

# NO FURTHER MOVES BY WATER COMPANY

## COUNCIL ULTIMATUM

THAT IT MUST NOT FURNISH SUPPLY FROM CITY SOURCES CAUSES CORPORATION TO REST ON ITS OARS

While not done in open meeting the council has decided against permitting the Klamath Falls Light and Water company to furnish the city with a domestic supply taken from within the city limits, and has notified the company that it must go out of town to get the aqua.

Therefore the contract which the water company had with G. A. Harmon, the well driller from Riddle, Ore., to go half a mile deep with a 12-inch pipe on the Reames property after artesian water, will be abandoned.

It would have been impossible to get this contract filled this winter under the conditions imposed by Evan H. Reames, owner of the land where the well was proposed, as it was his stipulation that the work be done prior to January 1st, when he will leave for the winter.

He wished to have operations conducted on his property while he was in the city, and as Contractor Harmon, owing to inability to get large enough pipe to start work, took a contract for a smaller well on the Klamath county poor farm, which is not yet completed, fulfillment of the company's intention in a way to meet Mr. Reames' desires would be impossible.

The city council has taken the stand that pure water is not to be had in the city limits, without giving the water company a chance, so it is said, to demonstrate whether it may or not, and as the corporation does not care to spend \$400,000 or \$500,000 to get a water supply outside of town, especially when it does not know just where suitable water may be had, it is letting the city go ahead with plans to get a municipally owned and controlled supply without attempting to hold the field.

"There is nothing strained or unpleasant about the situation," said General Manager George J. Walton of the water company this morning. "The company believes that it is not justified in attempting an outlay of probably half a million dollars in an effort to bring water from outside territory unless it has a contract of some kind which will bind the city. If we knew just where we could get the water or just how far it would be necessary to go, with some tangible idea of what was before us, both as to prospects of available supply of pure water and for an understanding with the city on a business basis, it would be different."

The original franchise of the light and water company, dated in 1893, was to furnish the city with service in both the branches indicated for a decade, at the end of which time the city could buy at an appraised valuation, allowing 8 per cent profit per year for each year of operation. If not bought at the end of ten years the company was to have an additional five year period at an appraised valuation, allowing 8 per cent profit for the five years. Five year periods under like conditions were to follow, and the company now operates in the first of the five year periods, being in the third year.

editor of the "Lantern," a government organ. He was the personal friend of ex-Premier Briand.

The police have had the names of more than 300 children, from 9 to 17 years old, who were sold by their mothers to well paying "clients," or sold on commission by other "ladies," who divided the money with the girls' mothers.

The stories told by these children to examining magistrates deal with scenes which would have been novelities of depravity in Sodom and Gomorrah.

Great festivities are on, with former Queen Liliuokalani and Admiral Chaney Thomas, commanding the fleet, as the guests of honor.

Admiral Thomas declared that it was one of the ambitions of his life to be the first commander to steam into the new harbor.

Sometimes the United Press sends in a story in abbreviated fashion which is too much for the telegraph editor to extend, especially if he is feeling somewhat beneath the elements.

So rather than suppress an item of possible news the following is offered for consideration by the gentle reader, who may become ferocious after working on it a while:

"Los Angeles—White son Joseph, 22, slept hotel here, Samuel Ayres, formerly Boston, shot him, suicided. Bled stateless. Son dying hospital. Arrived three months ago purchased large ranch. Mystery."

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Much good work was done by Hayden of the Pavilion five, who scored 16 of the 20 points accredited to his side. Garrett, captain of the high school bunch, did the best work for his side, throwing three goals and one foul. Whatever the high school boys feel they lost by the game, they can console themselves that the celebration they indulged in before the game, with joyful noises, was worthy of any victory they might have achieved. The score by which they lost was 20 to 13.

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# HARD ON HORSES IS SLIPPERY PAVE

UNSHOD ANIMALS HAD TOUGH TIME TODAY, OWING TO THE FREEZE-UP OVER NIGHT, ESPECIALLY ON BITULITHIC PAVE

Yesterday's brief but severe rain storm which followed the fall of large, fat, fluffy flakes of snow, left the ground covered with moisture, so that the coolness which visited this vicinity over night congealed said moisture, thereby leading to a slippery condition on the streets this morning, especially those highways paved with bitulithic or other suitable material.

