

Thoughts We've Been Thinking

Air Not Entirely Safe Yet.
A Mayor Falls for a Cat.
Governor Smith Forgets How Difficult it is to Amend the Constitution.
An Irish Girl is Credited With the Most Perfect Speaking Voice.
Farmer's Tax Burden Has Increased 250 Per Cent Since 1913.

-By BRUCE DENNIS-

THE crash of two moving picture airplanes and the death of ten persons at Santa Monica, California, Thursday goes to show that the air is not quite as safe as our good friend Brisbane and some others of the air-enthusiasts would have us believe.

MAYOR J. B. Messick of Baker, Oregon, fell 14 feet while trying to rescue his pet cat from a roof. Mayor Messick has had many political battles, but he has never had one that caused him to drop 14 feet. Pursuing a cat seems more serious than pursuing the majority of Baker.

GOVERNOR Smith recommends that the constitution be amended to provide that a candidate for the presidency receiving a large popular vote, although defeated shall be entitled to a seat in the United States senate as a senator-at-large during the term of his successful opponent.

Governor Smith should remember that amending the constitution of the United States sometimes causes a lot of grief at the time it is being amended and causes a great deal more after it has been amended. He probably will remember the 13th amendment caused a little trouble.

THE most perfect speaking voice in New York city has been laid on the altar of science. It belongs to an Irish girl who works for the telephone company and that is as much as the general public has been able to find out. The young lady does not stand to get much personal publicity out of it, according to the Spokesman Review of Spokane. But she may be a girl who does not want personal publicity. There are a few such girls left in the world.

ACCORDING to the statistics of our own government the farmer's tax burden has been increased nearly 250 per cent since 1913, and that on the average taxes take about 30 per cent of the net income of farmers, and this suggests that farmers' needs are not exclusively a federal problem.

The bulk of the farmer's taxation is levied on real estate and tangible property and goes to the state and its political subdivisions. Matters of taxation lie mainly between the agriculturist and local and state authorities.

Analysis of the reason for this tax increase shows that the money is principally raised for the construction of roads and the support of schools, both of which are for the farmer's benefit. But this not only applies to the farmer's well being, but to the entire country and the great question is whether or not this

Aunt Het



"I never knew it to fail. A woman that's forever talking scandal about her neighbors always has a meek little squirt of a husband like Jim."

WINTER GRIPS ALL WEST

SEARCHERS MEET WITH HARD LUCK

Aviators Combat Heavy Alaskan Storms in Eielson Hunt.

POWERFUL PLANES RENDERED USELESS

Cabin Planes Rushed from Seattle, One Down, One Wrecked and Other Weather Bound. Add to Difficulties of Rescuing Long Aviators.

FAIRBANKS, Alaska, Jan. 6 (AP)—Adverse luck, running hand in hand with Alaskan storms today, continued to mock the efforts of northern aviators to stage an aerial hunt for their lost comrades, Carl Ben Eielson and Earl Borland, who have been missing for nearly two months.

Three powerful cabin planes, rushed here from Seattle and put at the disposal of Arctic-hardened Canadian pilots, were downed, one wrecked, one apparently lost and the other weather bound at Nulato, half-way point between here and Nome.

Siberian Weather Had Two open cockpit planes operated by pilots Joe Crosson and Harold Gilliam, American fliers, who managed to reach North Cape, Siberia, from Nome recently, also were held down because the weather of northeastern Siberia made flying impossible.

Eielson and Borland disappeared last November 9, while flying from Teller to the fur trading ship Nanuk. The Nanuk is frozen in the ice near North Cape and now serves as the Siberian base for rescue operations.

With one of the cabin planes (Continued on Page Eight)

Realty Members To Print Listings On Window Cards

Routine business took up part of the time at the weekly meeting of the Klamath Realty Board, held in the Pelican Grill at noon today. C. S. Montellus, president, and Roque Dale, secretary, had charge of the meeting.

A discussion of the mid winter meeting to be held in Phoenix, Arizona, on January 23, 24, 25, with announcement of the program plans and the possibility of having a delegate from the local board attend, was held.

In the near future the Klamath Realty Board plans to have printed emblems of the national association type printed on their window display cards. Each member of the board will be entitled to the card and will have his listings printed on them. This is in order that the public will know which real estate men of the city are affiliated with the national association.

Present members of the organization are Callicote & Smith, Robert Clay, Dale & Hosking, Fawcett Realty company, John C. French, C. S. Montellus, W. M. Montellus, W. R. Polk, Real Estate Exchange, T. B. Watters, George Walton, J. T. Ward & Co., T. J. Webb, R. E. Wright and A. J. Tracey.

