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Oregon Public Service Delves Into Railroads

Investigators Coming Into Central Ore. To Study Most Needed Route

SALEM, Aug. 1.—In order to determine the status of the proposed railroad development in Klamath and Lake counties, members of the Oregon public service commission will leave for central Oregon today. The commission will investigate engineering projects involved in the proposed railroad expansion and the relation of tributary traffic to the scheduled improvements.

A report containing data and information to assist the interstate commerce commission in fixing the proper location of the several lines in Klamath and Lake counties will also be drawn up by the state public service commission.

Proper Alignment object
"The commission's stand is that of securing the location of the proposed lines in territory where they will best serve the interests of the entire state and of the section immediately affected," a statement issued by the commission declared, "and also locating the lines where they can be constructed and maintained most economically."

H. H. Corey, chairman of the commission, J. P. Newell, engineer of Portland, Hal F. Wiggin, rate and traffic expert for the commission, and W. P. Ellis, an attorney.

Members of the commission declared that the proposed rail construction in Klamath and Lake counties was directly due to a complaint previously filed by the commission with the interstate commerce commission. The complaint was filed by Chairman Corey of the Oregon public service commission.

Ford Purchase of Vessels Nearing

WASHINGTON, July 31.—(United News)—Sale of 200 shipping board vessels to Henry Ford, as recommended by President Palmer, of the emergency fleet corporation, is legal and entirely within the rights of the board, Attorney General Sargent has ruled.

Sargent's opinion was asked by the board on request from Commissioner Thompson of Ala., who contended that the board had no authority to sell so large a number of vessels for scrapping.

The board will meet next Tuesday to take up the bid of Ford which offered \$1,700,000. Sargent's opinion has removed any legal obstacle, and the offer is expected to be accepted.

TWO DEPUTIES TAKE TURNER TO PRISON

To guard against a rumored attempt to escape by G. E. Turner, Deputy Sheriffs Tom Tracy and Lon Burke took the prisoner to Salem. Turner, who was sentenced to eighteen months in the state penitentiary for obtaining money under false pretenses, was also equipped with an Oregon "heel" to handicap his fugitive intentions.

At first only Lon Burke was scheduled to take the prisoner to Salem, but Turner's reported desire to break away resulted in the addition of Tom Tracy to the guard of honor.

CIVIL WAR FIGHTER WOULD FILL PLACE OF DOOMED SOLDIER

WASHINGTON, July 31.—If Nebraska authorities will permit, a Civil War vet will substitute for John Simmons, former service man, who is scheduled to die on the gallows at Lincoln, Neb., August 5. S. E. Dudding, president of the Prisoners' Relief society, has announced.

NORTHERN LINES TO CONCENTRATE ON EAST SURVEY

Application To Build Down West Side Of Klamath Lake Withdrawn

WASHINGTON, July 31.—(United News)—The Oregon trunk railway has abandoned its application for construction of the so-called west extension from Bend to Klamath Falls via the Williamson river and the Upper Klamath lake, but will press for permission to build the east line by way of Sycan and Sprague rivers into Klamath Falls.

This announcement was made in a note attached to the company's reply to the interstate commerce commission's questionnaire on details of construction, filed with the commission today.

Along the chosen route, Lapine, Crescent, Skookum, Beatty, Bonanza, Olene and Klamath Falls were named as the likely locations of stations. At present Lapine, Crescent, Beatty and Bonanza have no railroad stations.

Counsel for the Oregon Trunk offered data to show that rail business is expected to develop out of Klamath for the new branch lines, as well as for the existing Southern Pacific and O. C. & E. The latter lines had previously contended that this condition did not exist. New business to be created by the extension of the Oregon Trunk will be depended upon to make the line a paying proposition.

The Oregon Trunk informed the commission that it would withdraw that part of its application as refers to a western branch from Junction Point, along Upper Klamath lake, which would parallel present lines of the Southern Pacific and confine its extension to the construction of the eastern route from Bend to Klamath Falls. This will be 174 miles long and is estimated to cost \$35,000 a mile, and is the only one of four routes mapped out by engineers which will be followed.

Japan Not A Menace To World, Says Jap Envoy

NEW YORK, July 31.—Japan is not a menace to world peace not because she cannot fight, but because she will not fight, Takao Wikawa, acting financial commissioner for Japan, declared in a lecture at Columbia university Friday night.

