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Road Bond Plan Will Probably Be Passed

City Unfavorable for \$500,000 Bond Issue, But County Votes Expected to Pass it

While complete unofficial returns from all but one city precinct in Tuesday's special election showed Klamath's road bond issue for \$500,000 to be slightly behind, reports from several county districts indicated that the measure will pass with flying colors, assuring better roads in all sections of the Klamath basin.

The unofficial count for the 14 city precincts from which returns were available at a late hour Tuesday night, revealed that in Klamath Falls 295 votes were cast for the road bond issue, with a total of 423 against the measure.

The Sprague River district came in strong for the bond issue, however, with 72 votes for the measure and only 3 against it. The Pine Grove count revealed 17 for and 29 against, while Pelican Bay returns showed 29 for and only 11 against. The Swan Lake precinct voted 11 yes, and 1 no on the road bond plan.

The income tax unpopular on the special election ballot met with little popularity in the county precincts from which returns were available late Tuesday night. The count on this was as follows: Swan Lake, yes, 2, no 19; Pell (Continued on Page Two)

Vehawn Inquest is Postponed One Day

Because the principal witnesses, Arthur Luckett, Pauline Aiken and Ione Zigler, were unable to attend due to injuries sustained in the accident, the inquest which was to have been conducted by Earl Whitlock, county coroner, for Thomas Vehawn, killed in an auto crash early Sunday morning, was postponed Tuesday night.

Tentative date for the scheduled inquest to probe circumstances surrounding the death of Vehawn, was set for tonight at 7:30 in the Whitlock funeral home.

The coroner's jury, selected last night for the inquest, includes A. M. Worden, Frank Ward, J. I. Johnson, Frank Sexton, George Metz and Marion Hanks.

Vehawn was killed on the Merrill highway when a car driven by Luckett overturned, landing in a pool of water at the edge of the road. He was found dead and is believed to have suffocated in the mud into which his head had been shoved.

Medical Aid Will Be Given Indians

Following the free clinics at Klamath Agency, during which 468 Indians were given health examinations, preparations are under way to render surgical and medical aid to those in need of it under the directions of Dr. J. R. Collard, ear, eye, nose and throat specialist, it was announced here Tuesday.

Dr. Collard will be assisted by Dr. W. M. Brunet of New York and Dr. William Rogers, Agency physician. The operations that are to be performed first are for the removal of tonsils and adenoids and for the correction of trachoma conditions. Dental work will be done by Dr. Briggs, Reservation dentist.

The nursing work at the hospital will be carried on under the direction of Mrs. Josephine Jones, R. N., assisted by Mrs. Gertrude Moon, Mrs. W. M. Rogers, R. N., and Mrs. Wm. Rogers, R. N.

Mrs. Rogers, Reservation nurse for the western district, will also carry on follow-up work in carrying out the instructions of the examining physicians with regard to diet and personal hygiene for Indian children found to be malnourished or disposed to illness.

Letters are being sent out to all persons who were found to be suffering from defects or disorders that can be corrected by changes in diet or posture, or the amount of sleep, rest and exercise.

COOING OF BIRDS ANNOYED RESIDENT WHO ASKS RELIEF

LONG BEACH, Calif., June 28, (U.P.)—Cooing of birds has no place in the life of E. B. Seaton, local resident.

Seaton in a petition to the city council asked that the scope of the poultry ordinance be increased to include doves and mocking birds.

Pigeons in Lincoln park and on numerous buildings have been objected to and a number shot, the defense of birds has been made by the humane society and others.

G. N. Applies to I. C. C. for Right To Effect Moves

Latest Move Indicates That Northern Line Will Enter City By Way of Link River Canyon.

WASHINGTON, June 28, (U.P.)—The Great Northern railroad Tuesday tumbled a new sheet of applications into the lap of the Interstate Commerce Commission, marking the way toward complete authority for what it wishes to do in effecting entry into the Klamath basin.

The applications, four in number, for the most part cover familiar ground and make few disclosures beyond what has been published. They are in substance as follows:

1. Permission for the Oregon Trunk to abandon its application for new construction and substitution of the Great Northern with certain minor changes, including purchase of three fourths interest in the Shevlin-Hixon road, which extends 25 miles south from Bend, for \$375,000; also relocation for part of the distance of the route originally proposed by the Oregon Trunk, to give a cheaper and more direct route.

