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MODOC MILL BURNS TO GROUND

COUNCIL PASSES FRANCHISE; SAYS CONDITION OF IN SOME PLACES IS MENACING

Each debated ordinance
W. E. Young of Portland
to operate gasoline
electric street cars with-
in a period of 16 years
introduced with minor
amendments its first and
second before the city
at their regular meeting

to the procedure out-
the city attorney last
franchise must now be
from 10 to 30 days and
as come up to the coun-
cil passage. According to
the proposed street
must be in full opera-
tion 30 days from the final
act. Unless further
action be taken the ordi-
nance stands the council ap-
proves in their intention
the franchise.

A motion, county health
department the question of
sanitary means of dis-
posal of garbage particularly
in addition. He said con-
sider the sewer needs of
the city reached such a stage
that the health officer
should be called in by the
city to the local problem of
sewerage, and his recom-
mendations adopted into a com-
prehensive plan which should be taken
and carried out with
the health officer as a depend-
ent on the main sewer plan,
and to communicate with
the health officer at once.

Arnold, local representative
Warren Construction com-
pany is planning to bid on a
new paving project here,
in detail a schedule of
the paving material and the
company's machinery.
He said the Oregon
company to file
records at least 10 days
before prepared on any
bid. Arnold said that there
was an independent
being deceived since the
matter of record with
the authorities.

man Stuckey brought up
that the city was pay-
ing money in hiring men
to do the work on the streets
and in his opinion the prisoners
used for this work since
had been faced by a bill
for feeding prisoners in
the saw no reason why
they did not at least earn their
keep.

Commissioner J. E.
some of the prisoners
to either heavy or light
work that he had no author-
ity to put them into active em-
ployment.
It was suggested that
anyone who adopted a no
strike might be brought
to the error of his ways by
and water diet.
and to pave the alley be-
tween 8th and 9th on the north
block on Main was re-
ferred to the street committee. A
motion to declare the block where
the Christian church
is to be built outside the
city of the city was referred
to the attorney to draw up a
petition to that effect.

to pave 9th street
from 10th to 11th was discussed
and up for no definite action
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Flapper Wife Found Guilty of Throwing Acid at Her Hubby

(By United News Service Wire)

LOS ANGELES, May 4.—Bernice Day, 21 year old, "flapper" wife of Darby Day Jr., wealthy Chicagoan, was found guilty by a mixed jury here late today of disfiguring her husband's face with caustic acid. She will be sentenced next Monday. The penalty for the offense is from 1 to 14 years imprisonment.

As the jury foreman read the verdict, Bernice bravely suppressed a desire to cry. A small white handkerchief was torn by the nervous action of her fingers.

As realization came to her, she stood erect, squared her shoulders and quietly accompanied a police matron through rows of spectators to the county jail.

Darby Day and his parents were absent when the verdict was read. These were the high lights in the trial.

Darby Day testified his wife threw acid on him when he refused to make up with her following a quarrel.

Also that he found Bernice with a romantic looking Cuban in the bathroom of their Havana hotel suite, after he had been dragged. Bernice denied emphatically that the acid throwing was deliberate. She testified she intended drinking the poison herself and that it splattered on her husband's face during a scuffle.

She blamed her marital troubles on "too much mother-in-law." A dramatically staged scene before the jury, box marked the close of the trial. Young Day exhibited his face, first the unmarked side and then the side scarred by the acid.

"Before and after matrimony" exclaimed his attorney. "This is how his face appeared before marriage," pointed to the unblemished cheek. "An dthis" pointing to the scarred state as Day turned. "is how it looks now, after matrimony."

PATROLMAN COOPER TRAFFIC VIOLATOR; LLOYD LOW IS TOO

City Patrolman J. E. Cooper was picked up by County Traffic Officer R. E. Knuckles Sunday for improper license plates on his car, and also for not possessing a driver's license.

