

## GOVERNMENT OFFERS TO FILM KLAMATH CO.

Klamath county has an opportunity to get into the movies and amass a lot of fame and considerable fortune, viewed collectively, if her citizens grasp the chance submitted to them today, through the Business Men's association, by the United States Reclamation service, which offers to take a complete scenario here if the expenses attached, about \$500, are guaranteed. The offer must be closed by March 29, next Monday, and persons who will today or tomorrow receive letters from W. C. Van Emon, secretary of the Business Men's association, asking them to contribute in such amount as they can afford, must respond quickly if they favor the plan.

Arrangements for the widest distribution have been made by the reclamation service, through the Red Cross, Bureau of Visual Education and Bureau of Commercial Economics. The local Business Men's association will have a full print reserved for its own use.

"I consider," said Mr. Van Emon today, "that we are offered a publicity medium here that will bring many dollars into Klamath county in the future if we accept it. Unfortunately the Business Men's association has not the money on hand to finance it, but I feel certain that there will be sufficient response to the request for subscriptions to put it over."

"In the distribution of dollars that this publicity will bring, everyone will share. Some will probably receive more benefit than others from the attraction here of tourists and settlers. Therefore, in requesting contributions, I asked each to give according to his own estimate of what the offer would profit him."

The scheme is outlined in a letter of C. J. Blanchard, statistician of the reclamation service, to H. D. Newell, local project manager, as follows:

"I should like to work out a fine scenario, stressing first the scenic charms of Klamath county, mountains, lakes and recreation spots, including Shasta, Pelican Bay and Crater Lake, etc., then present the best views to illustrate Klamath Falls and other towns, the project land and crops, schools, homes, livestock and industries, the reel to serve to attract attention of the tourist, health seeker, camper, investor and farmer."

Mr. Blanchard explains that as he is coming west anyway to take pictures in the Lahontan project, Nevada, and Orland project, California, he can cover Klamath county at reasonable cost, which accounts for the \$500 offer.

Motion pictures were taken of the Klamath project several years ago, the Water Users' association contributing \$100, and have been shown the world over. Now they are somewhat out of date and the service wants to replace them, but on a larger scale.

## MACHINE GUN PRACTICE INTERESTS BIG CROWD

A demonstration of machine gun and automatic rifle use, by Lieutenant Jackson and the recruiting detachment of the First U. S. Infantry, staged on the lake front west of the Ackley Bros. plant pleased and interested a number of spectators last evening. The lake was plentifully sprayed with lead in attempt to demolish a couple of small floating targets several hundred yards out and there was a display of considerable accurate shooting to interest the crowd.

## RAID ON BROKERS NETS TOM W. LAWSON

BOSTON, Mass., Mar. 25.—The crusade of the attorney-general against promoters and brokers who have been exploiting silver stocks, led to the arrest today of Thomas W. Lawson, on a warrant charging violation on four counts of the state law regarding the filing of information regarding stock issued. Four other operators and brokers were arrested yesterday.

## HOUSE AGAINST THIRD TERM FOR WOODROW

WASHINGTON, D. C., Mar. 25.—Both Democrats and Republicans cheered the statement made in the House today by Representative Humphreys, Democrat, from Mississippi, that President Wilson should make immediate announcement that he was not a candidate for a third term.

## TWO OFFICE-HOLDERS SEEK RE-ELECTION

Two more hats were shied into the political ring today when George Humphrey, Democrat, and C. R. De Lap, Republican, filed declaration of candidacy for nomination on their respective party tickets to the offices they now hold, Mr. Humphrey as sheriff and Mr. De Lap as county clerk.

Both men, as incumbents, are well known to the voters of Klamath county and both have a strong following that will make the race hard for any opposition that may develop. In the sheriff's case one opponent, John Farnell, has already announced his candidacy, but no aspirants for the clerk's office, other than Mr. De Lap have yet filed.

## U. S. ATTORNEY WILL PROSECUTE CASES

Hearing of the case of McKinley David, accused of introducing liquor into the Klamath Indian reservation, was continued last evening by Bert C. Thomas, United States commissioner, until tomorrow, at the request of the United States District attorney at Portland, who said he would send a deputy here to assist in the prosecution of the case, which will probably be heard tomorrow. David is at liberty under \$500 bail.

"Tex" Bourbrnaise, accused jointly with David, is still in jail in default of \$1,000 bond. His case and perhaps others of similar nature will be heard following the David case, and the federal deputy will probably assist in the prosecution of all pending charges.

