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# Fire Situation Perplexes

FUND TRANSFER LEADS TO TROUBLE

## New Interests Awakening

### Only One Way Out Now

The dilemma in which the city finds itself in connection with the opening of the new fire station illustrates graphically the danger of tampering with funds set aside for specific purposes. It is apparent on information available that there were borrowings from the special fire station No. 2 fund for current use in the fire fund, and now, with the new fire station ready to open, there is insufficient money available from the fund voted specifically by the people for maintenance and salaries at that station.

While there has been some adjustment of the books which clears up certain points not at first understood, the fact remains that the whole situation can be described correctly as a mess. The city has two fire stations, and equipment for two stations. But it has only the crew and the funds for one. It is noteworthy, too, that only recently \$24,000 was invested in this dilemma in the purchase of two new pieces of equipment.

There seems only one out, and that calls for inefficiency and waste. One fire station only can be operated. Part of the equipment cannot be used.

There is nothing else to be done now. But, plainly at the bottom of the whole thing lies the original mistake—the transfer of money by resolution of the council from a fund specifically authorized and set aside for one purpose. The best that can be made out of the situation is to let that mistake serve as a lesson and a warning. Mistakes of that kind always lead to trouble.

Then, of course, another good reason for clearing the streets of snow is that such a line of action will probably invite more snow. We like moisture in this country.

### Concert Group Still Needs Support

The concert of Jose Iturbi, famed Spanish pianist, on Saturday night, opens what promises to be a new era in the cultural life of Klamath Falls. It is not merely that the Iturbi concert is the outstanding musical event in the city's history, which it is. It is more than that, for this concert, and the similar events to follow this winter, and probably next year, seem to mark the transition of an expanding frontier town into a city with a more settled community life and consequent culture and refinement.

We say that reservedly, for there is still testimony to be taken. We have little doubt about the reception to be accorded the Iturbi concert, for this is a man regarded by many critics as the world's greatest living pianist. We have been highly pleased, on the whole, with the support given the movement to assure the concert series.

Yet, the cold facts are that not quite enough memberships have been taken to assure the repayment to the guarantors of the cost of the whole winter series. There are those who can, but have not helped. The committee has worked hard, it has met with rather amazing success in this hard winter, and all that is needed is this final support to make the record clear.

One finds, on investigation, that his membership in the Community Concert association goes farther than the mere assurance of the current series. There are plans afoot for the organization within the association, of a Little Theatre movement, to build up a financial basis for a more extensive concert series next year. Highest class local talent is to be drawn into this movement.

This, if we read it aright, is another certain sign of an awakening of a new interest in this community. And we find it good.

### Office Cat

Lawyer—Mr. Peck, your wife has been arrested and is being held incommunicado. But the police chief is easy and a little money—

Henry Peck—Fine, fine, and tell him that there's ten dollars for him every day he can keep her that way.

Minerva—Those are my husband's ashes in that vase on top of the radio cabinet.

Joe—Indeed? Why, I didn't know you were a widow!

Minerva—I am not. My husband is just too lazy to look for an ash tray.

Somehow the fact a man would have made you miserable for life is no consolation for not having married him. Life is too long only for those who spend too much time in longing. If Christ should come to America now, He would find more themes to talk about than He did in Palestine, 1900 years ago.

Many public prayers are spoiled by lack of private practice, sensibly says a Klamath Falls man. People are paid wages for doing only the things they are told to do. People are paid salaries for doing what it is up to them to do without being told.

