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K. F. Lands 1926 Labor Conclave

Oregon State Federation Unanimous For Next Year In Klamath

Klamath Falls was selected, without opposition, as the 1926 convention city of the Oregon State Federation of Labor at the closing business session of the 1925 meeting in Marshfield late yesterday, according to a telegram received here from C. D. Long, of the Klamath Falls labor council, who is a delegate to the convention.

Organized labor of Oregon will fight for the election of its friends and the defeat of its enemies in public office, particularly the legislative, in the campaign of next year, the convention decided.

A resolution to that effect, introduced by O. R. Hartwig, president, was adopted without dissenting vote. According to the resolution the federation will take an active part in next year's election. Candidates will be supported or opposed, not on a political basis, but on whether they are regarded as friends or enemies of organized labor.

Senators and representatives who opposed the child labor amendment were named particularly as "enemies."

Hartwig declined a renomination for the office of president and five names were put in nomination to succeed him. The candidates will be nominated at the convention and election by ballot of union members throughout the state later on.

LUMBER WORKER IS KILLED HERE

Swan Swanson, employed with the Shaw-Bertram Lumber company as a lumber piler was killed instantly yesterday morning at 9 o'clock when he was crushed to death under a falling pile of lumber.

Dr. H. D. Lloyd Stewart was rushed to the scene of the tragedy with an ambulance but the man was dead before medical aid could be administered.

According to Fred Froberg who was with Swanson at the time, they were moving a truck loaded with lumber when five of the planks slipped off and struck Swanson, causing a fractured skull. The man's leg was also broken. Services will be held Sunday.

Swanson, who was aged 37 at the time of his death, had been married 18 months and is survived by a wife and infant child, six months old. The family resided at 709 North 11th street.

A native of Sweden, Swanson came to the United States when a young man and had received his citizenship papers 16 years ago. He served in the army during the world war but did not reach France or service aboard. The dead man was a member of the Swedish Fraternal Organization, Order of Vasa.

New York Seething In Election Excitement

NEW YORK, Aug. 27.—Three democratic siege guns blazed away at each other Thursday night with such highly explosive ammunition that the primary mayoralty campaign among the democrats of New York promises to turn into a good old shindy with no holds nor weapons barred. William Randolph Hearst and Mayor John F. Hylan are ranged against Tammany hall.

Weed Man Gives Up Golf; He Can Hardly Be Blamed

WEED, Calif., Aug. 27.—(United News)—A. D. Rockwood, a local golfer, has set an unusual record for freak shots.

On the golf course here Thursday, Rockwood drove from No. 7 tee 80 yards down the fairway. The ball struck his wife on the leg with such force that the limb was broken in two places.

Mrs. Rockwood was taken to the hospital, where she announced that her husband had decided to give up golf.

DENTIST SLAYER CHOKES SELF TO DEATH IN PRISON

Twists Small Wire Around Neck So Quietly That Cell-Mate Sleeps Thru Night Unknowing

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 27.—(United News)—Dr. Thomas W. Young, accused elstern slayer, dramatically ended his trial for life Thursday when he strangled himself to death in his cell with a small band of copper wire.

Using a small stick as a tourniquet, he twisted the wire until it cut deep, livid gashes in his neck. Slowly he choked himself to death and so silently that a cell mate who was awake failed to detect the grim tragedy being enacted before him.

The suicide was discovered at 4:45 in the morning when Harry Foster, the "little dentist's" cell mate wondering what kept Young so quiet in his bunk, pulled the blankets covering him.

The suicide lay half on his back and left side. One hand still clutched the stick of wood tightly. His mouth was half open; his eyes, still damp from the pain he must have gone through stared straight ahead.

Cell-Mate Discovers

Foster sent a frantic call ringing through the gray corridors of the jail.

Dr. Benjamin Blank, jail physician, who responded announced after examination that Young had been dead 30 or 40 minutes before Foster discovered his death.

The band of copper wire was part of a radio receiving set installed in Dr. Young's cell several days ago, at his own request. It was purchased for him and taken to the cell by John S. Cooper, chief counsel for the accused dentist.

