

## SECURE CITY FUNDS

### Business and Professional Men Must Pay City License

### MAYOR AND COUNCIL FAVOR TAX

Ordinance Will Be Passed Providing for Occupation Tax  
On All Business Concerns and Professions—Revenues  
Needed to Conduct Affairs of City

Klamath Falls going dry put the Mayor and the city council face to face with the problem of raising money to pay the expense of the city government. The twelve saloons and the brewery put out of business by prohibition which goes into effect on July 1st means that the revenue of the city will be decreased \$1000 annually. It is necessary to raise money some other way and with this object in view the Mayor and the council have been devising means for levying an occupation tax. What the amount of this tax will be has not yet been decided, but all business firms and professional men will be classified and a tax imposed accordingly.

There are more than one hundred and twenty-five persons and firms in this city that will be subject to the taxation, and from this it is expected a sufficient revenue will be derived to not only meet all of the current expenses, but also to pay off some of the warrant indebtedness of the city.

To some it may seem that the tax is an unnecessary hardship, but those who consider the situation will readily see that it is a protection. A number of the real estate men have already got together and agreed that they are willing to pay \$100 per year. This will mean that every person who engages in this line of business in this city will be subject to this tax if the council acts on the recommendation. It is very probable that the taxes will range from \$25 to \$100 per year, and at the next meeting of the council an ordinance will be introduced which will fix the tax and the amount for the various kinds of business establishments and professions.

In addition to this matter, a tax or license for all peddlers is being considered, and the council will act on the question in a way that the result will be the protection of the business firms of the city as well as a revenue for the city.

The tax that will be imposed will be collected quarterly so that it will not be hard on the payers, and it is thought

that in a short time conditions will so adjust themselves that the city will be able to get along nicely without the revenue heretofore derived from the liquor traffic.

The occupation tax is now being fully discussed not only by the Mayor and the council, but also by all of the business men of the city. Everyone is aware that something must be done to provide means for running the affairs of the city and the occupation tax seems the only solution for the question. There is also some talk of the poll tax, but this is not so important as the other and is not receiving much attention at this time.

### Farewell to Klamath

I. A. Duffy will leave in a few days for San Diego, where he will reside permanently. He has disposed of most of his interests in this city and will hereafter put in his time boosting Southern California. Mr. Duffy spent the greater part of eleven years in this city and during that time he has had his share of the country's prosperity. While a resident of this city he was a good booster for the country and it is safe to say that in his sunny California home he will always be willing to speak well of this section.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Hogue will leave for Portland in the morning. Mr. Hogue goes to attend a meeting of the Grand Lodge of Knights of Pythias and Mrs. Hogue to attend the Pythian Sisters of which grand lodge she is an officer. They will be accompanied to Portland by their two daughters Faye and Hortense.

Judge W. H. Harris, of San Diego, Cal., has purchased Lake Park from I. A. Duffy. The park contains forty acres situated on the west side of the Upper lake, about five miles from this city. It is an ideal location for a picnic ground and will increase in value with the growth of the country.

## KLAMATH WELL REPRESENTED

Klamath was well represented at the Rose Carnival. Aside from having a large delegation of boosters in the Rose City during the Festival the float attracted a great deal of attention as it was generally pronounced one of the most attractive in several parades. The float was first used in the industrial parade, and on last Saturday it was again used in the Woodmen of the World parade. Local Woodmen secured the float for this occasion and in addition to the many attractive features they secured the prettiest girl in the state of Washington to ride on the float to represent a milk maid. C. T. Oliver and a number of other Klamath Falls Woodmen participated in this parade and acted as a special escort for the Klamath float. They were tendered an ovation all along the line of march and frequently it was heard that the Klamath representation was an ideal one.

E. W. Smith, who has the contract for building the fair ground race track is getting along nicely with the work and is building a track that will be first class in every respect. Arrangements should be started soon for a big fair this Fall.

## LAKE ELECTION SHOWS FIGHT

Reports from Lake County are that the recent county seat removal question played a prominent part in the election. Every one who failed to identify himself with the movement was sure to receive a small vote in the north end of the county. It will be remembered that the measure was not submitted to a vote, owing to the fact that many of the signers withdrew their names just before election and left the petition without the required number of signatures to entitle it to a place on the ballot. A number of the candidates from the south end of the county were defeated because they were identified with those who opposed the removal of the county seat from Lakeview. It seems that the only solution for the antagonism between the two ends of the county lies in the creation of a new county and the people of the south end are heartily in favor of this.

The band is going ahead with the preparations for its picnic on the Fourth. It is presumed that this city will not celebrate and the entertainment afforded by the band will be rather unique and will take the place of the customary celebration.

