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## NEW COUNTY OFFICERS ARE ALL ON JOB

Lloyd Low, C. C. Brower, and L. L. Gaghagan, newly elected sheriff, prosecuting attorney, and justice of the peace, respectively, took their seats today. The other county officers, some of whom were re-elected without opposition are continuing the even tenor of their ways without any shakeups in their office forces.

Bert E. Hawkins has been retained as Sheriff Low's chief deputy, and C. C. Low, father of the present sheriff, and sheriff himself for a couple of terms, will be the other deputy. Mrs. Hazel Ore mand Miss Meta Chastain will remain in the office as clerks. Sheriff Low stated that no new deputies for out of town districts have been appointed, and that as far as he could learn there was no immediate reason for replacing any of them.

County Clerk C. R. Delap will keep his office force intact, with the exception of Miss Vera Houston, filing clerk, who has gone to Eugene to attend school. Her place has been filled by Miss Emma R. Stucky. Lloyd R. Delap will remain as clerk of the circuit court, and Garrett K. Van Riper and Roy N. Fouch will be found at their old accustomed places.

The other county officers who begin their terms today are J. P. Lee, assessor; Miss Twyla Head, county superintendent; C. T. Darley, county surveyor, Earl Whitlock coroner, G. K. Van Riper, treasurer, county judge, R. H. Bunnell, and Burrell Short and Asa Fordyce commissioners.

L. L. Gaghagan, justice of the peace, will make his office in the old courthouse building in the rooms formerly occupied by the judge and clerk of the circuit court.

### REED GETS DECISION IN ARIZONA BOUT WITH MEEHAN

"Wild Bill" Reed won the decision on a foul from Willie Meehan, San Francisco heavyweight, in the tenth round of New Year's bout at Phoenix, Arizona, according to an Associated Press dispatch.

Reed's local friends lost track of him last November following his fight with Joe Bonds in Medford. He lost to Bonds in the fourth round. Bonds is known in ring circles as a "has-been" and fight followers claimed his victory over Reed resulted from a frame-up. On the day following the Bonds fight Reed left Medford and the Meehan match gives the first general news of his whereabouts.

### CALIFORNIA TEAM WALLOPS OHIO OVERWHELMINGLY

By a score of 28 to 0, the largest score ever made by a western team against eastern invaders, the University of California's "wonder team" defeated the Ohio state university champions in the New Year football game at Pasadena.

HOLIDAYS ARE OVER  
Local schools reopened today after two weeks' holiday vacation. Many of the teachers took advantage of the vacation period to visit relatives in other cities.

BACK FROM TRIP  
MALIN, Jan. 3.—Mrs. Jerry Johns, wife of Jerry Johns of this place, has just returned from Walla Walla, Washington, where she visited with her parents Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Taylor.

Mrs. Johns spent three weeks at Walla Walla and reports an enjoyable time.

### STILL THRESHING GRAIN IN TULE LAKE DISTRICT

Threshing is still being carried on between storms in the Tule Lake district, according to report from ranchers from that section visiting here. Much grain was unthreshed, and a considerable amount uncut, when the winter rains started and weather for the past two months has allowed only intermittent harvesting.

### Dorris Postmaster Starts Year's Term In Yreka Jail

W. E. Fox, recently sentenced to one year in the Siskiyou county jail in the United States district court at Sacramento, has begun serving sentence.

Fox, former postmaster at Dorris, Cal., pleaded guilty to the theft of \$5000 in currency and a quantity of registered mail from the postoffice last November 7. After the theft he set fire to the building to conceal the crime but it was only partly destroyed.

Suspicion was attracted to the postmaster when he began spending money rather lavishly. The purchase of an automobile from a Klamath Falls dealer was one of the clues that led to his arrest and on being brought to the local jail he made full confession to the two postal inspectors who arrested him.

### NEW AGENT AT S. P. STATION

J. J. Miller, of San Francisco, arrived here yesterday, and has assumed his duties as agent of the Southern Pacific here, vice M. M. Callaghan, who has resigned. Mr. Miller and Mr. Callaghan were about the city this morning getting acquainted with business men, and taking care of other things incidental to the transfer of the office. Mr. Callaghan said that it would be about 10 days before the complete transfer will be effected. He has made no definite plans for the future, but intends to forsake railroad work, at least temporarily, this change having been contemplated by him for some time.

