

## 300 GATHER AT MERRILL, GREET LOCAL CARAVAN

### 20 Cars Carry Visitors to Valley Town From Here; Meeting Successful

More than 300 people were present at the meeting in Merrill Thursday on the occasion of the visit of the caravan composed of the business men of Klamath Falls. The meeting was enlivened by the presence of the local band which played several numbers after which the Woman's club of Merrill served hot coffee and sandwiches.

More than twenty car loads of Klamath folks made the journey and ranchers from all over the Tule lake section motored in to listen to the music and mingle with the crowd. The caravan assembled at the chamber of commerce at seven o'clock and formed a parade before making the start and many cars too late to join the parade followed later.

Perhaps never was such a gathering of Klamath Falls and valley people seen in Merrill. The hospitality of the hosts was the subject of much favorable comment on the part of the visitors. The luncheon served was both excellent and bountiful, and if a shortage appeared imminent it was, to use the expression of Bob Anderson, old-time resident of Merrill, "for the first time in the history of the town."

Both local and Merrill people pronounced the trip most successful and it is likely that a number of others will be made to the towns throughout the county.

Charles I. Roberts, chairman of the merchants bureau, handled the caravan.

## IMPROVE LAKE RESORT

### Residence and Club Sites Laid Out By Forest Service Engineer

ROSEBURG, Ore., Sept. 8.—Prof. W. Cleator, recreational engineer of the forest service, has been spending several days at Diamond Lake, making a survey and laying out residence and club sites. Cleator who is from the district office, has been doing a great deal of work in the vicinity of the lake and has succeeded in laying out thirty-five ideal residence sites and six club sites. These locations are all on the west side which is by far the prettiest side of the lake.

Water has been found upon a higher level and is so situated that it can be piped down to furnish running water for the homes.

The club sites are being reserved for organizations, such as the Boy Scouts, Y. M. C. A., organizations of hikers and mountain climbers and others.

Club sites may also be taken by groups of families who join together for the purpose of erecting a building where they may spend their vacation. There is ample room for additional sites to be laid out later and these will be thrown open as needed.

Forest Supervisor Carl B. Neal states that there are already 15 or 20 applications on hand for residence sites, but that these will not be considered until the engineer completes his maps, plans and reports and receives official acceptance of his work. Applications have been submitted from Roseburg, Klamath Falls and Medford.

## GRIFFITH NOT DEAD

DUBLIN, Sept. 8.—Revival of the reports that Arthur Griffith was poisoned was characterized in responsible quarters as pure invention.

## WEATHER PROBABILITIES

The Cyclo-Stormograph at Underwood's Pharmacy registered a barometric pressure of 30.50 this forenoon, being the highest point touched in several weeks. The indications are that a settled period is at hand.

Forecast for next 24 hours: Continued fair; probably warmer.

The Tycoos recording thermometer registered maximum and minimum temperatures today as follows:

High ..... 68  
Low ..... 40

## If They Fall



Makes you dizzy just to look at the photograph of these fellows perched on Overhanging Rock in Yosemite National Park. Look how far they'd drop before they'd land if they were to slip.

## ILLNESS OF MRS. HARDING IS CAUSE OF DEEP CONCERN

### Serious Complications Develop in Condition of President's Wife Marion Physician Called

WASHINGTON, Sept. 8.—Serious complications have developed in the condition of Mrs. Harding, causing much concern. Dr. Carl W. Sawyer, of Marion, Ohio, who was previously associated with his father, Brigadier General Sawyer, is attending Mrs. Harding during a previous illness of a similar nature, has arrived for consultation.

A similar condition developed during the president's term as senator, but Mrs. Harding responded quickly to treatment.

Dr. Sawyer stated that the complications were "slightly abated today with the patient resting more easily."

## WANTS WHEAT REPORT

### Capt. Applegate Anxious to Learn Progress Made With Prize Grain

Prize winners in the wheat guessing contest conducted last year by Capt. O. C. Applegate are asked by Capt. Applegate to report the results gained with the wheat awarded them.

