

# THE KLAMATH NEWS

United News and United Press Telegraph Services



Price Five Cents

KLAMATH FALLS, ORE., SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 1925

## QUEEN MOTHER JOINS TUDORS

### Mother of George Tudor Is To Rest With Famous House of Windsor

LONDON, Nov. 21.—England on Friday will lay at rest in historic Windsor, the remains of Queen Mother Alexandra.

She will be buried near her husband, King Edward, in the royal company of the dead, for eight English kings' bodies are harbored there. With services befitting her rank and the high place she held in the hearts of the Britishers, the dowager queen will be taken from Sandringham, where she died, to Windsor, where she had wished that she might be interred.

While the funeral is proceeding at St. George's chapel, Windsor, a memorial service typifying the empire's love and reverence for her will be held at 11:30 a. m. in Westminster abbey.

Today at the bedside of Alexandra in Sandringham, the royal family held a private service for her, and afterward members of her household, the estate and neighborhood acquaintances were permitted to view the body.

## CENTRAL OREGON MEN VISIT CITY

### Judge Bennet and Attorney H. H. DeArmond Stop Over Enroute to Medford

Judge Louis Bennet, of Bend, and Attorney Harvey De Armond, one of the foremost legal authorities of that city, accompanied by their wives, arrived in Klamath Falls yesterday morning. The judge and Mr. De Armond were enroute from Bend to spend Thanksgiving day in Medford with their people.

Referring to the city water project, which is one of the foremost civic matters besetting the people of Bend at the present time, and which involves an expenditure of something like \$600,000, both the judge and Attorney De Armond briefly summarized the attitude of the city officials of Bend, and those favoring the water situation as follows:

"We believed the water project a good one. Nothing that has transpired has changed those beliefs," said Judge Bennet.

The judge referred to an action started by those antagonistic to the water project on the ground, for one reason, that certain phases of it violated the terms of the city charter. That is only one of the reasons, however, others varying from political to economic, espoused by respective factions antagonistic to the city administration, and the expenditure of such a huge sum of money.

Bend generally concedes the fact that it needs purer water than that available at the present time. That is what the city administration is trying to give it.

Lined up against it aside from civic factions, is the attitude of Governor Pierce, who naturally would support anything that would bring (Continued On Page Two)

## Banker Reclamation Bill Holds Interest

OLYMPIA, Nov. 21.—United Press Of the many bills which have been introduced into the Washington legislature to date—194 in the senate and 122 in the house—the one that has attracted by far the most interest is the Banker reclamation bill.

This measure is due to come up in the house Monday as the legislature convenes after the week-end recess. Then friends of reclamation will force the measure through for a final vote and send it on to the senate.

Reclamationists claim control for this bill in both houses. A test vote in the lower house on a motion to recommit the bill—29 to 65 against—has already demonstrated that unless there is a switch of opinion the measure can carry there even over the anticipated gubernatorial veto.

## ALLEGED SLAYER DENIES KILLING OF LITTLE GIRLS

### Children Beaten To Death By Fiend

#### CONFESSION CLAIMED

### District Attorney Declares Aged Prisoner Gave Him Story of Crime

LOS ANGELES, Calif., Nov. 21.—(United Press)—S. C. Stone, sixty-year-old stepfather of Jack Hoxie, film star, has made a partial confession to the brutal slayings in August, 1924, of May and Nina Martin, school girls. It was claimed here tonight by district attorney investigators.

The asserted admissions, said to have been in the hands of the district attorney for more than six months, were denied by Stone, who was indicted recently on the murder charges.

Stone was arrested shortly after the discovery of the bodies of the Martin sisters on February 9 last, in a deserted swamp land. The bodies were badly decomposed, but examination disclosed, according to authorities, that the girls had been criminally assaulted and beaten to death.

The little victims disappeared from their home in the Glen Airy district, where Stone was employed as a night watchman, on the night of August 23, 1924. They were last seen with Stone and a companion, whom authorities are seeking as an accomplice, according to the district attorney.

Stone has been a prisoner in the county jail here since February. Before his indictment he was held on charges of contributing to the delinquency of small children.

The alleged admissions, said to be in writing, were obtained through Alva H. Floyd, former city recorder of Culver City, and at one time a cell mate of Stone's. It is claimed that Floyd won the confidence of Stone and secured the written "confession."

Stone declared tonight that he had not confessed to the crime, but had signed an application for parole, which he said he had not scanned carefully at the time, and which might have been a "confession." His trial is scheduled for November 30. He declared he will be prepared to prove an alibi, based on the testimony of two neighbors.

