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ELKS CONSIDER OWNING HOME

GENERAL SITES OFFERED FOR CONSIDERATION OF LODGE FOR BUILDING—PRESENT QUARTERS SMALL.

The members of the local Elks lodge are beginning to take great interest in a movement looking toward the erection of a home. There is some difference of opinion among the members as to whether they should secure a business or income property, or whether they should secure property in a good location and build a comfortable home with ample grounds for the convenience and pleasure of the members.

While a nice home would meet with the approval of all of the members, it is realized that the expense necessary for maintenance might be a heavy burden on quite a number of the members. However, they are all united on the necessity of getting busy in securing a home, and the question of the style of a building to be erected will probably be settled in the near future. A committee has been appointed to prepare the necessary papers to incorporate the lodge, so that they will be in a position to transact business in a proper manner and purchase property.

Several sites for a home have been offered the lodge on the most liberal terms by the members of the lodge. They are desirous of seeing the lodge in its own home. The present quarters of the lodge, while very comfortable and convenient, are becoming crowded as the membership increases, and as more equipment is secured for the club rooms.

Prof. Melrose, one of the trustees of the lodge, has offered his present business property on the corner of Third and Klamath streets for the lodge. Another property that has been offered is the Alex. Martin property on the corner of Main and Third streets, opposite the court house. This was offered by Mr. Martin on the same terms as that of Mr. Melrose, although the offer may be withdrawn at any time. Chas. Graves made a similar offer of the property opposite the Boston store. The offers are being discussed by the members, but no definite action has yet been taken by the lodge.

Orchestra Starts 5c Dance Tonight

A five-cent dance which will take place every Saturday night at the opera house is the latest innovation that has been placed on the boards for amusement in this city. Every person will be required to pay the fee of five cents for each dance in which he takes part, there being no admission charged at the door except that of ten cents, which entitles the party to two dances.

The music for the dance will be furnished by the White Pelican orchestra, and dancing will commence promptly at 9 o'clock.

REMEMBER THE MAINE BURIED IN ARLINGTON

United Press Service
WASHINGTON, D. C., March 23.—Thirty-four caskets, covered with flowers, containing the bones of victims of the Maine, were buried in Arlington cemetery this afternoon at 4:30. The ceremonies were attended by President Taft, the cabinet members and high officials of the army and navy, while 25,000 people watched the coffins carried along Pennsylvania avenue toward the navy building, where the funeral ceremonies were held at 2:30.

INFANT MORTALITY APPALLING—SUFFERING IS INTENSE

United Press Service
LONDON, March 23.—The strike is causing intense suffering everywhere in England, Scotland and Wales. Thousands of families in the cities have pawned everything, including furniture, and are living in bare rooms without fuel or food. The mortality among infants is already frightful, and is rapidly growing worse.

Remember the chicken-pie dinner at the library on Saturday evening. 8

JAUREZ PORT REOPENED AND FOOD STUFF ADMITTED

United Press Service
EL PASO, Texas, March 23.—Advices received from rebel sources say that fighting between Salazar's forces and the federales under General Truzy Auberts near Escalon ended last night, with the repulse of the federal advance. An attack is expected by federal forces on Jimenez today. The port of Jaurez has been reopened to food stuffs, and the danger of famine in Northern Chihuahua is removed.

BRYAN HAS NO PREFERENCE BETWEEN WILSON AND CLARK

United Press Service
LINCOLN, Neb., March 23.—Replying to Senator Hitchcock's declaration for Harmon, Bryan today made the statement that he would support either Wilson or Clark if nominated. Bryan is reported as saying: "As between Wilson or Clark, I do not care to express any preference, but I do favor either against any reactionary nomination. I will be pleased to assist the nomination of either Wilson or Clark."

