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## CALIFORNIA FARMERS HERE

### Sam Head Returns From Owens Valley With Men to Inspect Valley

True to his promise of last month when he met with Langell's valley ranchers in Lorella, Sam L. Head has returned from Owens valley, California, with six of the most prominent ranchers and farmers of that district.

The ranchers are C. N. Rice, A. S. Davison, T. P. Shumate, George Rowe, Alvin Badie and L. W. Monroe. As a result of the water fight with Los Angeles officials, the farmers signified their intentions of moving from Owens valley. Sam Head, a former resident of that section of California, sought and found an opportunity for the farmers in the famous Langell's valley, and during a meeting in Lorella promised to sign up for 19,000 acres if he could obtain an option on the land in that section. This was granted him and Head left for Owens valley, where he interested farmers in the proposition. He carried by Head, six farmers arrived in Klamath Falls last night.

They left for Langell's valley this morning, where they spent the entire day. They are not expected back until late tonight. During their trip they will look into every possible phase of the proposition and return to their homes and report on conditions in the valley. Water may be their future home, and the future home of numerous other dissatisfied farmers of the Owens valley district.

### TO VISIT HERE San Diego Visitor in City With Brother For Month

J. J. Ottoman of San Diego arrived in the city to spend the coming month with his brother, F. J. Ottoman of the First National bank. The visitor is an official of the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company of San Diego.

### JINKERS DANCE Initial Social Event of Group Most Successful

Members of the "Jinkers" club, an organization of the employees of the First National Bank, entertained with an interesting dancing party in the White Pelican hotel last night for a large number of friends. The punch bowl was presided over by Mrs. Gertrude Moore. Miss Ruth Lindsey was hostess for the early hours of the evening and the other girls of the committee served about the rooms.

## LATE NEWS FLASHES

### Army Flier Killed

NEWPORT NEWS, Va., May 7.—Major Carl C. Benedict, United States army, was killed at Langley field here this afternoon when he lost control of an SE-5 airplane he was flying and crashed 500 feet.

### Murder Suspected

DENVER, May 7.—Disinterment of the body of C. H. Blank, real estate operator, who was supposed to have died February 3 last and to have been buried February 7, was ordered by District Attorney Cline today as the inception of an exhaustive investigation into the death.

### Killed in Race Riot

ELDORADO, Ark., May 7.—One negro was killed and eight white men were wounded, two seriously, in a fight between white and negro oil field workers near here last night after a demand had been made that the negroes be discharged. More than 100 shots were fired. An investigation into the affray was started by the sheriff today.

### "Uncle Joe" Celebrates

DANVILLE, Ill., May 7.—"Uncle Joe" Cannon, former speaker of the House of Representatives, was 89 years old today. He spent the day quietly with his family, reading the hundreds of telegrams and letters that came to him from all sections of the country. He enjoyed a visit this morning from Lieutenant Jack Harding, world flier, who was here today.

### SHRIMPS MAY GO ON BIG "SOUSE" AT GOLDEN GATE

SAN FRANCISCO, May 7.—If the shrimps in the lower end of San Francisco bay rise up in their might in the next few days and do battle with the sea lions and the porpoises of the harbor entrance the carnage will be awful. Plans were completed today for turning the lower end of the bay into one large and expansive highball with the destruction of liquor reserves having a total of \$300,000. The liquor is to be poured into a slough leading into the lower bay where the shrimp beds and sardine schools are located.

## COUNTERFEITING OF WAR STAMPS LEADS TO ARREST

### Nearly Fifty Persons Under Arrest in Gigantic Fraud Plot

WASHINGTON, May 7.—One of the greatest conspiracies for the counterfeiting of government securities ever discovered is declared by secret service officials here to be involved in the indictment at Pittsburgh yesterday of eight men in counterfeiting charges.

Between 40 and 50 persons are under arrest in three states on charges of having manufactured and distributed fake war savings stamps and revenue strip stamps. Trial of the alleged leaders is to start in Chicago next week.

Federal agents here captured fake stamps with a face value of \$190,000 and agents in Chicago have seized several of the counterfeiting outfits.

