

Former Mayor Is Favorable To Plan

The most of the inefficiency of the present city government of Klamath Falls is due to the division of the appointive and removal power between the council and the mayor, is the contention of a former mayor of the city, talking recently with a News reporter on the subject of the quarrels which have frequently arisen between mayor and council during the last thirteen years that the present charter has been in force. Speaking of the old charter the ex-mayor said:

"Under the present charter, section 141, article 2, the mayor shall appoint all officers, employees and agents of the city created by this charter, or which may hereafter be created under this charter by ordinance or otherwise. Immediately following it is provided in section 142 that 'all officers appointed by the mayor and confirmed by the council may be removed at any time by a vote at the discretion of the majority of the whole council.'"

"The apparent intention of the framers of the present system was to provide checks and balances over the authority of both the executive and legislative branches. These precautionary measures, however, have been carried to a point which actually encourages insubordination and inefficiency, and even endangers the continuous transaction of the city's business."

"In order to avoid an open breach, the mayor quite frequently may not be able to get the man of his choice confirmed, and eventually may be indirectly forced to name or appoint the choice of the council. To whom then would such appointees be most loyal? Most naturally to the persons most responsible for their appointment, the members of the council. Does not such a situation give rise then to insubordination? Such an appointee can easily carry tales to the council, criticize his chief, and shake the confidence of the council in the integrity and capability of the mayor."

"Imagine the state of chaos and inefficiency a private corporation would be reduced to if the board of directors should constantly act over the head of the manager in appointing and removing subordinates, and in listening to tales of woe that

NEVADA GASSES TWO MURDERERS

CARSON CITY, Nev., May 18.—(United News)—The sinister preparations being made at the state prison here for Friday's double lethal gas execution have failed to bring about a cessation of crime in Nevada.

A gruesome murder case was reported from Virginia City Tuesday, with the possibility that its perpetrators may follow John Randolph and Stanko Jukich into the execution chamber. Two men have been arrested as suspects following discovery of the body of Martin Trojill, a Mexican. There were eight bullet wounds in the slain man's body.

The Mexican had left his rooming house after a call to him from the outside.

"They can't do more than kill me," he said as he answered the summons.

Warden William Maxwell will preside at Friday's execution of Randolph and Jukich, murderers. Experts in the use of the hydrocyanic gas to be used are on their way from Los Angeles to instruct guards in the use of the deadly fumes. One snuff will end a person's life.

The Klamath Cleaning and Dry Works have recently installed a new Flicker Hat Renovator, M19-20

Cyclone Drowns Mail Plane and Kills Aviator

CHICAGO, May 17.—(United News)—A severe tornado swept over northern Illinois early Tuesday evening, heavily damaging the Chicago suburb of Harvey, Ill., and dashing to death an airmail pilot from Detroit, after his plane had become engulfed in the twister.

Pilot Kirkpatrick apparently flew directly into the funnel shaped cloud. He was 29 years old and one of the airmen who participated in the flight from Mitchell Field, L. I. to Nome, Alaska, in 1920. His air mail plane was one of the first to be put into service by Henry Ford.

Plane Whirls. Witnesses said they noticed the plane was in distress before they became aware of the tornado. Suddenly it began whirling and then plunged down into a field. Kirkpatrick had been unable to use his parachute. His crumpled body was found in the wreckage of the cockpit.

At the steel plant of the Whiting corporation a 25-ton crane was picked up by the twister and hurled the width of the highway.

The police chief estimated the total damage in Harvey at \$200,000. Private garages were crushed like eggshells and communication and electric light wires were blown down.

Chicago proper felt only a tail end of the tornado but rain fell in torrents for 10 minutes, flooding south side basements and halting traffic at intersections where storm sewers could not carry the water away fast enough.

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FRENCH WINNING IN AFRICAN ROW

FEZ, Morocco, May 18.—The situation of Abd el Krim, rebel Rifian leader, is extremely critical following the surrender of 300 families of the Beni Ouariguel tribe—Krim's own, and long considered the most loyal of his followers. They surrendered without a battle the minute the advancing French troops entered their territory between Kert Knor and Livers.

Pentrafik heavy Rifian entrenchments and fortifications, the French lines are now only ten miles apart from the Spanish, and are already touching through flanking parties. It is expected that a liaison will soon be completed, after which the two armies will begin a drive against Tarajunt.

Krim is believed to have sought refuge at Djebel Hamman.

Striking Miners Stick By Leaders

LONDON, May 19.—(Wednesday) (United News)—Premier Baldwin's meeting with the executive of the striking miners union proved fruitless.

It is understood that Baldwin maintained the attitude of the cabinet expressed the night of April 30, just prior to the strike, and stressed the need of an immediate wage reduction as a preliminary to continued negotiations.

The miners left the conference in a very pessimistic frame of mind, discussing continuance of a strenuous struggle in the coal fields.

SURE IS SHOOTING

SAN PEDRO, Calif., May 18.—(United News)—Gunnery squads of the U. S. S. Tennessee made one

of the most remarkable firing records in American history Tuesday when they scored 12 out of 15 hits firing at an invisible target 30,000 yards distant.

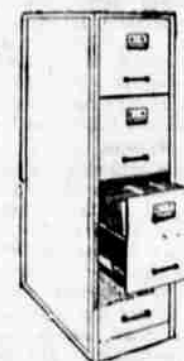
The 14-inch guns were leveled over Santa Barbara Island at the unseen targets.

GOOD DEED?

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., May 18.—Faded and torn old deeds, dating back to the reign of King Charles II of England have been introduced as evidence by Mrs. Olivia Rose Stale of Mamaroneck in her suit against John B. Steele to compel him to remove an old mill dam which she claims is on her property.

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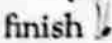
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