Fred Rogers, a logger, was arrested last evening by the police in a rooming house on Spring street, and it is alleged that about six quarts of liquor were taken with him. There were others in the house and the authorities are not entirely certain that Rogers was owner of the liquor.

The federal deputy will probably look into the matter and if what he finds warrants a charge of violating the federal prohibition laws, one may be placed against Rogers.

## MRS. EVANS ARRESTED AS AN ACCESSORY

MEDFORD, Mar. 25.—The Lark Evans case took another sensational turn when on a complaint sworn to by District Attorney G. M. Roberts the pretty young wife of Evans was arrested by Sheriff Terrill on the charge of being an accomplice of her husband in the sensational jitney kidnaping and robbery of W. G. White of Grants Pass on the night of September 13 last, for which crime Evans was found guilty by a jury in circuit court last Saturday and Tuesday sentenced to 15 years imprisonment.

According to the authorities of Jackson county Mrs. Evans is alleged to have been the woman companion of Evans on the jitney kidnaping and robbery trip of White from Grants Pass to Jacksonville.

She had already been identified as such during Evans' trial by Mr. White and other Grants Pass witnesses.

## LOWDEN GAINS IN DAKOTA PRIMARY

SIoux FALLS, S. D., March 25.—Primary election returns for the Republican presidential endorsement compiled at noon from 1,354 precincts—about nine-tenths of the state—gave Wood 27,540 votes, Lowden 24,937, and Johnson 22,974 votes.

## COUNCIL ACTED BEYOND POWER IS ALLEGATION

With a boxing exhibition scheduled at the Houston Opera House April 7, and the contracts with the fighters signed prior to the discontinuance of the boxing commission by the council Monday night, and with fans and members of the commission claiming that the council had no legal power to discontinue the commission, the situation takes on new possibilities should the council stand pat. If the commission's interpretation of the law is correct and the council was without legal sanction for its action, it is probable the bouts will be held, for the commission was a legally created body when it contracted with the fighters for the bouts, and the obligations incurred will probably be insisted upon by the boxers.

The law provides for the appointment, on petition of 100, or more, citizens, of a municipal boxing commission, the appointment to be made by the mayor with the approval of the council. It further provides that appointees may be removed at will by the mayor, but the council nowhere figures in the statute as a removing power, and there is apparently nothing in the law to provide in any manner for the abolition of the commission as a whole. The law says that the mayor may revoke the appointments of members of the commission at such time and for such reasons as he sees fit.

In discontinuing the boxing commission Monday night, the mayor figured not at all, except as presiding officer. The council by united vote, with earnestness and dispatch, administered the finishing blow.

If the council stands pat on its action, it is possible that it might invoke the police power of the city to stop the scheduled match, but if the commission is correct in its contention that the council had no legal power to abolish it, a restraining order would probably be sought to prevent police interference.

Judge N. J. Chapman, president of the commission, said today that he had received no official notice of the action of the council and could make no statement at this time regarding the intentions of the commission in regard to the coming match. He confirmed the fact of the contracts having been signed, however, prior to the council's action.

## DEBATE PROGRAM TOMORROW NIGHT

Tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock the Klamath Falls and Lakeview high school debating teams will meet at the Houston Opera House in one of the debates preliminary to the state championship finals at Eugene in May. A nominal admission of 10 and 35 cents will be charged to raise a fund to pay traveling expenses of the local debaters who are to go to Lakeview a week from Friday to debate the same question, the teams at that time changing sides on the question.

The public is asked by the high school faculty and student body to rally to the support of the local school by patronizing the debate tomorrow night. The advance sale of seats is promising. The program of the affair is as follows:

Piano duet—Lustspiel Overture, Keler Bela; Under the Banner of Victory, George Rosey, Pearl Blehn and Constance Fischer.

Girls' Chorus—Peggy, Ralph Cox; Two Files, J. A. Parks.

Debate—"Resolved, That Congress Should Create a Department of Education, with Powers as Defined, and with Appropriation as Provided in the Smith-Towner Bill." Affirmative—Everett H. Ogle, Ona Wendt, Lakeview; negative—Scott McKendree, Elizabeth Grigsby, Klamath Falls.

Vocal solo—At Dawning, Lucile Beckley.

Announcement of decision of the judges.

## WEATHER REPORT

Oregon—Tonight and Friday, rain; moderate southwest winds.