Japan is devoted to her ideal of permanent peace among the nations of the world, Wikawa said. "One of the students has called my attention," he said to Dr. Leith's statement of last Wednesday at the institute of politics in Williamstown, to the effect that Japan is removed as a war threat on account of her lack of steel. I should like to answer that statement in this way. Even if Japan did have an abundant supply of steel she would never be a war menace, for she is far advanced in her humanitarian ideal as evidenced by her ardent support of the league of nations, the world court and the Washington conference.

Freight Rate Hearing Is Once More Postponed

WASHINGTON, July 31.—The interstate commerce commission today postponed from September 1 to September 8 hearings at Chicago in the investigation of freight rates of the country. At the same time the commission will consider the petition of 74 western railroads for an increase in freight rates.

JAP CABINET RESIGNS

TOKYO, July 31.—The Kato coalition cabinet has resigned following an announcement by the Selykai party that it opposed the government program as outlined at the cabinet meeting Thursday, when phases of the budget were discussed.

NEW CHINESE DRIVE

LONDON, July 31.—An unconfirmed dispatch from Calcutta states that 10,000 Chinese soldiers are marching on Tibet by way of the Kabin province in eastern Tibet. It is believed that the Chinese contemplate attacking Lhasa, the sacred town of the Tibetans and home of the Dalai Lama, the dispatch says.

Dam Threatens Inundate City Of El Paso, Tex.

EL PASO, Tex., July 31.—(United News)—EL PASO is threatened with one of the worst floods in many years, due to heavy rains and cloudbursts in the mountains.

So serious is the situation that government officials in charge of the reclamation projects along the Rio Grande have called upon army headquarters at Fort Bliss for additional materials and supplies to aid in protecting the city from inundation.

At 4 p. m., Friday the flow past Leasburg dam, north of Las Cruces, was steadily increasing. A flood of 900 cubic feet per second had been passing there since 3 a. m. Friday.

The first flood originated at Hatch, and the second and larger one, originated in the Black range mountains. The arroyos around Rincon and Hatch are still adding to this flood, which already had assumed proportions of 15,000 cubic feet per second, reports state. A crew is patrolling the river in the valley below El Paso and will be greatly increased Saturday morning if reports from Leasburg later tonight show that the big flood is maintaining its volume.

Empire Hotel Owner Aids City Beautiful

Henry Blair, owner of the Empire hotel is doing a little city beautifying himself by making attractive the hotel with awnings especially designed for the front of the building by Bob Ryan. According to Blair he is interested in showing the tourists who drive over "our million dollar highway" that Klamath Falls has beauty as well after they have arrived in the city.

Silver Bugle Calls Taps For Bryan At Peaceful Arlington

WASHINGTON, July 31.—(United News)—A silver bugle note echoed across the rain-drenched heights of Arlington, and William Jennings Bryan joined the great throng of political crusaders of the past who have fought the battles of the common people.

It was the common people who stood Friday afternoon on the muddy slopes of the highest knoll of the beautiful national cemetery, beside his grave, and bowed solemnly as the coffin was lowered to its final resting place.

It was the common people, thousands of them, who stood in a pouring summer rain, which drenched many of them to the skin, about the church of the presidents and waited to see him start on his final trip through the streets of the city he loved.

It had rained continually during the service at the church, such a rain as this section has not seen for months. Despite that, hundreds went to Arlington and climbed up the hill to the grave.

As if an omen, the rain stopped suddenly as the funeral party proceeded slowly to Arlington, and it was almost clearing toward the west when the services began. There was a freshness about the grass on the hillside, and the flowers, which were banked about the grave, had touches of rain water that gave them the appearance of having come from a reviving dew.

Toward the end of the sermon, Mrs. Bryan almost broke down, at the mention of her husband's name. She leaned forward again in her chair and her shoulders shook. Her son drew her to him, and she looked up bravely, shaking her head, as if denying that she would give way to her grief.

PEANUT POLITICS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR INDICTMENTS

Retiring District Attorney Avers Nothing Personal In Action Taken

"Peanut politics" or a political "frame-up" were not responsible for the indictments against E. L. Elliott, W. S. Levens and L. L. McBride, according to retiring District Attorney Caleb Jones Friday evening.

"There was nothing personal or political in the returning of these indictments," Jones declared. The grand jury in each instance saw that a great fundamental principle had been violated and determined that something must be done.

Discussing the indictment against W. S. Levens, state prohibition commissioner, who is charged with the larceny of a Leuger gun from a Mexican, suspected of bootlegging, District Attorney Jones declared that the law requires all property taken in such a raid to be turned over to the court.

Says Rights Violated
"Picture the scene in the poor Mexican's cabin the night of the raid," said Jones. "Here are the man and his wife sleeping on the floor. Six or seven officers rattle at the door and enter. They begin flashing lights here and there, selecting anything which may be 'evidence.' They grab up a jug of kerosene. 'Ah, here's evidence!'"

