Senator Heflin of Alabama, can give it.

"Anyone ought to know the white comb of a wasp-nest is the most alluring trout bait," commented the senator here today, in referring to the president's fishing experiences. "There he is, up there catching trout with garden worms instead of wasp-nest combs."

Sheepman is Given From One to Seven Years in Prison

Sentence Follows Way's Conviction of Manslaughter by Jury in Session Over Fifteen Hours

George Frank Way, Prineville sheepman who was convicted of manslaughter for killing Timothy Murphy, Klamath sheep operator, early Saturday morning after a jury had struggled more than 15 hours with the evidence presented at the retrial, will serve from one to seven years in the state penitentiary.

This was the sentence imposed yesterday morning by Circuit Judge J. U. Campbell, Oregon City jurist, who has presided over Way's second trial—a hearing which has kept the court room crowded with interested spectators until a late hour Friday night.

By appealing his case, which was remanded to the circuit court here following Way's conviction of manslaughter in 1925, the Prineville man gained at least eight years of liberty. His first sentence on the same count, was for 15 years in the state penitentiary.

Way accepted the pronouncement of the jury's decision by Circuit Judge Campbell yesterday morning, calmly and in a well controlled voice thanked the judge for his impartial handling of the trial. The sheepman's voice quavered almost imperceptibly as he asked that the judge consider a lenient sentence.

Before passing sentence, Judge Campbell addressed a brief admonition to the court room on self control, indirectly citing the case in hand as an example of uncontrolled temper. "If only children and grown ups could be taught to hesitate when the hand goes forward to commit a wrong, these tragedies would not occur," he said. "Nearly always they find their source in the thoughtlessness of anger."

Way will be taken to the state penitentiary in the near future, to start serving his sentence.

Japan May Ask U. S. For Peace Treaty

GENEVA, Switzerland, June 25. (AP)—Overtures by Japan with a view to signing of a perpetual peace pact with the United States are expected in authoritative circles of tri-partite naval conference.

Notwithstanding denials by both the Japanese delegates and Hugh S. Gibson, head of the American delegation that any such suggestion has been made, competent observers persisted in the belief today that when he had assurance that the overtures would have a chance of being favorably considered, Admiral Viscount Saito, the Japanese spokesman, possibly would propose a treaty outlawing war between his country and the United States.

FAIR BOARD READY WITH PREMIUM LIST

The county fair board in session Saturday, placed final approval upon the premium list for this year's agricultural and livestock exposition and announced that \$4,000 will be offered in cash awards.

There are few changes in this year's premium list over the one used last season. It was stated, and it is hoped that the lists will be published and in the hands of exhibitors late next month. A feature of the list this fall will be a \$50 award for the best ton litter of pigs.

LOGGING FIRMS UP

SALEM, Ore., June 25. (AP)—For the reason that they have failed to file annual reports with the public service commission, four boom and logging companies have been cited to appear before the commission July 21 and show cause why their booming franchises should not be cancelled. The companies cited are the Minam Lumber company, the Stuslaw Boom company, the Nelson Driving & Boom company and the Bourgeois-Evans Lumber company.

Flyers To Await One More Test Of Plane

Army Pilots Won't Start on Flight Across Pacific Today; Smith Anxious to be First in Air

SAN FRANCISCO, June 25. (AP)—Lieutenant Lester J. Maitland announced late today it was definitely decided that he and Lieutenant Albert Hegenberger would not take off Sunday on their attempted non-stop flight from San Francisco to Honolulu.

The huge tri-motored monoplane is to be given one more severe test flight before it starts on its way toward the Hawaiian Islands, the army aviators declared. This flight is to last for several hours and is to test to the last degree the instruments, motor and response of the plane to its pilot's handling.

Some time Sunday Major General Mason Patrick, chief of the army air corps, is expected to arrive here for a final inspection of the plane and its instruments.

Lieutenant Maitland said today that the San Francisco-Honolulu flight had been planned by the army since last February, that preparations were carefully laid and that they were confident of success.

To Fly High
"We will probably fly about 1,000 feet high most of the way over."

Water Users Debt To Government is Paid Up to Date

For the first time since the agricultural depression following the war, the Klamath Irrigation district is "square" with the United States government in the matter of operation and maintenance, and construction payments. It was announced by A. M. Thomas, secretary of the district, Saturday, when the back indebtedness was disposed of.

