

LITIGATION ON COURTHOUSE IS COSTLY AFFAIR

**\$3,834.25 Paid Out During
Present Year; Attorney
Is Given \$2,000**

Courthouse litigation, directly and indirectly, during the present year has cost Klamath county the sum of \$3,834.25, according to the records of the county clerk.

On order of the county court warrants were paid as follows: June 25, to E. L. Elliott, "services rendered Klamath county in various cases in which the above party appeared as attorney for the county, same to apply on charges for attorney fees" \$2,000

July 19, to Isham N. Smith & Smith, Portland attorneys, for "professional advice in the case of Frank Ward vs. Klamath county" \$1,000

March 16, Logan & Smith, legal services" \$ 500

July 19, to A. E. Heide of Los Angeles, "professional services concerning condition and probable cost of completion and repairs on what is known as the Dougan building on block 35," \$234.25

Feb 13, to J. H. Carnahan, "to legal services rendered in investigating and rendering opinion on tax levy of Klamath county" \$ 100

In addition to the above, Heide was paid \$75.29 for attendance at the time of the trial of Dougan vs. Klamath county as expert witness, bringing the total paid out since the present trial up to \$3,834.25.

VETERANS FOR PEACE

Movement Started By Allied Ex-Servicemen Organizations

MISSOULA, Mont., July 21.—Allied veterans, a million of them members of the American Legion, through their organizations, have started an international movement for peace. Hauford MacNider, national commander of the American Legion told the National Editorial association at its 37th annual meeting here today. "We believe," said MacNider "it is going to become a dominant international force."

"Our war was a war to end all wars. We are not pacifists. We believe in adequate defense for our country. But our eyes were opened through hard experience. We know what war means and to the best of our ability through all the coming years we intend to see that such things do not happen again. To this end there has been formed a great inter-allied veterans' association, La Federation des Anciens Combattants, made up of all the great veterans organizations in allied countries. It includes in its membership the British Legion which followed our own plan of development and is headed by Marshal Haig, the consolidation of all the French organizations and others from Canada, South Africa, Italy, and Jugoslavia—in fact every allied country.

"You will hear of the progress of its first real congress in New Orleans next fall, where it meets at the invitation of the legion. Through this federation the American Legion feels that more can be accomplished than through any international conference or agreements toward the prevention of future wars.

"First of all, however, the American Legion stands for America and for the defenders of America."

WEATHER PROBABILITIES

The Cyclo-Stormograph at Underwood's Pharmacy has registered slight changes in barometric conditions since the report of yesterday. Pressure continues in the settled fair weather zone, with indications of a continuance of present weather conditions.

Forecast for next 24 hours: Fair and warm. The Tycoos recording thermometer registered maximum and minimum temperatures, today, as follows:

High 87
Low 63

Accused



Although William Cressy, of Ft. Thomas, Ky., says Miss Edith Lavoy, school teacher, committed suicide at Freeport, Long Island, police charge him with her murder.

POWER COMPANY'S \$275,000 DAMAGE SUIT AIRED HERE

Arguments on Demurrer to Amended Complaint Heard; Matter Is Taken Under Advisement

Argument to the court on the demurrer to the amended complaints in the cases of London & Scottish Assurance corporation, limited, and I. E. Kesterson Lumber company, against the California Oregon Power company involving damages sought to be recovered against the power company aggregating \$275,000, lasted for two hours this morning.

The plaintiff's were represented in court by Miller of the firm of Miller, Thornton & Miller, of San Francisco, and W. H. A. Renner, of the firm of Renner, Manning & Ganong. The defendant was represented by Hammond Phleger of San Francisco, A. E. Reames of Medford, and R. C. Groesbeck.

At the close of oral argument Judge Leavitt said that he would take the matter under advisement, and pass on it at a later time.

LIVING COST IS UP

Wholesale Price Increase for June Measures 1 1/2 Per Cent

WASHINGTON, July 21.—Further increase in the general level of wholesale prices for June as compared with May is shown by information gathered by the department of labor through the bureau of labor statistics in representative markets of the country. This increase, it was said, measures 1 1/2 per cent which compares with an increase of 3 1/2 from April to May. The largest price gains were reported for fuel and building materials in each of which groups the June level was over four per cent higher than that of May. Food articles averaged nearly 1 1/2 per cent higher and clothes and clothing over 2 1/2 per cent higher.

Of 404 commodities for which comparable data for May and June were obtained, increases were said to have been found to have occurred for 143 commodities and decreases for 106 commodities. In the case of 156 commodities, no change in average prices was reported.

OLD DISPUTE ENDED

South American Governments Sign Peace Agreement

WASHINGTON, July 21.—Agreement of Chile and Peru to arbitrate the Tacna-Arica controversy was signed by plenipotentiaries of two governments here today at the final session of the Chilean-Peruvian conference.

The agreement to settle the ancient dispute by arbitration was hailed by Secretary Hughes in a speech at the closing session of the conference as a sweeping victory for the "conference plan of international negotiation." He declared the settlement as the greatest accomplishment of the generation in the direction of peace in the western hemisphere.

