

## HOLD FIRST ELECTION

### Klamath Indians Choose Council to Act in All Matters of Importance

Indians on the Klamath reservation had a big day last Saturday, when for the first time in their history they held an election according to the modes of the white man. It was one of the greatest events of progress that has taken place on the reservation since the Indians have departed from the ways of the savages and learned to don the robe of civilization. The election was held for the purpose of selecting twelve of their representative citizens to represent them in considering all tribal matters. It is another step in advance of the old method of handling business affairs and is preparing the Indians for the duties of American citizenship as soon as the allotments are completed.

Under the able supervision of H. G. Wilson, who has charge of the reservation, the Indians have made rapid progress in learning to be self-reliant and independent. They showed much interest in the selection of their representatives and the election was carried on with printed ballots and in a way similar to that used by their white brothers in holding a regular election. Every Indian seemed to realize that it was to his personal interest that men, capable of dealing with the business problems that are likely to arise, be selected as members of the council.

The reservation has been divided into twelve districts and one representative was elected from each division for one year. Those elected together with the tribes to which they belong are as follows: Henry Hoover, Klamath; Robert Wilson, Klamath; Henry Wilson, Klamath; Rube White, Klamath; Abraham Charley, Klamath; Beck James, Klamath; Jefferson Riddle, Modoc; Homer Hutchinson, Pitt river and Modoc; Joseph Godowa, Plute; will represent the band of Snake river Indians who were allowed allotments and representation; Levi Walker, Klamath; Watson Tupper, Modoc and Peter Schonchin, Modoc.

### Steel Overflowing With Enthusiasm

Will G. Steel arrived in the city last night from Portland where he has been on business for the Crater lake company. He left this afternoon for Pelican Bay in the Bishop launch and from there he will go to his station in the park to prepare for the Chamberlain party which will be his guests within the next few days.

He says that the Medford Commercial Club is very active in securing the Crater lake travel and that they now have a force of men at

work on the mountain road putting it in shape so that automobiles can make better time. Arrangements have been made whereby a delegation from the organization will meet the Governor at the lake and convey him to Medford.

Mr. Steel is more enthusiastic than ever over Crater lake and he is very optimistic regarding the future. The travel has been very good this year and a large number of men of influence have promised to assist in getting a large appropriation for next year.

### Charge Excessive From Mt. Hebron

Until some more satisfactory rate is made Mt. Hebron will not become the general shipping point for Klamath county beef and other live stock. The stockmen of this section are anxious to ship from the Butte valley point, but the rate per car makes it prohibitive. The distance from Mt. Hebron to Montague is about one day's drive with a drove of cattle and the rate to Oakland is \$29.12 higher per car.

In speaking of the matter Chas. Horton, who has just made a shipment from Mt. Hebron to Oakland, said: "We cannot afford to ship from there unless we get better rates. It is all right to ship to Sacramento as they only pay about \$10 a car more and are not forced to unload, but in shipping to Oakland the rate is too high and there is nothing saved by it as we are compelled to unload on the road the same as in shipping from Montague. It is more convenient to ship from Mt. Hebron, but it is much cheaper from Montague. We could afford to pay about \$12 a car more from the Butte valley point, but it is out of the question for us to pay \$29.12 a car from there when we can ship from Montague for \$70."

The matter of a lower rate has been put up to the railroad officials and if the people in the vicinity of Mt. Hebron will co-operate with the stockmen of Southern Oregon it is very probable that a rate will be made that will permit shippers to load in Butte valley instead of driving on across the mountains.

Only a few days since the home of Mr. and Mrs. Percy Sholl was made happy by the arrival of a son, but last night death cast a shadow of gloom over the brightness and the infant died after having lived but three days. Interment took place in the Odd Fellows cemetery today.