Cooper will appear before Justice of the Peace R. E. Hunsaker today, according to reports last night. After swooping down on the city patrolman, Knuckles' lust for blood was apparently not satisfied, for he then stepped out and tagged ex-sheriff Lloyd L. Low on a charge of driving his car on Main street without blinkers. Lloyd pleaded that he was just a poor country boy trying to get along, and coming in from the sheep camp, was naturally looking for the bright lights.

HAVE YOU ENTERED THE NEWS' BIG CIRCULATION CONTEST? STILL TIME

Have you entered The News' big circulation contest yet? Now is the time to enter the contest and get an even start with the other candidates.

Don't just think about it, but send in your nomination blank to-day, and a receipt book will be sent to you. Tell your friends that you are in the contest to win. If you don't, someone else will get their subscription. Subscribers are calling in the office every day and asking who is entered in the contest, in order that they may give credit to someone in the contest that they know. We can't give you credit in this contest until we have your nomination. Send in your nomination today!

Only 42 More Days
This campaign will run just 42 more days, and during that time if you devote an hour or so a day in

MANY MILLIONS WASTED IN ORE. ROAD FINANCES

County Judge Says State Highway Has Too Much Power

SALEM, May 4.—A charge that "millions have been wasted in state road expenditures" in Oregon was made by George Hawkins, county judge for Polk county, in an address here today.

Hawkins saw "grave danger" in the "centralization of authority" for the expenditure of local funds in any state commission, such as the state highway commission, and declared that money for highways should be spent under the supervision of the county authorities, rather than under the direction of a state commission.

Under the present system, Hawkins charged, bridges for highways have cost three times as much as they would have cost under county supervision.

The presence of "too many tinkers and not enough thinkers" in the state legislature was held by Hawkins to be representative of the present situation.

PORTLAND, May 4.—That the state highway commission is not committed to the exclusive use of any specific or particular type of pavement, but in its selection of a type of pavement is governed by the circumstances, conditions and needs peculiar to the particular road under construction, is set forth in the answer filed today by Assistant Attorney General Devers in the suit of Frederick M. Denefee against the highway commission. The suit was brought in the circuit court of Multnomah county, to enjoin the commission from signing a contract for paving the Astoria-Svensen section of the Columbia river highway.

It is further alleged in the answer that the decision of the commission was approved by the federal road authorities, the improvement being a federal aid project.

MATTOON AND TEED LEASE OIL STATION

Dale Mattoon and Byron Teed, local boys announced yesterday the leasing of the new gasoline service station located between First and Second streets on Main to be known as the Crater Service station.

The station will be equipped with every modern service station facility and will be the only station in Klamath Falls equipped with one of the latest glass measuring pumps permitting the motorist to see exactly how much gas he is taking onboard. The boys will handle Shell and Union gasoline and oils and plan to give the trade the fullest amount of service.

Portland Firm To Get Central School Award

The John Almeter company of Portland were low bidders for the new Central school here, it was announced last night following a meeting of the city school board. The bid was \$104,400. Coffer brothers of Klamath Falls were the next low bidders at \$110,420. The Campbell company of Sacramento was third at \$110,452. While the Almeter company bid was not finally accepted it will be, officials of the school board announced, just as soon as the company agrees to certain minor requirements.

NEW PLANS FOR FINANCING THE RODEO ARE MADE

The rodeo committee of the chamber of commerce met yesterday and adopted a new plan for assisting the Big Rodeo association to stage their show this year, offering the Sprague river stockmen a "guaranty fund" to assure them that the exhibition would pay its way.

Owing to the brief time that remained—only 57 days before July 3rd, the first day of the proposed show—the committee decided that it would be impractical to attempt to arrange financing for purchasing the show outright this year.

A committee composed of one representative from every branch of Klamath Falls industrial and retail business will call on the various business men this week to ascertain how much support can be pledged to the "guaranty fund" plan. It is proposed to raise a fund of three or four thousand dollars, and in the event the show pays its way, the entire fund will be committed back to the various donors. In case of a loss all or any part of the fund will be pledged to the use of the city people to balance their accounts.