The district met this financial obligation to the government Saturday when a check for \$45,014.34 was tendered the reclamation service, wiping out the burden of the back debt. This amount paid everything to date, Thomas stated.

In addition to squaring old indebtedness, the sum of \$9,328.80 in the payment went toward paying for 1927 construction charges, not due until July. The O. & M. for the whole of 1927 is now paid in full, and 1926 construction charges are paid in full.

This step was made possible partly through the reduction in annual payments effected by the new contract with the government, and partly because tax collections are showing improvement, Thomas said.

Week-End Motorists Confronted by Oil

Information from the state highway office of C. C. Seeley, resident engineer, here Saturday evening, serves to warn Sunday motorists bound for the Fort Klamath country and points north, that in the region of Williamson river they will be confronted with at least two miles of fresh highway oil.

This sector, covered Saturday by the state highway oiling crew, will be "wet" today, and there are no detours, the engineer stated. In addition, another two-mile strip, which was oiled Friday, was believed to have dried but little yesterday.

While the highway north of the Fort Klamath region is in excellent shape with only one five-mile detour to traverse, there will be plenty of oil to splash through on the newly oiled four-mile stretch.

As an alternate route to points in the northern part of the county Seeley suggested for the benefit of Sunday excursionists the road around Upper Klamath lake. This road adds an extra 20 miles to the trip, and the running time between here and the fort is about two and a half hours.

WORM FARMER DOING WELL SINCE CALVIN IS USING THIS BAIT

YAKIMA, Wash., June 25. (AP)—An oligochasta annelida farmer here is making money.

George Howard, 15, cultivates worms to sell to fishermen. He has been growing the wily bait for two years, but a very brisk demand for his product has suddenly sprung up since news dispatches revealed that President Coolidge uses worms to catch trout.

George has a large clientele among fishermen of the Yakima valley, and says that since his customers have adopted the presidential policy, the fat worm-crop is doing a fast turnover.

Election Forecast Indicates Passage Of Road Bond Plan

Slight Opposition Shown to County Court's Proposal for Better Roads; Expect Comfortable Majority.

Pre-election prophecies by those who have followed the campaign, indicate that Klamath's \$500,000 road bond issue will be passed by a comfortable majority at the special election next Tuesday.

There has been but slight opposition to the proposal to bond the county, and construct needed roads in the rural sections at a time when they are so urgently needed. The only opposition has been sporadic, and from individuals mainly who oppose one or two of the road projects mapped out by the county court in its big road program.

The majority sentiment, however, is for more roads and for a submerging of personal desires in the cause of a better county highway system, according to County Judge Goddard, who has made a careful canvass of sentiment and found it favorable to the bonds.

Judge Goddard and Commissioner Short and Dundas said last night that they had laid out a road program which they feel is for the best interests of the entire county, and one which will not only be beneficial to Klamath Falls, but will likewise be a great aid to farmers, who under present conditions, are unable to reach the main highways of the county during the rainy months of the year.

"We are confident that increased revenues from the sale of government timber, the state auto license fees and the state gasoline tax will be more than enough to take care of this entire issue," said Commissioner Short last night. "For this reason we want to assure taxpayers generally that they need not worry."

Son of Minister Has "Visitation"

NEW YORK, June 25. (AP)—A "visitation from God" caused his son, Warren, 19, to lay prone upon the floor of Calvary church, uttering intelligible sounds and sing beautifully in an unknown language, according to the Rev. Dr. John Roach Straton, the pastor, who is charged with introducing "pentecostalism" or emotionalism, into the church by five deacons who resigned Tuesday night, told of his son's "experience" in reiterating his denial of the charges.

A "marked change," both in the youth's spiritual attitude and physical well-being was noted by his parents after the "visitation." Dr. Straton said. The young man since has devoted himself more assiduously to the Bible and no longer stutters when he prays in public or at family prayers, the father added. The son was ordained last year as a Baptist minister by the father.

"It was at a Monday night meeting of the young people's class, and during the study period when this experience came to Warren," Dr. Straton said. "He was seemingly led by the Lord."

Dr. Straton said his son was kneeling at prayer with others when he was "overcome and fell to the floor."

FINE ALFALFA IS ON DISPLAY HERE

Several bundles of some of the finest alfalfa hay ever produced on Klamath county soil, are now on display at the chamber of commerce here and will soon be taken to the Klamath booth at the Ashland-highway junction, to show tourists and prospective settlers the possibilities which exist in farming in this locality.