According to Deputy District Attorney Byron Fitts, Stone admitted in his "confession" that he was with the Martin girls on the night of their disappearance. A mass of circumstantial evidence painstakingly gathered since the asserted admissions six months ago, fit perfectly with Stone's partial "confession" it is claimed.

Floyd, who obtained the "confession" is expected to be the state's star witness.

With the admissions he claims to have at this time, plus the testimony of Floyd, Fitts declared he expected to hammer down the silent stoicism of the aged prisoner and force him to make a complete confession of the horrible details of the girls' slayings.

## CUPID WINS OUT IN MARITAL FOOTBALL GAME IN OREGON BY SCORE OF 6967 TO 2945 BOOTS

In Klamath county, and Oregon in particular, the institution of marriage is founded on rocks rather than sand. This fact was proved conclusively yesterday when Lloyd DeLap, clerk of the circuit court here, received statistics from the department of commerce, Washington, D. C., as regards marriages and divorces.

Despite discouraging commentaries by George Bernard Shaw and H. L. Mencken, married persons seem to be getting along very nicely, in these parts, at any rate. During the year 1924, according to the official figures from the national capital, there were in Klamath county 191 couples married,

## FORD BIDS FOR AIR MAIL JOBS

### Manufacturer Seeks Contract on Detroit-Chicago And Cleveland Routes

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.—(Henry Ford made a bid tonight for business of carrying the mails by air.

Through the Ford Motor company, he submitted a bid to the postoffice department to contract for the proposed Detroit to Chicago and Detroit to Cleveland air mail routes for the low rate of 6.75 cents an ounce. He was the only bidder on these routes.

The Federal Aircraft company, Newark, made the only bid on the other route advertised, from Chicago to New Orleans, via St. Louis, Memphis and Jackson, Miss.

## CALMLY MURDERS BROTHERS KILLER

### Gangster Sam Shoots and Kills Man Who Was Held For Brother's Death

CHICAGO, Nov. 21.—(United Press)—Sam Vinci sat in his cell here tonight, calm and stoical, after committing one of the most sensational murders in the history of Chicago.

While an inquest was in progress in the death of his brother, Mike, and in the presence of officers and spectators, Sam shot and killed the man, who was held for Mike's death, John Minatti, 39, was testifying that he had never seen Mike when Sam rushed up and declared he lied.

The deputy coroner, holding court in the front room of an undertaking parlor, sought to quiet Sam, but Sam, after hurling curses at Minatti, suddenly drew a revolver and shot him through the heart. Minatti fell dead and Sam did not offer resistance as several officers closed in on him.

The body of Mike lay in the back room of the establishment.

Sam had been brooding over the death since the slaying, the day before. A large crowd of men, most of them known gangsters, jammed the room.

Minatti was taken into view the body. Then he was brought back and questioned. He was asked whether he knew Mike.

"No," he was the reply. "You lie!" screamed Vinci. "You will have your turn," the deputy coroner said. "Keep quiet."

Vinci continued cursing Minatti, and then shot him.

The crowd scattered in a panic, fearing a general gang shooting. The spectators fled, but Vinci made no effort to escape.

"This is vengeance," Vinci said. "My two brothers are gone and I don't care if they kill me."

Police say it is a war of gangsters.

### RANCHER SELLS LAND

L. O. Mills, rancher of the Pine Grove district has sold a half interest in a range land district in the Sprague River country to the Yamsay Land & Cattle company, represented by D. O. Williams.

The deed, as recorded yesterday in the office of the county clerk called for a consideration of \$5,000. The land includes 600 acres of finest range and meadow land of that section.

and of that number only 88 requested that the bonds be served.

The total number of marriages in Oregon, the figures show, was 6,967. Throughout the state only 2,945 of these couples were sufficiently dissatisfied to get divorces.

Both marriages and divorces were on the increase in Klamath county in 1924 as opposed to 1923. In 1923 there were 146 couples married in Klamath county, while 56 of these were divorced.

"Taking it all in all, Klamath county's record is good compared to those of other counties in the state," said Mr. DeLap. "Apparently our altitude makes for affability between married persons."

In the state there were more persons married in 1923 than in 1924 and—this is worthy of note—there were fewer divorces. In 1923 there were 7,151 couples who took the vow, and only 2,894 who were granted divorces, according to the official figures.

During 1924, Multnomah, whose population is largest, led the state in both marriages and divorces. Two thousand, three hundred and eighty-three persons were married there, and of these 1,348 were divorced, according to the department of commerce.

