

Klamath Enjoying Splendid Weather

While the south is harassed with floods and balmy California remains in the grip of crop-damaging frosts, temperatures in Klamath county have regained their customary high level and local residents are enjoying the moderate weather that is characteristic of the southern Oregon basin.

This is according to figures from the weather bureau of the local reclamation service, which yesterday showed that since the cold spell broke several days ago, minimum mercurial readings have kept well above the zero mark.

Minimum temperatures for 24-hour periods from December 25 to date, have been as follows: Dec. 25-26 above; Dec. 26-27 above; Dec. 27-28 above; Dec. 28-29 above; and Dec. 29-30 above.

These figures indicate the average temperature maintained in this section, it was stated, as shown by graphs of the past three years. Throughout December last year, the mercury ranged between 28 and 29 degrees above zero; in 1924 it dropped to six degrees below zero on Christmas day but rose immediately and held a 20-degree average. In 1923, three below shortly after the first of the New Year, was the minimum reading, while the average for late December kept well above the 20 degree mark.

Naval Committee To Air War Scare

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29. (U.N.)—The Japanese war scare report of Admiral Gleaves is to receive a thorough airing by the house naval committee, Representative McClintic, Oklahoma democrat, announced Wednesday.

Secretary of the Navy Wilbur has agreed to appear before the committee but has refused to submit the Gleaves report in full.

McClintic today expressed belief that "the Japanese war scare" was being fanned at now to press for a \$500,000,000 shipbuilding program.

The Gleaves report, which figured prominently in the Fall-Doherty oil trial was made in 1921 and is reported to have charged Japan with planning an attack on the Pacific possessions of the United States.

"Members of congress assigned to the naval committee are charged with the responsibility of applying the needs of the navy and unless all of the facts are available to them they cannot intelligently know how to act," McClintic declared. "If members of the committee are refused reports relative to the attitude of other nations then officers in charge of the navy will still be able to adopt any policy, whether right or wrong."

Wheeler Has Idea To Kill Imbibers

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29. (U.N.)—"Poison all denatured alcohol and if the American imbibers wish to kill themselves let them go ahead," Wayne B. Wheeler of the Anti-saloon league declared Wednesday after a conference with President Coolidge.

"If a man wishes to violate the constitution of the United States he should be free to commit suicide in his own way," Wheeler declared, in condemning efforts of the prohibition force chemists for endeavoring to find non-poisonous formula for industrial alcohol.

Senator Edwards, New Jersey democrat, criticized the Anti-saloon leader for his attitude and condemned the federal government for permitting the poisoning of alcohol.

"I call it legalized murder," Senator Edwards declared, "and the government is an accessory before the fact. Poisoning of alcohol by the government cannot be justified on moral, economic or spiritual grounds."

McPherson Case May be Dismissed

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 29. (U.N.)—Possibility that Aimee Semple McPherson and her co-defendants in the famous "kidnaping" case will never be tried loomed here tonight as the result of accusations hurled by Mrs. Lorraine Wiseman, "hoax" woman, and the state's star witness. District Attorney Asa Keyes virtually admitted that the state's case, built on the testimony of Mrs. Wiseman, was about to collapse, following her statement that indicates she perjured herself on the stand during the preliminary hearing of the evangelist.

WILLING TO PAY GUILTY TO TRESPASSING CHARGE

When George Harvey was brought into justice court yesterday charged with trespassing on the property of Frank Van Schelack, he told Justice Emmitt that he was ready to dispense with all frivolities and plead guilty. Shortly after Harvey entered his plea District Attorney W. A. West appeared upon the scene and the plea was changed to not guilty by the defendant. Harvey's trial will come up in justice court Thursday, January 6.

Pretty bright spring dresses for sale for \$14.95. In today, at Bee Begin's Store, 129 So. 7th St.

Old Road Named After Bandit Makes Way for New



With the completion of the concreting in Western Kentucky just south of Evansville, Indiana, of the last mud gap in the Dixie Bee Line highway comes the erasure from the map of "The Harpe's Head Road," of great significance to Kentuckians. For the road was named after Big Harpe, leader of a band of murderers, captured about 1800, and whose head was placed at the top of a sharpened tree and kept there for years as a warning. A monument east of Dixon, Ky., marks where the tree stood. The new highway eliminates the old road. Above, left, marker on site of Harpe's Head tree; lower right, the new road, wiping out the last mud gap in the Dixie Bee Line, with arrow pointing to old "Harpe's Head Road." Left, map of region, with X showing site of tree marker.

Kuykendall is Not Seeking Any Office

"I am not a candidate for the state office of corporation commissioner and wouldn't take the position if it were made available," declared Robert B. Kuykendall, local attorney, last night, in response to reports emanating from Salem that he is being considered in that capacity. "My friend Frank S. Sever of Portland, is a candidate for the job, and even if I desired to become corporation commissioner, I wouldn't enter the race against him," Kuykendall stated.

