

## KU KLUX KLAN DESIGNATED AS COWARDLY BAND

Postcard From Night-Riders  
Brings Opinion From  
District Attorney

LOS ANGELES, April 26.—District Attorney Woolwine today characterized the Ku Klux Klan as a "hooded band of outlaws and cowards" in a statement issued shortly after receiving a postcard warning him to go show in the Ingwood-af-fair. The card was signed "K. K. K."

LOS ANGELES, April 26.—An blame for the night riders raid Saturday night was placed by William S. Coburn, supreme attorney and grand goblin of the Ku Klux Klan, upon the slain constable, Medford B. Mosher, in statement today.

Coburn said the raid was planned at a citizens' meeting Friday night in which a Klamath banker acted as assistant to Mosher. He asserted the Klan was not connected with the raid.

**ASKS CO-OPERATION**  
Chamber of Commerce Secretary Says Organization Needed Now

"If ever organization was needed, it is needed now," declared T. A. Stevenson, secretary of the chamber of commerce, at today's forum luncheon, following a statement of the year's accomplishments and reasons why all members should promptly meet membership payments when statements are presented about the first of next month.

Stevenson flatly contradicted rumors which he said were being circulated that the American City Bureau was to get an exorbitant share of the funds collected under its contract for organizing the chamber.

**Bureau Gets Only \$500**  
Five hundred dollars is all that the American City Bureau has received, he said, and they will get nothing more until the chamber's operating costs are taken care of. The chamber has cut its annual overhead cost \$1,800, he declared, is doing things, is necessary, and by the first of June will be out of debt if all stand by and support it, and ready for a year of greater achievement.

The American City Bureau has offered to settle for 50 per cent of their original charge, Stevenson said, but no action has been taken on the offer. One thing was certain, he said, that no percentage would go to the bureau until the cash had actually been paid on subscriptions.

Among accomplishments for which he claimed credit for the chamber were: Passage of the city refunding bonds; passage of the \$800,000 road bond issue; securing playground equipment and agreement with the county court for installation in the rear of the court house; carrying the Langell valley bond election; securing co-operation from Siskiyou county for an all-year-round highway to Weed; interesting the Western Pacific in building a railway into this city, which it appears may be a part of the road's next yearly extension program; creating an automobile park, and aiding in settling the fire insurance and water rate question.

**Auto Laws Discussed**  
R. C. Groesbeck was the chief speaker at today's forum. He discussed several matters, among others the effect upon the community of the city's agreement to extend the Strahorn railway contract a year; the availability under pending congressional legislation of government funds for building roads through the state and driving signals. He examined several local drivers on signals, to show that the 1931 driving law was not generally understood.

**FIRE IN STATE HOSPITAL**  
SALEM, April 26.—Fire starting at noon today swept the upper floor of the nurse's and attendant's home at the state hospital, causing \$10,000 to \$15,000 loss. Night nurses and attendants were asleep at the time, and had to flee in their night clothes. Defective wiring was reported as the cause of the fire.

## Behind the Bars



General Semenov, Cossack leader, photographed in his cell at New York where he was held in default of a bond in a civil suit.

## PERSONNEL NAMED FOR NEWLY-FORMED COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Officers to Be Elected at Meeting in Near Future; Co-Operation Is Aim of Organization

The personnel of the community council, composed of elected representatives from all the civic and trade organizations in the community, and which was sponsored by the Klamath county chamber of commerce, has been completed. The first meeting will be held within a short time, when the organization will be perfected by the election of a permanent chairman, a vice-chairman and secretary.

The council is being organized to foster a close co-operation between the organizations of the community, and to afford the machinery whereby all of these organizations can get behind a given program for the welfare of the community when such action is deemed necessary and advisable.

Following are the names of the organizations and their official representatives: Chamber of commerce, J. A. Gordon; Rotary club, W. O. Smith; Sportsmen's association, J. J. Furber; Farm bureau, T. N. Case; American Legion, H. R. Hill; Irrigation district, A. E. Wishard; City of Klamath Falls, Mayor W. S. Wilcox; Klamath county, Judge R. H. Dunning; Women's auxiliary of the chamber of commerce, Mrs. Chas. Wood Eberlein; Klamath Falls Library club, Mrs. Wm. Ganong.