GENERAL STRIKE AVERTED BY COTTON MANUFACTURERS

United Press Service
FALL RIVER, Mass., March 23.—The cotton manufacturers association averted a general strike today by posting notices in the mills, which employ 23,000 textile workers, stating that an increase of ten per cent would be given all employees who returned to work Monday morning. The operatives had refused an increase of 5 per cent.

SIEMENS RETURNS FROM 'FRISCO AND PORTLAND

United Press Service
KLAMATH FALLS, OREGON, March 23.—Captain J. W. Siemens returned last evening from Portland. Captain Siemens went to San Francisco with the special excursion, and on his return went to Medford and Portland. He states that Klamath Falls made a big showing at San Francisco, as it had the second largest delegation from Oregon, next to Portland. About fifty people from this city were in attendance.

BEEF PACKERS' CASE POSTPONED, ILLNESS OF JURORS

United Press Service
CHICAGO, March 23.—Owing to illness among jurors, the beef packers case was postponed until late this afternoon. Attorney Butler will close the case on behalf of the government prosecution. It is believed that Judge Carpenter will then instruct the jury and the case will draw to a close.

SEARCHING FOR BURGLAR IN AUTOS AND ON HORSEBACK

United Press Service
OXNARD, Cal., March 23.—Over a hundred men in autos and on horseback are searching the surrounding country for the burglar who fatally shot Constable Warren Willard. The fugitive, it is said is heavily armed.

DATE OF SOCIAL CHANGED

It has been decided to hold the regimonthly social at the Presbyterian church on Monday evenings, March 25th, instead of April 5th.

Mr. L. Sillman, who arrived here recently with his wife from Los Angeles, is going into the real estate business, and expects to join in a partnership with Henry Markwardt.

Best dance music you ever heard at the five-cent dance at Houston's opera house Saturday night.

Dancing tonight. Sparks.

HORTON IS BACK FROM SEATTLE

WILL PROBABLY FINISH IRRIGATION SYSTEM IN NORTH YONNA VALLEY—RESERVOIR IS IN GOOD SHAPE

Chas. Horton arrived last evening from Seattle, and expects to spend several months here this summer. Mr. Horton is putting in an irrigation system in the northern end of Yonna Valley, which will cover two or three thousand acres. The reservoir was built last year, and is now over half full of water. The water is secured from Buck Creek, which is supplied by the melting snow from the mountains. On account of the light snow the past winter the water supply is not as great as is usually would be. The test made during the winter has shown that the reservoir has been well constructed, and is capable of holding a full supply of water.

Asked if he would complete the project this summer, Mr. Horton stated that he was here to take up that matter, but that it would depend somewhat on the land owners, as only about 1,000 acres had been signed up and he wanted to be assured that he was going to dispose of the water before he went to any further expense. However, he believed that the land would be all signed, as he had not urged them to do so before until he had demonstrated that he could compound sufficient water to irrigate the lands.

Mr. Horton states that it will take the greater portion of the summer to complete the system. The ditches will not be difficult in construction, but it will be necessary to construct about 1,000 feet, and is well seasoned.

KLAMATH LADY WINS LAND SUIT

DISTRICT COURT RENDERS DECISION IN THE CASE OF A. D. DANIELS VS. JESSIE E. WAGNER OF THIS CITY

Word was received in this city today that in the case of A. D. Daniels against Jessie E. Wagner, an equity suit in the circuit district court of this state, a decision had been handed down in favor of the defendant.

The latter, Mrs. Wagner, resides here, and she is the recipient of many congratulations on a victory that involves for her about \$6,000. The decision, however, it is said by lawyers, will reflect a strong bearing on a group of other cases from this county, the total monetary interest involved being over \$100,000.

The case in which Mrs. Wagner was interested and has resulted in her favor, was argued three weeks ago before Judge Bean, formerly of the supreme bench of this state, in the district circuit court by Attorney Fred H. Mills of this city for the successful litigant, and by Robert Treat Platt of the firm of Platt, Platt & Hugh Montgomery of Portland, for the plaintiff, Daniels. The latter is a resident of Rhineland, Wis.

