

POWER COMPANY TO BE SOLD

Hearing Is Started In Metropolis

Railway Forces Start Battle for Supremacy in Klamath

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 5. (AP)—Two great railroad systems, The Great Northern - Northern Pacific group, and the Southern Pacific are represented by their highest officials and a small army of experts, for the hearing which opened here today on the petitions of these lines for permission to build extensions in central and southeastern Oregon and northern California. Charles D. Mahaffie, director of the finance bureau of the Interstate Commerce Commission opened the hearing, which is expected to bring a clash of opinion as to the relative importance of the petitions of the two systems.

The northern roads, thru their subsidiary, the Oregon Trunk, want to extend a line from Bend to Klamath Falls, and have indicated to continue the extension on ultimate.

Six Orphan Children Burned To Death In Fire Early Sunday At Indian Reservation Settlement

Catholic Mission, Far From Railroad, Swept by Devastating Blaze While Youngsters Are Asleep—Many Volunteers Fight Fire Valiantly

LEWISTON, Ida., Oct. 5.—Fire brought tragedy on the little Catholic mission settlement lying in the Nez Perce Indian reservation, 25 miles east of here at midnight Saturday and took a toll of six orphan dead.

Located five miles from a railroad in sparsely settled section, the boys' dormitory at the mission where 31 youngsters lay asleep, was wiped out by the flames while volunteer fighters fought valiantly to rescue the entrapped boys.

Nuns of the mission, heroically worked to awaken the sleeping youths, half dragging them from their beds to safety. The sisters were believed to have escaped with all the boys from the building when five of the lads—one only five years old—dashed back into the blazing building to rescue some boon companion they thought was facing death.

The bodies of six were found closely huddled together by the rescue workers who raked through the ruins. The victims ranged in age from 5 to 14 years.

Efforts of the volunteers who organized a bucket brigade, and played a stream of water on the flames through a half inch hose was fruitless.

PRISON KILLER GOES ON TRIAL IN SALEM TODAY

Tom Murray, leader of Convict Trio Faces Jury on Charge of Murder

TO BE HARD FOUGHT

Many Witnesses Summoned in Case of Man Who Killed Guards

SALEM, Oct. 5.—Tom Murray, 22 year old desperado serving a 20 year sentence in the Oregon penitentiary and the central figure in three breaks from that institution, went on trial in circuit court here this morning for the killings which resulted from his last escape from the prison, August 12, when he, Ellsworth Kelley, James Willos and Bert (Oregon) Jones shot their way out of the "Big House."

Murray, Willos and Kelley made their escape, only to be recaptured and brought back to face murder charges 10 days later. Jones dropped dead with a bullet through his head just outside the walls at guard tower number 1. In the exchange of 15 or more shots with guards J. M. Holmad, 62, and John Sweeney, 60, both guards on the walls at the time of the break, were killed and each of the three convicts faces charges of killing both.

Separate Trials
The three prisoners will face trial separately, with Murray, admitted leader of the trio facing the ordeal first. For him, as well as each of the others, District Attorney Joan H. Carson will ask the death penalty, charging all to be participants in a

STORMY WEATHER HALTS RESCUERS

NEW LONDON, Conn., Oct. 5.—(AP)—Rear Admiral H. H. Christy, in charge of efforts to recover the bodies of 28 men who went down with the submarine S-51, reported to the submarine base that weather conditions and the sea were too rough to permit diving operations this morning.

SCHOOL JANITOR KILLED BY AUTO

EUGENE, Ore., Oct. 5.—Struck by an automobile on the Pacific highway in front of the Santa Clara school, a few miles north of here, D. W. Wing, 65, janitor at the school, was almost instantly killed this morning.

Torpedo Boat Sinks; 52 Men Reported Lost

HELSINKI, Finland, Oct. 5. (AP)—Three officers and fifty men were drowned when the Finnish torpedo boat S D-2 went down yesterday in a violent storm during the naval maneuvers. A dispatch through Copenhagen and London last night said a Finnish gunboat, name not given, had foundered in the Gulf of Bothnia.

Three other vessels have taken refuge off the Swedish and Finnish coasts.

