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PRICE FIVE CENTS

WEATHER FORECAST

TONIGHT AND SATURDAY, GENERALLY FAIR, CONTINUED COLD

Sixteenth Year—No. 6504

2 LUMBERMEN HAVE CRASH AT RAIL CROSSING

Jack Slater and Henry C. Davis Narrowly Escape Fatal Injuries

Jack Slater of the Lakeside Lumber company and Henry C. Davis of the Valley Lumber company narrowly escaped death at 6:30 last night when their car was struck by a switch engine at the Southern Pacific railroad crossing on Sixth street. Davis was badly bruised and perhaps internally injured. Slater escaped injury. The car was partially demolished.

Slater and Davis had been on a hunting trip and were returning home. They failed to see the engine, which was moving westward, and claim that no warning of its approach was given. The engine struck the car almost in the center, throwing it in a ditch 15 or 20 feet distant. Davis, on the right side of the car, received the full force of the impact while Slater, who was driving, escaped with a severe shaking up. The body of the car, a 1922 Buick "six," was badly damaged.

Unaware of Accident

The men claim that those on the engine were apparently unaware of the accident, since the engine moved on several hundred yards before coming to a stop. A switchman who had remained to close the switch when the engine came out from the side-track near the crossing was the first member of the crew to learn of the plight.

The engine was moving backward when it hit the car and a cast-iron step was broken off by the impact.

Davis, who is the son of Henry D. Davis, Portland lumberman, was taken to his home here where he remained in bed today. It was said that no bones were broken but it was not certain whether there were internal injuries.

MARKET REPORT

PORTLAND, Dec. 15.—Cattle 25c to 50c higher, choice steers \$7.50 to \$8.00. Hogs and sheep steady. Eggs and butter firm. Three quoted varieties of wheat, \$1.25 to \$1.50. Three varieties unquoted today.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES

The Cyclo-Stormograph at Underwood's Pharmacy has recorded but slight changes in barometric pressure during the last 24 hours. Conditions are apparently better settled than they have been in several weeks. Forecast for next 24 hours: Fair and cold.

The Tycoos recording thermometer registered maximum and minimum temperatures today as follows:
High 20
Low 5

Klan Threat



Hubert K. Clay, Harvard sophomore, said he received threats from the Ku Klux Klan and has now left Cambridge following an illness. Clay, who is from the South, says he is a victim of the Klan, but denies that he left college because of its threats.

Salvation Army Pots Will Start Boiling Saturday for Needy

Beginning tomorrow, and until Christmas, Salvation Army kettles which at this season of the year make their appearance in all cities of America, will be maintaining on the streets of Klamath Falls.

It will be the privilege of all who are able, to "keep the pot boiling" by their contributions. The proceeds will be used not only to fill Christmas baskets for the needy, but to maintain the winter relief fund.

Tasking Bells Attract

Where the Salvation Army kettles are displayed, the passers-by, said an officer of the army today, are attracted by the tinkling of the bells, and the star of light is quickened in their hearts as it was with the wise men of old, when they started forth laden with gifts for the Saviour who was born that day.

"Since then it has been a season of giving, rather than receiving. It is a privilege and a joy to cheer the hearts of the needy and lonely, and the Salvation Army kettles are a reminder to the people of Klamath Falls, so that in their season of joy they do not lightly pass over the woes of the less fortunate, but foster a spirit of giving in which the humblest may feel that they are not forgotten."

JESS MILLETT HELD

Former Local Character Involved In Liquor Raid at S. F.

That J. C. (Jess) Millett, former local character, was arrested in connection with the recent seizure of the immense San Francisco factory where distilled alcohol was being manufactured into a drink and shipped under the guise of syrup, is the information received here by Constable Morley.

Morley is in receipt of a letter from prosecuting Attorney Williams of San Francisco asking for Millett's record. The records show that Millett was convicted here in 1918 on a charge of rape and sentenced to from one to 10 years in the state penitentiary. At the end of two years Millett was set free.

Morley may go to San Francisco to identify the man.

- SCHOOL CLOSERS DEC. 22
- The city public grade schools will close for the holidays on December 22 and will re-open January 8, it was announced by School Superintendent J. P. Wells.

