

LATEST ANTIC OF TRIUMVIRATE CAUSES MIRTH

Gossip in courthouse and legal circles today was tinged with mirth, as the result of the latest order of the county court in the courthouse controversy.

Lawyers racked their minds and failed to recall where and when before in the history of American jurisprudence, a court of record had ever been served with a mandatory order from a lower court.

There was a rumor, too, of an uneasy interval for Coroner Earl Whitlock, who called upon circuit judge in the role of process server—the sheriff being one of the parties served with triumvirate's order and accordingly disqualified for the delicate errand—while the court considered whether or not it would take cognizance of the contempt.

Acting upon Judge Campbell's direction to the sheriff at the opening of the Ingersoll murder trial, the circuit courtroom in the new Main street courthouse was fitted up and occupied. When Judge Campbell vacated, Judge Kuykendall gathered together his official lares and penates, including the court records, and moved.

In the lengthy paper—which has no legal validity because it has no source of competent jurisdiction—prepared by the county court, it is solemnly "further ordered by this court that any records, furniture, or other property belonging to Klamath county, that may have for any purpose been removed from the courthouse of Klamath county into said new building, which is now and has been for some time subject of litigation, be, by the officer legally entitled to possession of said property, replaced in the courthouse of Klamath county."

When the reporter visited the new building today, all was calm and there was no evidence that a removal was contemplated.

"This a weird document that was concocted in a frenzied final struggle to maintain the slipping foothold of the county court in the courthouse dispute.

It arrogates unto itself powers more monarchical than judicial. "Sweeping injunction" is no misapplied term in connection with this instrument, by virtue of which "all officers, employees or citizens of said county, and state officers of Klamath county, are hereby notified that under no circumstances shall they allow any property or records, belonging to Klamath county, under their jurisdiction or control to be removed from their present location into said building on Block 35."

Upon what dope doth now our might-Caesar draw. Prunes or popples? Does the inclusion of the citizenry of Klamath operate to create a constabulary to enforce the court's commands, or is it merely a blanket precaution inserted hit-or-miss to cover legal ignorance.

Throughout a thousand words of twaddle, similar absurdities outcrop at every turn. All law is founded on the certainty of common sense application and if the paper were valid, courts would be enveloped in chaos, for, upon the whim of a county's executive officer, the bench might be jerked from beneath the highest magistrate of the county, down-sitting in all the dignity with which his judicial office clothes him. The law contemplates the playing of no such schoolboy pranks upon the judicial servants of the state, but schoolboy minds are found even in high executive places.

Like other actions—the attempted levy of the \$50,000 item for Hot Springs courthouse construction, for instance—the prohibition of the county court against occupancy of the Main street courthouse is grandstand play. The people elected the present county court to perform a specific thing, to complete the Hot Springs courthouse. The county court might have been in a position to carry out the contract had the supreme court not reversed Judge Hamilton. That Judge Hamilton would be reversed never entered into their

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Bend Close to Top In Drive to Aid Starving

BEND, Dec. 23.—The official opening of the campaign for contributions to aid the starving children of Europe did not open until Monday, but already \$1,300.60 of Bend's quota of \$1,750 has been turned in, it was announced by the local committee. The amount is well in excess of two-thirds of the city's allotment. Before the week's end Bend's present obligation to humanity will be discharged and Christmas day may be enjoyed without a qualm of conscience for a duty neglected.

FINAL FARM SESSION HELD

The final session of the four day's convention of members of the Klamath county farm bureau was held this afternoon. Bad weather reduced the attendance. Instruction in cutting of meat by L. Lawrence of the Klamath Packing company, and demonstration of the pressure cooker in preparing the tougher cuts by Miss Fannie Virgil, domestic science teacher, formed an interesting part of the afternoon program for women.

Discussion of drainage and irrigation problems by E. I. Applegate was a feature of the morning session.

Much good has resulted from the farm bureau convention, through the interchange of ideas between members and the instruction in farm methods and use of farm machinery.

Livestock breeding was given a great impetus through the offers of local bankers of blooded stock to head beef and dairy herds, and also swine and sheep breeding.

