

GRAND JURY EXONERATES C. S. SPINNING OF EMBEZZLEMENT; TRUE BILL AGAINST JOE STARR

GRAND JURY MAKES A PARTIAL REPORT TO THE CIRCUIT JUDGE TODAY

Real Estate Man Was Accused by J. A. Sharp of Keeping \$812 That Sharp Claims Is Due Him From a Real Estate Trade, in Which Spinning Acted as His Agent—Starr Is Indicted on Arson Charge.

At 3:45 this afternoon the grand jury returned a John Doe indictment, and the clerk was ordered to issue a bench warrant forthwith. Following this, the jury took an indefinite recess, and will take up matters later.

Just after noon the Klamath county grand jury made the following reports on investigations to Circuit Judge Benson.

Charles S. Spinning—Not true bill. Joe Starr—Indictment on arson charge.

W. J. Shaver—Indictment, larceny by bailie.

Spinning was charged by J. A. Sharp with embezzlement. Sharp alleged that Spinning, who is a real estate agent, has kept \$812, which was due Sharp through a real estate transaction in which Spinning acted as agent.

Spinning held that the matter was a misunderstanding. He says he offered a check to Sharp, but Sharp would not take it.

At Spinning's own request he testified before the grand jury as to his side of the case.

Starr is the man whose arrest followed the finding of a number of articles in his possession that had been in the residence of R. E. Byers, prior to its destruction by fire on the night of February 17th. He also attained notoriety this week by an unsuccessful attempt to escape jail.

The true bill against Shaver is returned to correct a clerical error in one of the two returned against him last month.

SPORTSMEN MAKE MINUTES COUNT

DELEGATES TO CONVENTION ARE NAMED, REWARD IS OFFERED FOR DOG POISONER, AND OTHER MATTERS ACCOMPLISHED

The meeting of the Klamath Sports men's Association Friday night dem-

onstrated that this organization is fast becoming one of the liveliest and most important public bodies in the county. There was a good sized attendance and more than the usual interest was manifested in the many important matters considered.

It was decided that the association join the proposed state federation of sportsmen's clubs, and C. F. Stone, former game commissioner, was selected as a delegate to represent the association at the state convention to be held in Portland on Monday. Several members offered to raise a subscription to send an additional delegate, and Carney M. Ramsby was selected as the second man.

The proposed extension of the boundaries of Crater Lake park was discussed, and it was decided, before any action was taken by the association that Congressman Binnett be communicated with to find out if such a bill had been presented to congress.

Hereafter dogs belonging to members of the association will be protected from the poisoner and thief. The association decided to offer a reward of \$250 for the arrest and conviction of anyone poisoning a dog belonging to a member, and \$50 for anyone stealing a dog. Individual members have signed pledges to protect the association, in case the reward is earned. Each year quite a number of fine hunting dogs have been poisoned, and the sportsmen have determined that it must stop, and an example will be made of the first party caught.

Great interest is being manifested in the association in all sections of the county, and many from outside of Klamath Falls have expressed a desire to join and help in the work. For this reason it was decided to have the by-laws of the association, setting forth the objects and purposes of the organization, printed in pamphlet form for distribution to all those interested, as well as to the membership.

New members are being added each day, and an effort is being made to bring the membership up to 200 by the time of the visit of the state game warden. It is believed that 500 members can be secured before the end of the summer.

The Germans will mount 40,000-candle power searchlights on some of their airships, to illuminate the enemy's camp.

Next year's sugar crop in Cuba is estimated at 2,400,000 tons, slightly less than this year, when a record was established.

New York state has 1,236,150 persons employed in factories. Of these 682,796 work in New York city.

Letter carriers in Russia get \$12.50 to \$17.50 a month.

Sir Lionel Carden, the British Mexican Minister, Goes Home



Sir Lionel Carden, the British minister to Mexico, whose alleged comments on the policy of President Wilson there have been the cause of much surprise in the United States, sailed away from America the other day on the liner Olympic for London. Then he took occasion to issue a general denial of the criticisms of the American policy that had been attributed to him when he was in Mexico City. He insisted that he had not said the things the newspapers have quoted for three months as coming from him.