## ENTHUSIASM IS GROWING FOR SOCIAL SURVEY

The community survey is gathering momentum and size like a rolling snowball, according to members of the Community Betterment committee which has the movement in hand. Volunteer workers for the house to house canvass are coming forward daily and precinct captains have their work of organization well under way.

A meeting of all workers will be held at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon in the Masonic hall at which time questionnaires will be distributed and instructions given so that the workers can make an early start Tuesday morning. Endorsements of the survey and offers to assist have come from all quarters of the city showing that interest in the movement is not confined to any one district or class.

Some misunderstandings still exist as to the purpose of the survey. The committee wishes it understood that the object of this survey is not to conduct any specific reforms. The sole purpose of the community study is to find out just exactly what we have and what we need so that plans for future betterment can be scientifically made.

Most attempts at civic improvement fail because the facts are not known and the interest of the people sufficiently aroused. The citizens of Klamath Falls are not less progressive than those of neighboring towns and the fact that little headway has been made in the past in civic improvements is due not to indifference.

This has been proven by the splendid response that has been given to the survey committee. The survey workers feel certain that when the purpose of the survey is thoroughly understood that everyone will gladly assist in making it complete by giving the needed information to the precinct workers.

In addition to providing accurate information regarding health, recreation, delinquency and other social problems in the city, this survey will be a splendid check on the census. There is considerable feeling that the recent U. S. census will not show a true return on the population of the city. The survey will show to a large extent whether or not the census was accurately taken.

## CONFLICTING REPORTS FROM STRIKE CENTER

THE HAGUE, Mar. 25.—Fighting in the Ruhr district in Germany, where it was understood a truce existed, has been resumed, according to telegraph dispatches. The Spartacist forces are near Wesel, a newspaper says, and a Munster dispatch to the Rotterdam "Courant" says the red army's strength is now 125,000.

PARIS, Mar. 25.—The German government has reached a definite agreement with workmen in the Ruhr valley, where a general strike has been paralyzing industry, and where hostilities between soldiers and workers have been in progress for several days, according to news reaching semi-official French circles from Berlin.

PARIS, Mar. 25.—An Amsterdam message quoting Berlin dispatches to the "Telegraaf" says it is reported that a new German cabinet has been formed, with Gustav Bauer remaining as premier.

## X-RAY SHOWS BAD ANKLE DISLOCATION

Mrs. A. L. Leavitt, wife of the police judge, and who had an accident yesterday, had her ankle X-rayed and was found to be suffering from a very severe dislocation. This was reduced and the foot put in a cast. Mrs. Leavitt is progressing favorably although it will be several weeks before she is able to be up and around.

## VANDALS OUTRAGE AROUSES MEDFORD

MEDFORD, Mar. 22.—Sometime after the school board meeting last night, the high school building was opened by removing the hinges from the doors and the school auditorium plastered with fresh gray paint. Desks and seats were daubed and several buckets of paint dumped on the platform.

Sessions were conducted today, however, other rooms being utilized. The outrage is regarded by the school board as part of an alleged student propaganda against Superintendent William Devenport, and the recent discharge of school teachers.

## FARMING TULE LAND ON LARGE SCALE

From seven to eight thousand acres of the tule land in the Midland district, sold by L. Jacobs to various purchasers last fall, will be farmed this year, said Mr. Jacobs today. Plowing is already under way. The California Chinese and Japanese who control several thousand acres have had tractor outfits at work for some time getting their ground in shape and Arthur Clark of Tacoma, another big purchaser, has just moved in his farming outfit and will arrive in a few days to start operations with a big crew of men.

Grain will be sown on a majority of the acreage this year, says Mr. Jacobs, but both the Oriental farmers and Mr. Clark will plant some vegetables, chiefly onions, and as climatic and soil conditions become familiar to the farmers they will reduce the size of their grain and increase the size of their vegetable acreage.

Mr. Clark has had wide experience with Washington marsh lands and the Chinese and Japanese are equally well acquainted with reclaimed land from their experience in the Sacramento and San Joaquin tule bottoms. Mr. Jacobs places great confidence in their ability to make a success of the Midland development and predicts a time coming within a few years when the Midland lands will be a fertile garden spot, supporting a population of thousands and supplying thousands more with vegetable foodstuffs.

## AN OLD RESIDENT ANSWERS THE CALL

Mrs. Frank Moorland received a telegram from her husband this morning stating that his father, A. S. Moorland, had passed away at the University of California hospital, in San Francisco.

Funeral arrangements will be made after the arrival here Saturday of the body, and members of the family who were with Mr. Moorland at the time of his death.

