

COUNCIL RATIFIES ELECTION CONTRACT

VOTE IS THREE FOR AND ONE AGAINST

Councilman Doty, Whom Many Thought Was Opposed to Hiring Expert Attorneys to Handle Election, Makes the Motion to Ratify the Contract—Councilman Matthews Casts Only Negative Vote.

By a vote of three to one, the city council last evening ratified the contract employing Keeler Brothers of Denver, through their attorneys, to handle all the legal matters connected with the election this fall on a \$300,000 bond issue for the Strahorn railroad. This means that the election positively will be called just as soon as the expert bond attorneys can prepare the papers and the necessary time between calling the election and the day of voting elapses.

The motion to accept the contract and authorize Mayor Crisler to sign it on behalf of the city was made by Councilman Doty, and was carried by the votes of Councilmen Sheets, Struble and Doty. Councilman Matthews voted no. Miller was absent.

When the vote was announced by Mayor Crisler the crowd attending the meeting cheered enthusiastically. It was plain that the council had acted in accordance with the overwhelming sentiment of the people.

The contract was signed last night by Mayor Crisler for the city of Klamath Falls and by George E. Keeler for Keeler Brothers. It is printed in full:

This agreement, made and entered into this 6th day of September, 1916, by and between Keeler Brothers, incorporated, of Denver, Colorado, first party, and City of Klamath Falls, Oregon, second party.

Witnesseth, That said first party for and in consideration of the compensation hereinafter mentioned to be paid by second party, hereby agrees to prepare any and all legal proceedings necessary in the opinion of its attorney for the issuance by second party of a bond issue in the sum of three hundred thousand (\$300,000) dollars for the construction by second party of a railroad within or without the city of Klamath Falls, Oregon, said bonds to bear not exceeding six (6) per cent interest and payable serially in the manner to be later determined by second party, and prepare and furnish all notices, ordinances, resolutions, forms of ballots and affidavits necessary to properly complete the bond transcript, and furnish lithographed bonds ready for signatures, and such proceedings, when adopted, will show adequate, lawful authority for the issuance of said bonds.

Second party agrees, by proper action of Common Council and officials to take all steps and adopt such proceedings as first party may direct to the end that said bonds are duly authorized to be issued.

As compensation for the said services so agreed to be rendered by first party, second party agrees to pay first party the sum of \$300 as full compensation in case said proceedings are carried as far as election to authorize the issuance of said bonds and such election should result adversely to the granting of such authority.

First party agrees to become bona fide bidder for such bonds when issued in conformance with the proceedings prepared by first party, and if successful purchasers, no charge shall be made for any services which first party may herein undertake. If such bonds are voted and first party is not successful bidder, second party agrees to pay first party the sum of two thousand five hundred (\$2,500) dollars for said services, provided, however, if said proceedings and issuance of bonds are contested in supreme court, second party shall pay first party an additional sum of five hundred (\$500) dollars. For the services herein agreed to be per-

ALLIES' CONCERN IS CRUSHING OF GERMAN NATION

ALLIED OFFICIAL GIVES OUT PEACE TERMS

Include Ceding Heligoland to England, Neutralization of Kaiser's Kiel Canal, and Demolition of the Forts on Germany's Boundary. Hope Peace to Follow March in Triumph to Capital of Teuton Land

United Press Service WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 7.—An official familiar with allied sentiments in America and in Europe gave to the United Press today the peace terms the allies are discussing among themselves.

This official stated that the terms include ceding of Heligoland to England, neutralization of the Kiel canal, demolition of some of the strongest German border fortifications.

The official declares that the concern of the allies is not how long the war will last, but how effectively Germany will be crushed.

He said the allies hope to stage a triumphal march to Berlin before they dictate terms of peace.

MOTORMEN DON'T RESPOND TO CALL

THE SITUATION ON NEW YORK STREET RAILWAYS YET IS SERIOUS, AND BOTH SIDES ARE DETERMINED TO FIGHT

United Press Service NEW YORK, Sept. 7.—Normal street car service is being maintained here, and leaders of the unions admit that motormen on the subways and elevated lines are not responding to the strike call.

Strikebreakers are replacing the striking guards, but little disorder is noticed.

Mayor Mitchell is on the scene tonight in an effort to intervene and avert a strike. Both sides are determined to fight the issue to a finish.

Militia Normal Again United Press Service WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 7.—Secretary of War Baker today directed that the militia recently returned to their home states be mustered out of the federal service as soon as practicable and resume their normal positions as state militia.

formed, no greater sum than \$3,000 in any event shall be paid.

It is stipulated that settlement shall be made after the issuance of said bonds, payment to be made from the proceeds of such bond issue. In case after authority has been granted to the common council by popular vote, said bonds are not issued or sold, second party agrees to pay first party the compensation above stipulated out of its general fund within six months from date of granting such authority.

