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PRICE FIVE CENTS

CAMPAIGN ON TO REDUCE LOSS IN SHIPMENTS

The Southern Pacific railroad had instituted a contest, J. J. Miller, local agent of the system says, in an effort to help reduce freight rates and particularly the loss to shippers and the company on freight shipments. The contest will be staged among the company agents all over the system and the districts are organized under the divisional plan.

It is the hope of the railroad company to stimulate interest among the agents so that divisional control of the over, short and damage losses will be lessened by having each agent inspect the shipments to see if they will suffer damage in shipment; to see carefully the bills of lading to know that the shipment is made to the right parties, by the shortest route and to check carefully the incoming shipments to avoid long or short consignments.

Each agent will endeavor to assist the shipper by explaining how best the consignment can be sent and how it should be packed so as not to suffer damage in transit. This system, the company advises the agents, will be most valuable as the burden is then placed on the company employees while the consignment is in transit.

Mr. Miller states that the loss to the railroad in the above respect is one-half of the gross receipts of the shipments accepted and the item alone costs the system too much money and is one feature in keeping up the high freight rates. Reduce the loss to the lowest possible minimum and the rates can accordingly be lowered.

Agents in each division are entered in the contest and it is the hope of the Shasta division group, in which Klamath Falls is situated, to carry off the high honors in the lessened losses of freight shipments on future consignments. Mr. Miller states that Klamath Falls outboard consignments have fared very well in the past as close inspection has been made by local employees.

NEW OIL CO. TO DRILL IN MONTH

Organization of the officers and directors of the Klamath Basin Oil & Gas company was perfected last night in the offices of the Dunham Auto company at 403 South Sixth street at which time, George Grizzle was elected president; Fred Houston, vice president; Theodore Case, secretary and George Chamberlain, treasurer. The directors chosen were George Grizzle, Fred Houston, E. A. Dunham, Robert Cheyne and R. J. Sheets.

The articles of incorporation were received from the secretary of state this week and the capitalization of \$300,000 approved, also the license to sell stock. According to H. M. Johnson, appointed field manager, before the articles of incorporation were received investors were found who insisted on depositing money for shares in the concern. This money was turned over to the treasurer today and stock certificates issued.

Mr. Johnson states that the company will sink their first well on the Grizzle place, 400 yards southeast of the Siemens well and that a large size Ohell rotary combination drill will be used. Drilling, Johnson says, will be started within four weeks and will continue all winter.

Vote for Holiday, Work Just the Same

In recognition of California's Admission Day, which is today, Californians at the main office of the California-Oregon Power company, headed by Manager Thompson, took a vote for a vacation. Results were as follows: Californians 7, Oregonians 1, and 1 native of Rocky Point. As far as is known the whole force was on deck this morning.

Federal Officer is Suicide Following Raid on Smugglers

NEW YORK, Sept. 9.—After a raid by federal prohibition and narcotic agents on the Greek steamship, King Alexander, in which seven members of the ship's crew were wounded, Frank J. Fitzpatrick, chief narcotic officer here, who had taken part in the raid, committed suicide at a nearby pier.

Federal officers said they knew of no reason for the suicide except that the excitement and strain of the raid had temporarily deranged Fitzpatrick.

Liquor valued at \$50,000 and drugs at \$75,000 were confiscated. More than a score of shots were exchanged by the crew and 15 federal agents. None of the federal agents were hurt.

TRUCK OWNERS ON TRIAL TODAY

This morning at 10 o'clock, the trial of Stanley, Manley and Prentiss Puckett, charged with alleged operation of two Sterling motor trucks, also semi-trailer, on August 18 without a vehicle license, was heard before a jury composed of Harry W. Poole, George Bratton, C. L. McWilliams, A. C. Henline, A. L. Salfieky and G. W. Perkins in Justice Gaghagen's court. This trial was the culmination of a series of arrests made in Klamath county by J. J. McMahon state deputy traffic officer.

The defendants alleged that as they had sent their money into the secretary of state prior to the arrest said no plates had been received from Salem, it was not their intent to evade the state laws wittingly. The prosecution based their action upon the actual fact of no licenses nor receipts for same. Arguments were made by both sides.

