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GAME BIRDS OF TULE LAKE ARE BEING POISONED

Strange Malady That Has Killed thousands of Ducks Puzzles Authorities

BARNES INVESTIGATES

Believe Stagnation of Water or Alkali Causes Fatalities

Thousands of ducks and geese die in Tule lake as a result of a strange malady, believed induced by either alkali water or rank stagnant ponds, it became known today.

To cope with the situation the United States biological survey has been notified, and will conduct an examination to determine what is the cause of the wholesale deaths in the ranks of game birds.

This morning Game Warden Marion Barnes left for Tule lake to locate several specimens of dead birds. He will send them to the biological survey research office in Portland, where the vital organs of the birds will be analyzed to determine the cause of death.

What is causing the plague among the game birds cannot be ascertained here. It is believed to be water that the ducks are drinking in some sections of the Tule lake district. But whether it is alkali or stagnant water, must be determined by expert analysis in Portland.

First inkling of the situation became known over a month ago when reports were received of ducks found dead in the tule marshes. As more game birds arrived from the north, the number of dead geese increased until the situation has developed to a point where something is being done to cope with the problem.

A similar problem, only with deer, faced game authorities last year. Scores of mule deer died in Modoc county from consuming wet mud in a dried up spring.

Legion Hosts Name McQuigg

Ohio Man Will Head Organization For Coming Year

OMAHA, Neb., Oct. 9. (AP)—John R. McQuigg, of East Cleveland, O., was elected national commander of the American Legion on the first ballot at the legionnaire's final session of their seventh annual convention here today.

The election was decided with the votes of 13 delegations still to be recorded. It was a landslide and upon motion of Howard Savage, Illinois, defeated candidate, and Edward Spafford, New York, was made chairman.

LONDON—Melba is thinking of going into politics in Australia when she retires.

He Lacked Curiosity, But—

W. T. Elliott, Klamath Farmer, Passed up Chance for Fortune

He's Sorry For It Today

If the curiosity of W. T. Elliott, Klamath farmer, had been a bit more pronounced during the world war a few years ago, he might now be independently wealthy.

Winthrop Says He Will Repay Stolen Money

Bend Fugitive Pleads Guilty to Larceny Charges

BEND, Ore., Oct. 9.—Robert A. Winthrop, pleaded guilty before Judge T. E. J. Duffy yesterday to the indictments charging larceny by ballot and obtaining money under false pretenses. Winthrop, who was returned last week from Pasadena, California to face the Bend charges which grew out of a series of deals here in October, 1924, made no statement at the time he entered his plea although he had stated previously to officials that he hoped to make restitution for what he had taken and blamed bad luck for his actions.

Judge Duffy set no time for sentence and court was adjourned last night until 9 o'clock Monday morning.

WOMAN KILLED WHEN CAR SKIDS

Heavy Fog Near Roseburg Early Today Is Cause of Fatal Accident

ROSEBURG, Ore., Oct. 9.—Mrs. M. A. Lewis, of 1006 West 35th Street, Los Angeles, was instantly killed this morning when the car in which she was riding with a party of friends turned turtle about two miles south of Sutherlin. Walter Smith, another occupant of the machine, was seriously injured, but is expected to recover.

New Hampshire Is Rocked by Quakes

FRANKLIN, N. H., Oct. 9. (AP)—What appeared to be an earthquake shook houses and rattled pictures and dishes at 3 a. m. today. A sound like an explosion accompanied the shock, which lasted 2 or 3 seconds.

MANCHESTER, N. H., Oct. 9. (AP)—Slight earth tremors were felt throughout the Merrimack river valley in New Hampshire about 9 a. m. today.

Steamer Peary Reaches Maine

MONHEGAN ISLAND, Maine, Oct. 9. (AP)—The steamer Peary of the MacMillan Arctic expedition, arrived here today in advance of the schooner Bowdoin. The latter had not been sighted when the Peary dropped anchor in the harbor of this isolated seaport, 20 miles at sea from Booth Bay harbor, the Bowdoin was expected before dark.

COLD IN THE BEND

BEND, Oct. 9.—The coldest night in many months was experienced in Bend last night with the temperature dropping to five below the freezing point, according to the government weather observer.

