

## GRAVE CRISIS NOW AT HEIGHT AT CONFERENCE

### Italy Proposes to Occupy Disputed Ground.

### ORLANDO OB DURATE

#### Italy Backing Premier's Stand—Big Parade in Rome Today—Steps Taken to Protect American Repre- sentatives—Italians Will Not Leave Today.

PARIS, April 24.—Captain Pozzi of Orlando's staff stated today that the Italian military forces would occupy that portion of Dalmatia and other Adriatic territory named in the pact with London with about 100,000 men and that a similar force would be sent to Fiume.

After Lloyd George had conferred with Orlando today it was announced that Orlando would not go home to Italy until tonight.

Orlando had issued a statement, previously, replying to Wilson saying that he was compelled to withdraw from the conference after Wilson's action.

King Victor Emmanuel telegraphed to Orlando commending his action and insisting that he maintain the position he had taken. He stated that if a break became definite, Italy would attempt to make a separate peace with Germany.

PARIS, April 24.—The Reuters limited news service learns that the Italian government is taking measures to protect the American Embassy at Rome and the consulates in all the Italian cities, in the event of demonstrations.

PARIS, April 24.—It is understood that France and England after a consultation with President Wilson, will make another effort to draw from the Italians a further declaration as to the situation. Hope is still entertained that a way may be found to terminate the grave incident to the satisfaction of all parties.

ROME, April 24.—An imposing demonstration was held here today. The paraders cheered for Premier Orlando Sonnino and demanded the addition of Fiume and Dalmatia.

PARIS, April 24.—Although the Italian delegation announced this morning its intention of withdrawing from the conference, Premier Lloyd George declared this afternoon after a discussion with them that the Italians would not leave Paris today.

## SOLDIER STARTS BUSINESS HERE

### MAN WHO WORKED AT TRADE HERE BEFORE WAR AND WHO HAS BEEN GETTING EXPERI- ENCE OVERSEAS OPENS SHOP

Carl Schubert, Jr. formerly with the Central Garage welding department is establishing an up-to-date welding shop on Main Street, two doors east of the Post Office. Having had over 12 years experience in high temperature and Auto gaseous welding and about a year's experience in welding delicate aeroplane parts and equipment with the U. S. Army overseas, he is now offering the public his services along these lines. Any kind of metals can be welded satisfactorily at this establishment. He is also equipped to do steel cutting and brazing.

### NEW BUICKS HERE.

Two carloads of Buicks have arrived and are being unloaded today by the Southern Auto Company.

## LOS ANGELES MAYOR DECLARED SCOUNDREL.

LOS ANGELES, April 24.—Horne Karr, the alleged accomplice of Mayor F. T. Woodman and the principal witness for the prosecution in the latter's trial for graft, testified that he had been promised immunity from prosecution but said he had no fear of prosecution and his real reason for testifying was that Woodman and others had attempted to put all the blame on him.

## BOND ELECTION ON JUNE THIRD

### CITIZENS WILL VOTE ON RAISING \$347,704, TO BE USED WITH STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDS FOR ROADS.

The big campaign is on! The campaign that is to transform Klamath county from a practically trackless wilderness into one seamed with highways that will be the pride of its citizens and the admiration of its visitors.

Yesterday the county court signed the order calling for the election at which the people of Klamath will vote on the question of bonding the county for highways. Momentous as was this epoch making event, it was done with the cool, deliberate, business-like consideration that is marking every move of the present county court.

The order came as a final act after days of consideration and work by District Attorney Duncan and his able assistant, W. S. Wiley. Realizing the importance of the questions involved, these officials worked almost continuously for nearly 48 hours before a final satisfactory draft of the order was completed. When this was ready Judge Bunnell and Commissioners Short and Fordyce, assisted by Engineer Darley, went over every detail and when every technical kink was fully digested, the order was signed.

The order calls for the submission of the question as to whether Klamath county shall bond itself to raise \$347,704.00, to run for 20 years, and is to be voted on at the general election on June 3rd. This money is to be expended as follows:

On the Klamath Falls-Lakeview road, \$77,648.

