

BONDING HOUSE CLOSED; POLICE SEEK EX-HEAD

(By Associated Press)
PORTLAND, Dec. 27.—The doors of the bond house of Morris Brothers, incorporated, was closed today. The sign in the windows reads, "Closed on account of audit, by Fred S. Morris."

The order for closing was issued yesterday when Morris discovered that the affairs of the company were left in a tangled condition by John L. Etheridge, who resigned as president and left Portland, following a demand from the clearing-house association for proof of the ability of the concern to deliver bonds for which investors had paid and for which interim certificates had been issued.

A big crowd gathered about the office today, some persons exhibiting receipts for payments they had made on the purchase of bonds.

District Attorney Evans said that he had obtained a statement from Roy Fike, who drove the automobile in which Etheridge and wife left Portland Thursday, that he had seen Etheridge board an east bound train at Tacoma. A warrant charging larceny by baillee has been issued against Etheridge.

The warrant against Etheridge was issued on complaint of C. E. Anderson of Silverton, Oregon, who claimed Etheridge failed to redeem interim receipts for \$1861 for the city of Edmond's bonds.

Morris Bros handled several local bond issues, including the county road bond issues, but county officers stated today that the securities had been paid in full, and as far as inquiry could determine today no local injury will result if their difficulty proves to be serious.

CROOK COUNTY BANK'S DOORS CLOSED TODAY

PRINEVILLE, Dec. 27.—The Crook county state bank here failed to open its doors today. The shrinkage in values of sheep and cattle on which the bank had made loans was said to be responsible. The bank is not a member of the federal reserve system and therefore has 60 days to reorganize.

Italian Troops Are Closing Around Fiume

(By Associated Press)
LONDON, Dec. 27.—Italian government troops are believed to be slowly but surely closing an iron ring around the Fiume, where D'Annunzio and his little band are besieged. Land and sea forces began an advance in three directions yesterday, and did not encounter resistance. D'Annunzio's soldiers fell back, and the fall of Fiume is expected soon.

PARIS, Dec. 27.—Fiumenian soldiers who attempted to capture the Italian warship *Marsala* met resistance when they boarded the vessel at Zara, and 27 were taken prisoners.

Car Overturns; One Dead, Two Injured

BEND, Or., Dec. 27.—Lane Thomas is dead, and Patrick Rogers and Fred Fosburg are injured as the result of their automobile overturning and pinning them in the snow on the highway near this city Christmas night. They were rescued by Vernon Smith and brought here, where Thomas died. The men are residents of this city.

Secretary T. L. Stanley Goes to Convention

T. L. Stanley, secretary of the Klamath county chamber of commerce, left for Portland this morning, where he will attend a meeting of the secretaries of commercial organizations of the state. Mr. Stanley probably will be away a week, and during that time he expects to demonstrate to the other delegates that this county is in perfect accord with the state-wide effort to bring the full limit of industrial prosperity to Oregon.

CAR SMASHED ON NINTH; OCCUPANTS ESCAPE HARM

Both cars were badly damaged but the passengers of both escaped serious injury when a car driven by Julius Oss, coming down Ninth street, struck a car driven by Al Graham, local contractor, crossing Ninth at Lincoln. The Oss car was not equipped with skid chains and the driver, seeing a collision with Graham's car imminent, put on the brakes, and skidded into the other vehicle. Both cars were spun about, the Oss car turning completely about and striking the curb, smashing the rear wheel to bits. The Graham car had the front wheels smashed. There were four persons in Graham's car and three in the other. They received a severe shaking up, but no serious hurts.

Police Station Tab Spotlessly Clean

Where are the drunks of yesterday? Judged by the immaculate police court records of this year they are a thing of the past—gone to stoney age, and no more shall the words "drunk yer honor," and "30 days" be heard in the land. What a wonderful outlook.

