

FOUR HORSES BURNED, OTHER PROPERTY LOST

Early Morning Blaze Destroys Old
Modoc Stables on Walnut Street;
No Insurance on Tenant's Prop-
erty; Building Insured for \$500.

Four horses were burned to death and considerable other property destroyed by a fire at the old Modoc stables on Walnut street, between Sixth and Seventh, about 1:30 o'clock this morning.

The building, which originally housed the old Klamath Steel & Iron Works, the first foundry in the city, was owned by J. O. Beardsley and was insured for \$500.

The horses were the property of Bert Walker, a tenant, who also lost saddles, harness, and all of his personal effects. He carried no insurance. His loss is in the neighborhood of \$1,200. He slept in the building. When he awakened the fire had gained such headway that he had barely time to escape and saved none of his property.

Mr. Walker did a general hauling business, with a little livery trade, and had worked hard to get started. He invested the savings of several years of labor in the business, which he just started last winter, and the fire was a severe blow to him.

The alarm was not turned in until the flames had gotten such hold on the dry wooden structure that it was impossible to save it. The firemen, however, found plenty to do in protecting neighboring buildings. The Lewis store next door and an adjoining barn caught fire, but the blazes were extinguished without damage.

LANGELL VALLEY HEARING POSTPONED

Judge D. V. Kuykendall has postponed the hearing on petition for confirmation of the proceedings of the directors of the Langell Valley Irrigation district in organizing the district and issuing bonds, which had been set for tomorrow, until March 15.

There is a movement underway for a settlement of adverse litigation and it seems possible that an agreement will be reached that will result in the withdrawal of opposition to confirmation, or at least considerable narrow the issues of the controversy.

CHURCHES WILL OPEN SUNDAY

Local churches will be opened again Sunday, announced the Rev. E. P. Lawrence, spokesman for the various pastors, today, but there will be considerable variations from the usual programs.

Neither the First Baptist or Emmanuel Baptist churches will have preaching services, but will hold Sunday School services as usual.

The Christian church plans to have both morning and evening services and its usual program.

The Methodist and Presbyterian churches will have morning services, as usual, but no evening sermons. There will be the young peoples evening meetings in these churches as usual.

WIFE OF ALGOMA MAN SUCCUMBS

Mrs. Kathrine Hinds Hoffman, wife of George M. Hoffman, foreman of the Algoma Lumber company's plant, died yesterday afternoon at Algoma, from influenza-pneumonia. The dead woman was 27 years old and the mother of five children, who survive her.

The body was brought to the White-lock undertaking parlor here and will be shipped tomorrow morning to Visalia, Cal., where interment will take place.

DERAILED CARS BREAK POLES; STOP WIRE SERVICE.

A freight train wreck at Elmore, California, this morning interfered with local telegraphic service. When the cars left the track they snapped several of the Western Union company's poles and local communication was cut off for several hours.

BROTHERHOODS URGE VETO OF R. R. BILL

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—Representatives of the railroad brotherhoods called at the White House today and presented a memorial to President Wilson urging him to veto the compromise railroad bill.

They were joined in their petition by representatives of the Farmers' National council, who supplemented their request with a written argument. The visitors did not see the President, but were received by Secretary Tumulty.

WILL START ON NEW BUILDING

Within the next few days ground will be broken for a new business block at the corner of Seventh and Main streets, on the property recently purchased by John Brett. It is Mr. Brett's present intention to erect a one-story structure divided into four rooms, facing on Main street. His original plans called for a heavier investment in a building, but the great scarcity of building material, necessitating long delays, decided him to erect a structure of such a character as to meet his present purpose, but of such construction as to make its salvage value over 75 per cent when he erects the building that he proposes to place on this property.

INFLUENZA IS UNDER CONTROL SAYS PHYSICIAN

Only one new case of influenza was reported today in the city, said Dr. A. A. Soule, city physician, and he believes that the epidemic is under control. There are a number of cases in quarantine, said the physician, who was engaged in checking up the quarantine lists. From the Hot Springs and Mills additions 71 cases were reported, and from west of the river 60 cases. The survey of other sections was not complete, but assuming that the proportion is the same elsewhere, Dr. Soule estimated that there were probably 300 cases under quarantine at the maximum stage.