Executed by the parties hereto in duplicate the day and year first mentioned. KEELER BROTHERS, incorporated, By George E. Keeler. CITY OF KLAMATH FALLS, By C. B. Crisler, Mayor.

Between Two Kings



QUEEN OF GREECE, EMPEROR OF GERMANY

No queen in Europe is in just the kind of trouble that bothers Queen Sophie of Greece. Other queens have their troubles growing from the war, one at least has temporarily lost her throne. But Queen Sophie is the sister of the Kaiser of Germany and the husband of the King of Greece. The people of Greece, it is believed, stand with the allies, and though King Constantine was raised in the German army and leans toward Germany, the day has passed when kings may go too far against the will of their people. Thus Queen Sophie, all of whose leaning is naturally toward the land of her birth and her brother's rule, is struggling hard to decide whether she must cling to her brother or her husband.

Klamath May Send Men to See Head of Espee

To discuss three questions of vital importance to Klamath county, the directors and officers of Klamath Commercial Club are in session this afternoon at the club's headquarters.

One question is the appointing of a committee to go to San Francisco and interview President William Sproule of the Southern Pacific about construction of the Modoc Northern from Klamath Falls to the California line.

The second is the question of sending the local committee to Salem on September 11th, to interview the state highway commission on the proposed auto and wagon road from Klamath Falls to Florence.

The third is the question of employing C. R. Miller to take a series of photographic views of the route of the Strahorn railroad and of the territory to be tapped by the road.

It is believed that at the meeting this afternoon, Captain J. W. Siemens president of Klamath Commercial Club, will appoint three citizens of Klamath county to make the trip to San Francisco. Quick action is being taken now, because it is believed the time is ripe to urge construction of the Modoc Northern south from Klamath Falls. This view is taken because Chief Engineer Hood of the Southern Pacific has expressed himself favorably on the move to begin work on the road, and because several high officials of the Southern Pacific have visited Klamath during the last few weeks, evidently with the idea of gathering information on the traffic possibilities of the country between here and Malin, and to watch the developments of the Strahorn railroad movement.

The matter of sending the local committee to Salem is to come because of a letter from State Engineer John H. Lewis, which stated that the

state highway commission would meet September 11th, and would be ready to hear the Klamath delegation. The purpose of going to Salem is to let the commission know that Klamath is behind Eugene in the movement for a good commercial road from Klamath Falls to Eugene, to Florence, on the coast. It is the plan of Klamath and Eugene to have this work done with money appropriated by the Shackelford bill, which passed congress this summer. The members of the Klamath committee are D. V. Kaykendall, Marion Hanks, E. B. Hall, W. A. Dezell and J. W. Siemens.

At the meeting this afternoon the Commercial Club and the railroad committee will not contract with C. R. Miller for taking pictures of Central Oregon, but merely will get his terms for the work and try to arrive at what would be an equitable distribution of the cost between Klamath Falls, Lakeview, Bend, Prineville, Burns and Robert E. Strahorn.

RAILROADS MAY IGNORE ADAMSON 8-HOUR BILL

United Press Service CHICAGO, Sept. 7.—The Western railroads, including the Southern Pacific, will not state whether they intend to follow the example of the Santa Fe road and ignore the Adamson bill, recently passed to give railroad employes an eight hour day, until forced to recognize it. The Western roads are waiting for an official test of the bill.

Merrymans Return. Dr. and Mrs. Merrymann and family, Mrs. J. D. Merrymann and Mrs. Louis Gerber and son have returned from an auto trip to Crescent City, where they spent several days at the beach.

OPENING TULE LAKE LAND BELIEVED NEAR

HUGHES ARRAIGNS ADAMSON BILL

DECLARES BILL IS NOT EIGHT HOUR LAW, BUT WAGE LAW, AND IS A SURRENDER TO FORCE

United Press Service HAMPTON BEACH, N. H., Sept. 7. Calling President Wilson's hurrying through congress of the Adamson bill "a surrender to force," Charles E. Hughes today criticized the democratic administration. He declared the bill was "only one step to abdication of government."

"The Adamson bill is not an eight hour law, but is a wage law. It is a surrender of the rule of reason," said Mr. Hughes. He stated that congress should retard such action. Continuing his criticism, he said:

"The American people have won the right for free discussion, a free press, a democratic form of government, free legislative assemblies and popular selection of executives. We have left autocracy, tyranny, force. They will not come back if we can help it."

U. S. MAY O. K. MEXICAN LOAN

FINANCIAL AID TO MEXICO MAY BE CONSIDERED BY JOINT COMMISSION IN ITS DISCUSSIONS FOR PEACE

United Press Service NEW LONDON, Sept. 7.—Extensive financial aid to Mexico may be one of the vital problems the joint American-Mexican peace commission may consider.

