

## S. P. PASSENGER TRAFFIC HEAD VISITS KLAMATH

Charles S. Fee, passenger traffic manager of the Southern Pacific company, is in the city to, as he puts it, "re-educate myself on the conditions and to see what changes have taken place in this territory since my last visit seven years ago." Few men in the west, or the world, for that matter, are as well known by name as is Mr. Fee. Millions of travelers have seen the signature, "Chas. S. Fee," on the corner of the little pasteboard or the elongated ticket they have used in their travels over the lines of the Southern Pacific company and many have wondered what manner of man this must be who directs the passenger traffic machinery of one of the greatest railroad systems in the world. Those who have pictured him as an austere, dogmatic individual would change their minds if they talked with him or even met him casually. Like all really big men, he is as plain and easy as the proverbial old shoe.

Every year he goes over all or the greater part of the 7500 miles of what is known as the Pacific System of Southern Pacific territory so as to keep posted on what is being done and what should be done to keep the service close to the 100 per cent efficiency point.

During the dark age of government mismanagement, when the splendid organization of the nation's railroads was all but scrapped, the policy of national advertising of the playgrounds of America was almost entirely abandoned and no section of the coast suffered quite so much as Klamath county, because the railroads were just beginning to advertise Crater Lake and northern Klamath. If this advertising had been continued, the scenic wonders of the county would have become as well known throughout the world as is Yellowstone and the Yosemite. But all this is to be changed and once more the floodgates of publicity are to be opened and Klamath is sure to come in for her share, for deep down in the heart of Mr. Fee is a warm spot for Klamath county.

In discussing the changes that have taken place since he was last here Mr. Fee was quite enthusiastic. "My but you have a rattling good town. I had heard a great deal about it lately and our department is receiving an ever increasing number of inquiries about this section, but I was not quite prepared for the evidence of progress, development and solid growth that is so quickly evident on every hand and especially so to one who has visited the city from time to time."

When asked if his visit had any special significance he states it did not. "I am just up to see what the needs are and to lay the foundation for the future. We hope it will not be long until the railroads will be in

### MICKIE SAYS

"LADIES IS GENTLEMAN! WITH HER HAND PERMANENTLY IN HIS POCKET ON HIS WAY TO THE GYMNASIUM, 'GOSH, I WOULDN'T MIND HIM IF HE GOTTA HAVE 'EM WOMEN!' THE HAND FRIENDS WHO DON'T WANT PER STATEMENTS DON'T NEED 'OLDSBEN!"



## NO EXTRA SESSION OF CONGRESS SAYS WILSON

WASHINGTON, June 3.—President Wilson today assured the senate Democrats that if the present session of congress ends Saturday he will not call an extra session during the coming summer unless some grave emergency arises.

This decision on the part of the president was announced by Senator Underwood, who said he had been authorized to deny the report that an extra session is contemplated.

## ANNUAL C. OF C. MEETING JUNE 8

Members of the Chamber of Commerce will of course bear in mind that the annual meeting occurs on the second Tuesday in June, which will be next Tuesday, June 8th. A good attendance is desired as matters of much importance to the organization and to the county will be considered.

The reorganization is now at a point which argues well for important achievements during the ensuing year. The financial committee is now at work collecting subscriptions and securing new members and will no doubt be able to make a most satisfactory report at the annual meeting.

They have found members, so far as their canvass has extended, ready to pay up their subscriptions annually in full, and taking an optimistic view of the purposes and prospective work of the organization.

## LEGION OPEN AIR DANCE BIG SUCCESS

A crowd surpassing all expectations gathered last night for the first open air dance on the new platform at Seventh and Pine street, under the auspices of the American Legion. The dancers utilized every inch of the 7,000 square feet of floor space and spectators crowded all the benches and stood in crowds in the street.

The music was a splendid feature of the occasion and the behavior of the crowd, as far as the casual observer could tell, was as decorous as the most exacting critic could wish.

a position to decide upon plans without the conditions that the necessities of the past few years made necessary. If we are then permitted to adjust our income to meet the demands of the territory we have to serve, as well as meet the cost of that service, we will be able to bring about much that has had to remain in abeyance during the past few years.

