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KLAMATH FALLS, OREGON, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13, 1927

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TORANDO HITS TEXAS; 62 LIVES SNUFFED OUT

GUN FIGHT
FOLLOWED
BY SUICIDEHusband Shoots At
Guard, Then Self
At Tualatin

TUALATIN, Ore., April 13. (AP).—George Mason ended his life this morning with a sawed off shot gun after exchanging shots with ohn Martin, who had been guarding the home of Mason's wife from who he was separated.

A son in southern Oregon wired Mrs. Mason last night to watch out for his father. Three neighbors—Floyd Day, John Martin and a brother of Day—guarded the Mason house last night.

This morning Floyd Day and his brother left to go to work. Mason, who had evidently been hiding in the barn, came out as soon as the men were gone, but was seen from the house, and Martin advanced to meet him, armed with a small caliber revolver. Mason ordered Martin to hold up his hands, but instead Martin replied with a shot. Mason then fired with a sawed-off shotgun, then ran behind the woodshed, lay down and shot himself in the head.

Duck Disease On
Lakes Of Klamath
Suddenly Abates

As suddenly as its outbreak, the duck disease which visited wild fowl in Klamath basin lakes, has abated, according to George Tonkin, United States Game warden who left today for the south after an inspection of several days.

"The cessation of the disease was caused by the cold weather, apparently," Mr. Tonkin said, "and both Ray C. Steele, U. S. Game warden from Portland, and myself look forward for another outbreak with the warmer weather."

JURY TO PROBE
AGENCY ARSON
CASE, REPORT

Charges against 13 girls who are accused of setting fire to the girls dormitory at Klamath Agency will be taken directly to the federal grand jury in Portland, according to word received here today.

Ordinarily such charges are filed before a federal magistrate but seriousness of the charges, it is said, has impelled the United States District Attorney to take the matter directly before the federal inquisitorial body.

At first but five girls were apprehended, but later investigation revealed that 13 were implicated.

Pat Marinar, investigator working out of the department of justice of Portland, refused to disclose any information on the case. The Indian girls are being held at the Agency awaiting call to Portland. Their ages vary from 10 to 17 years old. The dormitory which they set fire was completely destroyed.

Vets To Present
Comedy; To Show
Two Evenings

"Blondes and Brunettes," a comedy farce to be presented by The Veterans of Foreign Wars, will be shown at The Pine Tree on Wednesday and Thursday evenings, May fourth and fifth. The play was written by H. A. Shaw of the local American Conservatory of Music, and is being directed by him.

Completion of plans will be made tonight at a meeting of the Vets to be held in the basement of the court house.

Initiation of a large class will take place this evening and all members are requested to turn out. Eight o'clock is the hour.

Hamaker Leases
Lot On Main St.

Through a deal closed late yesterday afternoon, the Hamaker Motor has leased a 64 foot lot, adjoining the corner of Main and Eighth, facing Main where they will display used cars.

Upon notice to vacate the corner lot where they are at present located, Hamaker Brothers secured the lease on their new location through J. F. Maguire, Jr.

The property is owned by E. J. Murray, formerly of the Evening Herald.

GOOD WEATHER
MAY USHER IN
TROUT SEASONAnglers Await Impatiently
Dawn of Friday,
April 15

That same nervous, get up and go spirit that one sees at a track meet just before the start of a horse race, prevails in hundreds of Klamath homes today.

Only instead of a starter's gun, it will be the dawn of Friday morning that will start the rush; for with the rise of the sun, Oregon's fishing season is formally opened.

It may be true that full streams will prevent large catches; it may also be true that there is so much feed in the bank full streams that trout will not bite. But nevertheless, hundreds of anglers will be seen Friday bait plugging and spoon casting—it is too early for fly casting.

Streams Full.
All the major streams of Klamath—Klamath river, Link river, Wood river, Sprague river, Willamette.



Salmon? Hardly. It is a mammoth 15-pound trout caught in upper Klamath lake in the fall of 1924. The little tyke, by the fish looks as if he is holding it, but as a matter of fact it was too heavy for him, so they propped up the fish behind. The trout was landed in Pelican Bay near Rocky Point after a battle that lasted over 45 minutes. The largest trout caught in the past three years in Klamath lake weighed 18 pounds.

amson river, and Spring Creek are full; so full, in fact, that only a previous knowledge of the streams would reveal where trout would be likely to lurk.

But in the smaller streams, there might be a chance. Anglers are cautioned to remember that Seven Mile creek, Wood river, and the tributaries of Wood river are closed.

In most of the streams, rainbows are running.

District Game Warden Marion Barnes warns all anglers to be careful in the size and number of trout caught.

Beautiful weather prevails, and all indications point to a beautiful morning on the first day of fishing season.

PORTLAND, Ore., April 13. (AP).—In preparation for the opening of the trout fishing season Friday State Game Warden Harold Clifford today directed that notice be posted on all closed streams.

