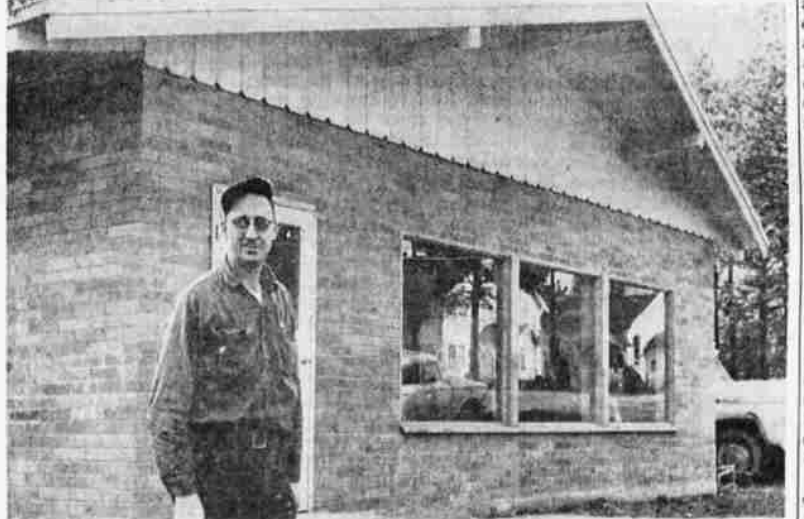




LANDSCAPING PROJECT — Robert Wright, PTA president; Mrs. William Wampler; and C. A. Samples, principal, look over letters received by the PTA from governors of the states of Alaska, Hawaii, and North Dakota offering seeds, small shrubs, or trees to assist with the landscaping of the new Chiloquin High School. Many other states have also replied. Mrs. Wampler is chairman of the landscape committee which is working in cooperation with another committee from the chamber of commerce.



YOUNG BANKERS — Frank Ohlund, manager of the United States National Bank at Chiloquin, shows a group of grade school children and their instructor, Mrs. Rosalie Hoback, a \$1,000 bill while explaining the values of a savings program to the students. The bank is completing its second year of service to the Chiloquin area and keeps a calendar of community events posted in its window.



CARPENTRY SHOP — An attractive business establishment was added to Chiloquin's streets late in 1962 when Layton Hoback opened a cabinet and carpentry shop after working out of his home for several years. The 30 by 75-foot cabinet shop was built, with the exception of the masonry, by Hoback and his assistant, Max Lewis of Klamath Falls. Hoback moved to Chiloquin in 1946 and until four years ago did cabinet work only as a hobby while involved in another line of business.



NEW HOME — Mr. and Mrs. Peter Macfarlane and their seven children moved into this six bedroom two-story home on a bluff just west of U.S. 97, adjacent to the Chiloquin junction and the family service station business. Landscaping is planned for the future. The home is one of several new ones which were completed in the area last year.

State Demos Plan Meeting

SALEM (UPI) — Democratic State Chairman E.D. Spencer announced today plans for a statewide Democratic conference to be held in Salem April 6-7.

The first day is to be a workshop to develop the program for 1964 through which the party will work for active organization necessary "for victory in the next election."

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Old Jail Building Still Stands At Fort Klamath

By MYRTLE WIMER

At an elevation of 4,184 feet, in the heart of the 180,000-acre Wood River Valley, and remote from the crowds and bright lights of the city, lies the small, unincorporated town of Fort Klamath. It has a population of less than 200 at its peak when ranchers and their families have returned each spring for the season after wintering elsewhere.

Bordered by far flung fenced cattle ranges, here is found a peace and quiet which is rare nowadays—not even a railroad intrudes, and the snow-capped Cascades stand eternal guard over the beautiful valley, where the air is fresh and invigorating, and where sunshine is enjoyed most of the year.

Once this small town had a justice of the peace, a justice court, a constable and a jail, but all that remains of the early day law is the old jailhouse. It stands beside Crater Lake Highway 62 near the south entrance to Fort Klamath, a route traveled each summer by thousands of people en route to and from Crater Lake and other scenic or recreational spots in the area.

Built in the center of town in the early 1900s by carpenters whose identity has been lost with the passage of time, the three-room jailhouse was strongly constructed of two by four laid flat, layers of two being nailed together with large spikes.

The windows were made escape proof by sturdy iron bars, made and installed by the late Dolphin Wimer and son Harold. The family moved here from Selma, Ore., in 1909, and Wimer and son had a blacksmith shop here for several years.

The jail building was moved in later years to its present location, and now attracts no more than a casual passing glance from travelers along the highway. Indeed, even many local citizens are unaware of its significance or that it had a part in the early history of the town.