Slayer Of Editor To Be Caught

Luke May Says Drovers Murderer is Known to Kelso Officers

KELSO, Wash., Oct. 5. (AP)—One man under arrest and a statement by Luke S. May, criminologist, that the slayer of Thomas Doversy is known to officers, is developments in the mystery that has showed the death of the Kelso editor who was shot down on the street here in June.

May and Sheriff Clark Studebaker of Cowlitz county, went to Oregon and arrested a man known as W. L. Thompson, alias William Reese, who was working in a railroad camp about 70 miles from Eugene. In regard to Thompson, May said "what he would be charged with, or whether he will be charged at all will be determined in the next two or three days."

Killer is Known
May declared that he would be able to place complete information in the prosecutors hands within three days. He stated "we know positively who killed Thomas Doversy," adding that the individual is not anyone who has been mentioned in connection with the case to date. He said the parties involved are not residents of Kelso and never were actual residents.

May said that the gun used by the slayer had been positively identified by its owner.

May and Sheriff Studebaker were busy today completing details in the investigation. They were non-committal today, but intimated that further statements might soon be forthcoming.

Special Prosecutor
R. G. Sharpe, special prosecutor appointed by Attorney General Dunbar at the instance of Governor Hartley, arrived in Kelso from his home in Olympia last night. Sharpe made this statement today:

"I have given A. Ruric Todd, who filed charges against George Norris until Tuesday noon to file any further information that would warrant holding Mr. Norris on the charge of conspiracy in connection with the death of Doversy. A statement on this phase of the case will be forthcoming Tuesday afternoon."

Thompson is held in jail here incommunicado.

Bradbury And Jacob Come To Farmers' Aid

President of Federal Land Bank Approves Plan

Due to the efforts of R. E. Bradbury, in which he has the unstinted support of Joe Jacob, farmers of the Klamath Irrigation district who have been delinquent in their payments are going to get relief, and a plan has been evolved that may solve the difficulties that are confronting the state on a number of private projects, where delinquencies similar to those existing here have been more or less of a nightmare to state officials. Following the slump in the price of farm products and the inability of the farmers to ship to outside points, on account of the high freight rates, a large number were unable to pay their irrigation district charges and consequently became delinquent. Following the customary tactics that have marked the administration of affairs on the project by the Reclamation Service, federal officials refused to lend a hand in solving the difficulties and it rested with the directors of the Klamath Irrigation district to find a way out.

R. E. Bradbury last winter induced the legislature to pass a relief act, through which the penalties for the delinquencies were set aside. He then submitted to the farmers a proposition that if they paid up all of their county and state taxes, which they now could

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More Trickery By S. P. Shown

Petition to Extend to Cornell, Cal., Not Yet Filed

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 5.—Reports from San Francisco and Klamath Falls to the effect that the Southern Pacific had, last Friday, filed with the interstate commerce commission, a petition to extend its line from Cornell, Cal., to Alturas, Cal., were proven false during the hearing here today.

Ben C. Dey, on behalf of the S. P., announced to Examiner Mahaffie that the Central Pacific at "this time wishes to file a request to extend the proposed new line from Cornell to Alturas, thus giving Klamath Falls almost direct eastern rail connections."

Thus, by Dey's own admissions, the S. P., has not even yet filed application to extend this line, and the only thing before the commission is the oral request made by Dey today.

Hey Fellers!

The World Series Starts October 7
And the Evening Herald Will give you A play by play Report of the Games
At the Pine Tree Theatre.
And, Oh Boy! It's goin' to be thrilling!
To watch Our A. P. operator Record the clicks Right in front of your very eyes
Just as the Game is played—As usual
Evening Herald Is first with The latest!

ANOTHER BRICK BUILDING WILL BE CONSTRUCTED

Two Story Structure to be Built on 11th and Main by G. D. Grizzle

TO COST ABOUT \$25,000

Lower Floor to be Used for Store Rooms; Upper for Rooming House

Announcement was made this morning of the contemplated construction of a two story brick building on the corner lot of Eleventh and Main by George D. Grizzle, Klamath Falls business man. Cost of the building alone, not including fixtures or property investment, was estimated at \$25,000.

