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A newspaper must be judged by what it leaves out as much as what it prints.

The main purpose should be constructive. Anything official in the line of food tests or court records must be measured in the light of public interests. The old idea of "the greatest good to be the greatest number" still holds good.

Generally speaking The News is fair. It aims always to be judicial.

Its large ambition is to make this a fine town to live in. And as was said before: if at any time anything is printed that seems wrong our columns are always open for the other side of the story.

SPEEDING UP

What will aviation do for Klamath? In the natural order of things, what shouldn't it do with men and machines perfecting air travel beyond the dreams of today?

Most people are perfectly willing someone else should run the risk and share the honors—automobiles will still be good enough for them. But when it comes to mail and express, emergency calls and quick action, it will be worth a good deal to connect Klamath and Portland in three hours, and San Francisco in four.

We are living in piping times. No one has yet had vision enough to foresee all that is coming by way of improvement. The Klamath of 1935, even, will make some of us rub our eyes in wonderment.

NEXT DOOR NEIGHBORS

With faster train service assured and aviation coming to the front, we can almost think of Klamath as a suburb of Portland. The old idea of distance has been obliterated. The notion that this is in any sense a "frontier" needs to be changed. We can go right ahead building homes and developing farms with the certainty that families will soon be coming for them. The entire county is growing at such a rate, all worthwhile land will soon be gobbled up. The opportunity of today in farming and dairying will not repeat itself in a hurry.

One newspaper in Wyoming is published 104 miles away from a railroad, which suggests real pioneering. No such conception can ever again come to Klamath, with its daily journalism, up-to-date stores, theatres and churches, and modern equipment throughout. The whole country for a hundred miles round about is part and parcel of us, and almost before we know it the open spaces will be occupied. This city now belongs in the same category as Eugene, Medford and Salem. For awhile our loca-

tion may seem a thing apart. We hope to eventuate into something better.

Great Sorrow of Love Results in Suicide Actress

LONDON, June 21. (United Press)—A secret sorrow which she had borne for years is believed now to have been partly responsible for the suicide Thursday night of Miss Regina Flory, wealthiest actress of Paris and perhaps of the world.

Miss Flory shot herself in the head while conversing with Sir Alfred Butt, a leading theatrical producer, at the Drury Lane theatre. She is reported to have had a great affection for Sir Alfred, but through the years of their acquaintance he showed no signs of response.

Two years ago she attempted suicide in the Seine, and once before she had expressed a wish to die.

CAR ROLLS INTO CANAL, MAN DROWNS

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Juries incurred when the car rolled on Boynton would probably have been fatal. He was driving a light open car.

Boynton resided at 2020 Second street. He was employed at the box factory of the Pelican Bay Lumber company. From 1904 to 1917 he was a deputy sheriff of Malheur county. He is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Betty Morgan of Sprague River, a brother, E. L. Boynton of Castle Rock, Wash., and two grandsons, Ray Morgan of Klamath Falls, and Charles Barnes of Barnes, Cook county, Oregon, the latter having arrived here Monday afternoon.

Ray Morgan did not know his grandfather had met with a tragic end until Monday afternoon. He began to worry when the aged man, who lived with him, did not return. Learning there had been an accident Morgan called at the corner's office. There he was imparted the sad news.

Funeral arrangements are to be announced later.

SIX STORY HOTEL KLAMATH'S PRESENT

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plan something out of the ordinary, and which would prove adequate to meet the growing demands of Klamath Falls for a long period of years.

Practically every room in the hotel will be provided with tub and shower baths, while there will be a commodious lobby, well appointed dining room, sample rooms, and other features that only go to make up a first class hostelry of the kind planned.

Already a ten-year lease upon the hotel has been granted to Thomas Dillon, well known resident of Stockton, California, and who is one of the best known hotel men in the West. Mr. Dillon will provide the furnishings, and under the terms of the lease only the most expensive and elaborate furnishings will be provided.

Under the terms of the lease the hotel must be ready for occupancy by the new tenant by November 1.

