

LAWSON SAYS HENRY IS PERJURER

REITERATES HENRY INVOLVED CABINET MEMBER

INITIATIVE MEASURE AMENDED BY COUNCIL

MILLER AND STRUBLE VOTED AGAINST AMENDMENT

Amending Ordinance Passed Last Night Gives Authority to Council to Submit at Elections Called by Initiative Petition Measures to Compete With One Offered by People at Said Election.

The city ordinance reserving to the city of Klamath Falls the right to exercise the initiative and referendum was amended last night by the city council when it passed by a three to one vote an amendment proposed by Councilman M. R. Doty, Councilmen Shotts, Mathews and Doty voted yes and Councilmen Struble and Miller nay.

The new ordinance amends section 7 of ordinance 292 of the city of Klamath Falls, by adding the following words:

If the council shall reject said ordinance or amendment, or take no action thereon, it may ordain a competing ordinance or amendment, which shall be submitted by the city clerk, auditor or recorder, as the case may be, to the people of the said city or town, at the same election at which said initiative proposal is submitted. Such competing ordinance or amendment, if any, shall be prepared by the council and ordained within thirty days allowed for its action on the measure proposed by initiative petition."

The above provision is a portion of the state law and was omitted, according to Police Judge Leavitt, from the ordinance passed November 14th by the people at a special election. On that date the people voted to reserve to this municipality the initiative and referendum by voting an ordinance prepared by attorneys for Keeler Brothers. Police Judge Leavitt says the provision quoted above was left out of the ordinance prepared by Keeler Brothers.

The effect of the amendment will be to give to the council authority to offer at any election called by the initiative petition a competing ordinance, charter amendment or other measure, and let the people choose.

Councilman Struble opposed the

House Kills Booze Part of Measure

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 16.—The postoffice appropriation bill passed the house this afternoon without a roll call after the provision for an increase in second class rates had been eliminated. The amendment prohibiting use of the mails for liquor advertisements also was squelched.

WOMEN INCREASE TERMINAL FUND

GET FOUR NEW CONTRACTS YESTERDAY CALLING FOR SUBSCRIPTIONS AMOUNTING TO \$120 FOR TERMINAL

One hundred and thirty dollars was added to the Strahorn passenger terminal fund yesterday by the Women's 1,000 Railroad Club. The contracts secured by the women were as follows: Straw's Dairy 100.00 A Friend 10.00 J. B. Elliott 15.00 Bennett Transfer Co. 5.00 Yesterday's new contracts have boosted the total raised by the women to \$4,492.50.

amendment because he didn't understand it thoroughly, he said, and because he saw in it a way for the council to submit a competing franchise at the initiative election when the Keno Power company shall go before the people with a franchise to distribute electricity in Klamath Falls.

On the other hand, it was stated last night, that the amendment protects the city at any and all times when the council feels as representatives of the people that it should propose a competing measure to one proposed by initiative petition.

Terminal Fund to Date is \$25,552.50

\$150 is Signed up Outside of Business Men's Association, \$100 in Association and \$4,492.50 by Women

Thad McHattan 100.00 W. S. Slough 50.00 These are the new subscriptions secured yesterday from Klamath Falls business houses not members of the Business Men's Association. This increase of \$150 makes the total raised outside the association to buy a passenger terminal for the Strahorn railroad amount to \$14,805.

J. H. Garrett, a member of the Business Men's Association, yesterday subscribed \$100 to the passenger terminal fund, making the amount credited to the association \$4,395. The Women's 1,000 Railroad Club to date has raised \$4,492.50. The three amounts added makes the cash fund to buy a passenger terminal total to date \$25,552.50.

Telling What They Didn't Know About the "Leak"



Secretary of State Lansing, Joseph P. Tumulty, secretary to the president, and Thomas W. Lawson of Boston were star witnesses before the leak in inquiry of the rules committee of the house of representatives at its second session. Messrs. Lansing and Tumulty said they knew nothing about it. Lawson said he did, but would not tell.

Keeler Brothers' Bid for R. R. Bonds is Rejected

The city council at the 2 o'clock special session this afternoon rejected the bid of Keeler Brothers of Denver, Colo., for the \$300,000 Strahorn railroad bond issue. The certified check for \$15,000 accompanying the bid was ordered to be returned.

Rejection of Keeler Brothers' bid was decided upon when last night's mail brought a bid from Spitzer, Rerick & Co., of Toledo, Ohio, of par and accrued interest, plus a premium of \$4,025.

This bid is about \$18,000 better than that submitted by Keeler Brothers. The bid of Spitzer, Rerick & Co. did not arrive in time to be opened Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock, the time set for opening bids. It was mailed January 10th from Toledo.

It is now undecided whether the council will again advertise for bids or will sell the bonds at private sale.

Spitzer, Rerick & Co. will be conferred with, and it is probable other bond houses will be mailed copies of all proceedings of the council leading up to the bond issue that the bond houses may know whether or not they care to bid.

If no other bond houses are interested, either by advertisement or privately, it is generally believed that Spitzer, Rerick & Co. will get the bonds some hard licks, said W. Paul Johnson, after the meeting this afternoon.