The hay was produced by J. Harding, whose ranch is located on the Merrill road. The fine hay, recently cut, will be left on display at the chamber for several days, it was stated.

Believe Byrd May Take Off At Dawn

Fueling of Big Plane Begun Before Midnight; Weather Not Too Favorable Across Atlantic

ROOSEVELT FIELD, N. Y., June 25. (AP)—Reports of favorable weather conditions for a flight to Paris received here at 10:10 o'clock tonight caused Commander Richard E. Byrd to instruct his "ship mates" in the giant monoplane "America," to "go to bed and get some sleep" in case it should be decided to take off for Paris at dawn tomorrow.

Shortly after midnight fueling was begun, a job expected to take about two hours.

Although no definite announcement about a take off had yet been made, the fact that fueling had been ordered begun was generally taken as an indication that the fliers fully expected to get away at dawn.

Jas. H. Kimball, weather bureau meteorologist, however, reached on the telephone by newspapermen at the hangar, said one storm was brewing in Pennsylvania and another was sweeping over from Lake Erie.

"In my opinion," he said, "it would take fancy navigating for the 'America' to get off at 4 o'clock in the morning."

Four O'clock Test
Four o'clock in the morning, Byrd said, is the best time for a take-off.

Nearly 200 Ticket Sellers to Visit In Klamath Today

Nearly double the number of ticket sellers, representing various railroads in all parts of the north-west, will arrive in Klamath Falls at nine o'clock this morning, according to a wire received late last night by Lynn Sabin, executive secretary of the chamber of commerce, who immediately issued a plea for more cars with which to conduct the visitors about the city for less than an hour today.

Everyone who can possibly spare a car and a driver for about an hour this morning, is requested to be at the depot here at nine o'clock to take some of the ticket men to the chamber of commerce.

After an hour's program in the chamber rooms, where C. A. Henderson, county agricultural agent, and H. D. Mortenson, prominent lumberman, will be principal speakers, outlining the development and prospects of their respective fields in this county, the visitors will be taken for drives within the city limits.

They will board their special train at eleven o'clock this morning, for the return trip, which gives them only two hours in this city. Sabin said. There will be 175 instead of 100, in the party. Hence the chamber of commerce has less than half enough cars to accommodate the men.

Oil Scouts Visit Bonanza Prospect

Scouts from the large oil companies and operators from California and other states, have made frequent visits to the location of the Southern Oregon Oil company's location near Bonanza during the past week. The deep test of the structure, outlined by J. E. Loreman, geologist and engineer, will be started this afternoon.

A crowd of several hundred is expected to be present when the machinery is placed in action soon after the noon hour. Visitors will be at all times be allowed to watch operations, Loreman stated. The Southern Oregon Oil company, of which he is president, has sufficient amount of leases so that no secrecy will be necessary during the drilling.

An open hole will be carried as far as possible. At the 200-foot level, the 18-inch casing will be set. This large hole insures a deep test, if necessary.

BOY SHOTS MOTHER AND SISTERS, THEN DIES BY OWN HAND

COLUMBUS, Kans., June 25.—(AP)—William Justice, 13, late today shot and killed his mother with a shotgun, shot and probably fatally wounded two sisters, 5 and 17 years old, and then killed himself at his farm home near Mineral, Kansas.

It is thought the boy was temporarily mentally unbalanced by excessive heat.

King Dodo, Circus Favorite, Dies at Carnival Grounds

African Pygmy, Entertainer of Millions, and Loved By Show Folk, Succumbs to Heart Attack.

Cradled in the arms of a stalwart sword swallower, whose blue eyes blinked back tears, and surrounded by a ring of heavy-hearted show folk, King Dodo, African pygmy, whose antics have amused circus and carnival crowds in every state in the union, muttered a final "yeah, boy" beneath the big top at the carnival grounds early last evening, and died.

King Dodo, aged 56, really named John Taylor, with his residence in Los Angeles, where for years he has been under the guardianship of Henry Faulkendorf, retired animal trainer, who took a fancy to the tiny human freak years ago, died at 6:30 Saturday evening, from a heart attack.

The tiny old negro man, who has no living relatives, and whose body is at the Whitlock funeral home, pending word from Los Angeles, was just 19 inches tall and weighed 45 pounds. Born in Jacksonville, Florida, the pygmy lost the use of his lower limbs early in childhood and had never walked a step in his life.

