

FRANCHISE IS REFUSED

City Council Turns Down Application of Government

MAY DELAY THE KENO CANAL

Vigorous Opposition Resulted in the City Council Deciding to Withhold Grant Asked For by the Reclamation Service

Long and weary was the regular and adjourned sessions of the city council, held Monday and Tuesday evenings of this week. The bone of contention and the cause of much discussion was the granting of the franchise to the Reclamation Service to construct the Keno canal on the west side of Link river. West Klamath Falls was out in force, and showed such good fighting qualities that they succeeded in forcing a postponement of action on the question until the Reclamation Service reaches some basis of agreement with the property owners affected.

At the meeting Monday evening bills aggregating \$129 were ordered paid, \$250 of which was in payment of the preparation of plans for the new sewer system and \$150 to Cartwright and Steiner for attending smallpox patients. This latter bill had been held up for several weeks for revision, but was finally ordered paid in original form.

The acquiring of a site for a new city hall was taken up and several propositions were advanced among which was one from E. W. Goswan of the property on the corner of 3rd and High streets and the Smith Corporation on the corner of 4th street and Klamath avenue. It was postponed until Tuesday evening, when, in the heat of the discussion over the Keno Canal, it was forgotten.

The proposition to repair 6th street from the terminus of the new county road to Main street was disposed of by ordering the street commissioner to make the necessary improvements, which will cost about \$750.

Tuesday evening the question of rent for the crusher, which has been in service in this county, was up for discussion, and the council agreed to accept the 500 loads of stone now on the ground in lieu of a monetary consideration. This stone will be used on 6th street.

A light was ordered placed at the corner of Prospect and Upham streets. In behalf of the property owners on the west side, Judge Baldwin and Mr. Mills appeared. The argument that caused the council to postpone action was advanced by Judge Baldwin, who contended that it was not right that the property owners should be placed on the defensive, which they would be if the council granted the franchise, as it would compel them to go into court to protect their rights. On the other hand, if the franchise was not granted, the government would have first to treat with those most vitally interested.

Mr. Mills contended that the council had no authority to grant the franchise. Mr. Murphy, on behalf of the government, stated that the service had no desire to injure anyone; that his only desire was to expedite the construction of the Keno Canal and that he was sure that a satisfactory agreement could be reached with the parties affected. "If, however," said Mr. Murphy, "we are compelled to remove every obstacle in the path of the granting of this franchise, then I am afraid the canal cannot be built next year."

This argument did not change the determination of the council, which decided to let the government act first.

THE BONANZA BANK

The stockholders of the Bank of Bonanza held a meeting last Saturday afternoon, when it was decided to incorporate at once. Among the stockholders are Frank Ira White, Alex Martin, Jr., Jacob Rueck, Roy Hamaker, W. C. Dalton, D. V. Dalton and H. L. Holgate. The capital stock will be \$25,000, and was over-subscribed. Temporary quarters have already been secured and the new institution will open for business as soon as practicable.

Edison's gold mould record photographs at Newsom & Underwood.

FAIR ASSOCIATION ELECT DIRECTORS

New Board for Ensuing Year is Chosen.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Klamath County Agricultural association was held in E. St. Geo. Bishop's store last Saturday evening, when the following board of Directors was chosen:

J. V. Houston, B. St. Geo. Bishop, Alex. Martin, L. Gerber, J. Frank Adams, George R. Horn and George T. Baldwin. Officers for the ensuing year were not elected, but this action will be taken this week.

The most pleasing incident of the meeting was the report of the financial condition of the association. For the first time in its history it is out of debt and faces the coming year with a handsome cash balance in the treasury.

An effort is to be made to increase the number of stockholders; only \$3000 of the \$5000 capital of the association has been sold. Next year it is proposed to replace anything heretofore attempted, and it is with this end in view that an active canvass for the disposition of stock will be made.

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

Monday morning found four new pupils: Miss Florence Foster, Miss Mary Short, George Stephenson and Alfred Phillips, enrolled as students of the high school. We extend them a hearty welcome.

The football game last Thursday resulted in a victory for the seniors and sophomores, the score standing six to four in their favor. A number of the boys complained of being sore physically, while some of the defeated players complained also of being sore mentally.

On Thursday evening the high school gave a reception in honor of the football players. Many amusing games were played, after which light refreshments were served. Despite the fact that some of our boys had gone through some very strenuous exercise that afternoon, everyone confessed to have spent a very enjoyable evening.

Monday morning Professor Faught delivered quite an interesting talk, demonstrating the fact that "Our lives are the sums of our yesterdays."

Tuesday morning Professor Swan read a selection from Holmes' Autocrat at the Breakfast table.

The Athletic association has decided to purchase basketball equipments, in anticipation of organizing a basketball team.

DANCE OF THE SEASON

The Houston opera house last Thursday evening was the scene of the gayest gathering of the season.

