

\$86,000,000 HIGHWAY PROGRAM FOR STATE

Chief Engineer Brown Announces 4-Year Post-War Plans—Allocate \$128,444 to Joplin.

Jefferson City, May 18.—(AP)—A huge Missouri highway building program with total federal-state expenditures of more than \$86,000,000 in the first four post-war years was announced today by Carl Brown, chief engineer of the highway department.

The four-year plan embraces projects of \$18,906,000 in cities of more than 5,000 people—a new branch of construction opened by federal laws allotting about 25 percent of federal matching money to city highway construction. The new 1945 constitution also cleared the way for use of state money on city projects, previously banned.

Brown estimated the construction program can be put in gear within three months after President Truman or congress declares the war emergency is over and materials and labor can be released for road building.

Some Projects Ready. Plans are ready now, Brown said, for about \$14,000,000 worth of work and as soon as the war-end go sign flashes, projects can be advertised for bids.

If the war ends in late winter or spring, work can be started almost immediately, he said, because contractors will have the whole summer season—good for road building—ahead of them.

A slight delay will be encountered, however, if the emergency is declared over as the cold months approach.

Federal money totaling \$43,121,153 will be allotted Missouri in three years and used in the four-year program. It is distributed on the basis of \$6,660,223 each year for federal highways, \$4,562,550 annually for farm-to-market roads and other supplementary roads and \$3,151,158 for construction in cities.

The state will match these funds. Brown, tentatively figuring that automobile use—and consequent revenues from gasoline and other taxes—will begin to approach 1941 levels by next January 1, estimated the state will collect \$104,969,000 in road revenues during the four years of 1946 through 1949. Of that amount nearly \$75,000,000 will have to be found for retiring bonds and maintaining present roads, he said.

The rest—\$30,470,000—will be added to a backlog of about \$14,000,000 piled up during almost constructionless war years to provide the state's matching funds.

Supplementary Roads. Brown said plans for new supplementary roads in every county in the state are prepared or contemplated and the amounts for use in cities have already been figured out.

The city money will be distributed on a basis of ratio of any city's population to the total population of all Missouri cities over 5,000.

Planned first-year expenditures in these cities, Brown said, include: Springfield, \$211,760; St. Joseph, \$261,806; Columbia, \$63,624; Maryville, \$19,710; Joplin, \$128,444; Searsville, \$70,940; Jefferson City, \$83,918; Moberly, \$21,678; Hannibal, \$72,150; Cape Girardeau, \$67,174; Poplar Bluff, \$38,602; Lebanon, \$17,376; Nevada, \$28,290; Carthage, \$36,602; Kansas City, \$1,380,348; and St. Louis, \$2,821,876.

For the total four-year program, three times those amounts will be spent in the cities. Brown estimated more than 4,000 miles of farm-to-market roads could be built in the post-war expansion.

Tentative Projects Considered Here

J. Russell Ellis, division No. 7 engineer of the state highway department, said yesterday that completion of definite plans for post-war highway work inside the city limits of Joplin under the federal-state program will await receipt from the public roads administration of rules and regulations governing standards and types of construction to be permitted. Tentatively planned as potential

With Our Service Forces

Leo Wilford Andrews, machinist's mate third class, is on leave in Joplin to visit his wife, Mrs. June Andrews, 502 Michigan avenue; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Andrews, 502 Michigan avenue, and other relatives in the district. He plans to return to his station May 27.

Mrs. Goldie Holding, 1425 West C street, has received word that her son, Private First Class Clarence W. Hill, has been returned to duty after recovery from wounds sustained April 17 in Germany. He has served overseas since February. After entering the service in October, 1942, he received his training at Gainesville, Tex., and at Fort Worth.

Lieutenant Ralph W. Drennan, with the 78th infantry division in Germany, has been promoted from second to first lieutenant. He is the husband of Mrs. Ralph Drennan, 929 Picher avenue, and his mother, Mrs. J. A. Drennan, lives at 210 North Sergeant avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester K. Earl of Carthage route 2 have received information that their son, Richard, is in Germany. He has been in England, France and Belgium. He re-

JIMMIE FIDLER IN HOLLYWOOD

Hollywood, May 18.—(AP)—News that Carole Landis, huffy because she doesn't like a role assigned her by Twentieth Century-Fox, is threatening to take a salary suspension rather than play it, reminds me once again that the life of a studio czar has become anything but a bed of roses. Miss Landis, if the report is true, is merely following modern custom. Hardly a day passes now, without a contract player of greater or less importance staging a rebellion against studio orders.