## CAPTAIN LEE ANNOUNCES DESIRE FOR RE-ELECTION

Captain J. P. Lee, incumbent, yesterday filed his declaration of candidacy as Democratic nominee for county assessor. As Captain Lee has held the position down for the past sixteen years, despite all attempts to unhorse him, the betting should be strongly in his favor.

## 2,000,000 POUNDS OF RICE FOR GREECE

LAKE CHARLES, La., Mar. 22.—A local milling company has contracted to ship 2,500,000 pounds of clean rice from the Louisiana fields to Piraeus, the port of Athens, Greece, it is learned here. The deal made through a London importing firm, involves about \$300,000.

It also was learned that 3,000,000 pounds of Texas-Louisiana rice, valued at about \$425,000, recently was sold to firms in Constantinople and that the rice is now on the high seas.

Rice from California, it is stated, is to be shipped to Lake Charles by the Pacific Rice Growers' Association for distribution, 20,000,000 pounds already having been arranged for. The shipment will comprise 100,000 bags of rough rice and railroad men say between 400 and 500 cars will be required for its transportation from the Pacific coast.

## ASKS CITIZENSHIP

Louis Tiboni, 18 years old, a native of Italy, yesterday filed his declaration of intention to become an American citizen, then enlisted in the United States army. This makes the second application for citizenship, followed by enlistment, this week.

## FEDERAL EXPERT INVESTIGATING BOTULITIS CASE

Major J. G. Geiger, M. D., of the United States Public Health service, Washington, D. C., arrived in Klamath Falls last night to investigate the recent case of supposed botulitis that deprived Mrs. Swan Johnson, 103 First street, of thirteen laying hens, Mrs. Johnson fed the hens a jar of home canned beans, of which she had become suspicious after opening, several weeks ago, and the next morning all of her flock, except a few setters who had not participated in the feed, were dead. None of the family tasted the beans.

Dr. Geiger has been investigating olive orchards and packing plants in California, seeking to trace the source from which the olives came that are alleged to have caused a number of human deaths from botulitis in the East and Middle West last month. He believes he has been successful in proving the source of supply was one Oroville orchard, and has a theory in regard to carriers of botulitis bacilli that is entirely new.

The theory is that the hog is the carrier of the bacteria, for in olive or apricot orchards or vegetable gardens to which the infected food has been traced, hogs have been found to have foraged. The hog possesses high resistance to the disease, as has been proved by experiments in inoculation. While inoculation in other animals is almost invariably fatal, the hog inoculations show but a small percentage of mortality. Another fact to bolster the theory is the number of cases of botulitis traced to eating sausage cases in hog stomachs or intestines, especially in Germany, where the first cases in 1825 were proved to have been caused by eating such sausage.

Dr. Geiger has not proved his theory, even to his own satisfaction, but his investigations of the latest outbreak have all pointed in a direction that leads him to believe that he is on the right track and he is earnestly seeking to establish his conclusions as facts.

Sterilization makes all canned food safe. Any one who is nervous regarding botulitis possibilities need not quit indulging in canned apricots, beans, asparagus or other vegetable or fruit. Two minutes' boiling in a sauce-pan will render the food perfectly safe for consumption.

The olive industry of California has been hard hit by the botulitis outbreak, but Dr. Geiger says there is a united movement of canners to establish regulations that will make their product entirely safe. Sterilization methods in the past have been lax, he says, canners maintaining that the olive would not stand high temperature. It has been found, however, that this is not true and that olives come out solid from a bath at 240 degrees Fahrenheit. So he believes that future sterilization regulations will remove all danger of botulism.

So far, the expert admits, the government investigators are absolutely baffled in providing a remedy. Serum treatment is a failure insofar that no certain results have been obtained. Medical treatment has had more success, for taken in time, before the body has absorbed all the toxin from the food, cathartics and emetics that quickly eliminate the contents of the stomach are effective, and the recovery of the patient often follows. The percentage of mortality from botulitis, in cases so far recorded, is 75 per cent.

Besides the case of the Johnson hens, Dr. Geiger believes there have been other cases here, and will remain for several days gathering data.

## QUIET TITLE SUIT

E. W. Roberts has filed suit in the circuit court against Charles Hartson to quiet title to 690 acres of land in Poe Valley, on which Roberts now resides. Hartson's whereabouts are unknown. Through failure to convey title 20 years or more ago to a half-interest in several lots, the record title still remains with him.