The spacious hall was crowded to its utmost as "Our Band Boys" were going to furnish the music for the dance.

The introductory "Babilage" by the Klamath Falls Military Band, under the directions of Ivan Daniel was well rendered and proved how fortunate the band is in having such a capable director. Mr. Daniels has received many compliments on the entire program which was a concert in itself, and showed careful training of the boys.

During the wee hours of the morning the music was furnished by the orchestra. Klamath Falls is proud of her band, as it is the best in Southern Oregon.

U. OF T. T.

A meeting of the Union of Transfer Teamsters is called for 7:30 p. m. sharp, Dec. 19 in the Court House.

J. B. Moore, President.

JUDGE BENSON IS MISQUOTED

A Portland Reporter talks for the Distinguished Jurist

Hon. H. L. Benson, Circuit Judge of this judicial district, was in Portland last week, and fell victim to the wiles of a Portland newspaper reporter, who proceeded to annihilate the whippingpost statue over the Judge's shoulder. The interview, was widely published and has aroused an immense amount of interest throughout the state.

The portion of the alleged interview that caused the furor was the statement, attributed to the Judge, that it was his belief that women ought to be thrashed—that is some women. Evidently the reporter did not know the Judge or he would not have drawn so strongly on his imagination.

When the article was called to the attention of Judge Benson, he wrote the following letter to the Telegram:

Portland, Nov. 27.—(To the Editor of the Telegram.)—It appears that in an evil moment I expressed my private opinions to a genial representative of the press with indiscreet frankness in regard to the cheerful reversion to the stone age, commonly known as the whipping post.

While I did not use the exact language credited to me in the interview in the Oregonian, doubtless the reporter expressed it better than I could have done. However, I am desirous that it should not go forth in the press that I ever said that women ought to be beaten by their husbands or anybody else. What I tried to say in that regard is that there are many female mental perverts whose affections can only be kept warm by brutality. I am of the opinion that if a man beats his wife twice she is entitled to sympathy, but if she still clings to the brute and receives a third assault she has deliberately chosen that sort of thing. A woman who could love a man and claim him for a husband after he has been publicly flogged for maltreating her is not the sort of a woman, nor does she belong to the class of wives whom you credit in yesterday's issue with being indignant over my condemnation of the whipping post.

The world during all the ages has been gradually growing toward the light and away from the darkness of the past. The whipping post belongs to the same category with the rack, the wheel and the branding iron. Let us not go backward.

HENRY L. BENSON.

AN ANNOUNCEMENT

TO THE EDITOR:—Mr. Frank Thompson has accepted the management of our realty department, and will make a trip through the country this month, in the interest of his work. He has arranged to visit the Willamette Valley, Portland and the Sound cities in February for the purpose of establishing agencies and exploiting the Klamath country. We enclose herewith his letter to the public.

After the first of January, Mr. Stebinger will have charge of our abstract and loan department. We expect, within a few weeks, to open an office in the new bank building at Merrill, under the charge of D. W. Holgate; and in February we will have an office in Bonanza, in the bank building, under the management of H. L. Holgate. D. V. Kaykendall will continue as president, and Roy Hamaker as manager of the Agency.

DECEMBER 4, 1906. KLAMATH COMMERCIAL AGENCY.

TO THE PUBLIC:—In assuming the position of realty manager of the Klamath Commercial Agency, I find listed for sale many desirable farms; and the price asked seems attractive. The properties owned by the Agency and by the Bonanza Improvement Company are quite extensive, and with the lands and town property of others, listed with the Agency, for sale, I hope to be able to do my share in filling up the Klamath Basin with actual settlers. My list includes town property of Klamath Falls, Merrill and Bonanza. I have a number of 80-acre tracts of excellent land, near market, which will be sold to actual residents on the land on five years time, with only ten per cent purchase price to be paid down. All under the government canal systems. The Klamath Commercial Agency has under way an extensive plan of advertising of which those who list their property with the Agency may take free advantage.

FRANK THOMPSON.

One of the causes for the remarkable growth of Newsom & Underwood is the fact that no expense or trouble has been spared to procure the finest stock in the state. The great prescription business they do is on account of their using only pure fresh drugs.

NEW CLUB IS ORGANIZED

Preliminary Steps Taken to Launch New Organization

A meeting was held last Tuesday evening in the court house for the purpose of effecting the preliminary organization of the new social club that is proposed in connection with the Chamber of Commerce. It was called to order by Col. M. G. Wilkins, H. I. Holgate stated the object of the meeting and suggested that committees be appointed to prepare a permanent organization for the club, and that the next meeting be held on a call from these joint committees.

On motion the following committees were appointed:

Membership—H. L. Holgate, B. St. Geo. Bishop and J. F. Croft.

Organization—E. M. Bubb, Thad Mc-Hatton and Leslie Rogers.

Furnishings—F. J. Bowne, J. Scott Taylor and F. E. Ankeny.