Mr. Callaghan will be missed by the people of this city, particularly the business men, who have not forgotten the chaotic condition in which the freight business in this city was at the time Mr. Callaghan was sent here as agent. Since he assumed the duties of agent, the business of the company has been handled in a manner unequalled by any predecessor.

Another source of trouble that he eliminates was adjustment of claims, one that aggravated the business men of the city to a point of desperation. Since Mr. Callaghan became settled in the saddle he handled this most vexing question in a manner that satisfied the business men, protected the interests of his company and eliminated most of the red tape that had previously been the source of much friction.

Claims Holdups  
Took His Cash

Fred Bechart, residing at the Country Club rooming house, reported that he had been held up and relieved of \$145 about 12:30 Saturday night, as he was passing the yards of the Big Basin lumber company. He was accompanied, it is said, by "Dutch" Reed, who made his getaway, with \$300 on his person. Bechart's watch and jewelry were not taken.

Inquiry from Chief of Police Wilson this morning developed the fact that the robbery had not been reported by the night officers. Furthermore, the chief stated that he talked with Bechart and that the latter was somewhat reticent about the affair. From the conversation, however,

he believes the robbery was the result of a frame up by acquaintances who knew he had the money. Mr. and Mrs. Ingerson, who were returning home some time before the holdup is said to have taken place, state that they say a couple of men near the place of the holdup, but did not see anything that might lead them to think they were bent upon mischief.

### NEW YEAR ARRIVAL

A son came to brighten the home of Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Peters, of 411 Ninth street, Thursday. The little stranger has been named James Rambo Peters. Very satisfactory reports of the babe and its mother come from the Peters home. Mrs. Peters formerly was Hazel Givan of this city.

### ANITA LABEREE WINS IN FIRST LEGAL SKIRMISH

The long awaited decision in the LaBeree will case was handed down by Judge R. H. Bunnell late Friday evening, the decision upholding the validity of the will in detail. By the terms of the will Mrs. Anita LaBeree, Oscar G. LaBeree's second wife, remains in possession of an estate val-



Mrs. Anita LaBeree

ued at \$100,000 or more, the children of the testator by his first marriage, Ben R. LaBeree and Mrs. Gladys Kelley, who were the plaintiffs in the case, receiving no share in the property. The first Mrs. LaBeree was not named as one of the beneficiaries, her status in the case remaining the same. The case will undoubtedly be appealed to the supreme court.

The instrument, accepted as Oscar G. LaBeree's last will, was made on March 13, 1916, and was filed for probate on November 23 of the same year. The will according to this record, was made four days after Oscar G. LaBeree was married to Miss Anita Laurence, or Rhodes, as she had previously been known, in Seattle.

According to the will Ben R. LaBeree and Gladys Kelley, children of the deceased, and little David LaBeree, were given \$5 each, but the will plainly states that David should be provided for by his mother. The plaintiff's questioned David's parentage, but LaBeree, in his will, clearly claims him as his son.

The case was bitterly fought by both sides, John B. Winters of Portland, and G. J. Ferguson, acting as attorneys for the defendant, and O. C. Moore of Spokane and Augustine Donovan of this city appearing for the petitioners. The attorneys for the plaintiffs endeavored to show that the marriage of LaBeree and Anita Laurence was the result of coercion and intrigue, the object of the young woman being to gain possession of the LaBeree estate. Much testimony was introduced reflecting upon the character of the young wife, and the invalidity of the marriage, but the defense declined to answer these charges, taking the stand that LaBeree had a right to will his property to whom he pleased, even though the beneficiary should be his mistress.

This case attracted more than local attention, as LaBeree was a well-known figure in the northwest, having built the first railroad into Seward, Alaska, besides handling other notable contracts. It was in Alaska that his acquaintanceship with Anita Laurence began and ripened into an intimacy which culminated in his marriage to her in 1916. His last years were spent on his ranch near Bly, in this county, where the young widow with her son, little David, still resides.

### DIVORCE COMPLAINTS

Divorce actions have been filed in the circuit court by Ben Mitchell against Anna R. Mitchell; Maggie P. Culbertson against Joseph E. Culbertson, and Oscar A. Smith against Marguerite Smith.