It would seem that the point upon which Daniels lost his case was by litigating it before the land department and neglecting to serve notice of appeal on the entrywoman and purchaser in equity.

The strongest feature of the case is, however, apparently that a government patent is final and conclusive. It transpired that in 1904 Mrs. Wagner filed a scrip; she proved up and paid for the land. Daniels' scrip had been rejected by the land department, and it was then argued that the effect of a decree of court holding that Mrs. Wagner's patent held in trust for the use and benefit of plaintiff would be that Daniels would still have the "base" he offered the government for this land, while the government would have no means Mrs. Wagner would have no means of recovering the purchase price paid to the United States for a five-year residence in case of homestead.

The case recalled some strange features of Oregon litigation, notably the land fraud cases, in which Edward H. Perrin figured so notably.

Daniels claimed that there were errors in the United States land department in rejecting plaintiff's claim to the land and issuing a patent to Mrs. Wagner.

That the case will set at rest much doubt and many disquieting conditions is unquestioned, but it will not ally the positions of many present so-called homesteaders.

COMPROMISE REJECTED AND ALLANS PREPARE FOR FIGHT

United Press Service
HILLSVILLE, Va., March 23.—The Allen gang of outlaws have retreated deeper into the mountains. The offer made by them for a compromise and surrendered was refused by the authorities, and this, it is thought, ends all chance of taking the outlaws alive.

Sidney Edwards, the youth suspected of complicity with the Allens in the court room tragedy, has been subjected to the "third degree," but no information has been gained from him.

BIG SHOWING OF FUR ANIMALS

TWO MEN FROM LANGELL AND POE VALLEYS BRING IN BUNCH OF HIDES ON WHICH THEY COLLECT \$76 BOUNTY

C. Kinder and W. A. Donnell brought to the county clerk's office this morning two loads of coyote and bobcat hides, on which they secured \$76 in bounty. Mr. Kinder had 20 coyotes and 6 cats, and Mr. Donnell 16 coyotes and 5 cats. The animals were caught in Poe Valley and Langell Valley this spring. In addition to the bounty, the hides will bring a good price, so that the men have had very profitable employment during the winter months.

TEACHERS' INSTITUTE TO BE HELD AT MERRILL

A local teachers' institute and school rally will be held at Merrill on the evening of March 29 and the following day. The evening program will consist of entertainment presented by the Merrill school children and several short addresses. Special effort will be made at this meeting to explain the industrial contest, and to arouse an added interest in it.

On Saturday the teachers of the county and school patrons are invited to attend and take part in the discussions on school problems.

The Merrill teachers and pupils are taking much pains to prepare for the entertainment of teachers. A very large attendance of teachers is desired.

WELL KNOWN RESIDENT PASSES AWAY SUDDENLY WHILE ON A VISIT WITH HIS WIFE IN JOSEPHINE COUNTY

Ivan Daniels received a wire today announcing the death of his wife's father, M. W. Epy, which occurred this morning at Leland, near Grants Pass. Death was sudden, and was the result of heart disease. Mr. Epy and wife here for a number of years.

NO HEARING IN CARROLL CASE

DEFENDANT AND HIS ATTORNEY ARE ONLY ONES IN COURT WHEN CASE WAS CALLED AT 2:30 O'CLOCK

The case against John D. Carroll, charged with larceny by bailee, was set for preliminary hearing at 2:30 this afternoon in Justice of the Peace Graves' court. This is the case founded on a charge by Wm. Mickler, upon which Mr. Carroll was earlier this week brought back from San Francisco.

Carroll appeared in court, but no one else appeared. At 4 o'clock this afternoon the state's attorney and defendant's attorney, C. M. O'Neill, were in conference, the nature of which was not ascertainable.