"I think the people of the country, particularly the business interests, recognize the absolute necessity for an increase in freight rates. To bring the conditions of the railroads today to a local comparison, let me point to the scarcity of houses, of labor, of cars, of everything else that enters into the transaction of business here in Klamath Falls. That same condition enters into the operation of every railroad in the United States—in the world. Take the matter of car shortage. It is just as real as the shortage of homes in Klamath Falls. The business of the railroads has gone forward just as the population of this city and every other city has increased. The same is true of the cost. Everything is up and is going to stay up until the supply equals the demand, and that may possibly be several years in the future. This shortage of cars has a direct local interest, for an adequate supply of cars for the handling of the lumber of this territory is vital to its prosperity. If the railroads are given the increase in rates they are asking for, it will enable them to meet the cost of operation and re-establish them in the confidence of the investing public. This once accomplished they will be able to go ahead with their development and equipment and give to the country that which they once did—a service unequalled by any nation on earth."

Accompanying Mr. Fee was C. E. Spear, division freight and passenger agent, with headquarters in Sacramento.

## GAS SHORTAGE SHOWS NO SIGN OF LESSENING

PORTLAND, June 3.—Representatives of the city, state, oil interests, motor dealers and motors associations, meeting here today, recommended eliminating pleasure cars from Portland streets and state highways until the convention period is past, as a drastic measure for preventing a shortage of gasoline during the Shrine convention week. Oil interests said that this is the only way to guarantee a supply of gasoline for thousands of visitors during the convention.

While so far the gasoline shortage has proved very annoying and crippling to commerce and industry in some instances in this territory, the peak of the famine has apparently not been reached.

The acute stage is fast approaching, however, with no great amount of relief in sight. It was reported today that the Standard expected a carload of gasoline tonight, but the local office said they had no definite information. The Union Oil company has nothing in sight for another 10 days.

One carload will not go far and industries are beginning to feel the pinch of famine. Pleasure cars are entirely out of the running and a strict line is being drawn as to what constitutes an absolutely essential car.

The question of life and death appears to be about the only recognized dividing line. In other words physicians are still able to get a limited quantity of gasoline.

The shortage is not local but extends over the coast. California towns in various parts of the state report conditions on the average as serious, and in some cases more serious, than exists here and no one has apparently any hope to offer of immediate solution.

Unless there is a supply soon forthcoming from a source that is not at present apparent industries here will be badly hampered this summer for transportation facilities. The mills that use trucks in logging, and keep no large reserve supply of logs on hand, are hard hit right now.

The Southern Pacific company is giving gasoline shipments preference over other freight, according to an advertisement running in many of the coast papers.

## LOCAL SHRINERS TO ATTEND CEREMONIES

The Shriners will hold their ceremonial in Central Point, near Medford, Saturday and a large number from Klamath Falls expect to attend. The following expect to leave tomorrow: Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kimball, Emmitt Magee, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ferguson, Mr. and Mrs. Kip Van Riper, George Chastain, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Bradford, Edmund Chilcote, Dr. Lamb, J. E. Bratton, Frank Ward and Mayor Struble.

## MORE RIGHT OF WAY SUITS ARE STARTED

Two more right of way suits, seeking condemnation of land on the route of the Klamath Falls-Mallin stretch of the state highway for road purposes, were filed yesterday by Wilson S. Wiley, attorney for Klamath county, against Con Curtin as one defendant and against Ella Hamaker Parrish, Guy Hamaker, and others, in another action.

This makes seven, or more, right-of-way suits now pending before the court.

### WEATHER REPORT

OREGON—Tonight and Friday, fair; warmer in the east; gentle easterly winds.

One of the oldest periodicals in the world is a monthly paper devoted entirely to the interests of rheumatism sufferers.

## NEW LUMBER CO. FORMED HERE; TO OPERATE IN CAL.

Another chapter in the history of the industrial development of Klamath Falls was added yesterday by the completion of the organization of the McCollum-Christy Lumber company.