BANK BANDITS GET \$20,000 IN TWO ROBBERIES

Messenger Is Robbed of Payroll; Fourteen Persons Locked in Vault

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 15.—Seven men in an automobile robbed a messenger of the First National Bank in Dorby of \$19,000 today while he was taking the weekly payroll to First L. company, soap manufacturer, etc. Harry Melvin, a messenger, was cut in the cheek by splinter of glass from the windshield which was shattered by a robber's bullet.

CADDO, Okla., Dec. 15.—Five men held up the Caddo State bank today, locked 17 persons into the vault, and snatched a large motor car worth approximately \$19,000 in thirty hours.

GEO. LINDLEY HERE

Medford Banker Will Become Vice President of American National

Geo. H. Lindley of Medford, who will become actively identified with the American National bank here January 1, arrived last night and will remain until Christmas. He will be here permanently after the holidays.

Lindley will become vice president and will have an active part in the management of the bank's affairs. He was connected with the Jackson county bank at Medford for 21 years and is thoroughly familiar with Southern Oregon conditions, hence should be a valuable asset to the local bank, the directors feel.

ASTORIA GIVEN AID

Rotarians and Elks Send Funds to Fire Stricken City

Fifty dollars for immediate relief of suffering resulting from the Astoria disaster was wired the Rotary club at Astoria today by the local Rotary organization. The Klamath club also wired the Oregon delegation at Washington to use all efforts to secure immediate passage of the \$3,000,000 appropriation for permanent rebuilding, at Astoria.

The local Elks lodge at last night's meeting also extended aid to the fire-stricken city, authorizing the donation of \$75 for relief.

COMMUNITY CLUB TO BE ESTABLISHED BY PELICAN LUMBER CO.

Betterment of Social, Physical and Intellectual Conditions Sought; Construction Starts in Spring

An innovation is soon to be started at the Pelican Bay Lumber company in the form of a community club. The installation of such a club is the first to be undertaken by any sawmill industry in the California white pine region. The desire of those participating in this movement is that it shall eventually cover all activities looking to the betterment of social, physical and intellectual conditions. The plans for the building are being perfected and construction will start early in the spring.

The building contemplated will contain a social room for games, reading and general visiting, a refreshment room fully equipped for serving all soft drinks and refreshments, and a billiard and pool room. There will also be a large auditorium gymnasium which will have various activities such as indoor baseball, hand ball, volleyball, basketball, wrestling, general instruction classes, dancing and occasionally moving pictures. In addition there will be locker rooms, bath and a barber shop.

On the second floor there will be a kitchen, ladies' room and class rooms.

For Employees' Use

The club will be for the use of the employees of the Pelican Bay Lumber company and certain hours will be set aside so that the building may be used by the women, and other hours by the children.

The whole project is to be free from sectarianism and all creeds and races respecting American principles will have equal participation. It is expected that contests between employees and teams of employees will be arranged in all activities. Lectures will be arranged from time to time on topics of the day, and student classes will be conducted outside.

KELLER QUILTS PROBE

Impeachment Proceedings Declared "Attempt to Whitewash"

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Representative Keller, who yesterday withdrew from prosecuting the Daugherty impeachment charges after characterizing the house judiciary committee proceedings as "a barefaced attempt to whitewash," the attorney general failed to appear today before the committee in response to a summons served on him late yesterday by the committee, which decided to go ahead with the hearing despite Keller's withdrawal.

FEDERAL BLDG. HERE PROPOSAL OF ROTARIANS

Large Saving in Conducting Federal Trials Would Result, Members Hold

Discussion of the advantages of a federal building for Klamath Falls was started today by Rotarians at the weekly club luncheon. The matter was presented from the standpoint of economy to the federal government in having a place for semi-annual sessions of the district court.

Without exact statistical information it was impossible to determine the cost of rail transportation and expense involved in the trial of Klamath county cases in Portland and Medford, but it is a trifling case, it was said, that costs the government less than \$1,000 when the trial is held in Portland. And the federal attorneys find Portland juries score a larger percentage of convictions, so the weight of influence is toward trial in Portland.

Saving Is Seen

The federal government could easily save ten per cent on any reasonable investment in a federal building here, was held as a fact established.

How other departments of the government, such as the reclamation service, land bureau, forestry service and Indian bureau might benefit from a federal building in Klamath Falls, will be the subject of further investigation.

Advocates Ownership

Postmaster General Work is an open advocate of abandonment of the leasing policy for postoffice quarters, holding that the government should own its own postoffice buildings as a matter of economy.

