

# LOWER MARSH RECLAMATION BEGUN

## VAST TRACTS OF FERTILE LANDS WILL RESULT

FINAL PREPARATION BELIEVED ACCOMPLISHED

Lumber for installation of Gates Has Been Shipped From This City and Is Now on Ground—Five Years' Effort of Klamath Drainage District Thru Myriad of Obstacles Is Rewarded—Gates in Before Rains.

What is believed to have been the final wind-up of all the necessary legal preparation for the reclamation of the marsh lands of the Lower Klamath Lake has now been completed, and the lumber is now on the ground for the closing of the gates at the Klamath strait, which will ultimately reclaim a tract of over 54,000 acres of the richest soil in this part of the state.

Lower Klamath Lake is supplied with water from the Klamath River thru the Klamath strait, and the installation of gates at the Southern Pacific strait crossing will divert the water on down the river and reclaim the marshes.

The installation of these gates is a simple proposition, and could have been accomplished years ago except for legal complications which have handicapped in one way and another the directors of the Klamath Drainage district, who have worked tirelessly to accomplish it. The Klamath Drainage District tracts comprise about 30,600 acres of the marshes. There is also considerable government land there in addition to a national bird reserve. The marsh land reclamation is one of the projects embraced in the United States reclamation project, and considerable work has been done by the service in the preparation of this move. There will be a charge of about \$5.50 per acre against all the lands of the district for its drainage.

Altho the final election of members of the drainage district to completely finish the matter does not come until the 31st of this month, the result is a foregone conclusion, and the gates are now being installed by the officials to stop the fall rains from flooding the lands, on which the water is unusually low.

It is claimed that the land which will eventually be reclaimed by this stop will be capable of supporting as large a population as is now in Klamath County.

### PROMINENT SKIPPER PASSES

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 12.—Captain Matson, president of the Matson Navigation company, died here today of paralysis. He served his apprenticeship on the clipper ships.

## REWARD OFFERED FOR DESERTERS

FIFTY DOLLARS REWARD WILL BE PAID FOR ALL DESERTERS ARRESTED AND BROUGHT TO NEAREST MOBILIZATION CAMP

CAMP LEWIS, Oct. 12.—A reward of \$50 is to be offered for the delivery to the nearest mobilization camp of all deserters. Military officials will be empowered to arrest deserters also.

Wild enthusiasm attended the unpacking of 500 towels sent to the camp by the Lincoln school of Portland, as a new idea of helping the soldiers.

## ARMY HORSES BEING BOUGHT

AGENT FOR SACRAMENTO FIRM IS BUYING GELDINGS FOR CAVALRY AND LIGHT ARTILLERY. ONE CARLOAD SHIPPED

W. C. Hoback, buyer for Younger & Davis of Sacramento, is now in the county buying horses for the cavalry and light artillery.

He has already shipped one carload, and is in the market for more. Only geldings are being taken.

## GOVERNMENT MAY TAKE MORE SHIPS

NEED OF CARRIERS FOR EUROPE MAY NECESSITATE TAKING VESSELS OF OVER FIFTEEN HUNDRED TONS

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 12.—Owing to the increased need of trans-Atlantic tonnage for the transportation of the many varieties of supplies to European nations, the shipping board is considering taking over all American vessels over 1,500 tons deadweight capacity, instead of 2,500 tons, as first announced.

### MORE GERMAN BOOKS OUSTED FROM SEATTLE

SEATTLE, Oct. 12.—"Im Vaterland," the German high school text book designed to give Americans "a better appreciation" of the kaiser and Prussianism, was ousted from Seattle schools by unanimous action of the school board.

## KLAMATH BOYS TO BECOME OFFICERS

EARL HILTON, "RED" LAWRENCE AND "RED" McCULLUM ARE NOW AT FORT DODGE, IOWA, TO ENTER CADET SCHOOL

An interesting letter was received by the Herald this morning from Clifford Sevis, one of the first of the local boys to answer the call to the colors, now at Fort Stevens. He tells of the liberal subscription made by the boys there to the second Liberty Loan, and describes the activities of camp life. The letter follows in part: "This morning Earl Hilton, 'Red' Lawrence and 'Red' McCullum, all Klamath Falls boys, left with a detachment from Fort Stevens for Fort Dodge, Iowa, where they will enter cadet school to be trained for first sergeants, sergeant majors, and supply sergeants. In view of the fact that these men who made the trip were chosen by company commanders, the three boys from Klamath are to be congratulated on being included.