The radio had furnished considerable entertainment for the prisoners.

Dr. Thomas W. Young is dead, strangled by a strand of copper wire he noosed and tightened about his own neck, and two persons are happy at his going.

Father Is Happy

Frank W. Hunt, father of Mrs. Grace Grogan Young, for whose murder and cement burial the "dentist slayer" was being tried here, cried out when informed of the death:

"I am glad, glad! Glad that it is all over and this man is no more."

Young Patrick Grogan, Mrs. Young's son by a previous marriage, said, when he heard of the suicide that it was the happiest moment he had since the trial started three weeks ago.

"I don't know what to say to express my relief," he declared. "I am very happy."

When asked what he wanted done with the body, Hunt, white haired and gentle of nature, became bitter.

"I don't want the body. I don't care what they do with it. All I care about that corpse is to be sure that life has really gone out of it forever."

MINERS GO OUT MIDNIGHT, MON.

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 27.—Coal miners in the anthracite fields were directed to go on strike at midnight next Monday, in orders issued Thursday night by John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers. About 158,000 miners are affected.

Lewis announced at 7:30 that the notices ordering the strike would be sent to the different anthracite districts, later in the evening.

500 KU KLUX AUTOS SUSTAIN PUNCTURES

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Aug. 27.—Tire shops at Olathe, Kas., have done a thriving business lately. Somebody scattered 400 pounds of nails along roads leading to a gathering place of the Ku Klux Klan. But few of the 500 cars returning from a meeting escaped a puncture.

Attack Victim Will Recover

Harry Munson Badly Hurt By Co-Worker Is Out Of Danger

Harry Munson is lying in the Klamath Valley hospital with a fractured skull, his condition regarded as serious, as the result of an alleged assault on Tuesday afternoon by C. C. Cald, co-worker in the Forest Lumber company mill.

Munson and Cald had entered into an argument which waxed hot, when Cald is said to have picked up a shovel lying on the ground and struck Munson on the right side of the head.

Both men were discharged from the mill after their alleged argument. The basis of the quarrel could not be learned last night from mill officials.

No ill effects were said to have been suffered by Munson from the blow until Wednesday morning when he lapsed into unconsciousness. He was rushed to the Klamath Valley hospital where his condition last night was regarded as "well as could be expected from one with a fractured skull."

According to Sheriff Burt Hawkins at a late hour last night, no trace of Cald had been found, although a warrant was out for his arrest, sworn to by the injured man's mother.

At 2 o'clock this morning Cald was said to be greatly improved at the Klamath General hospital.

2 BANDITS DEAD; POSSE CAPTURES ONE BANK HOLDUP

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., Aug. 27.—Two bandits were killed and the third member of the gang captured in a thrilling gun battle with three officers nine miles south of Kingfisher Thursday afternoon soon after the desperadoes had robbed the Bank of Nevina, Okla., kidnaped the cashier and fled in an automobile.

Following the robbery, an alarm was quickly spread throughout surrounding counties and A. C. Block, sheriff of Kingfisher, C. O. Oakes an under sheriff, and L. McIntosh, marshal, joined in the search, hoping the bandits would come their way.

They did.

When the smoke of battle cleared away, the three unsathed officers discovered two of the robbers shot down to death and their companion slightly wounded and ready to surrender.

The town of Nevina was practically deserted when the bank was robbed. Most of the male population was attending a stock sale on a farm, leaving only the cashier, Albert Kinney, and a customer in the bank. Only \$700 was taken in the hold-up because Kinney refused to produce the crank with which the vault is opened. This irked the bandits so much that they kidnaped the cashier and carried him two miles into the country where they threw him out of the car.

DEATH PENALTY FOR BANK BANDIT'S SOUGHT

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Aug. 27.—The passage of a law making it possible to inflict the death penalty on convicted bank robbers or their accomplices in Oklahoma, the fortification of banks and adjoining business houses in Kansas and renewed activity against the crooks in Missouri, Texas, Arkansas, have made the southwest a bugaboo to bandits.

In Kansas City, Kas., all buildings adjoining banks or trust companies are equipped with special burglar alarms, riot guns and other pieces of artillery and the employees have been taught to use them effectively. There are few daylight hold-ups there.