## WOOD RIVER WELLS

### Boring For Artesian Water In All Parts of Valley

### WILL USE WATER FOR IRRIGATION

Experiments With Artesian Flows Proving Successful In  
All Sections of Northern Klamath—At Least  
20 More Wells Will Soon Be Sunk

### Arrest at Bonanza

Jack Evans, of Bonanza, was arrested yesterday by Deputy Sheriff John Schalklock on complaint of Monroe Lytle, and he was brought to this city for trial. The complaint alleges that on June 2nd Jack Evans outraged the public morals of the city of Bonanza by appearing on the street, clothed in woman's nether garments. It is said that the capers of Mr. Evans caused quite a sensation in the little city.

Wood river valley may appropriately be termed the land of artesian wells. Already there are twelve wells flowing steady streams, and in many instances the water is forced from 3 to 15 feet above the level of the ground. These wells range in depth from 110 to 230 feet, and the water is cool and clear, making it suitable for all uses. It is but a short time since the first artesian well was sunk, but by the close of this season there will be no less than thirty wells in the valley. C. T. Oliver has recently sent enough pipe to that section to sink twenty wells, and Well Borer Duffy, of Merrill, is now working in that section and has enough contracts to keep him busy during the entire summer. It is only a matter of a short time until every home in the valley will be getting its water supply from an artesian well, for in every part of the valley where the experiment has been tried it has been successful.

In the south end of the valley there are wells that flow 60 gallons per minute from a two-inch pipe and the water is thrown as high as nineteen feet above the ground level. The temperature of the water is 37 degrees, but five above the freezing point. Some of the parties in the valley contemplate experimenting with four-inch pipe in order to increase the flow so that it will be of sufficient volume to be valuable in the irrigation of the lands of that valley. Aside from being used for household and stock purposes the water is being used by many in irrigating small patches and fine gardens are being raised. The fact that artesian water abounds in Wood river valley should lead to experiments in other parts of the county. If artesian flows could be found in the Klamath basin it would be a material aid in the development of the country.

Work on the Lake county court house at Lakeview is progressing nicely according to the statements of parties from there. The structure will be one that will be a credit to the county and will suffice all of the demands for many years.

Twelve passengers are about the average that leave this city every morning on the steamer Klamath. The number coming in is about the same.



## Pleasure Excursions On The Upper Klamath Lake

The summer season is bringing with it the excursions on the beautiful Upper lake. No definite announcement of the initial excursion of the season has yet been made, but the first trip of the new steamer will likely be an excursion up Wood river. This will be the first large steamer ready for business on the Upper Lake and consequently it will have the first excursion. Next will come the Winema which will be ready for traffic within a few weeks. In addition to these two there are the steamers Hornet and the Eagle, and also a number of launches. It has been suggested that later on in the season a grand excursion be given on the Upper lake in which the entire flotilla is to participate. A very reasonable rate would induce several

hundred people to go on the trip and it would be the means of getting valuable publicity for the beautiful Klamath resorts. The matter has been suggested to some of the steambot men and they seem to take very kindly to the proposition.

Most of the boats will be used on the Fourth in conveying passengers to and from the picnic grounds, but the entire flotilla of the lake has never turned out in a body and it would be a novelty for the people of this section and result in beneficial advertising.

The first excursion of the season will probably be given a week from next Sunday, the time depending on the weather and the matter of having one of the steamers in commission.

Prof. J. Blough, who taught the High School department of the Lakeview school the past year, was in the city yesterday enroute to the Willamette valley where he will spend the summer. He will not teach at Lakeview next year, but has accepted a similar position at Morrow.

Col. W. H. Holabird is in the city today from Pelican Bay. He says it will be fully a month before all of the improvements at the Harriman resort will be completed. He says it is not known when the Harriman party will arrive, but it will be later than July 1st.

The case of McDerby vs. Eugene Hopkins will come up for trial before Justice of the Peace A. D. Miller tomorrow. Indications are that it will attract considerable attention.

The Stilts Dry Goods Co. has received several shipments of Eastern dress goods. Call and inspect the new line.

V. Conn, a prominent merchant and Republican politician of Paisley, Ore., was in the city last night.

## Wood River Will Be Opened For Navigation

The Adams dredge is now at work on the dike for the experimental farm. The machine was taken to the farm along the railroad cut and by following this course it was necessary to take only a short cut in order to get to the point where work was to begin. The dredge is in good shape and if no accidents happen it will not be long until the dike will be completed. In the meantime Mr. Adams is having a scow built on the Upper Lake and as soon as the experimental farm work is finished the machinery will be moved on to it. It is very probable that the dredge will remain on the Upper Lake and Wood river permanently as there is considerable work to be done in that section, and if Wood river is to be kept open it will take more or less dredging every year. During the summer the Wood

cut will be made and this winter the channel of the river will be opened and straightened.

An effort will be made to open Wood river so that the boats can go as far as Fort Klamath. In order to do this it will be necessary to remove a bridge and to do considerable dredging and it is now too late in the season to do this for summer run. However, this winter the stream will be made navigable to the Fort.

Mike Doohar and John Stilts returned yesterday from a few days trip to the tall uncut. They went out to cruise and estimate the Mayor's timber claim.

You can get a 23-meal book at Willson's hotel for \$4. Board and lodging \$5 a week.—C. D. Willson, Prop.

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