

# FILIPINO GIRLS HELD AS SLAVES

MANILA, Dec. 1.—(AP)—Girls are reported being held in servitude for a period of from one to seven years in Occidental Negros province under conditions amounting to slavery. This was the situation revealed today by reports made by constabulary officials who say they have uncovered a series of illegal detention cases. The situation was revealed in a statement issued by executive offices of the governor general here.

The information says that at a plantation near the town of Isabella, a number of girls have been held in compulsory service without payment.

At a designated plantation, the constabulary report says, the girls suffered from habitual cruel treatment at the hands of their mistresses. When angered the woman in charge compelled the girls to work for 48 hours without food and sometimes whipped them. Elaborating, the report says a mistress once threw a pot of boiling water over a girl who died within two weeks from the burns.

Charges of illegal detention and homicides have been filed against the persons involved.

## Highway District Is Given Approval

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 1.—The formation of the Umpqua highway improvement district was approved yesterday by the state highway commission. The district is located in Douglas county. The purpose of the district is to secure funds for the completion of the Umpqua-Cooa county line section of the Roosevelt highway. Five road districts were eliminated by the highway commission.

## Council Will Re-Open Bids Street Paving Bonds Are Declared Legal

Bids will again be opened for the sale of \$160,000 in Klamath Falls street improvement bonds, covering three units.

But they will not be re-advertised, nor is it necessary for the city council to retrace its steps beyond the mere opening of bids. That is, it will not be necessary to pass ordinances to legalize the action.

This much became known last night at an adjourned meeting of the city council.

The \$160,000 issue is the same that the American National refused to accept, claiming a technical error in procedure. A few days after the action of the bank, the next highest bidder, the combined offer of the Pierce Fair and company, Lumbermen's Trust company and Ralph Schaefer company all of Portland, wired the council that they would accept the bonds refused by the bank. They stated that their attorneys in Portland had failed to detect any legal discrepancy in the procedure. Last Monday night, the council formally sold the bonds to the Portland concern.

However, the legal bond firm of Teal, Winstree, Johnson and McCulloch communicated late last week with City Attorney J. H. Carnahan and advised him that bids should be reopened. They gave as their reason, Mr. Carnahan informed the council, that the bonds should be sold under competition.

The Portland firm assured the city attorney leading up to the first opening of bids, was regular and in their opinion, within the law. They held that it was not necessary to retrace the tedious steps taken to legalize the first opening of bids.

## Cuts and Breaks in Streets Fixed

The worst breaks and cuts in the pavement on city streets are now a thing of the past, for last night the Warren Construction company asphalt crew wound up their street repair work in Klamath Falls for the season.

There are some bad cuts still left, but all of those that were made by the Lorenz Plumbing company, the California Oregon Power company, the telephone company and the heating plant have been filled up and rolled.

It was only when a delegation from the chamber of commerce and city council personally requested that the work be done this fall that Major Arnold, local Warren company representative, agreed to carry on the repair work this year.

### WELL ATTENDED

According to the weekly scout bulletin, which is off the press today, over 350 boys from all over the state of Oregon attended the conference in Portland. The boys from Klamath, through their association with other boys, and in the conference, learned many things about patrol organization which they will pass on to the other members of their troops. Essays on the conference must be handed in by Saturday, when a prize will be awarded the winner.

### NURSES INJURED

MEDFORD, Ore., Dec. 1.—While Miss Leah Jennings, county nurse, and Miss Josephine Koppes, secretary of the Jackson county health unit, were enroute to Jacksonville from Medford this morning, their coupe skidded on the wet pavement and overturned in a ditch. Both sustained bad shocks and Miss Jennings' right arm was broken.

## HEALTH UNIT TO WAR ON PRIVATE WATER SUPPLIES

### Dr. G. S. Newsom, Medical Director, to Force Owners to Connect with Main

Unless restrictions impede, an active and vigorous campaign will be launched within the week by the county health unit against private wells in the Shippington district. It was announced this morning by Dr. G. S. Newsom, medical director of the unit.

Attention to the Shippington water supply situation was attracted by three typhoid fever cases which broke out in quick succession. Investigation disclosed that a dozen or so homes situated on low ground were receiving water from private wells.