Many letters are coming in from folk outside the state asking where to find the fine fishing they read about. Clifford is preparing a list with names of streams and information about hotel and camping accommodations to answer to inquiries.

Gentlemen Prefer Blondes, but blondes are not so finicky, one judges after reading as much of the book as one reads.

FORD LOSER IN
TRY TO GET AT
INCOME BOOKS

DETROIT, April 13. (AP).—Henry Ford's attorneys and counsel for Aaron Sapiro in his \$1,000,000 libel suit against the motor manufacturer, battled today over the Ford demand for the right to inspect Sapiro's records of income, and Ford lost.

At the end of a long argument in the absence of the jury, Judge Fred M. Raymond decided that he would not issue an order giving the Ford counsel the "right" of access to the books which have been in the court room daily but would trust to the opposing attorneys to argue upon a time and place for inspection of the books. They cover the period of 1917-1924 inclusive.

For 12 days Senator James A. Reed of Missouri, chief of Ford counsel, has cross-examined Sapiro in an effort to establish the amounts and manners of fees obtained as legal counsel for farmers organized into cooperative selling associations. The defense's reason for desiring the records was reiterated today in this language in one of the numerous affidavits which accompanied the motion for the formal ruling.

Plan Game With
Yreka Baseball
Nine On Sunday

The old cry of "Play Ball" may sound Sunday afternoon when the Klamath Falls Pelican baseball nine will meet the Yreka semi-professional nine on Fair Grounds field.

Negotiations are in progress between the two teams to stage the game providing the weather is good.

The Pelicans are practicing daily and rapidly rounding into shape. Bunting and fielding practice has unearthed some excellent material.

Mesner Hurries
To Gold Strike

Harry Mesner, well known Klamath Falls lumberman, wasted no time this morning in catching an east bound train to Sprague River where he plans to stake out a claim in the gold and platinum placer deposits.

"I'll stake out a claim first, and then see whether the reports amount to anything afterwards," Mesner commented.

SPRAGUE RIVER
AGOG; BELIEVE
PAY ORE FOUNDSecrecy Pact Maintained
Until Residents of Community Stake Claims

Sprague River, small lumbering community 40 miles east of Klamath Falls, is in a fever of excitement as the result of the discovery of placer deposits of gold and platinum.

Since Sunday, between 40 and 50 claims have been staked out. The entire community joined in a secrecy pact which was religiously adhered to until the entire area was staked out.

Isolated so far as roads were concerned and connected only by the infrequently traveled O. C. & E. railroad, the secrecy pact was admirably executed. Not one whisper of the activity at Sprague river during the past three days seeped out of the little town, until late last night.

The placer deposits assay between \$22 and \$25 per ton in gold and between \$10 and \$31 a ton in platinum. Discovery of the deposits was made by C. W. Ebberts, employee of the Campbell-Twile Lumber company.

Ebberts, a former mining man, made the discovery. Specimens of the deposits were sent to Winnemucca, Nevada, for assaying. With their claims staked out, and with virtually every foot of the ore bearing district already spoken for, Sprague river residents are now devoting their time to filing on their claims. Some of the claims are on deeded land on the Klamath Indian reservation and some on allotted land on the reservation.

Mining operations would be conducted by dredging and sluicing. Whether or not the deposits are rich enough to warrant an extensive operation is yet to be seen. Residents of the section state, "However," B. E. Welford, storekeeper of the community, said over long distance early this morning, "We have the claims staked out, and are very optimistic over successful mining operations. Everybody kept quiet about it, and not a whisper seeped out of the city until we had the claims sewed up. Now we don't care who knows."

NEW COACH IS
APPOINTED TO
AID D. FRENCH

A. H. Sinclair, former football star of the University of Oregon, has been appointed assistant coach of the Klamath County high school. It was announced today by Fred Peterson, county school superintendent and a member of the Klamath County high school board.

Sinclair will assist the present coach, Dwight French, next football season. He will also be head of the Science department. Miss Helen Withycombe, who formerly was in charge of the science department, has resigned.

Frederick Berger, McMinnville, graduate of Linfield college, has been appointed by the high school board to take charge of the history department. He will succeed Miss Rachel Conquist, who has resigned.

With two coaches, hopes are running high for K. C. H. S. to turn out a winning football team next year.

POSTPONEMENT
TO BE FOUGHTSmith Wants De Autremont Trial to Start at
Appointed Time

EUGENE, Ore., April 13. (AP).—Fred E. Smith, attorney for Hugh De Autremont, held in Medford on a charge of murder in connection with the Siskiyou train robbery, stated today that the petition of the state for a continuance of the case would be fought. Hearing on the continuance plea will be Monday, and Smith plans to be in Medford then to combat the state's move.

Smith said that his case was ready, and that he could see no good reason for continuance of the case beyond the date now set for the trial.

Klamath Ducks
To Be "Tagged"

In an effort to ascertain movements of ducks in their migratory flights, U. S. game authorities will tag many "flopsters" (ducks which are too young to fly) this summer in Klamath. It was announced this morning by George Tonkin, U. S. Game Warden.

