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AND THE WORLD MOVES ON

Are there times when you can't help but wonder As you're trailing along with life's mob, If the world wouldn't just go to thunder, If you should fall down on the job? Don't kid yourself, son, for a minute, That you're needed in life's stirring game; Though you're doing your bit, If you happen to quit, This world moves along just the same.

You may win both glory and honor, In life's tempestuous race; But when you drop out you are a "goner," And there's someone to step in your place; It's a battle, my boy, to the finish, And though you gain fortune and fame, If the going gets rough, And you quit when it's tough, This old world moves along just the same.

I can't help but think, as I ramble Up and down this highway we call life, Where every new day is a gamble Filled hourly with turmoil and strife; I can't help but think—I repeat it— That your goal, after all's, a good name; You will cherish it best, When it's time to 'Go west,' And this world moves along just the same.

TODAY'S EPITAPH

Beneath this mound Lies Tony, the wop; He was beheaded on the head By a prahl cop.

HYMN OF HATE

A goof I hate Is Albert Greggs; He always says: "I know my eggs."

A GOLDEN THOUGHT FOR TODAY

Just a few more months and then we can have a good time again causing flies.

AULD LANG SYNE

A pal I miss Is "Johnnie Walker;" He once made me A fluent talker.

CHRISTMAS EDITION

Following the example of all great newspapers, the Klamath Uplifter will issue a special Christmas edition next Tuesday afternoon. Our star reporters, feature writers, staff artists, photographers, and in fact, the entire staff of Uplifters have been working on this big special edition now for several minutes. Be sure to watch for it Tuesday without fail. You'll see some exclusive photographs of some of our most prominent citizens, you'll see a lot of other things you don't generally find in a decent moral newspaper, but the Uplifter, like the late lamented Steve Brodie, is willing to take a chance. You've often wondered why editors leave town. Well, the Uplifter next Tuesday will exhibit No. 1.

State Highway Road Station Is Destroyed

Highway Truck Burns; Seven Barrels Gasoline Explode

Seven barrels of gasoline exploded and a state highway three ton automobile truck was completely destroyed last night at 6 o'clock when the Spencer ranch maintenance station on the Ashland-Klamath Falls highway went up in flames.

Strenuous effort by W. B. Spencer, in charge of the station, and his assistant, Harvey Ayres, to save the ranch house, which was but 50 feet from the blaze, proved successful.

The fire originated, it is thought, from a lighted lamp. Ayres, it is reported, left a lighted lamp inside the maintenance station a few minutes before six o'clock. A few minutes later the building was in flames. At intervals during the first part of the fire, the seven tanks of gasoline exploded and shot flames two hundred feet into the air.

The highway truck was backed up against the building when the fire started, but so fast did the flames spread that neither Ayres nor Spencer could get close enough to wheel the machine away from the blaze. The maintenance station is about 20 miles west of this city.

A. E. Clark To Be Candidate

Portland Attorney Would Go To The U. S. Senate

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 12. (AP)—A. E. Clark, Portland, attorney, today announced his candidacy for the republican nomination for United States senator. He accompanied his announcement with a declaration of principles and said he expects to launch an aggressive campaign after the first of the year.

He is the fifth to formally announce for the republican senatorial nomination.

The other four are: J. J. Crossler, attorney of Portland.

A. R. Shumway, farmer and livestock man of Milton.

Frederick Steiwer, attorney of Pendleton.

United States Senator R. N. Stanford, who is seeking renomination.

New Post Office Boxes Installed

The new post office boxes which Postmaster McCall has been expecting for the past several weeks have at last arrived. Two hundred are ready for rental now and all patrons who have made application for them are asked to appear at the money order window between the hours of nine and five o'clock. The boxes will have to be labeled by the local employes and will not be ready for use until the first of January.

Emmitt Names Noted Five Bachelor Team Is Chosen

Agrees to Marry 'em Free If They Annex Wife While he is in Office

Each year an All-American football team is named.

Likewise, each year, during the Yuletide season, there is named an all-Klamath Bachelor Quintet.

By precedent, by inclination and by general reputation, it has come to pass that R. A. Emmitt, present justice of the peace, bears the responsibility of naming the famous quintet.

