

TONIGHT FAIR EXCEPT SHOWERS IN NORTHWEST PORTION, COOLER IN EAST PORTION, WEDNESDAY FAIR.

GEO. J. NICHOLS KILLED BY WM. LEWIS, COLORED

Investigation of Quarrel in Negro Section Costs Landlord's Life

The arrest of Lewis, who was reported to have been seen near Keno, was momentarily expected this afternoon, it was said by Deputy Sheriff Hawkins at 3 o'clock. The man is being trailed by Sheriff Low and Deputy Sheriff Barnes, who were said to be close on his trail.

Investigation of a family quarrel in the colored quarter at Fourth and Oak, cost George J. Nichols, 45, his life about 10:30 last night, when William Lewis, colored, after firing three shots at his fleeing wife, turned and shot Nichols in the neck, killing him instantly. Lewis fled and had not been apprehended late today.

According to the police, Nichols, a laborer, residing at 435 South Fourth, was the owner of a number of small houses in that neighborhood, which are largely tenanted by colored people. Hearing the altercation he was believed to have made an investigation with view to quieting his tenants. From all reports it was apparent that he was not involved himself, but had attempted to act as a peace-maker.

Mark Howard, jailor, and C. A. Smith, representative of the Stutz company in charge of the new fire engine, who were the first to arrive on the scene, said Nichols was dead when they found him. Lewis was not in sight. Portions of Mrs. Lewis' personal effects strewn about the back yard gave evidence of the quarrel between her and Lewis.

Lewis is said to be an upholsterer, not employed recently, while Mrs. Lewis has been employed at the Hotel Hall annex. The police said that to their knowledge he had not been involved in previous shooting affrays in the colored quarter.

Nichols' body was taken to the Whitlock undertaking establishment while an effort is being made by Coroner Whitlock to locate relatives. Nichols had no family here.

FARMERS OPTIMISTIC

Good Report Returned by Loan Committee After Touring County

A spirit of optimism among farmers visited was reported by Frank T. Nelson, Charles E. Spidell and C. J. McCollum, the present loan committee of Klamath Falls National farm loan association, who have just completed a five-day tour of the county inspecting securities offered for federal farm loans. This is according to Mrs. L. B. Hague, secretary-treasurer of the association.

Mrs. Hague said the committee was particularly pleased with the high class of security offered for the desired loans, which will amount to about \$150,000. The papers in connection with these loans will be sent to the Federal Land bank of Spokane and a government appraiser will be sent to view the ranches.

RETAIL CLERKS TO MEET

A meeting of the retail clerks' local, scheduled for last night, will be held at 8 o'clock tonight in the labor hall, Fifth and Main.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES

Notwithstanding the threatening aspect today, the Cyclo-Stormograph at Underwood's Pharmacy has registered a slightly rising barometric pressure. This is an indication of fair weather and no storm is expected.

Forecast for next 24 hours:—Generally fair, continued cool, with variable winds. The Tycos recording thermometer registered maximum and minimum temperatures, today, as follows:—High 62 Low 46

Not a Soviet Hat



Titcherlin will have to do a heap of explaining when he gets back to his Russian friends. Here he is all dolled up in the high silk hat, symbol of capitalism, which he wore to dinner with the king of Italy.

TOPSY LUMBER CO. ADOPTS EIGHT-HOUR BASIS, MEN RETURN

Sawmill Near Dorris Resumes After Agreement Reached; Wage Scale Adjustment Made

Special to The Herald

DORRIS, May 2.—Shortly after walking out yesterday afternoon, the employees of the Topsy Lumber company sawmill, near here, owned by the Kesterson brothers, returned to work when the company agreed to adopt the eight-hour day with time and one-half for overtime. About 30 men are employed.

The basic wage of \$4 per day for 10 hours has been adjusted to meet the new schedule so that little change will result in the men's earnings. The plant will operate 10 hours per day.

Reports are that the Burkhardt sawmill near Mt. Hebron will resume shortly on an eight-hour basis. The whistle blew at the Associated Box Company plant here yesterday morning but only four salaried men reported for work.