## OVER 600 MILLION INDIVIDUAL TAXES ARE PAID IN U. S.

### 25 Millions Excess Over Year 1923

#### SALARIES ARE BIGGER

### Loss Deductions from Incomes Show Decrease Over Previous Year

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.—(United News)—American income taxpayers—individuals, and not corporations—paid a total of \$689,134,185 in taxes in 1924 on \$24,840,137,364 of income, David H. Blair, commissioner of internal revenue, reported tonight in a preliminary compilation of 1924 federal tax statistics.

The total tax collections were \$25,482,680 in excess of collections for the preceding year, despite the tax cut, an increase of 3.70 per cent. Taxpayers' filing returns, however, fell off 399,840, to a total of 7,298,481, a decrease of 5.48 per cent.

Average net income of the taxpayer was \$3,428.55, the average amount of tax, \$94.43, and the average tax rate 2.75 per cent.

There was no increase of incomes in excess of \$1,000,000 during the year, the number remaining at 74. Incomes between \$200,000 and \$1,000,000, however, increased from 4,208 to 5,620. Incomes between \$1,000 and \$4,000 were reported as 6,111,756 or 84 per cent of all taxpayers.

Incomes between \$5,000 and \$50,000 increased from 609,263 to 669,074, a gain of \$9,811—a feature of the report to which Blair called particular attention.

Of the total taxes, national income of nearly \$25,000,000,000, \$13,765,138,563, or more than half, was earned in salaries, wages, commissions, bonuses or directors' fees. Business trade commerce, farming and profits from sale of property and securities accounted for \$7,974,366,592.

Revenues from properties aggregated \$7,474,260,513, divided as follows: Rents and royalties, \$1,594,658,881; interest on bonds, etc., \$2,462,420,321 and dividends, \$3,207,181,311.

The grand total income reported was \$29,214,763,668, but this sum was reduced by general deductions allowed by law of \$3,663,111,077, and deductible contributions to charity of \$528,441,698.

The total returns were divided 4,090,034 taxable, and 3,208,447 non-taxable.

Tax exempt securities held by individual taxpayers were reported as \$3,654,798,028 in the aggregate. Partially exempt securities totaled \$5,218,559,394.

The 25 per cent deduction allowed in 1924 reduction amounting to \$27,538,273.

Loss deductions from incomes showed a marked decrease in the 1924 returns only \$15,769,893 being deducted, as compared with \$34,266,149 in 1923.

### VISITING IN KLAMATH

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Lewis, former residents of Klamath county have returned for a week's business and pleasure visit from their home in La Habra, California. Lewis was a former rancher of the Merrill country, where he is well known. At present he is raising oranges in the La Habra country. According to Lewis the orange crop in that section of California has all the appearance of being extraordinarily good.

### NOTRE DAME WINS

SOUTH BEND, Ind., Nov. 21.—Notre Dame's aspiration to a reputation on a par with western conference leaders, was realized this afternoon when the Irish nosed out Northwestern, erstwhile big ten title contenders, 13 to 10, before a capacity crowd of 30,000.

## CITY'S HEALTH CONTINUES GOOD

### Hundred of School Children Examined and Health Talks Given

Despite the fact that, generally, health conditions in Klamath county are excellent, the past seven days have been very busy ones for the county health unit, according to Dr. G. S. Newsom, in charge.

Ten cases were quarantined this week, according to the weekly report of Dr. Newsom. Eight of them were scarlet fever, and two were chicken-pox.

According to the report, seven cases were released from quarantine. Three premises were disinfected, including four school rooms.

Four hundred and 15 school children were accorded physical examinations, Dr. Newsom said, and seven pupils were, as a result, excluded from school. Twenty physical defects were discovered by the nurses.

Eight talks on health were given during the week, and there were 14 general sanitary inspections.

Four dairies were carefully examined, Dr. Newsom stated. There were three investigations of water supplies, and one alleged nuisance was abated.

## ANNULMENT CASE MAY GO TO PARIS

### Case May Be Dropped for Present and Wife Get Settlement

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., Nov. 21.—Possibilities that the Rhinelander marriage annulment case, which started in White Plains, may end in Reno, Nev., or in Paris, were discussed today while the now famous action of Leonard Kip Rhinelander, proud hugenot, to annul his marriage to Alice Beatrice Jones, equally proud taxi driver's daughter, was adjourned until Monday.

Out of boxes and barrels and trainloads of rumors and reports that went around, an outstanding one was that agreement is in prospect whereby the case will be dropped when it is called again next week; Alice will receive a quiet little financial settlement from the man who accuses her of deceiving him as to her color, and then buy a ticket by rail or ship to some secluded spot like Las Vegas or Reno or Paris—whatever one appeals to her imagination most—and get herself a quiet little divorce.