GAS IS STRONG

Gas pressure sufficiently strong to lift a column of water, nearly 1500 feet deep and averaging eight inches in diameter, nearly 80 feet was revealed when the drill penetrated the cement at the Siemens well at noon today. The water column rose to within 20 feet of the surface, then settled back to 100 feet from the top. The average level is 45 feet from the top. This is taken to indicate that the water flow is checked. The boiler is operating this afternoon and it will not be definitely determined before tomorrow if the cement will hold this time.

Strength of the gas pressure was also shown when the drillers first started work this week. They found cement 210 feet up in the casing, evidently forced to that height by gas.

Underwood, Hughes Lodge and Root To Represent U. S.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 9.—Senator Oscar Underwood, Senator Lodge Elihu Root and Secretary of State Hughes will be the four representatives of the United States at the Washington conference on the limitation of armaments, it was officially announced today. Delegations from all nations attending will probably be limited to four members.

BABE RUTH EQUALS HIS RECORD OF LAST YEAR.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 9.—When Babe Ruth hit his 54th home run in today's game here, he equalled his record of last year. The 54th homer last year was gathered September 29.

MONTANA IN GRIP OF FIRST SNOW OF SEASON

HELENA, Mont., Sept. 9.—With rain or snow in many parts of the state and unseasonably low temperatures, Montana is having the first autumnal snow of the year. Colder weather tonight is forecasted, with possible freezing.

FAIR BOARD IS FACING PROBLEM OF FINANCING

The County Fair Board have announced through Secretary L. B. Hague that much interest in the county has been stirred up over the coming fair on October 5, 6 and 7, inclusive and many farmers who had fine stock, intended to exhibit them for some of the attractive premiums offered in the cattle division.

The question of finances was brought up yesterday afternoon and she was asked how much money had been turned in by the soliciting committees of the chamber of commerce, following the meeting of August 25, at which time the chamber agreed to raise the funds which would be derived from advertising in the premium list. Secretary Hague stated that she had received no money up to yesterday but that she had understood that a committee had been delegated to solicit. The financial question is one which is vital in the conduct of a fair, Secretary Hague stated, and a report was expected from the chamber some time this week on the progress of the canvass.

The question of exhibits is still a matter which worries the board and the farmers are urged to save their prize plants, sunflowers, pumpkins, choice grain and hay specimens for exhibition purposes. The flowers which are raised in this county also are a feature which Secretary Hague urges attention to now as frost soon will nip the plants. Save the flowers, Secretary Hague urges.

One other feature to which she brings attention is the display of needle, craft and fancy work of all sorts. Articles of all sorts in this division are wanted. It is reported that many fine displays are to be had in this county. If so, enter them.

DRAINAGE DIST. BUDGET TO BE MADE OCT. 4TH

October 4 is the date set by the Klamath Drainage district for a meeting of the equalization board at which time the budget for the year 1922 will be discussed. At the meeting, September 6, the board of equalization, P. L. Fountain, R. E. Smith and K. Sugarman estimated that the total amount of money needed by the district during the fiscal year beginning January 1, 1922 and ending December 31 would be \$8,358.81, covering several services, materials and supplies.

President M. Motschenbacher left yesterday to post the drainage district with notices in compliance with Chapter 118, Section 7228, Laws of Oregon for 1921, which requires the amount of the expenditures for the three fiscal years next preceding the current year to be stated. The notices to be posted state that from March 1918 to 1919, the sum of \$4,648.30 was estimated to be expended; March 1919 to March 1920, \$5,561.71; March 1920 to March 1921, \$7,500.92. The expenditures made from January 1 to June 1921 were only \$2,227.58 while the budget allowance was placed at \$8,855.

Secretary DeLap stated that the prospects for the sale of the bonds were excellent now that a water right had been obtained from the United States government. It was not expected that much would be done this year, but after the meeting of the equalization board in October, and the state engineer has vied the proposition and placed his approval on it, the bonds would then be placed in the market to secure funds for active work in the spring of 1922.