LAMM NOW BENEDICT

Prominent Local Lumberman Married to Miss Alice McCourt

SAN FRANCISCO, May 2.—W. E. Lamm, Klamath Falls lumber operator and Miss Alice McCourt, of Klamath Falls, were married at a leading hotel here, at 10 o'clock this morning. The ceremony was attended by the bride's mother, Mrs. Jennie McCourt, of San Francisco, the bridegroom's mother and sister, Mrs. Edith Lamm of Danville, Illinois, and Mrs. Ethel Fisher of Santa Barbara, and other immediate relatives. Miss Edith Lamm, the bridegroom's sister, was maid of honor and Henry McCourt, the bride's brother, was best man. The bridal couple will spend a couple of weeks on a honeymoon tour by auto before returning to Klamath Falls.

W. E. Lamm is well known here as the chief owner and manager of the Lamm Lumber company at Modoc Point. He started the mill in 1914, having come here from Danville, Illinois about two years previously.

His bride is equally well known here. She has been long in the employ of the Klamath Development company, is a director of the local chamber of commerce and has high social standing in the community.

Miss Ella Elliott, of this city, aunt of the bridegroom, was in attendance at the wedding. On their return it is understood Mr. and Mrs. Lamm will make their home in this city, occupying the Geo. Watt residence.

UNION ELECTS HEADS

Frank Ritchie Succeeds Arlie Worrell as President

At the regular meeting of the Central Labor union held Friday evening, April 28, the following change of officers was made, on account of the resignations of the president, Arlie Worrell and the secretary W. S. Conking:

President, Frank Ritchie, Barber's union; Vice president, J. T. Loper, Timberworkers' union; Secretary, James Grayson, Culinary alliance; Sergeant at arms, James Stevens, culinary alliance. No other changes were made.

TRUSTIES QUIT CITY JAIL FOR PARTS UNKNOWN

Tom Capener and Rex Evans, County Prisoners, Make Their Escape

Tom Capener, 19, and Rex Evans, 30, county prisoners serving time in the city jail where for some time they had been trustees, about four o'clock yesterday afternoon remembered they had business elsewhere and proceeded at once to depart for parts unknown. Chief of Police Wilson sighed as he reached for the broom this morning, remarking, "Those boys certainly kept this place clean, but I guess it's up to me now."

Capener, convicted on a moonshine charge, had 125 days of a six-months sentence yet to serve. He was arrested in connection with a raid some months ago on a house at Worder avenue and Upham. Bert C. "Blackie" McDonald was also tried in connection with the case but was freed by a jury. Recently he left this city. Before being sentenced here Capener had served a short term in the federal prison at Portland through conviction on a liquor charge resulting from a raid on a building adjoining the Baldwin hotel.

Evans was convicted recently on a statutory charge and sentenced to four months. He had 37 days yet to serve.

Both men had been entrusted with janitor work around the police station. Their absence was noted by Jailor Mark Howard shortly after four o'clock when supper for the prisoners was brought from a restaurant.

That the escape had been planned was indicated, it developed, when it was recalled that Capener had remarked that the coveralls worn by Fire Chief Ambrose while working on his car would be "fine to travel in". Ambrose firmly believes he would be minus the coveralls had he not worn them later than usual yesterday.

No trace of the men had been found at a late hour today.

SEEK DEBT ADJUSTMENT

PARIS, May 2.—The American debt funding commission informed the French government that it would be glad to receive the government's observations on what it has to offer concerning the payment of interest on the French debt to the United States and amortization of the principal.

WOMAN SUSPECTED OF MURDERS FOR LIFE INSURANCE

Three Husbands Die Under Mysterious Circumstances; Recently Acquired a Sixth

CLEVELAND, May 2.—The coroner is expected today to exhumate the body of a man to examine for trace of poison which, if found, is expected to result in the prosecution of a woman for a series of murders or \$11,000 life insurance.

The woman is now being held on a charge not connected with the murders. The woman recently acquired a sixth husband. Three died in mysterious circumstances, also two children by the first marriage from what was declared accidental poisoning.

COMMENCEMENT IS ON

Program Given by High School Students, This Afternoon

Commencement is in full swing at the high school this week, and the seniors are enjoying to the fullest extent their last school days by a fitting celebration of the time.