Funny how a criminal who doesn't know the meaning of the word mercy will squawk for it when the law gets hold of him. It's the funniest thing, that the farther away you get from a dollar the bigger it looks. Dresses that button up the back are coming back in style, and husbands are wanted they may as well begin practicing now. A fashion note says he bustle is coming back. Well, that's right where it used to be, a stern reality in fact. One trouble with life is that it often kicks you in the pants when you think it should pat you on the back. Nothing like the sight of an old flame to make a girl's face light up. They say that Scotchmen prefer blondes because of the light overhead. Many Klamath Falls wives wouldn't mind letting their husbands have a little authority around the house if it wasn't that he'd get the idea that he was the boss. Entirely too many try to be a howling success by just howling. Generally speaking, the world rewards us in proportion to our usefulness, and the most useful man may be a humorist. Here's a real financial depression economy: A Scotchman bought a quart of anti-freeze and drank it so he wouldn't have to buy an overcoat. Habit is a man's best friend, and his worst enemy. It takes a stern parent to resist the sales talk of a boy of fourteen who wants to see a movie. Patience is often considered a virtue when it is merely a case of not knowing what to do. Pocketbook makers report large orders ahead. That's a hopeful sign. Here's a hard luck story. Two Klamath Falls high school boys played hockey from school last week, but came in home at night only to discover that it was Saturday. There's some kind of relationship between the man who looks you straight in the eye and halitosis. Any girl knows a good line even if she has never been to a football game. These days it's a heckuva drug store that don't handle lawn mowers. A man anxiously and anxiously in the right is no match for a man vigorously in the wrong.

Many have been named as "making good in the city," but what this country needs is boys who have made good in the country. Some birds want to start to work on standard time and quit on day light saving time. A girl is thinking of changing her name to "Opportunity" because her boy friend is always wanting to embrace her. We are a little skeptical about that "perfected prune," recently announced. We have a feeling that there will always be new wrinkles in prunes. The bird, known as Wild Rumor, is descended from various species, including the t, the chattering jay and the domestic curkoo. A doctor says a cold bath in the morning is the best way to health. And a humorist yawns and asks what's the next best thing. When some women go to a church supper, they watch to see at what table their goods are going to be served before they sit somewhere else.

There was a young chemistry tough, Who mixed up some confounded stuff. Put a match in the vial, And after a while, They found his front teeth and a cuff. And that's no biting remark.

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### SIDE GLANCES By George Clark



"Put a call through to our London office and ask Bates about taxi fare on his expense account."

### Health Talks

Students of the public health are placing increasing emphasis on the importance of pure air in relationship to health. Whenever crowds of human beings assemble there exists the increasing possibility of transmission of the germs that cause respiratory disease. There is furthermore the fact that these germs are more likely to seize on mucous membranes that are below par than on a healthy mucous membrane. Finally, as that is too dry, that is full of dust or otherwise unsuitable, is likely to bring about a lowered resistance of the mucous membranes of the breathing tract.

Various cities of our country differ in the amount of industrial smoke that is present in the air. Furthermore, considerable amounts of smoke in the air interfere with the passage of sunlight, which is known to have a definite effect in promoting health and in limiting the development of bacterial organisms. Observations made in several great industrial centers have shown that the amount of sunlight received in the center of the town is 30 per cent less than that received at the edge of town. Observations made in Manchester, England, revealed that 45 per cent less sunlight was secured in the center of the city than at a spot 10 miles away.

Of particular interest is the question of ventilation in places where many people are assembled, as, for instance, in music halls, lecture rooms and motion picture theatres. It is not safe to rely, for fresh air, in places which must be kept darkened, on entrances, exits and more permanent openings. Usually permanent air inlets are rare in such places and it is not possible to flush the air thoroughly between performances. It is therefore necessary to supply mechanical ventilation, using extractor fans which draw out the air constantly and perhaps agitator fans to stir up the air in dead corners, beneath balconies and in similar places. If possible, means should

### Klamath Names

**CRATER LAKE**  
(From "Oregon Geographic Names" by Lewis A. McArthur.)  
A lake between five and six miles in diameter, with an area of about 21 square miles, situated in the caldera of the extinct volcano, Mount Mazama, on the summit of the Cascade range. It is fed by small streams from melting snowbanks on the inner slopes of the rim, and has no visible outlet. Elevation 6,177 feet.

This lake is one of the deepest in the world, and soundings have been made of 1,934 feet. The highest point on the rim is Glacier peak, 8,156 feet above the sea. The water is of intense blue. Crater Lake was discovered on June 12, 1853, by John W. Hillman and a party of prospectors, and was christened Deep Blue Lake. It has been known at times as Mysterious Lake, Lake Majesty, Lake Mystery and other similar names, but on August 4, 1859, it was named Crater Lake by a party of visitors from Jacksonville, Oregon.