Since Miss Landis is the latest of the rebels, let's consider her case. By no stretch of the imagination can she be rated an important star. At a rough guess, I should say that she is outranked at the box office by at least 50 other ladies of the cinema. Certainly she is overshadowed by many on her own lot. Consequently I fail to see that she has earned the privilege of saying "I will" or "I won't" when the men who pay her salary ask her to do exactly the kind of a job that she agreed to do when she signed her contract.

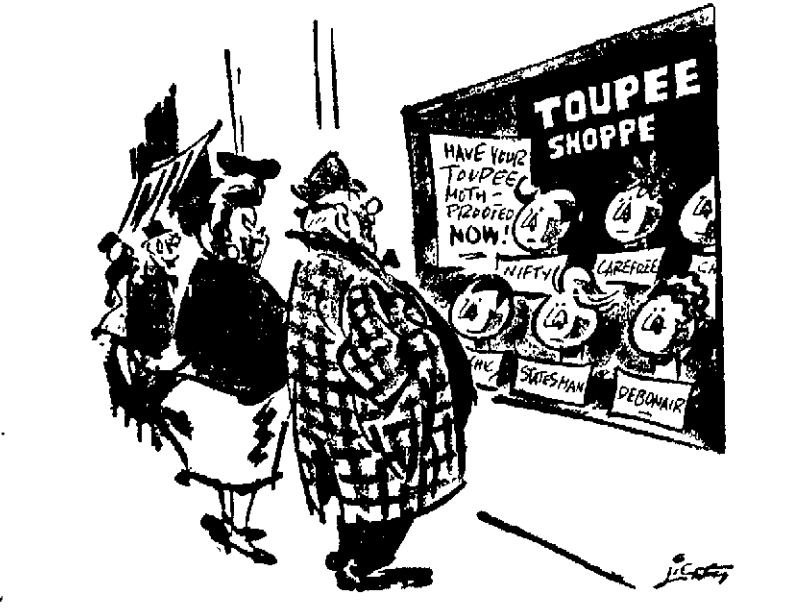
I predict that someday in the not far distant future these same producers who have been putting up with so much unreasonable insubordination from their players are going to reach the limit of their patience and stage a rebellion of their own. If that happens, a lot of stars are going to make the surprising discovery that their whims are not of world-shaking importance. Studios that can't get along with them can very well get along without them.

Memories that bless and burn: When a bearded extra, picked from the mob working in a saloon scene in a picture, was asked to play a part of which might be carried out under the \$128,444 allocated to Joplin out of the \$86,000,000 Missouri program, are:

- 1. Construction of an overpass over Missouri Pacific tracks on East Seventh street, just west of Range Line, and straightening of the highway at Range Line.
2. Improvement, including some resurfacing and widening, of U. S. highway .66 through Joplin.
3. Resurfacing of North Main street, from First street north to the viaduct over the Kansas City Southern tracks.

It is Ellis' hope that eventually additional state and federal funds will be allocated for highway construction inside cities under the long-range post-war road program.

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DOGS THAT KILLED WOMAN ARE SHOT

Pack of 26 Bull Pit Terriers, Including 11 Puppies, Put to Death in Miami, Fla.

Miami, Fla., May 18.—(AP)—A pack of 26 bull pit terriers, some just two months old, paid with their lives today for the fatal attack by nine of the dogs on Mrs. Doreta Zinke, 39 years old, gynecologist lecturer, here last Wednesday night.

Constable W. M. Hudson of Dade county said an examination of the stomachs of four of the terriers revealed the presence of "balls of human hair, unquestionably belonging to a woman."

Pieces of leather, identified as parts of a woman's shoe, were found in the stomachs of other dogs in the pack which set upon Mrs. Zinke and terribly mutilated her in a mass attack.

It was not necessary to get a court order to carry out the execution of the entire pack of dogs. Owner Joe Munn, 43, of Hialeah, who cried "Oh, my God!" when he saw what his terriers had done, willingly gave permission.