While bad weather and bad roads reduced attendance far below what it would have been had the weather been more favorable, the very fact that so many ignored the weather in order to attend the daily sessions is convincing proof of the interest that Klamath farmers are taking in the work of the farm bureau.

CAN EARN FINE CHRISTMAS SLED

Well, boys and girls, who want a sled for Christmas—here's your chance!

Santa Claus, or at least his representative, called on the Herald editor yesterday afternoon and submitted a proposal to be passed on to the Klamath Falls boys and girls.

He promises to give the boy or girl, under twelve years old, who writes the best letter to Santa Claus, in their own hand writing and without any aid from others, a handsome sled—the brand-new, five dollar kind.

The sled went onto exhibition in the Herald window today.

The contest closes at one o'clock tomorrow and the award of the sled will be made as soon as Santa Claus has determined who is the best correspondent.

This is pretty short notice, of course, but Santa's representative has just arrived in the city and is giving as much time to the contest as possible.

And, boys and girls, if you'll sit right down and start the letters as soon as you've read this, then bring them to the Herald office tomorrow morning—don't mail them for they may arrive too late—you will have plenty of time.

Every letter received up to one o'clock Friday will be considered.

Santa's friend is interested in education and the letters will be judged from the viewpoints of neatness, good penmanship, grammar, punctuation, English and composition.

There is no catch anywhere. The conditions are: Age under 12 years; letters written without help from anyone; and they must be in the Herald office before 1 o'clock tomorrow (Friday.) Place all letters in an envelope and address to "Santa Claus, care of The Herald." The sled is in the Herald office window. If you see it you'll want it.

Dairying Great Industry For Upbuilding of Klamath County Declare the Men Who Know

"In the Wake of the Drought." That was the title of an article which appeared in the Country Gentleman of December 28, 1918, the article telling of the struggles of farmers in the great dry country in northern Montana, of which Havre, is the metropolis, during the two preceding growing seasons, years when not a seed germinated in land which had produced prolifically in 1916. Accompanying the story in the Country Gentleman was a view of the George Forge homestead, showing flumes on either end through which a little water trickled from the coulee, not very much, but still sufficient to germinate seed even in the very dry year of 1918. Mr. Forge still owns the homestead near Havre, but he has forsaken farming life, perhaps only temporarily, and is now in business in this city as general agent for the Montana Life Insurance company.

Stories with a kick, the kind of stories that produce results, must be founded upon reliable facts and comparisons, and now, after a residence here of only six months, during which Mr. Forge has had occasion to visit almost every part of Klamath county, he feels that he is competent to present comprehensive comparisons between this region and the region in which he lived for years and which would still be known as the home of contented and successful farmers, if they, the farmers, had accepted the doctrine of diversified farming and raised stock, and then more stock, more extensively than they did. Mr. Forge spoke particularly about cattle, dairy cattle, of course, but he is a firm believer in the raising of "cows and sows," and knows from his experience that the dairy business can be developed here to a wonderful extent. It was done in the big dry country of Montana—what then are the possibilities here, where droughts are unknown, where we have irrigation, giving to the farmers water when they want it, and as much as they want of it?

Figs From Thistles Mr. Forge tells remarkable, yet credible stories of successful dairy ventures which grew from very small beginnings, back in the Havre country. From a land of only a few scrub dairy cows big creamery interests have developed. And, unbelievable as it may seem, Mr. Forge states that during the drought he harvested an enormous crop of Russian thistles, the kind that grow best when the weather is driest, converted it into silage, and fed it to his cattle with splendid results. Compare the milk producing properties of the vicious Russian thistle with the milk or cream producing properties of the alfalfa, blue grass and sunflower crops that can be successfully grown here year after year without intermission, and you have one of the reasons why Mr. Forge is so enthusiastic over the opportunities open to

farmers here to develop this region into a superlatively successful dairy region. At the present time, County Agent E. H. Thomas, with an unusually competent corps of farm bureau workers, is promoting the introduction of pure bred cattle, the Short-horn breed being selected as the best breed, in their opinion, for dual purpose cattle. The recent successes of the entrants from this county at the Pacific International livestock exposition at Portland is well-known to all live Klamath county residents. Sufficient to say, Mr. Thomas is on the right track, particularly in the endeavor to weed out all except registered sires.

