

ANOTHER POWER COMPANY MAY COME

KERNS BROTHERS INTERVIEWING BUSINESS MEN WITH A VIEW TO RUNNING A LINE IN FROM KENO

THEIR FILINGS WILL ENABLE THEM TO DEVELOP FOUR THOUSAND H. P.

For the last year, Kerns Brothers have been supplying current to residents of Keno, and for operating irrigation and pumping systems in the vicinity of Keno and Worden—talking of incorporating.

With a view to entering this city in competition with the California-Oregon Power company, J. W. Kerns is here from Keno, interviewing business men regarding possible sources of revenue and customers, for Kerns Brothers, who operate a power plant on the Klamath River, a mile from Keno.

According to Mr. Kerns, should they find sufficient encouragement, the firm will incorporate, enlarge its plant, and will enter the local electrical field. He states that he believes their rates will be lower than those now in force here.

"In case the company finds what it believes the proper encouragement here, and is granted a satisfactory franchise, we expect to have our lines running into Klamath Falls by the first of June," said Mr. Kerns today. "Our filings near Keno will enable us to develop as high as 4,000 horsepower, and if we enter Klamath Falls we will shortly commence the enlargement of the plant."

Kerns Brothers have been in the local electrical field for about a year. After securing filings on the Klamath River, near the rapids, they erected a small power plant last year, and this is now working to its full capacity, making enlargement a necessity.

The town of Keno is furnished with electric lights from this plant, and it also furnishes power for pumping to high land farmers who are putting water on their acreage. The power is

also being utilized by some of the marsh land owners to drain their land.

The lines extend well toward Worden from Keno, and also toward Klamath Falls. At present the Kerns power line comes within three miles of this city.

AGED DOCTOR IS NEARING THE END

DR. HEMENWAY IS IN SERIOUS CONDITION AT HIS HOME ON THE RESERVATION—ATTORNEY GOES TO MAKE WILL.

Attorney D. V. Kuykendall left this city on Monday for Yainax, where he went at the request of Dr. Stacey Hemenway, to draw up the last will and testament of the doctor.

Dr. Hemenway has been connected with the Indian service in the capacity of physician for upwards of twenty years, having served both at the Klamath Agency and at Yainax. His service at the latter place extends over a period of probably a dozen years.

The doctor has been indisposed for some time, and realizes that his advanced age makes it probable that his call may come at any time. Recently his condition has been such that his death might be expected at any time, and in order to leave his earthly affairs in proper shape the doctor has decided to call in the assistance of an attorney.

Madrid proposes to utilize the water brought to the city by an old canal to produce about 3,000 electrical horsepower.

Great Britain contains 24,244 post-offices.

Richard Croker Against Murphy



Newspapers have just discovered a private letter written by Richard Croker after the last election, in which he attacked Charles F. Murphy, the present boss of Tammany Hall. The letter has been published in fac-simile and consternation has spread among the supporters of Murphy in the organization.

Of course, Croker has no power in Tammany Hall now, and has not had for many years. But his attack on Murphy has an effect on the rank and file of the democratic party who vote the Tammany ticket in New York. Whatever may be said about the dictatorial powers of Murphy, Tammany in the last analysis always listens to the voice of the public. If sufficient sentiment in the rank and file is worked up against Murphy, he will be compelled to step out.

SENATOR BACON IS BURIED TODAY

SIMPLE SERVICES AT THE FUNERAL OF FORMER LEGISLATOR FROM GEORGIA—OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE

United Press Service WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 17.—The final tribute was paid the memory of the late Senator Augustus Bacon of Georgia, who died last week, when the funeral services were held in the senate chamber this afternoon. There was no music, no flowers and no eulogy, merely the Episcopal funeral service. The senate chaplain prayed and made the final benediction, and Bishop Harding read the service.

The seats on the floor of the senate were reserved for the senators, congressmen, members of the cabinet, the justices of the supreme court, admirals of the navy, chief of staff of the army and the diplomatic people, who all attended.

May Cable Photos

Within a year, according to Professor Von Glazef of Berlin, it may be possible by the selenium method of Professor Alfred Korn of Munich to transmit pictures across the Atlantic. Professor Korn has already sent pictures 100 miles by wire.

It is announced that the combined trade union and protection funds of the British National Union of Railway men amount to \$1,000,000.