Adjacent to these homes, but on higher ground, are other homes with no sewer system to handle sewage. As a result, Dr. Newsom pointed out, the private wells have been constantly contaminated from seepage from neighbors residing on higher ground.

"I took samples of the water supply of the wells, and find it stagnant and an obvious menace not only to the people who use it, but to the entire community, because they are jeopardized in case of an outbreak. These people who insist on taking water from private wells should be forced, in the interest of public health, to connect up with the water main and be assured of a sanitary water supply."

"Before starting in on a campaign of this sort, it is necessary to find out how far it is possible for one to proceed and still remain within the law and for that reason my first steps will not be taken until I have secured a legal opinion."



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## Last Month Is Chillier But Not So Rainy

### Month, Generally Speaking, is Prevaling Cloudy

Colder but not quite so damp as in years past.

This, in a condensed form, is what the God of weather lent out to Klamath during the month of November, according to the monthly report of Reclamation Service officials.

It was colder than the average temperature for November by 1.66 degrees, but on the other hand the November average rainfall shows 1.89 inches where the precipitation for last month was but 1.30.

There was one night in the month when it was cold, too cold in fact, for the temperature on the night of November 5 sank to 16 degrees above zero. The highest temperatures of the month were on November 1 and November 8, when on both dates the mercury roisted itself to 54 degrees.

Generally speaking it was a cloudy month, for the records disclose that 15 days were entirely cloudy, nine partly cloudy and but 6 clear from sunrise to sunset.

Half the engagement rings are bought with money raised hurriedly.

### Seeks Title



Here is Al Figaro, the latest contender for flyweight honors now held by Fidel La Barba. Figaro hails from Italy. He holds the fly weight championship of that country. Note the striking resemblance to the late champion Pancho Villa.

## LYNN SABIN TO BE SENT NORTH TO CONVENTION

### Chamber Secretary to Journey to Seattle for Big Meet Within Few Days

Lynn P. Sabin was chosen this noon to represent the Klamath county chamber of commerce at the mid-year meeting of the western division of the United States chamber of commerce, to be held December 4, 7 and 8, in Seattle.

Sabin, who is secretary of the chamber, was chosen by the board of directors in session at their weekly luncheon. A director of the chamber, yet to be named, will also represent the county at the meeting.

### ALL CITY HIKE SATURDAY

Scouts to Bring Eats and Start on All City Hike Early Saturday

Saturday, December 5th, the first all city hike of the boy scouts will be held. Led by Scout Executive E. O. Nord, the boys who wish to pass their first and second class outdoor tests will leave the chamber of commerce at ten o'clock in the morning for destinations known only to the chief. The hike will be staged rain or shine. Boys who are desirous of passing the following tests can go:

For second class scouts, all registered tenderfoots who want to pass compass, cooking, firemaking, knife and hatchet, scout race. Each scout is asked to bring one pound of meat, and three or four potatoes, knife, hatchet, scout hand book, note book and pencil. All second class scouts wishing to pass to first class tests in use of the axe, judging distance, bring an axe, articles for hunter's stew and flapjacks also utensils necessary.

Scout Executive Nord announced today that these hikes will be held once each month.

## PROMINENT S. P. OFFICIAL DIES

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 1.—(AP)—Philip K. Gordon, formerly general agent of the Tanset Route of the Southern Pacific company, is dead at his home at Carmel. He is survived by his father, General David Stewart Gordon, U. S. A., retired, Washington, D. C., by his widow, two sons and a daughter. One of Gordon's sisters is Mrs. Shelby M. Tuttle of Medford, Ore., and John Stuart Gordon of Tacoma is a son.

### VEATCH HERE

Henry Veatch, well known here where he visits frequently from his headquarters in Portland, traveling for a general sporting goods firm, arrived in the city last evening, expecting to spend several days here on business.

## Students Back in School After Big Sympathy 'Strike'

FOREST GROVE, Ore., Dec. 1.—(AP)—One hundred students of the Forest Grove high school were back at their studies this morning following a walkout yesterday in protest of the suspension of 27 students who were said to have attended the Independence-Forest Grove football game after being ordered to remain away.

The return to school followed interviews with the members of the school board in which board members promised that the twenty-seven suspended students could return to school without loss of credits and that the incident would be "forgotten."

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