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FORD MAY 400 VESSELS U. S. GOV'T.

Would Amount Billions; May Operate Ships

DETROIT, Mich., May 13.—Ford is prepared to buy ships from the United States government for the purpose of building a fleet of 400 vessels, which would be operated by the Ford Motor Company, it was learned today from a source familiar with the matter.

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Monumental Sum
A definite price is placed on the vessel and the Ford deal is the result of negotiation.

the final transaction could be made. In the recent sale of the high class president type passenger vessels to the Dollar Inter-oceanic government received slightly more than \$50 a deadweight ton.

price on the remainder of the fleet would figure \$141.

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Sheriff Uncovers Hot Trail of Tanko and Hall At Auburn

AUBURN, Calif., May 13.—What is regarded as one of the hottest clues uncovered in the hunt for Joe Tanko and Floyd Hall, was being investigated here tonight by Sheriff Gum and a squad of 20 deputies.

Gum, returning from investigation of a cabin near Colfax, where the San Quentin fugitives had been reported, was informed that two strangers had been seen in a hut on Rock Creek near here.

Pieces of mail, stolen from the Graniteville truck last week, and provisions taken from a store near Colfax, were found within the cabin.

As Tanko and Hall had been connected with both of these robberies, Sheriff Gum declared himself positive that the report of a gun accidentally discharged by a deputy had enabled the fugitives to again make their escape.

Oregon Public Service May Be Asked To Make New Oregon Rail Probe

PORTLAND, May 13.—The Interstate Commerce Commission, which has received the application of the northern lines, for authority to extend southward, will order a hearing in Oregon, according to Washington advices to the Oregon Journal.

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MAYOR OFFICIALLY VETOES FRANCHISE

As indicated by Mayor Goddard Monday night, the second passing of the exclusive franchise permitting the Strahorn road to cross Sixth street was vetoed by the mayor yesterday morning.

In his message to the council, the mayor set forth the same objections as he did Monday evening before the council direct and reiterated his statements regarding security for the Strahorn bonds, bought by the city of Klamath Falls.

either party."

Mary Hay, who has been dancing at Ciro's, one of Broadway's night clubs, during the winter, will leave for Europe at once to fill an engagement.

Hays said.

Barthelmess will remain in this country for like reasons.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA MAY HAVE MOST SUNSHINE BUT K. F. RECORDS DON'T SHOW IT; GAIN THIS SEASON

Who said Los Angeles had more sunshine than Klamath Falls? Scat! Based on the reports of last year and the sunny progress Klamath is making this year the Los Angeles chamber of commerce just won't dare to dump one and a half cent stamps by the trainload on a lot of envelopes bearing mimeographed propaganda about the "land of the concentrated abundant sunshine."

Klamath Falls with 58 has had 16 more entirely clear and sunny days so far this year than up to this time last year, as well as 37 days more of only partial cloudiness.

Last year Los Angeles had 232 all-sunshine days as compared with 228 in Klamath Falls, according to records of

the U. S. reclamation service here. Thus far this year, however, Klamath Falls is 16 days ahead of it's last year's total of clear days at this time and bids fair to outclass the California metropolis by a large margin—providing the weather man doesn't turn an abnormal amount of rain into Klamath country during the remainder of the year. But without Klamath's precipitation was more than that of Los Angeles—and still it lacked but 6 days of tying that city for the sunshine record.

Klamath Falls should gain considerably, too, on San Francisco and Medford for the sunny day record this year. Last year San Francisco had 196 all-sunny days and Medford but 112.

ATHLETIC COACH FOR KLAMATH HI

Dwight French, Ore. Uni. Football Star Named For Next Year

Dwight A. French of Eugene, University of Oregon athlete, will be head coach and director of physical education at the Klamath county high school next year, County School Superintendent Fred Peterson announced yesterday on receipt of a telegram from Mr. French, accepting the position.

Mr. French, who has specialized in physical education work throughout his college career, and whose name has been identified with University of Oregon athletics for the past four years, will come to Klamath with high recommendations of his capacity as not only coach, but also instructor.

Mr. French majored in physical education at the university, and in that field elicited the praise from his instructors.

Career Versatile
His career as an athlete at the university covers three years on the varsity football team, playing in the backfield. Despite a serious injury to his knee the first season he played, his playing throughout was heady and consistent. Basil Williams, line coach for the University of Oregon, declared in a recommendation to the county high school board, that French would have been a logical candidate for all-coast half-back had it not been for the injury.

French also played baseball in the infield, basketball for several years, wrestled for the varsity team one year, played basketball on the U. S. marines team during the war, and was active on the track.