### BUDGET UP FOR CONSIDERATION THIS AFTERNOON

Two o'clock this afternoon is the hour set by the county court for consideration of the budget estimate for the fiscal year of 1921, and it is probable that a schedule of the coming year's expenses will be adopted, although a circuit court injunction stands against two items incorporated by the county court in its original estimate—the \$50,000 for Hot Springs courthouse construction and the \$14,000 miscellaneous fund item.

What action the court will take in regard to these two items remains to be seen, although it is not deemed probable that they will risk punishment for contempt by passing them over Judge Calkins' prohibition.

Speculation exists, however, because of the action of Good Government league members in the last few days in circulating petitions asking the county court to pass the two prohibited items.

The number of signatures obtained will be revealed only if the petitions are presented to the county court, of which there appears some doubt. One member of the league said this morning that he did not think it likely that any petitions would be presented.

### Elks Ladies' Elect Officers Tomorrow

The ladies club of the B. P. O. E. will meet tomorrow afternoon in the Elks' temple, this being the date for the election of officers. A social afternoon will follow the business meeting, with Mrs. H. N. Moe, Mrs. Henrietta Melhase, Mrs. L. M. Martin, and Mrs. A. G. Meissner as hostesses. A majority of the members are expected to attend this meeting, and the ladies hope to add many new members to their roster at this time.

The retiring officers are Mrs. G. B. Cozard, president; Mrs. H. M. Ackley, vice president; Mrs. A. G. Meissner, treasurer, and Mrs. Golden Lincoln, secretary.

**SURPRISES GUESTS**  
Twenty-five guests at the Holland House were entertained New Year's eve at a surprise luncheon. The surprise was sprung by A. Van Krallingen, proprietor of the hotel, and was complete. It was a homelike party, the evening following the feast being spent in reminiscent conversation.

### X-Ray Detects Airplane Flaws

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 3.—An up-to-the-minute application of X-rays is used in airplane construction to show up defective materials, workmanship and weak metal castings, which would otherwise escape the observation of an inspector, according to John S. Shearer, of Cornell, in speaking here on "Recent Advances in the Production and Application of X-rays."

"Grains of wood in airplane parts are brought out remarkably," he said, "and it is easily determinable where two different woods have been joined together, a point of construction prohibited in airplane work. Knots in the wood are also shown up, as is unsatisfactory gluing together of parts."

"Electric heater coils are inspected by X-ray and the plates show the manufacturer where air has caused the insulation of the coil to disintegrate, and where the wire will eventually break."

### "Advertect" He Calls It—Something New

E. S. Payne of Portland is in the city for the purpose of interesting local business men in an advertising specialty that he has been selling throughout the Pacific coast. He is an advertect—something new in the way of a profession, for he not only plans advertising but he writes it. He is the creator of the "Bill Spivens" advertising series that has met with such success wherever it has been run.

### Freshet Floods Portland Docks; River Is Rising

PORTLAND, Jan. 3.—The Willamette river stood at the 17.7 foot stage this morning. Practically all of the lower dock levels are flooded but little damage is expected as the dock operators were warned in time.

Workers were busy all day yesterday removing materials from the Front street docks. The water is rising very slowly today and may not pass the 18 foot level unless the heavy rains should continue.

A section of the Terwilliger boulevard was torn out by a heavy slide yesterday.

Eugene and Oregon City are reported to have practically been made islands of high water cutting off the roads leading to the cities.

### LEGION HONORS DEAD COMRADE

Funeral services for Frank Tucker, the first overseas hero who lost his life in the late war, to be brought home or buried were held in the Presbyterian church yesterday afternoon. The church was crowded with old friends and others who wished to do him honor. The American Legion being represented by approximately 40 members.

The Reverend E. P. Lawrence conducted the service, reviewing the life of the deceased to the day he lost his life in the Argonne Forest fighting bravely for humanity, and quoting from the beautiful words of Plylady, the English chaplain: "He has done his bit," and other lovingly expressed excerpts.

A simple committal service was held at the grave, the post escort marching with the body to the last resting place.