"Football is the center of attraction in the athletic side of camp life just now, and as usual, the Klamath boys are taking their place in this line of activity. Wade Short and Paul Hilton figured conspicuously in a snappy game here Sunday between the First Company Regulars and the Eleventh Company, O. A. C. from Marshfield.

"During the past week the boys have been actively engaged in digging trenches, erecting dummies for bayonet drill, and getting into shape generally for a season of stiff training in trench maneuvering. The work furnishes a thrill, and the newness of the project is a pleasant relief from other routine duties.

"This regiment of soldiers has subscribed \$36,000 to the second Liberty Bond issue within the past five days, and the sum is still going up. We wonder if there are 2,000 civilians who have contributed as liberally as these soldiers have, who have already offered to give their lives, if need be, that the country might win out in this war. Whatever their sentiments were before the United States became involved in the war, without exception, the boys of the Coast Artillery are now heart and soul into the campaign to win. They are eager to finish up the job as soon as possible and return to a peaceful occupation. But not one will slack his duty until this war is over and the plenipotentiaries of Europe gather with their representatives around the peace table to discuss the greatest problem of all ages.

### RIGGS LEAVES OCTOBER 20TH

Robert Riggs of this city has received orders to report at the United States aeronautics school at Berkeley on October 20th. Riggs recently passed the entrance examinations to this school.

Following a six weeks course at Berkeley he will go to San Diego, where he will finish his preparation. On successfully completing the work he will receive a commission as first lieutenant.

### FIRE PICTURES DRAW CROWD

The moving pictures of the Ewans fire at the Star Theater last night were unusually clear and drew big crowds. They will be shown again this evening and then taken to Merrill.

### DIVORCE SUIT FILED

Alleging desertion, a suit for divorce has been brought in the office of the circuit court clerk by William W. Adams against Gwendolyn Lee Adams. C. J. Ferguson is plaintiff's attorney.

## New Rates Given on Liberty Bonds

Ben Selling, of Portland, Offers These to Oregon Residents For a Dollar Down and At a Dollar a Week

PORTLAND, Oct. 12.—Any resident in the state of Oregon can now obtain Liberty bonds on the installment plan of \$1 down and \$1 a week. This announcement has been made by Ben Selling, a prominent Portland merchant. It is as follows: "I will sell Liberty bonds of the second issue upon the payment of \$1 down and \$1 a week for each \$50 bond, and when same is fully paid, bonds will be delivered to the purchaser, with all the coupons attached. There will be no interest charge made by me whatsoever.

## German Propaganda Dates Back Eight Years

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 12.—President Wilson learned today that Germany financed the Irish-American propaganda organizations in the United States as early as 1909 to combat the newly developed movement for celebration of hundred years peace with England.

## SLEVIN PLEASED WITH KLAMATH

MAN WHO HAS IMPORTED MANY BELGIANS INTO OREGON SEES GREAT OPPORTUNITIES HERE. COLONY MAY BE STARTED

James Slevin of Portland, who has been responsible for large importations of Belgians into the state of Oregon, left yesterday morning after a short visit in Klamath Falls as the guest of H. R. Reynolds. While here he was shown over a part of the Klamath Basin, and was greatly impressed with the opportunities here. It is generally believed that a colony of Belgians would be very successful in Klamath County, as they are known to be a thrifty lot, and Mr. Slevin is apparently disposed toward sending some here later if it can be arranged. He is now on his way East.

### WORK ON BRIDGES BEGUN

Work has now commenced on the construction of the new county bridges across Lost River near the Crane & Watters ranch, in the Klamath Basin. C. D. Willson has the contract for this work.

J. H. Garrett is at work on the abutments of the bridge at the west end of Main street. The work is being inspected by County Surveyor Cleghorn.

## LAWRENCE EZELL BREAKS HIS RIBS

CAR STRIKES LUMBER PILE ON SIXTH STREET, THROWING DRIVER AGAINST STEERING WHEEL WITH GREAT FORCE

Lawrence Ezell of the firm of Esell Brothers, three miles east of town, met with an unfortunate accident this morning when his car struck a pile of lumber on Sixth street near the scene of the recent fire. Mr. Ezell was thrown against the steering wheel with such force that two ribs were broken and he was also badly bruised about the head and face.

His injuries were attended by Dr. George Wright and he is now resting easier.

MRS. FRED BECK ILL AT HILDEBRAND

Mrs. Fred Beck in the Hildebrand section is on the sick list. Dr. F. M. White was called there yesterday afternoon in attendance.

Her daughter, Mrs. Rose Powell, has come from Ashland to be with her.

