

Coasting On City Streets Is Banned

Council Orders Sleds Off Thoroughfares; Violators Subject to Arrest.

There shall be no more street coasting in Klamath Falls, it was ruled by the city council last night after considerable discussion among members of the council as to what provision could be made for children of this city to fully enjoy their principal winter sport with a maximum of safety.

Recognizing the disappointment with which the children would receive their official edict, the councilmen parleyed long in an attempt to concoct a plan whereby the kids could continue to coast, but to no avail.

Their decision means an absolute ban on all coasting on streets, regardless of residential section, and the order is to be rigidly enforced. Violators will be subject to arrest.

Governor Slated To Arrive Today With Guard Head

One of the biggest forum lunches of the season is slated for tomorrow when Governor I. L. Patterson, General George White, commander of the Oregon National guard, and other guard officers will be guests of the chamber of commerce. The state executive and General White will arrive here today, according to a wire yesterday to their chamber.

Purpose of the visit to Klamath Falls is to inspect the newly formed Battery D, 249th Coast Artillery, of this city.

Colonel Thos. E. Riley, Major Cowgill and Hal White, brother of General White arrived in the city last evening and paid an informal call to the battery.

Elks Will Stage Dance Wednesday

The first of the two Elks December dances will be staged next Wednesday night December 14 in the Elks temple according to John M. Glover chairman of the entertainment committee, and the last of the social affairs for the elks of 1927 will be on New Years Eve, Saturday, December 31.

Each Elk is permitted to invite a guest Wednesday night and the special features of the dance will be the presence of Governor Isaac Lee Patterson and his staff, which includes Adjutant General George A. White, who are in the city inspecting the National guard company on that date.

Legion Dry Poll Will Be Dropped

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 12. (UP)—The proposal that American Legion members be polled regarding prohibition will be dropped because of their understanding it has created, E. E. Spafford, national commander, told state commanders and adjutants of the organization at the opening of their conference today.

One hundred and fifty commanders, adjutants and other officers of the Legion attended the conference.

SCHOOL PUPILS TO BE GUESTS OF UNDERWOOD

Local Business Man Is Giving Big Theatre Party; Programs Planned

With Christmas only two weeks away, the various schools of the city are making plans for observing the holiday by programs which will be held during the morning of Friday, December 23. On Friday afternoon the grade school children will be the guests of C. H. Underwood, at the Pine Tree theater, which is an annual school theater party given by Underwood each year.

For this reason extensive programs are not being prepared, and most of the schools are planning that each room will have its own Christmas songs and stories. Fremont school has planned the largest program and on Friday morning all the grades will gather in the auditorium. Each of the thirteen rooms will contribute a number not to be

Fresh Outbreak Of Gang War Is Feared In South

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 12. (UP)—Shinister underworld rumblings and the reported scarcity of "AVI" holiday liquors, tonight caused police to admit that they feared "gang war" troubles in Los Angeles for the first time in several years.

On a hospital cot near death lay Cleo "Slim" Bush, 32, of admitted gangland connections. The victim of a mystery bullet Friday night, laughs at the attempt of detectives to pump from him the name of his assailant, whom he says he recognized before he was sent "kicking."

Bush holds to the strict code of the gang. He does not want "John Law" to take a hand in running down his attackers. "Just let me alone," he told police. "I know the guy who shot me, and when I get out I'll make him wish he never saw a gun. If I don't get out—what's the difference?"

Chief of Detectives Herman Cline smells a brewing rum war between rival bands of bootleggers, known to be concentrating on the profitable, but precarious, task of stemming the Christmas thirst of Los Angeles and Hollywood residents. He connects the rum angle with the attempt on Bush's life.

The wounded man was "called out" of the Glycol Products company establishments to meet the fire of his enemy, whom he declares is one of a gang "after me for two years."

Infants Burned In Blazing Home

SAN PEDRO, Calif., Dec. 12. (UP)—Two baby brothers were burned to death and a third received probable fatal injuries in a fire which destroyed the home of Miguel Alvarez today.

The third child was given a chance for life by James O'Day, 14, next door neighbor, who crawled through a window of the Alvarez home and dragged the child from the flames.

Chinese Vessels Fire On Canton

HONGKONG, Dec. 12. (AP)—Persons arriving from Canton today stated that Chinese gunboats on the Canton river shelled the Hunn yesterday.

