

SLICK PAVING IS BLAMED FOR AUTO CRASHES

Five automobile accidents were reported to city police late Monday and Tuesday and blamed onto slippery streets and skidding.

Mrs. J. A. Sheard, 1427 Johnson, stated that her car struck the fender of a parked car as she was turning from Main onto Twelfth street Thursday night.

Beverly Thomas, 2105 Wantland, stated that her car struck a parked car belonging to N. Fray, Medford, Friday as she was turning from Crescent avenue onto Portland street. She blamed slippery pavement.

E. L. Hammond stated that he was traveling north on East Main street Friday morning as a train was crossing the grade crossing and that his car skidded into a roadman when he applied brakes to slow down. He drove the car into the clear on East Main and avoided an accident, he said.

Buster Owings, 2569 South Sixth, reported that Art Hill's car hooked a fender onto the front bumper of the city bus when the bus stopped Friday at Ninth and Main to discharge a passenger in a bus zone. Miss was towing another car.

Raymond Steers, 2122 White avenue, reported that another car stopped suddenly in front of him between Fourth and Fifth streets on Main street Monday and his car struck the rear bumper of the first car whose driver failed to signal or stop. He did not get the license number of the other car.

Amusements

PELICAN—Now playing, "High Stakes," with Lowell Sherman.

VOX—Now playing, "Corsair," with Chester Morris.

RAINBOW—Now playing, "Young Donovan's Kid," with Richard Dix.

PINE TREE—Now playing, "Annabelle's Affairs," with Victor McLaglen.



What, not all actors from New York?

Check over the list of RKO-Radio "Picture" players appearing in the fast-moving, comedy drama, "High Stakes," at the Pelican theater, and you will find not one who claims the so-called center of the theater as his birthplace.

VOX

Chester Morris emerges in "Corsair," at the New Vox theater for the last time today, as a full fledged United Artists star—an elevation which brings the young actor into the ranks of Chaplin, Fairbanks, Colman and Cantor.

This Broadway actor who three years ago was unknown to picture audiences has reached the heights of stardom. In 1929, it will be recalled, Morris was imported from Broadway to portray the leading role in "Alibi," a picture which made him a celebrity almost overnight.

RAINBOW

Twin stars from two of the year's most significant pictures form a new screen combination in "Young Donovan's Kid," current attraction at the Rainbow theater. They are Richard Dix, who contributed to "Cimarron," the glamorous characterization of Yancey Cravat, and Jackie Cooper, remarkable 7-year-old child actor who brought to life Percy Crosby's lovable "Skipper" in the feature picture of the same title.

PINE TREE

Victor McLaglen, the big heman of motion pictures, has chased countless women through miles of film, but until he portrayed the role of John Rawson, the western mine owner of great wealth in "Annabelle's Affairs," he never got his woman.

INSTALLATION ANNOUNCED

Herbert Applegate, camp No. 25 and auxiliary No. 14 of United Spanish War Veterans will hold joint installation of officers at the court house hall Thursday evening, January 7.

Refreshments will be served at 6:30 p. m., followed by installation rituals. All members are requested to attend.

Sea Scout Ship In Elk Basement

The decks of the S. S. E. Norse King were cleared for action last night. The ship, chartered by the Klamath Sea Scouts, is located in the basement of the Elk temple.

Registration night was held last night with several new members taken in. Scouts previously registered in this group are Harold Krueger, Robert Johnson, Wayne De Lap, Fay Morris, James Stusser, Morris Stusser, Vernon Denny, Norman White, Harvey Brannon, Donald Kenyon and Oscar Ross.

Reclamation Bureau Not to Move Office

Officers of the United States Reclamation bureau will not be moved into their new quarters in the Federal building until January 29, according to Superintendent E. Hayden.

Several shipments of furniture for the reclamation offices have not arrived.

Employees of the U. S. R. E. are busy taking care of annual reports and year-end work in preparation to moving into their new offices, Hayden reported.

LAKE PUBLICITY MAN HERE

Ernest Rostel, publicity director and Richard Canfield, chief ranger of Crater Lake national park, stopped in Klamath Falls Tuesday enroute to Fort Klamath from Medford. The park employees will continue to the park on skills Wednesday.

Tragedy Ends In Suicide Of Officer



Here are pictures in connection with the death of Lieut. William J. French, army officer, from a pistol shot near Gilroy, Calif. Above, Mrs. Gertrude McEnroe, of Kansas City, riding with French from San Francisco to Los Angeles. She told Gilroy police French attacked her with a hammer, then crashed his automobile into a post. Police, seeking French, found his body. Upper left, Lieut. French. Center, where French's car left highway. Below, the death car.