"The officers see the gun, worth probably twenty or twenty-five dollars. 'Is this your gun?' they demanded. The poor unfortunized Mexican, scared by the thought of prosecution for possessing the gun, denies it is his property. The officers seize it and carry it off without issuing a receipt, and without turning it in to the court for disposition.

Must Be Checked
"If some check is not put upon the violation of the sanctity of our homes and the sacred rights of citizenship, the declaration of independence and the constitution will have been written in vain.

"It is not a trivial matter. The law provides that search warrants must be returned to the court; that receipts must be given by the officers for goods taken in the raids, and that all property seized in the raid must be turned over to the court. That is the law. And the officers should set an example in obeying it.

Cites Elliott Case
"Take the case of Elliott. He has said he didn't know the sugar was stolen when it was found in a cache. He should have turned it over to the court. He had no right as a prosecutor to have it brought to his garage. Then it was sold below the market price, the money to go into the 'prohibition fund.' Did it go into private pockets instead?"

Granddaughter of Ex-Gov. Campbell Weds Movie Star

NEW YORK, July 31.—It became known late Friday that William Faversham, the actor, was married to Miss Edith Campbell of Arizona, on July 20 at Huntington, L. I., where he has a summer home.

The bride is the daughter of Joseph Campbell, former mayor of Phoenix. Her grandfather was governor of Arizona, before it was made a state. She is 39 years old and has known Faversham for many years. Faversham has two sons by his former wife, Julie Opp, well known actress, who died on April 9, 1921.

HOOD RIVER PARTY CLIMBS MT. ADAMS

HOOD RIVER, July 31.—The first party to climb Mt. Adams from Hood River returned here at noon yesterday, after having made a successful ascent, unaccompanied by a professional guide. The climbers motored to Cold Spring camp at the base of the mountain.

K.F. July Bldg. Permits Above \$300,000 Mark

City Keeps In Swim With Other Oregon Points Ranking Fourth

An even 100 permits were issued during the past month in Klamath Falls, the permits amounting to \$301,105.

Klamath Falls is rated fourth among Oregon cities in building permits during the month of July, according to Judge Lem Gaghagen, who has received interesting figures in regard to the issue of permits during the past month.

Oregon permits rate Portland, Salem, Eugene and Klamath Falls as the first four leaders.

During the past month Klamath Falls permits have risen \$279,905 over that of the month of July 1923.

July reports for 1923 show nine permits issued, all new, aggregating at \$21,200. For July, 1924 the city of Klamath Falls rated a banner year with 51 permits, 36 new, 15 old aggregating at \$403,930. This included several large projects of the various improvements within the city limits.

The 100 permits issued during the past month, 82 new, 18 old, amounted to \$301,105. This according to Gaghagen means more than the preceding year as it affected especially the residential district.

The entire Pacific coast did not fare so badly as they batted an average seven per cent increase over the past year in the first six months and passed up the middle western states who reported only a five per cent increase. The southern states report a 26 per cent increase.

Oregon Magazine Advertising K. F.

September numbers of the Oregon Business, official publication of the Oregon state chamber of commerce, will carry interesting cuts and stories of the Klamath country, from the cover to the last inside page, according to Lynn P. Sabin, secretary of the Klamath chamber, who announced yesterday that the chamber had accepted the offer of the magazine.

The cover for the issue has not yet been chosen but will be an interesting and familiar view of the Klamath country, Crater lake or perhaps the Klamath lakes with the grandeur of the mountains in the background.

All material for the magazine is being gathered by the publicity committee of which R. E. Crego is director and W. W. McNealy, chairman. Stories and pictures are to be in by August 20 and the first issues sent out September 1.

Would-Be Life Saver Drowns As Struggling Girl Clutches Tightly

SEATTLE, July 31.—Miss Alice DeBolt, 21, of Tacoma, who was rescued from drowning in Five Mile lake near Auburn yesterday afternoon, after Claude A. Wiff, 38, had given her life in a vain attempt to save her, was recovering from her experience in the Taylor-Lacey hospital at Auburn today.

Edward Neal, 17-year-old camper, rescued the girl from the water after she had clutched Wiff in a frantic death grip and had gone down with him once.

Wiff failed to reappear and his body was recovered by grappling last night.

