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MASS MEETINGS WILL BE STAGED THROUGH COUNTY

Citizens Generally Will be Put on Record in Rail Controversy

WILL HOLD HEARINGS

Public Indorsement of Hill Line Project Will be Urged on People

Determined to offer every possible encouragement to the Hill lines in their plans to enter Klamath county, a movement got under way here today for staging public meetings in every section of the county during the next few weeks.

Public sentiment, it was said, will play an important part in hearings to be held before the interstate commerce commission and Klamath county will be asked to express itself in no uncertain terms.

Hill line engineers are working at top speed to complete their final location surveys as quickly as possible. Four separate parties are now in the field, and the surveys will be completed at the earliest possible moment.

To Fix Route

As soon as the line between Bend and Klamath Falls is definitely fixed, the route will be filed with the interstate commerce commission, after which public hearings will be called to determine whether or not the Hill lines shall be given the right to build between Bend and Klamath, or whether they will be granted common-user rights over the Southern Pacific line from Odell.

Klamath county residents who have grown weary of the Southern Pacific domination, as well as the empty promises of Mr. Strahorn, the promoter, are now marshalling their forces preparatory to an intensive campaign that will be carried to every part of the county in the interest of more railroad development for Klamath county.

To Fix Meetings

The first of these scheduled meetings will be held probably within the next two weeks, and the meetings will be continued until every section of the county has been covered.

All civic, public and semi-public organizations will be asked to adopt resolutions favorable to the entry of the Hill lines and to appoint accredited representatives to appear before the interstate commerce commission examiners when the hearings are scheduled.

It is believed that some of the hearings will be held right here in Klamath Falls, inasmuch as it is here that the projected rail battle is centered.

Definite announcements of the schedules of meetings will appear in The Evening Herald at an early date.

DELIVER TROUT

Stout and Ramsdell Sending Out First Shipment of Fish

Stout and Ramsdell were delivering their first shipment of eastern brook trout from their hatcheries near Chilloguin in Klamath Falls yesterday.

THEY SAY HE'S CRAZY, BUT MAN WHO WOULD KISS PRETTY GIRLS ISN'T VERY FOOLISH AFTER ALL!

NEW YORK, May 21.—Henry Clay Moffat, Brooklyn's man of mysterious impulse who gives jewels away and admits he never sees a pretty girl without wanting to kiss her, is again in a hospital for mental observation.

Some weeks ago the daughter and niece of Judge Reuben L. Haskell of Brooklyn, received two mysterious \$1100 bracelets by messenger. Detectives trailed them to Moffat, who at first denied and then admitted giving them. He never

Frank Howard Is Slated for Important Job

Local Engineer to be Appointed County Road Engineer

An unofficial agreement of the county court has been reached whereby Frank Z. Howard, well-known civil engineer of this city, will receive the official appointment as county road engineer for Klamath county, County Judge R. H. Bunnell announced yesterday afternoon.

Mr. Howard's appointment to this important job depends upon his indorsement by C. T. Darley, county surveyor. The indorsement will be in the form of an appointment of Howard to the position of deputy county surveyor.

That Mr. Howard is favored by the county surveyor for the position is well known. It is understood that Mr. Darley will appoint Mr. Howard as his deputy this week.

New Position

The position of county road engineer was created by the state legislature last year. In the hands of the respective county courts of Oregon the legislature placed the power of appointing the county engineer, whose job it was to be in charge of all county road construction and market road projects.

The law stipulated that the county engineer should submit all plans for market road and county road construction to the state highway department for endorsement before going ahead with any project. In this way a close link between the state and county road departments will be maintained.

Mr. Howard, who is a registered civil engineer, has for many years been identified with road construction work both in Oregon and Washington.

A graduate in engineering from the Whitman college, he secured a position with the state highway department of Washington, and that capacity was grounded in fundamentals of practical highway construction.

Later Mr. Howard was hired as assistant engineer for the city of Walla Walla. In this work he was in charge of many paving and general street improvement projects of that city. For three years Mr. Howard held the position and then moved to Klamath Falls.

Former Assistant Engineer

As assistant engineer of Klamath Falls under City Engineer Don J. Zumwalt, he worked here for one year and a half. However, during that time he returned to Walla Walla to handle some engineering work in his former home town.

When City Engineer Zumwalt was succeeded by Eugene Henry, Mr. Howard retired from city engineering activity and accepted a position in the county surveyor's office.