FORTUNE SPENT
FOR SICKNESS
HERE ANNUALLYDr. Frederick D. Stricker
Addresses Chamber of
Commerce Today

"The duty of the American people today is to bring the gospel of health into the home of every Indian child."

These were the words of Dr. F. G. Townsend of the United States Bureau of health work for Indians of Washington, D. C., who gave an interesting talk at the chamber of commerce forum this noon.

Urging the wiping down of the line of demarcation between the reservation and county lines, Dr. Townsend told of the high percentage of tuberculosis infection among the Indians today.

"Statistics show that in 1912 a 20 per cent infection of tuberculosis was found in Klamath county among the Indians," according to Dr. Townsend.

In June an intensive campaign to wipe out tuberculosis is to be put on, when every Indian in Klamath county will be examined. This is the first time in the history of the world this campaign, which will be nation wide, has been attempted and the state board of health with the assistance of the local county board will have charge of the work in Klamath, Dr. Townsend stated.

"That the Indian is known as 'The Vanishing American' is wrong, for records show that since 1886 the population has increased by 56,000 in the United States," the physician remarked. "Klamath county is to be congratulated upon its full time county health department, which is one of the 308 counties in the United States carrying on a full time service today," he further remarked.

Dr. Stricker Talked.
"More than one quarter of a million dollars is spent annually for disease in Klamath county, with 20 per cent of the population ill all the time, and more than 300 sick today."

This was the report of Dr. Frederick Stricker, who talked before the chamber of commerce members at the noon forum.

"Klamath Falls is to be commended on its present plans for the building of an immense sewerage system and the city is right in building ahead for a period of 25 years or longer," Dr. Stricker commented. "Sanitation is one of the first laws of health and every citizen should do all in his power to put this project across."

"Remember that prevention is better than cure," the speaker remarked, in comparing the human body with that of a motor car. "Watch for the repairs."

Steals Wraps.

PORTLAND, Ore., April 13. (AP).—Finding a party in progress at the home of W. C. Yielding, a prowler last night went into the bedroom where wraps had been stored and stole the purses of five women guests.

It is always a lot easier to tell the other fellow how to spend his money than it is to part with your own.

Klamath Falls Far In Lead
Of Other Cities In Oregon
In Building Construction

Based on a per capita basis, Klamath Falls is so far ahead of the rest of the state of Oregon in building that competition is not even keen.

Figures available at the city hall today show that in the past week building projects aggregating a proposed investment of \$88,275 have been initiated within the city limits of Klamath Falls.

Nor is this large figure reached through one building project, for in that time 33 permits for building were taken varying from \$50 to \$25,000.

If such a pace in building is maintained throughout the year, Klamath Falls will break all preceding building records. Significant is the fact that the construction takes place during what is termed as a slump in business.

Comparatively speaking Klamath Falls is head and shoulders over other Oregon communities so far as business activities are concerned, according to business statistics available.

BUILDINGS
ARE RAZED
BY CYCLONEDeath and Misery
Follow in Wake
Of Twister

ROCK SPRINGS, Texas, April 13. (AP).—A tornado that struck this inland town last night took a toll of at least 62 lives and injured about 150 persons. The twister was the most disastrous in this section of the state.

Sixty-two bodies had been recovered from the ruins, 33 of which have been identified.

Of the injured, twenty are expected to die before night. Most of the unidentified dead are Mexicans.

Flooded creeks and muddy roads hampered the movement of medical supplies and bedding to the town. Many trucks and autos were waiting with relief cargoes for recession of flood waters. Rescue work proceeded swiftly. All of the dead have been placed in morgues. Some bodies were mutilated beyond recognition.

Fire for a time today threatened to add to the tragedy. The remains of the post office and a restaurant were ignited and sent flames to the debris surrounding them. Efforts of the fire fighters were futile until rain, like a blessing from the heavens, ended the blaze.

More than 100 nurses were sent to Rock Springs by the hospitals of San Antonio and Kerrville.

The twister which last night hit Rock Springs covered four miles square. Less than ten buildings in the town of about 900 population, were left standing.

Houses were splintered, trees were rammed through brick buildings and people were hurled through the air to death or injury.

G. M. Carson, surrounded by friends and his family, was about to cut the cake of his 69th birthday when the tornado came. A splintered roof above their heads ended the party. The aged man was blown from the house and more than 100 feet from the wreckage. He was found stunned but otherwise uninjured.

After the storm, there was only the blackness of night and the cries of the dying and wounded. Dazed survivors stumbled among the ruins.

Finally Dick Perkins, a county commissioner of Edwards county, crawled to a spot left clear by the storm, and shouted. Then others took up the call and made their way to the sound of the first voice.

HEAVY SENTENCE

Pleading guilty to possession of a half pint of moonshine whiskey, E. Eades was fined \$100 and sentenced to serve 60 days in the city jail by Police Judge Lem L. Gashagen yesterday. He had been arrested the preceding night by police.