SPROULE TELLS COMPANY PLANS IN RAIL FIGHT

President of Southern Pacific Takes Witness Stand at I. C. C. Hearing

ONE ROAD IS ENOUGH

Declares it Against Public Interest to Allow Oregon Trunk Extension

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 9.—William Sproule, president of the Southern Pacific company, testifying here today at the interstate commerce commission hearing on proposed railway development in southern Oregon and northern California, formally voiced the opposition of his company to the plans of the Northern lines through the Oregon Trunk to extend from Bend to Klamath Falls.

"We oppose entry into this territory by that line, as not in the public interest, but as representing a real detriment to the public through dividing between two lines a business which is not more than enough for the support of one," he said.

One Line Enough

"It is against the public interest to construct more railways than are needed, excess construction only results in a lame return upon the money put into the lines, with an inferior service by each of them, and a burden upon the public."

He said the Southern Pacific plans provide facilities for all traffic of the Klamath territory, superior to those proposed by the Oregon Trunk, without duplication.

Direct Line East

Mr. Sproule asserted that the plans would give Oregon a new direct continental line to the east. This line, he said, would be so located "on the one hand to serve the greatest agricultural and timber sections of Oregon, and on the other hand provide a mid-continental route giving direct service to the major part of the United States."

Mr. Sproule's testimony with respect to the new main line east from Oregon was based on applications of his company for authority from the interstate commerce commission to construct a line from Klamath Falls, on the new Eugene-Klamath Falls line, southeasterly through the Tule lake country, to the broad gauged Nevada-California-Oregon railway at Alturas, thence via Ogden to the east.

Shorter Route

The Southern Pacific's line from Klamath Falls via Natron to Portland, Mr. Sproule pointed out, is 117 miles less than to Portland in Bend over the proposed Oregon Trunk line. He also cited comparisons of distances from Klamath Falls to Chicago, St. Louis, St. Paul, Omaha and Kansas City via Bend and Alturas.

Mr. Sproule's comparisons of rail distances to eastern points follows: "To Chicago the line via Bend will be 298 miles longer by Great Northern and 277 miles longer by Northern Pacific.

"To St. Louis, the line via Bend will be 551 miles longer by Great Northern and 435 miles longer by Northern Pacific.

"To St. Paul, the Alturas line will be 45 miles longer than the Great Northern and 19 shorter than the Northern Pacific."

"To Kansas City, the Alturas line will be 368 miles shorter than the Northern Pacific via Billings."

"Locally, Southern Pacific proposes," said Mr. Sproule, "first to promote the natural development of territory in Oregon on the Nevada-California-Oregon railway including the timbered areas in the Lakeview basin; second, through out-laying an interest in the Oregon, California and Eastern road, these lines would be extended to make available the timber resources tributary to the Sprague river and the Williamson and Sycuan rivers; third, through the Natron cut-off, we will

Medford Ousts Klamath From High Position

Neighboring City Beats K. F. in Building Activity

Klamath Falls is crowded out of its coveted position in third place in state building activities by Medford. It was announced today in the September building report of the S. W. Straus company. It now occupies third place, with Portland, Eugene and Medford holding first, second and third, respectively.

The report reveals \$155,892 representing building investment in Klamath Falls for September. Medford annexed third place with a figure of \$229,090 invested in construction. Eugene spent \$256,500 in construction for the month and Portland \$3,539,685.

September building in Klamath Falls reveals a decided slump compared with the preceding month of August when \$225,295 was invested. Klamath, however, leads Salem, La Grande and Astoria for the month.

Salem Butter Robbers Fail To Finish Job

Organized Gang is Relieved to be Responsible

SALEM, Ore., Oct. 9.—Creamery robbers, believed to be the same who have looted numerous creameries all over the Willamette valley and at various places in the state of Washington, took 700 pounds of butter from the creamery coffers last night and piled it on the creamery platform and left it there, evidently having been scared away before they could complete the job. Thousands of pounds of butter have been taken from various Oregon creameries during the past few months. Creamery men believe the robberies have been staged by an organized gang working out of Portland.

THREE DEAD IN CROSSING CRASH

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 9.—J. L. Grathwohl, 36, farmer; Alta Grathwohl, 19, his wife, and Betty Grathwohl, their 2-year-old daughter, were killed instantly late yesterday in a crash between a Troutdale interurban street car and an auto on the Arata Road, near Afata station. The three members of the family were riding the auto, which was driven by Grathwohl.