Wealthy Norwich Man Faces Trouble

RENO, Nev., Dec. 29. (U.N.)—George W. Carroll, wealthy broker of Norwich, Conn., and a descendant of Charles Carroll, one of the signers of the declaration of independence, has become involved in three suits growing out of a divorce action here.

Carroll's wife asks a divorce and \$500 per month alimony on the charge of desertion. Mrs. Carroll also is suing Mrs. Margaret S. Gaines, wife of a mill worker, here, with Carroll, for alleged alienation of her husband's affection. In this suit Mrs. Carroll asks \$50,000 damages.

The third suit asks that Carroll be declared incompetent and that his son be made his guardian.

Travelers Changed From Vessel at Sea

PARIS, Dec. 29. (U.N.)—A transfer of passengers from the British steamer Niagara, which left Houston, Texas, December 12, became necessary in the middle of the Atlantic ocean, according to a message received today by the French line steamship company.

The Niagara's engines refused to work and SOS calls were answered by the French line steamship Rochambeau and the French steamer Kentucky. All the passengers were taken aboard the Rochambeau and the disabled ship was placed in tow by the Kentucky, which is enroute to the Azores.

British Steamer Is In Distress

NEW YORK, Dec. 29. (U.N.)—The British steamer Clearton is in distress in the Atlantic and wants immediate assistance, according to a radio message picked up here shortly after 11 o'clock Wednesday night by the Independent Wireless company.

The wireless operator gave her position as 25.5 n. latitude, 64.40 west longitude. This would leave her about 500 miles due east of New York. The Clearton is owned by the Carlton Steamship company, Ltd., and sailed from Baltimore on December 26 for Cobh, Ireland.

BOSTON, Dec. 29. (U.N.)—The steamship Clearton has lost her rudder in latitude 25.5 north and longitude 64.40 west, according to a radio picked up at the United States navy yard here.

NOTICE After the 24th of December we will not be responsible for any bills against the Mecca Pool Hall. (Signed) PERRY WILSON, D. 29, 31. HERT COOK.

LITA CHAPLIN TO SUE FOR DIVORCE

HOLLYWOOD, Cal., Dec. 29. (U.N.)—Plans for divorce action against Charlie Chaplin by his estranged wife, Lita Grey Chaplin, were practically completed here Wednesday, counsel for the comedian's wife announced today.

Although the papers are ready, Attorney Beebe was unable to say when they would be filed.

Towey-Harrington Suffer Loss Hearse

The hearse of the Towey-Harrington Mortuary of this city was demolished by fire between Klamath Falls and Beatty late Tuesday night, the result of a short in the wiring.

Upon noticing signs of the fire in the seat cushion, the driver, I. A. Towey, momentarily relaxed his attention to the wheel to determine the source of the smoke, and the hearse left the highway, turning over on its side. The flame, it was stated, reached the gas tank before the driver could make any attempt to fight the fire, and in a few seconds it was a mass of flames. The firm will purchase another hearse immediately, it was announced yesterday.

Shell Oil Workers Leave for Redding

Klamath Falls employees and officials of the Shell Oil company left Wednesday morning for Redding, called south to attend the district convention and meeting of this section of the company.

The following will attend the Redding meeting, W. W. Dawler, Paul Evans, Leland Whitte, John Schubert and Clifford Hogan. They are expected to return this week-end from the convention where 200 men will attend.

WILMINGTON VISITED BY SHARP TREMOR

WILMINGTON, Cal., Dec. 29. (U.N.)—The harbor district was visited by a sharp earth tremor today that rattled windows and dishes but otherwise caused no damage. Terminal Island and San Pedro also reported the shock, which began at 4:17 p. m. and lasted five seconds.

The pardonable pride of Klamath Valley Hospital is the efficient service rendered humanity through a well equipped institution.

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Indian is Paroled To Agency Master

Waldo Jonah, young redskin who attempted to shoot up the city of Fort Klamath at 4 o'clock the morning after Thanksgiving Day, was paroled to Superintendent of the Klamath Agency Leroy D. Armitage after Circuit Judge A. L. Leavitt had sentenced him to one year in the state penitentiary.

Jonah was in a highly intoxicated condition, the only thing, Fort Klamath officers claim, that prevented a wholesale massacre of residents of the sleeping community, as the Indian was unable to manipulate all the firearms he carried. Jonah was released yesterday from the county jail where he has been held for that length of time.

Muscle Shoals is Worrying Officials

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29. (U.N.)—A new complication has arisen in connection with Muscle Shoals—the demand of Governor-elect Bibb Graves of Alabama that the rights of his state be considered in any disposition of the water power site and plant.

