

## HEARINGS IN THE RATE CASE CLOSE AND MEN RETURN

### POWER COMPANY GIVEN TIME TO FILE A BRIEF

City Attorney Groesbeck Reached Here Last Night, and Others Will Be Here Tonight—Sheets is Inspecting Fire Apparatus at Different Towns Between Here and Portland—Ruling is Made.

City Attorney Rollo C. Groesbeck, who conducted the city's complaint against the California-Oregon Power company's rates before the Public Service Commission, returned last night from Salem, where the final hearings were held. George J. Walton, Chas. J. Ferguson and others attending will be home tonight.

All of the testimony has now been submitted in the case, both sides resting. The commission gave the power company until July 1 in which to file its brief on the legal points at issue, and the city was given twenty days thereafter in which to answer.

In the meantime, the case is under consideration by the commission, the other points being taken up. The hearings were both formal and informal, the formal hearings being held at Salem, and the informal at the commission's office in Portland.

During the hearings the commission ruled on the bench that all utilities must deliver service at the property owner's line. Heretofore some of the water consumers have installed pipe lines from the company's main to their own property.

Councilman R. J. Sheets, who was a witness for the city, is making investigation of fire apparatus in other cities, and went as far north as Seattle. In Salem a few days ago the American-France company gave a demonstration with a combination truck for the benefit of the Klamath Falls people. Sheets will visit the Ashland and Medford departments before returning.

## FINLEY TO TAKE AND SHOW FILMS

William L. Finley, state biologist, will arrive in Klamath Falls about May 24, to take motion pictures of bird life for the State Fish and Game Commission's educational campaign. He will spend several days here.

On the night of May 27th, Finley will show the other films of bird and animal life, and will lecture these. This meeting will be held at Houston's opera house, and will be of great interest to all.

While here, Mr. Finley will also address the school children on bird and animal life subjects.

## Stalwart of Old Guard



Representative William A. Rodenberg of East St. Louis was caught by the photographer in Washington in his usual fighting, aggressive mood. He is one of the stalwarts of the old guard in the party, and he is going to be heard from at the Chicago convention.

## COMBINED CHOIR WILL BE FORMED

ALL MUSICIANS OF THE CITY ARE INVITED TO ATTEND BIG REHEARSAL AT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH TOMORROW

A special invitation is being extended to the members of all the church choirs of the city and to members of any other musical organizations of the city to meet for a combined choir rehearsal tomorrow evening at 7:15, at the Presbyterian church to prepare special music for the union church service to be held in the opera house on Sunday evening.

This is to be the baccalaureate service for the graduating class of the high school, and Mr. Vernon Motechbacher, the musical director, is anxious to meet all of those people belonging to these organizations and any other who have had some experience in doing chorus work to prepare for this occasion.

Finleys Here. Mr. and Mrs. Ross Finley were up from Merrill yesterday to attend to business matters, and to attend "A Night in Bohemia."

## War Bulletins Careful, Now!

LONDON, May 18.—The Paris correspondent of the Chronicle asserts that 300,000 Germans have been killed and wounded during the Verdun campaign. He also claims severe losses in the prelude to the German offensive against Riga, with only a thin line of Germans left along the Russian front. "The long evaded destiny is at last closing in on the Germans," he says. Twenty thousand Turks have been withdrawn from the British front east of Kut-el-Amara, apparently to meet the Russian advance toward Bagdad. The Turks are recruiting the native tribesmen in that section.

BERLIN, May 18.—It is announced that the French attack on the southern slope of Hill No. 304 broke under close range German artillery fire. Heavy artillery continued all night along both banks of the Meuse.

PARIS, May 18.—Germany has failed in an attempt to advance her lines northwest of Verdun, near Dead Man's Hill, by a grenade assault.

VIENNA, May 18.—The Austrians, it is officially announced, are continuing their offensive around Trentino. They have driven the Italians from important positions, and have imprisoned 6,200 men.

LONDON, May 18.—It is announced that British destroyers and monitors engaged German destroyers off the Belgian coast yesterday. The Germans withdrew after a short fight.

BERLIN, May 18.—Austria has handed the neutral powers a note declaring eleven persons, including three women, perished in the sinking of the Austrian steamer Dubrovnik in the Adriatic. The vessel was sunk May 2, two torpedoes being fired at it. The first struck the steamer, and the other one struck one of the lifeboats. Austria styles this attack an "international murder." She denies the Italian claim that the vessel was a munitions carrier.