They declared that revolting communists had wrecked the police bureau, liberating prisoners who augmented looters and terrorists. The gates to the Shamen bridges leading to the foreign settlement were closed.

A pamphlet issued by the reds declares that the coup which gave control of the city to them was executed by communist laborers, peasants and soldiers whose object was to suppress all anti-red elements in the city. The reds claim they will make Canton a center of the communist movement in China.

60 REBELS KILLED
MEXICO CITY, Dec. 12. (UP)—Sixty rebels were killed in a battle between federal troops and insurgents, semi-official advices to the capital reported tonight. The dispatches said a regiment of federal troops and 400 rebels were engaged. There was no estimate of the federal casualties, but it was estimated the rebel dead might total 100. The rebels were defeated and fled in disorder. The engagement occurred at Nochitlan, state of Jalisco.

Grid Star Will Sue Film Man, Attacker

Fight Over Screen Actress May Cost Nigh \$250,000; Case Is Continued.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 12. (U.P.)—Edward Usher, former University of Michigan football star, tomorrow will file suit for \$250,000 damages against William Nigh, noted screen director, it was announced tonight.

The civil action, according to attorney S. S. Hahn, will state that the athlete suffered grievous injuries when he was maliciously assaulted by the motion picture man and associates.

Hahn's announcement followed closely on the continuance today until January 9 of the trial of Nigh and two asserted confederates on a charge of attacking Usher with intent to commit murder.

The trio are said to have beaten Usher unconscious on the night of November 27 in a row over Miss Jean Jarvis, stage and screen actress.

Firemen Injured As Costly Fire Destroys Plant

BERKELEY, Dec. 12. (UP)—Thirteen firemen were injured when fire destroyed the Bunting Iron Works at a loss of \$100,000.

An overheated furnace or crossed electrical wires were believed by fire officials to have started the blaze which Berkeley firemen battled for more than four hours.

Firemen directed their efforts to save surrounding buildings when it was seen that the fire in the Bunting plant, a one story frame building, could not be controlled.

All fire fighting apparatus in west Berkeley responded to the alarm, turned in by a watchman of the California Corrugated Iron Works, a nearby plant. Several hundred spectators volunteered their services.

Three of the 13 firemen were injured when a section of flooring gave way beneath them and dropped them to the basement.

KLAMATH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE HAS YEAR OF GREAT ACTIVITY

That the past year has been one of great activity and accomplishment for the Klamath county chamber of commerce is shown in the comprehensive survey of chamber business, recently read before the local Rotary club.

The past few months are shown in the report to be a testimonial to the successes in this work under the C. H. Underwood administration and constitute a tribute to the ability of Lynn Sablin, executive secretary of the chamber who leaves December 15 to take up similar work in Portland.

The report follows:
Introductory
As is customary with the Klamath County Chamber of Commerce at the beginning of the fiscal year, a program of work committee, consisting of five members is appointed. This committee obtains from the membership suggestions as to activities which the chamber of commerce should engage in for the coming 12 months.

Consideration is given for the program adopted the preceding year, and its activities that were designed to carry over for a period of more than one year are embodied in the new program. Every member present at this luncheon has received a copy of the program of work which was finally approved by the board of directors for the present year.

With the approval of the program of work, it is next necessary to finance the work of the chamber of commerce. The finance committee, during the past two or three years, have placed the chamber of commerce on a business or cash basis. In other words our membership contracts are continuous rather than being signed for a three year period, and in addition our development or service fund subscriptions are signed in the same manner.

In asking development fund subscriptions, concerns are asked to subscribe according to the amount of business done by that concern during the year, and in accordance with the benefits received through community growth and development. In financing the new program of work, the finance and budget committee endeavors to obtain new or additional service funds only from firms who are not at the present time subscribing or who are not paying their just share in the chamber of commerce work.

At the first of the year a budget is adopted and we make a particular effort to follow the budget very closely and in that manner keep the chamber of commerce from going into debt and assuming work for which no provision has been made. A successful chamber of commerce is

necessarily a business organization and must be run on a budgeted basis.