Since the isolation hospital was opened in the new courthouse and quarantine inspectors appointed in sufficient numbers to ferret out all the cases needing isolation and maintaining the quarantine regulations, there has been a rapid abatement of the disease.

The force of quarantine officers has been reduced and three are now on duty, where six were employed before.

"With the exception of public dances," said Dr. Soule, "all gatherings may convene as usual. The ban against dances will endure for the remainder of the week. The reason for this is that the influenza is especially prone to attack the young adult, and it is the young people, of course, who form the majority of the patrons of the dances."

"One thing I have noticed in connection with the present epidemic, from my own experience and the reports of other physicians, and that is that it is not attacking those who had it last year. There doubtless are exceptions, but that is the rule. Those who had the disease last year are apparently immune, and I believe that the time is close at hand when a satisfactory serum will be discovered that will immunize the public from the disease."

FALSE HOPE

BERLIN, Jan. 24.—(By Mail.)—"Not we, but our happy grandchildren will see the Prussian eagle flying again in the sky," declares a resolution passed at a meeting of German officers in favor of the monarchy.

WEST SECURES CHOICE STOCK

L. A. West, empowered by the livestock committee of the county farm bureau as its purchasing agent, is back from his trip through the northeastern part of the state with the news that his trip was successful, and a bunch of high-grade registered Shorthorn stock is on its way here and will probably arrive early next week.

Mr. West was accompanied from Corvallis by Mr. Fjeldsted, field man for the animal husbandry department of the O. A. C., who aided in the selection of the cattle, which are from the farms of some of the leading breeders of Union county, whose stock is recognized as equal to the best herds of the country.

A carload of calves, 24 in number, is coming for distribution among the boys' and girls' industrial clubs of the county. Fifteen cows, some bred and some with calves by side, and 15 bulls are also coming. This older stock will be sold at auction some time next month. Catalogs of the sale will be ready in a few days and the exact date of the sale will be announced as soon as possible.

The cows range in age from two to seven years, the bulls are yearlings, and up to two-year-olds. It was not at first intended to buy any bulls for the sale, but when Mr. West got on the ground he found conditions different from those anticipated and when the opportunity to purchase the select young sires offered, he bought them.

The animals selected are all choice registered Shorthorns, and altogether constituting as good a lot of stock as was ever brought into the county. The sale will be the first step of the farm bureau toward raising the standard of the county herds. Much interest is being taken in the coming sale and it is expected that it will be the first of annual or semi-annual sales to follow.

ATTORNEY FOR I. W. W. PROTESTS AT TROOPS

MONTESANO, Feb. 26.—Threats to withdraw from the defense of ten alleged I. W. W. members on trial here for the alleged murder of Warren O'Grimm, at Centralia Armistice Day, unless the detachment of regular soldiers which reached here yesterday was withdrawn, was made in open court today by George F. Vandever, counsel for the defendants. Vandever said if the case is to be conducted as a "drumhead court martial" and not as a law case, he would quit.

The trial proceeded, Vandever saying he would not proceed beyond today, unless the soldiers are taken away.

LOCAL YOUTH WINS IMPORTANT POSITION.

Harold Gillette, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Gillette of Pelican City, is here for a short visit with his parents, prior to taking up his new duties as manager of the Spokane Branch of the Fuller Brush company of Seattle. Mr. Gillette is a graduate of the Klamath County high school. He was in the service for a time and was discharged from Camp Lewis about a year ago. He entered the employ of the Fuller Brush company at Seattle only three months ago and his rapid promotion to the post of manager of the Spokane branch is a fine tribute to his energy and faithfulness.

O. A. C. ALUMNI WILL ORGANIZE

Graduates of the Oregon Agricultural college, and all who have at any time attended the college, will meet tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock at the home of Miss Virgil on Klamath avenue to perfect an organization for Klamath county. An invitation is extended to all O. A. C. folk to be present, in order that the meeting may be fully representative.

The primary object of the organization will be to enlist support for the educational measure designed to increase the facilities and strengthen the educational resources of the O. A. C. University of Oregon and the state normal school.

DR. MITCHELL DIES SUDDENLY

Dr. George C. Mitchell died this morning at his residence on Walnut street from pneumonia, after three days' illness.

