

Klamath Elks At Lake Meet

A gala time was had February 5, when over 200 Elks assembled in Lakeview on the Past Exalted Rulers night, attended by 25 members from Klamath Falls.

Dinner for past exalted rulers of both Klamath Falls and Lakeview lodge was held at the Hunters Hot Springs hotel and for present officers of both lodges at the Lakeview hotel. Members from Burns and Bend also were present.

The meeting was well attended and following initiation put on by Lakeview lodge, a crab feed was enjoyed. Twelve of the members from Klamath Falls remained in Lakeview over night.

Expansion of rural power lines financed under the U. S. Reclamation program is expected to require movements by freight of more than 4,000,000 tons of material.

Planet Mercury Again Makes Appearance In Sky

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Mercury, that shy and elusive little world which only a few times each year ventures far enough from the concealing rays of the sun for earth-dwellers to glimpse him, is again favoring us with one of his occasional appearances. This, the smallest of the nine regular planets, may now be seen in the western twilight wherever sky conditions are propitious.

True, there will be return evening engagement of our celestial visitor in June and October, but neither will be nearly so satisfactory as the present showing. Mercury's brilliance on both later occasions will be far less than now, and his autumnal appearance in particular will be lacking in other respects.

Not surprising is it that so few, even among star-students, can truly say they have ever surely viewed Mercury. At times he is easily seen—but the "when" and the "where" are im-

portant factors. The Greek star-gazers called him Mercury in the western twilight and Apollo in the eastern dawn.

During the entire week beginning February 16, this messenger of the gods of ancient mythology will be brighter—aside from the dimming of his radiance by twilight—than any other star-like object in the early evening heavens excepting Sirius, the glittering dog-star in the southeast.

Mercury will appear farthest from the sun on February 20, but will likely be seen just as easily the preceding few days for he will then be brighter. The apparent brilliance decreases rapidly from day to day, being only one-third as great on the 25th as on the 15th, for it is changing from a half-moon shape toward a crescent as seen telescopically.

We recall that Mercury is the nearest to the sun of any known planet, with Venus and the earth ranking second and third. The diameter is only about 3000 miles compared with almost

8000 each for Venus and the earth. A complete circuit is made around the sun in 88 of our days. This is the Mercurian year. Generally accepted is the opinion that one side of the planet is continuously turning toward the sun. Being on an average only four-tenths as far from the sun as we are, and surrounded by little, if any atmosphere, the sunward side is intensely hot.

In the twilight this week, Mercury will be low in the sky somewhat south of west—may even twinkle gently—and will set over an hour after the sun. There should be no mistaking him, for no star nor planet rivaling him in brightness is near his location. On Saturday, the golden bowl of the thin moon will grace the scene a few degrees to the left of Mercury.

Should the skies be clear, be sure to see this little world and thereby add greatly to your self-esteem as an astronomer.

ALASKA AIR LINE
PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 15 (AP)—A civil aeronautics administration certificate was issued yesterday to General Air Cargo corporation for non-scheduled operations to Alaska. The firm said extensive charter flights to the territory are planned.

Tule Growers To Hear Talk

TULELAKE, Feb. 15—Tule-lake growers will hear a representative of the California bureau of markets, Sacramento, speak on the marketing act, and Charles A. Henderson, Klamath county agricultural agent, speak on certified seed barley at a meeting of the growers February 19 in the Sportsman's hotel. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p. m. and the general meeting will follow.

The 1947 program for the agricultural experimental plots to be operated here will be up for discussion. The 13-acre plot adjacent to Tulelake where experiments will be conducted under the supervision of the California College of Agriculture, the U. S. bureau of reclamation and the Tulelake growers is only one of several units of land that will be devoted to experiments.

The growing, maturity dates and possibility of marketing of numerous vegetable crops, varieties of seed barley and of alfalfa and strawberry clover seed will be studied.

Belgium Cuts Retail Prices

BRUSSELS, Feb. 15 (AP)—Belgium announced today a 10 per cent reduction, effective today, in the retail price of textiles, hardware, leather goods and paper.

The measure is aimed at counteracting a tendency toward salary increases, the ministry of economic affairs said today.

In curbing prices we are preceding the new turn in business—the wind has changed and prices are going down," Minister Henri Liebaert said.

France has made similar price reductions by fiat.