This morning he announced his team. But by way of a prelude he made the following proposition:

"To each and every member of this famed quintet of Lochinvars, I hereby state that if they come to me during the time I am serving as justice of the peace, that I will marry them free of any charge."

The team is as follows: C. C. Brower, former district attorney, now practicing law in this city; "Jap" Bennett, well known

AMERICANS ARE FIRED UPON IN CHINESE FIGHT

International Train Forced to Turn Back After Attempting Blockade

HIDE BENEATH CARS

Passengers Have Narrow Escape When Caught Between Two Armies

PEKING, Dec. 12. (AP)—The international train which left Peking for Tientsin early Thursday morning returned here at six o'clock tonight after having been caught in a battle between the forces of Feng Yu-Hsiang and Li Ching-Ling at Yangtsun, 20 miles north of Tientsin.

Twenty Americans, nine Britishers, several prominent Japanese and four league of nation representatives sent to study the plague in Manchuria, who were on board, were forced to take refuge from bursting shells under the coaches of the stalled train.

Nobody injured

The passengers included a number of women and children, all of whom escaped unharmed and declared they were none the worse for their experience, except for the discomfort of huddling under the train in the chilly weather.

Their experience, however, was not without its thrills. A bomb from an airplane fell in the midst of a camel train nearby and fragments penetrated the cars, which also were struck by several bullets.

When the international train was stopped at Yangtsun, an armored train belonging to Feng Yu-Hsiang, which had followed it, landed 1,000 troops with artillery and began shelling the forces of Li Ching-Ling, the governor of Chihli, across the river.

As the guns opened fire the passengers on the international train who had alighted with the intention of walking or securing motor transportation to Tientsin ran back to the train and took refuge under the cars.

News of their plight reached Peking and Willys R. Peck, of the American legation, hurried to the scene with a motor truck loaded with food and blankets. Subsequently the train was safely withdrawn from the fighting area to Langfang, 25 miles to the northwest and thence back to Peking.

Feng's and Li's armies were still engaged in furious fighting to the north of Tientsin near Pehsantang at 7 o'clock this morning.

Umatilla Cowboy Found Not Guilty

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 12. (AP)—William Hart, Umatilla county cowboy, late yesterday afternoon was found not guilty of the murder of Mathew Sheehans, a Umatilla Indian, who died September 12, 1924, from injuries received the day previous.

The case was tried before a jury in Federal Judge Beans court.

No New Cases Of Meningitis Are Reported

Last Two Victims Said To Be Some Better Today

No more new meningitis cases had been reported to the county health office by this afternoon, while the physicians who are attending the cases both reported their patients had shown slight improvement this afternoon and there was hope that both would recover.

Ray Hunsaker, 10-year-old lad, was reported by his physician to have recovered consciousness shortly after the noon hour and appeared to be making steady improvement. The middle-aged man, who also is suffering from the dread malady, also appeared to be some better although his physician said he was far from being out of danger.

State traffic officers last night rushed a supply of serum to Klamath Falls from Medford, when local drug stores had exhausted their supply. Dr. G. S. Newsom, county health officer, said he would see that an ample supply of the serum is on hand for several weeks in order to take care of any possible spread of the epidemic.

Dr. Newsom was seeking to arrange a conference with members of the city school board this afternoon to determine what steps should be taken to prevent a further spread of the epidemic. The Central school, where the Hawkins' boy was a pupil, was being fumigated today, while it is possible there will be no classes there next week.

The health officer recommended that parents use some good anti-septic for spraying the throats and nostrils of their children as one means of prevention.

Receiver For Mine Company Asked In Suit

Ex-Convict From Gold Hill Starts Litigation

MEDFORD, Ore., Dec. 12. (AP)—Percy H. Bell, former cashier for the Gold Hill Bank of Gold Hill, who was recently granted a parole and commutation of a ten year sentence by Governor Pierce, for embezzlement, has filed suit in the circuit court for the appointment of a receiver for the Ancient River Gold Mining corporation, whose diggings and plant are located on Rogue river in the northern part of Jackson county.

C. M. Reed, "Lord" Alstair Erskine, of London, Frank Strahan, and O. F. Dinsler, are also named as defendants.

The complaint sets forth that the property was purchased in June, 1920, on an option of \$100,000 on which a balance of \$40,000 is soon due, and that unless it is paid "at an early date," the property and equipment will be lost. Judgment for \$20,000 with interest at 7 percent is asked, along with \$1000 attorney's fees.