Headquarters here have been advised that confessions have been obtained in ten or eleven cases. Secret service officials said today the gang had built up a resourceful distributing organization by which the stamps were passed along through friends of the gangsters and cashed at postoffices.

Most of the distributing was done through headquarters in Cleveland and Pittsburgh.

### KERNS INTERESTS ACQUIRE PROPERTY

Deed to a large tract of land between Klamath Falls and Keno and lying adjacent to the Klamath river, has been given to the B. E. Kerns interests by Sheriff Burt E. Hawkins following foreclosure of mortgages held by the Kerns interests on the property against the Klamath Livestock company, the San Francisco Cattle Loan company, H. O. Cheatham and J. S. Walsh. The land, according to deeds, represents a total valuation of \$168,885.

## MRS. SHEPHERD GIVEN RELEASE WITHOUT BOND

### Accused Accessory in McClintock Case to Post \$5000 Tomorrow

CHICAGO, May 7.—Mrs. Julia Shepherd, named as accessory of her husband, William D. Shepherd, in the alleged slaying of their ward, William Nelson McClintock, with Honaire orphan, was at liberty today on her own recognizance after surrendering last night.

Her release pending grand jury action on \$5,000 bonds was promised tomorrow morning by Judge Jacob Hopkins before whom she appeared. Until then, he stayed service of the coroner's mittimus from which she fled Tuesday night after the coroner's jury had recommended that she be held as an accessory in the death of young McClintock last fall and of his mother, 16 years ago.

### No Protest

No opposition to her release on her own word or on bond was raised by Robert E. Crowe, state's attorney, who strenuously resisted efforts to release Shepherd, now in jail pending trial May 18.

There is no evidence that I have as state's attorney that can cause me to oppose bail in this case, the prosecutor said.

For the first time since his arrest several weeks ago, Shepherd was taken from his cell to converse with his wife after arrangements for her husband had been made.

### Pose For Pictures

They conferred for 15 minutes urging each other to remain firm and trust in divine aid. They smiled as they posed for cameras.

But Mrs. Shepherd, described as a "Lady Macbeth" by Judge Harry Olson who instigated the investigation of the deaths, sobbed as she left.

She termed the jury's action and that of Judge Olson as persecution.

## LAKEVIEW WILL GET NEW MILL

### Grants Pass Men Purchase Timber and Plan for Immediate Operations

(Special to The Herald)  
LAKEVIEW, Ore., May 7.—Immediate construction of a new sawmill with 40,000 daily capacity has been announced here by Edgerton and Adams of Grants Pass, who have just completed the purchase of 19,000,000 feet of timber from William H. Gibson. The timber is located in the Crane Lake section.

The two timber operators also will seek to purchase another 20,000,000 feet of timber from the forest reserve, they announced.

The men left here yesterday for Atturas, where they will purchase machinery and other mill equipment. They expect to get the mill in operation as quickly as possible in order to make a good cut during the present year.

### BEEF DRILLS ARE DUE HERE FRIDAY

Seven drills, will be distributed tomorrow among sugar beet farmers of Klamath. It was announced today by County Agent C. A. Henderson, upon receipt of information that the drills furnished by the Sacramento Sugar company would arrive in Klamath Falls tomorrow.

Sugar beet seed, arrived several days ago and has been distributed among the farmers who have decided to give sugar beet raising a trial in the Klamath basin country. It is understood that another shipment of drills will be sent to Klamath in the near future for the use of Klamath farmers.

### LEAVE FOR HOME

Grants Pass Residents Return After Visiting in City

Mrs. Clarence Winetron and Mrs. Hubert Hoxie left the early part of the week for their homes in Grants Pass. While in the city they were house guests of Mrs. Carl Winetron of Klamath Falls.

### OREGON WAR VET MADE BODYGUARD FOR PRESIDENT

BEND, Ore., May 7.—Thomas Tweet, Civil War veteran and Bend pioneer has been named a member of President Coolidge's honorary body guard in connection with the observation of the anniversary of the first Norwegian settlement in America, which will be held in Minneapolis the first week in June. Mr. Tweet did not expect to be able to attend but yesterday it was announced that he had arranged to make the trip.