One of the first justices of the peace was the late C. C. Jackson, son of Earl M. Jackson, who died here two years ago, and a man named Lambert acted as constable. The latter met a violent end when he was shot and killed in a saloon here by one of two outlaws who had drifted into town. They were wanted men, and after they refused to throw down their guns when ordered to do so by Lambert, the officer fired, shooting one of the two men in both his legs, whereupon the second outlaw shot and killed Lambert. Taken to Klamath Falls for trial, the "bad men," pleading self defense, were subsequently found not guilty of this charge against them.

Dolphin Wimer succeeded Jackson as justice of the peace, with Joe Voss appointed to serve as constable during his tenure of office. Voss was a victim of the flu epidemic in 1918 and Wimer died New Year's Day, 1923.

In those early times, the present city of Chiloquin was practically non-existent, however, with the building of the railroad there, the area developed rapidly, and the city was eventually incorporated in 1926. Then came progress in law enforcement, and the Wood River precinct was formed, consolidating Chiloquin, Klamath Agency and Fort Klamath under one jurisdiction, with the more recent addition of Bly. In 1926, locale of the office of justice of the peace, and the justice court, was moved to Chiloquin, which also maintains a city police force and a jail.

As in former days in Fort Klamath, law violators are now tried there for misdemeanors, while those committing felonies are taken to the county jail in Klamath Falls to await trial in circuit court. The justice of the peace is also empowered to bind over to the grand jury of Klamath County in Klamath Falls lawbreakers found guilty in his court.

Oregon state police, Chiloquin city police and the deputy sheriff at Chiloquin are authorized to make arrests, and their prisoners are lodged in Chiloquin jail, to await disposition of their cases according to seriousness of crimes committed.

Present day justice of the peace in Chiloquin is Walter Zimmerman, who has held the office for the past 12 years, and was re-elected in last November's general election to a third six-year term.

Serving as deputy sheriff for Klamath County, under Sheriff J. Murray Britton of Klamath Falls, is a veteran law enforcement officer, Alvie O. Youngblood of Chiloquin, who for 19 years was a federal officer with the U.S. Indian Service of Klamath Agency. When the agency was liquidated, he was appointed deputy sheriff for this area, and has held that office for the past nine years.

Youngblood is on call anywhere in Klamath County, but he is especially depended on when an emergency arises in Fort Klamath, as there is no law of any kind here; state police are always available in the event of highway accidents in the vicinity, and respond promptly when called.

In the early 1900s, in contrast to present day practice, cattle were not pastured in the valley from spring until late fall; instead, tons of hay were put up here each summer by haying crews and outfits.

The valley was once described as "one large hayfield" by the late Senator Weed of California, for whom the city of Weed is named, and one time owner of the former Weed ranch now owned by the Hawkins Cattle Co. of Hollister, Calif.

In those days the local population was much larger, as the hay crews and their families stayed here the year around, as did the ranchers. Cattle were kept on summer range on Klamath Marsh and driven down to local ranches in late fall for winter feeding.

Nowadays, thousands of beef cattle are shipped here by truck in the spring, and after fattening on the green pastures for the season, are shipped out again in the fall, either to market or to feed lots or winter pasture in California.

Ranchers and their hired hands, with their families, leave for the winter soon after the cattle are shipped out, with the exception of a few families, including the Stewart, Lloyd and Elmore Nicholsons, the William Zumbruns, Hollis Kizers, Fred L. Popes, Ray V. Chases and William Brewers, who stay here the year round.

On the present day Joe McAuliffe ranch here were a race track, ball park and rodeo grounds, and nearly every Sunday horse races, a ball game or a rodeo were staged there. Large crowds came to these affairs, with many Klamath and Warm Springs Indians included, especially during the Fourth of July week.

Fights galore kept the constable busy as the three saloons here did a thriving business, and celebrants who had imbibed too much "red-eye" were lodged in the local bastille to sober up. Special officers were sworn in at times, also.

In 1915, Harold Wimer recalls, the town was visited by a carnival, complete with the usual attractions and games of chance in addition to a special feature, a balloon ascension with a parachute jumper.

A dance pavilion was built by Tom Jackson and Frank Burns, both now deceased, and during the week-long celebration, one outstanding event is remembered: A man identified only as an Irishman named Mike, partook of too much liquor, partook of too much liquor, and limbered up his six-shooter by firing at the feet of a luckless individual standing in front of a saloon, making him dance "or else." Tiring of this pastime, he walked backward down the street, reloading his weapon and firing wildly in all directions, causing bystanders to flee for cover, and emitting whoops and yells as he walked—shades of the old West.

Luckily his aim was erratic and no one was hit. In his drunken progress down the street he came near the Rube White home where White's daughter and son-in-law, the John Copelands, also lived. Mrs. Copeland opened the door to see what the ruckus was all about, and the wild Irishman fired in her direction, the bullet striking the frame of the door a short distance above Mrs. Copeland's head.

Frank Court, a friend of the White family, seized Copeland's .38-30 carbine and let fly a shot at the Irishman, missing him. In the meantime, a group of men had circled through the roadside willows, coming up behind the celebrant, pinning his arms behind him and disarming him.