EDITS RADICAL ORGAN

POTS DAM.—Friedrich Ebert, son of the late president of Germany, has become the editor of the Social Democratic Volksblatt, a radical organ. He formerly was editor of the Social Democratic parliamentary news service of Berlin.

COAST LEAGUE SCORES

At Portland 7, Sacramento 6.
At Seattle 9, Salt Lake 9, (called end of 12th, agreement)
At San Francisco 5, Vernon 3.
At Los Angeles 5, Oakland 6.

NEW YORK—Frances Aida of the opera has bought herself an armored automobile in fear of holdups in New York.

WORLD SERIES SERVICE TO BE GIVEN TOMORROW AT PINE TREE THEATRE

A halt was called on the Evening Herald's play-by-play world series service for Klamath ball fans today because of the rain, but if the game starts tomorrow in Washington, just gather at the Pine Tree theatre, starting at 11 o'clock and get the only play-by-play report received in Klamath Falls. This service is being given free of charge through the cooperation of Harry Poole.

"OREGON" JONES KILLED HIMSELF ASSERTS WARDEN

Sensational "Confession" is Produced during Murder Trial of Tom Murray

IS FOUND BY TRUSTY

Leader of Prison Break Wrote Note While Lying Wounded and Helpless

SALEM, Ore., Oct. 9.—The state and defense both scored in the testimony and rulings of the court in the trial of Tom Murray, accused convict slayer of Guard John Holman in the prison break of August 12, yesterday afternoon. The most sensational disclosure was the introduction by the state of a purported confession by Bert "Oregon" Jones, convict who died in the break, that he killed himself after he had been wounded and lay helpless on the ground just outside the tower number 1.

The alleged confession was in the form of pages torn from a note book which Warden A. M. Dalrymple said had been found on or near Jones' body. The submission of this evidence was a dramatic moment in the trial inasmuch as the existence of such evidence had never before been intimated.

Found by Trusty

Warden Dalrymple testified that the note book was brought to him shortly after the break by a trusty convict named Johnson, a life term, who said that it had been found on Jones when the coroner was examining the body. Dalrymple said that he found the alleged confession scrawled on several pages of the book in blue pencil and that he also found a code and other notations in the book. After tearing the confession from the book he gave it to Dewey Jones, the dead convict's brother, who offered to attempt to decipher the code, but was unsuccessful.

The second sensation developed when Dalrymple was cross examined by the defense. The warden was just about to be released when he stated that he had another bit of information that had not been brought out by the questioning.

"What is it?" asked Will R. King, chief defense counsel.

Liberty or Death

"When examining the cell that had been occupied by Jones and Ellsworth Kelley the night of the break the guards found some handwriting on the wall in the same blue pencil," Dalrymple said.

"In one place it read 'tonight at 6 o'clock I leave this place dead or alive' and was signed 'Oregon Jones.' Beneath it was written 'give me liberty or give me death—Crowbar Kelley.' Kelley was known as Crowbar Kelley in the prison."

The defense failed completely to shake the warden's story of his actions at the time of the break.

Chambers Endorse Advertising Plan

Cities of southern Oregon should join hands next year and finance a southern Oregon advertising campaign.

This was the opinion Wednesday of chamber of commerce officials from Klamath Falls, Grants Pass, Roseburg, Medford and Ashland, who met in Grants Pass to discuss the proposition.

The matter was first suggested by P. O. Crawford, manager of the New Industries department of the California Oregon Power company, who declared that his company would join with different cities of southern Oregon in financing the movement.

Lynn P. Sabin, secretary of the Klamath chamber and W. W. McNeely chairman of community advertising committee, represented Klamath at the meeting.

Another meeting will be held in the near future to settle ways and means of financing the advertising project.

No Charge Of Burglary Will Be Preferred

Jerry Sheehan Released Following Investigation

No charge of burglary in connection with the attempted entrance to the Arcade hotel pool room will be preferred against Jerry Sheehan, it was announced today from the district attorney's office.

Sheehan pleaded guilty to a charge of intoxication yesterday and was fined \$25 by Police Judge Lem L. Gashagen. He paid his fine and was released.