It is probable that the first meeting will be called within a week, when the question of having other organizations represented will be considered. Each of the representatives will outline the program of the organization they represent and then a definite program of work will be outlined for the council.

The council is not patterned after that of any particular community, but was created to fill a definite purpose in Klamath Falls, and much interest is being shown in its organization.

## MANY HEAR SPEAKERS

County Unit Plan and Club Work Subjects of Miller Hill Meet

**Special to The Herald**  
MIDLAND, April 26.—The county unit plan for school administration and county club work were the subjects of an interesting meeting held at the Miller Hill school Monday evening under the direction of Professor Copland of that district.

Among the speakers were Prof. W. B. Wilcox, of Summers; Wm. Ezell, prominent stockman of Miller Hill; and J. W. Allen, assistant state club leader of Corvallis.

**TAKES HAND IN STRIKE**  
PORTLAND, April 26.—The city took a hand today in the longshoremen's strike when Mayor Baker announced after a conference between city and county officials, members of the dock commission and representative of the waterfront employers union, that operators of vessels would be assured of loading and unloading vessels here.

## TOKIO SUFFERS HEAVY DAMAGES IN EARTHQUAKE

Many Lives Lost; Yokohama Also Shaken Volcano Eruption Reported

TOKIO, April 26.—A heavy earthquake shock occurred here this morning, resulting in the loss of several lives and considerable damage to buildings. No Americans or Europeans were victims.

Many narrow escapes were had from collapsing walls and chimneys. The American embassy was slightly damaged and many exhibits at the Peace Exhibition were broken.

Yokohama was as severely shaken as Tokio, and the Chinese quarter of Yokohama was virtually destroyed. The water works was disrupted.

Mount Asama Yama, 90 miles northwest of Tokio, erupted yesterday, throwing out ashes, stones and smoke.

## EDEN IS BOUND OVER

Soderlund Only One to Escape Law as Result of Liquor Raid

Following a hearing yesterday before U. S. Commissioner Bert C. Thomas, A. Eden, one of the four taken in a raid on the Gus Soderlund ranch Monday afternoon, was bound over to the federal court. Bail was fixed at \$750, which Eden had been unable to raise up to a late hour today. He is being held in jail to await transfer to Portland.

Dean Taylor was fined \$200 by Justice Gaghagen and sentenced to 20 days in jail. Soderlund was acquitted.

The case of S. Olson, fourth member of the party, has not yet been heard.

## RUINED HOME, CHARGE

\$25,000 Damages Is Demanded by J. S. Lageson of Wife's Father

Declaring they had induced his wife to leave him, thereby breaking up his home, Justin S. Lageson late yesterday brought action for \$25,000 damages against Harry Furch of Klamath Falls and F. H. Pusey of Oregon City.

Justin alleges in his complaint that Pusey, his wife's father, and Furch, working together, induced his wife to leave him about December 27 when they were living in the Winters' apartments in this city.

## ANOTHER PAGE IS WRITTEN IN COURT HOUSE QUESTION

Motion Filed by Law Firm Based on Action by Klamath Development Co., Hearing May 6

Another page was written into the court house case this morning when the law firm of Renner, Munger & Ganong filed a motion asking leave to file their second supplemental complaint, basing their contention on the recent action of the Klamath Development company in their declaration to the county court in which title to Block 19 was declared forfeited.

The motion will be argued before Judge Skipworth of Eugene, who was appointed by the supreme court to hear matters pertaining to the court house litigation.

Accompanying the motion, and notice of filing of the motion, was the second supplemental complaint, which will not be filed until Judge Skipworth has passed on the motion to file.

It is provided in the notice of the motion that it shall be argued before the court at Eugene 10 days after service of the notice, which would make it about May 6.

## HOSTESS TO SENIORS

Miss Vera Thompson Will Entertain Graduating Class Tonight

The senior class of the high school this evening will enjoy a theatre party at the Liberty given by Miss Vera Thompson, a popular member of the graduating class of 1932, who will afterward entertain at the Bluebird cafe.