All members of the main committee expressed praise for the prompt and good spirited action of the council on the Keeler Brothers bid. There now seems to be complete harmony of purpose between the council and all other persons who want to see Klamath Falls have a railroad to Portland.

This slight delay in sale of the bonds will give additional time for the passenger terminal committee to get in or par, accrued interest and a premium of \$4,025.

RATHBONE HOTEL IS OPEN FOR BUSINESS

Mrs. M. J. Beebe has leased that portion of the old American hotel owned by A. A. Bellman & Son at 650 Main street, and will call her new apartment the Rathbone hotel. That set of rooms over the Mutschbacher and Davenport stores will be conducted by Frank Barrows as a rooming house. Mr. Barrows formerly had charge of all the rooms.

FALLEN, Jan. 16.—Minus the search and seizure clause, the total prohibition bill carrying into effect the constitutional amendment voted last November was introduced in the legislature this afternoon.

RUSSIAN FRONT IS STIFFENING

LONDON, Jan. 16.—Resistance of the Russians and Rumanians to the German machine is daily growing more desperate. The Russians strongly attacked ground Funderl this morning, after violent artillery preparations. Though the attacks were repulsed, they stopped the German advance. The Rumanians have seized the offensive in the Sulista Valley, and have taken several German trenches.

APOPLEXY KILLS MRS. C. H. HALBERT

Apoplexy this morning took Mrs. Laurie Halbert, wife of C. H. Halbert, Sixth street. Death came at 5:10 o'clock. The deceased was 45 years old. Interment will be made in the local cemetery. Pop Congratulates Wilson WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—Pope Benedict today sent formal congratulations to President Wilson for his efforts to secure a statement from the belligerent nations. The Spanish ambassador delivered the message.

SPECULATORS USE WARS FOR PROFIT

Democrats Will Tax Incomes

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 16.—Additional inheritance taxes and a corporation tax will be used to raise \$25,000,000, democrats of the house decided today. This decision has the approval of President Wilson and Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo.

ORGANIZE FOR FEDERAL LOAN

FARMERS IN DISTRICT WEST OF KLAMATH RIVER WILL MEET SATURDAY TO ORGANIZE UNDER FEDERAL ACT

Movements are on foot in several parts of the county to form local associations of farmers in order to avail themselves of the provisions of the Federal Farm Loan Act and secure money at low rate of interest for long terms of years. One organization was perfected at Merrill and another is now under way to be composed principally of farmers west of the lake and river, so as to avoid the technicalities incident to such farms as are under the government ditch, with the consequent first lien given for irrigation. A meeting of interested farmers will be held at County Agricultural Glasser's office Saturday, January 20th, at 2 p. m., to study the provisions of the Federal act. Twelve names of those desiring to join the new organization have been presented, and others are known to be considering the matter. Anyone wishing to learn full details of the new movement is invited to attend. Enter the Federal Farm Loan Act

LAWSON DETAILS CONVERSATION WITH HENRY

Officers Can't Find Woman Who Has Names of Brokers Who Made Money by Leak, But United Press Gets Her on Phone for a Minute—Morgan and Other New York Bankers May Be Subpoenaed.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 16.—"One of us is a rank perjurer," hurried Thomas W. Lawson at Chairman Henry of the house rules committee when on the stand today in the peace note leak investigation.

Lawson resumed the witness stand this morning, and reiterated the charge that Chairman Henry had involved a cabinet member in the leak.

He detailed the alleged conversation with Henry, during which he said Henry told him of hearsay evidence which the committee had. He asserted the Mexican situation and European war had been used by speculators for making profits.

Efforts to find Mrs. Ruth Visconti, who gave Lawson names of some persons who had advance information on the peace note, were unavailing. The subpoenae servers couldn't find her. The United Press reached her by telephone, but she refused to make a statement. Then she left her home.

Representative Harrison today asked the rules committee to subpoena J. P. Morgan, H. P. Davidson and F. A. Vanderlip, New York bankers.

Dewey Near Death

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 16.—Admiral Dewey is nearing death this afternoon. His physician stated that "Admiral Dewey is worse than at any time since he became ill."

Arterio sclerosis is affecting his lungs and kidneys.

Two Ships Go Down

PETROGRAD, Jan. 16.—Two enemy ships were sunk near the Bosphorus by a Russian submarine yesterday. money is to be loaned to farmers of prospective farmers to buy farms, livestock, machinery, build buildings or to pay off high rate mortgages, contracts or old debts.

Klamath Interests the Other Fellow

People on the Outside Write to Commercial Club and Realty Dealers About Available Farm Lands

The outside world is becoming mightily interested in Klamath farm lands. Some of the inquiries concern particularly the Tule lake area to be opened next spring, while numerous others simply ask about land on which to build a home and raise a crop. Each mail brings to Klamath Commercial Club letters inquiring about the

Tule lake lands. Many of these letters contain clippings from various outside papers telling about the opening of the lands to homestead entry. E. M. Chilcote, local real estate operator, says every mail brings him a letter asking about farm land in Klamath county, and some days he gets two and three letters.