Mill Owners Faced With Quiet Time Writer Says

By C. C. CROW
Editor Crow's Pacific Coast Lumber Digest.

At this time of year, when both the production of lumber and construction work are greatly below normal, it is a difficult matter to make an analysis of market conditions that can be used as a basis to determine what the future holds.

Ordinarily the lumber market is stimulated just before the annual midwinter shutdowns

SNOW HAS NO TERROR FOR THEM

Something unheard of before in Klamath Falls, reaching Lake O' The Woods as late as January 5, was accomplished yesterday by Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Rogers and party who made the trip from here in 2 1/2 hours.

"We encountered between 8 and 15 inches of snow on the road the entire distance with about a foot right at the lake. However, the trip was worth it since the lake at this time of year with the snow-laden trees is the most picturesque of any time of the year," Mrs. Rogers stated.

A little difficulty in removing logs which had fallen across the road was encountered and one detour necessary but with chains the trip was made in 2 1/2 hours and the return trip in 2 hours.

Last week a party of boy scouts made the trip in a Ford, removing only one log from the road. Never before have cars been able to get to the lake this late in the year.

RECLAMATION DEFENDED BY ELWOOD MEAD

Commissioner Declares Projects Add Wealth To Nation.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 6.—Land clearing problems were discussed in a paper contributed by L. J. Smith, head of the department of agricultural engineering, State College of Washington, and presented at the two-day meeting of the American Society of Agricultural Engineers which was held at the Hotel President here.

Stump Clearing Extensive According to Mr. Smith, "there are now about 6,250,000 acres of logged-off land in Western Washington, of which 30 per cent may be classed as good agricultural land. A total of 779,000 acres has been cleared and has a present value around \$194,750,000, according to census and county records compiled by R. N. Miller, extension specialist, State College of Washington. The average cost of clearing this land, using methods common to this area, amounts to \$225 to \$300 per acre. Land clearing is now progressing at the rate of about 6,100 acres per year in this state; at present being equally divided between Eastern and Western Washington. Over 60,000 acres have been cleared since 1920, and during the last twelve months 6,140 acres were cleared."

Defends Projects

Dr. Elwood Mead, commissioner, bureau of reclamation, U. S. Department of the Interior, vigorously defended the various Federal projects. "In the Yakima Valley in Washington," said Dr. Mead, "instead of a desert there (Continued on Page Eight)

Wales Having Hard Voyage to Africa

S. S. KENILWORTH CASTLE, Jan. 6. (AP)—This ship has suffered such a buffeting by storms since leaving Southampton last week for South Africa that all passengers, the Prince of Wales included, have had to remain below decks.

The prince, in addition, has been bothered by a recent inoculation against malaria.

The ship thus far has had no difficulty in beating the gale, and no damage has been noticed, although arrival at Madeira probably will be late.

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The "Gift Bomb" To Bride Spread Death



Wrapped in gay paper and holly, a delayed "Christmas package" loaded with high explosives, dealt death to Mrs. Naomi Brady, lower right, 15-year-old bride, when the "gift" exploded as it was being opened in the kitchen of her home, pictured above, in a Maryland suburb of Washington, D. C. Mrs. Brady's mother, Mrs. Nora Hall, and the latter's four children were seriously injured by the blast, as was Stuart Carneal, lower left, who was standing on the porch of the house. Working on a theory of jealousy, police sought a former acquaintance of Mrs. Brady for questioning.

California Sheriff Nabs Jail Breaker

Carl Carter, alias Tex Crawford, alleged gambler, rounder, and boot-legger, who broke jail here on November 26, has been apprehended by Sheriff John Sharp in Alturas, California.

Carter was a "trustee" in the Klamath county jail, and with the assistance of his wife, he escaped. He had five months left to do on a bootlegging sentence.

Deputy Sheriff Ross Brown will leave Tuesday morning to bring the prisoner back to this city. A charge of jail-breaking will be filed against him in the circuit court, and under a new Oregon law, jail-breaking carries a one year sentence in the state penitentiary.

Mrs. Taylor Was Pioneer of Keno

Mrs. Josephine C. Taylor, a pioneer of the Keno section, died at Ashland Sunday afternoon after a lingering illness. The remains were brought to Klamath Falls where funeral services will be held Wednesday afternoon at the Earl Whitlock Funeral Home under the auspices of the Order of the Eastern Star, of which the deceased was long a member.

Mrs. Taylor, with her husband, settled on land on the Klamath Falls-Keno road, near Keno, in 1882. That was her home until her husband died in 1912, when she went to live with her son on an adjoining farm. About four years ago, because of her failing health, the son moved to Ashland.