## FORD PICNIC TO BE BIG AFFAIR

OVER TWO HUNDRED AUTOS EXPECTED TO TURN OUT FOR GEORGE BIEHN'S ANNUAL TREAT FOR "LIZZIE" OWNERS

There will be a woeful lack of "tin" in Klamath Falls Sunday, for every owner of a Ford—and they are legion throughout Klamath County—is making plans to attend the Ford Owners' picnic, to be given by George Biehn, the man who has made hundreds happy and healthy by his distribution of this much joked, but nevertheless extremely popular car through Klamath. This picnic will be held at Spink's

It shall be unlawful for any person at any place on the day of election to ask, solicit, or in any manner try to induce or persuade any voter on such election day to vote for or refrain from voting for any candidate, or the candidate or ticket of any political party or organization, or any measure submitted to the people, and upon conviction thereof he shall be punished by fine of not less than five dollars nor more than one hundred dollars for the first offense, and for the second and each subsequent offense occurring on the same or different election days, he shall be punished by fine as aforesaid, or by imprisonment in the county jail for not less than five nor more than thirty days, or by both such fine and imprisonment.—Section 3518, L. O. L.

It shall be unlawful for any person to pay another for any loss or damage due to attendance at the polls, or in registering, or for the expense of transportation to or from the polls. No person shall pay for personal service to be performed on the day of a caucus, primary, convention, or any election, for any purpose connected therewith, tending in any way, directly or indirectly, to affect the result thereof, except for the hiring of persons whose sole duty is to act as challengers and watch the count of official ballots. No person shall buy, sell, give or provide any political badge, button or other insignia to be worn at or about the polls on the day of election, and no such political badge, button or other insignia shall be worn at or about the polls on any election day.—Section 3518, L. O. L.

camp on Spring Creek, and there will be over 200 Ford cars there, each carrying a big party of Ford boosters.

This is the second annual picnic given by Biehn, and it promises to be a hummer. Just to show how little Ford owners care about the jeers directed at their vehicles, a prize will be given for the best Ford joke. Ford owners and owners of Oakland cars are asked to take luncheons and friends.

A start will be made from the Ford garage at 7 o'clock Sunday morning. At 2:30 a program of races, etc., will be held, and during the day thirty-five gallons of ice cream will be given out to the guests by the bustling host, Mr. Biehn.

Rebekahs Tonight. Prosperity Rebekah Lodge will meet in regular session tonight. There will be initiation, and all members are requested to turn out. Visiting Rebekahs cordially invited.

Up From Merrill. Mr. and Mrs. J. Frank Adams and son Martin, P. B. McDonald and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Dalton were among the Merrill and Malin people here for the Elks show last night.

To Chiloquin. Charles B. Otey left today for Neva, above Chiloquin, to begin logging operations for the Pelican Bay Lumber company. He will have a crew of about thirty-five men.

## Enemies Ever, but Friends Always



Ex-Speaker Joseph G. Cannon and Speaker Champ Clark

When the house of representatives held its little celebration of the Eightieth birthday of Uncle Joe, no one took a greater interest than Speaker Clark. Uncle Joe and Champ Clark are old men now. Uncle Joe was almost at the birth of the republican

## H. G. WILSON TO A NEW STATION

INDIAN SERVICE MAN WELL KNOWN HERE, GOES TO A BETTER POSITION IN OMAHA—C. E. COE IS HIS SUCCESSOR

The following from the Roseburg Review will be of great interest in Klamath county:

According to information received at the local Indian agency, C. E. Coe, formerly connected with the Indian service at Salt River, Arizona, will reach Roseburg soon and will at once relieve H. G. Wilson, who has orders to proceed to take charge of a new appointment in the East. Owing to the recent changes made by the heads of the department at Washington, however, Mr. Coe's position here will be that of local superintendent, while Mr. Wilson was formerly supervisor as well as superintendent for a district comprising most of the territory on the Pacific Coast. Mr. Coe will make this city his permanent home.

Mr. Wilson will retain his supervisor's duties for at least two weeks before leaving, and will then go direct to Omaha, Neb., where he will probably establish his headquarters for his new district. He will have the position of supervisor for the states of Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas and Oklahoma. This is one of the largest and most responsible supervisorships in the country, and is especially important because of the extensive oil interests which have considerable relation to the Indian lands.

Mr. Wilson's salary will be increased with his new position and the change is considered a promotion due to his seniority in the service.

On account of his long residence in Oregon and the accumulation of real estate property and various other interests in the state, Mr. Wilson is not anxious to leave this city, although his position is greatly bettered by the transfer. He hopes that he will be able to return to Oregon in a few months, after looking after matters in the new district which are said to need immediate attention.

Other changes in the administration of the local territory are also

sweeping in character, the district formerly administered by Mr. Wilson now being almost evenly divided. The inspection work will be conducted by L. A. Dorrington, who receives the title of special agent, and whose headquarters will be at San Francisco. Mr. Coe, the superintendent, will have the administration of the finances and other matters, which will be handled from this city. Mr. Wilson, until the inauguration of the new system, acted as both supervisor and superintendent, and had charge of all the territory now embraced in the two districts.