Dr. Mitchell was ill three days ago, but insisted on going to Midland to help load a carload of cattle. The trip was taken contrary to medical advice, although he was not at the time under the regular care of a physician. Relying on his sturdy will, however, Dr. Mitchell made the trip, because, he said, the cattle were there without water or care and it was an urgent necessity that could not be avoided.

On his return he took to his bed, but refused to take his illness seriously. He arose from bed this morning and went to the lavatory. When he returned from this short excursion he was exhausted and fell upon the bed, expiring shortly.

The decedent was a veterinarian by profession and was actively identified with the development of the cattle-raising industry in this county. He was widely known and respected and his passing will be mourned by many friends.

He was born in Bolivar, Mo., and had just passed his 41st birthday. He came to Klamath county about ten years ago. In 1911 he was married to Miss Elsie Pitney, a teacher in the local schools. One son, Garrison Mitchell, was born to the union. The widow and son are left to mourn his passing. Other relatives are a brother, Ben Mitchell, of Klamath Falls, and three sisters, Mrs. O. E. Lemon, of Klamath Falls; Mrs. Cora Winkle, of Flemington, Mo.; and Mrs. Gertrude Dunham, of Salmon, Wash.

On June 29, 1919, Dr. Mitchell was the unfortunate victim of a gunshot wound in the abdomen. For days his condition was precarious, but he rallied and, after a long struggle for life, won the battle, but his vitality was sapped by his long illness, say members of his family, and he never afterward regained his former robust health.

Dr. Mitchell was a prominent member of the local lodge, B.P.O.E. Funeral arrangements have not yet been fully determined.

RED CROSS RECEIVES DEFENSE LEAGUE RESIDUE

A fund of \$75.59 remaining in the treasury of the Klamath County Defense league has been turned over to the Red Cross for use of the local chapter's emergency fund. The defense league was organized during the war and recently was disbanded, the members feeling that an active organization had ceased to be a necessity. In looking about for a way to use the cash remaining in the treasury, it was decided that the Red Cross would be the best available distributing channel.

WILL EXPLORE CLIFF DWELLERS' RUINS

SALT LAKE CITY, Feb. 26.—Efforts to reach and explore ruins of ancient cliff cities, known to exist in Zion canyon, Utah's newly created national park in the southwestern part of the state, will be made during the coming summer by a party of archeologists and geologists, several of whom are attached to the University of Utah here.

The cliff cities never have been visited because of their inaccessible locations on the high bluffs. It is hoped, however, that this difficulty will be overcome by the lowering of the bluffs by ropes. Long range photographs taken show that the cities are large and their adobe houses are clearly outlined and appear to be in perfect preservation.

DELEWARE SHIPYARDS FLOURISHING FAST.

CHESTER, Pa., Feb. 25.—A sign that shipbuilding on the Delaware river, the "American Clyde," is flourishing is seen in the application to the government by one shipbuilding company for permission to build an additional granite and steel shipway at its plant in this city. Some of the largest ships turned out in this country are being built on the Delaware.

NEW LUMBER CO. IS FORMED HERE

Articles of incorporation of the Klamath River Lumber company were filed with the county clerk today. The incorporators are T. W. Graham, W. J. Reilly and O. D. Burke. The capital stock is \$100,000, and it is stated that the company has been formed to take over the properties of the Anderson Lumber company in Oregon and to operate the mill formerly belonging to the latter near Dorris.

OVER SUBSCRIBE IRISH LOAN

That the friends of Ireland are legion in Klamath county was demonstrated during the past week, when they went over the top for the Irish loan. The quota for Klamath was \$5,000, but this mark was passed last evening, when reports showed that the actual sales of certificates, for which cash was paid, amounted to over \$5,300. There yet remains quite a number of citizens of Klamath Falls who have placed their applications for certificates who have not been seen, and the committee in charge of the work of selling is of the opinion that when all of these have been visited several hundred dollars will be added to the sum on hand.

This is perhaps the first drive ever conducted in this county where every dollar subscribed has been given without solicitation, and is a fair indication of the trend of public opinion in favor of the practical application of the doctrine of self-determination for small nations, as well as showing the people of Klamath county are strongly of the belief that Ireland is a nation to be free.

Telegraph Tabloids

SEATTLE, Feb. 26.—Two bandits today robbed and killed J. P. Paschick, storekeeper and postmaster at Cumberland, near here.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—George W. P. Hunt, of Arizona, was nominated today by President Wilson to be minister to Siam.