Contract for the new building will be let next Monday night in the office of Howard Perrin, local architect. Mr. Perrin has drawn the plans and will in all probability supervise construction of the structure.

The new building will be located on the southwest corner of Eleventh and Main streets, on the property occupied by Mr. Grizzle's monumental works. It will have a frontage of 52 feet and a depth of 110 feet and will consist of three large store rooms on the first floor and a rooming house on the second floor. Mr. Grizzle will occupy the Eleventh street corner store room space for his own use.

Mr. Grizzle's small building, which he is now using, will be moved from the property and the entire piece of land will be cleared in the near future to make room for the new brick structure.

Mr. Grizzle has been considering for a long time the construction of a brick building. He hopes to have it completed before winter weather interferes with the work.

J. Of P. And Deputy Burke Sued By Zumr

Claim Illegality in Liquor Raid on Zumr Home

Justice of the Peace Ed Kendall is charged with issuing an unlawful search warrant and Lon Burke with malicious libel in two damage suits against the law enforcement officials asking for \$500 damages from each officer. Vincent Zumr, blacksmith and farmer of the Main district, is the plaintiff in the two damage suits.

The damage suits are based on a certain raid claimed to have been conducted by Burke on September 19. The complaint states that Burke, with a search warrant as his authority, entered the Zumr ranch home and after searching the house found no intoxicating liquor or any evidence of liquor.

The complaint states that Kendall is liable for damages because he issued a search warrant (which was not justified inasmuch as the evidence introduced in the complaint against Zumr and in an affidavit sworn to by Burke, was of hearsay variety.

Negotiations Now In Progress To Sell To Big Chicago Company

Field Agent Now Checking Up Data for H. M. Byllesby Company; Big Merger in Prospect—\$20,000,000 Involved

Negotiations are under way for the purchase of the property and entire holdings of the California Oregon Power company by the H. M. Byllesby company of Chicago, according to authentic information received here today from both San Francisco and Chicago.

The sale price, if pending negotiations are carried through to completion, will be in the neighborhood of \$20,000,000.

The acquisition of the holdings of the California Oregon Power company is sought by the Byllesby company as a part of an enormous program by which it seeks to tie up power holdings from northern Washington to Southern California. Its combined projected purchases will total in the neighborhood of \$100,000,000.

It became known from authentic San Francisco sources that the Byllesby company now has a field man on the ground making a careful check of the property and otherwise gathering sufficient data which will permit it to make a definite offer to the officials of the California Oregon Power company.

Three of the Byllesby executives, President J. J. O'Brien, Vice-President R. G. Hunt and Halford Erickson, will arrive on the Pacific coast early next month to inspect the power company properties and make a definite offer.

It also was reported that officers and directors of the California Oregon Power company have announced their willingness to sell, provided they are satisfied with the offer which will be made to them.

The Byllesby company is said to regard the California Oregon Power company as the most strategic utility in the west from a geographical standpoint, as it furnishes the connecting link between Oregon and California.

In connection with its contemplated purchase of the California Oregon Power company, the Byllesby company is negotiating for the lease or purchase of some of the holdings of the Pacific Gas and Electric company to connect up its various projects in California.

Klamath County Residents And Organizations Repudiate S. P. Program By Decisive Majority

Herald's Ballots, Chamber of Commerce Voting And Action Taken by Federated Clubs Show That This Section is Strongly Opposed to Just One Railroad

TOTAL VOTE TO DATE
For Oregon Trunk 1736
Against Oregon Trunk 11

In a last determined but futile effort to win over public sentiment and support in Klamath county, the Southern Pacific has been discredited and turned down in action taken by Klamath county residents on the eve of the interstate commerce commission hearing which started in Portland today.

In the first place, the membership of the Klamath county chamber of commerce repudiated its directors in the resolution which the Southern Pacific sought to twist into an approval of its plans in this county. This resolution was turned down by a vote of 74 to 49, and placed the rank and file of the chamber on record as being strongly opposed to a one-railroad monopoly in this part of the state.