MRS. SHEPHERD FREED FROM POISON CHARGE IN M'CLINTOCK CASE

By OTIS PEABODY SWIFT
CHICAGO, May 13.—Mrs. Julie G. Shepherd, wife of the Kentworth attorney, under indictment for the murder of millionaire Billy McClintock, by administration of typhoid fever germs, has been cleared of the charge that she was "criminally aware" of an alleged plot on the part of her husband to slay the youth and his mother, Mrs. Emma McClintock.

The Cook county grand jury late today voted no bill against Mrs. Shepherd, when it considered the recommendation of a coroner's jury that she be indicted in connection with the alleged murders. No formal statement was issued, but it was made known that the grand jury felt that there was "not a shred of evidence" on which to hold Mrs. Shepherd.

The jury made no decision in the case of William D. Shepherd. The attorney, in cell 13 in the county jail, was enthusiastic when informed that his wife's name had been cleared.

The recommendation that Mrs. Shepherd be indicted had followed

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LIQUOR PIRATES INFESTING WEST COAST STOP RUM

Large Amount Landed As Evincing By Drop In Liquor Price

LOS ANGELES, May 13.—Heavily armed liquor pirates, preying on shore-bound craft laden with rum, have temporarily stopped the activities of the huge sixteen-vessel booze fleet now hovering off the southern California coast.

Revenue officers today reported that the liquor armada, which had planned a concerted attack for some day this week, is now idling well beyond the 12-mile zone, powerless to land their cargoes because of the pirates.

Information supplied enforcement agents here revealed that the smugglers held a hasty meeting today and decided to employ gunmen to ward off the whisky freebooters, now believed to number at least a score.

All last night searchlights played about the heavens in reckless defiance of the two government boats, and were used to guide purchasing speed boats to the rum fleet anchored off the harbor.

According to Roy S. Adams, field agent in charge of prohibition forces, more than 250 special police are patrolling roads to prevent shiploads reaching the interior. The officers have been given authority to search suspicious cars.

Evidence that considerable liquor has already landed here is seen in the \$10 drop in the price of case goods within the past few days.

Rockefeller's Daughter Is To Be Married Today

NEW YORK, May 13.—Abby, the daughter of the Rockefellers, will be married Thursday in the Rockefeller mansion off Fifth avenue before an altar banked with dogwood blossoms from the Rockefeller estate up the Hudson.

John D. Rockefeller, Sr. will be there. Mr. and Mrs. John D. Rockefeller, Jr., the bride's parents will be there as will members of the other family, a few intimate friends and of course the groom, David Meriwether Milton. It is to be a simple wedding.

Unusual But True

(Over Last Night's Leased Wire)
NEW YORK, May 13.—"Guess there ain't nothin' in here but these old sacks of potatoes," said two policemen to each other after seeing a couple of burglars enter a grocery store and searching for them inside for 15 minutes. Then one kicked one of the sacks, cussing the "luck."

"Ouch!" yelled Louis Wenberg, age 12, and the cop also pinched Louis Fuent, 16. Both boys had hidden in empty potato sacks and posed as potatoes when the officers came in.

MONTREAL, Que., May 13.—An advertisement appeared in a Montreal paper Wednesday in which the Lee Corporation company of Louisville, Ky., offers for sale the equipment of the Kentucky distillery.

CHICAGO, May 13.—The loss of a jewel studded watch valued at \$1,000, was reported to the police Wednesday.

CHICAGO, May 13.—Six newspaper camera men waited as five months old Robert Anthony Coogan, brother of Jackie Coogan, young film actor, arrived in Chicago, with his parents Wednesday. Robert Anthony looked upon them with a cold, bored eye, and fell asleep before they could snap his picture.

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Fish Ladder In Link River To Go Up At Once

The old fish ladder controversy which has agitated Klamath sportsmen and anti-sportsmen ever since the construction of the Link river dam, appears to have reached a happy solution through the visit here yesterday of Wm. Hadley, representing the state game commission.

Yesterday Hadley was accompanied by Vance Hutchins, Mark Howard, Nate Otterbein, Marion Barnes, and John Boyle up to the widely discussed dam, where measurements were made, and last night Hadley drew up a set of plans, satisfactory to the California Oregon Power company, and all concerned, and it is agreed by the power company that the installation will be made at once.

Today it is the plan of Hadley to visit the Sprague river dam near Chiloquin, to investigate the shortcomings of that obstruction to the up-stream movement of spawning trout. He will be accompanied by another delegation of local sportsmen on this trip. Whatever remedy or plans are the outgrowth of this trip must be submitted to the Indian commission for action, since the installation is located on the Klamath reservation.

Other Changes
Also the party will visit a number of the big intakes for local irrigation ditches where lack of suitable screens are carrying the young game fish down into shallow lateral ditches where they are marooned and die by the thousands, according to the game warden. Klamath county is now receiving a generous share of young trout in its many streams, it is pointed out, and the sportsmen want these little fellows to grow up to a size to enable them to tear up lots of fishing tackle instead of permitting them to be consigned to fertilizer on some irrigated field.