But, Mr. Thomas, like Mr. Forge, believes that this county offers opportunities for the development of the dairy industry on an extensive scale, and believes that Holsteins, particularly, embody the qualifications necessary in the cattle which must be introduced if the county is going to come into its own as dairy center. At the same time, said Mr. Thomas Jerseys are very desirable for this purpose, their reputation for being unable to give food results is colder climes being more fancied than real. Land in this county, can be depended upon to produce consistent, if not wonderful, yields of barley and oats. These grains make very satisfactory silage and splendid food for cattle.

Alfalfa, at least two crops every year, grows prolifically here. And sunflowers, averaging from 25 to 30 tons to the acre, considered among the best foods for cattle, can be grown here with tremendous success. What more can the dairyman ask? The government is taking the matter of irrigation in this region very seriously, and water, the dairyman's best friend, can be secured in abundance.

Ten Purebred Bulls Now

At the present time, according to approximate figures by the county agriculturist, there are not more than 10 registered bulls in the county. The registered females are also very few. However, while the situation in this county is improved every time a registered female is brought into it, still the big endeavor is to have none but registered sires, and in that regard, the offer of E. M. Bubb, of the American National bank of this city, to present a sire of dairy breed to the community which, within a year makes the best showing in the impotation of dairy females, is worthy of the highest commendation.

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Houston Argues Against Passage of Bonue Bill

By Associated Press. WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—A gross deficiency in the national finances of \$2,100,000,000 for this fiscal year and \$1,500,000,000 for the next fiscal year was forecast today by Secretary Houston before the senate finance committee during consideration of the bonus bill for ex-service men.

He said that federal finances are in such shape that new sources of revenues must be found to meet the deficit and no new burdens should be added.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ENTERTAINMENT

For many weeks the workers of the Presbyterian Sunday school have been very busy making preparations for the first Christmas entertainment in the new church. It will take place Friday evening, December 24, beginning at 7 o'clock. If present plans carry, it will be the finest ever given by this Sunday school.

The entertainment will be different in character from any ever given before. It will be "The Holy Story" in pantomime. It will be given in ten scenes on the platform under the spotlight from the stereopticon, while a reader reads the stories centering around the birth of Christ. There will also be an accompaniment of soft music during most of the scenes.

The ten scenes of the play are as follows:

- Scene 1—Zacharias and the angel.
- Scene 2—The annunciation.
- Scene 3—Joseph and Mary at Bethlehem.
- Scene 4—The Shepherds in the Field.
- Scene 5—The Holy Night at the Manger.
- Scene 6—The Presentation in the Temple.
- Scene 7—The Wise Men.
- Scene 8—Herod's Palace.
- Scene 9—The Wise Men at the Manger.

The Misses Gertrude Parker, Waive Drew and Grace Farrand have worked hard on this play and deserve commendation for its excellence.

At the close of the play there will be a real, honest to goodness Santa Claus with bags of candy and nuts and oranges for every child present. These have been prepared by Mrs. Slough's class. The girls' high school class have decorated the church in a most artistic manner, all of which with the large tree makes a nice Christmas setting for the evening entertainment.

The members and friends of the church and Sunday school are cordially invited to be present and enjoy the evening with us.

The offering that evening in all the churches will be for the starving children of Armenia and Europe. Everyone is urged to bring a liberal offering for this purpose.

Methodist Program

The Methodist Sunday school has arranged a program for Christmas, which will be given tomorrow evening at the Methodist church beginning at 7:30 o'clock. The program follows:

- Song—"Joy to the World"
- Christmas Lesson Rev. S. J. Chaney
- Prayer—
- The Christmas Story, with Luther's Cradle Hymn Lucile Cook and Primary Children
- Recitation Ardel Yaden, Bernard Brotherton
- The Christmas Chimney Melvin Yaden
- Hurrah for Christmas Harvey Brannan, Ruth Chilcote
- A Telephone to Santa May Leighton
- Anthem Ruth Auten
- Recitation by a Quartette of Beginners—Robert McLaine, Glen Brannan, Gail Martin, Burke aden
- Praise Him Primary Department
- Exercise What Makes Christmas Helen Cofer, Elaine Chaney, Nadine O'Flarity, Louise Wyant, Dorothy Upp.

