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IRRIGATION WATER IS ASSURED

New Jail Contract Bids Are Inspected

County Court Finds W. D. Miller's Bid Lowest; Contracts will be Let on Next Saturday.

W. D. Miller's bid on the general construction of the new Klamath county jail, was the lowest received yesterday afternoon by the Klamath county court when bids were opened for general construction, plumbing, heating and wiring of the proposed building.

The contract will be awarded Saturday at the session of the Klamath county court, and it is probable that contracts will go forward to the low bidders, all of which are Klamath Falls firms. The total estimate of the four low bidders is \$27,863.50. A sum not to exceed \$30,000 was allowed the county in the construction of the jail, plans of which were designed by Howard R. Perrin, Klamath Falls architect.

The following bids were received by the county court yesterday: General construction, Louis K. Porter, 100 days completion, \$30,500; W. A. Stevens, 120 days completion, \$30,515; W. D. Miller construction company, 90 days, \$23,750; Parker & Hanfield of Portland, \$26,390; Hord & Brooks of (Continued on Page Four)

Legion Men Will Nominate Tonight

Interest is running high among ex-service men, buddies of the American Legion, Klamath Falls Post No. 8, with a meeting scheduled for tonight in the Veterans Memorial building, when nomination of officers for the coming year will take place.

The meeting will also end up the membership campaign and the winners of the handsome prizes will be announced.

Organization of a Women's Auxiliary to Klamath Post will be perfected. This is the second meeting the women have held and a final gathering of all wives, mothers and sisters of ex-service men who are members of the Legion, are urged to attend. There will be election of officers for the year, it is understood.

Retiring Sheriff Held for Murder

MARION, Ill., Dec. 6, (U.N.)—Only half an hour after he had said that he "had lived 100 years during his four years as sheriff of Williamson county," George Galligan was arrested by his successor, Oran Coleman, on a charge of murder, brought by Mrs. Charles Wollard, who alleges that Galligan is responsible for the death of her husband and six others during the S. Glenn Young regime.

The charge grows out of one of the many clan and anti-clan fights which ripped open "bloody Williamson county," during Galligan's administration.

It was the third time that Galligan, the Nemesis of the Ku Klux Klan, had been arrested on murder charges. The former sheriff posted a \$2,000 bond for his appearance in court.

The outbreak on which Mrs. Wollard's charge is based, occurred August 30, 1924, in front of the John Smith garage in Herrin. It was in front of this garage that many of the shootings took place, including the last clan trouble in April of this year. Six men were killed in the battle among them Bert Allison, Chester Reed, Otto Rolan, Charles Wollard and an unidentified man.

RAISED BILLS IN CIRCULATION

BAKER, Ore., Dec. 6.—Much bad currency, mostly one dollar bills, raised to tens, have been passed here recently.

HARMLESS GAME OF BRIDGE RESULTS IN 3 DAMAGE SUITS

OCONOMOWOC, Wis., Dec. 6, (U.N.)—Intersecting warfare threatens as a result of a harmless game of bridge and social relations of the community are at a standstill.

Having filed three slander suits against members of the exclusive bridge club which numbers among its members the socially elite of Oconomowoc, Mrs. Ida B. Lott declares she may bring further actions, charging that her reputation was injured because the bridge gossip linked her name with that of a divorced man.

Christmas Spirit is Now Lacking With Children

Mother Deserts Four Little Tots and Father Seeks to Have Them Taken Care of During Yuletide Season

Are there any kind-hearted people in Klamath Falls whose home is devoid of children who would like to make the lives of one, two or three or four little ones happy during the holiday season?

There are three little brothers and a cute little girl, ages respectively 6, 5, 4 and 2 years, who should have a real honest-to-goodness Christmas, but whose mother deserted them nearly six months ago.

The father, a hard-working and industrious man, bore up bravely under the terrible ordeal that visited his home, and has striven to maintain a home for the little ones and to properly provide for them, that the family might be kept together.

