

MEMORIAL FOR FIRE VICTIMS IS IMPRESSIVE

Above a flower decked altar—draped with the offerings in most cases of strangers to stranger dead—Protestant ministers and a Catholic priest yesterday afternoon joined in solemn memorial services for the victims of the Houston hotel tragedy. From the lips of the participants in the ceremony fell pledge upon pledge that the stern lesson would be heeded, that penitence for the past that cannot be undone would be retrieved by an awakened civic consciousness in the future and a silent, saddened audience must have joined in spirit as the clergymen of various faiths united their heartfelt, "mea culpa."

Father H. J. Marshall, Catholic pastor, made the leading discourse. The sentiment of his words was echoed in the prayers and addresses of the Revs. C. F. Trimble, E. P. Lawrence, S. J. Chaney and S. E. Milan, leaders of local Protestant denominations.

"Am I My Brother's Keeper," the world old cry of the fratricide, was the text of Father Marshall's sermon. He said that by joint action of the community we invited the stranger here—and placed them in a death trap. We took the responsibility as a community of guarding their welfare—and then shirked it.

"Someone is responsible for this tragedy," he said. "Responsible to God, to the nation, for the loss of its citizens, to the state and the city, and, most of all to the relatives of these victims."

"Some of us are filled with consternation at the sudden, awful happening, but few of us realize the appalling fulness of the tragedy, or our own responsibility for its occurrence."

The speaker said that there was an attempt to place the blame hither and yon, on the mayor, the city council, the police and other officials, but the real responsibility was upon each and every citizen, who knew of existing evils but had not used his vote at the polls or his voice in the council chamber to correct them.

He noted the absence of Mayor Struble, the members of the city council and police and fire departments from the memorial service and said pointblank that it indicated a lack of realization of responsibility upon the officials of the city.

"I do not know if they were invited here, or not," he said, "but whether or not they should be the first to attend this service."

Patrolman James Hilton was present at the service. If more money was needed to operate the city government why was not more given, he asked, when the special election was held last November? (A middle-aged woman sitting in front of the writer answered to her own and neighbor's satisfaction

IRISH HUNGER STRIKERS GROWING WEAKER FAST

LONDON, Sept. 13.—Terrence MacSwiney, lord mayor of Cork, is reported to be in a state of collapse. This is the 32nd day of his hunger strike.

CORK, Sept. 13.—The 11 hunger strikers in the Cork Jail are still alive but all materially weaker. Two of them, Burke and Kennedy, collapsed during the night. Sean Kennedy, aged 19, is in a comatose condition. Both government physicians, it was learned today, have received messages threatening them with death.

SECRET FIRE PROBE STARTS

H. H. Pomeroy and Gilbert W. Allen, deputy state fire marshals, District Attorney Duncan and C. C. McCoppen, assistant to Coroner Whitlock, constitute the board of inquiry that today began examining witnesses in connection with last Monday's hotel fire. A stenographic record of testimony will be taken by William Ganong, circuit court reporter.

The inquiry is being held behind closed doors in the district attorney's office. It will be thorough and the sifting of evidence is likely to last several days.

When the investigation is finished, which may take a few days, or weeks or months, a report will be submitted to Governor Olcott, and made public by him if he sees fit.

WEATHER REPORT

OREGON—Tonight and Tuesday, rain; moderate southerly gales.

in a whisper to the latter—"Because they would have spent it for something else than we raised it for.")

Higher taxes are needed here, said Father Marshall. Many existing evils need remedy. While murder had been done in last Monday's tragedy, he said, we are constantly doing worse—because of presence of pitfalls and lack of safeguards we are murdering the souls of the young.

He suggested that the city secure the block where the opera house and hotel stood and turn it into a park and playground for children, as a monument to the fire victims and a covenant of better intentions.

"We are disgraced in the eyes of the whole state," he declared. "We are branded as a community where the law is not enforced and we are sunk low in our neighbor's esteem. Let us admit our humiliation frankly and correct it by sincere reform."

Father Marshall paid eloquent tribute to the Red Cross and urged his hearers to support the organization to the full.

