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It is important that all voters vote on "City Manager Plan" for Klamath Falls. Election May 21.

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## COOLIDGE STAMPS HIS APPROVAL ON MARKETING PLAN

### Federal Board for Selling Surplus

#### TO SOLIDIFY CONGRESS

#### Secretary Jardine Endorses Idea of Board to Sell Surplus Crops

WASHINGTON, April 17.—(United News)—President Coolidge has given his tacit approval to the farm relief proposal setting up a federal board to aid in marketing surpluses, and believes it has a good chance of success in congress.

The president's approval made known at the White House today comes after a prolonged bombardment by western farm leaders who went on a rampage several weeks ago. It is expected to solidify administration forces in congress, which have been split several ways on agricultural relief and had just recently agreed to let the proposed drastic measures die after talking about it for weeks.

Hopes of success among farm leaders were revived a few days ago, when Secretary of Agriculture Jardine endorsed the general idea of a federal board to help market surplus crops, and on that day the senate agricultural committee reported a bill following the general lines he laid down. This was followed by introduction in the house of a similar bill by Representative Tincher, Kansas Republican. It was this bill which was discussed Friday by the president's spokesman, who insisted significantly that it did not involve the government in buying and selling, or fixing prices which the president has opposed although the board will be financed by the government. This is contrary to the opinion of others who held it is more or less a price fixing measure.

### Officers Raid an Alleged Bar

Pat Folkins, a new arrival from Oak Ridge, was holding forth last night with an improvised bar in room 3 of the Wilton Rooming House, at Ninth and Main, according to officer L. L. McBride, who led an assault on the alleged distributor of "moon."

A pitcher containing about half a gallon of the contraband was grabbed and Folkins lodged in jail, probably to come up Monday before Judge Emmitt for a hearing.

L. L. McBride, C. McCreedie, and Geo. Pierce took part in the raid.

#### TO VISIT HOME.

Norman Taylor, with the Klamath Falls plant of the Standard Oil company, is leaving today for his home in Muskogee to visit with friends and relatives throughout Oklahoma. This is Taylor's first visit to his home in six years. He will go by way of Sacramento, Los Angeles and southern cities. He will return in a fortnight.

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## SPECIAL CALL FACES VOTERS

### Referendum on Street Closing May Call for a Special Election

Petitions appeared on the streets of Klamath Falls yesterday demanding that certain streets and alleys closed by order of the council at a recent meeting, be declared open and the ordinance passed by the council be made null and void. The petition is being circulated by individuals who have interested themselves through various reasons.

The streets affected are those below Klamath avenue in the block adjacent to the Klamath Heating company's plant owned and operated by the Lorenz company.

The mayor in his veto message a week ago Monday took the council to task, accusing the aldermen of catering to a corporation enterprise and disregarding the interests of the public.

If petitioners obtain sufficient signatures, the referendum may be placed on the ballots of the May primaries, but if the circulators are too late, which is probably the case, then it is rumored, a special election will be called for at an early date following the primaries. This election will give citizens a chance to uphold the stand taken by the council majority or to nullify the ordinance.

Primary purpose for the closure of the streets and alleys was to give way to industrial development for the Lorenz company.

## WIEST ANSWERS GAGHAGEN WIRE

### Promises to Exert Every Effort to Get Federal Building Here

The following wire was received by Judge Lem L. Gaghagen yesterday from W. A. Wiest, local attorney, who is in Washington, D. C., at the present time on the O. & C. tax refund drive in which Klamath is co-operating with other Oregon counties, and is an answer to a wire forwarded Friday by the judge to Wiest advising him to bend every effort at the present time toward inducing the government to establish a federal building in Klamath Falls.

Washington, April 17, 1926.

Lem L. Gaghagen, City Hall, Klamath Falls, Ore.

Your wire received. The public buildings bill has passed the house and was debated in the senate today, likely to receive senate vote Monday. I shall watch. Bill provides one hundred million dollars for constructions outside this city, not yet started or designated, therefore our efforts must be executed on the departments after the passage of the bill. The Stanfield bill introduced for a federal building in Klamath Falls is still pending.

W. A. WIEST.

#### THE WEATHER.

Oregon: Unsettled Sunday and Monday, probably rain in west portion; normal humidity.

