

## FERTILE AREA OF COUNTY INCREASED

### RECLAMATION OF LOWER MARSHES TO PROCEED

UNANIMOUS VOTE IS CAST HERE YESTERDAY

Over 1,800 Votes Out of 2,800 Cast. Every One in Favor of Installing Gates at Klamath Strait—Will Mean Eventual Reclamation of 64,000 Acres of Most Fertile Territory in District.

Out of a total of 2,600 votes of the Klamath Drainage District, over 1,800 were cast here at an election yesterday afternoon, unanimously in favor of authorizing the directors to enter into contract with the United States reclamation service for the reclamation of the Lower Klamath marsh lands by the installation of gates at the S. P. railway crossing over the Klamath Strait.

This is believed to be the last step necessary in the litigation toward the reclaiming of these lands, which consist of over 20,000 acres under the Klamath Drainage District and 64,000 acres altogether. As a matter of fact, the result of this election in favor of the move was so certain that the gates have already been installed to prevent the early winter floods from raising the water, which is now at its lowest point. The cost of the reclamation of these lands to the owners is to be \$4.60 per acre, in addition to the irrigation charges.

Twenty years are given by the government to pay this sum. Payments will be graduated and no interest charged.

### MAMMOTH SHIP TONNAGE COMPLETED BY MARCH

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 1.—The American ship yards will complete 1,000,000 tons in ships by March 1st, according to Chairman Hurely of the shipping board.

### COMMERCIAL CLUB MOVING

The Klamath Commercial Club is today moving to its new quarters near the corner of Eighth and Main streets. The old quarters on Fourth street will be taken over by the First National bank and remodeled as a book-keeping department.

## Many Guests Enjoy Hard Times Party

About 125 Red Cross enthusiasts last night gathered for one of the brightest parties of the year at the White Pelican hotel.

In celebration of the Halloween spirit the rooms were appropriately decorated with unique figures and mystical emblems. Asked in the invitations to appear at a "hard times" party, many of the guests responded with costumes which indicated a good-luck and poverty hard to believe.

Following a short session at cards and a dance about the edge of the big dining room, an orchestra struck up

### GERMAN ADVANCE BADLY HINDERED

REAR GUARD OF RETREATING ARMY GAINS TIME FOR THOSE IN ADVANCE BY HARASSING THE ENEMY

By Associated Press. DATELESS—Cadorna's rear guard is doing notable work in the effort to slow up the advance of the Teuton troops by making numerous stands and forcing the enemy to halt and fight, while the Italian cavalry has harassed the advancing columns.

### ARCHIE WISHARD JOINS BENEDICTS

SECRETARY OF WATER USERS WEDS MERRILL GIRL—CEREMONY PERFORMED AT HOME OF BROTHER

Secretary Archie Wishard of the Klamath Water Users' Association is being showered with congratulations by his many Klamath Falls friends on his marriage Sunday to Miss Erma M. Anderson of Merrill.

The ceremony was performed at 4 o'clock in the presence of immediate relatives at the home of Will Anderson, brother of the bride. Two other brothers were present from Ashland to witness the ceremony, which was performed by the Rev. G. A. Oliver of the Methodist church here.

Mr. Wishard has been a resident of Klamath Falls for a number of years, and is well and favorably known. He has been identified with the Klamath Water Users Association for the past year.

### ENEMY HALTED NEAR UDINE

ITALIAN HEADQUARTERS, Nov. 1.—The Italian troops are now perfectly organized, and are holding back the enemy at a distance of seven miles west of Udine.

### LONDON RAIDED LAST NIGHT

LONDON, Nov. 1.—About thirty airplanes divided into seven groups participated in a raid last night which penetrated to the heart of the city. The casualties are declared to be slight.

### STRAHORN ROAD RIGHT OF WAY IS SETTLED

SATISFACTORY ADJUSTMENT IS MADE AT OLENE

New Survey Made Affording Greater Safety to Public—Will Run in Rear of School House and Along Upper Bank of Government Canal—Two Overhead Crossings Necessary—To Rush Grading at This Point.

The last seriously contested piece of right of way on the new Klamath Falls Municipal railway between Klamath Falls and Dairy now under construction by Robert E. Strahorn has now been secured, and the price for the property apparently satisfactorily adjusted, so that all the remaining work can proceed without further delay.

In the original survey the road passed thru the place where some of the Corpening buildings now stand. A condemnation suit was recently heard in the Circuit Court here regarding a fair price for the damage to the property. Since this suit, in which Corpening was awarded the sum of \$8,000, the survey has been changed to a route more favorable to all parties. It now leaves the original survey about one quarter mile east of E. E. Byres store at Olene, runs to the rear of the Olene school house, above the Corpening Inn, and hugs the upper canal bank on thru the gap to the rear of the Rex Bord buildings.

Two overhead crossings will be made, one at the Anderson property and one at the Rex Bord ranch.

Mr. Strahorn and the city officials are very pleased to have this difficulty solved satisfactorily to all concerned. The road, which has been graded at all other points along the twenty mile right of way, will now be rushed at this point.

### FARMER HAS NARROW ESCAPE

FINE NEW AUTO WRECKED IN COLLISION WITH LUMBER TRUCK AT FOOT OF SIXTH STREET

As a result of a collision last night, James Henly, a prominent farmer in the Klamath Basin near the city, has a narrow escape from death and nearly ruined a fine new Mitchell car.

The accident occurred at the foot of Sixth street, where a lumber truck was standing in the road. There is a bad hole in the road just at this point, and it was in an endeavor to avoid this that Henly's reported to have collided with the truck.

Two wheels on one side were knocked from the wagon, letting part of the load off on the machine. Mr. Henly was not injured, but the car was very seriously damaged.