### Wallowa Man Will Take Kiddle's Place

SALEM, Jan. 3.—The governor today appointed Jay H. Dobbin of Joseph, Wallowa county, a member of the state highway commission to succeed the late Edward E. Kiddle. Mr. Dobbin is a prominent stockman and president of the Oregon Wool Grower's association. Besides being extensive sheep grower he is a breeder of horses and mules and interested in banking in Joseph and Enterprise.

### SOVIET "AMBASSADOR" IS TAKEN INTO CUSTODY

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—Ludwig C. A. K. Martens, Russian soviet representative to this country, whose deportation has been ordered by the American government surrendered formally to Secretary of Labor Wilson today.

**HOTEL IMPROVEMENTS**  
A pool and billiard parlor is being installed in the basement of the Arcade hotel, and a rest room for ladies is being fitted up. Chris Blanas, proprietor, declares he intends to keep the accommodations of the hotel abreast of those offered by any hotel of the class in the state.

**UNDER SURGEON'S KNIFE**  
George Chamberlain, well-known contractor, who underwent an operation in a San Francisco hospital last week, is reported to be progressing favorably.

### Fugitive Head of Bonding House Is In Portland Jail

(By Associated Press)  
PORTLAND, Jan. 3.—John L. Etheridge, former president of the Morris Bros. bonding house, arrived today from Minneapolis, where he was arrested last week on a larceny charge. He was not put in a cell on his arrival but taken direct to the district attorney's office. He permitted photographers to take his picture. District Attorney Evans said that Etheridge declared that "I had no idea when I left, that things were in such an awful shape. I hope I shall be able to make up dollar for dollar on everything that is missing."

### SENATE PASSES RELIEF BILL DESPITE VETO

(By Associated Press)  
WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—The joint resolution to revive the war finance corporation as an aid to farming and other industries was passed by the senate today over President Wilson's veto. The vote was 53 to 5.

The president's message, returned with the vetoed measure, said that the finance corporation was created to stimulate exports during the war, and the object of the proposed revival was to increase exports so as to raise prices in this country. He said it would raise false hopes among the people whom it is designed to help and would be hurtful to the natural and orderly processes of business.

### GOING TO EUROPE TO TO BRING FAMILY HERE

Ambrose Tischler, one of the Klamath Dye Works most valued employees, will leave tomorrow morning for a long trip overseas to Austria-Roumania, his object being to bring back his wife and four children, when he returns here about three months hence. Mr. Tischler has not seen his family for 11 years, and during the war period no word came from them for 2 years and 8 months. However, he has heard from them lately, and everything is well with them. Mrs. Tischler has been reluctant to leave her old home, but Mr. Tischler will tell her all the good things he has learned about the good old U. S. A. and does not anticipate any permanent regrets on the part of his wife, after she is safely domiciled in a home in this city.

### City Flooded By Oil Strike Rumor.

Reports that a gusher had broken loose at the Klamath Oil company well on the Manning ranch were received by the Herald today from practically every quarter except one which would stamp the rumor as authentic. Captain Siemens, president of the company, refused to verify the report. Neil Campbell, superintendent, arriving from the well, said there was absolutely "nothing to it."

**NEARLY LOST AUTO**  
Friday, while at the cemetery, Coroner Earl Whitlock's Paige car suddenly began to blaze, the fire probably being caused by a defective electric circuit. Being near the tool house, Mr. Whitlock secured a shovel and threw dirt upon the blazing engine. By the time this blaze was extinguished the front seat caught fire. After quick work, this fire was extinguished also. The engine is in bad shape, and the seat will have to be replaced, but otherwise the car was not seriously damaged.

### PRESBYTERIAN MINISTER ENTERTAINS COLLEAGUES

The Rev. E. P. Lawrence and family were hosts Saturday afternoon to the Rev. C. F. Trimble and family and the Rev. J. S. Chaney and family. A dinner was served at the Lawrence home and the afternoon was afterward spent in games, music and conversation.

### WASHINGTON COURT SAYS BONUS BILL IS VALID

(By Associated Press)  
OLYMPIA, Jan. 3.—The state supreme court today upheld the constitutionality of the soldiers' bonus bill endorsed by the voters at the last election in a referendum measure. The bill will give each service man a bonus of \$15 for each month served during the war.

BEND, Jan. 3.—Mike Angland, Deschutes county stockman was fined \$58.75 by the district forestry office for crossing his 1500 sheep across national forest in Pine mountain district without a permit.