Interment will be made in the Linkville cemetery beside the grave of Mr. Taylor.

Goes to Seattle For Costello Rites

C. N. Christopherson, general agent of the Great Northern railway, will leave Klamath Falls this evening for Seattle to attend the funeral of M. J. Costello, prominent official of the company who died in St. Paul Friday.

Mr. Christopherson has a personal interest in attending Mr. Costello's funeral as the dead man was his chief for many years. Mr. Costello's home was in Seattle and he was attending an important conference of railroad officials when death overtook him in St. Paul.

BODIES RECOVERED

SANTA MONICA, Cal., Jan. 6. (AP)—The bodies of Kenneth Thomas, movie director, and Hawkins, movie property man, two of the ten victims of the midair crash last Thursday of two planes flying a movie thriller over the Pacific, were recovered from the sunken wreckage of one plane today.

NOTED CITIZEN PASSED SUNDAY

Charles B. Moores Was Leader In Oregon Half Century.

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 6. (A. P.)—Charles B. Moores, 80, Oregon pioneer for more than a half century, active in political, historical and educational circles of the state, died at the family residence yesterday.

Native of Missouri. He was born in Benton county, Missouri, August 6, 1849, and was brought to Oregon in a covered wagon by his father in 1852.

Moores was graduated from Willamette university in 1870 and then studied law at the University of Michigan where he received his degree of bachelor law. He returned to Salem to practice and became a trustee of the Willamette university, a position he held 53 years.

Leading Republican. He was chairman of the republican central committee from 1912 until 1914 and during that time was manager of President Taft's campaign in Oregon. In 1880 he served as chief clerk in the Oregon house of representatives and two years later was appointed private secretary to Governor Moody.

For 16 years he was director and vice-president of the Oregon Historical Society.

Besides his widow he is survived by one daughter, three sons, and a brother, A. N. Moores of Salem. Funeral services will be conducted at 2:30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon in Portland.

Thrift Program To Be Given By B. P. W.

The Business and Professional Women's club will hold a thrift meeting Monday night, January 13th. Dinner will be served in the club rooms of the Klamath Falls library at 6:30 p. m., and Mrs. Florence Drehr will act as hostess for the evening.

Everett Ogilvie of the American National Bank will talk on "Savings and Investments," Jean Denig Young will talk on "Budgeting," and Florence Drehr on "Insurance as an Investment."

Music for the evening will be under the supervision of Miss Little Darby.

FORMER MAYOR DIES

PORTLAND, Jan. 6. (AP)—A. G. Rushlight, former mayor of Portland and state legislator, who suffered a heart attack while attending the funeral of the late Governor Patterson, died today.

Slow Motion or Slow Music Car Driver's Problem

A trip ordinarily taking 3 1/2 hours was made yesterday in 9 hours and 15 minutes by motorists. On account of the heavy snow fall on the Siskiyou and Green Spring mountains slow going was absolutely essential.

"Cars were skidding all the time and at one time 12 cars were laid up for half an hour on the Green Springs hill. All stages were from one to two hours late, even those from Portland to the valley cities. One snow plow was in operation on the Green Springs but none on the Siskiyou." One motorist stated after driving from Hornbrook, Calif., to Klamath Falls.

Chains for mountain driving are absolutely necessary since the snow fall.

County Bureau Makes Statement To State Board

The annual report of the Klamath County Health Department to the State Board of Health is almost complete, and will be sent in very shortly to be placed on file.

A portion of the report follows:

Educational work accomplished by the department: Lectures and talks.....77 Attendance at same.....2996 Exhibits and demonstration.....4

County Dependents— Visits to county infirmary.....185 Home visits.....145 Visits to county jail.....174 Visits to hospital.....99 Patients treated.....214

Operations Performed.....39 Prisoners examined.....242 Lunacy examinations.....13 Diseases Reported to Health Department—

Tuberculosis.....18 Erysipelas.....9 Measles.....112 Chickenpox.....42 Smallpox.....4 Tick fever.....2 Scarlet Fever.....56 Diphtheria.....27 Whooping cough.....27 Pneumonia.....39 Meningitis.....12 Typhoid.....12

Follomeliellitis (infantile paralysis).....2 County Health Nurse Service— Nurses on duty.....2 Nursing calls.....406 Maternity calls.....410 Children examined for defects.....2118

The rest of the annual report will be made public at a later date.

Prominent Lumber Man Dies at Indio

According to word received in this city, A. H. "Al" Powers, prominent lumberman of the state, died in Indio, California, a few days after Christmas. His death was very sudden, and the result of a heart attack.

