

Editorial Comment

THE REFUNDING BONDS

Tomorrow you will be asked to go on record as to whether you are in favor of maintaining the credit of this city. In our mind there is no question as to how, as a general proposition, the people of the city feel on this point. Everyone wants the credit of Klamath Falls to be the best. The feature of this refunding bond question that sticks, that is stirring up opposition, that will account for every vote cast against it, is the feeling that if the refunding bonds carry the property owners who owe the money will not have to pay it in the end. If every person was sure the property owners who owe the money would vote for the bonds without hesitation.

The Herald wishes to assure its readers that by no possibility can the property owners escape the payment of the delinquent bonds, together with accrued interest, the cost of this special election, the cost of issuing these refunding bonds and the interest on the refunding bonds to the date of final settlement.

The city is in exactly the same position as a man who indorses a note. If the note is not paid, then the man who indorsed it will have to take care of the obligation. When he has paid it, then he will sue the maker of the note and get judgment not only for the face, but for interest, costs and attorneys fees.

The question has been repeatedly asked: "Why hasn't the city foreclosed and collected this money before, and thus avoid the voting of bonds?" For the simple reason that it had no money with which to operate. If the city had foreclosed, it would have had no money to bid in the property. To do this it would require sufficient money to pay the entire debt against the property. Then before it acquired the title, it would have to wait a year, as under the law the owner would have that time in which to redeem it.

Under the refunding bond plan, the city will pay the debt. Thus it is in exactly the same position as the indorser who paid the note. Just as soon as the debt is paid, the city will proceed to sell the property affected and when the proceedings are completed, the city will not have lost one cent by the transaction, but its credit will have been maintained at the same high standard that has resulted in its bonds commanding a premium.

In reaching a decision on how you are going to vote, personal animosities should be set aside. You are called upon to acquit yourself on a question of principle. You have often loudly proclaimed that you would make any reasonable sacrifice for the welfare and upbuilding of your community. Here is an opportunity for you to do so without making any sacrifice. You are simply called upon to sustain one of your principles.

"AN ENEMY HATH DONE THIS"

Elsewhere is printed a synopsis of a sermon delivered yesterday by Rev. Father Molloy, who took for his text a sentence from the gospel of the day—"An Enemy Hath Done This." His remarks are so appropos to existing conditions here, they fit each one of us so nicely, that we could not resist the temptation to publish them, hoping that some, if not all, in their "mad rush to victory," might find that they had "inflicted wrongs that never can be righted." And "furthermore, he might bear in mind that even if he succeeds in his strife he might lose more than he had gained and, like Pyrrhus, he might have to lament: "Another such victory and I must return to Epirus alone."

Fred R. Soule, who for the past two years has been city editor of The Herald has resigned. He has been succeeded by E. J. Barrett. In the departure of Mr. Soule this paper has sustained a distinct loss. He was perhaps the best newspaperman who ever came to this city and won for himself this title by the remarkable record he made as city editor. Occupying one of the

BANDITS LOOT MOVIE HOUSE OF THOUSANDS

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 7.—Three masked men held up R. E. Charles, treasurer of the Liberty theatre, motion picture house, and after roughly handling two girl ushers and Henry Barney, employes, made their escape through a rear door with the loot they secured from the safe, which the treasurer estimated was between seven and ten thousand dollars.

State Fire Marshal To Speak Here

A. C. Barber, state fire marshal, of Salem, will arrive here tomorrow evening, according to the telegram which Horace Sykes, deputy fire marshal, received this morning. It is thought that Jay Stevens, in charge of the National Fire Prevention Association activities on the Pacific coast, will probably meet Mr. Barber at Weed, coming from San Francisco, and both will arrive at the same time.

Council To Audit Salary Accounts

The city council will meet tonight at 7:30 o'clock in the chambers at the city hall for the first session in two weeks, the last week being an "off" week, due to there being five Mondays in October.

FRENCH "BLUEBIRD" ON TRIAL

VERSAILLES, Nov. 7. — The trial of Henri Desire Landrau, "Bluebird of Bambals," who is charged with murdering ten women whom he promised to marry, opened here today. It is alleged he burned his victims' bodies.

The new city editor, Mr. Barrett, is a veteran at the business. Starting with the Brooklyn Eagle, he has been associated with some of the leading newspapers of the country and The Herald feels fortunate in having secured so able and competent a successor to Mr. Soule. It will be his endeavor to keep the news columns of this paper up to the high standard set by his predecessor, a standard recognized throughout the Coast as one of the highest in the west.

University Honors For Klamath "Hi"

EUGENE, Nov. 7.—Three high schools in Klamath county—those at Fort Klamath and Merrill and the Klamath county high school—have courses of study of such high grade and taught with such efficiency that they are accredited by the University of Oregon. Considering the high requirements it is a distinct honor for a high school to be on the University accredited list. Out of two hundred high schools in the state, only 177 are accredited by the University.

