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MILLER SUBMITS LOWEST BID ON CANAL CONTRACT

Local Contractor to Be Awarded Job of Widening District Ditch

With an offer of half the amount bid by his competitor, W. D. Miller, local contractor, was the lowest bidder for a job calling for the widening of a mile and a half of the Adams canal near Adam's point, when bids were opened at the local bureau of reclamation office Saturday afternoon. While officially the contract will not be let for several days, it is understood that the lowest bidder will be given the job. The widening of the Adams canal is to allow freer flow of water into the Malin and Shasta View irrigation districts. The job will entail much rock work, which can not be negotiated by the equipment of the local bureau.

Mr. Miller submitted a bid of \$12,230. G. I. Stebbins bid \$24,269.

CITIZENS RESPOND TO CLEAN-UP ORDER

Business men and home owners are responding to pleas of "clean up the trash from behind your home and stores," as they have never responded before. Fire Chief Keith K. Ambrose said today.

"They seem to realize now that purging the city of trash is for their own good as well as their neighbor's good," Mr. Ambrose said. "All persons responsible for trash piles, which constitute both a fire hazard and a health hazard, are being notified to clean up just as fast as they can be reached."

COUNCIL WILL NOT CONVENE TONIGHT

City Charter of Klamath Falls stipulates that the city council shall meet to transact city business on the first four Mondays of each month. Today is the fifth Monday of March and hence there will be no meeting of the council tonight. Police Judge Lem L. Gashagen announced this morning.

BISHOP CHRISTIE ILL

Head of Catholic Church in Oregon in Grave Condition at Portland Hospital

PORTLAND, Ore., March 30.—Arch Bishop Alexander Christie, head of the Catholic church in Oregon, remained in a critical condition at St. Vincent's hospital here today, according to hospital attendants. He is suffering from a complication of diseases which his age, 75 years, makes more serious.

PSEUDO COPS ROB CHINAMEN

Break Up Oriental Game With Drawn Pistols and Take \$1,300 From Players

NEW YORK, March 30.—Two holdup men impersonating policemen, raided the apartment of Low Fat at 94 Chrystie street about midnight and robbed half a dozen Chinese of more than \$1,300 in cash and jewelry.

The resulting excitement caused the police to believe that the tong war had broken out afresh and reserves were rushed to the scene from nearby precincts.

They found Chinatown and the adjacent streets in an uproar. Excited groups of Chinese were gathered in front of the Chrystie street house, jabbering about the holdup in their native tongue. Detectives finally got an account of the raid through an interpreter.

A friendly game of mah-jongg or fan tan or something was going on in Low Fat's flat when there was a knock at the door.

"Who is there?" said Low in Chinese.

The answer was "unpai," which means police.

Swift Company To Erect a Big Packing Plant

Swift and company, one of the largest packing operators in the country, will erect a packing plant in Klamath Falls this summer, according to a well authenticated report received here today.

Although the local retail office of the packing plant could neither confirm nor deny the report, it is understood that officials of the company will be here from Portland or San Francisco within a short time to make definite plans for the erection of the plant.

With the completion of the Natron cut-off as well as the projected railroad work from Bend and Lakeview, Klamath Falls would be in a strategic position for a big packing plant and could be expected to command the output of the livestock industry of this section of Oregon, Idaho, Nevada and northern California.

Just when a definite decision will be reached as to the location of the plant is not known at present but it is expected that the projected plant will rise during the early summer months.

FORT KLAMATH WINS FROM CHILOQUIN IN SPECTACULAR GAME

Coming from behind in the last few minutes of play, the Fort Klamath basketball quintet defeated Chiloquin, 30 to 29, at Klamath Agency Saturday night and won the championship of the independent league.

The two teams were tied for first place and the game attracted a large crowd of partisans of both teams. Those returning from the Agency reported it was one of the fastest games ever played in the county, with several spectacular plays featuring the hotly contested competition.

LEAVES STORE

Miss Fanny Stoops to Take Care of Mother, Who Is Ill

Miss Fanny Stoops resigned her position in Moe's store Saturday night in order to give her attention to the care of her mother, who suffered injuries in a recent automobile accident. Mrs. Stoops is suffering from an injured ankle, which has proved exceedingly painful.

MOVES OFFICE

Dr. A. A. Soule Takes Rooms Above Lucas Store on Main Street

Dr. A. A. Soule has moved his offices from the Melhase building to the building on Fifth and Main, above the Lucas furniture store. Dr. Soule is planning on building offices of his own in the near future.