FORD CARS REDUCED \$45, STATES DEALER

Reductions in the prices of all models of Ford cars and trucks were announced yesterday by E. H. Balsiger of the Balsiger Motor Company, local dealers for Ford Motor company. Effective this date, the reductions will average \$45, making the new prices, f.o.b. Detroit, as follows: Roadster, \$360; touring car, \$380; coupe, \$435; Tudor sedan, \$495; Fordor sedan, \$545; commercial chassis, \$300; ton truck chassis, \$375.

At the same time the announcement was made that all Ford cars will be equipped with balloon tires and starters. Balloon tires will be standard equipment on front wheels of the ton truck chassis, with the starter optional.

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to order of the County Court of the State of Oregon for Klamath County, made and entered June 5, 1926, in the matter of the estate of Samuel Henry Cooper also known as S. H. Cooper, deceased, undersigned administrator on and after July 6, 1926, will sell at private sale, to the highest bidder, for cash or upon terms, and subject to confirmation by this court, all right, title, and interest of said Samuel Henry Cooper, deceased, in and to Lots 16, and 17 of Block 38 in Hot Springs Addition to Klamath Falls, Oregon, at date of his death. All bids to be in writing and delivered to said administrator at his office in Hopkins Building, Klamath Falls, Oregon.

Dated: June 5, 1926.
J. J. MILLER,
Administrator of said Estate.
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The Better Part of Valor



PERSONALS

Miss Elizabeth Ramsby, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Ramsby, who has been attending school at Oakland, Calif., has returned to her Klamath home. She was met at Ashland by her parents and Miss Adams.

Fred Quisenberry, a frequent visitor here from Medford on Copeo business, is closing a stay of a week on Wednesday.

Paul T. Jackson, principal of the Klamath county high school, accompanied by Mrs. Jackson, returned Sunday from a vacation trip to Seattle and Bremerton where they visited with relatives of Mr. Jackson's.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Kiggins, who were visiting in Medford last week from their home in Eugene, took advantage of the fine weather, Sunday, to drive across the mountains and visit with friends in Klamath Falls. Part of the day was spent fishing at Pelican lodge. They were accompanied to the lake resort by Tom Malarkey and Howard Barnhisel.

"We have a fine stand of wheat this year," reported Mrs. Harry Ackley, who was shopping with local merchants yesterday from her ranch home on Howard's bay. The Ackley ranch is one of the picturesque places on the west side of Upper Klamath lake, besides being unusually fertile and productive.

Mrs. Gloriana Warren, of the Boston Beauty shop, left Monday morning for San Francisco for the purpose of employing an expert operator for cutting and marcelling hair. During Mrs. Warren's absence Miss Agnes Fitchett will be in charge of the local shop.

Mr. and Mrs. Claire Douglas spent the week-end in Klamath Falls from their home in Bend. They were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Shuey.

Ned Worthington, a summer visitor in the city from Beloit, Wisconsin, enjoyed an outing yesterday on Upper Klamath lake.

All pupils of the city schools who are entitled to Palmer penmanship awards are requested to call for them at the superintendent's office in Fremont school before Saturday June 26.

Louie Polla, one of Chilquien's most ambitious and public spirited merchants, stole time from his numerous business affairs to drive into Klamath Falls yesterday and boost the Fourth of July rodeo which that city is putting on. According to Mr. Polla 5000 visitors are expected and accommodations are being provided accordingly.

Roy and Grant Nelson, prominent farmers from the Keno district, will be daily visitors in the city this week as they were chosen yesterday to act as jurors for the June term of the circuit court.

J. M. Bedford, acted as host yesterday to E. W. McGill, of Meadville, Pennsylvania, when he took him fishing at the Wood river country. McGill is in the west for the purpose of looking into the mill situation.

Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Hamilton are here from San Francisco as the house guests of Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Moore. A number of pleasure drives have been planned for the visitors during their stay.