NO ONE HAS WON THE NEWS PRIZE YET; GET IN NOW

Is your name in the published list of contestants today? If not, send in your nomination today and get started before it is too late. The contestants are starting out with the determination to win one of the big prizes. Now is the time to get started in the contest. Subscription payments count for twice as much now as they will during the last "period" of the contest. One dollar collected now is worth as much to you in votes as two dollars will be at the last of the contest. So you see it is to your advantage to get started in the contest now.

The free vote coupon is only worth 25 votes now. Later on this coupon will not be published at all. The fastest way to get votes is to collect subscription payments from both old and new subscribers. New subscriptions are worth twice as many votes as old ones. But when you find a person taking the paper now, they will be glad to renew their subscription in order to give you the credit. Get busy now. See your friends first, they would rather give their subscription to you than to some one they are not acquainted with.

Contestants, watch the published standing which will appear in the paper daily. You will see how you stand in comparison with the standing of other contestants. It only takes a few subscriptions to put yourself in the lead. Don't think you haven't any chance to win because someone else has a few more votes than you have. It should make you work all the harder in order that you can head the list tomorrow.

If there is any question that you want to ask or anything that you are in doubt about regarding the contest, ask the contest manager. He will be glad to help you at any time. Either call into the office or phone 877 and ask for the contest manager.

TRAFFIC VIOLATORS FINED IN CHILOQUIN

A number of traffic violators, mostly speeders, arrested during the past few days by County Traffic Officer R. E. Knowles were fined in the court of Justice of the Peace Spink at Chiloquin yesterday.

G. A. Page, of Ft. Klamath, picked up for operating a truck for hire without a public service permit is to appear in Spink's court this morning for a hearing. A. E. Hall, John S. Katzman, Harry Hayman and D. B. Real, each drew fines, ranging from \$13.50 to \$18.50.

FLAG DAY WILL BE OBSERVED BY ELKS

As is a universal custom of the order, the Klamath Elks will hold a Flag day celebration on Sunday, June 14, this year, according to the decision of the lodge members at their meeting last night.

The speaker for the day has not yet been selected, but invitations will be extended to several eminent outside orators who hold the reputation of excellence in their line.

The ceremonies will probably be held in the evening this year in order that there will be no conflict with the Klamath-Siskiyou baseball league, which has an important game scheduled here on that same date.

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BANK RESOURCES HERE REACH NEW PEAK IN HISTORY

Bank Officials At Loss To Understand High Peak At This Time Of Year; Resources \$4,718,558

The most reliable barometer of good business and prosperity, that of a community's bank reserves, took an upward course to new high levels this spring, when, through an announcement yesterday by the First National bank and the American National bank of Klamath Falls, it became known that the combined resources of the two banks reached the highest point in the city's history, totalling close to five million dollars, \$4,718,558, to be exact.

J. A. Gordon, president of the First National, and E. M. Bubb, president of the American National, are both at a loss to understand, why, during the slack months of Klamath's financial year, namely, the first five months of the year, resources should be the highest in history.

At the First National, resources January 2, of this year were \$2,488,965.97, as compared with \$3,018,558 yesterday. This represents a gain of \$529,592.93 since the first of the year. At the American National a like increase in percentage of resources is noted. On January 2 the resources amounted to \$1,490,000, as compared with \$1,700,000 yesterday.

"During the first five months, in previous years," said Mr. Gordon, "during the period before lumbering operations get fully underway, we have been losing from 10 to 15 per cent on our normal resources. However, this year our gain has been around the 25 per cent mark during the off-seasonal period."

"Not only have our large deposits increased, but our savings accounts, representing earnings of the laboring class, largely, have increased from the \$450,000 average in other years, to \$520,000 this year."

President Bubb of the American National, reports a like increase in savings deposits.

DOUBLE SHIFT AT BIG LAKES LUMBER CO. STARTS SUNDAY

The Bik Lakes Lumber company will increase its force 25 men by adding a night shift either next Sunday night or early next week, it became known today. The output of the outfit will be doubled in capacity, since the new shift at night is an exact duplication in numbers to that of the present single shift working days. A double shift will be kept at work as long as the business warrants, it was announced by company officials.

LUMBERMAN INSPECTS

W. H. Stephens of Shannon, Ore., a small lumbering town west of Eugene, left here yesterday for his Lane county home after a week spent in investigating Klamath timber and saw milling operations.

Mr. Stephens recently sold out his Lane county holdings, and it is understood that he is interested in acquiring extensive lumbering interests in this section. He plans to return here within ten days or two weeks.

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