Rev. E. P. Lawrence presided at the meeting. He spoke briefly on the lives of the fire victims, and made a plea similar to others for remedied conditions. He gave credit to the labor organizations of the city for their promptness in starting a relief fund.

The Rev. C. F. Trimble delivered the opening prayer, invoking Almighty blessing and assistance in a campaign to better conditions.

The Rev. S. J. Chaney read the scriptural selection—the comforting words of the Saviour, "In My Father's House There Are Many Mansions," John, 14 chapter, and the glorious promises from John, 3rd chapter, and Rev. 21 and 22 chapter.

The Rev. S. E. Milan rendered the closing prayer and benediction. Mrs. E. S. Henry sang "Nearer My God to Thee" for an opening hymn and a final solo. She was accompanied by Mrs. George Ulrich.

At the conclusion of the services the flowers were taken to the cemetery and spread upon the graves of the victims. With the exception of Miss Margaret Hanley, whose brother at Placerville claimed her body, and Robert Blodgett, whose body was sent to Dallas, Oregon, the victims of the fire are all buried here.

DEATH CALLS FORMER JUDGE OF KLAMATH

Following a stroke of paralysis that occurred recently, death came Saturday at his home in Ashland to John B. Griffith, Klamath county pioneer, and former county judge.

The body will be brought here and funeral services will be held tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock in the First Baptist church, corner of Eighth and Washington streets. Burial will take place in the Poe Valley cemetery.

The surviving relatives are the widow, Mrs. Mary Griffith; three sons, W. E., T. E. and Clyde Griffith of Klamath Falls and two daughters, Mrs. Charles F. De Lap and Mrs. Ira Orem of Klamath Falls.

Two brothers of Judge Griffith, Stephen and William, are both residents of Klamath Falls. Another brother and three sisters live in Georgia.

The decedent was born at Ellijay, Georgia, July 22, 1854. He came to Klamath county in June, 1884, and settled in Poe valley. He was the pioneer minister of the Klamath country, being a preacher of the Baptist faith. He organized the first Baptist church in the county at Lost River in 1885.

As the country settled up the pioneer minister was called upon to perform many marriages among the pioneer families and it is estimated that he united 200 of the pioneer men and women of the county in wedlock.

His was a life of activity in all fields of development of the virgin country. He was a leader in spiritual matters and a teacher in the schools. He taught school in Linkville in 1885. In 1906 he was chosen county judge and held that office until January 1, 1911.

About two years ago Judge Griffith and wife moved to Ashland for the benefit of his failing health and he continued to reside there until his death.

COX SUPPORTS NATION LEAGUE

SALEM, Ore., Sept. 13.—Governor Cox, in an address this morning, advocated the League of Nations. He also argued for tax reduction and repeal of "petty and annoying" war taxes.

The tax on fruit juices, which applies to Oregon products, was declared by the governor to be "most unfair and an exhibition of sectional prejudice."

Governor Cox's inflamed throat is much improved by a rest and treatment by a specialist.

PORTLAND, Sept. 13.—Outlining details of his financial policy, which includes proposals for a budget commissioner to act as executive assistant to the president, and declaring the need of the development of Alaska, Governor Cox delivered an address today, arguing for the League of Nations. He called attention to the amount of reclamation work possible with the cost of one battleship, \$40,000,000, compared with the \$10,000,000 spent on irrigation in the Yakima valley so far. He declared of a budget system in government finance.

Cox was introduced by Senator Chamberlain who was praised by the governor.

"No man in congress did more in helping to mobilize the governmental resources of the country during the war," said the governor. "He was tremendously helpful in the task of readjustment."

ESCAPED UNHURT AND IS ON
OLD JOB AT STEIGER'S MILL
Floyd Oden, who occupied room 8 in the Houston hotel, escaped from the burning building through a front window in only his undershorts and a sweater but unhurt. He is back at his job in Steiger's mill near Chiloquin, according to a letter he writes to the Herald. He lost \$20 worth of clothes.

LEAGUE CALLS ATTENTION TO ITS CAMPAIGN

The Good Government league is stripped for action in the arena of local political events. This information is given in detail in a circular letter to voters, dated Klamath Falls, September 13, signed by R. A. Emmitt, chairman, and W. T. Lee, secretary, calling a public meeting in the Moose hall here at 2 o'clock next Saturday afternoon, September 18.