The organization is composed of men of the highest business standing and starts with a capital of \$250,000.

George W. McCollum and George Christy are well known, conservative and highly successful lumbermen and mill operators in this territory. They are associated with local business men and capitalists and the new concern has every prospect of being another in the already long list of successful lumber producing enterprises of this city.

The launching of the McCollum-Christy company is largely due to the foresight of W. E. Seehorn. Mr. Seehorn has the faculty of finding opportunities which other men pass by unnoticed. In his trips through the Susanville, Calif., territory he discovered a large tract of fine timber which may be logged at minimum cost and near rail transportation. He soon concluded a very advantageous purchase from the owner. The conservative business men of Klamath Falls were not behind in their keenness and quickness in grasping the opportunity.

The new corporation expects to have a mill in operation before the summer is over and there is every prospect that under the control of the best practical lumbermen and business men the company will be profitable from the first.

The timber is located in several valleys in Plumas county, Calif. Messrs. McCollum and Christy made an examination of the timber and surroundings and returned with their unqualified approval.

The organization was perfected yesterday with the following stockholders: W. E. Seehorn, Rees T. Jenkins, George W. McCollum, George Christy, W. J. Roberts, J. D. Whitmore, W. P. Johnson, K. Sugarman and Earl Whitlock.

The officers elected are: Rees T. Jenkins, president; W. E. Seehorn, vice president; J. D. Whitmore, secretary, and George W. McCollum, treasurer.

The directors are: George W. McCollum, W. E. Seehorn, W. J. Roberts, George Christy, Earl Whitlock. Mr. McCollum will also be general manager of the company in charge of all operations.

This organization of Klamath men and Klamath capital is but an evidence of Klamath business sagacity which will inevitably make Klamath Falls the center of the lumbering and jobbing business in a vast territory in both Oregon and California and is the forerunner of other corporations that will reach out from this city as a center and bring trade and profits of manufacture to this center.

## BOAT "BORROWER" IS FREED FROM CHARGE

Ed Frazer, whose candy kitchen was destroyed in the recent fire at Merrill and who is now logging on the Upper Lake, was dismissed on a larceny charge brought by William Lashua after hearing before Judge N. J. Chapman last evening.

Lashua charged Frazer with the theft of a motor launch, but it appeared from the evidence that there was no criminal intent involved. Frazer needed a boat to cross the lake and in Lashua's absence took his launch. He confided his plans for using the boat to neighbors and these assured him it would be all right. When Lashua discovered the boat was gone he became indignant and filed a complaint against Frazer.

## PORTLAND GIRL IS ASSAULT VICTIM

PORTLAND, June 3.—Louise Bender, 17, is unconscious in a local hospital as the result of an attack last night. Her skull was crushed by a large timber.

A woman, Mrs. Bennett, 24, is reported to have been assaulted and injured.

## LARGEST BATTLESHIP IS LAUNCHED AT BROOKLYN

NEW YORK, June 3.—The super-dreadnaught Tennessee, the most formidable battleship afloat, goes into commission today at the Brooklyn navy yard. The vessel was constructed at a cost of \$20,000,000 and represents the last word in battleship architecture.

The Tennessee is the first battleship in the navy to recruit her entire personnel from the state after which she is named.

## JOHNSON IS IN CHICAGO

CHICAGO, June 3.—Senator Johnson arrived here today and was given some demonstration between the depot and the hotel. He made a speech against the league of nations.

Senator Harding is expected to arrive later. Their coming marks the beginning of the active days of the pre-convention period.

The national committee still had before it, awaiting decision, Florida, Georgia and Mississippi cases and will pass on later to contests in six other states.

Morehead, a delegate from North Carolina, was seated, the committee passing on to the Oklahoma case and seating White delegation.

## G. O. P. WOULD HAVE TEACHER IN CABINET

NEW YORK, June 3.—Greater cooperation between local and national authorities in the enactment of legislation affecting education, public health and public roads and highways is urged in a report made public today by a sub-committee of the Republican national committee of which Everett Colby, New Jersey, is chairman. It is stated that the report will be submitted to the platform committee of the Republican national convention at Chicago.