2. Permission for the Great Northern to build or extend from Bend to Paulina and to acquire trackage rights under agreement with the Southern Pacific from Paulina to Klamath Falls.

3. Permission to acquire one half the stock of the Strahorn line, the O. C. & E., the cost of which will be between \$900,000 and one million dollars.

4. Permission to build along Link River around the east shore of Klamath lake, so the Great Northern will have its own line to industries there instead of using the so-called bridge track through Klamath Falls.

Grace Preparing To Start Flight

HONOLULU, June 28, (UP)—Richard Grace, California aviator, left the Pearl harbor naval base at 2:58 p. m. today in his Crusair monoplane, bound for the island of Kamaui, where he expects to take off for San Francisco Wednesday. Grace expected to reach Kauai in two hours. He was accompanied from here by three naval planes under the direction of Commander M. B. McComb, of the Pearl harbor base.

According to present plans, Grace will make several takeoff tests, under three-quarter load and full load, before the actual take-off. It has been arranged to drop the loads before landing.

The departure for San Francisco is scheduled for four a. m. The weather so far has been favorable and adjustments to Grace's plans have been pronounced perfect.

Byrd Praises Feat Undertaken by Army

ROOSEVELT FIELD, New York, June 28, (A.P.)—Commander Richard E. Byrd, held up here by bad weather on his own trans-oceanic flight, today took occasion to express his best wishes to other trans-oceanic fliers apparently not so hampered by the weather elements.

Speaking of Lieutenants Lester J. Maitland and Albert E. Hegenberger and of Ernest Smith, civilian flier, Commander Byrd commented on their abilities as fliers and said he had no doubt they would make the Hawaiian Islands.

"This project," he said, "is undoubtedly one of the most difficult acts in trans-oceanic flying yet attempted. While we Atlantic fliers are aiming to strike an entire continent these men must cross 2100 miles of sea and strike a little island.

If we are 50 miles off our course it might not make any great difference because we could pick up our bearings once we struck land, but this Honolulu flight is not so simple. The objective must be struck directly on the mark."

City Vote Expected To Defeat Tax Plan

Available Election Reports Show Income Measure Behind in Cities, Ahead in Country

PORTLAND, Ore., June 28, (AP)—Returns from today's special election in Oregon, available tonight, indicated the state income tax running far behind in the cities while rural districts were giving the measure substantial majorities. With 301 precincts reported, 68 in Portland, the figures on the income tax were: Yes, 7,393; No, 11,034.

Returns from 121 precincts out of 1847 in the state including 22 complete from Multnomah county gave:

Income tax, yes 3371, no 4663.
Tax limitation measure, yes 1695, no 5412.

Veterans memorial, yes 2060, no 5015.
Assessment bill, yes 2411, no 4862.

Another state finance measure, which would fix the state tax base at \$3,500,000, was running behind. With 301 precincts reported, the vote stood: Yes 3,541, no 11,879.

A measure giving the state tax commission supervision over county (Continued on Page Four)

Borah Says Nation Must Conserve Oil

DENVER, Colo., June 28, (UP)—The gravest problem facing the government of the United States today is waste of its natural resources, Senator William E. Borah of Idaho declared tonight in an address before the International Advertising association, in convention here.

Borah pointed to the recent Mississippi flood disaster and waste of the nation's raw oil supply as examples. The senator, who is chairman of the senate's foreign affairs committee, urged the advertising men to build up home markets and let European markets take care of themselves.

He asserted that in his opinion, the poorest business man this country has yet produced was the government. He went on to point out that despite his opinion, the oil producers, "who are among our ablest and boldest business men," have appeared and asked the government to protect them against themselves. The Idaho senator took a stand against cancellation of foreign war debts.

Trains and Autos Held Up by Rains

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, June 28, (A.P.)—Approximately 1,000 tourists in five Denver and Rio Grande western trains and more than 200 automobiles, marooned in the vicinity of Soldiers' summit and Price, 130 miles east of here, are wondering this afternoon when man's efforts would conquer the elements and release them, as additional rains caused more rock slides and threatened additional rises in many mountain streams.

