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## A VICIOUS CAMPAIGN

A noted character is reported to have said: "Lie! Lie! Lie! some will stick." That seems to be the slogan of those opposing the candidacies of Short and Jacob. Never in our experience in Klamath county have we seen such wanton, wilful, premeditated misrepresentation as that characterizing the campaign. And since it is only starting, we presume it will increase in virulence and venom as it progresses.

As to the charges pertaining to the Enterprise Land and Investment company land:

When the reclamation service came here, this company gave it, free of charge, twenty-five acres of land for the main canal and over four miles for laterals, these being laterals B, C, D, and F. For ten years all charges were paid, during all of which time every effort of the company to secure water for the land proved futile.

The reclamation service refused to let this company use the right of way it had donated for the lateral to reach this property and when it sought to bring water to the land along a public highway, it was enjoined. Then notice was served upon the reclamation service that no further charges would be paid by the Enterprise Land and Investment company until water was delivered. In the meantime thousands of dollars had been spent by the company in testing this soil for agriculture, and each attempt met with failure. Experts from the United States agricultural department were called in and they pronounced the land WORTHLESS FOR AGRICULTURE. Then the company sought to have the land excluded from the district, which was resisted by the reclamation service in pursuance of its policy of persecution of the owners of the property. When the irrigation district was established, the law provided for the procedure to be followed in having such land excluded and at the hearing that was held no representative of the government put in an appearance, although they had ample notice. Instead one of those imperialistic telegrams was sent and which was properly ignored, and the board, following the law, gave to the Enterprise Land and Investment company the relief to which it was properly entitled.

No man, with a spark of fairness or decency in his veins, will condemn the board for its action. The members did only what honest men should have done and we challenge anyone to advance any reason why it should not have done as it did do.

Another lie published is that the present board of directors has employed a stenographer at \$150 per month. The board has no stenographer. It has employed an experienced bookkeeper to build up a set of books that are essential to the district and which should have been opened seven years ago. This will be the first year in which the taxroll of the district was prepared in the district office, the work heretofore having been done by the reclamation service. Just as soon as the books are brought up to date, the services of the bookkeeper will end. Secretary Thomas has done all of the district's work himself and if the books in question had been in such shape that he could have taken up the work at the date on which he entered office, no additional employe would have been necessary. In fairness to the former secretary, it is only just to say that he had undertaken the work that Mr. Thomas is carrying on, a work that had necessarily been delayed because of the difficulty in working out a proper system. This could not be determined until just what was needed was developed. The same expense would have been incurred, no matter who was secretary or what board was in power.

These two instances show the viciousness and unscrupulousness of those fighting the election of Jacob and Short. Why are they doing it? Let us tell you why:

The California Oregon Power company must gain control of the waters of Klamath lake and thus prevent the irrigation of all land available for cultivation under the project. If all of the irrigable land is brought into cultivation, for four months in the summer the Klamath river will be, to all practicable purposes, dry. It will mean that the power plants on that river will be idle during that period. That is one reason why the fight to beat Jacob and Short is so bitter.

Another reason is that the present board, and the future board as it will be constituted through the election of Jacob and Short, will compel the California Oregon Power company to pay for the surplus water that the reclamation service insists shall be furnished to them free of charge. This will mean a revenue of approximately \$100,000 a year that will have to be paid to the district by the California Oregon Power company.

These are two of the reasons why the Klamath News, the recognized mouthpiece of the California Oregon

For Sixty Cents Worth of Nuts



Power company, is so viciously attacking the board of directors and why this campaign of theirs will go down in history as one of the most vicious in the county's history.

## PUT THE CARDS ON THE TABLE

The Klamath News has this to say this morning: "It is well founded that Mr. Eberlein invested some of his pelf in a local newspaper. And that this newspaper was thereby enabled to lift some of its notes to the tune of thousands.

"The newspaper supports a railroad. The railroad buys a tract of land from Mr. Eberlein. Mr. Eberlein's money finds its way to the newspaper. A vicious cycle, surely."

Now, the only local newspaper in which Mr. Eberlein might desire to invest his money would be the Evening Herald. Surely he would not be expected to invest any in the Klamath News, the mouthpiece of the S. P.-Copeco outfits. Mr. Eberlein is too much of a gentleman to be found in such company.

Just to bring the matter to a head, we have the following proposition to make to the Klamath News:

The Herald Publishing company will pay to any charity to be named by the Rotary club, the Kiwanis club and the Chamber of Commerce, \$5,000 if the Klamath News will produce any evidence sustaining its charge, or evidence going to show that Charles Wood Eberlein, or anyone else, has a dollar invested, either directly or indirectly, in The Evening Herald, or has promised, directly or indirectly, to invest in The Evening Herald; or has contributed one dollar towards the support of The Evening Herald, outside of the legitimate charges made for any display advertising that may have appeared in The Evening Herald in the regular course of business and at the regular commercial rates charged to any advertiser.