It is further proposed to guarantee support to the show by recommending that all Klamath business houses close their doors from 1 to 5 o'clock on show days. The committee will meet again Friday evening to canvass the results of the pledging campaign. The city people stated at the meeting yesterday that they had two or three other offers to show this year.

\$28,000 in Building Permits Granted

The following building permits were granted by the council at their regular meeting last night:

Two garages, \$600, P. H. Goldens; garage, \$100, Jas. McRoberts; remodel building, \$1,000, Will Call; dwelling, \$600, C. D. Long; garage, \$65, E. R. Danford; dwelling, \$2,100, F. A. Selak; dwelling, \$300, Jno. Hasy; dwelling, \$150, W. S. Higsley; two dwellings, \$300, A. Marino; distributing station, \$10,000, Associated Oil Co.; garage, \$150, J. E. Franey; dwelling, \$2,000, N. H. Martin; dwelling, \$1,000, Baxter Barrow; remodel dwelling, \$230, Wm. Sawtuck; dwelling, \$900, A. R. Obest; 3 dwellings, \$7,500, W. C. Van Emon; garage, \$1,000, W. C. Van Emon.

PARKING VIOLATIONS

Ten Klamath people who were tagged by Chief Louck's force over the week-end for improper parking stood at attention before Judge Gaghagen yesterday morning and all drew down the nominal reverse of one berry.

C. Dalton, was not so fortunate, rating a \$25 set back for possession of alleged spirituous liquor.

MANY REACH SAFETY BY JUMPING THROUGH FATED MILL WINDOWS

Child of K. F. Pair Held For Fraud to Go to a Baby Home

(By United News Service Wire)

PORTLAND, May 4.—Because Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Hough are alleged to have sent checks to Montgomery Ward & company here without sufficient funds in the bank to cover them, they are under arrest here and their two year old child may be sent to some baby home for care. The pair and the baby were brought to Portland from their home at Klamath Falls, Monday by Deputy United States Marshal Wells.

According to the government, the couple recently sent checks to pay for two shipments of goods ordered. The company is said to have found the checks worthless and the goods were held at the Klamath Falls depot, undelivered, while the Houghs were arrested.

Boocop Snow Water Makes Sunday Poor Fishin' At Rocky

Too much snow water was the verdict of practically every party of local fishermen who tried their luck Sunday on the Williamson, Sprague, and Klamath rivers, and the various creeks and lakes of the county.

Rocky Point anglers in Klamath lake broke no world's records according to reports but most of them tied into a big redear or two that paid amply for the trip out there. Fred Houston, Tom Malarkey, Roy Durbin, Dr. Stewart, Red Piper, and public service commissioner H. H. Corey, were headliners in the Rocky Point drama. Commissioner Corey snared four or five big trout and succeeded in beaching a two and a half pounder, the biggest trout he ever met up with, according to his report. "People living in western Oregon don't know what real sport is" the enthusiastic commissioner said last night.

The Currin family and the Claud Davis family made a heroic attempt at successful fishing on the Williamson river but the only noteworthy feature of the day's program was the lunch furnished by the ladies of the party.

Harry Messner chaperoned a party out to Bailey Flats on the North fork of the Sprague. The party was made up of Fred Peterstener, Morris Myers, Leo Houston and the host. Wild reports were broadcasted of the success of this party but confidentially the whole bunch didn't catch enough six inch speckled trout to wad a musket.

Agnes Covalt Resigns As City School Nurse

Miss Agnes Covalt, nurse for Klamath Falls schools last night asked the city school board to accept her resignation three weeks before the closing of this year's term that she might accept a position in Salem as an experimental nurse. The work of Miss Covalt will be under the jurisdiction of the county health unit next year. She has rendered most capable and efficient service during her year here.

Many Are Readers of Indecent Magazines

WASHINGTON, May 4.—More than 50,000,000 people are reading indecent magazines published in the United States according to the board of temperance of the Methodist Episcopal church.