Fast Race on Roller Skates

One of the most exciting roller races that has ever taken place in this city was pulled off at the Pavilion rink last night, when Earl Hilton proved the better man in the argument, and came out with flying colors. The contestants who entered the race were Earl Hilton, Jesse Hunsaker, Ivan Rounds, Louis Hoagland and Ed Proppa.

At the start was made on the part of the racers, and consequently they had to be recalled and started over again. At the second crack of the pistol Hoagland secured first position, and set a fast pace, which caused a good deal of spurring on the part of the other contestants.

In the fourth lap Hunsaker lost his balance and fell to the floor, but he showed his grit by jumping up quickly and resuming the race. Proppa also had the misfortune to fall in the tenth lap, which made it impossible for him to continue. Meantime the leaders were having a hot discussion between themselves. By dint of great exertion Hilton managed to forge to the front, and from then on he maintained his lead to the finish of the race. Hilton's better knowledge of racing tactics brought him to the front and won the race for him.

When the gong sounded for the last lap Hilton was the only man on the floor. The judges for the contest were E. Johnson, Ray Telford and K. Ambrose.

West May Come to Klamath Falls

On May 1st this city is to have the pleasure of seeing some moving pictures which will bear relatively on the Boosters who just recently visited San Francisco and will show in great measure the proceedings which have taken place there. Secretary Gale T. Oliver, of the Chamber of Commerce, has just secured these and thinks it will be a good idea to bring them to Klamath Falls and show just what is going on with the Boosters excursion that journeyed to California may have a good opportunity of seeing the proceedings from the screen. It is also expected that Governor West, who has been invited to visit, accompanied by Mrs. West.

From the foregoing it seems that Klamath Falls has made a pretty good impression with the people of the outside world, and is rapidly taking her place in the doings of the larger cities of Oregon and the Pacific coast. Should Governor West consent to come here and make a visit it will stand the citizens in hand to exert every effort in turning out and showing the state executive how well we appreciate his honoring this city with his presence.

TEN MILLION PEOPLE ARE FACING STARVATION

LONDON, March 23.—Two million and a half workers are jobless. Depending on them are enough others to bring the total facing starvation as a result of the miners' strike to ten millions. Heads of municipalities have advised the government that unless the strike is settled they cannot maintain order. Food riots are occurring in Scotland and Wales.

Tom Garrett of Ely, who has been strongly urged and talked of as a candidate on the democratic ticket for sheriff, has been in the city for several days looking over the field. He has come to the conclusion that he cannot afford to leave his ranch for a political campaign, and announced this afternoon before leaving for home that he was out of the race for good. This leaves S. L. Walker and J. St. George Bishop to fight for the democratic nomination.

LIBRARY CLUB FAVORS NOT WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE

In a Heated Discussion of the Question A very animated and argumentative discussion concerning the women suffrage question was indulged in by the women of the Library Club yesterday afternoon, when a large gathering was on hand to partake of an afternoon tea. Sides were chosen, for and against the question, in which Mrs. Cogswell and Mrs. Stearns took the affirmative side and Mrs. Talbot and Mrs. Maude Ringo were on the negative side. The speakers for both sides expressed themselves very strongly concerning the merits of women's suffrage, and the discussion that ensued aroused no small sentiment among those present.

As a final outcome of the argument a straw vote was taken for the purpose of ascertaining the opinion of those present, and the result stood 4 to 7 in favor of the negative. It is reported that so interesting and heated was the discussion that all were oblivious of the fact that the water which had been placed on the stove for the purpose of making the tea was entirely forgotten and allowed to get cold, consequently what was supposed to be an afternoon tea turned out otherwise than planned.