Now the father is at the end of his resources. The cruel hand of winter has deprived him of steady employment, yet he is loath to part with the little ones permanently. He says, however, if the children should find homes with the right environment he might later permit of their adoption.

The Salvation Army has been appealed to in a last effort to bring happiness and cheer to the three little boys and baby girl, all bright (Continued on Page Four)

Man and Woman Suffer Injuries

H. C. Meyer of Algoma and Mrs. Mollie Deal, an Indian of Chiloquin were seriously bruised and cut about the body in a head-on collision on The Dalles-California highway last night at 9 o'clock, two miles south of Algoma, and two babies, asleep in the Indian woman's car, were not awakened when the crash occurred.

Meyer, driver of the heavy coach which struck the light sedan driven by Mrs. Deal of Chiloquin, Meyer was following another car which slowed down, and had come onto the highway over extremely muddy roads and his brakes were coated with mud. He cut out from behind the man and struck the light sedan driven by Mrs. Deal.

Meyer's car was cut short, but Mrs. Deal's car was thrown back over 50 feet into a road several feet below the level of the highway. According to State Traffic Officer Walter Foster, who was called to investigate the accident immediately after the crash, it was a miracle that the lighter car was not turned completely over and the children thrown through the windows.

The babies were not awakened in the crash although their mother was badly bruised about the body and her limbs badly cut.

Meyer suffered a broken nose and minor cuts about the face and hands.

State Traffic Officer Foster stated last night that no blame could be attached to either party due to the condition of the highway.

Percy Twombly to Enter Plea Today

Percy Twombly, indicted on Wednesday night, December 1, by the Klamath county grand jury on the charge of embezzling \$1,000 from the Klamath Superior laundry, while in its employ, will enter a plea of not guilty at 10 o'clock this morning before Circuit Judge A. L. Leavitt.

East Held in Grip of Terrific Blizzard

Twenty-Six Deaths Are Reported; New York City Visited by Seven Inches of Snow.

NEW YORK, Dec. 6, (U.N.)—The blizzard that has lashed the eastern half of the country for 24 hours, causing 26 deaths, throwing lake and oceangoing steamers off their schedules and hampering land travel, will continue until noon Tuesday, according to latest weather bureau forecasts.

Sweeping in from Ohio the wave of intense cold has now enveloped all of New England and states south of Virginia.

At least four ships were in distress on the Atlantic Monday when the blizzard extended far out to sea. River and lake navigation was halted by high winds and ice.

Coastguards were working night and day to release the 140 lake boats locked in the channels of the St. Mary's river near Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., by ice jams.

With temperatures in that locality falling rapidly there was no (Continued on page 4)

Potato Exhibits Are Being Placed At Chamber Rooms

Prize Spuds from Every Section of Klamath County Submitted for Show that Opens Tomorrow.

With many exhibits already on the shelves, prize potatoes from all over Klamath county will pour into the chamber of commerce rooms today to be in place Wednesday for the opening of the three-day first annual Klamath County Potato show, hailed as an important step in the advancement of a leading agricultural product in the southern Oregon basin.

Expectations of those in charge of the show are that the quality potatoes which will greet the judges Wednesday morning, will come from a wide representation of growers throughout this section of the state. Quality of spuds entered to date, is declared to be extremely good, and it is believed that visitors at the show Wednesday, Thursday and Friday will view a panorama of the finest potatoes grown in the west this season.

Arrangements for the show have all been completed by the committee (Continued on Page Four)

Japanese Cook is Injured by Train

M. Muramatsu, Japanese cook for the Southern Pacific railroad construction crews on the terminal site, was seriously injured at 7 o'clock Sunday night when he stepped in front of a slow moving locomotive.

Apparently preoccupied with his own thoughts, Muramatsu did not hear the locomotive approach. Instead of knocking him against the tracks, the engine threw him to one side.

Last reports from the Klamath Valley hospital where the man was taken, were to the effect he had been X-rayed and a number of bones in the ankles and legs found broken. The Japanese may be crippled for life.