A visit to the office of Chief of Police H. S. Wilson this morning brought forth the smiling information that not a single holiday reveler, nor an arrest of any kind, had marred the Christmas police court records, and the contrast between this year and years gone by, when the cup that cheers was considered necessary to the proper celebration of the holidays, is a pleasing one.

Pleasing, and immensely satisfactory to the average citizen is the fact that the city of Klamath Falls, on the face of things at least, compare ultra favorably in the matter of law violators with other cities of the country. Its police court tab is a thing of spotless beauty—even though it may not remain a joy forever. "Here's hoping," the average citizen will say, but if Chief Wilson must smear up that spotless tab in the interest of law and morality he has everybody's permission to do it.

MANY HELP TO LIGHTEN LOAD WIDOW'S WOE

Spontaneous outpouring of aid from a score of different sources helped to lighten the load placed upon the shoulders of Mrs. Pruet, through the death of her husband, Pearl Pruet, last Friday. The widow was left with seven small children, the oldest a boy about 11 years. With the husband and father sick for nearly a month before his death, the income of the family had been cut off and the situation seemed very dark indeed.

It is impossible to give credit for all the kindness shown, for literally scores of persons showered help upon the bereaved family. The Klamath Lumber & Box company employees took up a collection and donated a \$63 purse. K. Sugarman appeared on the scene with an overall suit for each of the fatherless seven. O. M. Hector presented Mrs. Pruet with a dress. The Elks came forward in their usual unobtrusive manner to aid in relieving the burden. All the neighborhood had been kind through the long illness of Mr. Pruet and now came forward with new evidences of kindness. Louis Hoagland brought up a stove and from many sources—stores and individuals—came provisions until the larder was overflowing.

The Kwawana Box factory offered all the wood that was needed. The winter supply of limb wood was already bought and the Boy Scouts sent a lusty delegation to chop and pile it.

All these kindly actions were not the result of organized charity but resulted from individuals, responding to the promptings of their own hearts, hastening to the relief of apparent need. The only cue most of them had was the published story of the death of the father.

The county court sheared through red tape in order to make available at once the widow's pension, amounting to about \$45 monthly. They also made an immediate county contribution for funeral expenses.

Earl Whitlock donated his services in preparing for the funeral, leaving but a small amount of necessary expense to be met.

On Christmas night Santa Claus appeared in the person of E. R. Danner of the Danner-Patty Motor company, and distributed gifts of candy and other Christmas offerings, which had been donated from many different sources.

The list of kindnesses could be extended. It is not pretended that it is complete, so overwhelming was the response to the need of the widow and orphans.

Mrs. Pruet is overcome with gratitude and she asked a friend to attempt to express her thanks through *The Herald*. So many were the gifts and kindly actions, that she does not know herself the full number to whom she is indebted, but from an overflowing heart, for herself and her fatherless children, she desires to express the utmost gratitude to each and everyone who contributed to lighten her load of woe.

THREE OF OLD COUNCIL WILL STAY WITH JOB

When the city council meets tonight, for the last time this year, Mayor Struble will not be present at the old familiar place in the center of the deliberative table, according to the mayor himself. This does not mean, however, that the mayor is shirking his official duties. He has business of an urgent nature to transact tonight, and the four councilmen will have to struggle along without him. At any rate, stated the mayor, there is nothing of more than routine importance to come before the meeting.

This statement by the mayor was the incentive for an investigation of rumors that two or three of the present councilmen intended to resign the first of the year. Joe Moore said he decided to present his resignation to the council tonight, to take effect the first of the year. Mr. Moore will be succeeded by Paul Bogardus, who was elected councilman from the first ward at the last election on account of illness. Mr. Moore has been unable to attend council meetings regularly, and he feels that he cannot do justice to the position in his present condition.

Councilmen Brandenburg, Lavenick, and Colvin hold over until June, and according to authentic information none of them will resign in the meantime.

