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BEATING THEM TO IT

The super-abundance of snow means a wonderful year for irrigation and crops, with all the assurance of prosperity for this section. No wonder California real estate men are jealous of Klamath. The whole thing is true to form. They never could see any good in Oregon, except to swipe our products and label them as their own.

Nevertheless and notwithstanding, we can grow better potatoes here, and better cattle, and better people than anywhere else on the Coast, and much of the time we can scoop them on climate. That sounds odd enough to be a misprint but the achievement stands as a regular every-year performance, and more Californians are finding it out right along.

BOND ELECTION

The urgent message today is the importance of voting Tuesday to maintain Klamath County credit. The temptation with very many people is to let things slide, but in this instance the considerable total of \$147,000 is due on unpaid warrants. The way to figure that is to make yourself a party to the delay. Suppose you held someone's check for a few hundred dollars and the bank refused to honor it because of insufficient funds? We can picture you skirmishing around in lively shape to help that party realize some cash. And what is true of individual indebtedness applies equally to county affairs.

The News is insistently anxious that Klamath keep faith with itself. We can't afford to be in disgrace through overdue accounts. The whole Pacific coast is watching us, how we behave, how we play the game, and how we act when it comes to paying our bills. If by any fool streak of luck we fall down on this election it will put a stop to much of our development program, and throw this section into the discard until such time as the slate is wiped clean.

THE WEED HIGHWAY

If we all caught the vision of 'steen million tourists motoring up from California by way of Weed, this section would parade around like a pouter pigeon. The picture seems too good to be true. Ever since Crater Lake got in its special appeal everybody who owns a car is planning the trip, and we happen to be on the right of way. The pilgrimage will start early and continue all season through, with Klamath standing to benefit in surprisingly large measure.

INCOME AND EXPENSE

This being a young man's town, we are never far wrong in promoting young men's careers. The next decade will swing away from city congestion and white-collar jobs, and a town such as this will be an ideal base to work from. A countryside such as ours will appeal increasingly to anyone who loves the open spaces.

According to government figures, an \$1800 farm income is in every way the equal of a \$3000 city income. In addition one-half of the country expense is secured from the ranch in the form of produce. Which makes the farm family well taken care of with a cash income of approximately \$900 a year.

Some people would rather worry their lives away trying to round up those three thousand dollars in town, and getting nowhere. The city is all money out and little to show for it in the long run. Those who get busy with suburban acres this Spring will develop a competence and independence vastly quicker and easier, providing they stick. The whole trick of the country after all is keeping everlastingly at it, and seeing the thing through.

WHAT OTHERS THINK

The number of metropolitan dailies coming to Klamath means our people are keeping pretty well posted generally. The Portland papers are well represented, and the more we encourage newspaper reading the better for all of us, regardless of affiliations. In addition it gives a chance for comparisons. Writing from Berkeley, one of our subscribers has this to say:

"Not alone do I value The News for its local news of Klamath, in which I am interested, but I get more general news from it, and in much less time than I do from our large papers of San Francisco."

The reason is we take more pains in selecting the items to print, and in arranging the pages with some regard for appearances. Many of the big city dailies are helterskelter propositions, rushed through as though made up with a shovel. And since we maintain the full and direct telegraph news service, similar to both Portland and San Francisco, our readers lose nothing in interest and enterprise by sticking to their home paper.

THE PIONEER SPIRIT

Here is a farmer type of man, able to buy sixty acres of irrigated land without immediate payment, ready to tackle the job of making it productive, providing he can be staked for lumber enough to put up a shack to begin with. He has assurance of what he wants for potatoes, and expects to live meanwhile on a relative working in one of the mills. He figures \$150 will get him material enough to make the start, and expects to include poultry along with potatoes.

There you have the primitive ambition and the pioneer courage. In no way could he start with less, and never will we find a better chance to prove what Klamath county can really do for a man. All this talk of bringing people here from the outside isn't worth a postage stamp unless we play the game with them. In this particular case, a fine specimen of a worker is all ready if advanced the lumber to begin with. Who is there in all Klamath willing to stake a solid chunk of independence to a farming career? The

proposition to us looks exceptionally worth while. How can he get the raw materials, with reasonable guarantee of paying for them in time?