ITALY'S GUNS LOOSED UPON D'ANNUNZIO

By Associated Press. LONDON, Dec. 23.—Captain Gilbert D'Annunzio today proclaimed that a state of war exists between Fiume and Italy. He forbade the population of Fiume to leave the city, says a Rome dispatch. The proclamation is reported to say that anyone speaking against D'Annunzio is liable to be shot.

The dispatches today say that Italian government troops have begun operations against Fiume.

Military outposts along the frontier have been raided and an Italian destroyer shelled D'Annunzio's batteries.

MERCHANTS OF SOUTH FEELING OPTIMISTIC

Fred L. Houston returned last night from southern California where he left his family for the rest of the winter months. Mr. Houston reports wonderful weather and prosperous conditions in the southern state. "Notwithstanding that business men admit that conditions are tight," said Mr. Houston today, "they are optimistic. They have been expecting this period of readjustment and were more less prepared for it. It is their opinion that prices will be stabilized soon, and then things will hum along as usual."

ITALIAN RESIDENTS UNITED IN MARRIAGE

The large and worthy Italian colony of this city honors today Mr. Joseph Paletta and his bride, Miss Elvira Leonetti, who were married this morning at 9:30 by the Reverend Father Molloy of Sacred Heart church. Mr. Michael Lauro and Miss Alfreda Leonetti accompanied the happy couple to the altar as witnesses.

Mrs. Paletta is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Moses Leonetti of 115 Pine street.

Mr. and Mrs. Paletta will visit Los Angeles and San Diego, after which they will reside in Delta, California, where the groom has important interests.

Christmas Mass In Merrill Church

MERRILL, Dec. 23.—High mass will be celebrated at 10:30 o'clock Christmas morning in the Catholic church in this city, Rev. Father Molloy officiating. Mrs. M. Giacomini, who has direction of the choir, has been preparing special music for this mass and has had the assistance of some of the best singers in the city. The public, of course, will be welcome. Low mass will be celebrated at 8 a. m. for those who wish to receive Holy Eucharist.

In Ashanti a child is usually given the name of the day of the week on which it was born.

Primary Song—"Happy As Birds" "Who Was Born on Christmas Day" Margaret Dunnington, Elaine Chaney

- When Christmas Comes Thelma Gentry
- Christmas Time.....Lorraine Goswich
- Exercise—Once Upon a Time—Henrietta Jobs, Gwendolyn Martin, Dolores Vogel, Escalen Bell
- Dolly Christmas Helen and Louis Monroe
- Anthem Choir
- Where Presents Grow Marie Sewell
- Christmas Time George McLain
- Hang Up The Baby's Stocking Elaine Chaney
- When Christmas Comes Thelma Gentry
- The Sweetest Story Mrs. Phelps Class
- Christmas in Many Lands—Helen Chaney, Gertrude Smith, Mary Sanford, Ruth Cofer, Helen Krossing, Mary Ellen Bradford, Gertrude Musto, Dorris Yaden, Dorothy Moreland
- Christmas Greetings Superintendent E. M. Chilcote

TO THE BUYING PUBLIC:

If men and women are not employed, they cannot consume. If people don't consume, the farmer cannot sell his crops, the merchant his stock and the manufacturer his product.

Men and women cannot be employed unless you keep on buying. Keep on buying now that prices are down—don't wait.

By not buying what you need, you prevent the consumption of things on which you depend for your own living.

Why wait, now that prices are down?

Waiting means less work all down the line in factories, railroads, banks, retail and wholesale stores, etc.

Waiting only means unemployment, unemployment means less consumption of the products of farm and factory and general business stagnation.

Which means bread-lines.

You can't sell your crops or your labor to the bread-line man. Keep on buying—what you need—now.