

# In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

Some 30 years ago Robert Dollar, who rates among the moguls, picked out a site on the hills overlooking San Rafael (where these words are written) and built himself a mansion. He kept adding to it, building as he went along the things that go with a mansion, such as stables and paddocks and houses for the hired help, and in the course of time what he was building became a splendid estate — one of the show places of Northern California. There he lived and enjoyed himself after the manner of the moguls.

It is still a mansion and it is still a show place, but it can no longer be said that those who live there are living in the manner of the moguls. The times have changed. It took a staff of retainers to maintain a mansion such as Robert Dollar built up there in the green and lovely Marin hills, and in these modern days staffs of household retainers just AIN'T.

Things like that have gone to join the buffalo and the mountain sheep.

Some three or four decades before Robert Dollar started his mansion a mogul of another day and another sort came to San Rafael. His name was Kit Carson. Among his companions was a young army officer by the name of John C. Fremont. The two of them and the rugged band of mountain men they led had just taken part in the beginnings of the Bear Flag revolution, out of which came the American state of California.

They came on to San Rafael, and put up in a house that is not far from the center of the town and not long after they arrived Carson saw a couple of Spaniards running away from the house. He brought his trusty rifle to his shoulder and shot one of them and with his pistol he downed the other one.

That was the way of the moguls of that day. They shot first and asked questions afterward. We frown on such doings now, but in those days if one didn't shoot first it was too often the other fellow who asked the questions.

Those were rugged days and it took rugged men to get through them and do the things that had to be done if the American flag was to wave from the Atlantic to the Pacific.

Kit Carson, from all accounts, was rugged.

I wonder what rugged Kit Carson would think if he could see the Marin county of today. It is growing like a weed. New houses are going up wherever you look. Not one at a time. Not two at a time. Not a half dozen at a time. They are going up by the hundreds.

And, they tell you, Marin county hasn't any more than begun to grow. A new bridge is soon to be built across the bay from the Richmond side to the San Rafael side. A freeway, in anticipation of it, people living on the east side of the bay are booming over to the Marin side and buying lots and preparing to build homes.

Why? Well, the answer is that the East Bay district is already so crowded that you can no longer turn around without stepping on somebody, so they're moving over to the comparatively roomy Marin side — much as the people who kept our frontiers moving steadily westward pulled up stakes and moved on when the settlement got so thick that you couldn't go more than five miles or so without bumping up against a neighbor.

Anyway, the Bay area is growing. It is growing by leaps and bounds. What has been going on for years south of the Tehachapi is now beginning to happen farther to the north. And since Marin county offers more wide open spaces than any other area around the Bay it is growing faster than any other area.

Old Robert Dollar was a forward-looking citizen, and he had faith in the future of the West, but I'll bet that if he could come back and see what has happened in the past few years he'd think that away back there in the 1870's he was just an old fogey who had no imagination at all.

## FISH COUN

PORTLAND (AP) — The Tuesday fish count at Bonneville: chinook 3708, jack 157, steelhead 587.



**THIS TORN AND TWISTED TRUCK** was smashed this morning when two transports collided atop the highway overpass this side of Midland, blocking the highway for some time. State Police officers and wrecker crews (top) were on hand to clear out the debris shortly after the smashup. The lower picture shows the southbound truck, driven by Chester Boyle, where it came to a halt on the shoulder of the hill after crashing through the guard rail. Traffic was routed around the wreck scene. The second truck involved can be seen tilted on its side in the background. The driver of this truck was hospitalized, but his injuries were not thought critical.

## Indian Hearing Set For Agency Monday

The Indian Affairs subcommittee hearing scheduled for Monday, April 19, will be held in the Tribal Council Hall at Klamath Agency, Supt. E. J. Diehl, stated today.

Members of the House Interior and Insular Affairs Committee will arrive in Klamath Falls at 9:30 Monday morning and will be taken directly to Klamath Agency for the hearing, slated to start at 10 a.m.

A representative from the commissioners office of the Department of Interior, Washington, D.C., is expected to attend, as is Don Foster, area director, Portland, who replaced E. Morgan Pryse April 1.

Other officials expected to attend are a representative from Governor Patterson's office, Mayor Paul Laundry and members of the Klamath County Court, the mayor of Chiloquin and a representative from Beatty, Bly and Fort Klamath, as well as spokesmen for various Indian groups.

## Dunsmuir Vote Talled

**DUNSMUIR** — It appeared this morning that the two incumbents had been reelected to the city council. Absentee ballots which had been received before the polls closed last night had not been counted by 8 a.m. Wednesday.

