

KLAMATH URGED TO BOOST ALTURAS ROAD PLAN

U. S. Sells Timber to Ewauna Company

LOCAL FIRM BID ON INDIAN LAND ACCEPTED TODAY

Contracts on Government Tracks of Klamath Are Ratified

Word was received here today that the bid of the Ewauna Box company of Klamath Falls on the Long Prairie timber unit had been accepted by the United States Indian service and the contract let to the Ewauna company for the cutting of 385,000,000 feet of timber. The local company bid \$6.67, the highest price Oregon yellow pine has ever sold for. The contract award also included all fir and incense cedar at \$4 a thousand and miscellaneous species at \$1 a thousand. Under the contract with the government the Ewauna company must cut a minimum of 16,000,000 board feet of timber from the unit in a year and not over 30,000,000 board feet. At a maximum cut each year the entire unit would be gone in 12 years. However, local lumbermen point out, the fluctuations of the market would require a minimum cut some years and it will probably be over 18 years before the timber is exhausted. The amount involved in the purchase of the timber unit is approximately \$2,600,000.

WASHINGTON, July 21.—The interior department today awarded to the Ewauna Box company of Klamath Falls, a contract for cutting 385,000,000 feet of timber on 4,500 acres unallotted land in the Long Prairie unit of the Klamath Indian reservation. Prices to be paid are \$6.67 thousand feet for yellow and sugar pine, \$4 for Douglas fir and incense cedar and \$1 for other species. This is the highest price ever paid for this class of timber in Oregon. Receipts will go to the Indians.

GOLD RUMORS FAIL TO PROVE UP, SAY LAKE PROSPECTOR

Reports of the finding of gold in the vicinity of Diamond Lake recently are unfounded, is the report of W. H. Cox, packer and guide of the Diamond Lake district who resides at Prospect. Cox went into the "gold fields" but he reports that he failed to find anything more valuable than lava, but there was plenty of that. Several other prospectors also equipped with pans started investigations on received rumors of the gold find. They have all come out now, Cox states, and they failed to locate any of the paying ore. "Not even a color was found," is the comment of Cox.

MANY PARTIES ASK FOR TOURIST DATA

Within the past two weeks over 300 Klamath county publicity folders have been distributed to tourists at the service station on the Pacific highway at the junction of the new Ashland-Klamath Falls route. The literature is heavy among the many tourists that are making the trip to Crater Lake by his highway, is the report received yesterday by the chamber of commerce here registered 25 cars from other states. All of the parties were on their way to Crater Lake.

THE WEATHER
The Cyclo-Stormograph at Underwood's Pharmacy shows but little change in barometric conditions although the pressure is slightly higher.
Forecast for next 24 hours:
Fair and warmer.
The Tycoos recording thermometer registered maximum and minimum temperatures today as follows:
High 40
Low 49

More Churches Urged for New Rail Line Area

Presbyterian Synod Takes Up Problems of That Territory

Organization of additional churches along the line of the new Klamath Lake route is being considered by the Presbyterian synod of Oregon. The question of this church extension was taken up at the annual meeting of the synod held at the University of Oregon. Dr. Wallace H. Lee, of Albany, speaking of work along the line of the railroad development between Eugene and Klamath Falls, said: "Two or three communities along the way ought to be organized, but we haven't the money to do it. Is it right for us to let a community come into being with all the centers of vice operating without our starting religious work simply because we haven't the money?"

The problem of the small church and the church in sparsely settled territory came up for intensive discussion at the session.

The plan of federating churches, through uniting on building and maintenance with kindred denominations, was urged by Rev. W. O. Forbes of San Francisco, who is engaged in mission work.

"The problem," said Dr. McDowell, "is to prevent competition in these smaller fields. Competition may be the life of trade, but it may be the death of religion. The national representatives of the several churches agree on this policy of non-competition in sparsely-settled fields, but somewhere along the line there comes opposition and the competition goes on."

BOY SEIZED BY CRAMP, DROWNS

Odell Lake Is Scene of Tragedy Sunday Afternoon

Swimming in the cold waters of Odell Lake at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon Carl Umbaugh aged 18, ventured into too deep water and when his muscles contracted in cramps, drowned despite the frantic efforts of a companion. All attempts of resuscitation was unavailable. Umbaugh is a resident of Odell Lake. He is survived by his parents.