SUICIDE RUMOR

An unconfirmed rumor was received by both the sheriff's and coroner's office this afternoon that a woman supposed to be a Mrs. Wheeler had jumped off the Link river bridge. The report could not be confirmed by either official.

Authorities were continuing their investigation late this afternoon. Although they believe the report was unfounded.

FIVE MEN SHOT IN TEXAS WHEN JAIL IS RUSHED

Efforts to Lynch Negro Suspects Bring Tragedy Early Today

MACHINE GUNS USED

Sheriff and Guards Fight Back Infuriated Men—Feeling is High

DALLAS, Tex., May 21.—Five men were wounded, one seriously, in an exchange of shots between officers guarding the Dallas county jail and mob of about 300, prisoners shortly after one o'clock this morning.

The mob, bent on taking Frank and Lorenzo Noel, negro brothers, indicted yesterday in connection with two murder and assault cases, was driven back after about 30 shots had been fired. All of the injured were civilians.

The only officer wounded was Sheriff Schuyler Marshall, who was struck by a brick.

Dwight Stewart was the most seriously wounded, he was shot in the side and his recovery is doubtful. The others were but slightly wounded. About 100 men and a woman were arrested and placed in the jail. No charges were filed against them.

Following the attack, the crowd around the jail which began congregating early in the night and at one time was estimated at 5,000, gradually dispersed, although several hundred maintained an all night vigil.

The rush which resulted in the shooting started when a band of men, armed with rocks and bottles, attacked the line of policemen and firemen who were guarding the west side of the jail building. Many missiles were directed at the firemen who attempted to beat the mob back with streams of water. Their efforts were unavailing and the mob broke through the line. At this point firing began and police standing by opened fire, discharging about 30 shots, most of them into the air.

The mob immediately fell back, and the attack subsided.

Confessions Made

Armed with machine guns, shot guns, side arms, bombs and fire hose, about 75 officers maintained guard over the eight story jail.

The negroes were arrested last Friday and indicted yesterday after one of them was said to have confessed to the killing of Ryan Adkins and the assault of his woman companion on a lonely road north of the city on the night of April 12. Frank Noel was also indicted for the murder of W. L. Millstead and assault on his woman companion on the night of April 25. The crimes aroused considerable public indignation and feeling has been running high since the negroes were arrested. One of the women assaulted identified Frank Noel as her attacker.

Ambrose Delves Into Fire Cause

A small boy, eight years of age, and member of a well-known family, is held to have started the fire in a barn on Tenth and Grant street which was practically destroyed of the child this afternoon.

Fire Chief Keith K. Ambrose was to have interviewed the parents of the child this afternoon with the view of restraining the child from further pranks of the sort.

According to investigation by Chief Ambrose and his firemen, the fire was deliberately set by matches.

The barn, which was in the rear of the home of Frank L. Mars, was owned by Hal H. Ogle. It was not covered by insurance. Loss will approximate \$300.

Cloudburst at Lexington Does \$40,000 Damage

Black Horse Canyon Is Swept by Torrent of Water

PENDELTON, May 21.—Damage estimated at \$40,000 was done at Lexington, Morrow county, yesterday afternoon between 2 and 3 o'clock when a torrent of water tore down Black Horse canyon for a cloudburst and inundated the business and residential section of the town. No loss of life was reported and personal injuries suffered are said to have been slight.

The water that raced down the canyon and through the town ranged in depth from four to six feet, and its force was sufficient to life buildings from their foundations and move them considerable distances. The office building of the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company was carried sixty feet on the crest of the flood waters and set down next to a bank building.

The heaviest individual loss is said to have been suffered by the W. F. Barnett General Mercantile store. Damage done to the building and stock by mud and water was placed at \$15,000. The A. L. Beach store's damage was placed at \$2,000. T. harness shop, the post office building and other small buildings were moved from their foundations and damaged.

Power Company Claim Scouted

"It is highly unprofessional for an attorney to try his cases in the newspapers" was the only comment J. H. Carnahan would make today when his attention was called to certain statements made by D. V. Kuykendall bearing on the suit filed yesterday against the California Oregon Power company, whom Kuykendall purports to represent. Mr. Carnahan is attorney for the Fort Klamath Meadows company which is seeking to recover from the Power company half a million dollars for damage done by reason of the manipulation of the gates in the Link river dam, through which the water of Klamath lake was raised and lowered to the injury of the Land company.