An investigation convinced the district attorney's office that Sheehan had no part in the attempt of some prowler to gain entrance to the pool room. Sheehan was arrested near the hotel a few minutes after the sound of breaking glass had apprised the night clerk of the Arcade hotel that an attempt to enter the hotel was being made.

It was revealed today that the pool room had been entered last week and between \$15 and \$20 in cash stolen from the cash register. The robbery was not reported to the police.

Widow Testifies Politics Forced Shenandoah Trip

WASHINGTON, Oct. 9. (AP)—Mrs. Margaret Rose Lansdowne, widow of Commander Zachary Lansdowne, Captain of the Shenandoah, called today before the naval court of inquiry that the navy department had ordered the alrship on the western flight for political purposes over the protest of her husband.

Casey Jones Wins Airplane Contest

MITCHEL FIELD, N. Y., Oct. 9.—(AP)—Casey Jones of Garden City, N. Y., won the aviation town and country club of Detroit trophy race, the only event run of those scheduled today in the national air races. He flew a Curtiss-Oriole plane at an average speed of 128.42 miles per hour.

Francis B. Sayre Being Considered

SALEM, Ore., Oct. 9.—It became known here today that the name of Francis B. Sayre, son in law of the late President Woodrow Wilson, may be placed before the board of regents of the University of Oregon as a possibility for the presidency of the University.

CANCEL PASSAGE

BUCHARREST, Romania, Oct. 9. (AP)—It is learned that the Romania debt funding commission, which was due to sail from Cherbourg for the United States tomorrow, has cancelled its passage.

Yreka Has Real Mystery

Negro Dwarf Kept in Tonneau of Car Causes Much Speculation

Auto Party Held "Queer"

(Special to The Herald)
YREKA, Calif., Oct. 7.—"Miss Mary and charge—Los Angeles."

Behind this registration at a local hotel Monday night lies a mystery that has not been fathomed in Yreka but which has provoked a large amount of conjecture.

RAIN POSTPONES THIRD GAME; TO PLAY TOMORROW

World series Contest at National Capitol Halted by Heavy Downpour

DIAMOND IS MUDDY

Next Three Clashes to be Staged in Washington—Will Play Sunday

WASHINGTON, Oct. 9.—(AP)—Today's scheduled world series game between Washington and Pittsburgh was postponed on account of rain.

The postponement was announced after a conference on the field between Manager McKechnie of the Pirates, Clark Griffith, president of the Senators, and K. M. Landis, baseball's high commissioner.

The outfield was found to be very muddy and the canvas covering on the infield was spotted with pools of water. The rain-dragged spectators who had been optimistic enough to take their seats filed slowly from the park.

Under the rules agreed upon the teams will play here tomorrow, Sunday and Monday, today's postponement merely setting back the schedule for one day.

Legion Auxiliary Elects President

OMAHA, Oct. 9.—(AP)—Mrs. Edna London Shepherd of San Francisco was elected national president of the women's auxiliary to the American Legion at the closing session of the national convention today. She defeated Mrs. Ruth McCurry Brown of Little Rock, Ark.

Harding Memorial Plans Are Started

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Oct. 9.—Impetus was given the proposed Harding memorial park at the summit of the Blue Mountain last night at an enthusiastic gathering of representatives from Oregon and inland empire towns. The meeting was for the purpose of bringing the project which will commemorate the late president prominently before a larger body of people.

TO STAGE RALLY

- Led by Vell Leader McMullen
- Klamath high school students
- will stage a monster rally on
- Main street tonight to arouse
- pep and interest in the game
- with Ashland high here tomorrow
- afternoon. The students
- will march from the Elks' tom-
- ple to the White Pelican hotel,
- giving school yells and songs.

instructing the driver of apparently Mexican extraction to take the machine to a garage.

The party at the hotel retired for the night but two workmen in the garage nearly died from fright when they heard weird sounds coming from the tonneau of the machine in early morning hours. Investigation disclosed a negro dwarf, unable to express himself coherently when spoken to and not more than 25 inches tall when he stood erect. He was kept wrapped in blankets by the Mexican, who slept by the dwarf's side.

At dawn, the machine left the garage and it was met in front of the hotel by other members of the party, and it rapidly disappeared northward on the Pacific highway.

The license number of the machine was not taken and the identity of the occupants continues to be shrouded in mystery.