But he showed that he was still a partisan of President Huerta. He said Huerta is the only man able to rule or come near ruling the Mexicans, and should be recognized by every government.

SONG SERVICE AT M. E. CHURCH

AN INTERESTING PROGRAM OF VOCAL NUMBERS IS ARRANGED FOR TOMORROW NIGHT'S SERVICES

An evening of song will be held tomorrow night at Grace M. E. church, and in addition to hymns, selections by the orchestra, there will be a number of solos and duets. The program follows:

- Voluntary—Orchestra
Hymn—"Nearer My God to Thee"
Prayer
Solo—"One Sweetly Solemn Thought" (Ambrose). Mrs. O. E. Beardsley
Hymn—"A Charge to Keep I Have"
Offertory
Duet—"Almost Persuaded" (Phillip P. Bliss), Mrs. R. R. Hamilton and W. H. Shaw.
Scripture Reading—The Nineteenth Psalm
Hymn—"From Greenland's Icy Mountains"
Solo—"Evening and Morning," Harold Kinnear
Hymn—"I Will Sing You a Song"
Solo—"My Redeemer and My Lord" (From Golden Legends), Dudley Buck.
Hymn—"Guide Me, Oh, Thou Great Jehovah," Miss Louise Benson
Benediction
Goes After Horse.

Charles J. Ferguson left today with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Adams to spend the day at their ranch near Merrill. He will return tomorrow, riding the horse he has been wintering there.

J. W. SIEMENS TO SEEK OLD PLACE

FIRST TRUST AND SAVINGS BANK HEAD LACKS ONE YEAR OF HOUDING QUARTER CENTURY AS CITY TREASURER

Petitions are in circulation today, asking that the name of Captain J. W. Siemens be placed on the city ticket as a candidate for city treasurer.

Siemens holds the record for continuance in office in Klamath Falls. He has held the office of city treasurer for twenty-four years, lacking but one year of being in office for a quarter of a century.

In many campaigns Siemens has been unopposed, but this is not the case this year. Arthur R. Wilson has filed his announcement and petitions, and will make a strong campaign.

BECKER'S TALKS A BIG BENEFIT

OVER FIVE HUNDRED WOMEN SAY THEY HAVE GAINED BY INSTRUCTIONS AND DEMONSTRATIONS AT THE BALDWIN STORE

When the Baldwin Hardware company arranged with the Majestic range people for the services of Prof. Becker for a week's demonstrating, they accomplished many times the good they anticipated. Professor Becker's visit to Klamath Falls has been of great help to the ladies of the county, and the coming years will prove the economic value of his lectures.

More than 500 ladies have listened and learned as the professor told of the many ways to economize in both material and labor. His instructions in things culinary will help materially in solving the "high cost of living" problem, and will make the kitchen less tiresome.

To make all this possible has cost the Baldwin Hardware company a deal of money. This enterprising company has spared no expense to make their store as comfortable as possible for the ladies during the past week—a week of useful instruction, absolutely free from any annoying soliciting on the part of the selling force in the store.

Their object in having the demonstration was, of course, partly to make the ladies familiar with the Majestic range, but their courtesy has been uniform, and no one has had cause to feel intruders because they are not Majestic owners. Another good accomplished by the demonstration has been the placing of Klamath Falls on the route of Majestic demonstrations.

It means something to our people to have a lecturer like Professor Becker including Klamath Falls in his talks in the different cities of the world, telling of the places he has visited professionally.

The ladies and gentlemen attending his daily lectures here will recall the five cities of California in which he demonstrated, and will remember that the cities named are the five important cities of that state.

The cities of Oregon to be given a chance to hear him will be Roseburg, Eugene, Oregon City, Corvallis, The Dalles and Portland—a list of enough importance that Klamath Falls will not be ashamed to be included. In Washington the professor will stop at Seattle and Vancouver.

In following their established policy of boosting Klamath county and its products, the Baldwin Hardware company had Professor Becker use in his demonstrations flour from Klamath county wheat, manufactured by Martin Brothers of this city. This demonstration has proved conclusively that Klamath flour is dependable.