The result was tough on nags that were in need of shoeing. One man who came saddleback from the country yesterday had to lead his palfrey about on the icy pave this morning until the horse was shod anew. If the man had been aboard the steed would undoubtedly have fallen. As it was, nearly every step he took made his various legs describe arcs, circles, etcetera. Sometimes the legs moved toward all points of the compass at once it being very embarrassing to the owner of said legs.

I have reasonable articles in all lines of jewelry. Fine line of watches for either ladies or gentlemen. If you are going to give a watch as a present I'd like to show you my stock. I will make you a price on good goods.

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# GOOD FIGHT MADE BY HIGH SCHOOL

MEETS PAVILION FIVE IN BASKETBALL CONTEST, SCORING 18 TO THE 20 OF THE BIGGER, STRONGER FORCE

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Umpire-referees—Hurn and Smith.

# THERMOMETER IS DOING NORMALLY

RECORD FOR PAST THREE DAYS DOES NOT SHOW ANYTHING UNUSUAL IN MATTER OF THE WEATHER

Last night's low was 23 at 3 a. m., compared with 28 at 9 p. m. Thursday night, and 21 at 8 a. m. Thursday morning, both low points having been observed on the same day. At 8 o'clock this morning 24 was the record against 31 yesterday, and 21 Thursday. Last night at 8 o'clock 31, compared with the same at the corresponding hour Thursday and 24 Wednesday. The high yesterday was 37 at 3 p. m., against 44 at 4 p. m. Thursday and 40 at 3 p. m. Wednesday.

# YOUNG WOMAN SHERIFF IS AN ATTRACTIVE OFFICIAL

LAKEVIEW, Dec. 16.—A charming young woman is the present sheriff of Lake county, a state of affairs due to the absence of Sheriff Warner B. Snyder, who is looking after business matters in San Francisco, and the recent resignation of Deputy Eph Miller, who took another position.

She is Miss Trixy McVey, and is making a success of the shrievalty, as she has not had to arrest anyone since assuming the office, and chances are if any person were charged with an offense he would come in and surrender without any further parley.

Miss McVey is comparatively a new resident of the county, having come here last spring, and her rise in the political affairs of Lake county has been rapid.

I have a bunch of Big Ben clocks, and dearest Italy Bells, too.

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# MONEY IS ASKED IN SUIT ENTERED

OWNERS OF FLOURING MILL INSTITUTE LEGAL PROCEEDINGS WHICH AIM AT THE RECOVERY OF WHERESWITHAL

An action for the recovery of money has been entered in the circuit court and filed in the office of County Clerk Charles R. De Lap by Martin Bros. against the Long Lake Lumber company and S. I. Masten.

The plaintiff company is owner of a flour mill, and the suit entered is with a view to recovering \$132.85, which the mill owners claim is due them for grain furnished to the defendants.

C. M. O'Neill is attorney for the plaintiff.

I have a complete line of "1847 Rogers Vintage" pattern and Oneida Community silver in the "Sheraton" pattern.

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# OLD WOMAN WITH INDIAN CLUB SWATS THUG'S HEAD

Pair of Robbers Who Enter Home of Septuagenarian Meet With Reception Full of Surprising Vigor, One Being Knocked Out

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 16.—Swinging an ancient Indian war club, Mrs. M. Holder, 71 years old, knocked two robbers out at her home here at an early hour and then ran to the police station to give herself up for murder. But one of the thugs had recovered, doused the other with water and assisted him away before the officers arrived.

The men entered her house. One told her to get her money and the other went to the yard in the rear to watch. Instead of the money she returned with the concealed club, swung it on the first crook's head, ran into the yard, knocked the second to the ground, and continued on to the street on the run to the nearest police station.