It is believed that America will lend her moral support to the flotation of a Mexican loan if assured a permanent settlement of all troubles within Mexico and along the border.

The American commissioners are optimistic over the idea of this nation giving aid to her distressed Southern neighbor.

YAQUI INDIANS KILLING AGAIN

ALSO REPORTED THAT VILLA IS WITHIN 100 MILES OF AMERICAN BORDER WITH FIFTEEN HUNDRED MEN

United Press Service EL PASO, Tex., Sept. 7.—General Pershing, commander of the punitive expedition in Mexico, is reported as hurrying to field headquarters following information that Villa, with 1,500 followers, is within 100 miles of the American outposts.

It is feared that Villa, seeking to discredit Carranza, is willing to sacrifice many men in an attack on Pershing's expedition.

It is reported that thousands of Yaqui Indians are between Navajao and Guaymas, killing ranchers and devastating the territory.

LEASEES NOTIFIED OF PENDING ACTION

FORD SUES FOR MILLION LIBEL

PEACE MAN AND HEAD OF FORD AUTOMOBILE WORKS SAYS CHICAGO TRIBUNE CALLED HIM AN ANARCHIST

United Press Service CHICAGO, Sept. 7.—Henry Ford, "maker of men and automobiles," today sued the Chicago Tribune for \$1,000,000 damages.

His complaint declares the Tribune libeled him by calling him an "anarchist" on the report that he had discharged those of his employes who went to the Mexican border with the Michigan militia.

RUMANIANS AND RUSSIANS LOSE

TUTRAKAN IS EVACUATED AND 20,000 RUMANIANS CAPTURED ALONG WITH 100 GUNS BY GERMAN-BULGAR FORCES

United Press Service BERLIN, Sept. 7.—The German-Bulgarian forces have captured 20,000 Rumanians. They were trapped on the south bank of the Danube during the capture of the Tutrakan bridgehead.

The Rumanians lost 100 guns.

United Press Service PETROGRAD, Sept. 7.—The Russians this morning evacuated Tutrakan before a superior German and Bulgarian force.

United Press Service PARIS, Sept. 7.—The French have captured the German first line trenches between Vaux Chaptre and the Chenots Wood. This is northeast of Verdun.

The success of the British and French advance on Comblies and Chaulnes menaces the German communications to the forces along the Somme.

WILL INQUIRE OF JAP'S DEMANDS

UNITED STATES IS MUCH INTERESTED IN JAPANESE POLICY OF MUCH TERRITORY IN CHINA AS TRADE RIGHTS ARE INVOLVED

United Press Service WASHINGTON, Sept. 7.—The state department announced today that the American ministers at Tokyo and Peking will be instructed to in-

LEASES MAY BE TERMINATED THIS SEASON

Notices Sent Out by Government, While Not Committing Uncle Sam, Indicates Probable Opening for Entry of Thousands of Acres of Land as Fertile as Any One Could Ever Ask For.

The opening to settlers probably next spring of a large area of land around Tule Lake is indicated in notices being sent out by the reclamation service to persons now leasing these lands. The notices state that the government may terminate the leases any time between November 1, 1916, and March 1, 1917. When the land was leased a stipulation reserving to the government the right to do this was included in the leases.

Project Manager J. G. Camp said this morning that the government was not committing itself, and that he could give no assurance that the land would be thrown open for homestead entry next year.

"The notices are being sent to the lessees that they may know their leases might be cancelled," said Manager Camp. "Hence any fall plowing done by the persons leasing this land this fall will be done at their own risk."

It is well known that the government long has contemplated the throwing open of thousands of acres of rich land reclaimed by the recession of the waters of Tule Lake. The government is now leasing 4,500 acres of this fertile land, and has about 2,000 more acres already reclaimed. When the reclamation of the bed of Tule Lake is completed, approximately 30,000 acres will be available for cultivation.

While no information is forthcoming as regards the amount of land that will be opened for entry, or the date of opening, yet people here are inclined to believe that 1917 will see hundreds of homesteaders on the level and productive land that a few years ago was covered with the waters of Tule Lake.

Not only is the land uncovered by the work of the reclamation service valuable as conditions are now, but it will enhance in value when the proposed beet sugar factory is established in that section and the Modoc Northern railroad is constructed, both of which are generally believed to be developments of the near future.

Phelan Amendment Out United Press Service

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 7.—The senate and house conferees have agreed to eliminate the Phelan amendment to the revenue bill, empowering the president to order refusal of mail and communication privileges to citizens of countries interfering with American mails.

quire immediately into the new Japanese demands on China.

Particularly will the eastern government be asked regarding the Japanese police powers in inner Mongolia, southern Manchuria.

The object of the inquiries will be to determine if the new demands will effect American trade rights or the open door policy in China.