Mayor Fred O. Lloyd received 305 votes. In second place was L. E. (Chum) Gibson with 252 votes.

E. A. Christensen, a write-in candidate, received the third number of total votes. The other candidates were Robert Dickson and Samuel Tuller.

Hold-over councilmen are James A. Haley, Marjorie Young and R. G. Renaud.

The council will meet to elect officers in the near future.

## Klamath Basin Potato Shipments

KLAMATH BASIN POTATO SHIPMENTS	
Shipped Today	Name Day Last Year
38 cars	11 cars
Total for Season	
10,205 cars	10,874 cars
1954-55	1953-54

## E. L. Stephens to Retire As USBR Project Manager Here After Long Service

Edward Layton Stephens, project manager for the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation since 1945, and identified with the development of the irrigation system of the Klamath Basin since 1909, will retire April 24, and with Mrs. Stephens, will move to Pacific Grove, California, to make his home.

Stephens arrived in Oregon, from his native San Francisco in 1896, when his father, representing the Schilling Company, traveled by horse and buggy over all of Oregon.

In August 1906 Stephens drove a horse drawn wagon of furniture to Klamath Falls via the Green-springs Highway. His first job with the USBR came soon after that when he carried water to men working on the old USBR tunnel. In 1909 he worked on the Clear Lake dam as a teamster. A year later he served with a survey crew for the Southern Pacific Railway when the road bed around Modoc Point was being built.

He returned to the USBR as a surveyor the following year, working on the Lost River diversion dam at Merrill. He lived for a time on the J. Frank Adams ranch. The bureau transferred him to the Grand Valley project in Colorado then to the Uncompahgre project, dubbed by the late President Taft, the "Uncomparable" project.

The Flathead district in Montana was his next move, in 1915. While there he was married to Hazel Van Buren of Grand Junction Colorado. In the spring of 1918 the family returned to the Klamath country and "Steve" worked for a time for Klamath County during the "three-courthouse controversy" but his love was "water."

Homesteads were being opened in the Tulelake-Malin area and the family spent some time, until 1926, in the south end of the basin where agriculture was beginning to flourish. That year he went behind an office desk and has been there since.

He has seen the Klamath reclamation project develop from a few thousand acres to more than 200,000 now under water.

"There is still room," he says "for great improvement and development in agriculture here, with enormous possibilities yet to be tapped." After a lifetime of the same experiences in the same work, ties are bound to be strong, and my interest in the Klamath country will bring me back."

Stephens has had no club or lodge affiliation over the years except with the Tulelake Rotary Club. His entire time and interest has been devoted to his work.

In 1953 he was awarded the distinguished service cross, highest award given by the department of the interior. The award was presented by Oscar L. Chapman, then secretary of the department.

Mr. and Mrs. Stephens were guests of honor at a farewell party given Saturday night, April 10, at Jen-Ed's by employees of the USBR and district board members.



E. LAYTON STEPHENS

# Herald and News

KLAMATH FALLS, OREGON, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14, 1954  
Price Five Cents—29 Pages Telephone 8111 No. 2815

## Truck Smashup Blocks Highway

By OTTO ELLIS

A heavy blanket of early morning fog was blamed for a serious two-truck accident on the overpass of the S.P. Railroad, five miles south of here on highway 97, about 6 a.m. this morning.

Joe Cornelison, Los Angeles, driver of a northbound Consolidated Freightways truck and trailer was had broken apart, and the truck, with its left side literally sheared off was lying on its right side against the railing, while the trailer after tearing out about 40 feet of railing, tipped back on its left side in the center of the roadway, where it blocked traffic until about 8 a.m., when one way traffic was established.

Detour signs were being set on the highway to route traffic around the scene and police officers stated it would probably take nearly all day to clear the wreckage.

Operator of the southbound semi-trailer combination, Chester A. Boyle, San Leandro, who received minor cuts and bruises but was not hospitalized, told state police that visibility was very poor as the two diesel outfits met almost head-on atop the overpass.

Sections of the cement railing was ripped out as the two trucks bounced apart at the crash, hit the railing and skidded back onto the highway. Wheels and axles on the left side of both vehicles were ripped off by the impact.

The southbound tractor, owned by the Converse Trucking Company, and pulling a semi-trailer, leased from the S. A. Crum & Co. Freight Lines, loaded with drums of carbide, was hanging precariously over the fill at the south end. Had the units broken apart the tractor and driver would undoubtedly have rolled down the 50 foot embankment.

The Freightways truck and trailer, loaded with fresh vegetables, sent to the Klamath Valley Hospital, where attending physicians reported he had suffered a compound fracture of the left leg, shock and bruises. His condition is not considered serious.