The guest list at the White Pelican Lodge on Pelican Bay Sunday included Mr. and Mrs. Matt Egan of Algoma, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Manning of Klamath Falls, Mr. and Mrs. Levinson of San Francisco; and Miss Orby Natwick and Miss Margaret Aimes with a party of four from Medford.

Dr. and Mrs. G. D. Ray had as their guests Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. J. Doyle of Alameda, California. Mrs. Doyle and Mrs. Ray were school mates.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin K. Lucas and baby left this morning for Los Angeles for an extended vacation. They were accompanied by Mrs. Lucas' sister Miss Pearl Behn.

Miss Carmolita Smith, sister of the late Harold Smith, arrived in Klamath Falls Saturday night from Long Beach, California, summoned here on account of the death of her brother. Miss Smith accompanied the remains to Marshfield, leaving here Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Barney Chambers and children motored to Spring creek Sunday and enjoyed a picnic dinner. Mr. Chambers also took advantage of the icy waters of the stream to do a little fly fishing.

Years ago Spring creek was the most popular trout stream in the county but since the beginning of logging operations in that section of the country other creeks have come more into favor with the nimrod.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Graham are in California on a ten days' business and pleasure trip. They made the journey by motor and expect to go as far south as Los Angeles.

Mr. and Mrs. George C. Ulrich spent Sunday and Monday at their summer home on Recreation creek. They were accompanied by their daughter, Miss Katherine, and sons, Armond and Roland.

Miss Octavia Delap left Sunday morning for her home in Richmond, California, after a brief visit here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Delap.

Mrs. Cofer, wife of Councilman F. H. Cofer, and two daughters, Ruth and Helen, returned last night from a trip through California. Mrs. Cofer said that the trip was an enjoyable one, commenting especially upon the Golden Jubilee held recently at Pacific college. A colorful pageant depicting the past 50 years of the institution's career was given, she said, which was very interesting.

Chiloquin is the busiest place in southern Oregon, according to E. W. Gowen, merchant, who was attending to business matters in Klamath Falls yesterday. The new grandstand is completed and should seat about 3000 persons.

Mrs. W. R. Waggoner and two small sons will leave today for Nevada and California for a two months' visit with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Belding, accompanied by Mr. Belding's mother, left this morning for Portland after a visit of two days in this city. Mr. and Mrs. Belding are both well known here, having been active in a business and social way for a number of years before removing to California for Mr. Belding's health.

J. E. Wheeler, of Wheeler Olinstead, left for Portland yesterday morning after a visit of several days here on business.

The Friendship club will be entertained on Friday afternoon, June 25, at the home of Mrs. R. A. Emmitt, 517 Pine street.

Mrs. H. G. Wortley returned Saturday from Portland where she spent a week with friends. Upon her return she announced that the last meeting of the year of Aloha chapter of Eastern Star would be held at 8 o'clock Tuesday evening. There will be initiation and a banquet.

Bill Butler, of the Link River electric company left this morning for San Francisco on business.

HOME GARDENING IS BRINGING RESULTS

Optomists continue to plant gardens in Klamath county and one of the most enthusiastic of these is Captain J. W. Siemens who has his annual hill of watermelons and cantaloupes planted and growing in his garden on Congress avenue. There is no place in the county where these plants grow more profusely, but year after year, due to the short season they never reach the luscious stage, but remain green and bitter. Captain Siemens also has a fine asparagus bed and mushroom patch.

RECLAMATION HEAD RECEIVES PROJECT LETTER

Water users on the North Platte project, where Secretary of the Interior Hubert Work and Director of Reclamation Elwood Mead were recently hanged in effigy, refused to enter into any contract to meet delinquencies. It is set forth in an official statement of the disturbance issued by the bureau of reclamation, which was received here by D. H. Newell, project superintendent, yesterday.

The statement indicates that the North Platte lands were able to pay the water charges, most of them being rented and that high rents were collected.