But all of this was pure conjecture as far as any one could learn. Judge Isaac Mills, attorney for Leonard, flatly denied this and all other reports.

## 2 AUTOMOBILES FALL INTO WATER

### Cars Loaded With Passengers Fall Into Ferry Slip, One May Be Injured

SAN PEDRO, Calif., Nov. 21.—Two automobiles, loaded with young people who had been picnicking on terminal island, near here, ran off the terminal island ferry slip tonight, dropping into the water, and probably fatally injuring one boy and endangering the lives of 11 others.

Early reports of the accident indicated that a sedan with five passengers ran off the dock into 35 feet of water. An automobile bus with seven passengers in it was directly behind the sedan and in the darkness could not see the impending danger, also dropping into the bay.

### HABEAS CORPUS SOUGHT

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.—Gerald Chapman may be saved from the electric chair by a writ of habeas corpus, State Attorney Hugh Alcorn, of Hartford, Conn., indicated here tonight.

## HALF MILLION IS NEED OF KLAMATH FOR COMING YEAR

### Budget Committee Gives Figures

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

### County Court Expresses No Thought of Bond Issue To Raise Funds

Nearly one-half million dollars—\$446,524.35 to be exact—must be furnished by the taxpayers to support Klamath county during the year 1926, according to tentative figures yesterday announced by the county budget committee.

The committee, which had been working laboriously for several days, said it felt that Klamath, growing steadily, cannot be financed on less money during the coming year. Every taxpayer in the county, however, has the right to appear before the county court, when it again meets in 20 days, to protest regarding any item which he believes to be unfair.

The tentative 1926 budget, which is materially larger than the one made for the present year, lacks just \$297 of exceeding the six per cent tax limitation law.

The county court and its budget committee has no thought of a bond issue to raise additional money, according to County Judge K. H. Bunnell. "I am sure we can do our financing and stay within the six per cent law," he declared.

The estimates regarding the various items for the coming year are as follows:

County court and commissioner's activities, \$33,200.  
Sheriff's office, \$20,860.  
Clerk's office, \$10,300.  
Auditor's office, \$8,360.  
Supervisor's office, \$6,900.  
State water master, \$250.  
District attorney, \$5,580.  
Emergency fund, \$9,000.  
State sealer, \$155.  
Treasurer's office, \$2,100.  
School superintendent's office, \$800.  
Coroner's office, \$1,000.  
Circuit court, \$10,870.  
Justice courts, \$4,000.  
Advertising, \$4,500.  
Courthouse and jail, \$9,000.  
Health office, \$5,160.  
Widow's pensions, \$7,000.  
County poor, \$17,050.  
Predatory animal and grasshopper extermination, \$3,000.  
Refund of taxes, \$500.  
Juvenile court, \$1,250.  
County fair fund, \$6,000.  
State fire patrol, \$200.  
Cattle indemnity, \$200.  
Agricultural fund and club work, \$4,650.  
Road, bridge and shop superintendency, \$7,000.  
Total current expense, \$184,986.  
County schools, \$95,064.35.  
Special road fund, \$57,000.  
Klamath county high school, \$60,145.  
County library fund, \$2,500.  
Market roads, \$40,000.  
Road bond sinking fund, \$10,000.  
State tax, \$150,000.

### MARRIAGE LICENSE ISSUED

A marriage license was issued yesterday afternoon in the county clerk's office to Ira Edgar Sherman, 5357 Klamath avenue and Stella Pruitt, 1123 Worden avenue. Sherman gave his occupation as a mechanic, Miss Pruitt as employed with the Superior Laundry.

## Town Talk

### Is About Our November Coat Sale

—of course the men folks are suffering but the women surely are enjoying buying coats of such high quality and style at such low prices.

### GOLDEN RULE CORPORATION

ALUMINUM  
KLAMATH FALLS, ORE.

In the Center of the Shopping District.

**Laundries Don't Get Sick**  
Ever have a big wash that just had to be done,  
And you had everything ready  
And then spent the day  
Waiting and waiting?  
When you expect work back from the laundry—it comes.  
**TROY LAUNDRY Phone 656**

The name of every doctor in Klamath Falls appears frequently in our prescription files.  
We employ only college trained, registered men for our prescription compounding.  
We positively do not operate a drug store for training prescription clerks.  
**CURRINS for DRUGS, Inc.**  
Portland Klamath Falls