### BRITISH TAKE HOLY LAND CITY

LONDON, Nov. 1.—The British have captured the city of Beersheba, in Palestine.

### Steamer Finland Was Submerged

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 1.—The navy department has announced that the transport Finland was recently torpedoed while returning to the United States. The boat was able to return to the foreign port under its own steam, and the damage is reported to have been slight.

### Western Men Wanted For Aviation Corps

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 1.—Three hundred and fifty candidates a week are wanted from the Far West for commissions in the aviation corps of the United States army, it was proclaimed officially here today.

Every one of them who can stand the vigorous but reasonable physical and mental entrance tests, and pass muster in the army aviation schools, will get a war commission from the president in "the signal officers' reserve corps, with the prospect of service abroad.

The candidate will draw \$100 a month with subsistence allowance while he is going to school, and when he is commissioned he will receive the pay of his rank while on active duty. This, for first lieutenants, is \$166.66, with \$36 additional com-

### MOTHER MAKES NOBLE SACRIFICE

FOLLOWING A STRING OF FAMILY MISFORTUNES, KLAMATH WOMAN SEES HER ELDEST SON LEAVE FOR NAVY TODAY

Had you been at the depot this morning when the train was leaving all the patriotism of your heart would have been stirred to its depths—even while it tugged at your heartstrings—by the sacrifice of a noble mother in giving her first born son to the service of her country.

When "Bob" Williams, as he was familiarly known to all his friends, passed away a few months ago, he left his widow with a large family of dependent children alone to manage the farm and dairy.

A feature of the evening was the auctioning off of a huge cake, piece by piece, the last piece going for \$5.50. Each piece contained a prize, which when interpreted told the holder's fortune.

Over \$80 were taken in, exceeding the expectations considerably. The surplus left after the piano payment is made will go to the support of the Parent-Teachers Association.

The crowd broke up about 11 o'clock, everyone voting the social a great success.

well and return with an honorable discharge, or not at all. It is such mothers as this that will yet save America. All honors to Mary Williams.—W. A. Delsell.

### CANADIANS MAKE GOOD ADVANCE

AFTER BITTER FIGHT WITH ENEMY, IMPORTANT RIDGE IS GAINED—CANADIANS NOW NEAR PASSEHENDAELE

CANADIAN HEADQUARTERS, Nov. 1.—The Canadians have gained further footing on the Passehendaele ridge, after bitter fighting, and have now established their front line within a few hundreds yards of the ruined village of Passehendaele.

### HOBGOBLINS WERE OUT LAST NIGHT

MUCH EVIDENCE OF HALLOWEEN SPIRITS IN ALL PARTS OF CITY TODAY—NO SERIOUS DAMAGE REPORTED

Considerable evidence of hobgoblins, witches, elves or other spirits of Halloween is very conspicuous in many parts of the city today.

While no serious damage has been reported, the misplaced signs, overturned waste paper stands, and other pranks are evidenced on every hand.

A very large proportion of the merchants were noted this morning busily engaged in hosing or scrubbing various signs, lithographed with soap, from their front windows.

### ITALIAN SITUATION DISCUSSED

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 1.—The Italian situation and the prospect of American aid were discussed at a conference yesterday between the Italian ambassador, Court Cellers, and Secretary Lansing.

### BUTTER BOARD CLOSED

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 1.—The Elgin butter board of Chicago will be closed for the period of the war, under an agreement announced Monday between the board and the food administration.

### INDICTED FOR KING MURDER

CONCORD, N. C., Nov. 1.—Gaston B. Means has been indicted by the Grand Jury for the murder of Mrs. Maud A. King, a wealthy widow, who was killed last August.

## Italian Losses Are Declared Tremendous

BERLIN, Nov. 1.—The Austro-Germans have increased the number of prisoners to over 180,000, and have taken 1,500 Italian guns.

A German statement says that the Teuton Fourteenth army has gained another great victory yesterday. Portions of the Italians made a stand at the Tagliamento River. The Germans captured the bridge head positions at Diagnano and Codroina.

The Austro-Germans have penetrated the rear guard positions of the Italians east of the lower Tagliamento, cutting off and capturing 60,000 Italians.

### PHONE STRIKE IS PROVING VERY SERIOUS

GOVERNMENT REQUEST FOR DELAY NOT GRANTED

Operators and Linemen at Many Points Walk Out as Threatened. 1,300 Out at Seattle—Service Crippled—Situation Serious at Portland—International Brotherhood Officials Agreed to Postpone Strike.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 1.—The big telephone strike is now in a complex situation. The threatened tie-up of the phone lines of the entire Pacific Coast, while not as serious as feared, is in a state of uncertainty while the outlook is decidedly dubious.

The International Brotherhood officers have agreed to postpone the strike at the request of Federal Mediator Verner C. Reed of Denver, who arrived yesterday, and who declared the situation saved, but the linemen and operators walked out in Seattle, Portland and Tacoma, and some in Spokane. At other points they remained at work.

SEATTLE, Nov. 1.—The operators and electricians walked out here, despite the government's request that they continue until a conference could be held. Approximately 1,300 are now out, according to the union officials. The service is crippled.

PORTLAND, Nov. 1.—Several hundred linemen and telephone operators have walked out on the strike called for midnight last night, but the service is not crippled.

The strikers are picketing the exchanges, but no violence has been noted. Police squads are present.

Recognition of the Women Operators' Union and higher wages are the chief objects of the strikers.

### STEAMER GROUND IN PUGET SOUND

SEATTLE, Nov. 1.—The American Tobacco company steamer Javary, bound from Shanghai to Tacoma with case oil, grounded in a fog on Whitty Island in Puget Sound today, while making for the quarantine station at Port Townsend.

Government tugs have been sent to the rescue.