No intimidation or bluff will enter the campaign, says the letter, but the voters and tax payers will be furnished with facts. Upon these facts the voter is asked to determine whether Klamath county "shall be controlled by an unscrupulous bunch or by the people."

"The present county court," says a paragraph, "with all the obstacles that have been thrown in their way, have absolutely carried out their promises, and had it not been for the sparing for time, and a little more money for attorneys this quarrel would have been settled long ago and we should now be occupying the courthouse on block 10, Hot Springs addition. The county has won every suit that has been in court, which means that right always prevails."

Another thing to be determined, says the letter, is "whether or not we shall put an independent candidate for county clerk in the field."

"The time has come to get busy," it is declared, and committees have been appointed to handle the campaign throughout the county, consisting of men of known reputation and stability.

KLAMATH GOING INTO MOVIES

A telegram was received today from H. C. Blanchard in charge of the publicity work of the U. S. reclamation service stating that he would arrive this evening with an expert moving picture operator to take views of the Klamath project to consume three days beginning Tuesday morning. Herbert D. Newell, project engineer, has asked the chamber of commerce to arrange this schedule in order to secure the most important points of the project in this picture.

It is expected to take all the important industries including the crops in the Tule lake district, the development of the Lower Klamath lake, the development on the Upper Klamath lake, and other agricultural scenes in the various parts of the project, stock raising and the stock ranges of the Fort Klamath country and the dairy possibilities in the Merrill country. The lumber industries will also be shown in scenes from the logging camps, logging trains, movement of logs on the lake, sawmills and the finished products in the box factories.

Klamath county's wonderful scenic parts will also be taken in such spots as Crater lake, Rocky Point and dozens of other beautiful spots throughout the county. Klamath Falls will also come in for a picture showing the activities and building industries and wholesale and retail activities.

Members of the chamber of commerce are asked to co-operate with the secretary in making this picture one of the very best that Mr. Blanchard will have to show this season.

When completed this picture will be shown throughout the departments of economics in all the schools and colleges of the United States. They will also find their way to farmers institutes as well as other institutes. This is one of the greatest pieces of publicity that Klamath Falls has ever been able to secure and through co-operation this picture may be made first class.

SUGAR DROPS AGAIN
SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 13.—Refiners today reduced the price of sugar to jobbers from 17 to 15 cents a pound. Increased raw imports was given as the reason.

RAILWAY MEN EXPRESS CONFIDENCE IN HARDING

MARION, O., Sept. 13.—A delegation of railway employees living at Marion and vicinity marched today in a demonstration of allegiance. The demonstration heralded their disagreement with the liberal leaders of the labor organization opposing Senator Harding because of his support of the Cummins-Esch act.

They presented a resolution to Senator Harding declaring their protests against the misrepresentation of his stand in regard to railway labor.

JEWISH NEW YEAR TODAY

Throughout the world today people of the Jewish faith are celebrating the festival of Rosh Hoshanah, the Jewish New Year. In Klamath Falls there is not sufficient Jewish population to hold public services. The store of K. Sugarman is closed for the day and private services are being held in homes of Jewish people.

In the Jewish tradition, the Rosh Hoshanah marks the anniversary of creation of the world, supposed to have taken place 5,651 years ago. It is not the change of year that is of importance, but the change of life that this day stresses, that makes it stand out as one of the holiest days of the Jewish calendar. It is a day set apart for introspection and self-examination, also is called the "Day of Memorial," or "Remembrance."

As such, it calls upon the Jew to remember the divine purpose of his life, and to stir him to high resolves and nobler deeds.

The Rosh Hoshanah derives its significance from the fact that it is but the introduction to the "Day of Atonement," which follows 10 days later.

WILL ENFORCE PARKING LAW

"Without favor to friends or punishment to foes," as he puts it, Traffic Officer Charles Wynn will begin enforcing the new city traffic ordinance as it applies to Main, Sixth and Fifth street parking tomorrow morning.

The ordinance bars rent cars from Main street altogether. All vehicles are prohibited from parking in specified streets for more than 20 minutes consecutively.