Going to Bonanza. Circuit Court Clerk George Chastain and family leave tomorrow for Bonanza, making their initial trip with Chastain in complete command of the navigation of his new Ford.

Successor of Senator Bacon of Georgia



William Stanley West, capitalist and lawyer of Valdosta, Ga., has been appointed by Governor John M. Slaton of that state to serve as United States senator from Georgia in place of Senator Bacon, who recently died. Senator Bacon was one of the strongmen in the senate, and for many years, even during the days when Aldrich of Rhode Island and Hale of Maine were the powers controlling that body, he held a high place. After the senate was won by the democrats he became one of the great influences in the national government.

Mr. West is 65 years of age. He has had experience in the Georgia legislature. He said after the governor announced his choice that he would do his best to carry out the policies of the late senator he succeeded and President Wilson.

SAVIDGE SEES A BUSY YEAR AHEAD

PLANT WILL CLOSE DOWN FOR A FEW DAYS TO MAKE REPAIRS, ETC., AND THEN WILL WORK TO FILL ORDERS

"Between attending to our Eastern business and supplying our orders on the Coast for box shooks, this is going to be a very busy year for our plant," said Hunter Savidge of Savidge Bros. Lumber company today. "We will cut at least 10,000,000 or 12,000,000 feet, and there is a possibility that the cut may reach 15,000,000 feet.

The Savidge plant has been in operation practically all year. The management is planning a temporary shut down in a short time to allow repairs, etc.

Masonic Meeting. Work in the Fellow Crafts degree will be a feature of Monday night's meeting of the local Masonic lodge.

A resident of Quincy, Mass., who has just passed his 68th birthday, celebrated the anniversary by setting aside a fund of \$16,000, the income of which is to be divided among the thirty organized churches of that city for the purpose of breaking down interdenominational barriers.

Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Illinois and Ohio produce more than 40 per cent in value of the minerals found in the United States.

The total population of the world is now estimated at 1,700,000,000. The proportion of the sexes is known for \$1,038,000,000 of these, the ratio being 1,000 males to 990 females.

According to Dr. Clement Lucas of England, the human family is likely to become a one-toed race.

MINORITY SAYS WILSON KNEELS TO JOHN BULL

KNOWLAND PROTESTS FREE TOLL REMOVAL

California Congressman Says That as a Result of the Attitude Taken by the Administration, the Money, Time, Etc., Expended by the United States in the Panama Canal Is No Great Benefit.

United Press Service

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 14.—The minority report on the proposed repeal of the clause in the Panama canal act exempting American ships from tolls was given today. It was prepared by congressman Joseph R. Knowland of California, and charged President Wilson with advocating the cause of England in his special message.

Knowland made a vigorous protest against the removal of the free toll clause. He held that British domination caused the demand for a repeal.

"I vigorously protest any attempt to force congress through legislative enactment to give a purely British interpretation to the Hay-Pauncefote treaty, and thus surrender rights affecting America commercially, strategically and politically," he said in part. "The situation which now confronts the nation is unparalleled in history."

LAYMEN ARE TO OCCUPY PULPIT

SERIES OF PLATFORM MEETINGS IS BEING ARRANGED BY GRACE M. E. CHURCH—FIRST WILL BE MARCH 22.

At the last meeting of the official board of the Methodist Episcopal church a committee of four, consisting of Mrs. H. L. Benson, Mrs. C. V. Fisher, Mr. J. G. Camp and Dr. Leonard, was appointed to work with the pastor for the arrangement of a series of platform meetings to be given on occasional Sunday evenings at the church on subjects of interest to the church and community.

The first of these has been arranged for tomorrow night. The following men will address the audience that night: Judge H. D. Gale, George J. Walton and W. A. Delsell.

The subjects in order are: "The Church's Duty to the Man Outside," "The Duty of the Man Outside to the Church," "The Brotherhood."

A complete program will be given next week.

UNCLE SAM WON'T HELP PAYING OF INDIANS' DEBTS

THE RISK IS ALL PLACED ON THE DEALER

New Order Is Issued by Commissioner Sells, Calling Attention to the Former Holdings in This Respect, and Warning Traders and Dealers That They cannot Expect the United States to Collect for Them.