Those invited are the members of the class and the class advisors, consisting of Esther Calkins, Anna Calkins, Ruth DeLap, Dorothy Dellzell, Ruth Dixon, Vivian Elliott, Grace Elliott, Frances Humphrey, Alberting Nitschelm, Boris Reed, Mary Smith, Vera Thompson, Katherine Upp, Jo Upp, Glenn Fouch, Henry Gerber, Robert Gertz, Norman Hanson, Robert Millam, Victor Kos, Wilmet Sandham, Chester Shriver, Harold Wortley, Inez Willett, Helen Wirtz, Eva Dillard, Martin Adams, Lloyd Cox, Miss Mary Craig, Miss Ruth Wilson and Frank Howard.

## 100 TREES PLANTED

Many Donate Services to Aid C. of C. Auxiliary Beautify City

Planting of 100 trees by the women's auxiliary of the chamber of commerce along the irrigation ditch on each side of the bridge on Esplanade avenue has been completed.

Several Hot Springs citizens donated their services Tuesday afternoon for the purpose of making and placing guards around the trees. J. A. Gordon, Dr. H. D. Lloyd Stewart, Fred Baker, J. J. Furber, Harry Poole, James B. Foster and T. A. Stevenson were members of this delegation.

F. W. Van Buskirk, head of the local carpenters' union, donated a day's work in cutting up the lumber.

## FOUR DEMANDS TO BE MADE ON SOVIET RUSSIA

Allies' Note Will Be Practically an Ultimatum, Dispatch Says

LONDON, April 26.—The Allied note to be presented to the Russians at Genoa tomorrow, says an exchange telegraph dispatch will be practically an ultimatum demanding unequivocal replies on the following four points:

First—Payment of war debts, either entirely or with a reduction based on the Russian capacity to pay.

Second—Payment of pre-war debts with the granting, if necessary, of a reasonable moratorium.

Third—Indemnity for all damages to foreigners.

Fourth—Restitution of confiscated property.

## ROAD REPORTED FAIR

Dorrie, Detour on Topsy Road Held Unnecessary by Returning Party

Road conditions over Topsy are fair, reports R. E. Patterson, who, together with the Rev. S. J. Chaney, Mr. and Mrs. John Linfesty, Josephine Upp and Mr. and Mrs. Arnett, returned last night from Roseburg, where the party attended the Methodist Christian Endeavor convention.

The worst portion of the road is a mile beyond Topsy, but it is passable in all places, Patterson said. He advises against the Dorrie detour, saying that road is not as good as the regular route.

## 46 DEAD IN FLOOD

Revised List in Texas Disaster Shows Heavy Loss of Lives

FORT WORTH, Texas, April 26.—Forty-six persons are dead or missing in the Trinity river flood here, according to a revised list. A request for a grand jury investigation of the alleged dynamiting of levees by unknown persons was expected today. An officer of the levee board said the levees which broke yesterday were dynamited.

## The Winning Hand



Maria Semihova, daughter of Sergius Semihoff, artist, was declared to have the most beautiful hand in California in a Los Angeles contest.

## AUTO CAMP GROUNDS WILL BE IMPROVED TO AID TRAVELERS

Committees Named to Raise Sufficient Funds to Finance Undertaking; Plans Announced

A decision to improve the Klamath Falls camp ground was reached at a meeting held in the chamber of commerce rooms last night, and today two committees appointed at last night's meeting are interviewing business men in an effort to raise sufficient money to finance the undertaking.

It is planned to have two or more sheds built on the grounds, providing sufficient shade for a maximum of 25 cars. The chamber of commerce will bear a part of the expense, and the remainder will be made up in the form of contributions from garages, restaurants, delicatessens and business houses in general. Plans were also made to furnish light, fuel and other conveniences, and to have a keeper in charge to police the grounds and furnish information to the tourists. A fee of 25c will probably be charged for each car per night.

The members of the committee appointed by the chamber of commerce to finish this work, and who were present at last night's meeting were: Chas. I. Roberts, chairman; J. H. Martin, Hub Wakefield, G. A. Bellman, R. C. Groesbeck, O. D. Burke, Capt. O. C. Applegate and J. A. Gordon.