Work Departmentalized
During the past two years the work of the Klamath County Chamber of Commerce has been divided into departments. One director is assigned to each department and it is the purpose of the plan that the director shall not be the chairman of the various committees in his department, but that he supervise the organization of his particular committees and attend the meetings. The director is the go-between from the board of directors to the committee. It is his business to see that the chairman of his committees carry out the work which has been assigned to his particular department. The director assignments this year are as follows: E. B. Hall, Federal Building; J. C. Boyle, Re-Manufacturing and Wholesale Distribution; E. M. Bubb, Special Committees; A. M. Collier, Finance and Budget; Roy Durbin, Merchandising and Program of Work; Fred E. Fleet, Legislation; J. A. Gordon, Transportation and Rates; R. C. Groesbeck, Community Advertising; E. B. Hall, Civic Improvement; J. W. Kerns, Agriculture and Land Settlement; W. E. Lamm, Forestry; Bert C. Thomas, Forum Luncheons; C. H. Underwood, Membership.

A Great Impersonation



Ex-Movie Girl Sues H. Thaw For Balm

Former Cinema Extra Alleges Notorious Millionaire Promised Marriage.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 12. (U.P.)—Harry K. Thaw, the Pittsburgh millionaire, who shot and killed Stanford White, has been named defendant in a \$100,000 damage suit filed here by Miss Forest Hope Wall, former motion picture extra.

Miss Wall is to be remembered as the young woman who attempted but failed to gain entrance to Thaw's country estate near Winchester, Va., in 1926.

Miss Wall, in her complaint, charged that the wealthy easterner met, wooed and won her at Laguna Beach, near here, in 1925. She was 17 years old then.

Gave Her Ring
Subsequently, she stated, he placed an engagement ring on her finger, wrote to her often and even sent her money.

The letters, her attorney Ed Fitzpatrick said tonight, will prove conclusively that Thaw was in Laguna Beach in 1925.

Boy On Sled Is Hurt In Crash With Taxicab

While coasting down High street in front of his home early last night, Wesley Lorenz, the son of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Lorenz, collided with a car which was standing at the foot of the hill, receiving a broken collar bone and cuts and bruises.

The car, a taxicab, was parked on High street at the corner of Sixth, when Wesley, sliding swiftly down the hill either did not see the car or lost control of his sled, and ran into it. At last reports last night the boy was resting easily at his home.

Oddities in the Day's News

(United Press)

MOUNT VERNON, N. Y., Dec. 12. (UP)—Eight patrolmen of the Mount Vernon police department face trial this week for "insubordination" because they refused to patrol their beats on bicycles.

The patrolmen say riding bicycles through the winter snows wears out their long overcoats.

Seeking Crew of Buckled Vessel

SAULT STE. MARIE, Mich., Dec. 12. (AP)—After forty-three men had been rescued from two vessels wrecked in the Great Lakes coast guardmen today were seeking 22 members of the crew of the steamer Lambton that crashed on a shoal at Parvienne Island near here, and broke in two.

The bulk, buckled amidships, and completely sheeted with ice, was discovered yesterday about the time the tug General was bringing to Detroit the crew of the steamer Agawa who had been rescued from their vessel off Manitoulin Island.

Youngsters Save Five From River

HARRISON, Idaho, Dec. 12. (AP)—A youth and two high school girls waded into the icy waters of the Coeur d'Alene river near here yesterday, lifted an automobile that had crashed through the railing of a bridge and rescued five persons imprisoned beneath it.

As recounted today, Bernard York, clerk in a drug store here, and Jennie Maitland and Ruth Goodwin, high school students, effected the rescue while three other girls in York's car went to a nearby farm house for aid.

PARENTS ASK DAMAGES FOR CANAL DEATH

Seek \$7500 From City Over Drowning in Government Canal Last Fall

That Walter Ordway, father of Harry Ordway, youngster who was drowned when he fell into the government canal last fall, aims to fix responsibility for the death became apparent last night when the city council heard a letter in which Ordway demanded \$7,500 damages from the city of Klamath Falls.

The letter, from R. J. Kitchen, La Grande attorney, charged gross negligence in permitting a dangerous hole to go unrepaired in the canal bank. It was this hole into which the boy fell when he plunged into the waters of the canal last September.

The city, it is held, is not liable in this case inasmuch as the canal is government property. Kitchen is to be so notified. Whether he will sue the government for the amount is not known.

Certificates of Health For Food Workers Ordered

A health ordinance was passed to the second reading at the meeting of the city council last night making it necessary for all persons handling food to have a physical examination twice a year for a health certificate. The two examinations being required in order to find out if a disease has been contracted since the last examination.

It was recommended by the finance committee that the city purchase city improvement bonds to the extent of \$10,500, a step acted upon favorably by the council.