Fort People Visit. Miss Leah Parks and Miss Evelyn Merrill, teachers at the Fort school, James Pelton, Alfred B. Castel, Charles Burns and Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Hoyt were among the Fort Klamath people visiting Klamath Falls yesterday.

From Odessa. Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Nicolle were in from Odessa yesterday. Mr. Nicolle is one of the firm of Nicolle Bros., who have the contract for logging the Lamm Lumber company's timber.

## BIGGER NAVY AND DISARMAMENT ARE BOTH SUPPORTED

### HOUSE NAVAL COMMITTEE REPORT UNIQUE

Republican Members Were Solid Against the Program as Arranged, and Will Bring in Minority Report. Committee Favors Expenditure of Nearly Two Hundred Million on Naval Vessel Construction at Once.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 18.—The house committee on naval affairs today adopted a big navy program for one year. Simultaneously, the committee went on record as in favor of universal disarmament.

The report tendered today urges the president to do everything in his power to bring about the settlement of international disputes by arbitration.

The program adopted by the committee provides for the expenditure of \$180,000,000 on fleet construction. The number of ships recommended by Daniels, in every class, have been increased.

The report as prepared provides for five battle cruisers, four scout cruisers, ten destroyers and twenty submarines.

The battle cruisers are to have a speed of thirty-five knots an hour. Four of the destroyers are to be built on the Pacific Coast.

The republican members of the committee voted solidly against the program. They will return a minority report.

## Farm Credit Bill Is Passed by House

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 18.—The Glass rural credits bill providing for a federal farm loan board and a system of twelve land banks passed the house by a vote of 295 to 70. A similar measure already has passed the senate, and the differences probably will be worked out soon in conference.

Little opposition was encountered by the bill. Under its terms the land banks would lend money to farmers at not more than 6 per cent interest through local associations, mortgages running from five to thirty-six years. The mortgages would be used as the basis for farm loan bonds.

There are many differences between the senate and house bills to be adjusted. The senate measure would capitalize each farm loan bank at \$500,000; the house's at \$750,000. The senate would authorize loan associations

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## Rose Queen Boosters, Get Busy or She'll Lose

Are you anxious to see Klamath Falls represented at the Portland Rose Festival by the queen, king, and special Klamath float? If so, get busy IMMEDIATELY, as the contest closes tomorrow at midnight. This is positively your last chance to help Miss Waive Jacobs, and if you do not rally to her support, she is nearly certain to lose, after making a game struggle for several weeks.

Friends of Miss Jacobs are getting busy today, and as a result, her standing will be boosted. But still more must be done, as at present Miss Jacobs is fourth, landladies for other

candidates putting them ahead of her. The standing, as telegraphed from Portland to the Herald today is as follows: Mildred Pegg, Vancouver, Wash., 1,490,410. Maude Gilman, Portland, 1,464,107. Lillian Hendricksen, Portland, 1,398,121. Waive Jacobs, Klamath Falls, 1,313,523. Edsel Fraasch, Eugene, 1,101,492. Louise Taylor, Portland, 1,033,507. Jewell Carroll, Portland, 980,361. Muriel Saling, Pendleton, 554,076. Rose Uptegrove, Oregon City, 490,435. Eleanor Jackson, McMinnville, 487,815.

## Rose Queen's Float; Let's Put a Klamath Girl on It



## 'Night in Bohemia' Shows Klamath Talent Is Great

By W. O. S.

"A Night in Bohemia" presented last evening at the opera house for the benefit of Klamath Falls Lodge No. 1247, B. P. O. Elks, under the able direction of Rufus K. Love, will long be remembered as one of the most successful and pleasant of these annual affairs given by the Elks.

The play, which was written especially for presentation by Elks lodges, affords abundant opportunity for the introduction of numerous specialties and musical numbers.

In the opening prelude the audience was thrown into convulsions of mirth over the antics of the little tots, who held the center of the stage, and were supported by the big ensemble chorus of nearly eighty people. The "Kiddies," without whom an Elks show cannot be considered a real success, showed both natural talent and able training, and their feature was a fitting opening for the real play.

The story has for its principal char-

acter a retired actor by the name of Edmund Keene, who is a good Elks and a thorough Bohemian. A better selection for this difficult role could not have been made than in Phil J. Sinnott, whose handling of the part brought him much praise from the audience. His apparent ease and good delivery would have been a credit to a man of long experience on the stage.

Roy Buckingham, as "Officer Callahan," "one of the finest," was a hit from the start. He was right at home in the part, and it was evident that he cannot be classed as an amateur.

"Dusty Rhodes," the tramp manager of a defunct comedy company, was well handled by Lloyd Low, and after he got well started he shared honors evenly with the Irish cop. His rendition of "She Had Such Beautiful Eyes" brought down the house, and was better than some of the "real" singing of the other artists.

Mrs. Phil Sinnott and Jennie Lyle

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