### Chamberlain Now at Pelican Lodge

Governor Geo. E. Chamberlain, J. P. O'Brien, manager of the Harriman lines in the Northwest, and F. S. Stanley, secretary-treasurer of the Deschutes Irrigation company, arrived at Fort Klamath last evening and left this morning for Pelican Bay, where they will be the guests of E. H. Harriman for a few days.

They left Shaniko in Mr. Stanley's automobile and made the trip across the state, giving them an opportunity to see the proposed route of the railroad through Central Oregon and also portions of the Deschutes Irrigation project.

After leaving the Bay they will go to Crater lake where the Governor will be met by a delegation from the Medford Commercial Club and will be conveyed to the Rogue river city in an automobile.

It is not known if he will visit Klamath Falls, but it is understood that the directors of the Chamber of Commerce will extend him an invitation to visit this city, and if he sees fit to accept it a delegation will escort him here from Pelican Bay.

### WILL RECLAIM SWAMP LANDS.

Work to Commence Within a Few Weeks on Klamath Marsh.

Chief Engineer Code, of the Indian Department, and Engineer Hill, Inspector of Indian Irrigation systems, arrived in the city yesterday from the Klamath Agency and went out on the boat this morning. They made a thorough investigation of the reclamation project for the Klamath reservation and as a result work will begin in about three weeks on the drainage of 25,000 acres of marsh land. The work will be under the supervision of Major H. G. Wilson, the superintendent of the reservation.

This land will add greatly to the value of the reservation as it will make excellent meadow and pasture, it comprises only a portion of the marsh included in the survey for the reclamation project that has been under consideration for the past few years.

Game Warden G. W. Gibson recently made a trip to the north end of the county in search of tourists who are hunting without licenses. He spent several days in the mountains, but found no illegal hunting, all of the animals having in their possession the required document. He also visited Merrill and while there issued a number of licenses. He is putting in his time looking after the game of this county and every sportsman should give him assistance in the enforcement of the laws.

Green corn, cabbage, onions, cucumbers, rhubarb, new potatoes, carrots, tomatoes, peppers and radishes at the Monarch. They are not stale, but fresh every day.

### Demand For Beef Not Very Strong

Chas. Horton has returned from Oakland where he went with a shipment of stock. He states that the market is not as good as he had expected. The California stock was late this year and it is not yet used up so that the shippers from this section are getting into the market at a time when they must compete with the California growers. While he was in Oakland a drove of 200 fat steers was driven from the foot hills near there to the stock yards. The stock was in exceptionally good condition and there are many similar droves still on the range.

It is the opinion of Mr. Horton that the shortage in the East in the beef supply has had a very slight, if any effect upon the markets of the Pacific Coast. He thinks that the market for fall shipments will continue a little weak, but that fed stock will bring very good prices during the winter and in the spring.

A. F. Hunt, a Washington buyer, is here looking for veal for the Seattle and Tacoma markets. He states that there is a large amount of available beef in the north, but that the prices are getting better and that the demand is gradually increasing although it is far from being strong. It is his opinion that the opening of the large stock yards and packing house in Portland will improve the conditions here as it will give stockmen of this section an opportunity to ship both north and south. He will spend some time here looking over the available veal and beef supply.

### Musical Feast for Klamath People

Mr. and Mrs. Henry L. Bettman, of Portland, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Applegate at the Brookside Ranch. Mr. Bettman is a violinist too well known by music lovers and especially by those who were so fortunate as to hear him when he gave a concert here four years ago to need any introduction to the people of Klamath Falls. It is indeed a great privilege to be permitted to once more listen to such a master of the violin.

On Thursday evening of this week Mr. Bettman will give a recital in the High School assembly hall. Admission will be 75 cents, and part of the proceeds will go to the high school. It is to be hoped that there will be a large attendance not only in the interest of the High School of which Klamath county is justly proud, but also in the interest of the best music, which our city is fortunate in securing an opportunity of hearing.