Secretary DeLap stated that he believed that money would be forthcoming as soon as the bonds were in the market as Wehly-Suckerman and company of Stockton, California, owned 2,000 acres of the Klamath

BROKEN WALKS ARE DANGEROUS TO PEDESTRIANS

Pitfalls for the unwary—yes, even for the wary—can be found without an undue amount of searching in almost any block of Klamath Falls sidewalks, outside Main street, and there are portions of Main street that have not a great deal to brag about. There's a stretch on the south side of the street between the Winters building and Eighth streets where the pedestrian must steer a careful course, for instance.

But this article calls attention mainly to the wretched condition of the board sidewalks in the districts off Main street. Pine street has a number of traps for the pedestrian. Boards are loose every few paces and with two persons walking side by side, if one lags a step, the other is very likely to step on one end of a loose board and raise the other end to a height that will trip his companion.

Protruding spikes to catch the steps of the wayfarer are an unlimited source of danger. The writer foretook his usual cautious custom of keeping to the street and taking chances with autos yesterday, and braved a trip around the Bellman property, between Seventh and Eighth on Pine, for the purposes of investigation. With forewarning of danger, the trip was made safely, but the condition of the sidewalk is a disgrace. There can be no question that property in the heart of the city is valuable enough to bear the cost of sidewalks. If the owner cannot pave it, the city certainly has condemnatory powers.

The Hotaling block on Eighth street, between Pine and High, is as bad. North and south of this block the sidewalk is laid, but the property owned by Richard Hotaling, of the wealthy San Francisco family, evidently cannot bear the cost.

South of Klamath avenue there are broken boards innumerable in the board sidewalks. Some of the holes in the walk are large enough to let a person's body through. Others are six inch crevasses, visible now but veritable traps this winter when the snow lays across them.

It does not take a prophet to predict that sooner or later, probably sooner, there will be an accident resulting in a heavy damage suit and the city will pay for its neglect. There's a possible broken leg in any one of a dozen blocks that are frequently travelled, and there's a possibility that if some elderly person is the victim the consequences would be more serious.

Gets Sixty Days for Theft of a Horse

PORTLAND, Sept. 9.—Fred Jackson, Indian, aged 20, of the Klamath Indian reservation, was sentenced to 60 days' imprisonment in the Multnomah county jail by United States District Judge Bean for stealing a horse on the reservation. Two other Indian boys, Bybee Butler, aged 15, and Thurman Jackson, aged 17, implicated in the theft, were released because of their youth and returned to the reservation.

CULINARY UNION WILL ELECT PRESIDENT MONDAY

Monday afternoon, Culinary Alliance Union will meet in a special meeting at 3 o'clock in the labor council rooms for the purpose of electing a president of this organization. Matters important to the union will be taken up also at this time, it is said.

This company is said to be the largest producer of potatoes and onions on the Pacific coast with branch offices scattered all over the west. With a large corporation holding a body of land as large as 2,000 acres, they would be instrumental in pushing the project, according to Secretary DeLap.

State Traffic Man Arrested Again for Turning in Block

J. J. McMahon, state deputy of the automobile department was arrested last night at 5 o'clock by Traffic Officer McLaughlin on a complaint filed by Percy Twombly, alleging that the state officer violated the traffic rules "with turning to the left in the street without giving any notice or indication of a turn between intersections," the alleged violation taking place between Tenth and Eleventh on Main street, August 17.

In the previous trial in the police court Judge Leavitt held the traffic officer not liable as there was no ordinance to make this action an offense.

HUNTERS MUST TAG QUARRY

Warning has been sounded by State Game Warden Burghdoff that deer hunters must tag their kills with the portion of the license issued for that purpose immediately when a kill is made or the violator will be subject to a fine.

This tag must be placed on the horns of the animal at once and in case the animal is strung up and left in the woods, a warden can tell to whom this kill belongs. Should he find one not labeled, the hunter will come in for a stiff fine as the hunting laws prescribe this action to assist the warden in preventing game hogs killing more than the limit.

A number of violators have been found this season by people who were careless due to their elation over the "first deer" but they readily complied with the tagging requirements when other hunters warned them.

George McCollum yesterday brought in a beautiful specimen of the male fall deer, a four pointer, which he killed five miles below Keno on the Klamath river. The deer had been ranging all summer near his mill on the river and Mr. McCollum had desired to have the head of this animal for his den.

Friday last, an opportunity was given him to secure this prize and he did so. Residents in that section say that this deer is the largest they have seen for many years. It is said that a tape stretched between the points on the horn measured 23 inches.