Health Group To Hear Talk

The Klamath County Public Health association is sponsoring Roscoe L. Miller, health education consultant of the Oregon state board of health, at a meeting to be held in the blue room at the Willard hotel, Monday, February 17, at 3 o'clock. Miller will discuss social hygiene education and venereal disease.

Miller received his bachelor of arts degree at Wooster college, Wooster, O., a master of arts degree at Columbia university, New York. In health and physical education, and he took post-graduate work at the University of Michigan and Ohio State college.

After spending nine years as instructor of health and physical education in Ohio public schools, Miller went as dean of men to Wilmington college, Wilmington, O.

During the war he served in the coast guard as captain of the port of Astoria. At the close of the war he accepted the position as health consultant for the state health department of Oregon. Anyone who is interested in these two vital subjects is cordially invited to attend this meeting. Reservations are not necessary.

Hans Norland Fire Insurance, 123 N. 6th St.

Portland Hotels Hike Room Price

PORTLAND, Feb. 15 (AP)—Some Portland hotels announced rate increases today as rent control ended for transient rooms.

The Multnomah and Heathman hotels said some of their rooms would go up 10 to 15 per cent in price, although other transient rooms would remain unchanged.

The Congress hotel said the overall raise would be about 15 per cent. A number of hotels said they would wait a few days before announcing any change.

In some of the rug weaving districts of the Orient, one man specializes in dyeing the yarn for each color. If a dozen colors are used, each color will have its own specialist. Usually the formula used by the dyer is his own secret.

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Second Degree Murder Charged

EUGENE, Feb. 15 (AP)—Mrs. Virginia Harrington, 25-year-old mother of two, was to be arraigned in circuit court today on a charge of second degree murder.

A grand jury indicted her yesterday in the fatal shooting of her husband, Gene Harrington, 33, Eugene lumberman, at their home January 28.

Mrs. Harrington told police he came home at dawn that day and threatened her.

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF BOND SALE
Sealed proposals will be received by the Common Council of the City of Klamath Falls, Oregon, for the purchase of street improvement bonds, Series 77 and 78, aggregating Fourteen Thousand, Four Hundred Seventy-one Dollars (\$14,471.00), duly authorized by Ordinance of the said City of Klamath Falls, for the construction and improvement of the following improvement units situated in Klamath Falls, Oregon, as follows:

Improvement unit No. 90, extending along Main Street from South Line of Main Street to the North Line of Home Avenue; and Improvement Unit No. 91, extending along Michigan Avenue from the North Line of Main Street to the South-Eastern line of Esplanade Street and Main Way from the Northeastern line of Michigan Avenue to the Southwest line of the U. S. Canal right-of-way.

Proposals to purchase said bonds will be received by the undersigned up to and including the 10th day of March, 1947, at the hour of seven-thirty o'clock p. m., of said day and opened at a regular meeting of the Common Council immediately thereafter; said bonds shall be dated the 15th day of March, 1947, and shall be in amounts of \$500.00 each, except bond No. 1, of each series, which shall be for the fractional part of said sum, and all shall be due ten years after the date of issue, payment of the entire bonds optional with said City at any coupon payable on and after one year from the date thereof. Said bonds will bear interest at the rate of not to exceed six per cent per annum payable semi-annually on September 15 and March 15, of each year, principal and interest payable at the office of the

NOTICE INVITING BIDS
The undersigned Police Judge of the City of Klamath Falls, Oregon, will receive bids up to and including 1:30 P. M. Tuesday, March 4, 1947 for one new tractor with plow, broom, blade and sickle attachments. Also one 1-ton pickup and one one and one-half ton dump truck with long wheel base, and one used Ford dump truck for which separate bids will be received to apply on the cost of the new equipment. See the city engineer for detailed specifications.

The city reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

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Boots and Her Buddies
NOW I WARN YOU, YOU YOUNG SLICKER! DON'T GET ABUSIVE OR I'LL HAVE THE LAW ON YOU! MY SISTER MIRANDA IS IN THE NEXT ROOM AS A WITNESS TO ANYTHING YOU SAY! MY PRICE IS \$300,000! TAKE IT OR LEAVE IT!

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BEAUTY AND THE BEAST... WHAT A WAY TO GET PICTURES OF THOSE GUYS BEFORE MILLIONS OF READERS!

Freckles and His Friends
HER NAME IS DEBBY WINNIE—SHE'S A NEW GIRL AT SHADYSIDE HIGH, AND WHEN SHE DROPPED HER PERFUMED HANKY, NUTTY COOK PICKED IT UP!

Little Orphan Annie
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