Crater Lake National park was created by an act of congress May 22, 1902, and embraces about 250 square miles of land in Douglas and Klamath counties. The lake may be reached by road from Medford, Fort Klamath or Bend.

Crater Lake is one of nature's marvels. It is more in the nature of a scenic wonder than anything else the writer has ever seen. Oddly enough it is not a real crater lake at all, because it occupies a caldera far larger than the crater of the original mountain. Volcanic action produced the mountain and the crater, but the depression now occupied by the lake is the result of diastrophism.

Crater Lake has been the subject of so much writing and is so well known to the public that the writer does not feel it necessary to elaborate. There are, however, two illusions about the lake that should be dispelled. The lake does freeze over, contrary to popular belief. Also many people discuss the possibility of underground outlets from Crater Lake. It is doubtful if there are any. The lake receives its entire water supply direct from precipitation, as the drainage area is but a little larger than the lake. It is fairly certain that evaporation accounts for all of the outflow from the lake, without any allowance for underground flow.

### Earlier Days

January 26, 1916  
The current use of the Reclamation Record, official publication of the reclamation service marks a new epoch in the relations between the water users and the men in charge of the service.

A false alarm of fire turned in this forenoon, called out the fire department and caused a run of several blocks and no little excitement before it was learned that there was no blaze to be quenched.

Fire Chief Ed Wakefield was last night re-elected to office by the members of the volunteer department. This is Wakefield's fourth consecutive election.

In the year of 1913, sportsmen in Klamath county donated a total of \$3,581 to the fish and game commission for the privilege of hunting and fishing in Klamath county.

A number of the Big Basin Lumber company's logging teams and men passed through Klamath Falls Wednesday. Most of the work has been closed for the winter, only a small crew having been retained.

### Runaway From Chico Picked Up in City

Verona Norwood, 16 year old Chico, Calif., girl who ran away from her home, was picked up by Klamath Falls police officers Monday night as she arrived at the R. F. depot on a northbound train. She will be returned to her home at Chico.

F. J. McGill was arrested Monday night for drunkenness and placed in the city jail.

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### Speaking of the Weather

By Charles Fitzhugh Talman of the U. S. Weather Bureau

#### ARTICLE II

The "rain-maker" has hitherto enjoyed a singular immunity from the operation of laws designed to protect gullible citizens from being bamboozled. The Federal Food and Drugs Act has conspicuously restricted the sale of fake nostrums; the Postoffice Department has warned on worthless stock; but nothing has yet been done about the charlatan who, with the aid of a few mysterious chemicals and a plausible tongue, beguiles money out of farmers' pockets in payment for showers that are the work of unaided Nature.

The rain-maker enters a community where crops are perishing. He promises to produce rain within a specified time after the signing of a contract, according to which he is to receive, say, a thousand dollars an inch for whatever rainfall occurs. "No rain, no pay," he says. If the showers do not arrive on time, the farmer loses nothing. If they do, the salvation of his crops puts him in such a happy frame of mind that he cheerfully pays the bill without inquiring too narrowly into the method.

Sometimes the rain comes as promised, and sometimes not. The shrewd rain-maker will score a pretty large percentage of successes, for two reasons. In the first place, as a rule his services are not engaged until the drought has prevailed so long that its termination in the near future has become highly probable. In the second place, by keeping watch of local indications, and also, perhaps by taking a sly look at the official weather map, the rain-maker often can time his operations so that they will coincide with changes in atmospheric conditions upon which the occurrence of rain depends.

By virtue of his one-sided contract, the rain-maker has everything to gain and nothing to lose. The business is about the safest gamble going, and several American citizens have amassed considerable fortunes and have acquired wide celebrity by pretending to conjure water out of the clouds.