On the Klamath Falls-Bend road \$163,195.25.

On the Green Springs road, between Klamath Falls and Ashland, \$40,000.

On the Klamath Falls-Merrill-Mallin road, beginning at Klamath Falls, passing thru Merrill and Mallin to the California line near the Dalton ranch, \$59,645.25.

On the Lakeview-Bend road, \$7,305.00. This is a piece of the road from Lakeview to Bend that crosses the Northwestern corner of the County near La Pine.

Under the program that has been approved by the Highway Commission, the state will match this money dollar for dollar, making a total of \$695,408.

This sum the government will match dollar for dollar, creating a highway fund for Klamath County of \$1,390,816. Thus the state and government gives to Klamath county \$1,053,112, the only consideration being that it shall be used for the construction of improved highways.

There is no question as to the decision of the voters on this question, it will be approved by an almost unanimous vote.

## FORMER RESIDENT BACK FOR VISIT

P. W. Snider, a former prominent resident of Klamath county and member of the Klamath County Fair board, who now resides in Los Molinos, California, and operates the Los Molinos hotel, is back for a brief visit on matter of business in Klamath Falls, and is shaking hands with his many friends on the street today. Mr. Snider maintained a herd of thoroughbred cattle at his Swan Lake ranch while here.

## RATE MEETING NOW PLANNED

### MATTERS IN WHICH KLAMATH COUNTY IS INTERESTED WILL BE DISCUSSED IF CONFER- ENCE IS CALLED

SALEM, April 24.—The Oregon Public Service Commission will be represented at a conference in Kansas City early in May, for the consideration of several cases affecting interstate commerce, if Clyde B. Aitchison, chairman of the interstate commerce commission, decides to call the conference.

Mr. Aitchison has written the Oregon commission that he probably will be in Kansas City for a conference at that time. Various cases are pending which have arisen out of the decreasing of intrastate class rates in California by the California commission, causing a situation similar in nature to the Shreveport case of Louisiana. Those cases apparently affected interstate commerce. Mr. Aitchison believes a conference may be profitable in that it will save time and expense in arriving at conclusions, and he suggests that the Oregon and California commissions and other interested parties be represented at the meeting. He explains that incompleteness of the evidence and the conditions due to war have tended to delay the interstate commerce commission in the determination of cases.

Among the Oregon cases on which the conference would have a bearing are the case of Portland Traffic & Transportation company vs. the Southern Pacific company relative to class rates between Oregon and California points; the Klamath Commercial Club Business Men's association vs. the Southern Pacific company, and the Medford Commercial Club vs. the Southern Pacific company, also affecting rates between California and Oregon.

## THIRD DAY OF DRIVE SLUMPS

### SLACKENING IN PACE OF INCOM- ING SUBSCRIPTIONS IS APPAR- ENT AT VICTORY LOAN HEAD- QUARTERS TODAY

With a total of something over eighty thousand dollars for the first two days of the Victory Loan drive in Klamath Falls the third day has suffered a slump, according to information received at the banks at noon today. It is stated that a number of persons who have made promises of pledges, have failed to sign up thus far, and it is to be hoped that these will make their subscriptions immediately and put Klamath Falls and County over the top at the earliest possible moment.

The outside precincts in the county and the industrial districts have not been heard from as yet and their reports will of course swell the total substantially, but there is still a very large amount which will have to be taken in from the city, according to the leaders, if the county's quota of \$338,000 is to be secured.

## BULRESON BELIEVES IN "SAFETY FIRST"

NEW YORK, April 23.—The "World" today charges that the post-office department prohibited transmission on the Western Union and Postal wires articles concerning Bulreson and his administration on the ground that it "appeared improper."

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 24.—Postmaster General Bulreson today withdrew the rules prohibiting the transmission of libelous matter when it referred to himself. The action was taken when the New York World called his attention to this matter.