BANK FUNDS TAKEN IN BANDIT ATTACK

PORTLAND, July 21.—Four armed men today held up a messenger of the bank of Kenton in the outlying Portland business district and escaped in an automobile with \$2,000. They forced the messenger's car to the curb with their car and forced him to hold up his hands taking money which he had collected from the bank's customers. The holdup was four blocks from the bank. The robbers escaped in an automobile bearing a Washington license.

STOCKMEN ASK CATTLE CORRAL FOR NEW ROUTE

Petition Is Prepared For Southern Pacific Officials

Petitions of stockmen of the East Marsh and Silver Lake districts requesting that the Southern Pacific company establish a cattle loading station at Lenz north of Kirk are being prepared. The owners of over 7000 head of cattle have already signed the petition asking the railroad company to provide for the corral on the new Klamath Lakes route.

Among stockmen to sign the petition are George Mayfield, William Thompson, F. E. Bolinger, Len Royce, Charles Lenz, and B. Heffner.

The petition states that the cattlemen will drive their stock to the proposed Lenz shipping point thus saving a great distance of unnecessary travel which has been a drawback to their operations. The new corral at Lenz is convenient to their range holdings and of easy access for other stock-shippers of that district. It is expected that by the middle of next month if arrangements can be made that shipping of cattle over the new Klamath Lakes route will be started from the Lenz corral.

FISHERMEN AVER BAD LUCK IS DUE TO WATERS' RISE

Trout fishermen returning from Williamson River with empty creels give as their reason for poor luck that the river is rising.

"We had fished for some time without any strikes," one angler said, "and could not understand what the reason was. All other fishermen seemed to be having poor luck also."

"Finally an old Indian came down the stream and asking him what the trouble was he replied that the river had been rising for the past two or three days and was now three inches higher than last week."

"It was then that we noticed a large quantity of bark, moss and general debris of the river and we concluded that there must be some truth in what the old Indian said."

Officials at the United States Reclamation Bureau stated today that they had no information that the river was rising. Herbert D. Newell, local manager of the Klamath project, pointed out that it would be a remarkable phenomenon if the report were true.

MAN ARRESTED FOR MURDERING OF WIFE

VANCOUVER Wash., July 21.—Richard Connor, held in jail here for the Tacoma authorities, declared today he is the victim of a frameup, that he knew nothing of the death of his wife, whose body was found Sunday in an abandoned well near Greendale on the Roy road.

TACOMA, July 21.—Richard Connor will be brought to Tacoma soon from the Vancouver jail, where he has been held, officers announced today. He will be tried, charged with slaying his wife whose body was found early Sunday in an abandoned well near Greendale. Mrs. Ione Holt of Ashford, girlhood friend of Connor's, wife obtained the information from Connor leading to the finding of the body and aiding the authorities by posing as Connor's friend.

Mountain View at Crater Lake Best for Year

Hood and Shasta Both Are Plainly Seen at Lake Sunday

From the rim of Crater lake yesterday afternoon, could be seen the highest peak of California and of Oregon, Mt. Shasta and Mount Hood, looking from Garfield Peak north along the crest of the Cascade range, the distant peak of Mount Hood, overlooking the Columbia river, was clearly discernable.

To the south into California, the naked eye could with ease make out the towering snow-capped peak of Mt. Shasta.

Rangers at the lake declared Sunday the most ideal day for bringing out the best color in the lake and for seeing a long distance that has occurred yet this season.

In addition to the many crowds of tourists, there were many Klamath people who were lucky enough to be at the lake and enjoy the ideal day. The road to the lake is in excellent condition and the 62 miles can be made with ease in less than three hours.

COUNTY JUDGE FOR LANE VISITS HERE

Judge C. P. Barnard of Eugene, member of the Lane county court, accompanied by Mrs. Barnard and their daughter Miss Eloise Barnard were Klamath Falls visitors here last night and this morning left for Crater Lake park for a short visit. Although a resident of Oregon for many years this is the first trip into the Klamath country for Judge Barnard. The new Ashland-Klamath Falls highway received the compliments of the judge who has been instrumental in good road development as a member of the court of his home country.

SAGE HENS SCARCE SPORTSMEN REPORT

Although the annual 15-day open season on sage hens opens next week, local sportsmen who have looked over the field are predicting that the shooting will not be as good this year. A scarcity of the birds has been reported from most of Klamath county although Lake County seems to have more attractions for the hens. The sage hen season in California also opens August 1, but does not close until September 15, one month later than the close here.