AVERSE TO CONVICTION

(New York Times)

A legal writer recently maintained the apparent paradox that it is sometimes the duty of a jury to refuse to find accused persons guilty even when the evidence against them is perfectly clear. His theory was that it is the function of the jury to stand by the settled convictions and customs of a community, as well as its laws. It is statutes are so severe or unreasonable as to work injustice, then the jury has the power, and it may have the obligation, to step in and by a verdict of acquittal virtually set aside a statute that never should have been enacted.

We have had recent illustrations of this truth, perhaps the most striking being the refusal of a federal jury in this district to convict defendants in an alleged liquor conspiracy. The particular case of the unwillingness of the jury to accept the evidence of witnesses was that so many of them were of the "under-cover" class so common now in prohibition enforcement. They were not merely suspected of being agents provocateurs, but were of so despicable a sort that it is hardly surprising that one juror protested that he would stay out until Doomsday before voting to convict anybody on the evidence of such witnesses as the Government brought forward.

The case may be extreme, but it is, after all, typical. In many parts of the country it has been found again and again that jurors simply will not convict in liquor cases. They will even ignore the most positive directions of the judge as regards the law. This state of mind, constituting as it does one of the very greatest difficulties in the enforcement of the Volstead act, was plainly foreseen when prohibition was adopted. Say what you will, men make a distinction between laws affecting their personal habits and those having to do with the rights of others. Jurors made up of men who do not live apart from their fellows, but understand the common sentiment of the community, and may be expected to frustrate many such trials as the one which had lasted for two weeks in the federal court of this district and ended in a complete fiasco.

'THE ICE FLOOD' COMES TO ORPHEUS

"The Ice Flood," a Universal-Jewel production, with Kenneth Harlan and Viola Dana in the featured leading roles, will be the main attraction at the Orpheus Theatre Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

The picture, based on a magazine story by Johnstone McCulley, "The Brute Breaker," is a lively, thrilling story, with its locale in the timber regions of Klamath county. Its original title was "Crashing Timbers."

DEATHS

JASPER DORAN PRICE

Jasper Doran Price, husband of Alma Etna Price, passed away Saturday morning at his late residence, 307 Hildebrand avenue, following a brief illness. In addition to the widow, deceased is survived by four children, Jennie F. Price and Jay D. Price of Klamath Falls, Mrs. Lucy R. Nelson of Merom, Indiana, and John G. Price of Farmersburg, Indiana. Seven grandchildren also survive.

Friends are respectfully invited to attend the funeral services to be held this afternoon at three o'clock at the Earl Whitlock funeral home. Interment will be made in Linkville cemetery.

ABANDONED STREET CAR OWNER IS ARRESTED

The old supposedly abandoned street car which stands at Eighth and Plum, was the scene last night of a police raid which resulted in the arrest of Lee Summers.

Summers, who is charged with possession of liquor, broke a gallon jug of alleged moonshine whiskey as the officers came through the door, but Police Chief Ambrose managed to salvage a few spoonfuls of the liquor for evidence in the broken neck of the jug.

LAKEVIEW MAN GETS LONG TERM IN PRISON

George Schmidt of Lakeview, charged with assault, was a guest of Sheriff Hawkins on Friday evening, when he spent the night in the Klamath houseguest. He was en route to Salem where he will enter upon a ten-year sentence imposed by the Lakeview circuit court.

Schmidt was in charge of Sheriff E. A. Friday who delivered his prisoner yesterday to the warden of the state penitentiary.

Invitational Party—Invitations are out for a dance to be given February 2, Wednesday, at the Pelican City community club house, according to announcement made yesterday.

ROYAL NEIGHBORS INSTALL OFFICERS

An exceptionally large attendance was enjoyed Friday evening in the Odd Fellows Hall when a joint installation of Royal Neighbors and Modern Woodmen with their wives and husbands were present. Following installation a chicken supper was served with covers laid for 137.