HOT HUNT FOR BAD CHECK DISPENSER

J. E. Harvey, employed in the bakery of Jack Nichols on south Sixth street, disappeared suddenly last week and in his wake, warrants have been issued for his apprehension alleging that he is the person known as "E. Andrews, J. E. Harvey and J. Harvey," who successfully passed three bogus checks upon the K. K. K., Sugarman and Joe McDonald's establishments for \$130, \$85 and \$80 respectively, using stolen checks from the Nichol's Bakery Shop and forging the name of Jack Nichols to them.

"Red" Campbell May Meet Ross

Promoter Crump has been a busy man since Saturday afternoon trying to secure a suitable high boxer to take the place of Billy Huff in the main ten round event Saturday night, November 12. Telegrams have been sent to a number of prominent boxers, in the state and a particular effort made to land "Red" Campbell, who has secured a decision over "Fighting Waggoner," conqueror of Billy Huff in two bouts. Huff accidentally fouling Waggoner each time.

Getting Ready for "Peace" Celebration

Klamath Post No. 8, American Legion, will assemble tomorrow evening at the council chamber in the city hall to discuss the plans and form of entertainment which will take place Armistice eve and on the day following. John Enders, general chairman, will announce the plans proposed and those completed.

Red Cross Sets Spindles Whirling

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 7. —The knitting wave among women and girls has set the spindles and yarn mills in every section of the city working day and night. The appeal of the Red Cross to the knitters to take up again the needle to make sweaters, comfortable jackets and pulsed warmers for distribution to the needy has caused a demand for millions more pounds of woolen yarns.

CITY'S CREDIT AT STAKE IN BOND ELECTION

Klamath Falls voters tomorrow will decide the fate of the \$65,000 refunding bond issue at a special election, also the voters in the First Ward will select a councilman to succeed Paul Bogardus whose office was declared vacant by the council a few weeks ago.

The special election is to vote upon the refunding bonds, to take up the original bonds made in 1910 for paying units which fell due on October 1, this year, and were defaulted, as there were no funds to meet them. Delinquent tax payers created the deficiency and as the eastern bond holders are demanding their money, the council passed a resolution in October calling for the special election on November 8.

The chamber of commerce tonight will be one place where the bond issue will be thoroughly explained to the voters and a mass meeting of citizens is scheduled there at 7:30 o'clock while in the Mills Addition hall, another meeting will take place at the same hour to discuss the situation and explain any misunderstood notions about the issue. Horace Manning is in charge of the speakers' program and has announced that R. C. Grosbeck, Mayor W. S. Wiley, W. A. Deisell, W. M. Duncan, Fred A. Baker, Rev. C. F. Trimble and himself will address the voters upon the subject.

Hunters Meet With Auto Accident

R. H. Burton and a number of friends from Algona narrowly escaped serious injury yesterday near the J. Frank Adams place when their automobile hit a culvert hole and sent them bowling to the side of the road. The occupants of the car were shaken up badly and the front right wheel was torn off the car.

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Safety First Is Slogan of France

NEW YORK, Nov. 7.—Premier Briand, head of the French delegation to the Disarmament conference, landed today. He is accompanied by former Premier Viviana and Albert Sarraut, the French Senator and Minister of Colonies. The French Premier was not very communicative, his remarks being confined to the simple but significant statement: "France stands ready to join every endeavor to avert new wars, provided she has nothing to fear for her own security."

TALK ON STRIFE CARRIES PUNCH THAT HITS HOME

So great is the strife in this city, extending as it does into practically every activity of the community, commercial, social, religious and political, that the sermon delivered yesterday morning by Rev. J. V. Molloy is very appropriate. Speaking to the text, "An enemy hath done this," Father Molloy said in part:

"Back of the 'enemy' is hatred. Hatred is the metal, the psychical element that severs the normal and peaceful relations that should exist between nations or communities or individuals and transforms them into the abnormal and perverted relations that mean war.

"In an overwhelming proportion of cases hatred is a vice, though it may be a form of virtue, as when it is directed against something impure such as sin, dishonor or deceit. As a virtue its object must be the sin not the sinner. A man's test of this form of hatred is by putting to himself the question, first, whether the aims of his course are corrective, not punitive, and second, whether the method he uses is conciliatory, not insulting.

Five Goose Hunters Came to Grief

William McNeally, secretary of the Klamath Sportsmen's association, reported this morning that five Oregon goose hunters came to grief yesterday at Tule lake, California, when Game Warden Courtwright of the sunny state came upon them and found them hunting across the state line without a California license.

PAY TRIBUTE TO AMERICA'S SOLDIER DEAD

WASHINGTON, Nov. 7. — The body of America's unknown hero will arrive in Washington on Wednesday and will lie in state in the rotunda of the capitol until Friday.

Another Set Back On Soldier Bonus

WASHINGTON, Nov. 7.—Another effort to write the soldier bonus bill into the tax revision measure failed today, the senate rejecting it forty-two to twenty. The Simmons amendment proposing to pay the bonus out of the interest on the foreign debt, and the McKellar amendment, similar to Simmons amendment, was also rejected.

"BORROWED" CAR IS FOUND AT DUNSMUIR

The Dodge touring car "borrowed" by E. Andrews October 29 from the R. R. Garage to make a flying trip to Shippington was recovered at Dunsmuir, California, yesterday according to advices received at the sheriff's office.

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