FIRE FIGHTERS ESCAPE

PORTLAND, July 21.—Fifteen fire fighters at Herman creek today escaped injury and possible death by holding themselves over a burning log jam at a moment when the wind carried the flames from one end of the jam after they were surrounded by flames and were forced to spend an hour in the creek.

R'Y CONFAB AT WASHINGTON TO BE NEXT MOVE

Chairman Hooper of Labor Board To Be Summoned; Seniority Refused

WASHINGTON, July 21.—President Harding was said by administration advisers who conferred with him today to contemplate as the next move in the railroad strike the summoning to Washington of Chairman Hooper of the railroad labor board for a full discussion of the questions at issue. Railway executives who conferred last night with members of the senate interstate commerce committee refused to restore the strikers' seniority rights, which is held the big point at issue.

Samuel Gompers in a statement today invited the government to urge striking coal miners and striking railroad workers and their respective employers to inaugurate direct negotiations as the first step toward turning the country's scant coal supply to the most essential consuming interests.

The interstate commerce commission and the commerce department today drew up a scheme for diverting coal to railroads now verging on a shortage.

PICNIC BIG SUCCESS

65 Phone Company Employees Gather At Annual Outing

The employees of The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company held their second annual picnic at Anderson's camp on Spring creek Sunday, July 16, with about 65 employees and friends attending.

Several employees from Ashland, Grants Pass, Eugene and Portland were present and practically 90 per cent of the employees from Klamath Falls, only those remaining on duty that absolutely had to.

Various athletic contests were held and winners received handsome prizes donated by the merchants of the city.

Many of the parties amused themselves on the river, while others preferred the shady spots along the shore.

There was ice cream, watermelons, pop, sandwiches, and everything that goes to make a successful picnic from the standpoint of food, and

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SHOALS OFFER OF FORD TURNED DOWN IN SENATE REPORT

Strong Language Used in Rejecting Proposal; Counter Plan Is Advocated

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 21.—In a comprehensive report submitted to the senate today by Chairman Norris of the senate agricultural committee, Henry Ford's offer for the purchase and lease of the government's war-initiated projects at Muscle Shoals, Ala., is condemned in unusually strong language, while the Nebraska senator's bill, proposing development of the properties under a government owned and controlled corporation is described as "the most wonderful plan" that has ever been proposed in the history of the country.

On the question of the Ford bid, the report says eight senators concur with the chairman. With reference to the government ownership proposal, the report gives the name of five senators who favor its passage by the senate for the solution of the Muscle Shoals problem.

COAL BOARD PLANNED

Distribution To Be Through Special Commission of Government

WASHINGTON, July 21.—Distribution of coal during the strike emergency through special a special commission was understood today to be the administration plan to make certain the fuel necessary to continued railroad operation. The matter was discussed at today's cabinet meeting and later it was understood that Secretary Hoover, acting for the president, had undertaken the formation of a commission.

HARRISBURG, Penn., July 21.—Pennsylvania cavalrymen and machine gunners are moving into the coal fields in the southwestern part of the state to prevent disorders when the coal mines reopen the whole power of the state government being massed behind them.

LIMERICK CAPTURED

Over 20 Killed and 40 Wounded; Situation Reported Very Grave

LONDON, July 21.—Limerick has been captured by the Irish national army says a Dublin dispatch. The nationals took many prisoners together with arms and ammunition.

DUBLIN July 21.—Message from Nenagh, passed by the military censor, reported the Limerick situation very grave. Over 20 were killed, and 40 wounded in the fighting there.

OLCOTT FORCES FIRST WINNERS VOTE RECOUNT

Change of Affiliation Motion Is Sustained in Circuit Court

SALEM, July 21.—Circuit Judges Bingham and Kelly this afternoon sustained the Olcott attorneys' motion holding, in effect, that a voter affiliated with one party before the election may change party affiliation election day.

SALEM, Ore., July 21.—First blood was drawn by the Olcott forces in the hearing today of the Hall contest election suit here when the attorneys for Hall attacked the motion filed by Olcott to strike out of the petition filed by Charles Hall those portions attacking the right of a voter to change his registration at the polls and the right of a voter registered in one precinct to cast his vote in another precinct for a candidate for a state office on the grounds that the only legal action to be taken at this time was the filing of an answer.

Judges Kelly and Bingham held that the motion to strike out what was in order if there was any irrelevant material in the petition for a recount.

W. S. U'Ren, attorney for Hall, made the statement that his side was prepared to bring into court 1,000 persons who were affiliated with other parties who had on the day of the primaries obtained republican ballots by one method or another and voted for Olcott which he held to be illegal.

Discussions of whether or not a voter has the right to change his registration or not was taken up by Jay Bowerman, attorney for Olcott and took up nearly the entire morning session.