ELLINGSON CASE IS POSTPONED BY JURIST

Plea for Defense Attorneys for Insanity Hearing Allowed by Court

SAN FRANCISCO, March 30.—Judge Harold Lenderback postponed today for 24 hours the murder trial of 16-year-old Dorothy Elingson to inquire into the present mental condition of the girl, who is charged with killing her mother in the bedroom of their home last January after a dispute over the girl's pursuit of jazz and joy rides.

Defense counsel in the case presented to Judge Lenderback this morning a motion to have the murder trial of the 16-year-old matricide halted and the present jury instructed to inquire into her mental condition.

Judge Lenderback said the court must be satisfied there was basis for such a motion before he could consider it. Walter McGovern, of defense counsel, then read an affidavit by Dr. Jan Don Ball, specialist, expressing the belief that the girl is insane.

DEATH PROBE STARTS

LOS ANGELES, Calif., March 30.—Two persons are under arrest in connection with the death early today of Miss Helen B. Osborne, 21, whom police believe to be the victim of poison liquor served at a party.

Those under arrest are Clarence B. Osborne, husband of the dead woman, and Shirley Wing, in whose home the death occurred. Miss Hazel Burton, said to be Wing's housekeeper, also was held for questioning, but was later released. Miss Wing and Osborne were held pending the issuance of a complaint charging manslaughter.

BEEBLE CONTROL WORK IS PENDING CRUISE FINDINGS

"Look Before Leaping" is this year's policy of the Klamath Forest Protective association in the pine beetle control work in Klamath forests. Jack Kimball, active head of the association, announced this morning.

Before designating an area for control work this spring a crew of men under the direction of Hal H. Ogle and Duncan McClean, is effecting a cruise to determine the present status of pine beetle infestation. Mr. Kimball said that last year was a bad beetle year owing to dry weather and that it would be necessary to ascertain what effect control operations had last year before proceeding further.

WILLAMETTE VALLEY CHERRIES ARE SOLD TO EASTERN PACKER

PORTLAND, Mar. 30.—Willamette valley cherries are being contracted. Buyers are already in the field signing up the new crop of Bing and lambertis on a guaranty price basis. Approximately 800 tons have been signed up around McMinnville, Sheridan, Salem, Albany last year's tonnage as a basis.

R. R. Hurst, representing Denney and company of Chicago, reports that the contract proposition is popular among the growers, and should net them a fancy price if the cherry deal is as good as last year.

Growers are being schooled on the proper spraying to insure the cherries a good shipping quality and to eliminate insect and worm damage.

Eggs are a cent higher today on extras and a half cent upon current receipts with the top grade again at the 32 cent level. Receipts are coming in heavy now but they are well taken with the movement into storage heavy.

MEETING TUESDAY

Farmers Urged to Sign Up More Acreage for Beets

Farmers and ranchers will meet in the chamber of commerce Tuesday afternoon, 2:30 p. m., to discuss the proposition of more acreage for the production of sugar beets in Klamath county. The meeting is especially urged by those interested in the project of obtaining a name for Klamath as a beet producing center.

Weyerhaeusers To Build a Big Lumber Plant

LONGVIEW, Wash., March 30.—Starting work on the project at an early date, the Weyerhaeuser Timber company will build extensive manufacturing plants in Longview, according to announcement made by George S. Long, general manager of the Weyerhaeuser company.

The announcement followed a conference Saturday of Long-Bell and Weyerhaeuser officials. Mr. Long said it was the intention of his company to push forward the work with as "much celerity as practicable."

The plants will be located on a site on the west side of Oregon way, with frontage on the Columbia river.

The Weyerhaeuser timber company has about 34,000,000,000 feet of timber located in the Cowlitz river watershed.

ADVISE DRIVERS TO USE DETOUR

Sand Creek Hill Section Dangerous Until Snow Is Cleared, Engineers Say

Until snow is cleared from the Sand creek hill section of The Dalles-California highway, north of Fort Klamath junction, it would be advisable for all vehicular traffic to utilize the five mile detour around the snow covered hill, engineers of the state highway department announced this morning.

Automobiles have been plowing through the snow on the hill and frequently slipping into the drifts, from which they would be pulled out by highway tractors. While it is entirely possible to go through the section being cleared of snow, motorists incur a big chance of accident which could be avoided with ease by taking the detour around the hill.

Work on the road clearing is progressing, although slightly held up by several break downs of the tractors which occurred when the big machines were driven against high centers in the road. It was estimated that the snow would be entirely cleared by the latter part of this week. At the worst places, the snow was over two feet in depth.