Mr. Powers had extensive timber holdings all over the state, and was well known in this city. He made his home at Marshfield and was a patron of all branches of athletics.

Interment was made in a special vault in San Francisco.

Henderson To Talk Over KOAC Tonight

The annual convention of the County Agricultural Agents in the state of Oregon is being held in Corvallis, and C. A. Henderson and his assistant, Victor Johnson, and Frank Sexton, county club leader of this city, are attending.

Tonight, at 7:30, C. A. Henderson will broadcast an agricultural talk over KOAC in connection with the convention.

The Southern Oregon Association of Law Enforcement will hold their next meeting in Klamath Falls on January 11, in the circuit court rooms of the court house, it was announced this morning by T. R. Gillenwaters, chairman of the local officers. Mr. Gillenwaters has announced the following program arrangements:

The morning hours, beginning at 10 o'clock, will be taken up with registration and a general get-together. Plans are being made for about 80 officers of the association, composed of law officers from Lane, Douglas, Josephine, Jackson, Lake, Deschutes and Klamath counties, to attend the meeting. The last meeting was held in Ashland about two months ago.

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From Shepherd to U. S. Senator



Patrick J. Sullivan, who came from Ireland 41 years ago and worked as a shepherd on the western frontier, has attained the highest office to which a citizen not native born, may aspire. At 64 he was recently appointed U. S. senator from Wyoming, succeeding the late Francis E. Warren.

WILL OPERATE SECOND STORE

Connolly Brothers Take Five-Year Lease on Swansen Building.

Announcement was made this morning of a five year lease secured by Connolly Brothers on the Swansen building at 619 Main, formerly occupied by the Gun Store.

Connolly Brothers will operate two stores in Klamath Falls, the president of the corporation stated, one at the new location and one where they are located now between Ninth and Tenth on Main street.

Repairing Building Repairs on the building are being made by Mr. Swansen and the new store will probably open about Jan. 15 or 20th, Mr. Merino stated.

The new store on Main will carry a similar line of goods and new stock will arrive in the near future. Charles Merino will be manager in charge of both stores.

Army Man's Father Dies at La Grande

Ensign Ford of the Salvation Army was called to La Grande New Year's day because of the serious illness of his father. Accompanied by Mrs. Ford, the Ensign left here Wednesday evening and by the time he reached Pendleton, Thursday afternoon, he learned that his father was dead. The elder Ford had submitted to an operation for ulcers of the stomach, but the operation revealed a cancer and the patient died within a few hours.

Ensign and Mrs. Ford will return to their work in Klamath Falls at the earliest possible date.

MONTHLY CHURCH DINNER

The monthly church dinner at the Presbyterian church Wednesday evening, Jan. 8. A large attendance is looked for and those in charge of the dinner request that reservations be made early. Make your reservations now by phoning 521-W.

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SNOW HALTS TRAFFIC AT GLENDALE

Plow Sent From Here To Aid In Clearing Pacific Highway.

CALIFORNIA'S SKIES CLEAR AFTER RAINS

Storm of Blizzard Like Proportions Hits Southern Oregon, Tearing Down Miles of Telegraph Wires and Interrupting Rail and Highway Traffic. Highways Clear in Klamath.

Two and one-half feet of snow is reported on the highway north of Grants Pass, and calls have gone out for an army of snow plows. One plow was sent from Klamath Falls and the highway is being cleared as rapidly as possible.

Two feet of snow is reported on the Sand Creek Mountain summit, but the road is clear, as the plow is working constantly. Motorists who are contemplating a trip to Portland are advised to go via The Dalles-California highway.

Plows have been working each way between Klamath Falls and Keno, and over the Green Springs highway, and there are no prospects of a blockade.

Colder Weather Due SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 6. (AP)—King Winter spread his white mantle over the northwest states today as California looked up into clear skies after a general wetting yesterday that extended

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Retail Merchants Select Corvallis For Meet Feb. 10

Retail merchants of Oregon have set February 10 to 12 as the date, and Oregon State college as the place, for their twenty-sixth annual convention of the Retail Merchants, President N. L. Croot of Portland has announced.

This is the fourth year the merchants have met at the college where they have been carrying through a program of research and state-wide service in co-operation with the school of commerce. This year the general theme of the convention will be "Public Relations of the Retailer."

Educational addresses and round table discussion will occupy much of the first two days, with banquets and entertainment in the evenings. Formal business of the association will be transacted the third day. Adolph Wolfe, Portland merchant, will again distribute \$200 in prizes to students in the O. S. C. school of commerce rating highest in an annual essay contest.

Poor Pa

"I never like to load in prayer in church because I know Ma's thinkin' about me neglectin' her an' callin' me a hypocrite."

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