## NEW SANDWICH SHOP ON MAIN STREET APPROPRIATELY NAMED

Grey geese go singing their way over the city night and day, their honking causing many a hunter to look longingly into the sky and long for the coming hours in field and marsh. Other grey geese are winging their way in the city, though they remain forever still, imprisoned in picture form on the tables of one of the city's newest and smartest restaurants.

And as all of us who were brought up to the rhymes of Mother Goose cannot think of geese without thinking of children, perhaps it was not unnatural for the inquisitive reporter, poking an impertinent nose into cleverly designed booths and attractive kitchens, should look for the child in the case. And he wasn't hard to find.

Indeed he would have been hard to overlook—ensconced in a place Mussolini himself wouldn't have dared to usurp, the very center of the kitchen, just under the eye of his mother. An autocrat he is, whose merry smile and waving

## KLAMATH PRICES FOR LAND OFFER BIG OPPORTUNITY

### Acre Cost Same as Rent in Calif.

#### INVESTMENT IS LOW

#### Langell Valley Offers Land at from \$20 to \$40 per Acre Under Ditch

That great possibilities for the development of Klamath county lie in educating ranchers and dairymen in districts where land values are high as to the merits of the low priced land in this neighborhood, is the contention of J. B. Reed, of the firm of Head & Reed, realtors. Sam L. Head, his partner, has spent large amounts of time and money in traveling through the Owens Valley country and other districts of California in pursuit of this work, with gratifying results in interesting their residents in locating here.

#### Land at Rent Cost

Values in some of the highly developed California districts run from \$250 an acre to \$600 dollars, with rents as high as \$40 and \$50 an acre, according to Mr. Reed. This fact, of course, entails a heavy burden on many a small rancher or dairyman with small capital, who must work under terrific pressure to make good in the face of such severe financial demands. Here there is land equally suited to his purpose at a price per acre about equal to the rent paid for one year's use in some of the more expensive districts. Here, by paying the same amount, one becomes his own landlord, owning his own land and keeping the rent for himself. There he is confronted each succeeding year with the necessity of paying rent. And the best part of the local proposition is that the amount due does not have to be paid all in one year as in the case of rent, but is spread out over a number of years, making the financial burden to the buyer much easier than to the renter in other districts. Mr. Head has been responsible for the location of a considerable number of families on ranches in the neighborhood under such circumstances, and reports that they are happy and prosperous.

#### Government Generous

The land in the Langell Irrigation Projects, according to Mr. Head, is one of the greatest bonanza propositions ever given the public by a generous government. The soil varies from a sandy loam which is suitable for such crops as potatoes and alfalfa, to a heavier and darker soil which is remarkably well adapted to grain growing. The United States government will have a charge around \$40 per acre to cover the actual

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## CITY MANAGER PLAN

### City Manager Form of Government Is Democratic Because It Is More Responsive to Public Will

(Shortcomings of Klamath Falls' form of government are retarding city progress, in the opinion of students of local politics. With the idea of finding remedies, this newspaper is now studying the city manager plan, reported as operating successfully in several hundred cities in the United States. The article below, the fifth of a series, deals with the "democracy" of the city manager plan.)

The first-thought objection to the city manager plan of government is that it is "undemocratic."

This criticism is based on the fact that it makes its most important single official appointive instead of "directly responsible to the people by election."

According to advocates of the plan, however, democracy consists in controlling public officers, not necessarily in electing them, and that way is most democratic which gives the people the surest control.

The most effective way for the people to get a firm grip on the neck of the government organization, it is urged, is by sending a representative group of citizens down to the city hall to see what the executive is doing, with power to fire him and get another any day of the week if he is unsatisfactory or insubordinate.

It is further contended that vigorous effective execution of policies is essential to true democracy. Jelly-fish inefficiency in execution defeats the realization of policies voted by the people as often as open opposition to them.

Administration by a trained manager is therefore more democratic—that is, more obedient—than by Tom, Dick, or Harry.

Many of the evils of municipal government have arisen, according to advocates of city managership, from a mistaken view of "democracy."

A generation ago reformers exercised their wits to devise complications of government machinery to prevent "bad government." And they made government so roundabout and complex that none but the professional politicians could operate it, and the rank and file of the citizenship were left almost helpless spectators.

The result was government by a compact ruling class, variously called "the ring," "the machine," and "the politicians." Such government was oligarchy.