Eventually the Rotarians hope to combine all these arguments into one sufficiently strong to secure a federal building for Klamath.

NORRIS BILL PASSED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The bill to establish a \$100,000,000 government corporation to finance the sale of agricultural products was ordered, reported favorably by the senate agriculture committee.

Cheerful Prisoner



A broad smile was on the face of Abraham Becker, Bronx (N. Y.) taxicab driver, when the grand jury indicted him for wife murder of the most horrible kind. According to testimony, the woman's body was buried in a lime-pit while she was still alive.

Favorite Christmas Poem Was Written on Dec. 30, 100 Years Ago

How many people know the story of 'Twas the Night Before Christmas and its author, Dr. Clement Moore Clarke? Well, it was just 100 years ago, on the night of December 23, 1822, that Dr. Moore wrote the poem which has thrilled the hearts of so many boys and girls since then.

Dr. Moore was at that time professor of biblical learning in a New York seminary and lived in a suburb called Chelsea. And on the night before Christmas in 1822, he read the poem to his own children, who had gathered around him to hear the story of Santa Claus, as most children do.

By chance on that evening, a Miss Butler was a visitor at the house. The lines made a great impression on her as Dr. Clarke read them and she wrote it down. A year later she sent it to the Troy Sentinel, where it was published for the first time. It

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CLUB RECORDS HIGH

Boys and Girls of Bananza Making Excellent Progress

Bonanza boys and girls have made an excellent record in club work, completing work in three standard clubs last year with a record of 100 per cent and an equal enrollment, according to Frank Sexton, county club leader, who has just visited the Bonanza school. A sewing club of 25 and a cookery club of five members was organized this week by Prof. J. B. Hatch with the following members:

- Ada Flackus, local leader; Birdie Hamaker, president; Gladys Kilgore, vice president; Elsie Rueck, secretary; Gladys Kilgore, Myrtle Bunn, Birdie Hamaker, Kathleen Bell, Lucille Yahr, Moma Dixon, Anna Hamaker, Fern Crapper, Mildred Bunn, Thelma Wood, Lena Poole, Lenola Casey, Ruth Crapper, Sarah Poole, Georgina Poole, Frances Hatch, Lillian Hatch, Elsie Rueck, Ursula Welch, Zell McReynolds, Izola Sparkes, Mozelle Thomas, Alicia Yahr, and Mildred Scott.

The cookery club members are: Mrs. J. B. Hatch, local leader; Willetta Welch, president; Mary Scott, vice president; Ursula Welch, secretary; Willetta Welch, Mary Scott, Ursula Welch, Josephine Jackson, Ada Flackus.

YOUNG COUPLE WEDS

Clyde K. Davis and Miss Ruth Dixon Principals in Wedding

Clyde K. Davis, manager for the Standard Oil company at Chiloquin, and Miss Ruth Elizabeth Dixon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Dixon, were the principals in a wedding at the Dixon ranch on the old Merrill road at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Miss Ruth Dixon, a namesake of the bride, was bridesmaid, and C. F. Foster was best man. A number of friends of the young couple were present. The Rev. A. L. Rice of the Presbyterian church officiated.

NAB THREE DOCTORS

Pasadena Physicians Held Under Narcotic Drug Charges

PASADENA, Cal., Dec. 15.—Three Pasadena physicians, Dr. T. B. Wright, Dr. George Deacon and Dr. J. W. Laird, were arrested today by agents of the federal and state narcotic divisions, charged with supplying patients with prescriptions calling for prohibited drugs. Dr. Laird was released on his own recognizance, Dr. Wright was freed under \$200 bail, while Dr. Deacon pleaded guilty and paid a fine of \$100.

SWEEPING CUT IN RATES, LESS THAN CARLOAD

Reduction Ordered by I. C. C. Affects Shipments From Portland, S. F.

Sweeping reduction on freight rates in less than carload lots is contained in the order of the interstate commerce commission, effective February 24, applicable to San Francisco, Portland and intermediate points including the Klamath Falls branch.

The order is the result of a hearing instituted by chambers of commerce and traffic organizations of Portland, San Francisco, Medford, Sacramento and Klamath Falls. The hearings were held in the spring of 1921, one in Klamath Falls and one in San Francisco.

Supplied Testimony

The local chamber of commerce carried through the investigation and supplied testimony in behalf of local shippers, being represented by Teal, Minor and Wintree, Portland rate attorneys.