Graves told the legislature of Alabama Wednesday that Alabama has title rights to the bed of the Tennessee river on which the Wilson dam is built. He said the state had never surrendered title.

Secretary of War Davis probably will ask the department of justice to rule on the question.

Senator McNary of Oregon, chairman of the agricultural committee, will move next week to have all bids sent to his committee for investigation, hoping that meanwhile the question raised by Alabama may be adjusted fairly to both the state and the federal government.

For results see News Class Ads

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Glasses Fitted ground and repaired at DR. GOBLE'S 709 MAIN ST.

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Suite 305 Winters Building PHONE 1268-W Klamath's Foot Specialist and Chiropodist

Scouts Presented With Merit Badges

The court room of Circuit Judge A. L. Leavitt was crowded last night to witness the presentation of merit badges to six young Klamath Falls boys, members of the Boy Scouts.

B. C. Grossbeck presided at the meeting and the principal talk was made by Rev. M. L. Petoile of the First Christian church. J. W. Stroukins of Merrill was present and was presented with a five-year veteran's merit badge in honor of the great interest he has taken at all times in scout work.

The following were given badges: Tenderfoot Hank, Ralph Hampton, Harold Hampton, both of Mr. H. D. Newell's troop.

Second Class Hank, Lloyd Barkley and Lawrence Ohlen of Chiloquin troop; Richard Pearson and Donald Kenyon of Frank Moser's troop, and Morton Vaden of Percy Murray's troop.

Merit Badges Awarded: Ross Hillman of Frank Moser's troop received merit badges in Civics and First Aid; Fred Lewis of Frank Moser's troop received merit badge in Firemanship and First Aid to Animals; Thomas Massey of Dr. Massey's troop received merit badge in Craftsmanship in Wood; George Massey of Dr. Massey's troop received merit badge in Craftsmanship in Wood; Emert Fossum of Percy Murray's troop received merit badge in Chemistry; Merton Douglas of W. C. Balfour's troop, Chiloquin, received merit badges in Plumbing and Pathfinding.

Blooded Stock is Burned on Dairy

Four blooded calves, together with quantities of hay, were destroyed late Tuesday when fire razed the barn of Panelli's dairy north of Pelican City.

Loss above insurance was estimated to be about \$2,000. One of the calves had been sold for \$250 prior to the fire but had not been delivered to the new owner, it was stated.

FALL SLIGHTLY IMPROVED EL PASO, TEXAS, Dec. 29. (U.N.)—A. B. Fall, secretary of the interior in the Harding administration, ill here with pneumonia, was reported tonight to be resting "fairly comfortable."

HOWARD'S STAGE LINE Low Round-trip Rates for Christmas Holidays Effective December 13, 1926 All points between Klamath Falls and Portland. Return Limit, Tuesday, January 4, 1927. For particulars call TERMINAL STAGE LINE Phone 999

Order for New Year's Dinner A TURKEY CHICKEN DUCK PRIME STEAK or ROAST from our specially selected stock Sanitary Market 701 Main Street Phone 22

PIGGLY WIGGLY Specials for Thursday, Friday —at— The Nation's Pantry Sperry's Drifted Snow Flour, 49-lbs. \$2.07 Bulk Ginger Snaps, per lb. 16c White Loaf Flour, 49 lbs. \$2.07 Crepe Toilet Paper, 4 for 25c Kellogg's Corn Flakes or Post Toasties, 3 pkgs. 25c Dromedary Dates, per pkg. 20c Calumet Baking Powder, 5-lb. Can 98c No. 1 Diamond Walnuts, 1926 crop, per lb. 36c Bulk Coffee, good grade, per lb. 37c American Handi-Rolls Steel Wool, 2 for 25c Premier Catsup, large bottle, each 20c Pint Cans of Cane and Maple Syrup, each 19c Monarch Matches, per carton, 6 boxes 19c Bulk Marshmallows, per lb. 34c H. O. Oats, (quick or regular) large pkg. 36c Assorted Fancy Chocolates, 2 1/2-lb box 93c Large Fancy Italian Prunes, 3 lbs. 23c Assorted Fancy Chocolates 5-lb. box \$1.85 No. 1 Fancy Comb Honey, each 20c Fresh Ranch Eggs, per doz. 46c A dandy Mixed Candy, per lb. 23c Edgemont Crackers, per pkg. 29c Black Walnuts, per lb. 5c Nucoa Oleo, per lb. 29c Best Cranberries, per qt. 14c Tropic Nut Oleo, per lb. 28c Fresh Roasted Peanuts, per lb. 18c Apple Juice quart-can 17c We Wish You All A Happy And Prosperous New Year (We Ain't Mad at Anybody Either!) S. O. Piggly Wiggly Co. Fourth and Main Streets—Opposite Hall Hotel