COUNTY HAS THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND COMING BY APRIL 6

Over \$40,000 a day must be handed into the tax collecting department of the sheriff's office if no penalty or interest charges are to be preferred, is today's announcement by Garrett Van Riper, chief deputy.

"But one measly \$100,000 has found its way into the county coffers, as payment to date for taxes for the first of the year 1924," the deputy said. "Approximately \$400,000 must be collected, which leaves \$300,000 that should be turned in by next Monday at 5 p. m., April 6. On April 7, the penalty and interest on delinquencies will go into effect."

Tax collectors in the tax department, look for a busy week, if past experience is any criterion. The last three or four days will be hectic, with the rule of "first come first served," prevailing.

CHARLES R. FORBES CRITICALLY ILL OF PARALYTIC STROKE

BOSTON, March 30.—The condition of Colonel Charles R. Forbes, who was stricken with paralysis Friday night, remained virtually unchanged today, said a report from the Hart hospital. Colonel Forbes, who was formerly director of United States Veterans Bureau was at the home of his sister, Mrs. Harry Judkin in the Brighton district, when he suffered the paralytic attack.

SARGENT PLEADS GUILTY

N. F. Sargent, arrested March 23 on the charge of driving while intoxicated, plead guilty this morning before Justice of the Peace R. E. Hunsaker and was fined \$100 and sent to jail for 60 days. Bob Edwards was fined \$100 and costs on a charge of possession of intoxicating liquor.

GERMANY FAILS TO SELECT LEADER

None of Seven Candidates for President Able to Muster a Majority

BERLIN, March 30.—Final returns from yesterday's presidential election in Germany, announced this morning, show that none of the seven candidates received a majority, as required by the constitution, making a second election necessary. The second polling day has been fixed for April 26. On this occasion, the candidate having the highest number of votes will be declared elected.

The polling of the various candidates yesterday were as follows: Dr. Karl Jarress, candidate of the combined nationalist and conservative Burgeois parties 10,387,323. Otto Braun, socialist 7,735,678. Former Chancellor Marx, Centerist 3,883,676.

Ernest Thaelmann, 1,869,553. Premier Heilpach of Baden, democratic party 1,565,136. Dr. Held, Bavarian peoples party, 1,003,278.

General Ludendorff, Fascist party 284,471. Void Ballots 34,152.

The total vote, in excess of 26,812,000, is slightly less than 69 per cent of the qualified electorate.

WILL GO TO TEXAS

Brigadier General Mitchell To Be Transferred To Fort Sam Houston Soon

WASHINGTON, March 30.—Brigadier General William Mitchell, assistant chief of the armed air service, will be assigned on April 26 as air service officer of the eighth corps area with headquarters at Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio, Texas.

ROAD BONDS ARE RECEIVED TODAY BY COUNTY CLERK

One hundred and twenty-five blank bonds of \$1000 each, were received this morning by County Clerk C. R. DeLap from the Lumberman's Trust company in Portland. The bonds were sent to the clerk's office to be signed by the county judge and the county clerk, and will then be returned to the Portland concern.

The road bonds, which will finance several county highway projects this year, were sold two weeks ago to the Portland company. The bonds pay four and three-quarters per cent interest on the first \$22,000 of the bonds and four and one-half per cent interest on the remaining \$103,000.

SATURDAY SHOPPERS

Olene Residents Spend Day in Klamath Falls on Business

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. MacKimmion were among the numerous out of town visitors in the city from their ranch on the Olene road Saturday. The MacKimmions spent the day shopping and transacting business as well as visiting with their many friends in the city.

POSTPONE MEETING

Merchants' Bureau Gathering Delayed Due to Conflicts

Due to unforeseen conflicts, the meeting of the Merchants' bureau which was scheduled for tonight in the chamber of commerce, will be postponed until Wednesday night, April 1, when the body will meet in the chamber rooms for discussion of many pressing questions. One of the main issues to arise will be the plans for the 1925 rodeo which will be discussed before the merchants.

PRISONERS ESCAPE

TOLEDO, Iowa, March 30.—O. M. Hall of Portland, Oregon, and L. R. Smith, residence unknown, escaped from the county jail here some time last night by sawing the lock off their cell door. Hall was serving a sentence for obtaining money.

TO GET POWER BIDS

WASHINGTON, March 30.—Bids for the purchase of hydro-electric power developed by the Wilson dam at Muscle Shoals, Alabama, will be invited by Secretary Weeks.