# HIGH POWER LAMPS BEING GIVEN TEST

STYLISH LIGHTING LIGHT COMPANY PUTS IN HUNDREDS TUNGSTEN INCANDESCENTS TO SEE EFFECT OF IMPROVEMENT

As an experiment toward improving the city's lighting system the Klamath Falls Light and Water company has put in about 100 strong Tungsten lamps on poles along Klamath, Main, Pine and other streets in the thickly settled portion of the city. These lamps are of 80-candle power, against the 24-candle power—and, in some instances 16-candle power—Edison incandescent bulbs whose places they took.

General Manager George J. Walton said this morning that the company wished to see what effect the lights would make, and expressed the probability that if the city cared to use them instead of the smaller power lamps the expense would be only slightly greater.

"These lamps give a great deal more light in candle power, but use very little more electricity," said he, "and for that reason would not be much more expensive in operation. The improvement was not suggested to us by anyone, but is a test to see whether a different kind of lamp would not be desirable for the city. We would not care to put in an entire system of Tungstens until we have a contract arrangement with the city, as it would cost us about \$6,000 to equip the entire local lighting equipment with the new style of lamp. We have to have a switch on each pole to turn them on and off, and a man to go around each day and attend to this. It would not do to let them run all the time, as it would be too much waste. If we equip the city throughout with them we will have it arranged so they can all be turned on or off with a single switch."

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—Mrs. Annie Sperber of New York is dead, having literally laughed herself to death at some new jokes told her by a neighbor, Mrs. Katherine Phillips.

After Mrs. Phillips had told an unusually funny story, which had sent Mrs. Sperber into a violent laughing fit, she followed it quickly with another which Mrs. Sperber had not heard. The merriment caused by the combined humor of the two stories resulted in such convulsions that Mrs. Sperber's laughter grew weaker and weaker, and as it ended in a last faint chuckle the woman was found to be dead.

SCHMITZ TROLLEY CASES WILL BEGIN NEXT MONTH

United Press Service SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 16.—The trial of ex-Mayor Schmitz for bribery in connection with the trolley cases begins January 5th, by order of Judge Lawlor.

Schmitz appeared in court today, his attorney, Frank Drew, strenuously objecting to any delay.

Temple theater, Matinee daily, 2:30 p. m. Evening, first performance, 7:15, continuous.

# SAYS RUSSIA'S CONQUEST OF THIS COUNTRY ONLY WAY TO BAR US

no doubt in my mind whether Russia protests or not that the resolution will pass the senate.

Minority Leader Mann said: "If the resolution passes the treaty will be abrogated. Russia, if she chooses, may exclude all Americans. If we say we're determined that Americans shall go in, Russia can only oppose that demand by conquering us at the end of a war."

The White House says the entire situation has been placed before the senate foreign committee.

# Omission Of Road Work In Estimates For Crater Lake Park Is Explained

The estimates for the Crater Lake National Park by the secretary of the interior propose an expenditure of \$15,000 during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1913, an increase of \$12,000 over the appropriation for the present fiscal year, as heretofore noted in these columns.

The superintendent of the park, W. Frank Argat, submitted a total estimate of \$169,140, including \$153,000 for the construction of roads and bridges.

# NEED NOT BOIL WATER ANY LONGER AT SEATTLE

Residents of Northwestern Metropolis Can Hereafter Drink City Supply of Water Without Fear of Typhoid Germs

SEATTLE, Dec. 16.—After boiling their water for nearly two weeks, the population of Seattle will after today be able to drink city water without fear of typhoid germs.

When recent floods broke the city pipe lines, Lake Washington water was sent through the mains. As it is not free of typhoid, the authorities ordered all water boiled before use.

# LITTLE LANDS IDEA SHOWN SUCCESSFUL IN ENGLAND

Practical Test of Small Farming Proposition Shows That of 5,000 Places Made No Owner Has Had to Forefeit Holdings

CHICAGO, Dec. 16.—Advocates of the "Little Lands" idea, recently urged at the sessions of the national irrigation congress here by Gifford Pinchot and others, today issued a statement from the Agricultural Organization Society of England, showing how a similar scheme works in the British Isles.

Before the English small holdings