## NATIONAL GUARD IS REORGANIZED

### FIRST STEPS TOWARD RECON- STITUTION TAKEN. FIVE COM- PANIES AUTHORIZED FOR ORE- GON. BELIEVED NECESSARY

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 24.—The reconstitution of the National Guard was actually started yesterday when the Bureau of military affairs of the War Department authorized the organization of seven regiments of one battalion of infantry, one squadron of cavalry and eighteen companies of coast artillery.

The states included were New York, New Jersey, Ohio and Oregon. One Battalion of infantry of four companies of Coast Artillery was authorized for Oregon.

New units are intended to replace the state troops which cannot be legally maintained in times of peace. The states first considered were those where conditions were such that the governors considered armed forces might be necessary under certain contingencies. The units are to be organized on a peace status with a minimum of sixty to a company.

## LANGELL VALLEY TO CLEANUP NOW

### HIGH DRIVE TO CLEAN-UP SQUIR- RELS FROM LARGE TERRI- TORY IS BEING ARRANGED FOR SATURDAY AND SUNDAY

That Klamath Falls doesn't hold any patent on this clean-up business and that the move is going to sweep thru the county and be applied to other enemies than tin cans and dirt, is indicated by the report from Upper Langell Valley of the two day Squirrel cleanup drive, set for Saturday and Sunday.

The enterprising ranchers of this district are going to make a systematic drive on both sides of the valley and have a good time while they are at it, according to County Agricultural Agent E. H. Thomas, who has attended a meeting at the school house here and assisted in making the plans.

The ranchers are going to meet at the Langell Valley post office both mornings at eight o'clock with their basket dinners and intend going down the west side on Saturday and the east side on Sunday.

M. S. Kilgore, A. C. Duncan, Mrs. Irene Deal and C. L. Holliday are the committee in charge of the arrangements.

One half ton of the poisoned oats prepared at the Agent's office here, has been taken to Langell Valley. Although the squirrels are not as thick there as in some parts of the county, the ranchers propose to stamp them out effectually, before they become so great a menace. Supplies of the poisoned grain will be kept at Lorella, Bonanza and the George Deal Ranch.

Mr. Thomas announces that thru the co-operation of the Biological survey that the prices of the poison ingredients have been lowered so that a six quart sack of oats can be purchased for a dollar and five cents instead of a dollar and a quarter as formerly. The grain is turned over to the ranchers at exact cost.

Poisoned grain is now being mixed in great quantities at the Agents office in the Loomis building. A large drying board has been installed with an electric fan by means of which 300 quarts can be dried daily and the call for it by the county ranchers is taxing the capacity of the workers.

## KLAMATH GIRLS NOW NURSES.

Miss Mary Short and Miss Louise Riggs, both graduates of the Klamath County High School are to be graduated in a few days as trained nurses at the Fabiola Hospital in Oakland.

## AN OLD BUSINESS UNDER A NEW NAME.

The Klamath Auto Tire Company, which has been conducting business at 126 Sixth Street under the management of Chas. Marple as proprietor, has changed its title to the Diamond Tire & Vulcanizing Company. Mr. Marple has taken as a partner in the business, Frank L. Smith, and the new firm will continue the business at the old stand.

## STRAHORN NOW TO GO AHEAD

### Railroad Builder Now in Portland, Sees Bright Outlook Ahead for This County—Ready to Start.

PORTLAND, April 24.—Encouraged over the favorable turn in arrangements to push construction of his railway another 20 miles from Dairy to Sprague river on the way from Klamath Falls to Bend, Robert E. Strahorn, president of the Oregon, California & Eastern Railway Co., says there seems to be no doubt that the people along the line of extension will be able to furnish enough substantial aid to help build the additional unit. There is no shortage of labor now, but there is difficulty in getting enough teams and feed for grading work because of the tremendously increased acreage being planted this season in grain and forage crops. As soon as the 20-mile extension is built, he believes there will be no trouble, with Portland's assistance, in raising the larger capital necessary to carry through the 1400 miles of railway which will connect interior Oregon with the rail lines now touching its borders.