The reason for the action, the complaint cites, is to protect the stockholders, after the trustee, the Gold Hill bank, became insolvent in March 1924.

TEN INJURED IN ELEVATED CRASH

NEW YORK, Dec. 12. (AP)—Ten persons were injured, two seriously today when an elevated express train on the Fulton street line of the B. M. T. crashed into the rear end of a stalled train near the Oxford street, Brooklyn, station.

Only two of the injured required hospital treatment.

The first and sixth cars of the stalled train were telescoped. Both trains were Manhattan bound.

TO PAY PENALTY

HARRISBURG, Pa., Dec. 12. (AP)—Governor Pinchot today fixed the week of February 1, for the electrocution of William Cavallo, the 15 year old Schuylkill county boy, convicted of killing his grandmother.

CHARGES TO BE FILED AGAINST FIVE SUSPECTS

Alleged Bank Robbers Partially Identified by Pair of Victims

TRIED TO SELL BONDS

John L. Etheridge Accuses Two Prisoners of Having Stolen Loot

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 12. (AP)—The five men held in jail as suspects in the Shedd and Troutdale bank robberies will face some sort of charges shortly.

District Attorney Stanley Myers announced that if they are not taken to Albany on actual bank robbery charges, he will file charges of possessing stolen property against them here.

Two Identified

His announcement followed the identification by both Mr. and Mrs. John L. Etheridge of Vincent Murphy and Columbus Jimmy Murray as the two men who had opened negotiations with Etheridge to buy a block of bonds which, according to the authorities, included some stolen from the Shedd Bank.

Any charges to be placed by Myers will include also Wallace Witzel, George (Mike) Welch and Charles I. Griffin, the district attorney announced.

District Attorney L. G. Lewelling and Sheriff Frank Richards of Linn county have gone back to Shedd to see if they can get some better fingerprints.

Fingerprints Faulty

One of the prints brought here appeared to check to some degree with one taken from a member of the alleged robber gang, but it was not close enough to form the basis of charges.

Cashier H. E. Boyd and B. Turner, a customer of the Troutdale bank, are to decide today whether they will lay a complaint against the men. They picked out Witzel and Griffin as two of the three men who robbed the bank, but they were not certain enough to act without thinking the matter over.

Sir Broderick Goes Bankrupt

Rum Running Baron Hits Financial Skids

LONDON, Dec. 12. (AP)—Sir Broderick Cecil Hartwell, known as the "Rum running baron," again is in financial distress. His name is included in the Official Gazette list of receiving orders in bankruptcy.

Sir Broderick, in 1923, organized a company to buy liquor, with the alleged purpose of seeing that the arid United States was made comparatively moist. Circulars were issued inviting the public to take shares in the company, promising large returns to subscribers. Large shipments are said to have been made but finally it was reported that the American coast patrol had put a crimp in his activities by the seizure of some thousands of cases of liquor and that the various shareholders in his company would get little returns for their outlay.

FRENCH LOSSES HEAVY

JERUSALEM, Dec. 12. (AP)—Losses of several hundred French troops in a battle with Druse tribesmen near Damascus, Monday is reported in advices reaching here.

Banking Board To Hold Probe Next Thursday

Charges Against Frank Bramwell To Be Sifted

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 12.—A conference between the state banking board and representatives of the Portland National bank at which grievances of the bank against state bank Superintendent Frank C. Bramwell were presented, was thrown into a white heat before adjournment yesterday afternoon, resulting in a demand, as board members interpreted the accusations, that Bramwell be removed from office.

This came when Will B. Haines, president of the Portland National bank, averred that "you can't have clean banking in Oregon with a corrupt state banking department" and that the board was "prejudiced" in Bramwell's favor.

State treasurer Kay interpreted Haines remark to mean "that the board is prejudiced and that Bramwell is a scoundrel."

So direct and fiery did Haines' remarks become in the course of a speech to the board that Governor Pierce interrupted him, raised his hand and attempted to put Haines under oath. Haines raised his hand, but in the midst of the Governor's reading the oath, turned to J. N. Hart, his attorney, and asked whether he should go under oath. He then refused to be sworn.

"Why should I be sworn when no one else has been?" he wanted to know.