A. C. Yaden was a fortunate hunter this year, securing two bucks, one last Friday and one Tuesday.

Army Goods Store Leases Quarters

Max Weiss of The Army Store stated today that he has secured a lease for three years on the building formerly used by the Deer Head Grill and expects to move to the new location October 1st. The building now occupied by the Army Store will be removed from its present location to permit of the commencement of construction work on the new Hart building.

There seems to be some conflict in this arrangement, as the announcement was made yesterday that the Deer Head would be reopened under the management of Bert McDonald, who has purchased that establishment. Mr. McDonald's lease comes from the receiver of the grill, while that to Mr. Weiss comes from J. O. Beardsley, the owner of the property.

CULINARY WORKERS ARE EXCELLENT ENTERTAINERS

The smoker held last night in the Moose hall by the Culinary Alliance was well attended and enjoyed by all the participants. The meeting was a get together social in which union men and the citizens of this city intermingled and enjoyed themselves to the utmost.

A dance was started at 10 o'clock and the crowd present spent the evening in this amusement. Refreshments were served throughout the meeting and it was after midnight before the smoker terminated. The consensus of opinion was that this affair was one of the best arranged and most enjoyable affairs of the season.

SIX MILLIONS TO BE RAISED FOR 1925 FAIR

PORTLAND, Sept. 9.—Financial plans for the 1925 exposition were formally launched as the result of the conference of state delegates here yesterday. The exposition capital stock issue will be \$6,000,000.

Portland will raise \$1,000,000 by private subscription and \$3,000,000 by taxation. The state at large, including Portland, will raise the remaining \$2,000,000 by a one-mill tax levy for three years.

Julius L. Meier was chosen permanent chairman and Robert H. Smith, secretary.

Plans are being investigated for a special city election in Portland in November to care for Portland's share of the exposition tax levy, and a special session of the legislature in January to deal with the necessary constitutional measures and prepare measures for the people to vote on in May.

It has been suggested that if the legislative session is called it will be with the strict understanding that the affairs of the exposition alone are to be considered and the legislators will be asked to give their services just as the delegates who came to the conference yesterday gave theirs.

Chairman Meier today announced receipt of messages from several coast cities offering support for the exposition.

LINCOLN MARKET DISPLAYS SECOND BUCK OF SEASON

The Lincoln Market, which recently advertised that it would dress, cut up and place in cold storage all bucks whose horns reached such service, free of charge, in displaying its second buck for the season. The deer was killed by F. U. Patrick.

WANTS SUITS DROPPED

Following the application for a writ of review in the county court in the case of Thomas L. Cleveland, sometimes known as T. L. Cleveland, sometimes as James Sumpter, filed by Attorney William Marx September 1, in which the decisions rendered against the petitioner in Justice Gaghagen's court were unsatisfactory in the attachment suits brought by Roy Fouch of the "Business Service Bureau" and John Irwin, the two latter defendants this forenoon filed motions to quash proceedings in the county court against them. Action on the matter will be taken tomorrow by Judge Runkel, when the county court convenes at 10 o'clock.

WOMEN BOOST FAIR

This afternoon at 5 o'clock, Secretary L. B. Hague of the county fair board will address a woman's meeting at the chamber of commerce on how the women of this city and county could assist in making the county fair October 5, 6 and 7 a decided success despite the late start.

WILL ENFORCE SPEED LIMIT FAST SCHOOLS

Traffic Officer McLaughlin states that automobilists are not complying with his request that in passing school grounds, the speed limit should be ten miles an hour or less. Some are tearing by at high rates of speed and the violators are to be picked up. "Drive Slow," he urges.

SHERIFF STILL ILL

C. C. Low stated today that his son, Lloyd, was not feeling much better than what he was yesterday and that he had endured much pain with the severe attack of tonsillitis which set in after he had been drenched by water during the fire of the Lakeside Lumber company last Saturday night.

CATHOLIC SERVICES AT MERRILL NEXT SUNDAY

Catholic services will be held at Merrill Sunday morning at 10:30 o'clock, with the Rev. Father J. V. Molloy officiating.

WEATHER REPORT

OREGON—Tonight and Saturday, fair; warmer Saturday.