The torrential downpours of yesterday afternoon and last night, were resumed again today and caused a number of additional slides, one of which carried away several hundred feet of pipe line leaving Castle Gate, Mining town of several thousand, without domestic water.

CELEBRATION HEADS MAKE FINAL PLANS

The Fourth of July celebration committee at a meeting last evening in the chamber of commerce rooms, made a final outline of the program for the three day celebration, subject to a few revisions that will be made tomorrow.

The program is brisk from the first morning and continues through the three days with a wonderful line of attractions which can not fail to please everyone who comes to Klamath Falls to enjoy the Natal day.

"MURDER MYSTERY" NOT SO BAFFLING TO INVESTIGATORS

BURBANK, Calif., June 28, (U.P.)—Burbank's latest "murder mystery" didn't come up to expectations.

An informant recently notified police that a peculiar odor, described as similar to that of burning flesh, emanated from a house.

Officers conducted an investigation which revealed that the property owner was disposing of chicken feathers.

Pacific Race is Called Off When Carter Backs Out

Slight Accident Brings Air Mail Pilot Back to Field After Start for Honolulu Had Been Made.

MUNICIPAL AIRPORT, Oakland, Calif., June 28, (A.P.)—The anticipated air race over the Pacific from Oakland to Honolulu was off today when Ernest L. Smith, civilian flier, was detained by the sponsors from making a second hop-off after his opponent, the huge tri-motored Fokker plane, entered by the United States Army, was reported over 300 miles out from the California coast. The Fokker started at 7:00 a. m.

Smith's flight was announced as indefinitely postponed by Edmund J. Moffett, San Francisco flight backer, after the pilot returned to the field within ten minutes after his first take-off at 5:36 a. m. to have a broken window in the pilots cabin replaced.

Mechanics labored for over two hours to replace the window with one loaned from an army plane. The army wind deflector was too large to fit the civilian ship and had to be cut to fit.

Then, as the motor of Smith's plane was started at 11:35 a. m. for a second hop-off, Charles H. Carter, navigator with Smith, protested against starting the flight at such a late hour.

He said it was too late in the day in the first place and, secondly that he did not care to make the trip because the army plane had a lead of over five hours. He said his only desire was to have reached Honolulu first and declared there was little chance of beating the Fokker.

"The army is too far ahead of us now," Carter said to Smith and Moffett. "Let's wait and see what happens to them." He said that when the deflector broke after the hop-off Smith was all for going on regardless, and that he had to poke Smith in the back of the neck to attract his attention and make him return to the field.

Moffett later announced that Smith could make the flight if he desired doing so with a new navigator.

Smith left the flying field saying he did not know what he would do. He was driven away in an auto by (Continued on Page Two)

Redmond Buildings Damaged by Flames

BEND, June 28, (UP)—Fire, probably starting from exploding gas, swept through several business houses in Redmond early this morning, causing damage estimated at \$75,000, according to reports reaching Bend.

The blaze was reported to have spread from a tailoring shop in the Redmond hotel, through the hotel and adjoining buildings, igniting the Oregon hotel across the street.

The Bend fire department reached Redmond in time to save the V. A. Anderson building, occupied by the Redmond Spokesman and the Redmond garage.

Sheriff S. E. Roberts of Deschutes county is investigating reports that three men were seen engaged in a drunken fight in the tailor shop at the time the fire was first discovered.

TRUSTY IS FOILED IN LIBERTY DASH

ROSEBURG, Ore., June 28, (A.P.)—Clyde Cornett, aged 31, serving a six months sentence for auto theft, who has been working as a trusty with the Loon Lake road crew near Reedsport, today attempted to escape after stealing an automobile belonging to the contractor, F. H. Helmes, and cutting the Loon Lake telephone wires, according to Sheriff S. W. Starmer.

The theft was discovered immediately, however, and word telephoned from Scottsburg, Cornett being arrested as he was coming out to the highway over the coast road. He is now in the county jail and will be held for the grand jury.

Byrd Crew Takes Off For Paris At 4 A. M.

Aviator Tells Crew to Stand by for Start at Four A. M. Today; Weather Favorable

ROOSEVELT FIELD, N. Y., June 28, (AP)—At 1:30 o'clock this morning Commander Byrd ordered the crew of the monoplane "America" to stand by for a four-o'clock hop-off for Paris.