"Because you are making a lot of damn radical statements, and we want to see if you can prove them," answered State Treasurer Kay.

The upshot of the session was that the board set Thursday, December 17, for a further hearing, at which all statements will be under oath, both sides to summon any witnesses they choose and Mr. Bramwell to be on trial with his official position at stake.

Growsome Find Made At Farm

STEPHENVILLE, Texas, Dec. 12. (AP)—Searching the home of F. M. Snow, a wood chopper, near here today, Sheriff Hassell discovered a pile of bones in the fire and a pile of bones in an ash pile in the yard. Blood stains on the floor in the kitchen and in the fire place also were found, Hassell said.

The search was instituted after the arrest last night of Snow on a charge of murder in connection with identification of a human head found Tuesday as that of Bernie Conley, 19 year old step son of Snow.

An axe on which there were bloodstains also was discovered in a wagon used by Snow and Bernie to deliver wood. The underside of the wagon bed and a coupling rod also bore dark stains, officers declared.

Mrs. Snow, mother of the youth, and Mrs. S. A. Old, his grandmother, have been missing since November 27, the day Bernie was last seen.

Kiddies' Toys On Display

Evening Herald's Fund Will Insure Happiness Christmas Morning No Heart-Aches This Year

Two big boxes of toys arrived today at the Mordoff and Woolf store for the poor Kiddies of Klamath Falls. These are the toys which were purchased with the funds which the kind-hearted people of Klamath Falls are giving to The Herald's Kiddies' Christmas fund.

A window display of the toys will be made late this afternoon, so if you want to visualize the happiness which is in store for these eager little youngsters, just walk down by Eighth and Main and take a look at these several hundred toys in the Mordoff and Woolf window. Not only did this firm purchase these toys for the kiddies' fund at a discount, but it likewise donated a number of useful toys on its own account. The kiddies' fund had donated to \$124.15 at noon today, following a

WM. COLE COMES BACK FOR PROBE OF GRAND JURY

Denies Using Sap on Frank Pecholt, on Night of Saturday, Nov. 28

McBRIDE ELUCIDATES

Victim of Blow, Recovers, Normalcy and is Rational Today, Report

William Cole, former special state agent, returned to Klamath last night.

He has returned to defend himself against charges of having fractured the skull of Frank Pecholt, on the night of November 28.

He will remain in Klamath until the entire affair is settled and disposed of, he said this morning.

This morning Cole, W. H. McMills and an "under cover" man named Boyd, all of whom took part in the arrest of Pecholt on the night of November 28, held a conference with the district attorney over the Pecholt affair. The conference was also attended by State Prohibition Agent L. L. McBride.

"I am here to tell my part of the story in the Pecholt case," Cole remarked following the conference. "I want a grand jury investigation of the entire affair. I invite it and am anxious to testify before that body."

Blames Auto

Cole on a previous occasion, just before he left Klamath for the northern part of the state, issued a statement for the press in which he stated that Pecholt was hurt when he fell into a car driven by Ben Schultz, part owner of the Klamath Moulding company. He denied positively that he had even struck Pecholt with a weapon of any kind.

"I repeat the statement I made (Continued On Page Six)

Disabled Steamer Starts for Orient

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 12. (AP)—The steamer West O'Rowa was under way today with engines at nearly full speed and steering with a jury rudder, conveyed by the steamers Dewey and West Holbrook. This advice was received by the Columbia Pacific Steamship company from Captain Robert Wilson, master of the West O'Rowa which on December 1 lost her rudder when about 2200 miles west of Portland on the Pacific ocean. Neither of the conveying vessels has a line aboard the crippled freighter. Repairs will be made to the West O'Rowa in Japan.

\$2 contribution from Mrs. Frank McCornack, who wanted to make sure there would be no heart-aches in the homes of these unfortunate tots on Christmas morning. At least \$150 must be raised for the kiddies, so any person who desires to help in this worthy cause can bring or send a dollar to the Kiddies' Christmas fund at The Herald office. Just take one look at these toys in the Mordoff and Woolf window and you'll want to be one of those who made this Christmas giving possible.

SNOW AT BAKER

BAKER, Ore., Dec. 12. (AP)—The ground was white here today for the first time this winter. Nearly an inch of snow fell during the night. Weather continues mild.