In an effort to cover up the Power company, its local attorney seeks to make it appear that every effort was made to protect the lands of the plaintiff and undertakes to point out that the damages asked for are unreasonable because the land was originally purchased at \$15 an acre, while the amount asked for in the suit would amount to \$50 an acre. Since the Meadows company became owners of the property it has added hundreds of thousands of dollars in dikes, drainage and irrigation canals and other improvements. He also claims that the company has settled with all other land owners, while it is understood in certain circles that additional suits will follow that of the Meadows, which if lost by the power company would practically bankrupt it.

The active attorneys for the California Oregon Power company are Morrison, Dunne & Brobeck of San Francisco and Evan Reames of Medford.

IN KLAMATH FALLS

R. A. Field and W. J. Reid of Field and Moon Lumber company are visiting in Klamath Falls for several days. They operate between here and Ashland.

SNAPP WINS

A sheriff's jury of six local citizens decided this morning that Donald Stickney of Salem had no claim against the dining car of the Snapp Bros, which has been held here pending disposal of a claim against the car on a judgment held by young Stickney against William R. Snapp.

The issue of the trial was whether or not William Snapp owned any interest in Snapp Bros, carnival. The jury decided not. The jury was composed of O. D. Burke, foreman, Lloyd Ryan, C. L. Holliday, D. M. Smith, Roy Anderson and William Ross.

SEEKS DEATH SO HUSBAND MAY BE FREE TO MARRY

Los Angeles Woman Takes Tragic Way in Effort to Solve Triangle

STRANGE CASES TOLD

Peculiar Accidents Reported—Ice Crushed One, Beef Another

LOS ANGELES, May 20.—A strange mixture of suicides and peculiar accidents crowded police blotters in this section during the past 24 hours, a period which also was remarkable for most unusual, dark overhanging clouds and rain.

Mrs. Joan Cahill, 25-year-old wife of William Cahill, electrical engineer, was taken to the receiving hospital early today with what police surgeons said was a self-inflicted bullet wound in her breast. She told officers she had shot herself so that her husband might be free to go to another woman. Surgeons say she cannot live.

Takes "Easiest Way"

Chester M. Cate, member of a prominent Massachusetts family, head librarian of the nationally famous Huntington library at San Marino, near here, was found shot dead in his auto on a lonely road in the suburbs. Officers say all evidence pointed to suicide. Cate was scheduled to appear in court today on a charge of contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

Edgar Collier, tourist from Michigan, 68 years old, died of heart failure at the wheel of his auto on a crowded street here today. The machine continued down grade, disorganized traffic, broke a woman pedestrian's leg and wrecked itself against the side of a building.

Shot in Knee

Russell Smart, taking the only time available to move from one home to another, started to do so in the early morning hours. A policeman patrolling a beat with a friend, saw Smart carrying parcels and grips in the dark from a house to a waiting auto. The officer arrested Smart and left him in charge of his friend while he went to call the patrol wagon. When he returned he found Smart on the ground with a bullet smashed knee. The friend said that Smart had attacked him and that he had fired in self defense. Surgeons said that Smart would be crippled for life.

W. J. Brown of Culver City, a suburb, was served with divorce papers by his wife a few days ago. Neighbors found his body on the floor of his home last night, the room filled with gas from an open jet.

Crushed by Ice

Edward Walker, 22, tried to hoist a 100-pound block of ice into a refrigerator. It fell on his head and he died in the receiving hospital.

Walter Cowles, veteran cowpuncher, slipped as he hoisted a 200 pound side of beef from a hook in his meat market. It dropped on him and he is believed by receiving hospital surgeons to be fatally injured.

EL RODEO GIVEN STUDENTS TODAY

"Bigger and better" than ever is the verdict reached by many over the 1925 publication of El Rodeo, annual year-book of Klamath county high school. The book, the product of many hours of concentration, labor and conscientious effort was delivered today among students, friends and advertisers who are boosting the high school.

The annual staff is more than to be complimented according to the business men around Klamath Falls. Kenton Hamaker served as editor-in-chief of El Rodeo and assisting him were 18 other students and Miss Van Devanter, faculty advisor.

Two Patrolmen Let Out; Force Given Shake-up

J. E. Cooper Fired Outright; Jack Argraves Asked to Resign

Klamath Falls' police force underwent a severe shake-up yesterday afternoon and last night at the hands of Mayor Fred R. Goddard and Chief of Police Harry M. Loucks, and when the smoke had cleared City Patrolmen J. E. Cooper and Jack Argraves were minus their jobs.

Cooper was fired last night by Mayor Goddard and Chief Loucks on the charge that he had been associating with women of ill repute.