President Strahorn foresees a large volume of traffic this season from the Klamath county railway in grain, wool and livestock and lumber enough to encourage the belief that traffic will develop ahead of further extensions of the railway system. It is his belief also that if the people at the June election authorize state guaranty of interest on construction bonds of worthy irrigation projects, it will be possible to provide for irrigation of 500,000 acres in Central Oregon, and a wonderful development of that part of the state will be stimulated.

Mr. Strahorn, who is at Hotel Portland, reports exceptionally prosperous times at Klamath Falls and thruout the large tributary region.

## MEXICO PEEVED AT THE ALLIES

### CARRANZA SORE BECAUSE HIS GOVERNMENT WAS NOT INVIT- ED TO BIG PARTY IN PARIS. MINISTER IS RECALLED

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 24.—The failure of the Allies to invite Mexico to participate in the conference of Neutrals at Paris has aroused President Carranza to bitter resentment which is increased by the incorporation of the recognition of the Monroe doctrine in the covenant with Mexico.

This was the explanation in official circles today of the withdrawing of the representatives from Paris.

The Mexican government also feels humiliated because she has been unable to secure recognition from either England or France.

The non recognition of the Monroe Doctrine by the Mexican government and the recall from Paris to Alberto J. Pani, minister of France to await orders in Spain formed the substance to statements printed by all Mexico City papers as coming officially from the Department of Foreign relations.

It is reported that the Mexican representative at Rome will also be called home.

## WOMEN OUT TO CHANGE MORAL TONE OF CITY

### Will Ask Appointment of City Matron Soon.

### CONDITIONS SAID BAD

#### Women of New Improvement Club at Big Meeting Yesterday Indicate Purpose of Changing Deploable Situation—Would Plant Trees Along Bank of Big Canal.

A meeting of the Klamath Improvement club was held in the council chambers yesterday afternoon and was largely attended. Much interest was manifested in the general movement for cleaning up and beautifying the city. It was decided to co-operate with the Elks in this work. The Elks advised the ladies of the club that it would place at their disposal \$50 to be offered in prizes along somewhat similar lines heretofore followed. Mesdames Ed Martin, Robertson, Torrey and Plath were appointed on the committee on prizes.

Mrs. C. W. Eberlein suggested that the banks of the government canal should be beautified with shrubs and trees, similar to the plan followed in some of the European countries.

One of the important questions discussed was the question of the moral conditions existing in the city. The statement was made that boys and girls, mere youngsters have been in a drunken condition and that something should and must be done to remedy this appalling condition.

It was suggested that a police matron be appointed by the city, but it was discovered the city had no funds with which to pay such an official. The further information was vouchsafed that out of prosecution under liquor laws were paid into the County treasury, while it was principally through the efforts of the city police force that violations were discovered. A committee was appointed consisting of Mesdames Reynolds, Jacobs and Miss Maud Baldwin to wait on the County Court and ask that official body to appoint a police matron under the law providing for the appointments of officers to uphold the criminal laws.

It was decided to take vigorous and effective measures, cost what it may, irrespective of any obstacles that may be placed in the way, to bring to an end the deplorable conditions that seem to be rapidly gaining headway among the younger people of the city. The parents of these children are to be advised of every instance in which their boy or girl may be involved, and panderers are to be hunted down and driven from the city. It was intimated that a tentative list of these vipers has already been prepared.

One of the first steps towards the moral regeneration of the city will be for a curfew law, and a committee was appointed to wait on Mayor Struble and the city council with this object in view. This committee is composed of Mesdames Jacobs, Magee, Winnek, Bratton, Cozad and Murphy.

The work outlined by this organization is sufficiently constructive to command the earnest and united support of the entire community.

Already eighty-five ladies have become members of the club, but this should be increased ten-fold.

### "Y" MEN MAY BE CALLED FROM ITALY.

PARIS, April 24.—Y. M. C. A. officers are considering the possibility of ordering all the American Y. M. C. A. Workers out of Italy to prevent them from becoming involved in the Anti-American demonstration. There are about two hundred workers with the Italian army.

### HERE FROM LORELLA.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Gale were Lorella visitors in the county seat yesterday.