ASIATIC SQUADRON HALTS MOVEMENTS

MANILA, P. I., Jan. 6. (UP)—Naval officers here said today that no unusual movements of the United States navy's Asiatic fleet had been ordered because of the Manchurian conflict.

The entire fleet is anchored here except those ships that patrol Chinese waters each winter. Those in command said they did not anticipate any general movement of the fleet to China.

American ships now stationed in Chinese waters include one destroyer in each of the ports of Shanghai, Nanking, Foochow and Amoy, seven gunboats on the Yangtze river, two at Canton and one near Tientsin.

The last movement ordered was dispatch of a destroyer to Foochow in connection with the capture of Harriet Halverstadt, Methodist missionary, who was released several days ago.

Tools Stolen From White Pine Company

More than \$100 worth of tools, the property of Charles H. Miller, owner of the White Pine Moulding company, and O. R. Dye, foreman, were stolen from the plant, according to reports from the sheriff's office.

The robbers entered the office of the White Pine company by inserting a bar in the padlock and twisting it off.

Nothing but the tools had been missed Tuesday afternoon, the sheriff stated.

Fearing Charged With \$58 Theft

Larceny charges were filed by Deputy District Attorney D. E. Van Vactor Tuesday against Harvey Fearing, charging theft of \$58.37 from the Checker Service station Monday night.

Fearing is being held in the county jail. He was arraigned before Judge Barnes Tuesday afternoon but has not entered his plea.

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NEW YEAR PARTY GIVEN IN VALLEY

LANGELL VALLEY—A record-breaking crowd attended the New Year's Eve party and dance at the Community Hall, when the program was given by the different organizations of the valley.

The first number was a laughable one put on by two small boys dressed as cabbage chickens. The next number was called "Christmas Toys," by the St. Barnabas guild. Miss Grace Brown took the part of the reader and a number of the adults of the community were dressed as dolls and toys.

Don Gilman and Frank Thompson entertained with a song between acts, "Rocked in the Cradle of the Deep." A mock wedding sponsored by the Woman's club was one of the best of the evening. Dressed in old fashioned costumes the ladies and their gum-chewing furnished much fun. Mr. Lloyd Gift took the part of the triumphant bride and Mr. John Bunn the part of the flustered bridegroom.

The Woman's club also sang a number of old fashioned songs. Miss Georgia Gilman was the soloist and Mrs. Leland Harris pianist.

The Langell Valley grange had a broadcasting station with Don Gilman as the announcer. A quartette composed of John Thew, Robert Thew, Henry Thew and Frank Thompson sang a number of songs and a trio composed of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mahoney of Bonanza and Mrs. John Bunn also sang several songs.

A boxing bout was staged by the Athletic club. The boxers were Earl Mulkey and Art Horsley. Bob Thew was the referee.

When a vote was taken by the audience to find which number had been the most popular, the broadcasting station won and was presented with a box of candy. Dancing was enjoyed the remainder of the evening by music furnished by the local musicians. Radio and victrola also furnished part of the evening's entertainment.

Winter Sports Enjoyed At Agency

KLAMATH AGENCY—Skills are much in evidence these days, and young and old are enjoying the winter sports, now at their height. The Agency is blanketed by heavy snow, with about 18 inches remaining on the level. There has been frequent snow storms and the Agency campus has been extremely beautiful for several weeks.

Fort Band Will Give Basket Social

FORT KLAMATH, Ore.—The Fort Klamath brass band will sponsor a basket social in the clubhouse Thursday evening, January 7. Cards and dancing will be enjoyed and several special selections will be given by the band.

The public is invited. Ladies are requested to bring baskets of refreshments which will be auctioned off during the evening.

Accidents Reported At Sheriff's Office

Two minor accidents were reported to the sheriff's office this week. Ed Barren of Ashland and Steve Popp of Merrill reported that their cars collided January 3 on the Lakeview highway as Barren was pulling out of a service station.

D. A. Stensard of 2135 Blehn street reported that his car collided with another driven by A. B. Campbell of Pine Grove Tuesday morning. The accident occurred on the Dalles-California highway. No injuries resulted from either accident.

Inscription in gold or silver is accomplished with an electric pencil that writes with heat through gold or silver foil.

INSPECTION TRIP MADE BY HANLEY

LAKEVIEW, Ore.—William Hanley, state highway commissioner, and Archie McGowan of Burns, president of the South-eastern Oregon Development league, made an inspection trip Saturday over the new grade of the Lakeview-Burns highway.

They were able to travel the new grade from the Central Oregon highway to the north end of Abert Lake, a distance of approximately 70 miles. An 8-mile gap in the new grade that is being constructed on the east side of the lake made it necessary to detour.