TWO DIVORCES ARE GRANTED BY COURT

Two divorce decrees were granted Saturday afternoon by Circuit Judge A. L. Leavitt. Mary Jackson was granted a divorce from McKinley Jackson and awarded custody of their minor child Pearl. The defendant was found to be in default for want of appearance. Another default judgment was entered when Judge Leavitt granted Merle A. King a divorce from Alonzo W. King.

GRAIN ELEVATORS OFFERED FOR SALE

MINNEAPOLIS, July 21.—Thirty-six grain companies of the Northwest today offered to sell their entire holdings, including 1,062 country elevators in Minnesota, North and South Dakota and Montana to the American Farm Bureau federation.

CATTLE PRICES FOR PORTLAND ARE LOW

PORTLAND, July 21.—Cattle slow, about steady; hogs 65 cents to \$1.10 higher, top grade hogs \$9.25 to \$9.75; sheep slow. Eggs steady; butter prints 2 cents higher, prints 42; butterfat 39 cents. Butterfat is 44½ at San Francisco.

RANGE LACKING HERE FOR 6000 HEAD OF STOCK

Requests of California to Herd Cattle in Klamath Held Impossible

"Impossible!" This is the combined opinion of State Veterinarian Dr. W. H. Lytle and County Agent C. A. Henderson after a conference here yesterday morning on whether it would be possible to comply with the request of C. H. Hecke and allow to be shipped into Klamath County 6000 head of cattle from Siskiyou county, Calif.

It is just a question of available range land," Mr. Henderson said. "We know that there is not sufficient range land for an additional 6,000 head of cattle in Klamath county. There might possibly be room for 1000 head but that is even doubtful."

"If the owners of cattle in Siskiyou county arrange with Klamath ranchers to graze livestock here there is nothing to stop them providing, however, that they comply with the hoof and mouth quarantine regulation which stipulates that all cattle coming from California into Oregon must be held 60 days within 15 miles of the state line before being brought into this state."

Under normal conditions, Mr. Henderson pointed out, it would be possible to bring the 6000 head of cattle into Klamath for summer grazing. But Klamath, in common with the entire Pacific coast, has experienced an abnormally dry year and hence range lands are at a premium.

The livestock in Klamath now approximates 30,000 head, 12,900 of which is in the northern Klamath Basin country in the vicinity of Port Klamath. Ten thousand head of cattle have already been brought in from the outside for summer grazing.

Dr. Lytle left for Salem yesterday afternoon and will report to Governor Walter Pierce the results of his investigation here.

BRIDGE CONTRACTS AT PORTLAND MADE

PORTLAND, July 21.—Formal award of the contract for the new Burnside bridge was made today by the county commissioners to the Pacific Bridge company, amount, \$2,390,173. The contractors announced the old bridge will be closed within two or three days. Two piers of the new bridge will be ready before high water in the fall.

COAL BARGE SINKS, CREW OF 8 IS SAFE

SAN FRANCISCO, July 21.—The barge Isaac Reed, which was being towed from here to Eureka, with coal, sank last night off Bodega Bay. Eight men aboard were rescued by coast guardsmen. The barge had been leaking some hours, and efforts to reach Bodega Bay failing, the tug Sea Ranger, towing the barge, summoned the coast guardsmen.

ELKS LODGE PLANS SERIES OF DANCES

The first of a series of special affairs planned by the Klamath Falls lodge of Elks will be held Wednesday evening July 24, when a dance will be held at the poplar Grove pavilion. The affair will be for members of the local lodge and their families. The lodge will hold only one business session during August and the regular schedule will be resumed in September.

AMERICA WILL AID IN EUROPE TANGLE

LONDON, July 21.—American assistance in the necessary measures for the economic rehabilitation of Europe may be counted upon, Secretary Hughes said here tonight, speaking at the Pilgrim dinner.

Fire in Forest of Bly Area Is Proving Menace

New Blaze Breaking Out, Crew Sent to Scene From Here

A fire in a heavy virgin stand of timber to the east of Bly was a dangerous menace last night and this morning according to reports from the Klamath Forest Protective Association offices today. The blaze covered an area of 70 acres and was one of the most serious that have broken out in the east of the county this year.

Five men, sent out last night, are still working to keep the fire under control. According to Jack Kimball, head of the association, the fire was virtually under control at 2 p. m. today. Origin is unknown.