It was intended to be "democratic," but, to coin a slang phrase, it didn't "democ."

## 1 CAR SMASHES 3 ON MAIN ST.

### Woman Loses Control of Big Car in Front of Hall Hotel—3 Jammed

Three cars were badly wrecked and a fourth suffered bent fenders and broken lights when Miss Charlotte Grover, driving a car belonging to Guy J. Shear of the Hall hotel, crashed into the cars owned by C. M. Reid, Mrs. C. C. Seely and another large touring car, the owner of which was not known.

Miss Grover had stopped in front of the Hall hotel parking parallel to the curb. She put the car in low, then seemed to lose control, sending the heavy touring car into three others parked diagonally. Fenders, lights, radiators and tire racks went into a jam as the three heavy cars were crashed into one after another by the car driven by Miss Grover.

This is the second time within a week that Mrs. Seely has been the victim of an automobile wreck, both times cars doing considerable damage to her machine.

#### NEGRO PAYS FINE

E. Lockwood, negro, alleged hit-and-run motorist, paid a fine of \$50 in Judge Emmitt's court, charged with reckless driving and a failure to report an accident.

According to police, Lockwood, with another negro friend, H. Birdwell, smashed into the car driven by J. S. Bailey of Macdoel on the Ashland-Klamath Falls highway late Friday afternoon. One wheel was broken and a fender of the Bailey car torn off, according to Bailey.

## SPORTSMEN WILL MEET ON MONDAY

The regular meeting of the Klamath Sportsmen's association is scheduled for Monday night at 7:30 o'clock at the chamber of commerce, according to Secretary Nate Otterbell.

A number of important matters in connection with Klamath fish and game conditions are to be threshed out at this meeting.

## 9 WILL ATTEND ROTARIAN MEET

### Delegation from Klamath to Visit Victoria for April Convention

Klamath Falls will be well represented in Victoria on Vancouver Island, when the first district Rotary international conference will be held April 22 and 23 in the beautiful little Canadian city.

Nine Klamath Falls residents will attend the meeting and spend several days on the island and in Vancouver, it was learned yesterday following the Rotary luncheon. Those who will leave next week for the conference include Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Lamm, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Underwood, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Housh and H. E. Kauger. Mr. and Mrs. Bert Hall will also be in attendance, although they left for one north a week ago.

According to letters received in the city by Rotarians from Bob Mayhew, conference chairman, a delightful program has been planned for the affair, including the governor's ball in the Empress hotel.

## 2 Sprague River Homes Destroyed By Fire Friday

Fire destroyed the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Ab McNair and Eliza Lawver in Sprague River at 3 o'clock Friday afternoon, according to word received in Klamath Falls yesterday. The McNair home, including furniture and entire contents of the house, was burned to the ground. Volunteer firemen managed to save the goods and household articles belonging to Eliza Lawver.

Loss was set at \$3000. Both buildings were located in the near vicinity of the Sprague River post office.

#### POLISH IS IGNITED.

Polish on the main floor of the new wing of the Klamath Valley hospital was ignited early Friday afternoon by the friction of wool cloth. Although a call was placed for the fire department, the blaze was extinguished before the truck arrived. No damage was done.

## 3 ARE ELECTED WITHOUT FIGHT

### No Opposition to Collier, Burdick and Hamilton in 21st District

Denton G. Burdick of Redmond, R. S. Hamilton of Bend and A. M. Collier of Klamath Falls, the three representatives in the Oregon legislature from the 21st legislative district, comprising the counties of Crook, Deschutes, Lake, Jefferson and Klamath, are already elected, and only await the formality of taking office. According to word from Salem yesterday, the 21st is the only district in the state where there is no contest for the legislative office. The time for filing having closed Friday, April 16, at midnight.

SALEM, April 17.—(United News)—A total of 252 citizens of Oregon had tendered their services to the electorate of the state, aspirants to the 101 state offices to be filled at the general election next fall, when time was called Friday night on filings for the May primaries by Secretary of State Keizer.

Of these 252 candidates 195 were of Republican persuasion and 57 are marching under the Democratic banner. Two of the candidates are women.

Among the list of candidates for senator on the Democratic ticket is Sergeant K. Brown of Chiloquin. For representatives in the legislature from 21st district (Crook, Deschutes, Jefferson, Klamath, Lake) three to elect are:

Republican, Andrew Collier of Klamath Falls, Denton G. Burdick of Redmond and R. S. Hamilton of Bend.