The sheriff, accompanied by members of the county coroner's office and the Oregon State Police left for the Williamson River to pick up the body discovered there. This proved to be the body of an unidentified man who had evidently been in the water for some time. The autopsy will be held by County Coroner Dr. George Adler this afternoon.

An intensive investigation by the sheriff's office conducted and early identification of the deceased is predicted.

After conducting a preliminary investigation at the Williamson River the sheriff and deputies accompanied by the state police and county coroner's office proceeded via Chiloquin to Beatty and contacted Indian Officer Wentz. He conducted the group to a spot about 8 miles northeast of Beatty near the government corrals, where the second body was found. At present this body is also unidentified but officials investigating the death believe the identity may be established some time after the autopsy this afternoon. This body was originally discovered by Jackson Paddy sometime late Tuesday afternoon.

Cause of both deaths will be announced following the coroner's autopsy.

**WASHINGTON (AP)**—U.S. District Judge Walter M. Bastian Tuesday held up any sentence for Rep. Ernest K. Bramblett (R-Calif.) until the Supreme Court can pass upon his conviction on charges of falsifying his payroll in a salary kickback scheme.

Judge Bastian held that there is reasonable doubt "as to whether the law under which Bramblett was convicted applied to the charges against him."

The government now will carry the case directly to the Supreme Court in an effort to set aside Judge Bastian's ruling.

The law under which Bramblett was convicted by a jury in March makes it a felony to make a false statement to government departments and agencies.

He was convicted of falsely representing that Mrs. Margaret M. Swanson was a clerk to him. She said she did no work and her husband, Irving Swanson, testified he kicked back his wife's salary to Bramblett.

Defense attorney Edward Bennett Williams contended the law applied only to departments and agencies of the executive branch of the government, and not to Congress.

## Holman Eyed For Bench

**PORTLAND (AP)** — There were reports here Wednesday that Circuit Judge Ralph M. Holman of Oregon City was in line for appointment to the federal district court post vacated by Judge James Alger Fee.

The FBI has questioned several persons about Holman's background. Such an FBI check precedes appointment to a federal job.

Meantime, however, the Oregon State Bar announced it will poll its members to get their opinion on who should fill the post created by Fee's appointment to the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals at San Francisco.

John Holloway, bar secretary, said that signatures of 10 bar members and the candidate's consent are necessary for nomination to the post. The list of nominations will be kept open for more than two weeks.

## Two Bodies Discovered In County

The Klamath Sheriff's office had a busy time late yesterday afternoon when two phone calls came in telling of two bodies being discovered almost simultaneously at opposite ends of the county.

The first call came from Deputy Sheriff Lewis Pankey, telephoning from the Williamson River Store to report that Wilbur Ellis Crim had found the body of a man near the bridge where the old highway crosses the Williamson River.

Soon after this call was received a message came in from Mrs. Walt Wentz, wife of Indian Officer Wentz, telling of the discovery of the body of a man near Beatty. This was confirmed later by a call from Officer Wentz.

The sheriff, accompanied by members of the county coroner's office and the Oregon State Police left for the Williamson River to pick up the body discovered there. This proved to be the body of an unidentified man who had evidently been in the water for some time. The autopsy will be held by County Coroner Dr. George Adler this afternoon.

An intensive investigation by the sheriff's office conducted and early identification of the deceased is predicted.

After conducting a preliminary investigation at the Williamson River the sheriff and deputies accompanied by the state police and county coroner's office proceeded via Chiloquin to Beatty and contacted Indian Officer Wentz. He conducted the group to a spot about 8 miles northeast of Beatty near the government corrals, where the second body was found. At present this body is also unidentified but officials investigating the death believe the identity may be established some time after the autopsy this afternoon. This body was originally discovered by Jackson Paddy sometime late Tuesday afternoon.

Cause of both deaths will be announced following the coroner's autopsy.

## Deportation Threat Told

**PORTLAND (AP)** — Norman S. Heppburn, 65, of Klamath Falls, took a four-day vacation in Cuba three years ago and on his return said he was a U. S. citizen. Because of that, he is going to be deported. He may be allowed to return, though.

Louis Hafferman, Immigration Service officer, said Heppburn was born in Aberdeen, Scotland, and as an alien his statement on returning from Cuba subjected him to deportation.

Heppburn has asked for voluntary deportation. If this is approved, he then can return and again take up permanent residence. He has lived in the U. S. 30 years.



**DARLA MONTGOMERY** was waiting for the bus to take her to Fremont School this morning when the 9 o'clock photographer happened by.