He was a patron of the local jail that night, and was taken to Klamath Falls the next day, tried and sentenced to 30 days for disturbing the peace. A guard was stationed over prisoners in the jail, and meals were brought in from outside.

Another instance of those days was that of a mentally ill character who went berserk, was lodged in jail overnight and taken the next day by Wimer and Voss to Klamath Falls to undergo an examination.

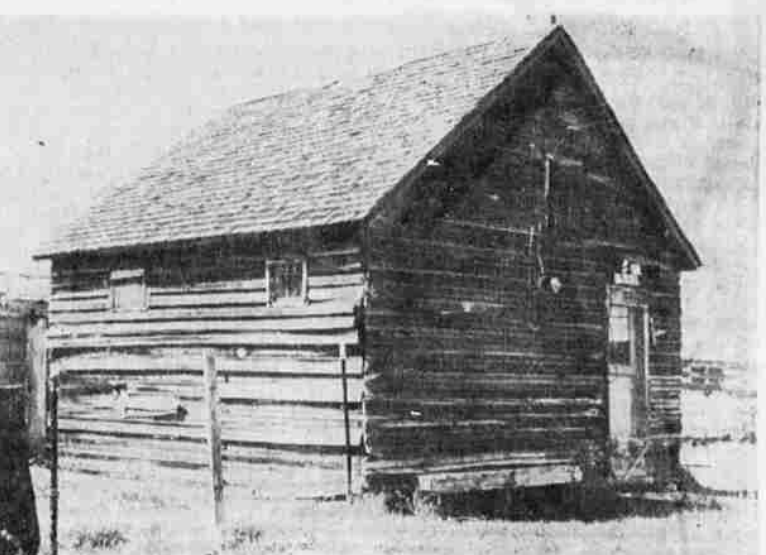
En route to Klamath Falls, the prisoner complained of a pain in his chest. Upon examination, it was found by Wimer and Voss that a large finishing nail was imbedded in his torso just below the heart. The nail was removed—the patient said that he was tired of living and tried to end it all by driving the nail into his chest—another inch higher and he would have pierced his heart, and succeeded in his try. However, he recovered after a doctor had removed the nail and treated the wound.

The abandoned jailhouse became the property of two brothers, the late John and Joe Hessig, who moved it to its present site. Vacant now, an adjacent building then housed the local office of the Hessig Telephone Co.

In 1939, the dial system was installed for this entire area, and the switchboard was moved temporarily to Chiloquin. At that time, there were two veteran operators here, Mrs. Harry (Birdie) Engle and Mrs. Alfred R. (Mildred) Castel. The march of modern progress left them two alternatives, they could transfer to Chiloquin or retire if they wished.

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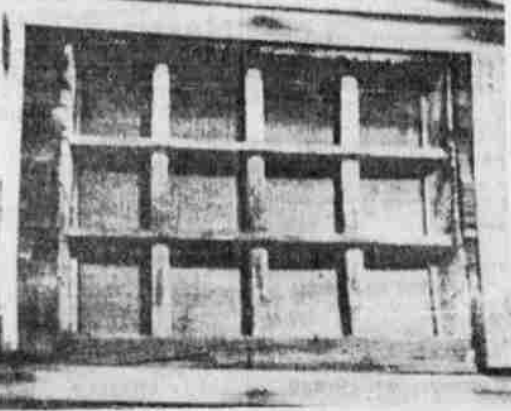
ONLY JAIL — This is Fort Klamath's only jail, built in the early 1900s and still in use, but not as a jail. Many persons, even some locally, are not aware of the significance of this somewhat dilapidated old historical structure.

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No longer a prison, the old jailhouse is still useful, its thick, weathertight walls make the building cool in summer and warm in winter, and two of the smaller rooms, formerly cells, serve for storage purposes, while the larger room is convenient to use as a spare bedroom in an emergency. Since 1926, it has been occupied as satisfactory and comfortable living quarters at various times, and in all probability will endure for many years to come as a memento of the early days when Fort Klamath had law enforcement officials and a jailhouse.



OLD IRON BARS — This closeup shows the iron bars on the old jailhouse building at Fort Klamath which were made and installed by Dolphin Wimer and son, Harold. Harold is still a resident of Fort Klamath.



MODERN DAY DEPUTY — This is Deputy Sheriff Alvie O. Youngblood, Chiloquin, who also handles police matters in the Fort Klamath Area. There is quite a contrast in manner and methods from the old days to the new.



EARLY DAY JP — Dolphin Wimer, early day justice of the peace in Fort Klamath, is shown in this 1923 photo holding grandson Vernon Wimer who was a logging accident victim in 1959.

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AMERICAN HOME	1226	8.2
BETTER HOMES & G.	1209	8.1
FAMILY CIRCLE	1591	10.6
GOOD HOUSEKEEPING	1327	8.8
LADIES' HOME JOURNAL	2069	13.8
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