MAY REPEAL SPEED LIMIT

SALEM, Dec. 6.—Arrests for speeding may be no more after the next legislature. It is reported here that a bill will be introduced repealing the section of the motor vehicle law fixing a speed limit at 30 miles an hour. There would be no speed limit but traffic officers would use their discretion as to whether motorists were driving recklessly.

STARTING FIRE TO PROVE COSTLY TO PORTLAND MAN

PORTLAND, Dec. 6, (U.N.)—Starting a fire today may have cost Martin K. Arnold \$700.

Arnold, who operates a small grocery, had wrapped \$600 in checks and \$100 in currency in an old newspaper. Later he built a fire, using newspaper for kindling.

Now he can't find the \$700 and is positive that he unknowingly used it in starting the fire.

Congress Called In Session With Greatest Pomp

Senator Walsh Opens Fire-works by Resolution Tending to Prevent Maine Senator Taking Seat.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6, (U.N.)—Senator Walsh of Montana, who brought out the story of the \$100,000 Doherty-Fall loan today began proceedings against a new senator on the basis of an alleged campaign gift of \$100,000 the senator made in 1918, and which a Canadian judge described as an "act of bribery."

Walsh presented a resolution shortly after the senate convened for the short session calling for an investigation by the privileges and elections committee of charges that Arthur Gould, newly elected senator from Maine, contributed \$100,000 to the campaign fund of J. K. Fleming, premier of New Brunswick, the contribution being hooked up with a Canadian railroad project in which Gould was interested.

The charge will be the basis of action to oust Gould from the senate and seat his democratic colleague, Fulton J. Redman.

The gavels of Vice President Dawes in the senate and Speaker Longworth in the house checked the hubbub of early greetings. There was the usual crowd of spectators in the galleries, filling every available seat in the senate and nearly every seat in the more spacious galleries of the house.

Eighty-eight members of the senate (Continued on Page Four)

Oakland Man to Fill Pulpit of Presbyterian

Rev. D. V. Haight of Oakland, California, who spoke from the pulpit of the First Presbyterian church in Klamath Falls Sunday, has been chosen by the session to fill the vacancy left by Rev. A. L. Rice.

Announcement of this effect was made yesterday afternoon by members of the church.

Rev. and Mrs. Haight left yesterday from Klamath Falls for Grants Pass, where they will spend a short time before returning here. Rev. Haight was formerly identified as assistant pastor of the Oakland Presbyterian church and later pastor of the Golden Gate Presbyterian church, Oakland. He comes to Klamath Falls highly endorsed from the communities in which he was prominent. He is interested in art and other cultures which will go far in making his residence here successful.

It is probable that Rev. Haight will return shortly before the Christmas holidays.

Boys and Girls Net Large Sums In Club Efforts

Poultry, destined to become one of the leading projects of boys' and girls' club work in this county, returned a net profit of \$1,220 to the 15 members enrolled in this one phase of club work during the past year, according to Frank Sexton, leader, who is now preparing his annual report.

Added to this amount is some \$60 received by various club members in the form of county fair awards for prize specimens of the poultry raised by the boys and girls since last spring. Several flocks now number between 200 and 300 chickens, all of which have been raised from baby chicks. Sexton, who is enthusiastic over the success of the project, declared:

Most of the present poultry club members belong to the Merrill poultry club. Sexton stated. Next season the club leader expects that poultry raising will be the most popular of all the projects offered (Continued on Page Six)

Mexican's Supply of Liquor is Captured

Mexican Caught Making Delivery of Moonshine Charged With Selling Countrymen Liquor.

Rewarding in their vigilance which they kept Saturday night, Sunday night and up until 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon, prohibition officers claim to have reached the source of the liquor supply that has supplied the Mexican laborers on Southern Pacific construction work, when they arrested Richard Brocamontes, 36, Mexican.