## Tule Voters Name Council

**TULELAKE** — Winning candidates in Tuesday's city election for four year council seats were John F. Burke, Jr., who nosed out veteran Bill Seigler, by 13 votes, and incumbents, Rollie Hinojosa, mayor and Ed Duckett.

Victoria Thaler was returned to office as city clerk and Sara Welsh as treasurer.

Burke polled 123 votes to Seigler's 110. Seigler has served with an excellent record as street commissioner. Duckett polled 127 and Hinojosa 123. Mrs. Thaler, with 4 write-in votes for Elizabeth Holland as oppositior, took 147. Mrs. Welsh topped them all with 158.

All council terms are for four years.

Under California law, the mayor is elected from the newly elected councilmen following the election.

The vote was the lightest in many years, 169 out of 438 registered voters going to the polls.

## Maine Gets Light Snow

**By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

There were a few wet spots but generally fair and pleasant weather prevailed over most of the nation Wednesday.

Temperatures in most areas continue above seasonal levels.

Readings early Wednesday ranged mostly from the 40s to the 70s. Coldest spots were in Northern Maine and Northern Minnesota where temperatures were around freezing. Light snow fell in Northern Maine.

Light rain fell in the Northern Rockies from Montana southward into Idaho, Wyoming and Northern Utah. Showers were reported in the Carolinas and Georgia but falls were light. Thunderstorms hit sections of Eastern Minnesota, parts of Wisconsin and in Western Texas.

Tuesday's temperatures ranged from a high of 100 at Thermal, Calif., to 29 above at Washington, N.H.

## Government Spud Buying Figure Up

Orders issued by the Department of Agriculture last week that 11 cars of potatoes would be purchased in Oregon with Section 32 Funds, has been countermanded and a total of 123 cars will be purchased, according to information received this morning.

This decision was announced at a meeting still in progress at the Agricultural Stabilization Conservation office in the Tower Theater Building between officials of the agriculture department and members of the ASO committee.

On the basis of information available the Department of Agriculture has orders for 71 carloads of Oregon potatoes for April delivery, of these 59 will come from Klamath County, and the balance from Modoc and Siskiyou counties in California.

According to the ASO members, 18 growers from Siskiyou, 35 from Modoc, and 59 from Klamath counties have offered potatoes for sale, this makes a total of 123 growers who have offered a total of 750 cars to the government.

In order to make the county allotments fair to all it was decided that of the 123 cars to be purchased now, 50 per cent would come from Klamath, 30 per cent from Modoc and 20 per cent from Siskiyou counties.

## Land Owners Contacted

Airport Manager Russ Avery will contact property owners, whose land will be needed if the jet base comes in, today, for a right of permit for surveys and explorations at the airport prior to consummation of a formal real estate deal.

The property owners involved are Melvin Keener, E. G. Borne, A. M. Ager and W. C. Lindmeyer.

The corp of engineers, U.S. Army Northern Pacific division at Walla Walla requested the permission to go on the property they expect to purchase and do civil engineering in connection with their plans for the jet interceptor base.

Mayor Paul Landry has contacted members of the city council for their permission to authorize Avery to contact owners of the 51 or so acres of privately owned lands at the south end of the runway. The acreage will be bought under city control and included with the airport proper in any subsequent real estate transaction.

A letter from Congressman Sam Coon received by Mayor Landry this morning acknowledged receipt of council's resolution in favor of the base and the letters from the mayor to the Air Force.

Coon expressed his admiration for the "sound approach of the city of Klamath Falls, the chamber of commerce and others" in the deal, and said he was going before the Armed Services Committee to outline the natural advantages, the existing facilities and the very good attitude of Klamath Falls. He assured his strong support of Klamath Falls in the event another community might try for the base.

## Search For Plane Pushed

**SEATTLE (AP)** — Searchers for a missing Canadian Westinghouse executive and his wife, who vanished Monday in their light plane, concentrated Wednesday along the shoreline between Seattle and Tacoma.

A Coast Guard patrol boat, a ground party and airplanes joined in the search for Mr. and Mrs. Erlo M. Coles of Hamilton, Ont. The 58-year-old Westinghouse vice president and his wife vanished on a Yakima-Vancouver, B. C., flight after radioing that the plane's single engine failed at more than 10,000 feet over the Seattle area.

A logger's report of seeing a plane "with a funny tail" flying low between Auburn and Enumaclaw, south of Seattle, drew air searchers to the area Tuesday without result.



**STATE SENATOR PHIL HITCHCOCK** (center) was guest speaker last night at OTI's Symbiot banquet. He is shown here with (right) Winston Purvine, OTI director, and Symbiot President Jerry Sayles. Symbiot is the agricultural honorary organization at the school on the