Barked and Snarled. "They are a bad strain, they must be destroyed," he told police. Fifteen of the older dogs were shot. The dogs barked and snarled, but made no attempt to attack the executioners.

Eleven small puppies were removed in a big clothes basket to a Miami veterinarian's gas chamber and put to death.

Meanwhile, the humane society received hundreds of telephone calls from people asking that the society intervene in the killing of the animals.

Humane officials said they were carrying out the order of authorities who with disinterested veterinarians had deemed the dogs of the "most vicious type." Prior to the attack on Mrs. Zinke, they had been accused of attacking other people within the past week.

Munn valued his kennel at \$1,000. He said he bred the dogs to sell and denied they had been used for pit fighting.

Munn remained in the county jail under \$5,000 bond on a warrant charging manslaughter. An inquest has been set for Monday. County Prosecutor Robert Taylor said he would decide what to do after weighing the evidence.

The Dominican Republic is ruled by Rafael Leonidas Trujillo Molina, who once served in the U. S. Marines.

CLASS DAY OBSERVED BY 1945 GRADUATES

Program at Final High School Assembly Marks End of Year's Active Work for Seniors.

Class day exercises of the 1945 graduating class at Joplin high school marked the end of the school year for the seniors. The program also was the final school assembly of the year.

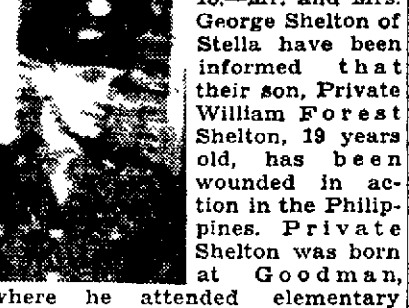
Baccalaureate services will be held at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon at the school and commencement exercises at 8 o'clock Monday night in Memorial hall.

Lincoln school seniors also will have their baccalaureate services at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon and commencement exercises will be at 8 o'clock Tuesday night at the Lincoln school.

Class day exercises in the three junior high schools yesterday completed the school year for ninth-graders.

"Exams" Next Week. Examinations will be held in the elementary grades and in the seventh and eighth grades and for sophomores and juniors of the high school the first three days of next

FORMER STELLA YOUTH WOUNDED IN PHILIPPINES



Stella, Mo., May 18.—Mr. and Mrs. George Shelton of Stella have been informed that their son, Private William Forast Shelton, 19 years old, has been wounded in action in the Philippines. Private Shelton was born at Good man, where he attended elementary school, and was graduated from the Stella high school last spring.

week. School will be dismissed on Thursday of next week, to allow teachers to grade final examination papers. Grade cards will be distributed to the pupils on Friday, May 25, concluding the school year.

Examinations also will be held in the junior college next week. Baccalaureate services will be held Sunday, May 27, and class day exercises and commencement May 28 in the college auditorium.

GALENA MAN GIVEN A POINT DISCHARGE

Staff Sergeant Earl Pickett Participated in Four Major Battles in Europe and North Africa.

Galena, Kan., May 18.—Staff Sergeant Earl Pickett, the first Galena soldier to be discharged on the point system, arrived in Galena Wednesday night from Fort Leavenworth. Sergeant Pickett had a total of 99 points.

Serving in the army 50 months, 32 months of which he spent overseas, Sergeant Pickett served in the European, African, and Middle Eastern theaters of war. He participated in four major battles, coming to the states from Italy.

Pickett, who is 28 years old, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Pickett of Galena. He was employed in the mines in the district before entering the service. He was married recently while home on furlough to the former Fay Nell Heltzer, who is the assistant manager of the Safeway store in Picher. Sergeant and Mrs. Pickett will make their home in Picher.

From 100 to 1,000 aliens enter the United States surreptitiously each day in normal times.

THE 7TH WAR LOAN IS NOW ON! Right now, the most important job we have is to meet our personal quotas in the Seventh War Loan Drive! These quotas are big. Uncle Sam needs \$7,000,000,000 from individuals. For this loan is really 2 to 1—there had been two drives in 1944, by this time. So now—we've got to do a two-loan job in one. But Americans have never failed to meet a War Bond quota yet—and we won't fail now! So find out what your quota is—and meet it!

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