MAN SEEN NEAR FIRE IS SOUGHT

VAGRANT MUSICIAN ACCOSTED NEAR THE BYERS RESIDENCE SHORTLY BEFORE FLAMES BROKE OUT LAST NIGHT

Earnestly engaged in keeping out of the way of the authorities, today is the Mexican mandolinist, who has been a character around the saloons, pool rooms, etc., for several months. There are several questions the officials would like to ask this chap, should he be found in town.

The man under suspicion was seen in the yard of the Byers place Friday night. Shortly before the flames were discovered this morning, Mike Lavenik, on his way home, accosted the wandering minstrel on Ninth street, a short distance from the house that was destroyed.

This morning the suspect was questioned by the police, but there was nothing developed that implicated him. An investigation of his stories, though, shows a variance, and the matter will be looked into more thoroughly.

TALK CAMINETTI FOR HIRAM'S JOB

FORMER MEMBER OF CALIFORNIA ASSEMBLY SAYS FRIENDS ARE URGING HIM TO RUN FOR GOVERNOR

United Press Service WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 17.—Immigration Commissioner Caminetti today admitted that he has received scores of letters and telegrams from California, urging him to run for governor.

"If I run for governor it will be of my own free will, not because of friction with the administration over Japanese immigration," said he. "I expect to make a definite statement March 1st, as I have not had time to consider this seriously."

LIVELY PRELIM GAME ON SLATE

PUBLIC SCHOOL AND FRESHMEN WILL MIX MATTERS BEFORE TOMORROW NIGHT'S BASKETBALL GAME

A basketball game that promises to be as hard fought as the main contest will be played tomorrow evening as a preliminary to the Merrill-K. C. H. S. game at the opera house.

The opponents in the preliminary will be the Central school and the Freshman class of the high school. Both have some good players in their lineups, and both are out to win.

The lineups are: Central School—McMillan and Hilton forwards, Graves center; Peterstetter and Moteschbacher, guards. Freshmen—Houston and Klehl forwards, Everett center, Elliott and Melhase guards.

Makes Pension Record

Vicount Ross of England, who died recently, led all pensioners. For twenty-one years he drew \$10,000 a year, a total of \$210,000. C. P. Villiers, who established the former record, had drawn \$150,000 at the time of his death in 1898.

WILSON IS STILL WORKING FOR THE ALASKA RAILWAY

LANE URGES DEVELOPMENT BY LEASING

Secretary of the Interior Tells Committee on Public Lands That This Would Safeguard Against Monopoly—In Behalf of President, Tumulty Tells Press the Bill is Still Very Much a Live Issue

United Press Service

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 17.—Before the house committee on Public Lands, Secretary Lane of the Department of the Interior today urged the development of Alaska by a federal leasing system, which would safeguard against monopoly.

The secretary said: "I feel confident that the people are convinced that not only would Alaska coal be available, but that the wisest and the safest policy for opening the lands is by the leasing system, and the Pacific Coast calls upon congress to place this fuel supply at the command of the public."

President Wilson has not abandoned the plan for a government railroad to develop Alaska. The White House today denied the report that the president has decided that he could not pass such a measure at this session.

"The contrary is the exact fact in the case," said Secretary Tumulty. "The development of Alaska is dear to the president's heart. He hopes and expects congress to do its part without delay."

SAY WILSON MAY VETO ALIEN LAW

POLITICIANS BELIEVE THIS IS CERTAIN IF ILLITERACY TEST IS INCLUDED—PRESIDENT IS SILENT

United Press Service

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 17.—Politicians predict that President Wilson will veto the immigration bill if it carries provision for an illiteracy test. On this point, the president will not speak.

Chairman Smith of the senate immigration committee expects the president to approve the bill if it passes the senate with a big majority. He takes the position that this would be evidence of the country's sentiment.

CHRISTOFFERSON COMPLETES TRIP

AVIATOR FLIES FROM THE EXPOSITION GROUNDS AT SAN FRANCISCO TO SAN DIEGO FAIR GROUNDS

United Press Service

SAN DIEGO, Feb. 17.—Aviator Christofferson landed in the exposition grounds at 1:35 this afternoon, completing his trip from the grounds of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition at San Francisco.

The aviator made the last 120 miles of the trip in two hours and five minutes of actual flight.

Italian Workman Has Good Voice



Enrico Mattheos is the most recently discovered "Caruso"—a 23-year-old workman, employed in the Chatsworth, an apartment house at Seventy-second street and Riverside Drive, New York.