The following communication is being sent to the various superintendents of Indian reservations by Cato Sells, commissioner of the Indian bureau:

Under date of December 17, 1909, the following order approved by the secretary of the interior, was promulgated:

"Under the new method of handling funds derived from the leasing and sale of allotted and inherited Indian land, and following consistently the development of the policy begun five years ago, the Indian office will no longer assist in the collection of claims against Indians. In section 561 of the regulations of the Indian office, effective April 1, 1904, persons doing business with Indians were warned that when credit is extended to them the creditor takes the risk; that no assistance in the collection of alleged claims will be given by the agent.

"More recently, in circular 275 (third supplement), promulgated April 9, 1909, further notice was given to all interested that credit accounts against Indians subsequent to July 1, following, would not be settled from funds in the custody of the Indian office unless authority for the purchase had previously been granted through the agent.

"Having thus given due notice of its intention, and basing its action on the moral ground that to extend credit to the Indian is sure to work injustice to him, this office will hereafter render no assistance, direct or indirect, to creditors of Indians in the collection of claims."

Superintendents should decline to entertain accounts against Indians incurred in ordinary business or commercial transactions subsequent to December 17, 1909.

Information before the office indicates that dealers are disregarding the warnings heretofore issued and are extending credit with the expectation of collecting from trust funds to the credit of Indians or from funds from prospective sales of lands, either direct or through the issuance of patents in fee.

It was not the intention to place restrictions on the extending of credit to deserving Indians on their individual worth the same as to other people; but such transactions are at the risk of the dealers, and superintendents will not give consideration in any manner to this class of credit.

K. C. H. S. County Champ

Locals Win From Merrill by Overwhelming Score

The second game of basketball between the Merrill and Klamath county high school teams was played at Merrill Friday night, and resulted in a 30-to-5 victory for Klamath county high, clinching the county championship.

The features of the game consisted of the basket shooting of Hurn, McClure and Noel, and the splendid assists by Noel. Hurn made six baskets, McClure 6 and Noel 4.

For Merrill, Pope made three foul baskets and Blidgett threw a field basket. Principal Blake and Coach McCall alternated as referee and umpire, and gave general satisfaction.

The more exciting contest came as a preliminary to the main event, and was between the girls of the Merrill high school and the public school.

The high school team won by a score of 8 to 4. This game was featured by the coaching of Guy Merrill for the public school team, whose knowledge of basket ball is only exceeded by his love for baseball.

The girls played a clean game, responding at all times to the rulings of the referee. The teams lined up as follows:

Merrill—Pope and Blidgett forwards, Powell and Bowman guards, Barrows center.

Klamath Falls—Hurn and Noel forwards, McClure center, Boller and Garrett guards.

High School Girls—Patterson and Grubaugh center, Pope and Hadley forwards, Harter and Barrows guards. Public School Girls—Furner center, Turner and Bunting forwards, Turner and Brown guards.

Reward for Fire Fiend

Bonanza Residents Post \$1000 Reward for Arrest

If Bonanza's recent fires were the result of incendiarism, the residents of that town intend to find the party responsible, if possible, and see that justice is meted out.

Toward that end the following announcement is now being posted there:

"We, the undersigned property owners in the town of Bonanza, Klamath county, Oregon, believe that the three fires which have occurred in our town in the last four years are not entirely accidental in origin. We will give the sum of \$1,000 cash reward for evidence leading to the arrest and conviction of any party or parties responsible for the origin of these fires, or any one of them.

(Signed) Bank of Bonanza, by John S. Horn, cashier; W. S. Johnson, D. G. Horn, William Wood, L. D. Burk, J. L. Sparretorn, William Goss, Klige company, F. W. Broadwood and L. J. Bauman."

Within the last four years the town of Bonanza has been visited by three disastrous fires, which have in turn wiped out the larger part of the business section, the most recent one occurring but a few months ago.

On each occasion there has been strong talk of incendiarism, and several people have claimed to have knowledge of facts that would connect various persons with the crime. Nothing has ever been done in the matter, though, and the rumors have gradually died natural deaths.