M. S. West, councilman-elect, will take the place of Frank M. Upp, resigned.

Mayor I. R. Struble's term expires the first of the year, and he will be succeeded by W. S. Wiley.

WOMEN'S DEBATE DELAYED

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Ore., Dec. 27.—Tryouts for the women's University of Oregon debate team have been postponed until after the Christmas holidays, because it was thought better not to attempt more debate work until after the men's meets with O. A. C., Reed college, and Princeton. The question to be the subject of the tryout debates has not yet been announced.

His Aim Was Good— He Got Four Ducks

Frank Mills, Paul T. O'Dowd, Donald Loomis, and George Ogle composed a hunting party which motored out into the Kena section yesterday after ducks. They report that there were oodles of ducks, most of them flying too high for good shooting, but Mr. Mills says that O'Dowd had a special mission entrusted to him which improved his aim, and he got four of the five ducks bagged by the party.

WARRIOR POET IS REPORTED TO BE SLAIN

ROME, Dec. 27.—A report from Fiume states that Gabrielle D'Annunzio, the Italian poet in charge of the insurgent forces was killed, while trying to prevent a conflict between his legionnaires and Italian soldiers.

PHIL SINNOTT AND WIFE REMEMBERED BY SANTA CLAUS

Phil Sinnott, San Francisco newspaperman, formerly on the Herald, has stopped quarreling with his typewriter (the machine, not the operator) long enough to advise friends here of the arrival of Phil, Junior, who checked in December 20.

"He weighs eight and one-half pounds and looks like old Phil," says the proud parent. His mother is well and the family considers this one of the greatest Christmas seasons that ever happened.

Weather Probabilities

The Cyclo-Stormograph at Underwood's Pharmacy has registered a slight fall in the barometric pressure since noon today. A continuation of this condition would indicate the approach of another disturbance.

Forecast for next 24 hours: Storm brewing in southwest.

Soldiers' Bonus Bill To Cost Billions

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—The passage of a soldiers' bonus bill would cost the government approximately \$2,300,000,000, Secretary Houston estimated before the senate finance committee considering the soldiers' aid measure.

KLAMATH RIVER SURVEY ORDERED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—After conference with Dr. Elwood Mead, of the University of California, Secretary of Interior Payne has decided to order a study of possibilities for drawing an additional water supply from Klamath river for irrigation of Shasta valley lands in Siskiyou county, Cal.

Local interests will pay for such survey.

It was represented to the interior department that the present water supply from Shasta river is proving insufficient and that a new source of supply must be had for irrigation.

Preliminary steps toward the securing of water from the Klamath river for irrigation of land in the Shasta valley were taken at a meeting at Montague last summer, when it was decided to appeal to the reclamation service to make a survey.

Trustees were elected for the proposed district from Bogus, Montague, Little Shasta, Yreka, Ager and Mayten. It was suggested that enough water be secured from the Klamath river to irrigate 150,000 acres.

Brother Missing; Wants Information

The Herald has received a letter from Sam S. Nance, of Cheney, Washington, which asks for information concerning C. B. Nance, who was in this city about the time of the Houston hotel fire on Labor day, September 6. Mr. Nance thinks that his brother might have been in the hotel when it burned.

According to the letter, the missing man had been driving a truck for the Modoc Lumber company, of Chiloquin, but advice from that company is to the effect that he left their employ on July 10. Mr. Nance wishes to know particularly whether the name C. B. Nance appears on any of the hotel registers of this city on the date of the fire.

The missing man is described as 5 feet and 8 inches in height, slender, dark hair, grey eyes, and always neatly dressed. He went to Chiloquin from San Francisco. Anyone knowing about the person described is asked to communicate with Sam S. Nance, Box 656, Cheney, Washington.

FIREMEN WILL MAKE FINAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR BALL

Volunteer firemen will hold a meeting tomorrow evening at 7:30 o'clock at the city hall to discuss final arrangements for the firemen's ball, which takes place Wednesday night, December 29, at the Moose hall.