PERSONAL MENTION

Fishing licenses were issued from the clerk's office today to the following: R. A. Mitchell, Geo. Shell, G. F. Wilson, H. W. Poole, A. W. Shur, G. W. Grace, Jack Frost, D. S. McCollum, Allen Green, M. T. Dowdy, Max Robertson, Chas. Puttee, Curtis E. Widdoes, H. H. Van Valkenburg, C. H. Harpest, John Stamb, Robt. Gritsbaugh, B. S. Moore, W. A. Sparks, W. L. Alexandria, Jesse Spradling, Geo. Chastain and Chas. F. De Lap.

Robert Chespe, living twelve miles south, was a city visitor today. He was accompanied by his family. He came in to get new equipment to do the spring work.

The five-cent dance at the opera house tonight will be an innovation and one that will be appreciated by lovers of the pastime.

John Shepherd, one of the pioneer farmers of the Klamath basin, is in the city today transacting business. Mrs. Bertha Dixon is building a handsome cottage on Eighth street near Washington.

J. A. McReynolds, now the owner of the Henley ranch, is in the city today.

Remember that prize dance at the Sparks tonight.

G. W. O'Neil of Merrill is in the city on business.

SAYS ROOSEVELT NOBODY'S CHOICE

BROTHER-IN-LAW OF COLONEL WHO IS TAFT'S MANAGER, SAYS PEOPLE HAVE SPOKEN IN NORTH DAKOTA

SAN FRANCISCO, March 23.—The result in North Dakota shows that Roosevelt is neither the choice of the people nor of the republicans, either in North Dakota or anywhere else," said Colonel Charles Millin Hammond, Roosevelt's brother-in-law, who is chairman of the Taft republicans.

"There persons who truly reflect the sentiment of the so-called insurgent wing of the republican party are supporting La Follette. And now that Roosevelt knows this, it may be possible that such boomers as Governor Johnson and some of his friends in California may eventually realize that Roosevelt lived for a long time in the Dakotas on a ranch, and his defeat is more striking on that account.

"There was no fight made in North Dakota by the Taft campaign managers, as they considered it the wisest policy to allow La Follette and Roosevelt fight it alone. That it was a good plan is proved by the fact that the issue between the third-term aspirant and the deserted insurgent leader was clear cut and the people have spoken loud enough to be heard at Oyster Bay and Sacramento.

"And let me make a prediction: There will be little difference in the defeat of Roosevelt in North Dakota and his defeat in California."

NEW CIGAR FACTORY

G. B. DeLaney, who came here recently, has secured a lot of machinery in the Heldrick building, and expects his government papers and material here in about a week, when he will start making cigars.

TWO MORE CANDIDATES FOR PRECINCT OFFICERS

Two more candidates entered the race today for the nomination on the republican ticket for precinct officers in Linkville District. R. E. Guthridge, former chief deputy sheriff under W. B. Barnes, will seek the republican nomination for justice of the peace. A number of the lawyers of the city who have appreciated Mr. Guthridge's work in the sheriff's office have been urging him to become a candidate until he finally consented. His opponents are W. H. Shaw, E. W. Johnson and E. B. Ramsby, and as all of them have a host of warm friends the contest is likely to be a lively one.

Will W. Wilson has announced himself a candidate for constable of Linkville district on the republican ticket. Mr. Wilson has been a resident of Klamath Falls practically all of his life, and has served on the city police force. The only other candidate for the job is John G. Schallock, the present incumbent, who has held the office for a number of years.

Regular Saturday Night Dancing

Tonight is dance night at the Sparks theater, and a large attendance is expected, as a great many new contestants will endeavor to get the \$10 cash prize for showing their ability in dancing. As usual, Mason's orchestra will furnish the music, and a competent corps of floor managers will keep everybody dancing. The time, 9:30 sharp.

Chas. Gray, one of the prominent farmers living in the irrigated section near Oleno, is in the city today. He says plowing is in full blast and the prospects are bright for a prosperous year for all farmers. Mr. Gray is a comparatively new man in the country, this being his second year here. He is well pleased with the conditions. He formerly resided in the vicinity of Eugene.

Dancing tonight. Sparks.