Tweet enlisted in June, 1861 after the first battle of Bull Run and served throughout the war. He was one of the firm of Studd and Tweet, who operated the first saw mill in Bend.

## SPRAGUE RIVER WATER RIGHTS TO BE SETTLED

### State Engineer Announces Hearing at Bly Hall, June 24

Feuds, controversies and conflicting rights to the waters of Sprague river or its tributaries will be aired on June 24 before State Engineer Rhea Luper, in an effort to settle once and for all the question of water rights in the fertile valley of Eastern Klamath, it was announced today.

Mr. Luper will conduct a hearing in Bly hall at which all claimants will produce proof of their claim to water. Further hearings will be conducted at Salem from June 29 to July 28. It is the hope of the engineering department to come to some decision on the question by this summer.

The move of the state engineering department was actuated by a long drawn out fight last year among Bly ranchers, when scarcity of water in Sprague river brought the question of water rights to a head. Several ranchers of the valley guarded their water rights by armed force, there were several arrests made and a number of cases filed in the Circuit court. Judge A. L. Leavitt, when the question of settling the water rights came before him, declined to make any decision in the matter, taking the position that it was the province of the state engineering department or the state land board to decide such problems.

Some of the water rights extend back as far as 1890, so called riparian or priority rights. Other rights have the official stamp of the government.

## PUCKETT BUYS TIMBER RIGHTS

### Yamsay Land and Cattle Company Sells Right to Cut Timber Holdings

Six million feet of pine timber on 640 acres of land owned by the Yamsay Land and Cattle company was sold yesterday to Prentice Puckett, Klamath logging contractor, for a consideration of approximately \$10,000. Deed of the purchase was filed late yesterday afternoon.

The timber is located in the Yamsay country between the Sprague and Williamson rivers. It is understood that Mr. Puckett bought the timber as an investment, depending on future railroad development in that section to enhance the value of the timber. At this time the timber is too far from a railroad for successful logging.

The tract is located in section 2 D. O. Williams is president of the township 34 south, range 9 east, Yamsay Land and Cattle company and E. L. Paddock, secretary. The deed stipulated that Mr. Puckett purchased merely the right to cut the timber not the land proper.

## HINDENBURG'S ELECTION HELD TO BE ILLEGAL

### German Socialists Protest—Allege Intimidation Was Employed

BERLIN, May 7.—Official protest has been entered by the Socialists against the validity of the election of Field Marshal von Hindenburg as president of Germany. The Socialists charge many irregularities and demand that the election be declared "void."

This action, however, does not seem to worry the Nationalists, who say it will be difficult to prove that the circumstances were such to effect the result of the vote in which Von Hindenburg received a plurality of 2,929,111.

### Fraud Charged

The Socialist paper Vorwaerts cites as evidence, either of intimidation or fraud, the fact that the Nationalists after the election, published a list of localities in which every vote was recorded for Von Hindenburg. It is inconceivable, the paper says, that in a country politically disunited, all the votes in several localities should have gone for one man.

The Socialists assert that the electors in numerous rural districts were coerced into voting for the Field Marshal because transparently instead of opaque envelopes were used, thus permitting the election officials to see which way the ballots were cast.

### Ask Injunction

The protest in a form of a plea for an injunction alleges that influence is being exerted upon the election committee to plan, before May 22, for Von Hindenburg's inauguration, as the commission is thus not afforded sufficient time to canvass the returns.

Amplification continues over the issue whether the Republican flag shall be retained, or the old black, white and red re-adopted.

## LIBRARY PLANS NOT COMPLETED

### Councilman Says Building to Be in Readiness Dec. 1, 1925

"Klamath Falls' public library should be completed by December 1, 1925," said Councilman Charles I. Roberts this morning following the council meeting last night in the city hall, when the councilmen met to discuss the plans and specifications for the new public library which will be another of Klamath Falls' assets in the near future.

Architects Cosobson and Marsh presented plans and specifications to the council body and no definite action was taken over the proposed plans due to several points wherein no actual decisions could be made. It is the probable plan of the council to seek outside plans from the library commission in Portland and other sources, in order to comply with the desires of the state library commission in Salem.