The man was charged with possession and transportation of intoxicating liquor and on both these charges his bond was fixed at \$500 by R. A. Emmitt, justice of the peace. Brocamontes was committed to the county jail.

State Prohibition Officers Short, Shirley and Forncrook composed the trio that brought about the Mexican's arrest.

According to the officers, Brocamontes drove up Spring street in front of the House with the Iron Door. There he is alleged to have (Continued on Page Five)

Western Pacific Negotiating For Electric Road

President Levey Expects Deal for Short Line Will Be Closed Shortly; Arthur Curtiss James is Man Behind Gun.

Word of another move in the western railroad situation that is declared to have indirect bearing on a possible future entrance for the Northern lines into Klamath Falls, reached here yesterday when it was announced that the Western Pacific, of which Arthur Curtiss James is executive chairman, is negotiating for the purchase of the Sacramento Short Line.

Acquisition of the Short Line will give a more direct line to San Francisco from fertile regions of northern California and will also tend to aid the Western Pacific in meeting competition under the aggressive policy that has been maintained since James identified himself with control of the Western Pacific.

President C. M. Levey of the Western Pacific is reported to regard the Sacramento Short Line as a potential integral part of a trans-continental line, connecting with the Sacramento Northern which (Continued on Page Four)

Agricultural Ills Will Be Discussed

CHICAGO, Dec. 6, (U.N.)—From 45 states has come 3,000 persons intensely interested in agriculture to attend the eighth annual convention of the American Farm Bureau Federation, an organization of 1,000,000 farm families.

Speaking at the opening session Monday, Sam H. Thompson, president, laid the ills of agriculture at the door of industry.

Industrial and urban development, he said, has been sustained by draining wealth from the country through an unequal exchange value for products of the farm.

"Increasing farm debt and decreasing farm plant and population are evidences of discrimination against agriculture," he asserted.

ON LONG FLIGHT

A carrier pigeon, exhausted and suffering from hunger, was picked up recently by Mrs. C. T. Ellison in her yard at Salem. Attached to its leg was a safety pin, a piece of a wrist watch bracelet and an automobile key.

MRS. CHAPLIN IS OFFERED CONTRACT AT HANDSOME PAY

LONDON, Dec. 6, (U.N.)—Offer of a \$65,000 contract for a 20 week theatrical engagement in London was cabled to Mrs. Charlie Chaplin today by Harry Day, a producer.

Day requested Mrs. Chaplin, the former Lita Grey, to make every effort to accept and to be here to begin rehearsals January 3. The venue in which Day would give her a part opens January 24. Her weekly salary would be \$2,500.

Rev. Thomas Will Act as Chairman Christmas Chest

Asks Cooperation of Citizens of Klamath Falls that Great Number of People be Made Happy This Christmas.

Rev. J. Henry Thomas, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal church, early yesterday afternoon accepted the chairmanship of the Christmas Community Chest following the resignation of Herbert Savidge who was elected to the office Friday night.

"I am taking the chairmanship because the business men who have been sought to work at the head of the Christmas Community Chest drive this year, plead excessive business duties and lack of time. There is only one consideration under which I have accepted the office, and that is cooperation from the men and women in the city," Rev. Thomas stated last night.

The next meeting of the Christmas Community Chest will be held in the chamber of commerce, Friday night at 8 o'clock and Rev. Thomas especially urges all members and chairmen of last year's committees, the executive committee and all those who are interested in the work of the chest fund, to be present at the gathering.

"The time is short in which to rush the drive into a successful undertaking, but with steady work, and perseverance, I think that Klamath Falls will enjoy one of the happiest of holiday seasons for her poor and needy," the chairman concluded.

The headquarters are not yet announced, although Rev. Thomas (Continued on Page Four)

J. H. Ponsford is Accidentally Shot

J. H. Ponsford, Cottage Grove, was accidentally shot Saturday afternoon by a companion while hunting near Bonanza on Lost River, according to information received last night from the Klamath Valley hospital where Ponsford was taken immediately after the shooting occurred.