A small spot fire in a heavy timber stand south of Bly is being watched by one man.

The relative humidity today at 2 p. m. was 16 degrees which is 14 below the extreme ranger point.

GUILTY PLEA IS MADE BY YOUTHS

Leopold and Loeb Astonish Court by Changes in Defense Plan

CHICAGO, July 21.—The fate of Nathan Leopold Jr., and Richard Loeb, indicted for the kidnaping and murder of fourteen-year old Robert Franks, rested today "in the mercy of the court," when a plea of "guilty" was made in court by Clarence S. Darrow, chief counsel for the boys, and affirmed by them after they had been warned by the court of the consequences of such a plea.

The degree of punishment, which may vary from an indeterminate prison sentence, a life sentence, incarceration in an asylum or death, will be determined after hearing as to the boys' mentality, which is to start Wednesday. Changing of the plea of not guilty to guilty was a great surprise to the court.

In entering the guilty plea Attorney Darrow said the defense admitted the correctness of the facts substantially as printed in the newspapers. He asked permission of the court, however, "to offer evidence as to the mental condition of these young men and their degree of responsibility," and was willing to submit the question of mentality to a joint conference of alienists employed by the state and the defense, but the States Attorney Crowe objected, saying the state could not even show the boys guilty of the fact but that they are sane.

Judge John R. Caverly agreed with the attorneys to hear such evidence, both as to the facts and the mental responsibility as to the two sides might wish to present to him for his information. He said he would not let anything interfere with a speedy conclusion of the hearing.

Darrow in a statement denied that the defense would seek to restore the boys to society. "I wish to say frankly to the court that we never have entertained such an idea. We are of the opinion that these two young men should be permanently isolated," States Attorney Crowe declared he would insist upon the extreme penalty.

STATE FORCE GOES AFTER RAIDS HERE

All trials arising from the raids Monday and Tuesday of last week by Burns Detective agency men and state and county officers have been postponed until August 11 due to the departure of the majority of the participating officers for trial in other locations in the state. The destination of the officers was not made known. The first case set for trial is State vs. Willie Nell, Edna Terry and Pearl Moore.

PROPOSALS FOR NEW ROUTE ARE NOW UNDER WAY

California Advisory Board To Hold Meetings on Project This Week

In order that Klamath Falls may benefit by proposed road connections between here and Alturas, this city should be represented at meetings of nine members of the California advisory committee that will be held at Alturas and Lakeview this week, according to urgent word received by William G. Dalton, president of the American National bank.

The communication sent here by E. F. Auble, vice-president of the Modoc county development board, urges that a group of representative men from this city and county who are interested in road development should attend the meetings as the probability is that decisions will be made concerning proposed routes from Alturas either to the north by way of Lakeview or to Klamath Falls to connect with the Dallas-California highway.

The California Wednesday evening and the following day will gather at a meeting at Lakeview, is the word received from Mr. Auble.

The improvement of the road through Modoc county from Alturas to connect with the surfaced road at Malin would provide an excellent route from this city and this is the plan that is urged should be presented by the Klamath county representatives at the road meetings. The other proposed improvement would run directly north toward Lakeview connecting with the Lake county road at New Pine creek on the state line.

"Send your best boosters to these road meetings as improvements that will be of benefit to Klamath county providing connection with California, will be taken up," is the request sent by the Modoc county development board officials.

RED CROSS COURSE IN SWIMMING HERE TO START JULY 27

Representing the Pacific division of the American Red Cross an instructor in swimming and life saving will be in Klamath Falls July 27 to start a two-weeks course here. Word has been received by Miss Ada B. Momyer, chairman of the Klamath county chapter, that all arrangements have been completed for the work here. The classes will be held at the natatorium and Dr. E. D. Lamb, city health officer, has assured the Red Cross officials that the tank is sanitary and in good condition for the work outlined.

PRESIDENT SCHOLZ OF REED VERY ILL

PORTLAND, July 21.—Physicians today held slight hope for the recovery of Dr. Richard F. Scholz, president of Reed College, following an operation last Friday.

FEDERAL FORCE IS ATTACKING REBELS

BUENOS AIRES, July 21.—A federal assault against Sao Paulo, Brazilian metropolis, held by insurgents may have already begun official dispatches from Rio Janeiro indicated.

An Example for Business Men