Mr. Hanley remarked upon his arrival here that he would rather have taken a licking than to have to pull off the grade and have to drive over the "old cow trail" on the west side of Abert Lake. Mr. Hanley stated that ever since he first journeyed from Burns to Lakeview back in 1876, he has longed to make the journey over at least a graded road.

At a meeting Saturday night with the directors of the Lake County chamber of commerce and members of the county court, Mr. Hanley thanked the county court for opening the state highways adjacent to Lakeview with county equipment during the recent storm.

Mr. Hanley and Mr. McGowan were accompanied to Alturas Sunday by a group of local business men where a short visit was had with old acquaintances and first hand information was obtained concerning state highway construction activities in Modoc county.

The first astronomical observatory in the United States was built at Williams college, Williamsburg, Mass., in 1836.

The total number of stars is estimated to be between 20,000 and 50,000 millions.

Old Settler With Good Memory Recalls Severe Drouth of '89

LAKEVIEW, Ore.—"Yes, Lake and Klamath counties suffered from as severe a drouth in the 'good old days' as they did in 1931," recently asserted Frank M. Duke, local justice of the peace. Justice Duke settled in Lake county back in 1876.

The writer has listened to so many old timers brag about the abundant feed for livestock back in the '80's and '90's; how prices were always good, and all were prosperous in South Central Oregon, that he decided to ask one old settler of exceptionally good memory if the early settlers were not really plagued with drouth and poor prices.

"Very little snow fell during the winter of 1888 and 1889. Neither Lake nor Klamath counties raised any hay during '89. The cattle and sheep went into the winter in a run-down condition, and thousands of animals died in the heavy snow drifts. Hay could not be had at any price. I ran a threshing machine that summer in the Goose Lake valley. We did not thresh enough grain to make sufficient flour to carry the ranchers through the winter. The vegetables did not mature. We had to purchase practically all of our food for the winter of '89 outside of the two counties.

"The folks in Klamath county can be thankful that they had irrigation during 1931. Back in '89 Klamath county had no irrigation projects, and the ranchers over there were as bad off as we were. Dollars were as scarce as hen's teeth in South Central Oregon for the next two years. Although most of the livestock died in the winter of '89, and most all of the West was hit in a similar manner, prices for livestock did not rise very rapidly.

"Our misfortune in 1931 was Klamath's gain, for almost \$100,000 has been spent by Lake county ranchers for hay and pasture in southern Klamath county since last fall, and much more may be spent before the winter is over. But good times will soon be here again, and fifty years hence the young folks of today will be telling the young folks then of the prosperous days back in the '30's, and you will have to look hard for someone that will readily recall the drouth of 1931."

Taxpayer League To Meet Wednesday

The Klamath Taxpayers' League will meet Wednesday night at 7:30 o'clock in the circuit court room of the court house to discuss county and city business matters.

It has been previously announced that the league will discuss the possibility of filing an injunction to stop Assessor W. T. Lee from forming the county tax rolls on the basis of the budget adopted by the county court December 29 over the protest of the league on a number of items and requested reductions.

Prospectors Go To School in Montana

BUTTE, Mont., Jan. 6 (UP)—Placer gold, glittering in the stream beds of the west, continues to lure men from many

walks of life just as it did in the days of '89.

When a school for prospectors opened at the Montana School of Mines today, 16 men from as many professions were among those who registered.

A dentist, an embalmer, a clairvoyant, a postmaster, a truck driver and a radio repair man were among the students who sat down with grizzled old prospectors to learn how to scientifically find the wealth concealed in the hands of mountain streams. The course will continue for six weeks.

Lumber orders for the week ending Nov. 21 were 13 per cent above mill cut. It was the fourth successive week in which orders had substantially exceeded production.

Anthracite industry in Pennsylvania in November went back on a bimonthly million-dollar pay roll.

BRINGING UP FATHER



WASH TUBBS

THE BLOND CLAIMS:

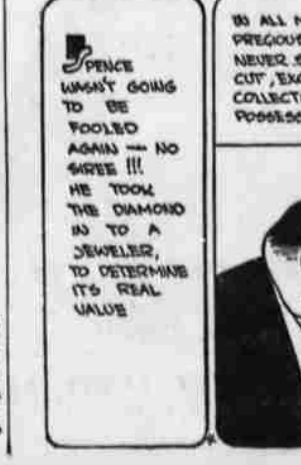
1. THAT SHE RECEIVED DAGGER FROM GRANDFATHER.
2. THAT HE DIED, LEAVING HER HIS ESTATE.
3. THAT DAGGER IS KEY TO HIDDEN WEALTH.
4. THAT WOLFGANG IS FORMER SERVANT OF GRANDFATHER AND KNOWS IMPORTANCE OF DAGGER.



FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS



BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES



By George McManus

By Crane

By Blosser

By Martin