Grotesque in appearance, there was nevertheless nothing of the morose about King Dodo. True enough he was dwarfed in stature and his man's head perched on a child's shoulders suggested the ludicrous, but behind those owl eyes there lay a brain wise in the ways of holiday humanity.

King Dodo, best loved man of the carnival folk, could neither read nor write, but in private conversation, away from the glamor of the big tents and the amazing tricks of the fire-eater, the little man exhibited remarkable mental agility. He was intensely religious, and often during the quiet hours of the Sabbath, which brought rest to the big tents and the amazing tricks of the fire-eater, the little man exhibited remarkable mental agility.

No Theft
No articles of jewelry in the apartment was touched, a preliminary investigation indicated. No other motive presented itself. While no medical examination had yet been made tonight it was believed.

10,000 See Oregon Guardsmen Parade

CAMP SLATSOP, Ore., June 25. (A.P.)—In spite of rainy weather, 10,000 persons gathered here today to see the entire Oregon national guard pass before Governor Patterson, General George Whisler, General Hunter Liggett, and other high officials in the brigade review that climaxed the two week training period here. The camp will close Wednesday.

The entire force of 4,000 men took part in the parade. It included the 18th and 12nd infantry regiments, the 24th coast artillery, and one battery of the 11th field artillery, besides a provisional regiment of headquarters, medical and other troops.

Four Killed When Two Trains Crash

DAYTON, Ohio, June 25. (A.P.)—Four persons are known to be dead and fifteen reported injured in a head on collision between a local and limited traction car near McCook field tonight. Additions may be made to the dead when reports are received from local hospitals where injured passengers were taken. The known dead:

John Bremerton, Piqua, motor man on local car.
Harley Polkert, 26, Tippecanoe City, nursery employe.
Ben Reed, address unknown.
Y. Julius, address unknown.

The majority of the dead and injured were from Dayton, Tippecanoe City, Piqua and small towns in the Miami valley.

CONSTRUCTION OF NEW ROAD PLANNED

Construction of two and one-fourth miles of crossroad between the Mary Williams road and The Dalles-California highway at a point south of the Henley school, was announced by the county court here Saturday.

Announcement followed acceptance of rights of way through the J. T. Henley ranch and between the Perry Wilson and Jim Dixon ranches, completing the right of way for the proposed road. The county road crews will build the short, but important stretch of road.

PLAY NEW MARKET

PORTLAND, Ore., June 25. (AP)—Plans for a public market building on the river front between Morrison and Main streets, four blocks long, and three stories in height, were announced here today. Local capitalists were said to be backing the project, which will cost \$1,750,000.

Guests at Shamhart Home—Mr. and Mrs. Guy Foyer, Miss Rita Shamhart, and Tommy Smith are guests at the Shamhart ranch near Merrill today.

Women Is Victim Of Portland Strangler

Police Unable to Discover Any Motive for Crime; No Jewelry Stolen; Body Found

PORTLAND, Ore., June 25. (AP)—Her half-clad body stretched out on her bed, her hands tied behind her back and her feet bound together, Mrs. Zell Stebbins, 32, was found strangled to death in her well-furnished apartment in a residential district here today. It was believed the crime was committed yesterday. A man's handkerchief, wadded up, had been stuffed in the woman's mouth as a gag. No evident motive for the murder had been discovered by police tonight.

A pillow slip had been rolled up and bound tightly around the woman's throat. A quilt partly covered her body. Stockings, undergarments and a loose robe were the only articles of clothing found on the woman.

Not "Dark Man"
The murder was not committed by the "Dark Strangler," who has terrorized Pacific coast cities in recent months, police declared after an investigation of the case.

A theory was advanced that the crime might possibly have been a reaction from attendant publicity surrounding the other deaths by strangulation.

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Fish Company to Buy Grasshoppers

Maybe the grasshoppers will prove of some little value after all, as confirmation of earlier reports that the insects were in demand for commercial fish bait was received here Saturday in a letter from the Geo. C. Day Fish company of Port Huron, Mich.

In his letter, George C. Day, owner of the concern, stated the grasshoppers are worth real money to his company for bait purposes. The company will pay 25 cents a pound for the hoppers, he said, and will use a large quantity of them. He had read of the Tule lake grasshopper invasion in the eastern press, and so followed up the lead.

Full shipping instructions may be obtained at the Klamath News office, and Day urges that anyone interested in gathering grasshoppers for his firm familiarize himself with these details and turn the grain pests into cash.