SHEVLIN-HIXON MILL AT ODELL IS HINTED NOW

1120 Acres Of Timber Are Bought From Chinook Lumber Co. In Northern Part Of County

With the purchase of 1120 acres of finest timber land in Klamath county by Shevlin-Hixon Lumber company of Bend, from Chinook Lumber company of Oshkosh, Wisconsin, the last of the holdings of the latter company have been disposed of for a consideration of \$37,000.

The purchase of this immense tract of timberland, bought at an exceptional price of \$33.40 an acre, holds underneath the promise of the operations of the Shevlin-Hixon company of more than cutting. It means, according to those in authority, that with the completion of their purchase in the northeast section of the county, the construction in the near future of a mill by the company, near Odell.

Shevlin-Hixon company are concentrating their efforts in the northern section of the county, where they are owners of nearly one billion feet of fine grade standing timber.

With the construction of a line from Bend to Odell, the lumber company has made known its plans to tap their great resources of that section. The exact position of the recently purchased timberland is described in the deed filed yesterday in the office of the county clerk, as six miles north of the Deschutes-Klamath county line, including parts of sections 26, 35, all of section 36, of township 23, south, range 11 east.

Girl Torn To Pieces By Canadian Dogs

THE PAS, Man., Aug. 27.—Mrs. F. G. Clay, girl wife of a mounted police sergeant at Chesterfield inlet, was torn to pieces by huskies more than a month ago, according to word brought Thursday to The Pas in northern Manitoba by a canoe party.

Terribly torn, Mrs. Clay was rescued from a band of 15 dogs. Heroic efforts were made in the sub-arctic to effect surgical aid, but the woman succumbed.

Calif. Auto Ass'n Denies They Are Cheating Klamath

That tourists motoring north from California have not been misinformed of the roads and highways in the Klamath country, was the main trend of a communication received yesterday in the chamber of commerce in answer to a letter demanding that correct information from the California State Automobile association be distributed in regard to the Klamath district.

"Such is not the case," replied the California association when confronted with the request that all tourists be not sent to Crater lake by way of Medford.

A map was sent the Klamath chamber, as given to the northbound tourists, in which the road to Klamath Falls from Montague and Granddada was rated as a primary road, as was the road to Crater lake from Medford. The Klamath-Ashland highway was rated as secondary, this tending to give out the idea that Crater lake or Klamath Falls could not be reached from the Pacific highway.

According to the chamber of commerce, which had been informed from numerous tourists during the past season, many of the travelers have been kept from the Klamath country, and completing the loop from Medford to Klamath Falls from the misguided information.

A communication was mailed yesterday, in which a request was made that maps for the coming season were corrected accordingly.

Malin-Bieber Road Approved

Calif. Governor Has Change Of Heart And Says Road Is "Next In Line"

The Malin-Bieber highway will be conditioned and soon. This was the assurance of Governor Friend Richardson of California several days ago at Yreka, with regard to the 20-mile stretch of road, all that remains of The Dalles-California highway to make it a class A thoroughfare from The Dalles to Reno, Nev.

Governor Richardson, together with California Highway Commissioners Toy and Eberden, conferred with county road commissioners of Siskiyou county in Yreka Monday night.

The governor and the commission are all favoring the completion of the state highway to the Oregon line at the earliest possible date, and the expenditure of funds on any other roads in California except for necessary upkeep, is not looked on with favor. "The Klamath highway is next in line," the governor declared.

The favorable decision of the California governor will be met with much satisfaction in Klamath Falls, as it has been understood that Gov. Richardson would veto the bill passed by both the California legislature houses last session, appropriating funds for the construction of the Malin-Bieber stretch.

TULE MYSTERY IS UNRAVELED

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 27.—Identified as the man who called on Mrs. Bessie Loren three days before her disappearance, Gordon Rowe, San Francisco public accountant, Thursday was held for investigation in the "Tule marsh murder" which claimed the young Oakland divorcee as its victim.