To be brief, The Klamath News has lied and we would like an opportunity to prove it. The only condition attached to this offer is that if the Klamath News cannot make good on its charge, it will turn over to the three organizations named \$5,000, to be distributed for such charitable purposes as they may elect.

Time and again charges have been made against this paper and its editor that money has been paid for its support, but never has there been a man who said he paid for it. If there is, we challenge him to come forward now. When The Evening Herald supports an issue it does so because it believes it to be right and all the money and influence in the world could not change or secure that support.

If this journalistic Judas can prove what it claims, let it do so. If it cant, then let it bear the brand of Ananias for all future time.

## ARE YOU A CURBSTONE FARMER?

In the February issue of The Oregon Farmer, there appears the following item, over the signature of G. W. Offield:

"No Free Hospital—We've had all kinds of talk about relief, but during the seven years I was president of the Klamath Irrigation district, I notice that there were two classes of farmers on the relief question. Those who wanted it were in town on the street corners; those who didn't were out on their farms, at work. The idea of mass relief is just about exploded, and the government should not be made a free hospital for chronic financial invalids."—G. W. OFFIELD, Klamath Falls.

You will find Mr. Offield fighting the election of Short and Jacob.

If those opposed to Jacob and Short had anything upon which to base their opposition, they would not be making the campaign by attacking Bradbury and Eberlein. Bradbury is in for two years more and Eberlein is

## Drys Mobilize Against Change of Volsteadism

WASHINGTON, Nov. 4.—(AP)—A sharp note of warning and a paean of campaign for the accomplishment in prohibition enforcement down to this time are sounded in a report prepared by Wayne B. Wheeler, chief counsel, for presentation tomorrow at the opening of the biennial convention at the anti-saloon league of America at Chicago.

With forty national wet organizations mobilizing against the prohibition amendment, Mr. Wheeler declares there must be eternal vigilance by the dry forces. Already there has been challenging opposition, he says, but adds that in the face of the fight the prohibition forces have moved up hill steadily. "No similar policy of government has shown a more continuous, constructive gain," he asserts.

## ATTACK VICTIM WILL NOT TELL STABBER'S NAME

ASTORIA, Ore., Nov. 4.—(AP)—R. C. Graham, victim of an Astoria rooming house stabbing affray Monday night, died here this morning, refusing to the last to name the person who had inflicted the mortal wound. For 24 hours after he was attacked Graham declared he had cut himself with a piece of glass. He finally admitted he had been stabbed, but declined to name the assailant. Two women witnesses are being detained.

when their only daughter, Miss Virginia Mary, was married to Mr. Philip Carl Sandin, the ring ceremony being performed by the Rev. S. C. Carson of the Congregational church. The bride was very lovely in a beautiful gown of salmon pink silk crepe de chine.

Witnesses to the ceremony were Mrs. Mary T. Moss and Mrs. Lillian Johnson. After congratulations the wedding guests were served with delicious refreshments, and then the bride and groom left on a wedding trip by auto to Redding and Sacramento. They will return to Klamath Falls to reside after their trip.

The bride was a senior of the Modoc county high school, and will be greatly missed by her classmates as well as parents and numerous friends. Mr. Sandin was an employe of the Alturas box factory and made numerous friends during his residence here. All extended congratulations and best wishes.—Alturas Plaindealer.

## COPCO SOLD TO CHICAGO FIRM

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organized and controlled by the Byllesby interests.

In making the announcement last night, John D. McKee, president of the California Oregon Power company, said that the basis of consolidation would be an exchange of stock of the California Oregon Power company for securities of the new company. The stockholders already have agreed to the terms of consolidation.

A letter sent to preferred stockholders from Medford, Ore., late yesterday stated that the company contemplates to continue in its present corporate form and that expansion would be continued on an enlarged scale.

The physical properties of the California Oregon Power company for several years have been connected with those of the Mountain States Power company, which is controlled by Byllesby interests. McKee Confirms Report

MEDFORD, Ore., Nov. 4.—Paul B. McKee, general manager of the California Oregon Power company announced today that the H. W. Byllesby company of Chicago, through an exchange of common stock has merged its interest with the California Oregon Power company and will develop and extend the interests of the latter company in southern Oregon and northern California.

According to Mr. McKee, the transaction involved no money but was entirely a stock transaction, the home office of the California Oregon Power company will remain in Medford and the present officers and personnel will be retained.