In Love Tragedy



Miss Edith Lavoy, school teacher who died from a bullet wound at Freeport, Long Island. William Cressy, of Ft. Thomas, Ky., says she committed suicide, but police hold him on a murder charge.

BAND CONCERT TO BE HELD TONIGHT ON ELKS' STEPS

Music Will Start At 8:30; Excellent Program Arranged; Food Sale To Aid Fund

All's set for the second of the band concerts under direction of William A. Snow.

The concert will be held on the steps of the Elks' temple and will start promptly at 8:30 this evening instead of at 8 o'clock as was previously announced.

An excellent program has been arranged and music lovers are promised an entertainment even better than that of last week. The band has been practicing faithfully during the week and are prepared to render real music.

The band fund will be given an additional boost Saturday when the ladies of St. Pauls Episcopal guild will hold a food sale in the quarters formerly occupied by the First State bank. One-half of the receipts will go to the band and one half to the playground.

MARKET REPORT

PORTLAND, July 21.—Cattle slow. Hogs and sheep steady. Eggs firm. Butter unsettled. Extra cubes 38c to 39c.

KNOCKER WAR DRAWS

Attention of Press Attracted To Klamath; C. of C. Gets Letter

Proof that original ideas are as powerful as scandal in attracting the press of the country is evidenced by a newspaper clipping from the morning Mercury Herald of San Jose, California, giving an account of the plans of the local chamber of commerce for declaring open season on knockers for a month starting tomorrow. It is a first page story with the heading "Knockers will have hard time in Klamath Falls" and says in part: "Community 'knockers' will have a hard time here for the next 30 days.

The story attracted the attention of the real estate firm of Gabral & Gomez, who sent the chamber of commerce the clipping together with the following letter.

"I take great pleasure of enclosing a front page clipping of the San Jose Mercury Herald, of this date, relative to the pest that infests most all communities, and feeds upon the hard work and money of others. We have had the pleasure of taking up to your wonderful country, many clients whom would have purchased property there, but they became so infested with the above insects, that they were only too glad to get back to the Santa Clara valley, singing in our ears and admitting all the way back the wonders and grand soil conditions that existed in and around Klamath Falls.

As we felt that your community owes us money for time wasted, we consider the debt cancelled upon reading the enclosed clipping in the morning paper, and also that our way is clear in bringing up other clients who might wish to settle there.

This letter is written in a spirit of good will.
(Signed) F. J. Gomez.

ALLEN RYAN BANKRUPT

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UNEMPLOYMENT IN U. S. SOLVED BY PROSPERITY

Need for Men Grows Acute; Return to Solid Pre-War Conditions Forecast

WASHINGTON, July 21.—According to figures of the department of labor the United States may shortly face a labor shortage, its unemployment problem completely solved. Director General Jones of the employment service, declares the "country is steadily but surely forging its way toward a period of industrial prosperity in which it is possible that the labor supply will not equal the demand." Optimism, he believes, pervades every industry in every part of the country.

Sound Note of Caution

Economists of the nation's capital sound a note of caution to those to whom any optimistic statement is taken at its face value rather than for its real meaning. They point out that a labor shortage does not necessarily mean that every man in the country has a job, but that there are jobs enough if every man without a job could get to it. No country, at any time in history, has ever succeeded in effecting such perfect distribution of labor that all jobs were always filled without their being any jobs or men left over. Thus at the present time there are states with too many farm hands and states with a crying need for farm hands. There are industries with a fearful demand for skilled laborers which can not be found and trades with skilled laborers who can not find work.

Nation-Wide Conditions

It is fundamental and country-wide conditions which the department of labor considers, and in summarizing the decrease in unemployment and the coming labor shortage in certain lines, it shows only a national aspect of grave questions. Local conditions may contradict national ones in certain places without prejudice to the accuracy of the statistics as a whole.

With practically every industry in the country taking on more men, and with Wall street and the banking interests registering optimism, it is not difficult to read into predictions of labor shortage a comforting assurance of a coming solid and pre-war normal prosperity. Such, at least, is the mature judgment of impartial government experts.

GET THIS, BUDDIES!

Here May Be a Chance to Break Into the Movie Game

Here may be an opportunity for ex-service men to break into the films, to say nothing of the chance to meet at close range some of the famous film beauties.

The Thomas H. Ince productions today wired the chamber of commerce here that it proposed to stage a dam scene here and asked how many ex-service men would be available. The message stated that a dam would be built and blown up but did not mention in what capacity the soldiers would act.

Secretary Stevenson wired that at least 200 ex-service men could be found, although his private opinion was that should the film company come here every man, woman and child in the county would claim world war service.

NO FURTHER NEED OF BOILING WATER

The source of contamination which made it advisable to boil drinking water is now removed and recent tests show that the water is entirely safe. In order to clear the mains and reservoirs of any contamination which might have been left in them, the water will be chlorinated for a short time. This process is absolutely harmless and is used continuously by many of the larger cities.

H. D. L. STEWART,
City Health Officer.

WHAT'S THE HURRY? WE'VE TWO YEARS YET!



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