Kiwanians Ask Employment of Athletic Coach

By a unanimous vote of the board of directors of the Klamath Falls Kiwanis club which met today at the White Pelican hotel, the county court will be memorialized by the officers of the club asking that an athletic coach for the local high school be secured and contracted with for the next school year. It was pointed out that such sister towns as Medford and Salem send their basketball teams east every year to take part in the international championship contests and gain much publicity for Oregon and their home cities. Klamath Falls is sadly backward, according to the Kiwanis directors, and they want to see this town have an athletic coach second to none in the state.

Another important move at today's meeting was a resolution adopted asking the Klamath county fair board to donate the fair grounds for an athletic field for this year's basketball games. R. E. Braubury, chairman of the fair board, was a guest at the luncheon and stated that he believed the fair board would entertain the request favorably.

EX-GOVERNOR DIES

MOSCOW, Idaho, March 30.—William J. McConnell, former governor of Idaho and father-in-law of United States Senator William E. Borah, died at his home here early today at the age of 85 years. He had complained of not feeling well two days ago.

RESTORED TO DUTY

WASHINGTON, March 30.—Postmaster General New today directed the restoration to duty, with demotion of each of the six postal inspectors suspended January 2 for their connection with efforts to influence legislation at the time of consideration of the postal pay increase bill.

CHANGE LOCATION

Renick and D'Albini, Public Accountants, Move Offices

Renick and D'Albini, public accountants, today moved their offices from the H-pas building to the Slough building, where they will be in suite 1. They will have the same reception room with Drs. Stewart and Carter. Attorney C. A. Marino will also occupy offices with them.

AUTO TOLL HEAVY

CHICAGO, March 30.—Twelve persons were killed in automobile accidents in and near Chicago Sunday. Eight of the fatalities resulted when trains struck automobiles at crossings.

HIGH VOLTAGE WIRE STRIKES POWER EMPLOYEE

Walter G. Folsom Narrowly Escapes Death in Accident at Noon Today

Walter G. Folsom, aged 21, groundman employed by the California Oregon Power company, narrowly escaped death at 11:15 today at Ninth and Lincoln street when a dead wire he was coiling came in contact with a live wire carrying 4000 volts and shocked him into unconsciousness.

Quick work in resuscitation on the part of his co-workers saved the man from sure death, according to John C. Boyle, division manager of the power company, who investigated the accident.

A crew from the power company was taking down old wires and replacing new in order to increase the power capacity for that section of the city. Folsom was catching old wire and coiling it as the linemen dropped it to him, when the accident occurred. Instead of awaiting until the wire reached the ground, Folsom reached up and started to pull down the wire, when it flipped over onto the live wire and furnished the circuit which carried the high voltage into Folsom's body.

Hospital authorities this afternoon said that while Folsom was in a serious condition, he was resting easily and stood a good chance for recovery.

Folsom has been working for the company for six months.

PORTLAND CONCERN GETS BIG CONTRACT

Contract for the surfacing of 19.34 miles of The Dalles-California highway north from La Pine, was let to M. McDowell & Company of Portland Saturday, according to word received here today by the state highway department. Dunn & Baker, formerly a contracting concern of Hornbrook, California, were third from the highest bid, with an offer of \$147,725. W. D. Miller construction company of Klamath Falls submitted a bid of \$147,000 for the job.

CHICAGO BANK ROBBED

CHICAGO, March 30.—Four robbers, one of whom carried a sawed off shotgun, held up seven officials and employees of the Ashland-63rd Street State bank today and escaped with currency estimated at between \$10,000 and \$15,000.

LATE NEWS FLASHES

Tex Rickard Fined
NEWARK, N. J., March 30.—George L. (Tex) Rickard, nationally known fight promoter, today was fined \$7000 by Federal Judge Bodine for conspiracy to violate the law regarding illegal transportation of prize fight films. Rickard and four co-defendants were convicted in federal court in Trenton on March 19 on the charge, which was brought in connection with transportation of the Dempsey-Carpentier fight films.

Etheridge Plea Denied
PORTLAND, Ore., March 30.—Federal Judge Wolverton today overruled the demurrer of John L. Etheridge to the indictment brought against him several months ago charging fraud in connection with the exploitation of certain Seattle improvement bonds. The trial is to begin April 6.

Diamond Thieves Make Haul
NEW YORK, March 30.—Four men today raided the offices of Sobel and Kaleko, diamond brokers of 45 Maiden Lane, and escaped with diamonds valued at between \$50,000 and \$100,000. The robbery was opposite the new federal reserve bank building.

New Stage Line to Start
BEND, Ore., March 30.—Dean Hollingshead of Bend announced today that beginning April 1 he would operate a stage line between Bend and Klamath Falls. Headquarters for the new stage line will be at Frenchie's service station in Bend.

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