Capt. Applegate planted one-half pound of Burbank's Quality wheat in his experimental garden in the west side park last year. When the grain was about ready for harvesting he announced that those who guessed the amount of wheat the tract would produce would be awarded portions of the wheat as prizes. The tract produced 36 pounds, 10 ounces, or at the rate of about 77 bushels per acre.

He is anxious to learn what success the winners have had with the wheat.

## LUCAS STORE TO OCCUPY FORMER BANK BUILDING

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Lucas left this morning for San Francisco on a combined business and pleasure trip. While away Lucas will add considerably to his present stock and on his return will move his business from the present location next to the postoffice to the building formerly occupied by the First State and Savings bank at Fifth and Main streets. No arrangements have been made yet for the transfer of the lease on his present quarters, said Lucas, but he expects to find someone to take it on his return.

## REDISCOUNTING BY BANKS HELD GOOD BUSINESS

### Public Declared to Have Erroneous Impression Of Transaction

Instead of indicating financial acumen and a helpful public policy, the rediscounting of negotiable paper by banks with the federal reserve bank or with other banks, is viewed askance by the general public, unfamiliar with banking, as an indication of financial weakness, declared bankers and business men at the Rotary club meeting today. It is an erroneous impression, speakers agreed, but a strong factor in keeping capital out of Klamath county, for banks, like other semi-public institutions are sensitive to public sentiment and criticism.

"Should the Rotary club undertake, with or without assistance of the local banks, to educate the public to a correct understanding of the question of rediscounting?"

Crystallized opinion declared that the erroneous impression should be erased. A committee previously appointed suggested as a remedy, personal explanation by members and bankers, newspaper publicity, aid from the federal reserve bank thru a speaker to address the public with arguments calculated to show the matter rightly and overthrow existing prejudices, and the recommendation will be carried out fully or in part.

Special efforts should be made, the committee recommended, to locate the persons who are talking of the dangers of rediscounting, and try to convince them of their error.

Banks can do much to change public sentiment, the committee held, by explaining frankly that refusal to finance enterprises that seek their aid, has its root in their policy, attuned to general sentiment against rediscounting, of keeping rediscounts at as low a mark as possible.

Stockmen, lumbermen and farmers would benefit most from the influx available capital that would follow the banks' use of their rediscounting powers, it was declared.

The demand for money is seasonal and sectional. The federal reserve system was organized because of realization of these financial truths. The capital of the system, through rediscounting, is constantly shifting. It meets the seasonal demand of the fruit industry

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## AGED MINER DIGS OWN GRAVE, BUILDS COFFIN, SUICIDES

### First Attempt With Drug Failing, Old Man Opens Artery With His Pocket Knife

YREKA, Cal., Sept. 8.—Despondent over the approaching infirmities of old age, tired of living alone, disappointed by failure to find the golden fortune he had spent his life in seeking, George Baines, aged prospector, first digging a grave with the old pick and shovel with which he had pursued his treasure quest and building a coffin which he lined with flour sacking, ended his life in the lonely shack in which he had lived for years in the Sawyers Bar district.

Falling first in an attempt at suicide with laudanum, the old man opened an artery in his arm with his pocket knife. Lying on his cot with his arm extended, so that the blood would run into a bucket and not stain the floor, he was found by another miner. He was still living. Assistance was called and no blood flow checked. Medical aid was summoned but loss of blood had weakened Baines beyond possibility of recovery. In spite of the best efforts to two physicians he died within a few hours after his neighbor found him.

## MANY AUTOISTS FINED

### Exceeding Speed Limit Past Central School Proves Undoing

Patrolmen McLoughlin and Brandenberg reclining comfortably in the curb in front of the Central school Wednesday afternoon earned \$110 for the city. That sum was paid in the police court yesterday by the following autoists who were charged by the officers with driving past the school at a speed exceeding 12 miles per hour:

Lee Parker, R. Hamblet, Ed Vannee, J. Knovilton, John D. Williams, F. D. Bryant, Roy Call, Mrs. M. Burns, John Doe Blake, E. R. White, \$10 each; C. A. Dunn and L. T. Kiltner, \$5 each.