For district attorney from Klamath county:

Republican—W. A. Wiest, Klamath Falls; Democrat, Edward B. Ashurst, Klamath Falls; W. M. Duncan, Klamath Falls.

## WORK TO START ON M. E. CHURCH

### New Building Planned for Site of Old Church Tenth and High

Another house of worship will soon rise in Klamath Falls with construction starting June 1 on the new Methodist Episcopal church on the site of the present building on Tenth and High streets.

This was the announcement made yesterday afternoon by G. O. Oliver, vice president of Willamette university, who, with Dr. A. L. Howarth, Dr. Sam Cheyne and Dr. A. S. Hissey, is here in the interest of the drive to be opened formally today.

The building, for which plans have been drawn and submitted by DeYoung and Roald of Portland, church architects, will cost approximately \$30,000 and of that sum \$10,000 has been raised in a previous drive. It is the hope of the men to raise \$15,000 by tonight in order that the drive may be put well under way before their departure for the north.

The church will be larger than the present structure and of beautiful Spanish architecture. It will cover the two lots which the church owns on Tenth and High streets. The present structure will be torn down (Continued On Page Two)

## S. P. Officers to Meet Cattle Men

Cattle growers and shippers of northern Klamath county and the reservation ranges will meet with Southern Pacific officials the latter part of the month to discuss better and closer co-operation for the transportation of livestock for this season's shipments.

This was the announcement made yesterday afternoon by J. J. Miller. According to Miller a plan is now being discussed whereby shippers from northern Klamath will be served in a more efficient and simple manner.

Those to meet with prominent cattle men include J. J. Miller, district freight and passenger agent of Klamath Falls; J. D. Brennan, assistant superintendent of Dunsmuir; H. A. Sprague, trainmaster of Klamath Falls, and J. A. Taylor, assistant engineer, Dunsmuir. The meeting is scheduled for April 27, 1:30 p. m., in Chiloquin.

## INDIAN FILES BIG SUIT FOR DAMAGE AGAINST ELLIOTT

### Claims Libel From News Reports ASKS TOTAL OF \$65,000

Ashurst Fights Attempt to Get Money from County Court for Appeal

Claiming E. L. Elliott, district attorney of Klamath county, to be responsible for slanderous and libelous newspaper articles and publicity having been broadcast during the recent controversy over the legal status of the local Indians, last night at 5 o'clock a damage suit was entered in the circuit court by Peter Schonchin, a Klamath and Modoc Indian, who claims general damage of \$15,500 and punitive damages of \$50,000 from E. L. Elliott. Edward B. Ashurst is attorney for Schonchin.

The complaint alleges the Klamath and Modoc Indians to be peaceful and law-abiding people, against whom the defendant, E. L. Elliott with malice aforethought did libel with premeditated and malicious intent, when he caused to be uttered, circulated and published, certain newspaper articles appearing in the Portland daily papers and Klamath evening paper. And also that the defendant has played upon the passions and prejudices of the community for the purpose of advancing his own interests politically.

Ask Court to Aid. It is further alleged that owing to the publication of these news reports for which it is claimed the district attorney is responsible, the Indians have sustained loss and injury to their credit and reputation and have been seriously injured to the extent that a total of \$65,000 damages are claimed.

As a prelude to the filing of this suit, a few hours earlier in the afternoon Ashurst appeared before the Klamath county court, where he denounced bitterly an attempt which was made before that body to have \$500 appropriated out of county funds to assist in the financing of an appeal against the decision of Circuit Judge A. L. Leavitt, in the matter of the jurisdiction of county and state officers being annulled on the Klamath reservation. Sensing the influence of Indian Agent Arnold in this appeal to the court, Ashurst questioned the ability of the government official, and protested against any payment of county funds for any such purpose as desired by Arnold or District Attorney Elliott.

The court withheld a decision in the matter until this week.

#### EAGLES TO ORGANIZE.

J. V. Sapp, deputy national organizer for F. O. E., stated last night that he had lined up 152 men in Klamath Falls for charter members of the new aerie of the lodge here.

Initiation will be held a week from today, April 25, in the Moose hall. Officers and the ritualistic team of Eugene and the degree team of Bend will be here for this installation.

## Fire Cost Was \$4.80

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