TO THE WORKER:

You produce things made of iron, steel, wool, wood, cotton or other raw materials, or you work in mines or on railroads.

Unless men and women in your trade or other trades are working, they cannot consume the things you produce, mines and railroads are slowed down and you are laid off.

They cannot work unless you buy. You cannot work unless they buy.

If you keep on buying what you need now—now that prices are down—you help keep yourself employed by employing others.

Each is dependent on the other—an endless circle in which all prosper or suffer together.

You do well if others do.

You do badly if others do.

We all do well if everyone buys for his reasonable needs—buys cautiously, not extravagantly.

Keep on buying—carefully—but now.

JITNEY DRIVER GETS 6 MONTHS FOR LARCENY

Appearing on his own volition, thus dispelling rumors that have been in circulation that he had "jumped bail," John Flodin pleaded guilty in the federal court last Wednesday to stealing gasoline from the local reclamation service station, June 4, last, and was sentenced to serve six months in the Multnomah county jail.

The appearance of Flodin was a considerable relief to John O'Connor and Mike Daly, local ranchers, who signed a \$5,000 bond for his appearance for trial.

E. A. Quaff and Jess Hunsaker, two other local jitney drivers, accused of participating in the gasoline robbery, pleaded not guilty last week and will be tried March 4.

During the gasoline shortage last summer a guard was placed on duty at the reclamation service station. On the night of June 4, he ascertained, three men attempted to steal 300 gallons of the government's gasoline supply. Flodin was captured while attempting to attach a trailer, on which the drums of gas had been placed, to his car. The other men fled.

For several months Flodin has been absent from Klamath Falls and rumors had it that he was in British Columbia, California and New Mexico. It appears, however, that rumor was wrong, according to the statement of H. M. Manning, his counsel.

According to Mr. Manning, Flodin sold his jitney business here and went to Burbank, Washington, where for the past four months he has been living with his parents on a farm.

This was learned by Mr. Manning only last week, however. Up to that time Flodin's attorney and bondsmen were as much in the dark as anyone. Two days before the date of the trial Mr. Manning received a letter from Flodin, asking when he was to be tried. He showed no intention of trying to evade appearance, and evidently his silence in regard to his whereabouts was due to carelessness instead of a desire to elude the law.

Time being short Mr. Manning went to Burbank, instead of wiring or writing, and accompanied Flodin to Portland. Had Flodin desired to keep his whereabouts secret he might have remained concealed indefinitely, said his attorney, for Burbank is a small place and Flodin was living quietly on the farm some distance from town, where no one thought of seeking him.

GIRL'S ANKLE FRACTURED IN COASTING COLLISION

While coasting on Third street hill Christmas evening, little Ina Westall, was accidentally thrown from her sled and run over by a bob-sled, breaking her left ankle. The little girl was taken to a local hospital where the ankle was set, after which she was removed to her home at the corner of Third and Klamath.

The Annual Christmas Tragedy



ILL. BY THE OLD BOY LOOKS BUSTY FLAT.

TULE LAKE RESIDENT CALLED BY DEATH

David M. Dunn, 67 years old, and a resident of Klamath county for 13 years, died Christmas morning at his home at the Tule Lake postoffice. The cause of death is given as chronic stomach trouble from which the decedent had been practically helpless for some time. Dunn is survived by his wife, Jennie Dunn, postmistress at the Tule Lake office.

Mr. Dunn was a native of Niagara Falls, Canada, but the body will not be shipped there for burial. Instead internment will take place at Gilroy, California, the body leaving here on Wednesday morning.

DEMOCRATS START FILIBUSTER AGAINST THE TARIFF BILL

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—Efforts of republican leaders to end what they described as a democratic filibuster against the emergency tariff bill, was unavailing. Party leaders engaged in a sharp debate over the merits of the bill.