Commander Byrd's decision to start this morning was reached after belated reports from ships at sea told of a general improvement in weather conditions over the Atlantic.

There appears to be no general areas of bad weather although there are local conditions of unfavorable weather, Dr. James A. Kimball, meteorologist at the weather bureau reported.

Runway Dry
Commander Byrd said that the runway at Roosevelt Field had dried sufficiently to make possible a successful take-off. Rain Sunday morning had prevented a start scheduled for early Monday morning, by making the runway too wet to allow the America to glide out for its non-stop flight across the Atlantic.

Byrd's announcement that he intends to start for Europe at four a. m. Wednesday, followed a fair (Continued on Page Two)

Days of Gun Totin' Sheriff Are Gone

SPOKANE, Wash., June 28, (A.P.)—In the frontier days when men were men, deputy sheriffs performed more shooting irons; in these modern decadent times deputy sheriffs often are women and carry no weapons at all.

Witness the fate of S. J. Rowe, reposing today in the county jail here after an alleged attempt to take home the bacon from a serve yourself store yesterday evening without the formality of paying for it.

Pursued by a clerk, Rowe dropped the bacon and fled precipitously. Mrs. Ione Nickerson, a deputy sheriff, saw the chase from her automobile. Driving to the curb, she awaited Rowe and stiff armed him when he reached her. He jumped to his feet and was continuing on his way when Mrs. Nickerson seized his arm and put a hammerlock on him.

He surrendered and was taken to jail. Mrs. Nickerson never carries a gun. Sheriff Floyd Brower says she doesn't need one.

Woman 81, Starts On Walking Trip

MEDFORD, Ore., June 28, (AP)—The daughter of Mrs. Fannie Ertreator, 81, of Blackburn, Va., who reported today at Chicago, in a cross-country hike to see her grandchildren, lives a half mile out of Jacksonville, on the Ruch road, and is Mrs. Wyde Keen.

"We received a telegram this morning that mother had started," said Mrs. Keen. "She just left here last January. We are glad to have her but she will not be satisfied. This will make her fourth trip to this state, and Washington, where we used to live. Whenever she becomes dissatisfied, she starts wandering."

Mrs. Keen did not know when her mother would arrive, and expressed a dislike for publicity attendant upon her parent's trip.

TWO DROWN TRYING TO RESCUE SISTER

DES MOINES, Iowa, June 28, (UP)—Five persons were drowned near here today while swimming. Mike and John French lost their lives in a vain effort to save their sister, who was wading near Madrid.

Bernie Gunderson, 15, and his little brother, Edwin, 9, were drowned in Beaver Creek while in swimming.

BARN CAUGHT FIRE AT OPPORTUNE TIME FOR TWO SALESMEN

COTTAGE GROVE, Ore., June 28, (U.P.)—Two salesmen demonstrated the practical uses of a fire extinguisher to Jasper Patton when they called on a sales mission.

Patton's barn caught fire while the conference was in progress. The demonstrators rushed over to the burning structure and, aided by their extinguisher, had the flames under control in a few minutes.

Needless to state, the sale was executed quickly.

Police Guarding All Sections to Break Crime Wave

Series of Robberies Here in Past Two Days to Be Checked By Cops; Most Loot Has Been Found.

City police were last night increasing vigilance in every section of the downtown district to check what assumed the proportions of a disruptive crime wave in Klamath Falls during the first two days of the week.

A number of robberies, one of which gained considerable loot for two thieves who were not clever enough to hide their stolen articles from the police but who had not been arrested at a late hour Tuesday night.

Tracing a quantity of clothing and personal effects stolen from a room at the Oakes hotel, the police located this loot and in so doing discovered a hotel room in which a large quantity of other stolen articles were cached. The articles taken from the hotel were returned to the owners, and police are now attempting to find the men who perpetrated the robbery.

Old's Paint Shop was broken into for the second time in less than a week, although only \$1.50 in small silver was stolen from this establishment. Police believed this to be the work of boys.

O. E. Robertson had a shotgun stolen Sunday night, and this too was found in a pawnshop. The biggest haul came with the stealing of Dr. H. L. D. Stewart's new sedan, stolen from in front of the physician's residence Monday night.