Mrs. Kate Killian was installing officer with Mrs. Leola Heilbronn as ceremonial marshal. Following are the officers installed for the ensuing year: Remy Regnier—Orator, Ella Paulsen—Past Orator, May Erik—Vice Orator, Dora Beaver—Chancellor, Maude Shuey—Recorder, Florence Smith—Receiver, Josephine Ferris—Marshal, Fern Stevenson—Asst. Marshal, Mandy Ferris—Inner Sentinel, Clara Bowen—Outer Sentinel, Dora Highty—Musician, Della Edwards—Flag Bearer, Anna Helton and Harry Baker—Managers, Physician—Dr. Sarah Smith, Graces: Unselfishness—Lilly Bowen, Endurance—Nina Ely, Courage—Joan Shiel, Modesty—Ida Lambert, Faith—Myrel Smith.

OLD GENT HAD WAY OF GETTING COPS

Three city patrolmen, in earnest pursuit of duty Friday night, uncovered a practical joker in Klamath Falls.

In response to an urgent call at the station, in which it was stated that a band of chicken thieves were raiding a High street hen coop, the desk sergeant managed to locate three patrolmen in a few minutes. Through the snowstorm they sped, and upon arriving at the residence in question, alerted about the back yard in search of a hen house. Failing to find the coop, let alone chicken thieves, the three policemen sought entrance into the residence, where they found the owner in the midst of a little solo-liquor party.

"Come on in, boys, and warm up," he told the perspiring policemen. "I just wanted to get acquainted with the new police force, and thought a chicken theft call would bring you up."

'LAZY LIGHTNING' IS ORPHEUS HEADLINER

A thrilling chase through rain and mud, reminiscent of Balto's rush to Nome, Alaska, is made by Art Acord in "Lazy Lightning," the Blue Streak western which opens at the Orpheus theatre today.

In both cases the purpose was similar. In Balto's long drive he and his driver were taking pneumonia anti-toxin to save the inhabitants of the town. In "Lazy Lightning," Buddy, the horse, takes Acord to town to get anti-toxin to save the life of a child stricken with the dread disease.

In one of the most amazingly wonderful rides ever staged before the camera Buddy bears Acord at tremendous speed over mounds, mud holes, on and on through the driving blinding rain until at last he arrives at the doctor's home.

Buddy's surefooted running and Acord's skillful riding are such as to draw the greatest admiration for both man and beast in this overpowering race with death. And then the race back—thrilling, forceful, masterful, heroic until the arrival just in time to save the child's life.

Mailin Shopper—Mrs. E. D. Smith was here for a short time from her home at Mailin yesterday.

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Pine Tree Offers Man of the Forest

A splendid cast is seen in Paramount's presentation of Zane Grey's "Man of the Forest," which comes to the Pine Tree on Sunday. Jack Holt, popular hero of many gripping western stories by the widely-read author, plays the male lead. He recently completed "Fortuna River."

"Man of the Forest" deals with the romantic adventures of Holt as a rancher, who plays a lone hand at the cattle game with his interests largely confined to wooded ranges in the high country. Because of the mystery surrounding him and his choice for solitude he is known as the "man of the forest."

Romance enters his solitary life when he learns of a plot through which Oland hopes to gain possession of the ranch of Miss Hale's uncle, his friend and neighbor. Holt kidnaps her when she comes to her uncle's death-bed, thus thwarting Oland's plans to gain possession through a second abduction. Believing Holt to be her enemy, Miss Hale escapes and has him jailed.

Oland, who takes possession following her uncle's death, influences Georgia against Holt, but when she learns that Oland is plotting for the ranch she denounces him. The plotter's ruses are turned to naught through the daring of the "man of the forest." Thrills, gratitude and love mingle in a thrilling close.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE APPEALS TO CHINA

HANKOW, Jan. 29, (U.P.)—The American chamber of commerce announced that it was sending to Eugene Chen, Cantonese foreign minister, several suggestions for the protection of American business in areas controlled by nationalist troops.

Arbitrary demands of the servants' union for increased wages and a "closed shop" were interpreted today as portending trouble. Employees at Wu Chang across the river from this city already have been compelled to accept the servants' terms.

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No one was in a hurry to do anything in those days—everyone knew everybody in town and they thought the Horse Car was just about the last word in transportation.

But today we are living in a different manner—we all have charge accounts and the merchant granted you this account on a definite understanding that you would pay the bill when due. He planned accordingly and made obligations on the strength of your promise. If you fail down it means he will have to call on his banker and pay interest for the money to pay for the goods you got!

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