Mattheos came to this country from Italy about ten months ago. Like many of his sunny dispositioned compatriots, he had the habit of singing as he worked. For weeks the tenants of the Chatsworth were puzzled over the remarkable Italian songs they heard from different parts of the house. One evening he was found in the cafe, singing to his fellow workmen. Since then, at the urgent request of the tenants, Mattheos has given two concerts there, with the result that a wealthy woman living at the Chatsworth sent him to several leading vocal instructors, all of whom pronounced him voice one of exceptional quality and strength; and on their advice his patroness is now undertaking his training for grand opera. One of the instructors was so enthusiastic over Mattheos that he immediately offered him free training and a contract for ten years as manager.

Objects to Pudding Duty

When Miss Alee M. Day of Philadelphia arrived in New York on an Atlantic liner she protested against paying \$3.50 duty on a plum pudding which cost her only 50 cents in London. She had already paid \$2.75 duty on the pudding in France.

Preaches in Overalls

So that it could not be offered as an excuse for non-attendance by many persons that they had not fine clothes, Rev. J. O. Olover, pastor of the Methodist church at Seaside, Ore., preaches in overalls. The church is well filled at his meetings, and men attend attired in working clothes.

West Virginia has 80,000 miners.

COUNCIL REJECTS OFFER FOR POWER PLANT FROM U. S.

OTHER METHODS FOR A CITY PLANT DISCUSSED

Former Project Engineer W. W. Patch Makes Interpretation of the Offer of the Reclamation Commission, and This is Held to Be Impracticable by the Members of the Council—Lobbying is Balked at.

United Press Service

Following an interpretation by former Project Engineer W. W. Patch of the offer made by the reclamation commission regarding the development of electric power by the city through the Keno ditch, the members of the council at last night's special session decided that this was impracticable. They will send a reply to this effect to Washington.

Patch held that under the contract the plant, after being in operation for ten years, would revert to the government, owing to a clause in the federal statutes providing that water rights cannot be leased more than ten years.

This was the main issue to be discussed at the meeting, but before the gathering dispersed, other power possibilities were discussed.

Some spokes of the city acquiring from the government title to the power site on the Klamath River below Keno. The purchase of the McCormack holdings on the Klamath River near Keno was also suggested, but nothing was done regarding these.

Paper Shippers Protest Rates

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 17.—Protests were laid before the Interstate Commerce Commission today by pulp and paper shippers against a grant of 5 per cent increase in Eastern railroad freight rates.

Fires Burn 2 Homes

Hot Springs and Fairview Houses Are Destroyed

Fires late Monday and early this morning destroyed the old Stone property in Hot Springs addition, and the residence of E. E. Byers on Ninth street. The Hot Springs property was completely destroyed on the inside, while the Byers house was burned clear to the ground.

The Stone residence was erected by Attorney Charles F. Stone a few years ago at a cost of about \$5,000. With its slightly lawn and grounds, it was one of the most beautiful homes in the city. A short time ago Mr. Stone deduced the house to J. W. Rodfield, in trade for ranch property.

The house has been occupied this winter by H. L. Nelson and family. Contracting typhoid fever a few weeks ago, Mr. Nelson was removed to the White Pelican hotel, and his wife and daughter moved there, leaving their furniture in the house.

Monday afternoon Nelson visited the house, looking over some papers. Some of these he threw into the fireplace, and set afire. After that he placed a fire screen in front of the

fire place, and was on his way back to the hotel when his attention was called to the blaze.

The flames had gained considerable headway and had spread all through the house before the smoke was seen. Owing to the steep hill to be ascended the fire department had extreme difficulty in getting its apparatus to the scene, and as a result the interior of the house and the furniture were destroyed. There was \$3,000 insurance on the house and \$2,000 on the furniture.

The Byers fire was not discovered until the roof of the building was about to fall in. Again steep grades made the firemen arduous work in answering the alarm, but the flames had gained too much headway before being discovered.

E. E. Byers, who owns the property, is living with his family on a homestead near Olene. The house was unoccupied, but it contained a piano and other furniture, which was destroyed, entailing a loss of between \$1,000 and \$1,500. There was no insurance.

Must Study Markets

The Spud Men Will Thereby Double Their Profits

To realize the maximum in potato cultivation, the farmers of Klamath county should use great care in selecting the potato best adapted to the soil and climate of this section. A closer relationship between grower and consumer would prove of much benefit to both.

The grower should take pains to find out the kind of a potato that markets most readily, and should be very particular in grading for shipment.

That the outside potato market is interested in the Klamath county potato is evidenced by a letter received by the Ashland Fruit store from one of the big produce distributing concerns of San Francisco, from which the following is taken:

"The trouble in this Klamath Falls district is that it is practically a new country, and has never raised much for outside consumption. To the