Argraves Incompetent

Argraves was let out, because of alleged incompetence in the conduct of his duty.

Owing to illness of Chief Loucks, Mayor Goddard took a prominent part in the shake-up of the department. Yesterday afternoon he called Argraves to his office and asked for his resignation.

Argraves wanted to know why, and the mayor told him it was because he was inefficient in his duties. Whereupon Argraves threw his star and cap down at the mayor's request and marched out of the office.

Argraves to Protest

Argraves declared today, it was reported, that he would appear before the city council next Monday night and protest against the mayor's action.

Argraves was formerly on night shift, but recently was shifted to the day shift, because, Mayor Goddard said, he did not cooperate sufficiently with the other night officer. As day patrolman he did not show sufficient ability as an officer to be further retained on the force, the mayor pointed out.

Cooper Fired

Reports of alleged underworld associates of Patrolman Cooper led the mayor to watch the night patrolman carefully in an attempt to ascertain whether or not the reports were based on fact.

Last night the mayor saw Cooper in company with a notorious woman of the underworld, and on that ground called Chief Loucks for a conference. Shortly afterward Cooper was fired.

"Personally, I have nothing against Cooper," the mayor said. "He was a good officer and worked hard. But the fact of the matter is, he was a little indiscreet in his associates and for the best interest of the force, I felt that he should leave."

Reconstruction Progresses

Today work of reconstruction of the police force is in progress. One man, Harold Collins, formerly of Seattle, has been hired to take Argraves's place. Former experience as motorcycle policeman on the Seattle police force, led Chief Loucks to hire him temporarily. If he proves competent he will be hired permanently. Successor to Cooper has not yet been selected.

Cooperation Needed

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SAME OLD LINE OF BUNGO USED TO FOOL PEOPLE

Strahorn 'Sale' to Southern Pacific Means Less Construction

MOVE IS ANALYZED

Modoc Northern Not to be Built—Merrill and Malin to Suffer

After the people of the city recovered from the shock they received upon learning that Robert E. Strahorn had sold out to the Southern Pacific the road their money had helped to build, they began to look around to see what they had received in return. Careful sifting of the flow of words poured forth by Mr. Strahorn, and a close examination of the statement made by Mr. Sproule, president of the Southern Pacific, revealed the fact that they amounted to nothing. It is the same old game of bunco. Everything is hedged around by a carefully built fence of "ifs."

If the Southern Pacific, in cooperation with the man whom the people of Klamath county supposed was to deliver them from the railroad domination of that company, can succeed in preventing the entrance of the Hill lines into this territory, then we will be in the same position twenty years from now that we are in today.

Will Lose Out

Assuming that the Southern Pacific carries out its promise to build the O. C. & E. to Lakeview and connects up with the N. C. O., it will mean that the Modoc Northern will never be built. That will shut out the Merrill-Malin territory, the richest part of Klamath county. It will also mean that Poe Valley, Bonanza and Langell Valley will be left without direct railroad facilities, for there is little prospect that the S. P. would consent to build the branch to Bonanza.

It would also mean that Fort Klamath and the northern part of Klamath county would be denied the benefits of competitive railroad accommodations and still remain, as it is today, at the mercy of the Southern Pacific. In a word, the Southern Pacific-Strahorn program would leave the very best part of Klamath county just as it is today, without railroad facilities.

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EXTRA! SIXTH-STREET FRANCHISE WINS ONE MORE VOTE; PEOPLE STRONGLY AGAINST STRAHORN

For Strahorn Franchise..... 4

Against Franchise..... 249

Another vote favoring an exclusive Sixth-street franchise for the Strahorn railroad straggled into the Herald office today, making a total of four votes registered for him since the Evening Herald's popular ballot was started this week.

But while this lonesome ballot was being cast, 93 others were being marked against Strahorn and his franchise appeal.

Announcement that the Southern Pacific had come out in the open in announcing its control of the Strahorn road apparently caused the heaviest voting of the week, the people feeling much the same about Southern Pacific domination as they do about Strahorn promises.

The ballot appears again today. If you haven't already registered your opinion on the franchise question, tear off this ballot today, mark it and get it to the Herald office. The ballots will close this week.

STRAHORN RAILROAD BALLOT

Shall the Strahorn line be granted an exclusive franchise to cross Sixth street, or shall the common-user clause be inserted?

What Do You Think?

For an Exclusive Franchise.....Mark ()

Against Exclusive Franchise.....Mark ()

Mark your ballot. Then mail or bring it to the Herald office.