Some years ago the owner of a big California farm offered to pay \$2000 for two inches of rain in three days, provide the rain-maker would put up \$200 to be forfeited in case of failure. The offer was declined, though the conditions at the time were not unfavorable for rain, and showers to the extent of four inches actually fell within the next 48 hours.

No farm home seems complete without an almanac, and no farmer's almanac is quite complete without a series of weather predictions. The farmer's desire for foreknowledge of the weather is as old as civilization itself.

Unfortunately this demand can be satisfied in only a limited way by accurate scientific methods, and the almanac maker employs some nonsensical process of prediction based on the moon, stars, or what not, or simply sets down whatever his imagination suggests.

Almanac weather predictions are worthless, but they have ac-

### New Story Coming

"Dime-a-Dance Girl" is the new story to succeed Clio Lucas' "Jerry and Joan," which was recently completed. "Dime-a-Dance Girl" has been delayed a few days, and until it is available special features will appear on this page.

quired a considerable reputation. The reason is twofold: In the first place, we live in a very changeable climate, and almost any prediction that is not absolutely out of keeping with the season—such, for example, as the announcement of a snowstorm in August, or a hot wave in February—is pretty sure to be verified within a specified period of three or four days, or within a few days before or after such a period, in which case the slight error in time is regarded indulgently by the public; in the second place, the successful predictions, which, as just explained, must be numerous, produce a more lasting impression than those that are unsuccessful.

The only possible check upon self-delusion in this respect is to write down day by day the prediction and the actual weather and at the end of a month or a year to count the number of successes. This process is earnestly recommended to persons who still retain more or less faith in the almanacs.

It might be well enough to leave in the almanacs the weather forecasts, provided every almanac maker would have the grace to append to his pages the following frank avowal, which appeared in Gabriel Frende's Almanac and Prognostication for 1929:

"Thou hast my guess at daily weather  
Here present in thy view.  
My credit shall not lie thereon  
That every word is true:  
Yet some to please I thought it best  
To show my mynde among the  
reste."

### Some People Say—

Many banks have become mere bond-selling houses. Governor Franklin D. Roosevelt of New York.

If only I'd had the horse's part in "Sporting Blood," what a star I'd be!—Madge Evans, movie actress.

Books, powerful though they have been in creating incentives, are cold in emotional values as contrasted with the spoken word.—Dr. John B. Watson, noted psychologist.

Our nation needs sweetening up; too many people are growing crusty.—Dr. J. Stanley Durkee, Brooklyn minister and educator.

Carrying the banner or marching in the ranks, seems to me to make little difference.—Newton D. Baker, Democratic presidential possibility.

I do not understand the hate in the world today, and I am doing everything I can to crush dangerous war psychoses.—Adolph Hitler, chief of German National Socialists.

### Fashion Tips

If you are making yourself big promises these days to begin regular exercise this year, stop, look and listen.

First of all, you should realize that it is not how much time you spend on a given day in exercising that counts, but how many days in succession that you do the same amount. The daily routine is what counts!

Second, look the situation over to discover just what you are exercising for. Is it to gain grace? Is it for a sluggish liver? Is it to reduce? Or is it just to stay fit? Third, once you have learned what you are exercising for and have worked out your own set of exercises, stay doing them while they help you and don't listen to everybody else's set of exercises. You have to follow a routine some little time before it actually helps you.

Limbering up is the basic idea for some of the best exercises in the world, both those for poise and those for reducing. Since each person has somewhat different problems, an excellent way to work out your own routine is to go through different limbering exercises, pick the ones you like best, the ones best suited to your purposes, and then follow your own individual routine.

Most limbering up exercises do their biggest work on the spine. This necessitates doing the exercises flat on the floor, or against the wall. The former is easier and does more good.

Before taking the floor, however, there is a general limbering up routine that neglects nothing. Fingers, wrists, elbows, shoulders, toes, ankles, knees, hips, and all that portion between the hips and the shoulders that needs attention, are taken in turn.

The beauty of this limbering-type of exercise is that it is also a good pick-me-up after a hard day's work. Instead of wearing you out, it relaxes you and makes you feel like a million dollars.



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