Leonard Wood's Son Is Sued For Divorce

WILMINGTON, Del., July 31.—Major General Leonard Wood's son, Osborne C. Wood, formerly an army lieutenant, winner of a huge fortune in Wall street, and supposedly loser of that fortune at gambling in European capitals, is being sued for divorce by his wife, Mrs. Katherine Wood of Greenville, Del., about 13 miles from this city.

3RD INDICTMENT IS FOR M'BRIDE, OF STATE PROHIS

Levens and McBride Both Out On Bail; McBride Charged With Malfeasance Of Office

Charged with malfeasance in office on an indictment returned by the grand jury, L. L. McBride, state prohibition officer, was released on bond of \$1,000 yesterday evening.

The specific count against McBride is failure to return to the court a warrant obtained for searching the house of Anton Garcia. By the terms of the prohibition law, the officer to whom a search warrant is issued, is responsible for the return of the warrant to the court. McBride's indictment is for failure to make such return to the court.

It was in the Garcia raid that the Lueger gun is alleged to have been taken by W. S. Levens, state prohibition commissioner.

Both Levens and his subaltern, McBride, arrived yesterday afternoon from Salem, to answer the indictment. Levens' bail was fixed at \$500 and his release followed. Dr. Massey and Lloyd Ryan furnished bail. Attorney C. F. Stone will defend Levens.

Levens Not Worried
Levens was brief in his comment on the situation last night. "I'm not worried over the outcome; why should I be; I'm not guilty of any violation. Of course, I'm sorry the indictment was returned. People throughout the state won't understand it. When I come to an Oregon city in the future, they will point me out saying 'there is the bird that was mixed up in some crooked work down in Klamath Falls.' So, you see, they will get the wrong impression."

Judge Leavitt has not determined when Levens and McBride will be arraigned.

SLIGHT QUAKE FELT IN CORDOVA, ALASKA

CORDOVA, Alaska, July 31.—No damage was reported Friday as a result of the slight earthquake felt here Thursday afternoon.

Rattling of dishes and breaking of a few window panes constituted the damage. This is the first quake felt in Alaska in years.

Bob LaFollette's Boy To Run For U. S. Senate

MADISON, Wis., July 31.—Robert M. LaFollette, Jr., today announced he would be a candidate for United States senator, in a special election to fill the seat left vacant by the death of his father.

"I am a candidate for United States senator. In a short time I shall issue a complete statement," LaFollette told newspapermen.

Dorris Keane Seeks Divorce From Actor

NEW YORK, July 31.—When Doris Keane, queenly actress of the diva in "Romance" and "The Czars," married Basil Sydney and settled down in a duplex apartment with her baby son and her handsome leading man everybody said the ideal arrangement would last.

London cabled today that Doris is now in Paris, where she is said to be seeking a divorce.

London ought to know. For five successive years, Miss Keane played "Romance" in the British capital and made thousands of friends, as she was the reigning social and theatrical success. Sydney succeeded Owen Nares in the leading male role and the romance developed while the couple played together.

"Starlight," based on Sarah Bernhardt's life, was Miss Keane's last stage venture here. Sydney was not included in the cast.

INCORPORATION \$60,000 BIDS STORE

Inc. Of N. Y. Over Melhase \$10,000 To Be Remodeling And Stock Installed

Pilcher Co., Inc., announced yesterday into the field, with the in six weeks of largest men, women's clothing the city, involving in cost of remodeling the Melhase building and Main streets like stock at \$60,000. The concern is a dollar corporation.

building has been Pilcher corporation period. Extrem remodeling will exceed \$10,000. A stucco front, of the front por-

building, and enlarging of the interior. Six Weeks

of the Pilcher corporation over the field in west, with a view of chain of stores, Pilcher held the prospects of any one store. Even other stores, however, this street, at Tacoma, La. Bremerton, Eugene, Eureka, Salem and

will be the local big corporation. His assistant manager. McDonald has been the business for many here from Idaho, and one of the largest concerns in the state, and will direct relations.

Leased work will start within the store, will be than six weeks. A remodeling of the be an arcade front on Main street, handle a full line of men, women and

Furniture company is quarters in the Riley and Dewese of the Melhase build-

Old Indian Dies In Nevada
Nev., July 31.—That a 40 years chief of the near here, and son guaranteed the first in this section, has the happy hunting 59 years old at the Friday. The peace by his father with was never broken by

Kidnaping Develops Fraud
LES, July 31.—That a deliberately furnished to the three defendants, charged with kidnap Mary Pickford, make them talk, was made by defense attorney, Louie Geck, also the spider" according to made by the defense, by police officers to get the credit for national kidnaping plot Pickford in the bud. were stoutly denied who caused the arrest Stevens, Claude Holman J. Wood, the de-