The local branch rates shall in no case be higher than 10 per cent above main line charges, the commission's order specifies.

The construction charges on the local branch are specifically abolished.

J. J. Miller, local agent, in commenting on the order, said that in reality the construction charge had long since been voluntarily abandoned by the railway company, and the commission's order is formal only in this respect.

Carload Rates Favorable

Miller said also that the rates on the local branch for carloads compare favorably with rates for equal distances anywhere, and little benefit will accrue to the large shippers under the new order.

The table below gives a comparison in class rates now existing, and as they will be when the new rates are effective February 24:

Portland to Klamath Falls
New Rates—First, 1.97 1/2; Second, 1.67 1/2; Third, 1.37 1/2; Fourth, 1.18 1/2; Fifth, 98 1/2; A, 99; B, 79; C, 59 1/2; D, 49 1/2; E, 39 1/2.
Old Rates—First, 2.47 1/2; Second, 1.67 1/2; Third, 2.04 1/2; Fourth, 1.79; Fifth, 1.56 1/2; A, 1.56 1/2; B, 1.24; C, 99; D, 87; E, 75 1/2.

San Francisco to Klamath Falls
New Rates—First, 1.71 1/2; Second, 1.46; Third, 1.19 1/2; Fourth, 1.03 1/2; Fifth, 86; A, 86; B, 68 1/2; C, 51 1/2; D, 43; E, 34 1/2.
Old Rates—First, 2.27; Second, 1.97 1/2; Third, 1.69; Fourth, 1.51 1/2; Fifth, 1.34; A, 1.34; B, 1.03; C, 83 1/2; D, 73 1/2; E, 67.

Medford to Klamath Falls
New Rates—First, 1.67 1/2; Second, 91 1/2; Third, 75 1/2; Fourth, 65; Fifth 53 1/2; A, 54; B, 43; C, 32 1/2; D, 27; E, 21 1/2.
Old Rates—First, 1.46 1/2; Second, 1.28 1/2; Third, 1.16; Fourth, 1.00; Fifth, 1.01; A, 1.01 1/2; B, 81 1/2; C, 66 1/2; D, 63 1/2; E, 63 1/2.

ATTACKS SHIPPING BILL

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 15.—Senator La Follette opened the progressive bloc attack on the shipping bill today, declaring it contrary to the expressed will of the people.

FIREMAN KILLED

BOZEMAN, Mont., Dec. 15.—One fireman was killed and two were overcome by smoke fighting a blaze in the downtown district here which started at 2 a. m. and was still spreading at noon.

HEADS DENTAL ASSOCIATION

HOOD RIVER, Dec. 15.—Dr. C. H. Jenkins, who has been engaged in practice here for the past twenty-one years, was elected president of the Oregon State Dental association.

BRIGANDS RELEASE PRISONERS

TOKIO, Dec. 15.—Chinese brigands in the Honan province have released all captive foreigners except a French engineer, the outlaws having received \$5,000, Mexican money for each one liberated, the Japanese consul at Hankow reported.

WHO EVER HEARD A COUGAR SCREAM?

Old Question, Revived In This City, Brings Heated Arguments; Sceptic Wants to Hear of Authentic Case

Does a cougar scream? This old question has popped up again in this city with the result that lengthy arguments, oftentimes heated ones, have ensued.

Experienced hunters and woodsmen tell of the time a cougar uttered an unearthly scream near their camp, arousing them from their beds and causing their skin to creep. "Yes," return the skeptics, "but how do you know it was a cougar? Did you see it?"

Bower is Skeptic

W. C. Bower, who is identified with the reclamation service, is one of the skeptics. After many years spent in the open, he scouts the idea of a screaming cougar. He backs his stand by referring to a recent issue of World's Work, in which H.

H. Dunn, California's official cougar hunter, says:

"I have never heard a mountain lion (cougar) scream. I have never known a man or woman who had heard a mountain lion scream and know that the source of the scream was a mountain lion. But I have seen a party of campers sit in thrills of delicious fright at the quavering wail of a young burro, translated to them as 'screams of a mountain lion.' As a matter of fact, the mountain lion makes no sound, except a hiss when tread, and a growl when fighting."

Bower believes it would be a matter of deep interest, elsewhere as well as locally, to learn of one occasion when it was known for a certainty that the scream was that of a cougar, and suggests that "one knowing of such incident reply through The Herald."

GETTING UNCOMFORTABLY CROWDED