Bonds have been advertised for the past thirty days and should be completed by July 1, said Roberts. Bids will be opened at that time, depending on the actions of the architects and the satisfaction of plans submitted. The actual construction will take place around the first of August. Some bids have been submitted to the council, although they have not been opened.

The land to be used for the library is the former property of the late Henrietta Melrose, whose heirs deeded the land on the corner of Fifth and Klamath streets to the city to be used as a library site.

### IMPROVING

Mrs. Coell Cross, who is showing steady improvement in the Klamath Falls hospital is recovering from an operation for peritonitis according to word received from the hospital this afternoon. Mrs. Cross' parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Warner of Grants Pass have been visiting with her in the city for the past few days.

## Burlington Line Said To Be Buying Up Right Of Way Toward Eureka

### Gigantic Extension From Reno, Via Klamath Falls, to West Coast Held Projected—Famous Ranch at Hornbrook Purchased

(Special to The Evening Herald)

YREKA, Calif., May 7.—To establish Eureka as the western terminus for a gigantic extension of transcontinental railroad lines from Reno via Klamath Falls and Hornbrook to Eureka, there to link up with the Northwestern Pacific company's line to San Francisco, 5,240 acres have been purchased in Siskiyou county in recent months for the Klamath river right-of-way to the coast, at a cost of approximately a quarter million dollars, it came to light here today. Behind the scenes is said to be the Hill interests and the tentative program makes the Natron cut-off of the Southern Pacific company into Klamath Falls fade into insignificance.

Just completed is the transfer of thousands of acres of the Meyer Realty company's holdings along Klamath river between Hornbrook and the California Oregon

## SURFACING JOB TO START SOON

### County Court Advertises for Bids on Chiloquin Road Project

By June 1, the first load of surfacing rock on the Chiloquin-Williamson river road will be laid, it became known yesterday when the county court advertised for bids on the project. Bids will be received by the court on May 15.

The project is 15 1/2 miles long extending from the Williamson river bridge to the town of Chiloquin. Clearing, grubbing and grading of the road has been completed and the surfacing will complete the work.

Need of a surfaced road to Chiloquin has been brought to the attention of the county court on many occasions. Traffic census has disclosed that the greater part of traffic from Williamson river south to Klamath Falls, originates at Chiloquin.

PASADENA, Calif., May 7.—Corrado Severance, of St. Paul, former president of the American Bar Association and lawyer of national reputation, is dead at his winter home here.

## More Fire Hydrants Held to Be Urgent Need Within City

### Fire Chief Keith Ambrose Asserts Lack of Facilities Would Result in Holocaust on Windy Day to Urge Council to Take Action

Rapid growth of certain districts within the city limits with which installation of water mains and hydrants has not kept pace, has resulted in an unparalleled situation which may result in a holocaust here should fire break out in certain sections on a windy day, today declared Fire Chief Keith Ambrose.

Chief Ambrose is now preparing a letter to be presented to the city council Monday night in which the seriousness of the situation will be set forth.

"There is not a single fire hydrant in territory bounded by Spring, Oak and Sixth streets," Ambrose declared.

"In the whole of Industrial addition, across the S. P. tracks from the main section of the city, there is only a

2-inch main and only one hydrant, that in front of Dr. Soule's home. In the entire territory formed by the angle of the Shippington and Pelican Bay roads there is no water and of course no hydrants.

"In the territory bounded by Grant, Third and California avenues there are no fire hydrants except at the boundaries of the districts.

Danger Is Real  
"Ordinary small fires on a quiet day can be handled with chemicals, of course, but due to the flimsy construction of the houses in these unprotected areas a fire that got a good start on a windy day would be practically uncontrollable. The situation threatens not only the houses in these unprotected districts but also the entire residential and business section, for once a general fire gets under way there is little prospect of stopping it in short order."  
Chief Ambrose stated that present mains were laid out without making allowance for the city's growth. Starting with 10 and 12-inch, they were tapered down to 4 and 2-inch sizes too quickly. Four and six-inch mains are needed now in many sections where there are now only two-inch mains.