GRAT SALE PRICES RAISE AT THE WORLD SERIES GAMES

CHICAGO, Oct. 12.—The even results in the world series has caused the speculators here to raise the ticket prices. Manager Rowland expects to start "Red" Russel Saturday. Stetson will be the next choice; Galles will start the game for New York.

## BAD WEATHER DELAYS DRIVE

ALTHO HOLDING TERRITORY GAINED IN FLANDERS, HEAVY RAINS PREVENT FURTHER MOVES AT PRESENT

By Associated Press DATELESS—Extremely bad weather on the Flanders front is limiting activities of the belligerents. In the territory gained Tuesday, the allies' hold has slipped on only one point in a particularly low sector along the British front below Poelcappelle, where the advance posts have been compelled to draw in a little.

## MAN KILLS AN ELK FOR DEER

REPORTS MISTAKE TO AUTHORITIES AND UNDERGOES TRIAL. ANIMAL HALF HID IN CLUMP OF BUSHES

ALBANY, Ore., Oct. 11.—B. B. Doughton killed a 500-pound elk in a clump of brush, thinking it was a deer. He immediately reported the mistake to the authorities, and is being tried today. He may be given a release.

## NEW CANADIAN POLITICAL PARTY

OTTAWA, Oct. 12.—Conferences by representatives of two major political parties has resulted in the formation of the "Union Government," under Premier Sir Robert Borden. There is strong opposition, however, from some of the liberals.

### ADMIRAL RETURNS FROM CONFERENCE

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 12.—Admiral Mayo, commander in chief of the Atlantic fleet, has returned with his staff from England, where he participated in a naval conference, according to an authorized statement from the navy department today.

### BERLIN REPORTS SUCCESSFUL DEFENSE

BERLIN, Oct. 12.—German battle lines on the Flanders front are being held firmly by defenders. Repeated attacks on an eight mile front have been broken down with heavy losses.

## PRODUCE WANTED FOR PORTLAND EXHIBIT

SPECIMENS MUST GO FORWARD SOON

A Considerable Supply of Fine Grain and Vegetables Have Already Been Gathered, But Many More Are Needed—Farmers Asked to Bring in Good Samples of Grain, Hay and Vegetables in Next Few Days.

The Klamath Commercial Club and County Agricultural Agent H. R. Glazier are now very busy gathering material for a county exhibit at the Manufacturers and Land Products show at Portland, which commences the last of this month, and runs thru a greater part of November.

Several trips have now been made thru the Klamath Basin, and a good supply of fine grains and vegetables secured, but it is possible to visit only a limited proportion of the ranches, and it is desired that the farmers who have products which will make good displays, bring them into the Commercial Club within the next two weeks.

Potatoes on which prizes are offered should be in displays of thirty pounds each. The following varieties are listed for prizes: Burbanks, American Wonder, Early Rose, Early Ohio, Uncle Sam, Garned Chili, Hundred Fold, Nettle Gem, Earliest of All and Gold Coin.

Prizes are offered for the best bushel of Turkey Red, Forty Fold, Blue Stem and Early Bart wheat. Vegetables of all kinds are wanted for the exhibit. Good grain on the stock is also desired for wall decoration.

## MOVE TO HINDER RED CROSS WORK

SOURCE OF EFFORT TO HANDICAP PROGRESS OF SOCIETY IS TO BE TRACED AND UPROOTED—ALL DIVISIONS NOTIFIED

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 12.—Declaring that efforts to disarrange work of the American Red Cross are being made in various sections of the United States as part of the anti-patriotic propaganda, General Manager Harvey Wilson has telegraphed all division managers to begin a nation wide campaign to trace the movement and combat it.

## Duck Hunters May Now Shoot Before Sunrise

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 12.—The department of agriculture has announced that the amended migratory bird regulations are effective on October 15th, which permit hunting from a half hour before sunrise to sunset during the open season, subject to the state laws.

The open season in Eastern Oregon, Washington and Nevada is from September 15th to December 31st. The open season is unchanged west of the Cascades in Oregon and Washington. The previous regulations permitted hunting only between sunrise and sunset.

FOREST FIRES NEAR ROSEBURG ROSEBURG, Oct. 12.—A large forest fire is raging northeast of here. Firemen are now fighting the blaze in the green timber. Many smaller fires are reported burning.

## Noel T. Ward Takes Over W. P. Johnson Co.

The entire real estate business of the W. P. Johnson company was purchased and taken over today by Joel T. Ward, who has been identified with the company for some time. It will now be operated under the name of J. T. Ward & Co.

A general real estate business will be conducted, as formerly, in city and county property. Mr. Johnson, who expects to go to the front with the Twentieth Engineers' Lumbermen's battalion, does not intend to resume business here until the end of the war.