The Presbyterian church was crowded Sunday night by pupils of the high school and by relatives and friends of the graduates who had come from far and wide to hear the sermon delivered by the Rev. Mr. Simmonds to the senior class. A musical program was furnished by the Presbyterian choir.

The entire day yesterday was given over to the junior-senior picnic. The juniors rented two tugs and a barge to convey the classes and their class advisors to Wocum bay, where a good time and good eats were indulged in until evening. No casualties were reported and everyone was back to town on time.

Class day exercises were held at the high school auditorium this afternoon. The program was thoroughly enjoyed by the pupils and the many friends who came to hear it. The program was:

- Vocal solo Dorothy Elliott
- Accompanied by Harry Borel on the violin and Margaret Worden on the piano.
- Salutatory Dorothy Delzell
- Class Poem Harold Wortley
- Class History Vera Thompson
- Class Prophecy Martin Adams
- Class Will Jo Upp
- Class Song
- Valedictory Frances Humphrey
- Vocal Solo Delos Mills

ANOTHER STRIKE CASUALTY

PORTLAND, Ore., May 2.—Ernest Crump, who has been working on terminal number two for several days was attacked this morning by six or eight men and beaten about the head. He was taken to the emergency hospital. His assailants escaped.

COPCO TARIFF IS SUSPENDED BY COMMISSION

New Schedule Will Be Investigated by State Board Before Taking Effect

SALEM, May 2.—The public service commission today in an order written by Chairman Williams, suspended the new tariff involving an increase of water rates in Klamath Falls, which was recently filed by the California Oregon Power company, effective May 1.

The suspension is effective until July 1, unless otherwise ordered by the commission in the meantime. The proposed new tariff is now under investigation by the commission.

Application for the new tariff was filed by the California Oregon Power company previous to the fire insurance rate hearing here, and would result in a 50 per cent rate increase. The power company, in turn, agreed to provide better fire protection through additional construction of additional water mains at a cost not to exceed \$60,000.

Failure of the company to pay dividends was given as a reason for the rate increase.

INSPECT ROAD WORK

State Highway Engineer Nunn Here With K. E. Hodgman

Until a redistribution of funds is made by the state highway commission at a meeting to be held in Portland on May 9 and 10, no action will be taken on the proposed road work in this county between Lamm's mill and Fort Klamath, and on the Green Springs mountain road, according to Herbert Nunn, state highway engineer, here in company with K. E. Hodgman, division engineer.

Hodgman is here primarily to inspect the proposed routes of the Lakeview-Klamath road, construction on the Lakeview end of which will start the completion of the survey now being made. Several alternate routes in Klamath county have been considered. Hodgman will also inspect the section of the Merrill road which will be improved.

Nunn said it was expected that work would start soon on the section of The Dalles-California highway between Fort Klamath and the Deschutes county line, as well as on the Anna creek road.

The Youngest



Pauline M. Floyd is the youngest lawyer ever admitted to practice before the U. S. Supreme Court. She is 24, has been practicing three years in Washington and has never lost a case.

ULTIMATUM TO BE HANDED RUSSIANS AT GENOA MEETING

Failure of Soviet Delegates to Accept Will Mean Breaking of All Negotiations

GENOA, May 2.—British representatives announced today that a memorandum to be handed the Russians "embodies the maximum which the powers are willing to give to Russian government and the minimum which the powers will accept from Russia."

If the Soviet delegates do not accept it is certain that all negotiations with Russia will be suspended for some time, probably until another government arises in Russia.

A Genoa correspondent for London Evening News today reported an official denial that an agreement had been made between the Shell Oil group and the Russian government for an oil monopoly.

1922 FIRE LOSSES LOW

Record of \$272 Remains Unbroken During Month of April

Klamath Falls' low fire loss record continued unbroken during April, with four alarms and no losses, and a total loss of only \$275 for the four months of 1922. Fire Chief Ambrose says this is a record for this city, and points out that it is for the people to say whether it shall remain at that figure. The only loss occurred in a basement fire at the Klamath General hospital.