Rowe was identified by E. C. Tanner, manager of the hotel, where Mrs. Loren stayed a few days before her death. The accountant admitted that he had known the woman and was taken into custody by Under Sheriff William Veale of Contra Costa county, where the killing occurred.

New light has been shed on the life of Mrs. Loren by letters and papers found in her trunk. Her real name was Bessie Ferguson D'Asquith, but recently she has assumed the "Loren." Dr. J. J. Moyer Oakland physician, and Dr. Joseph L. Pease, Oakland dentist, were named in the letters, which indicated that both men had given the woman money.

It was also disclosed that Mrs. Loren had associated with other men recently, taking several trips in their company. Authorities still believe she was killed after an illegal operation.

Canadian "Justice" Gives A Twenty Lashes Sentence

VANCOUVER, B. C., Aug. 27.—(United News)—Alex Stone, arrested at Seattle, on a charge of assisting in the robbery of the Royal Bank of Canada at Nanaimo last December, when \$42,000 was taken, pleaded guilty at Nanaimo this afternoon, and was sentenced to eight years and twenty lashes. He told the magistrate that he wanted to get it over, and was not represented by counsel. Earlier in the day as he was leaving Vancouver by steamer for Nanaimo, he attempted to jump over the rail.

CAILLAUX TO SAIL FOR U. S. IN SEPT.

PARIS, Aug. 28.—Friday.—(United News)—Joseph Caillaux, will sail for the United States September 16 to discuss payment of the French debt in Washington, according to plans announced today. He will sail alone.

A French debt commission will go to America after Caillaux has discussed general principles with the American debt commission. The French commission will take up the negotiations where Caillaux leaves off.

HART IN K. F. TO SEEK WITNESSES IN RAIL HEARING

O. T. Attorney Will Speak To Federated Clubs In City Saturday; Hart Is Confident Of Success

If the Interstate Commerce commission of Oregon grants to the Oregon Trunk their application, the road from Bend to Klamath Falls will be put under construction early in the spring of 1926, according to Charles A. Hart of Portland, attorney for the Oregon Trunk, who is in Klamath Falls for the remainder of the week.

The purpose of Hart's visit to Klamath is in the interest of interviewing prospective witnesses in the case to be developed and brought before the commission in Portland, October 5, before Charles D. Mahaffie, director of finance, of the Interstate Commerce commission.

Hart declined to make known the witnesses who will be called from Klamath.

Not A Controversy

"We do not look on this as a controversy with the Southern Pacific. We think, instead, that there is abundant business for both systems and in preparing this case for trial we are not seeking criticism of the Southern Pacific company.

"Instead we are endeavoring to demonstrate that there is public necessity for an additional railroad in Klamath county.

"We expect to prove this and in belief of our convictions that there is ample necessity for the entry of the Oregon Trunk lines, there will also be proof to present to the commission that will obtain our application."

The Oregon Trunk lines are determined to come to Klamath.

Meets Federated Clubs

This was the underlying feeling throughout the discussion with Charles Hart, their attorney.

If refused their application, which they feel certain is not probable, there will come a time in the not far distant future when the Interstate Commerce commission will grant the petition of the Oregon Trunk lines without question.

It is understood that a meeting with the Federated Board of Klamath county will be called for Saturday afternoon in the chamber of commerce when members of the board will meet with Hart.

FRANCE TO PAY OFF U. S. DEBT

WASHINGTON, Aug. 27.—The tentative Franco-British debt settlement is expected to form the starting point of negotiations with the French debt commission here next month for funding France's four billion dollar war obligation to the United States.

Officials insist that the United States will not be moved by any situation created abroad, but that the American commission will stick to its own plan, as exemplified in the British debt settlement and the more recent Belgian settlement. This was emphasized Thursday by members of the American debt funding commission.

However, it was admitted, in the first place, that the United States will have to take into consideration the payments France has agreed to tentatively, \$62,500,000 a year, in determining France's capacity to pay, and in the second place, that France will have to be granted a partial moratorium. The first of these considerations grow directly from the London negotiations, the other is a concession that has been recognized here previously as necessary, but is emphasized by the moratorium granted France by Great Britain in the tentative settlement.