The car was found Tuesday at Prospect and Upham streets where the new car had been crashed into a telephone pole by the thief. So great was the impact with the post that the big timber was snapped in two and the car's body utterly demolished.

Weed Solon Will Speak Here Today

J. J. Murphy, assemblyman in the California state legislature from Weed and a strong booster for the Klamath Falls-Weed highway, will be principal speaker at the final chamber of commerce forum luncheon here today. Executive Secretary Lynn Sabin announced Tuesday.

The burden of Murphy's address before the forum luncheon this noon, will be roads and highways, with stress laid on the half finished Klamath-Weed highway whose importance Murphy has been preaching to California solons for months.

It was Murphy who last winter attempted to get an appropriation from the California legislature for completion of California's end of this important highway. He is expected to review the situation in detail.

Coolidge Proposes An Insular Bureau

RAPID CITY, S. D., June 28, (AP)—Establishment of a central bureau for administration of all insular possessions under control of a civil department of the government, rather than the army and navy, is favored by President Coolidge.

Following a brief discussion of this proposition with Governor General Leonard Wood of the Philippines, at his Black Hills residence, the president believes the department of the interior would be a proper department to take over this work.

While he has no criticism of the present administration by the army and navy of the insular possessions, he feels the functions of these departments is one of national defense and that the possessions are deserving of administration by a civil branch of the government. The government reorganization commission recommended placing the possessions under the state department, but the president thinks perhaps the interior department is more adaptable for this.

Army Men Speeding For Goal In Hawaii

Latest Report Shows Aviators to be Half-way to Honolulu; Conditions Favorable

SAN FRANCISCO, June 28, (UP)—Speeding westward toward the setting sun, two young army flyers late today were holding their giant Fokker monoplane straight to its course on a spectacular dash from California to the Hawaiian Islands.

With Lieutenant Lester J. Maitland at the controls, and Lieutenant Albert Hegenberger caring for the navigation duties, the tri-motored plane, the pride of the army, roared away from the Oakland Municipal Air Port at 7:09 a. m.

The bright and warm weather which made the Maitland-Hegenberger start so auspicious, was directly in contrast with the gray, gloomy day upon which three navy planes started a Hawaiian flight from San Francisco bay nearly two years ago.

The navy effort ended in a tragedy, with the late Commander John Rogers and his crew lost to the world for nine days after all three planes had been forced down.

No necessary. Maitland and Hegenberger, who by the charm of their manner and the earnestness of their devotion to aviation have won friends by the wholesale here, had no ceremony in their take off. They drove to the field after a night of sound rest in Oakland, inspected the machine upon which mechanics had labored throughout the night, and climbed into the cockpits.

Alleged Blackmail Case to be Tried

The sensational assault and extortion case in which Ed Dunham, well known auto dealer here, figured as the victim of an alleged blackmail attempt at the hands of Ed and Marie Walsh and Roy Smith, will come up for trial before Circuit Judge J. U. Campbell, Oregon City jurist, tomorrow morning in the Klamath circuit court.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Walsh, charged with assault and extortion, and Roy Smith, reputed confederate of the Walshes in the alleged blackmail plot and arrested on that count alone, are being held in the county jail where they were incarcerated following indictments on the various counts.

Walsh, it is alleged, brutally beat Dunham April 28, and attempted to extort money and an automobile from him over attentions which Walsh charged Dunham had been paying his wife.

H. A. Renner is representing the Walshes, while W. P. Myers is defense attorney for Smith. William Duncan, district attorney will prosecute for the state, assisted by Horace Manning.

Famous Royalist Of France Freed

PARIS, June 28, (UP)—A French government staked its existence on a question of jail breaks today and won. While the escape of Leon Daudet, royalist leader, caused Premier Poincare and his cabinet to be the object of jibes and attacks from political enemies, the government carried its case to the chamber of deputies and received a vote of confidence.

The vote was 350 to 185. Daudet's continued absence from his usual haunts in Paris caused criticism of the government to increase, and brought on the demand for a vote of confidence. A mysterious telephone call to the famous Sante prison last Saturday, had instructed the officials there in the name of the minister of justice to release the royalist prisoner and his two assistants. Those responsible for the escape have thus far escaped arrest.