CHINA BATTLE RAGES

Wu Pei Fu Retires After Failing to Turn Enemy's Flank

PEKING, May 2.—Wu Pei Fu's drive for Peking was vigorously resumed in the vicinity of Changtintien, 12 miles south of the capital, yesterday afternoon, the attackers trying to turn both of the enemy's flanks, but eventually retiring to Luliho, 15 miles southwest of the capital, last night. There was also brisk fighting on the Hun river at Kian, 40 miles south of the capital, Chang Tso Lins' forces being driven from the town.

ASK WAR FRAUD FUND

Money Would Be Used to Prosecute Criminal and Civil Cases

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 2.—A request for a special appropriation of \$500,000 to be used for prosecuting war fraud cases was sent to the house today by the president. The fund would be used for investigating or prosecuting all cases, civil or criminal, growing out of the war.

COUNCIL MEETS WED.

Special Session Is Called to Consider Paving Matters

A special meeting of the city council will be held Wednesday to consider paving matters demanding attention. It was decided at the regular meeting last night, when only routine business was transacted.

LEGION MEETS TONIGHT

Both the American Legion and the Legion auxiliary will hold regular meetings in their quarters tonight.

150 KLANSMEN SURRENDER TO DIST. ATTORNEY

Investigation Continues as Result of Killing in Los Angeles Suburb

LOS ANGELES, May 2.—One hundred and fifty members of the band of men who raided a residence at Inglewood, a suburb, a week ago, thus precipitating a grand jury investigation of the activities of the Ku Klux Klan in Los Angeles county, will surrender in a body to the district attorney next Wednesday. It was declared to newspapermen here by W. S. Coburn, grand goblin of the Klan for its "Pacific domain."

Plans for this move, according to Coburn, were laid Friday night at a meeting in Inglewood. Fifty-six residents of that city, attended, 30 being business men and not more than 15 of the total members of the Ku Klux Klan, Coburn said. They endorsed N. A. Baker, "kleeagle" or organizer for the Klan in this section, and alleged leader of the raiders, and L. L. Bryson, constable at Huntington Park, another suburb, who also has been mentioned as having figured in the raid.

They further pledged themselves, Coburn said, to round up the entire band, estimated at 150, and that all of them would march in a body to the office of Thomas Lee Woolwine, district attorney in Los Angeles, and surrender.

"They expect to be prosecuted," said Coburn, "but they do not believe they have done any wrong."

"There was no mob," declared Bryson, in a statement issued. "A picked body of citizens was called upon by sworn officers of the law to aid them in securing evidence against the operators of a most heinous outlaw bootleg factory and blind tiger."

W. C. Doran, chief deputy district attorney, said he had no comment to make upon the declaration of Coburn as to the prospective surrender.

The investigation of Ku Klux Klan activities, precipitated by a raid of masked men upon a winery at Inglewood, near here, a week ago, will be resumed by District Attorney Woolwine and his staff. The investigators, they said, will continue to center their labors upon a mass of documents seized Wednesday afternoon at the headquarters of the Pacific domain of the Ku Klux Klan organization in this city. Examination of these papers may not be completed for several days, it was stated. A grand jury ordered impaneled by the Los Angeles county superior court will be selected next Thursday, and the district attorney said he would be prepared to submit the documentary evidence and call witnesses as soon as the jury was ready to receive them.

W. S. Coburn, "grand goblin" of the Klu Klux Klan for the Pacific domain, gave out what he stated was a copy of a statement made to the district attorney by N. A. Baker, "kleeagle" or organizer for the Klan in this section. Baker, according

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Speaker Has Real "Kick"

2 Listeners Take Count

J. A. Churchill, state superintendent of public instruction, who is here this week, while not a large man physically, apparently is possessed of some unseen power which makes itself felt during public meetings.

At a meeting in Malin last night one man in the audience persisted in hurling questions at Churchill. At Churchill's third reply, returned with some force, the questioner's chair collapsed, leaving him in an undignified position with his feet pointing upward.

"That really was nothing at all," Churchill modestly replied when questioned. "At a meeting in Columbia county four years ago, after I had finished speaking, a man in the audience dropped dead."

IT'S PA'S TURN NOW