Leo Moore was fined \$5 on an old charge of parking within 30 feet of a corner.

Ed Dunham and Walter G. West also fell into the net. The officers said, but they had not appeared in court.

## RED CROSS HEAD HONORED

BRUSSELS, Sept. 8.—John Barton Payne, chairman of the American Red Cross, was decorated yesterday by King Albert with the order of Leopold for aid rendered by the Red Cross during after the war.

## GALLOWS ENDS CAREER OF GEO. HOWARD, SLAYER

### Man Convicted of Murder Of Yale Tailor Is Hanged At Salem Penitentiary

SALEM, Sept. 8.—George Howard of Vale, Ore., was hanged in the state penitentiary at 5:31 today for killing George Sweeney, a tailor of Vale, September 14th, 1922. Howard was pronounced dead in 10 minutes, 17 seconds.

Testimony offered at the trial indicated that Howard committed the murder for the purpose of gaining possession of an automobile driven by Sweeney. After killing Sweeney the slayer weighted the body and placed it in the Deschutes river.

Howard appealed his case to the supreme court, but the verdict was affirmed.

## DAM FLOW RAISED

### More Water For Fish Found Necessary In Klamath River

COPCO, Cal., Sept. 8.—Representatives of the state fish and game commission recently met representatives of the California Oregon Power company here with a view of determining the amount of water necessary to sustain fish life in the Klamath river during the installation of the second unit of the power plant and the proposed raising of the dam about 20 feet.

The power company shut down the flow of water to 200 second feet to discharge below the dam. This amount of water together with the water from Fall creek, Jenny creek and Bogus creek, which add about 100 second feet, it was determined by the commission, will be more than sufficient to sustain fish life and at the same time permit the work of construction by the power company to go on uninterrupted.

Both parties followed the water down from the dam to the Klamath egg taking station, and at the minimum flow, the entire bottom of the river was covered to a depth sufficient for fish life during any period of construction, it was announced.

Attorney R. D. Duke, Captain G. H. Lamson, superintendent of the Sisson hatchery, and H. A. Armstrong, representing the state engineering department, represented the fish and game commission while O. G. Steele, D. E. Root and T. G. Bradley represented the power company.

## NOT WHAT SHE WAS EXPECTING



## Burbank's First



Luther Burbank, naturalist, delivers his first radio message through a portable broadcasting station in the auto of Nils M. Berch, at Oakland, Cal.

## RAIL MAN SEES GREAT TONNAGE POSSIBILITIES

### Union Pacific Council Is Deeply Impressed By Trip Over County

Innumerable possibilities of tonnage from the thousands of acres of marsh lands on Upper Klamath Lake, when they are reclaimed and under cultivation, is seen by A. C. Spencer, general counsel for the Union Pacific, who with H. E. Lounsbury, general freight agent, and J. W. Morrow, tax agent, visited Crater Lake yesterday.

The car for the trip was lent by G. A. Bellman. Lon Arens drove the party.

"I never saw such magnificent timber in my life," said Spencer. He also saw great possibilities of long haul passenger traffic, when the wonder of Crater Lake is advertised throughout the east, should a rail line be constructed to reach the lake.

The timber, the undeveloped marsh lands and the fertility of the Wood River valley made the greatest appeal, however. It was Spencer's first sight of the Upper Klamath lake region and he was in a "the half had not been told me" state of mind this morning.

## Transportation Need Seen

The problem of the Klamath country, he declared, is not the need of production, but transportation that will land Klamath products in the ports of San Francisco, Portland and Astoria on a profitably competing basis.