PARIS, Feb. 26.—Hugh C. Wallace, American Ambassador, presented to the foreign office today President Wilson's reply to the latest note of the Allies on Adriatic question.

SEATTLE, Feb. 26.—Japanese owners of a jewelry store here reported today to the police that burglars had entered their place and stolen \$20,000 in jewelry.

LONDON, Feb. 26.—The soviet commissary of foreign affairs has dispatched notes to the United States, Japan, and Roumania, offering them peace with soviet Russia, a wireless from Moscow says.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—Morrison Marshall, young adopted son of Vice-President and Mrs. Marshall, died today after a short illness.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—Final decision to publish the exchanges between the American government and the entente premiers on the Adriatic situation has been reached. Seven notes, of a total of 12,000 words, are to be published.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Feb. 26.—Bandits working under cover of a heavy fog early today hurled a brick through a jewelry store window and escaped with two trays of diamonds.

JITNEYS FOR BUENOS AIRES

BUENOS AIRES, Jan. 22.—(By Mail.)—The autobus will soon make its appearance in Buenos Aires. The commission of public works has just granted a concession to a private concern to operate lines of autobuses for a period of 50 years, after which the concession will revert to the city. To begin with there will be four lines operating from the center of the city to the suburbs, with 25 buses to each line. The fare will be ten centavos, the same as charged by the tram lines and the subway.

"WHISKEY WAR" IN MICHIGAN FLICKERS OUT

Commander of Federal Forces, Algonquins Avowed Intention to Arrest State and County Officers, Arrested from Washington.

IRON RIVER, Mich., Feb. 26.—Armed forces of the Federal Government, under Major A. V. Dairymple, who came from Chicago, 10 to 15 miles down the liquor rebellion, in Upper Michigan, had been withdrawn today and the revolt had flickered out. Dairymple's announcement of his intention to arrest State Attorney MacDonough and Iron River officers, was abandoned under orders of the National Prohibition commissioner at Washington.

CHICAGO, Feb. 26.—Major A. V. Dairymple, federal prohibition director, returned here tonight, with his aides from Iron River, Mich. The party brought with them samples of the wine confiscated, which Dairymple declared, would be used in the prosecution of various Iron River county persons.

Denied warrants for the arrest of officials of Iron county, Michigan, whom he charged with conspiring to obstruct enforcement of the prohibition law, Major A. V. Dairymple, with thirty-five men went through Champion on route to Iron River, with the avowed intention of making the arrests without warrants.

At Negaunee, Mich., Lieutenant A. A. Downing, commanding the Michigan state constabulary, with a half troop of his men, joined Major Dairymple and his party. Five additional state troopers were secured at Escanaba, Mich., to proceed to Iron River. Major Dairymple announced that all prisoners taken in the raid would be taken out by way of Chicago, Grand Rapids where they would be arraigned.

The men whose arrest he sought were: Martin McDonough, prosecuting attorney of Iron county; five deputy sheriffs, the chief and captain of police of Iron River, and three citizens.

We are going to recover the eleven barrels of wine these men stole from my agents and the state police," Major Dairymple declared. "I will search every house in Iron River if necessary."

HORSEFLY DIST. TO BUILD DAM

A petition has been filed in the circuit court by the directors of the Horsefly Irrigation district for confirmation of the proceeding of the district in regard to issuance of bonds. The directors are paying the way for the marketing of the second series of bonds, \$50,000 in value, which will be used in building a dam on the old Harbold site, to supersede the two small existing dams, the Big Springs and Yonna Valley dams.

The district authorized a \$700,000 bond issue five or six years ago. The first of the series, \$50,000, have been sold and the proceeds used. The state law requires, however, that the court set the stamp of legal approval on each separate batch of securities marketed.

By building a bigger dam, lower down the river, the district will get a greater storage area, and hope to store enough water to make an increase of irrigated acreage possible.

FORECLOSURE ACTION

L. E. Burris, assignee of Isaac Burris, was begun suit in the circuit court against W. D. Jones, Jennie Jones, J. E. Jones, and others, to foreclose a mortgage on 160 acres, the north west quarter of section 32, township 41 south, range 11 east, security for an alleged series of promissory notes, totalling \$2500 in value. Plaintiff asks interest at 7 per cent from November 1, 1915, attorney's fees and costs.