The Byllesby company is well known on the Pacific coast, being interested in the Mountain States Power company in Oregon and Washington, in the Western States Gas and Electric company, Coast Valleys Gas and Electric company, Sierra and San Francisco Power company and the San Diego Consolidated Gas and Electric company in California. The transaction involving about \$4,000,000 will give control of the California Oregon Power company to the Byllesby interests.

NEW YORK, Nov. 4. (AP)—Plans have been made to consolidate the California Oregon Power company with a new company to be organized and controlled by the Standard Gas and Electric company, H. W. Byllesby and Company, announced today.

The California Oregon company operates a system supplying electric light and power to 44 communities in northern California and southern Oregon including Klamath Falls, Medford, Ashland, Grants Pass and Roseburg, in Oregon and Dunsmuir, Yreka and Fort Jones in California. The company owns and operates 11 hydro-electric plants, with 775 miles of high tension transmission lines and 760 miles of distribution lines.

The physical properties of the California Oregon company for some years have been connected with the Mountain States Power company, utility of the Standard Gas and Electric company. The Mountain States Power company transmits power from the California Oregon company to the Portland Electric Power company.

The announcement said it is expected that in the future energy will be delivered into the Coos Bay and Humboldt Bay territories now served by the Byllesby companies.

BERLIN.—Music lovers are admiring the left hand technique of Paul Wittgenstein, an Austrian pianist, who lost his right arm during the war and for whom Richard Strauss has prepared a special concerto.

## FROM ALL OVER OREGON Bits of News From Towns Throughout the State WHAT OTHERS ARE DOING

**P. E. O. CHAPTER MEETS**  
Members of Chapter A.A. P. E. O., had a delightful dinner at the Hotel Holland Wednesday evening, October 28, honoring Miss Mickey of Portland, state organizer. The table was beautifully decorated in yellow and white and Miss Mickey was presented with an armful of chrysanthemums.

Following the dinner the members adjourned to the home of Mrs. A. E. Moore on Holly street, for their regular meeting. Mrs. Pickoff gave an interesting report of the supreme convention at Minneapolis, Minn., which she attended as a delegate.

Several piano selections by Miss Mickey and vocal numbers by Mrs. E. A. Day were enjoyed by all.—Medford Tribune.

**YOUNG GIRL PASSES ON**  
Miss Jean Maddox, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Maddox, passed away at 7:30 o'clock Saturday night as a result of accidental poisoning from bichloride of mercury. The poison was taken on Tuesday and in spite of every effort to save her life she grew slowly weaker until death put an end to her suffering on Saturday.

Miss Maddox was 16 years of age, having been born in Roseburg on February 5, 1911. She attended the Roseburg schools and was a junior in the Roseburg high school at the time of her death. She was an extremely talented young lady, particularly in music and in dramatics. She has had a prominent part in many programs and entertainments in Roseburg and was well known to the public of the city.

Besides her father and mother she leaves a brother, Richard Maddox, of this city, and two half brothers, Anthony Maddox of Sacramento, who is expected to arrive here today, and Woodson Maddox of this city. The funeral services were held on Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Roseburg Undertaking parlors, Rev. McCullagh, pastor of the Presbyterian church, officiating. Interment took place in the I. O. F. cemetery.—Roseburg Review.

**MRS. KLEIST DIES**  
Mrs. Robert Kleist of Brockway

passed away at her home Sunday after a week's illness. Mrs. Kleist had been ill with bronchial pneumonia for a short time, until illness culminated in death yesterday.

She was the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Buxton, of Brockway, born January 15, 1891. In 1913 she was married to Robert Kleist. During her residence in the county she made many friends, who will be grieved to learn of her death. Besides her husband she leaves a small daughter, Eileen, a brother, Charles Buxton, and two sisters, Mrs. Ira Ashworth and Miss Sadie Buxton.

The funeral services will be held at the family home in Brockway, Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. H. L. Caldwell will read the services and interment will follow at the Civil Bend cemetery.—Roseburg Review.

**GIRL IS ATTACKED**  
The story of an attack by a prominent Portlander upon a young woman on the club golf links at Portland yesterday, the episode being entirely ignored by the Portland police after they had been notified of the affair, leaked out in Salem today.

The young woman was found at the 17th hole of the links, her throat having marks of the man's hands upon it, according to reports reaching here. She was in an extremely frightened condition when found. According to definite report here, she divulged the name of the man who had attacked her, but due to the fact that he was a man of considerable prominence in the city, the police refused to take the matter up. The woman was well known by a number of members of the Portland club.

Four Salem golf players, Russell Bonesteel, Hug, Settler and Watkins, were off the links at Portland when the affair took place. Those of them who were today questioned over the incident verified the report but were unable to recall the name of the Portlander involved in the scandal.—Salem Journal.

**MARRIES KLAMATH MAN**  
A pretty home wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Burg of Alturas at 10 a. m. Monday