Total Loss Placed at \$125,000; Mill Goes Up in Flames Like Tinder; Lumber Saved Through Desperate Efforts of Employees; 100 Men Out of Work.

The Modoc lumber mill at Pine Ridge was completely destroyed within an hour after fire broke out in the mill's boiler room yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The building and equipment, valued early \$125,000 is a total loss, only half of which is covered by insurance.

Sawdust in the boiler room, ignited through a hot box, is believed to have caused the fire, which spread with alarming rapidity. The fire whistle was sounded immediately when the fire was discovered, but already it was making rapid headway. More than a hundred mill workers barely had time to escape with their lives. Many who, above the din of the mill machinery, did not hear the whistle, were too late to make the doorways, made their escape from the upper story by jumping to a millwright's shed below to safety.

"I was 300 yards away from the mill when I first saw the rising smoke," said V. C. Beach, manager of the mill, "and before I could reach the mill it was a mass of flames, throwing intense heat upward for a distance of 100 yards or more."

About 15 men were slightly burned or injured. All available hose was utilized to prevent the fire from spreading to the company offices and the stored lumber. Efforts of the several hundred men were successful with the exception of 30,000 feet of lumber and 50 lumber buggies, which were destroyed in the mill yards.

All Chiloquin rushed to the scene to aid in the work of prevention. Fire fighters on the opposite bank of the Williamson river were seriously hampered when the Modoc bridge became ignited by flying sparks. Quick action, however, saved the bridge, although it is regarded as unsafe for heavy traffic to cross.

The mill itself burned like tinder, despite the only modern wind. Scarcely an hour had passed from the time the alarm was sounded until it was enveloped in flames. It was plainly apparent that there was no hope for the mill itself. Efforts were directed solely to prevent the fire from spreading. A hose cord was formed around the mill, and a continual stream of water was played on surrounding structures and the lumber yards. The blaze continued until dusk. Mill employees were furnished, while they worked, with food by women of the camp.

A deal whereby the mill would be sold to an eastern lumbering outfit, was nearly completed despite reports to the contrary. It is believed that Shevlin-Hixon may again dicker for purchase of the mill site. They have, it is understood, expressed themselves as wanting the site, but not the mill itself, as it would be inadequate for a company of their magnitude.

TULE FIRE ATTRACTS A WIDE ATTENTION

A tule fire in the vicinity of "White Horse" Butte below Keno attracted the attention of many people between 9:00 and 10:00 o'clock Sunday night. The sky in the direction of Keno was crimson with the reflection of flames leading many to believe that a wholesale conflagration was in progress in the town itself. Many motorists were attracted via the Ashland highway to the hill above Keno where they were able to make out that there was no apparent loss from the fire.

MUST REGISTER FOR CHAMBER TRIP TODAY

The chamber of commerce is anxious that all Klamath residents or members of the chamber who desire to make the trip to Fort Klamath tomorrow night, call and sign up today as a full enrollment of the 60 reservations.

This will be the last visit to outlying communities sponsored by the chamber as an organization this year. It is pointed that there will be ample room in cars of members who plan to make the drive for all those who have no means of transportation.

Presbyterians Give Play Tonight to Aid Convention Finance

"The Village Photographer" will be presented at the Presbyterian church at 8 o'clock tonight by the C. E. society. This play represents the various characters who appear in the photograph gallery in one day, the humorous and the serious, and all bound together with the photographer's quaint philosophy of life.

Due to the postponement from last week, tickets sold for the previous date will be honored, or admission may be paid at the door. All proceeds from this play will be used for the Portland convention fund to send Klamath Endeavorers to this international C. E. convention next July.

MOORE CONFESSES

SALEM, May 4.—In a confession made public today by Warden Dalrymple of the state prison here, C. R. Moore, a convict, takes upon his shoulders the responsibility for the murder of Harry Bown, in Sacramento on the night of September 18, 1923.