The names of the other members of the party could not be learned, however, at a late hour last night. According to the attending physician, the bullet entered Ponsford's left shoulder near the neck and lodged there. An operation was performed late Saturday night and the bullet removed, although Ponsford was exceedingly weak from loss of blood.

That the injured man is not out of danger was the information given out from his attending physician last night. Complications may set in, possibly, and in that case, Ponsford will have but a 50-50 chance for his life.

Wires from Eugene have been received by friends here seeking word as to Ponsford's condition.

Rum Runner Has Been Captured

NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 6, (U.N.)—The two American prohibition officers who were taken captive a week ago aboard the French rum schooner, Arsene J., are safe at Puerto Mexico, in the state of Vera Cruz, and have their kidnappers under arrest, according to a cablegram received tonight by Prohibition Director O. D. Jackson.

"We have charge of the Arsene J. and hold her awaiting instructions," the message said, adding that the schooner had been brought to port Monday a. m.

The cable was signed J. D. Matthews, assistant prohibition director. He and a coastguard machinist's mate had boarded the schooner when she was being towed to New Orleans by a coastguard cutter.

Five Foot Snowfall At Crater Reported

Caretaker John Maben Visits City and Says Plenty of Water is Assured for Farming.

Sixty-two inches of snow lies at the present time on the rim of Crater lake, according to John Maben, caretaker, who arrived in Klamath Falls yesterday for a brief sojourn.

Maben made the trip from the lodge to the Anna Creek entrance, a distance of 13 miles, with an additional walk of eight miles to Fort Klamath, in the remarkable time of four hours. In skidding from the lodge to the entrance he crossed the Garden of the Gods, and met with not a single mishap during the journey.

"I have been at the lake during winters since 1921, skipping two years during the interim," remarked Maben last night, "and I can truthfully say that we have had a larger fall of snow than at any time in many years. Furthermore the snow contains from 12 to 30 percent water, resulting in its packing most solidly. This insures plenty of water for irrigation purposes next year."

"Previous to leaving I had not built a fire in the stove of the lodge for five days, owing to the trend of the wind which sends the smoke down the chimney. However, when I am in the lodge on such occasions I keep an oil stove burning and (Continued on Page Five)

Cameron Escapes Serious Injury

J. A. Cameron, 31 Pine street, driving a Hudson coach formerly owned by Leon Crawford, narrowly escaped death at 11:30 o'clock Saturday night at the crossing near the Big Basin Lumber company when the second section of freight train, No. 17, backing into the depot, carried the machine for 45 feet.

According to State Traffic Officer Walter Foster, who investigated the accident, Cameron apparently failed to observe the flagman's signals and slid in front of the train.

Outside of minor cuts and bruises about the face and a severe gash on the right hand, Cameron was uninjured although the car was badly wrecked.

Oscar Jones and F. S. Jones, both of 1500 Worden avenue, were in charge of the freight train crew that was backing into the depot when Cameron was struck.

According to the yardmaster, who discussed the affair with Foster, there are scores of motorists every day who fail to observe the signals of the flagman whose duties are to prevent accidents on all crossings.

Because the freight was a long one, it was difficult to get the signal from the brakeman to the engineer to stop the moment Cameron was hit.

Dry Officers in Net of Shake-up

A shake-up of the prohibition forces in Klamath county, directly under control of the district attorney's office, was announced yesterday afternoon by W. A. West, district attorney, who plans to weed out two officers and make a general sweep of all existing conditions.

Just which officers would be asked to leave was not known for sure last night, although C. H. Bennett, who recently obtained his commission as a federal Indian officer, stated that he was leaving for Coos county where he would be identified with the prohi forces in Coquille. It is understood Jud Short is also scheduled to be relieved.

West could not be reached at a late hour last night to obtain a definite statement as to just what he would do in regard to bettering conditions in the prohi department. It was stated Bennett and Short will be dropped from the payroll December 10.