Mr. Bettman is always recognized and appreciated by the great musicians who come to the Coast. While in San Jose, Cal., he gave three seasons of chamber concerts in which

## GUESTS OF CHAMBER

### Y. M. C. A. Hikers Entertained in This City by Commercial Organization

such artists as Trebelli, Godowsky, Bloomfield, Zeisler and Kathryn Fiske appeared. He also exerted his personal influence to induce his noted teacher, Ysaye, and the famous Kubelik to appear in concert in San Jose. Such proofs of appreciation and the friendship on the part of the greatest masters of today speak for themselves.

In the cities of Portland and Seattle Mr. Bettman is well known and admired by all musicians as well as by the public who accord him an enthusiastic reception whenever he appears in concert.

The concert Thursday evening will be given under the auspices of the Tuesday Evening Musical Club.

### Council Meets Tonight.

The regular semi-monthly meeting of the city council will be held tonight. The most important business to come before this meeting will be the matter of taking up the extension of the city limits. It is not known what action will be taken in this matter, but there are those who are no longer so strongly in favor of an extension, but who rather favor the idea of bonding the city in its present condition for enough to take up all of the floating indebtedness and to build a sewerage system.

It seems that it is quite generally understood that the best thing the city can expect from expansion at this time is a law suit which may prove rather expensive. Some action will be taken in the matter at the meeting tonight.

The Harriman hunting party arrived at Fort Klamath yesterday evening on the way to the lodge. Roland was the hero of the party as he had in his possession the large bear that he killed Friday evening. The party also had several deer which were killed by the Harriman boys. They went on to the lodge this morning.

Clay Taylor leaves in the morning for Ashland and from there he will return to Nevada where he is now located. He says that conditions are quite good in that state and that business of all kinds is picking up. He came here on account of the illness of his brother "Babe," who is now able to be about again.

Mrs. Geo. T. Pratt and Miss Ruby Hillis left this morning for the Agency landing where they will be met by Rev. Pratt and his father and will accompany them to Spring creek for a few days' fishing after which the party will visit Crater lake and other points of interest.

The Portland Y.M.C.A. hikers arrived in this city yesterday evening on the steamer Winema, which met them at the Agency landing where they had pitched camp for the night. This morning they were taken in charge by the directors of the chamber of commerce and taken for a short drive through the valley. At two o'clock this afternoon they were again loaded in wagons and taken to the Upper lake landing where a launch was in waiting to convey the party to Odessa, where they will be met by their camp wagon and will hike across the hills to the Lake of the Woods to pick huckleberries for a few days. They will also climb Mt. Pitt while in that section, and expect to reach Ashland in time to arrive at Portland next Sunday.

A. M. Grilley, the physical director of the organization who is in charge of the party, said, when asked about the hike: "We have had a fine trip. The boys are all in good shape and we have enjoyed every part of the trip. It is rather a hard way to travel, but still it is great when one is with a jolly crowd and we surely have a lot of good fellows. We have been treated royally on the trip and think Klamath is all right. You certainly have a splendid valley here. We did not get to see much of it, but we saw some of the potatoes and cabbages that are grown here and that convinced us that Klamath is all right."

Mr. Grilley expressed the sentiment of the crowd when he spoke and when the hikers return to Portland they will all be loud in the praise for this section and for the people of the Klamath country.

The personnel of the party is as follows: A. M. Grilley, W. J. Blumenschein, Chas. H. Maria, W. W. Belcher, J. G. Arbutnot, A. Pfander, E. B. Harley, H. Johannsen, Geo. Sebben and H. W. Nelson.

### Sustains Broken Leg.

C. N. Meyers was kicked on the leg last night by a horse and sustained a severe fracture of the leg, the bone being broken above the knee. The fracture was a severe one and as Mr. Meyers is pretty well along in years it will cause him considerable trouble. Dr. Hamilton was summoned and reduced the fracture, but it will likely be some time before Mr. Meyers will be able to be about. He is now confined to his room at the American hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Horning are in the city from Medford and will remain here a few days attending to business matters. Mr. Horning is a firm believer in the future of the Rogue river city.



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