The chief cause of inadequate public school facilities in many states and localities, the report states, is the financial limitations of small districts having but little taxable value, causing under-payment of teachers struggling to maintain high standards of education. Other conditions which could be remedied by increased federal and state aid to the local communities are the inadequacy of the schools, particularly in the lower grades, and the shortage of trained teachers.

Creation of an executive department with a secretary education as a member of the president's cabinet, is recommended together with the appropriation by congress of \$100,000,000 to be apportioned among the states to combat illiteracy, aid Americanization of foreign born and increase teachers' salaries.

Financial assistance to states to build roads under state authority, conditioned on the state appropriating and equal amount, and a system of national automobile highways are advocated.

The Program The program outlined means to accomplish a better co-ordinated public health service through the cooperation of civil agencies with the medical departments of the army and navy. A lack of physical training in the youth, revealed by the selective draft, would be remedied by an extensive program of physical culture in the public schools with emphasis on the training of girls to fit them physically for motherhood, says the sub-committee.

The lack of wisdom of enacting further legislation intended to curb peace time sedition is pointed out in the report of another sub-committee, of which Albert J. Beveridge of Indiana is chairman.

The present criminal code is adequate to punish all treasonable acts in times of peace, it is held. This opinion is predicted on the policy of

## BANKERS SHOW CONFIDENCE IN COUNTY'S FUTURE

Realizing the need of keeping abreast with the great agricultural and industrial development of the county, the stockholders of the First National Bank at a meeting Tuesday night voted to double the capital stock of the bank, giving the institution a paid-up working capital of \$200,000. The former capitalization was \$100,000.

The increase in capitalizing increases the lending power of the bank and makes it possible to extend the larger loans now needed by individuals and corporations who are constantly embarking in big enterprises.

The mere chronicling of the action of the stockholders does not in itself tell the whole story. It would take a biographical sketch of the financial careers of the men interested to fully explain the epochal importance of their action. To those who know the personnel of the bank's stockholders, however, the matter carries weighty meaning.

The men behind the First National are the ne plus ultra of conservatism in finance and none of them are of the type to be stamped into a hasty transaction by transient conditions of prosperity. Each one is familiar from long experience with Klamath county and its resources and possibilities. Therefore their action puts the stamp of well considered judgment on the general faith in the future growth of Klamath county. It shows that they believe the awakening to the wealth that awaits development, shown in the launching of scores of large enterprises in the last few months, is not a temporary movement, artificially created—in other words that Klamath is not passing through an unjustifiable "boom" that will shrivel and die later on.

In other words, men who have watched Klamath county develop from the swaddling stage, men who would not wager a penny in any speculative enterprise, are staking \$100,000 in cold cash that the prosperity of the community is permanent.

The dividends from First National stock are regular but as an investment there are hundreds of other securities that would bring double returns on the capital. It is not the lure of big returns on the capital that causes the backers of the bank to double their cash investment. They could easily do better with their money in a dozen different directions, but they are convinced that the time is here when the development of the community requires a larger working capital and they have confidence that their money is well safeguarded by the wealth of a community whose potentialities are second to none in the nation.

## FIVE HOSPITALS FOR EX-SERVICE MEN

WASHINGTON, June 3.—Construction of five special hospitals costing \$10,000,000, for use of veterans of the world war was authorized in a bill reported unanimously today by the house buildings committee. The measure specifies the location of the hospitals and includes one of the north Pacific coast states.

the common law and general policy in criminal legislation which makes acts themselves directly injurious to the state the trust or criminality. It points out the wisdom of any attempt to make mere opinions or association with others or membership in organizations not themselves criminal and which do not involve the commission or solicitation to commit criminal acts.

Legislation to make possible the intervention of the federal courts in cases of the deportation of undesirable aliens is urged by the same sub-committee. This function of government is now vested in the departments of labor and justice. Under legislation suggested by the republican sub-committee the courts could be given authority to review decisions of officials now charged with the application of our immigration laws.