Spencer reiterated a statement made in his address before the chamber of commerce, saying that the building of the Natron cut-off would give Klamath an intermediate rate, some 40 per cent below the present class rate. There is a 77 per cent rate, for instance, from Portland to San Francisco, the rail rate is low to compete with the water rate between the ports. To balance this unprofitable rate, there is a higher rate for intermediate points. Medford pays \$1.42 per hundred pounds to San Francisco, against Portland's 77 per cent rate, based on water competition.

## Klamath Rate Higher

Klamath Falls, on a branch line, but the same distance from San Francisco as Medford, pays \$3.37 a hundred.

If the Natron cutoff were built, Klamath Falls would be on a main line also and would have to be graded an intermediate rate at least as low as Medford.

Spencer argued that the Southern Pacific, with a monopoly on transportation from Klamath, the second largest shipping point in the state, would be cutting a big slice off its revenues by bridging the Natron gap and bringing on the lower rate.

Judging the matter wholly from a business standpoint, he said he did not believe the Southern Pacific was, or should be, anxious to complete the Natron cutoff.

The Union Pacific would not be subject to the same argument, he said. Should the Union Pacific gain control of the Central Pacific and come into this territory, it would be necessary for them to complete the cutoff in order to get business north and south, to compete with the Southern Pacific's valley line and share in the trade of the territory.

## Impressed With Possibilities

Spencer and party returned to Portland today. All were sincerely impressed with the productive possibilities of Klamath.

"You people of Klamath don't know the resources you have here," was the combined verdict of their two days spent in inspecting the county.

## SIDEWALKS REQUIRED

### Formal Notice Served on Owners on East, Nelson and Johnson

Formal notice that construction of sidewalks is required on East and Nelson streets and Johnson avenue has been mailed by the city to the following property owners: Lloyd Porter, Ed Probst, John Randall, H. P. Dow, S. K. Lewis and G. W. Barker. This action followed adoption by the city council of an ordinance requiring the owners of property on these streets to construct sidewalks.

## EARLY SETTLEMENT OF RAIL STRIKE ON SOME LINES IS SEEN

### Conference at Chicago Monday Expected to Be Productive of Satisfactory Agreement

WASHINGTON, Sept. 8.—Administration officials in close touch with the industrial situation declared today that a settlement of the shopmen's strike on a number of railroads was "probable" as a result of the forthcoming conferences at Chicago.

Assurances have been given by Attorney General Daugherty that at the meeting Monday, the striking shopmen's committee will not be interfered with by the government under a federal restraining order.

## CHICAGO, Sept. 8.—E. M. Jewell,

head of the federated shop crafts, William H. Johnston, president of the machinists and Martin F. Ryan, president of the car men arrived in Chicago today from the east were served with notice of the temporary injunction granted by the government.

## COPCO CLERK SOUGHT

### Ben Burgess Wanted in Connection With \$1,000 Shortage

YREKA, Sept. 8.—Charged with having realized approximately \$1,100 from checks which he stole from the California-Oregon Power company and from employees of the company, Ben Burgess is wanted by Siskiyou county authorities.

While employed as a clerk at Copco by the power company it is alleged Burgess was given a number of letters to mail. It is claimed that he took the checks from the letters, forged endorsements to them and cashed them at different towns in the county.

Burgess took a southbound train out of Dunsmuir on August 13th, presumably to attend the funeral of a sister who, according to a telegram he received at Copco, had been killed in an automobile accident at Los Angeles.

His alleged defalcations were not learned until last week, when checks began to appear at the banks for collection.

Burgess is said to be about 37 years old, five feet and ten inches high, weighs 165 pounds, has dark hair, slightly gray at the temples.

## RESCUE HOPE IS GONE

### Jackson Awaits Removal of Bodies Of 47 Entombed Miners

JACKSON, Cal., Sept. 8.—Hope for the entombed 47 Argonaut miners seem to have died completely. The people of Jackson with calm resignation now await the removal of the bodies.