Fred Houston, E. R. Danner, R. E. Smith, Bert Hall and Ray Reed are also members of the committee to assist in the work. The two committees appointed to work out the finances were: E. R. Danner, G. A. Bellman, G. V. Martin, committee No. 1, and R. E. Smith, Fred Houston and Ray Reed, committee No. 2.

## 8-HOUR DAY ADOPTED

Kruse Mill on the Swan Lake Road Lowers Working Hours

Pending the decision of the conciliation board, the Kruse mill on the Swan lake road, seven miles from here, will operate on an eight-hour basis, and will abide by the board's decision. This is according to A. C. Stockton, president of the Timber Workers' local.

Stockton said the mill had been operating nine hours for a week or so, but changed yesterday to the eight-hour basis.

About 24 men are employed in both mill and camps, Stockton said.

## FRAUD IS CHARGED

Johnson Declares Millions of Spurious Certificates Printed

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 26.—Representative Johnson, republican, South Dakota, declared in the house today that an investigation of the bureau of engraving and printing would show that millions of dollars of spurious certificates had been printed and put into circulation. Some of the duplicate liberty bonds, Johnson declared, ran a hundred thousand higher in number than those legally issued. Representative Wingo, democrat, Arkansas, challenged Johnson's charge, declaring Secretary Mellon had denied any duplication.

## BIG GAINS ARE BEING MADE IN ALL INDUSTRIES

Steel Now 70 Per Cent of Capacity; Some Retail Lines Slump

(National Bank of Commerce)  
Business activity has been transferred to a new field. Important gains are shown in basic industries simultaneously with a disappointing spring retail trade in many parts of the country.

The steel industry of the United States, the movement of which has been accepted for many years as a business index, has recently shown marked expansion. The industry as a whole is now at 70 per cent of capacity. Demand is well distributed throughout all classes of products, and is well sustained on the higher price levels which are being established. Important in this connection is the fact that a large proportion of the new orders reported is for railroad equipment. Pig iron production is at the highest figure since January, 1931. The monthly rate of steel ingots production approximates that of 1931. Unfilled orders of the United States Steel corporation on March were 4,494,000 tons.

**Copper Steady**  
Copper is moving steadily and stocks are being gradually reduced, while producers are cautiously increasing output. There is a good demand for lead and the price has advanced slightly. The rate of consumption of tin in the plate trade is reported to be as high as for any corresponding period except during the abnormal war years. It is expected that zinc smelting operations will be increased shortly, and some expansion of mine output will naturally follow.

The manufacture of automobiles and of tires and other automobile accessories is expanding rapidly, although this is undoubtedly seasonal to a considerable degree. Retail trade in goods not designed for personal and household consumption shows improvement. The hardware business is better not only in builders' hardware but in the many classes of miscellaneous purchases of farmers. Agricultural implements sales have increased and there is a definite expansion in the fertilizer business, activity in both lines being in excess of even the expected seasonal demand.

**Activities May Shift**

The return to normal conditions is not an orderly process, and activity may shift unexpectedly from one point to another. The set-back in retail trade is the direct consequence of two factors. Buying by farmers, long at a low level because of unprofitable prices for farm products, has not shown much improvement, as farmers have very little money, and their buying power cannot expand materially before autumn, even if the current year's crops are good. They are wisely using their credit to buy fertilizer, tools and other necessities of their business. Buying by workers in cities has declined heavily—the cumulative effect of prolonged unemployment. It now seems likely that retail trade will continue at not far from its present levels or better until the normal mid-summer dullness occurs. If gains in basic industries proves permanent the autumn offers promise of expanding retail operations on a stable basis.

The progress of the nation toward normal business has not stopped; operations have merely shifted to a new field.

## WEATHER PROBABILITIES

The cyclo-stormograph at Underwood's Pharmacy has registered a rising barometric pressure since noon today which indicates a continuance of fair weather and brisk breezes.

Forecast for next 24 hours:—Generally fair, probably cooler, with variable winds.

The Tyco recording thermometer registered maximum and minimum temperatures, today, as follows:—  
High ..... 69  
Low ..... 48