W. T. Lee, county assessor, suggested in behalf of the county that a man be employed permanently to audit the books of the city and county, and all the tax levying bodies of the county. He stated that he had been told the auditing of books is costing the county between four or five thousand dollars a year, and that he had definitely obtained figures amounting to \$2800 that had been paid out for auditing in 1927. He asked the council to consider this in case the matter should come up for a decision later.

The granting of the garbage franchise to one of the three applicants was deferred for one more week for further consideration.

Four building permits were granted by the council aggregating \$3,600. A permit was granted to Ambrogetti to operate the Royal hotel which he recently completed, at south Fifth street.

Redmond Man Is State Game Head

PORTLAND, Dec. 12. (UP)—M. A. Lynch of Redmond was elected chairman of the state game commission here Monday to succeed the late I. N. Fleishner of Portland.

The proposed survey of conditions governing fish life in the Rogue river to be made jointly by the state game and state fish commissions was discussed at length.

Door Knob Seals To Save Tempers

Those who are being annoyed by too frequent calls by school children selling Christmas seals are advised by Miss Augusta Parker, principal of Fremont school, to place a seal on the front door knob as a sign to the children that no more stickers are desired.

The children at Fremont will be instructed not to call if they see a seal in this position. The action is an outgrowth of complaints received at the school from housewives whose work is interrupted by children wishing to sell the seals.

Miss Parker pointed out that the seals are being sold by the pupils merely as an accommodation to the Society for the Prevention of Tuberculosis, and that the sale is not sponsored as a school activity.

PROHIBITION RULING
WASHINGTON, Dec. 12. (AP)—Deciding a test case, the supreme court held today that evidence obtained by New York state police cannot lawfully be used by the government in prosecuting under the prohibition enforcement act.

Militia Is Called To Break Up Parley

Oklahoma Governor Puts Legislators in Street to Ward Off Impeachment.

OKLAHOMA CITY, Dec. 12.—(U.P.)—Gov. Henry S. Johnston mobilized the state militia to break up one session of the legislature which threatened to impeach him today, but learned later that another attempt to throw him out of office would be made on Tuesday.

Two companies of state troopers met the lawmakers at the state house and turned them back before they could get into session to consider charges against Johnston's administration.

Meeting afterward in a downtown hotel, the "rebel" legislators agreed to assemble again Tuesday morning, at which time they will add a charge of "unwarranted interference with the legislature" to those which they already are prepared to prefer against the governor.

Favor Hotel
After giving up their attempt (Continued on page eight)

B. and P.W. Will Hold Bazaar In City Saturday

A bazaar will be held by the Business and Professional Women at the chamber of commerce rooms, Saturday, December 17. The bazaar will be open all day and until nine o'clock in the evening with Mrs. Leda Parker in charge. Anyone wishing to contribute articles is asked to call 214 or 302 or leave them at the chamber of commerce Saturday morning.

Numerous small articles will be on sale. Tea will be served from two until six o'clock and several tables of bridge will be in play. Anyone wishing to engage a table may call Mrs. May Havens or Miss Bernice Hector. A number of local matrons have consented to pour tea during the afternoon, and others will act as patronesses.

Decorations are in charge of Mrs. Wilma Bussard and Mrs. Florence Dreher, and the booths will be in charge of Mrs. Lena Dennis, Mrs. Betty Glover, and Miss Pearl Blehn.

Soldier Forgets Date, So Scrubs

Probably thinking he belonged to the "Tin Army", Private Alvin Bergman failed to attend drill last night when Battery "D" 249th Coast Artillery "fell in."

A detachment of guardsmen was detailed to locate him and he was found in a pool room, where he was immediately placed under "military arrest" and taken to the armory.

Every locker in the armory is now epic and span. The floor has been scrubbed and when the lights were turned out, Private Bergman was still trying to get the dirt and grease off his hands.

The private declares "he is in the army now."

Sleeping Beauty Finally Succumbs

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 12. (UP)—Funeral services will be held probably Tuesday for "the sleeping beauty of Fresno" who died here after nine months of baffling illness.

Mrs. Clara Drummond, the dead woman, was found unconscious in the kitchen of her Fresno home 37 weeks ago. She was pronounced suffering from morphia poisoning.

Although some of the best physicians on the coast were called on her case she did not regain consciousness until 105 days later. Some three weeks after she was removed here. Since that time she was conscious only occasionally.