The complete statement follows: All reclamation projects have entered into contracts with the government to make yearly payments on construction costs, the whole to be repaid in twenty years. They have also contracted to repay, yearly, at the end of the season, what the government has expended in operating the canals. Nearly all projects made their payments for 1925 promptly. Some did not do so because they elected to take over the operation of the works without expense to the government, and have all their past delinquencies made a part of the construction costs, to be paid without interest, as a part of construction in the future.

The interstate division of the North Platte project was asked this season to pay the amount it was delinquent for 1924, or, as an alternative, to take over the operation of the division. It was willing to take over the project at the end of this year, but desired the government to provide the money for operation this year, all unpaid construction and operation expenses of 1925 to be added to those of the four preceding years.

During the last four years a majority of the projects have either paid all that they owed, or a very large part of it, but this division has resisted payment, with the result that out of \$1,363,000 which they had contracted to pay on construction for the years 1922 to 1925, inclusive, they only paid \$133,000, and out of \$689,000, which the government spent in operating this division, and which they had contracted to pay each year, they have paid only \$145,000. On April 30, 1926, these combined delinquencies for the years 1922-1925 amounted to \$1,705,000.

As other projects have paid all or a large part of what was required during 1926, it seemed to the bureau unfair that this division should entirely escape payment. In response to the statement that they had no money with which to make payments, they were told that the note of the association, for the entire amount, would be accepted and that payment of this note could be spread over five years.

The proposal was refused by the water users because they would have to pay within five years. If no payment or promise to pay were made, this delinquency would be added to construction cost and payment indefinitely postponed. The statement that the secretary of reclamation promised postponement of all delinquencies is not true.

The terms of the government were the most generous offered to any project. In the end the irrigators accepted the proposal made to them months ago, that they take over and operate the division at their own expense. As soon as this proposal was accepted, water was turned on.

Another aspect of this matter should be considered. The refusal to pay has, on the part of a large number, not been due to inability to pay. More than half the land on this division is cultivated by tenants. The owners of that land collect the high rent of irrigated farms. While they receive this rent because of water furnished by the government, they refuse to pay the expense incurred by the government. A considerable percentage of these farms is owned by banks, mortgage and investment companies, combinations having large capital, and there is no question that money could have been paid if the desire to pay had existed.

If enforced collection from these landowners is against public policy, should not the irrigation law be amended and the people on all projects be released from any obligation to pay? Such a law should be enacted or payment should be enforced. Permitting the interstate division of the North Platte project to escape all payment is unjust to projects which have, through privation and sacrifice, met their obligations. Among the projects which have so paid are some with higher construction costs, rougher land, greater distance from markets and higher freight rates, which place them at an economic disadvantage to the North Platte water users.

Reclamation is now in a critical condition. The revenue from public land have almost ceased; revenues from oil are shrinking. Con-

JURY DEADLOCKED IN WHISKEY TRIAL

The jury in the case of J. B. Hamilton, charged with running a still, close to the California line, had not reached an agreement at an early hour this morning.

The jury is composed of Walter Storey, Al Melrose, Roy Nelson, George North, Grant Nelson, C. A. Hill, T. N. Sherman, H. A. Talbot, O. W. Engle, H. P. Dow, Farrel Hibbard and Henry Gordon.

Eight members of the W. C. T. U. watched the conduct of the case. District Attorney E. L. Elliott prosecuted and F. H. Mills appeared for the defendant.

gress has just passed a law relieving irrigators from the payment of \$15,771,000 and suspending payments of \$12,788,000. The delinquencies in payments due from water users under their contracts, on March 1, were nearly \$12,000,000.

The collection of debts is not an agreeable task and it is made especially disagreeable and difficult in reclamation because of the resistance it encounters, not only from water users but from all who object to having the money taken out of the locality. Notwithstanding all of the efforts to collect which have been made this year, the income from irrigation payments will be less than last year. Unless payments are maintained, there will soon be little money in the reclamation fund with which to build new projects, and operate old ones, and collection will be impossible unless public opinion sustains the idea that a contract with the government should be held just as binding and sacred as a contract with an individual.



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