The traffic ordinance is number 518 and the two portions which the traffic officer is immediately interested in are subdivisions 18 and 21 of section 4.

Section 4, subdivision 18 reads as follows:

No automobile or other vehicle shall park on Main street between Second and Eleventh streets, or on Sixth street between Main street and Klamath avenue, or on the westerly side of Fifth street between Main street and Klamath avenue, for a longer period of time, at one time, than 20 minutes, except on the northerly side of Main street between Second and Third streets.

Subdivision 21, relating to taxis and other rent cars, is as follows:

That vehicles for hire shall not stand or park on the streets or parts of streets mentioned in subdivision 18 of this section at any time.

Subdivision 22 specifically reserves Sixth street from Main to the alley between Main and Pine for rent car parking.

MARKET REPORT

PORTLAND, Sept. 13.—Cattle steady, choice grass steers, \$9.50 to \$10; hogs higher, prime mixed \$12.50 to \$13; sheep steady, \$9 to \$10; eggs up two cents—buying price \$2 cents; butter, extra cubes, \$1 to \$2 cents.

WANT KLAMATH RIVER FLOW ON CAL. RICE ACRES

SALEM, Ore., Sept. 13.—Appropriation of 4,000 second foot of water from the Klamath river for the development of 150,000 horsepower and irrigation of 250,000 acres of land in the Sacramento valley at an estimated cost of \$15,000,000 is sought in an application filed Friday with Percy Cupper, state engineer, by Victor Demarais and Charles E. Watson.

The main canal would divert water from the Klamath river in Oregon, and carry it 60 miles into the Sacramento valley.

Recently an application was filed with the state engineer for the appropriation of water from the Klamath river for the irrigation of lands in Shasta valley, Siskiyou county, California.

The regular flow of the Klamath river is at present largely appropriated by the United States reclamation service for the irrigation of lands in the vicinity of Klamath Falls and by the California-Oregon Power company which operates an extensive plant a short distance south of the Oregon-California line.

Any development such as contemplated for either Shasta valley or the Sacramento valley, according to Cupper, would require the storage of a large volume of water in Upper Klamath lake.

SACRAMENTO, Sept. 13.—According to announcement made here by Victor Demarais the filing upon the waters of the Klamath river was made for the Sacramento-Klamath Land, Water and Power Development association, which, he said, proposes to bring the waters of the Klamath river into the Sacramento valley for the primary purpose of irrigation. Lands on both sides of the Sacramento river, Demarais said, would be watered from the project, although the larger acreage to be watered is on the west side.

Behind the project are James Mailon, general manager of the Williams Irrigation district; Frank Freeman of Willows, Charles de St. Maurice of Colusa, J. F. Campbell of Colusa, Charles Watson of Sacramento and Victor Demarais of this city. All represent Sacramento valley irrigation and reclamation districts largely devoted to rice growing.

Watson and De St. Maurice have completed preliminary engineering upon the project and have prepared maps, which were submitted with the application filed for the water in Oregon.

That he believed a plan to bring the waters of the Klamath river into the Sacramento valley through the Shasta Pass feasible was stated at a meeting in Sacramento on August 14 by Colonel E. B. Marshall of the United States geological survey. He was outlining a plan for the irrigation of practically the entire interior of California. He proposed that the waters of the Klamath be diverted to the Sacramento watershed and be brought down to the Iron canyon of the Sacramento above Red Bluff, and there stored for diversion into a system of canals, which would deliver the water to the lands to be irrigated. Marshall not only said he believed the project entirely feasible, but probably the only permanent solution of the water shortage problem.

CONGRESSMAN MCARTHUR TO SPEAK HERE SEPTEMBER 23

Congressman C. N. McArthur, in a letter to Lian W. Nesmith of the Warren Construction company, states that he will speak in Klamath Falls on the evening of September 23, under the auspices of the state Republican committee. Judge Al. Leavitt has the program in charge. Congressman McArthur also expresses willingness to address a noon meeting of the chamber of commerce. Mr. McArthur will come here from Eugene, via Crater lake, evidently over the Willamette highway, which it is proposed to improve by federal and county co-operation. He will be here for a couple of days.