WAR MEETING

Chamber of Commerce Has Lively Time of It.

One of the hottest meetings of the Chamber of Commerce was held last evening in the court house, when the action of the committee appointed several weeks ago to prepare resolutions urging the government to adopt a hurry-up policy in the construction of the Klamath Project, was brought up for discussion. Severe criticism was indulged in on both sides and personalities were resorted to such an extent as to cause President Wilkins to pre-emptorily call the billigeers to order and inform them that individual difficulties must not be thrashed out in that manner. The matter was finally disposed of by a motion to lay it on the table until the next meeting, when it will come up for further consideration.

President Wilkins again called the attention of the members to the lack of interest manifested in the affairs of the Chamber, and stated the time was fast approaching when the meeting would have to adjourn sine die or receive more cordial support from the citizens. Committees have been appointed and never report, with the result that the affairs of the organization have become stagnant and its labors a farce.

U. OF T. T.

The teamsters of Klamath Falls had a social and business meeting Tuesday evening and brought to light many things that each was interested in, but didn't know the other fellow also cherished the same thoughts. After a preliminary discussion of general affairs they got down to business and organized a social and business club which will hereafter be known as the "Union of Transfer Teamsters." The organization was not so much in favor raising prices for their work, but to be in closer touch with each other and to establish an even schedule price.

The following officers were elected: James B. Moore, president; E. E. McCarthy, vice-president; J. W. DePuy, treasurer; D. E. Risedorf, secretary. Their next meeting will be held in the court house, December 19.

THE BALDWIN BLOCK

Judge Geo. T. Baldwin, of Klamath Falls, Ore., recently completed the erection of the Baldwin block, in that city at a cost of \$20,000, it being a modern four-story brick structure, said to be one of the handsomest and best appointed buildings in the interior of Oregon. Judge Baldwin expects to occupy the lower floor with his large stock of hardware, implements and kindred lines on which he has a large trade. The Klamath county is destined to a large increase in population and with the completion of the new railroads, now only a matter of a short time, a much larger trade may be looked for in all lines.—Vehicle Record.

When thinking of the things you must do when you come to town, just remember you have to drop in and pay your subscription to The Republican. Then remember that your wife would be delighted to receive a good magazine every month. When you have these jotted down in your memory, then don't forget that The Republican is offering special inducement to its subscribers and that you can get the magazine you want for nothing. Even though the honeymoon is past, your wife takes as much pleasure out of the fact that you still remember her as when you used to shower her with little remembrances. You can afford it now just as you did then—especially when it costs you nothing.

DECEMBER COURT TERM

Convened This Week With Hon. H. L. Benson Presiding

FEW CASES ON THE DOCKET

JESSE KIRK DEAD

The Noted Klamath Indian Succumbs to Typhoid

In the death of Rev. Jesse Kirk, which occurred at his home at Fort Klamath last Thursday evening, the curtain fell on the career of one of the most noted members of the Klamath tribe. Death was due to typhoid fever. He was a son of Kellogne, one of the chiefs who signed the treaty of 1854 and has ever been prominent in the councils of his people. Besides his family he leaves a half-brother, Joe Kirk, and two half-sisters, Mrs. Elvira Blow of this city, and Mrs. Alex Wilson of Williamson river.

Mr. Kirk was one of the first pupils of the Klamath Farming School, and seemed to grasp the great advantages accruing from higher education, for he threw himself into the work of gaining knowledge with energy. He was successful in his efforts and through this succeeded in gaining high station in the council of his people and held many positions of trust under the government. He was a member of and a licensed preacher in the Methodist Church.

The funeral services were held Sunday and internment was made in the Wilson cemetery.

UNIVERSITY BULLETIN

University of Oregon Bulletin, Volume 4, Number 1. State Systems of High School Control, by Henry Davidson Sheldon, head department of Education at the University, with a Statistical Study of Four-Year High Schools in Oregon, by George W. Hug.

The Bulletin traces the development of the high school through the institution known to the New England settlers as the "grammar school," better designated today as the "Latin school," with the rise of the "academy" during the revolutionary war as a protest against the classical formalism of the old "Latin school," to the formation of the first American high school in 1821 in Boston, and the rapid growth and development since.

Dr. Sheldon described the various problems which gave rise to state legislation in regard to high schools, and discusses the different policies adopted, with a view to the future policy of our State. One is struck by the lack of uniformity in the legislation of the different states. Only three or four states, New York, Wisconsin, Minnesota, and California, have dealt adequately with the subject. The Bulletin is valuable in showing the best that other states have done in the way of high school legislation. It is sent free on request to the Registrar of the University.

RECENT REALTY BUYS

Records of the county clerk's office show the realty market throughout the county to be in a healthy condition. A number of farms have been acquired by new-comers, and there have been several transfers recently of Klamath Falls and Merrill property. Bonanza continues to be the scene of the greatest activity, both as to farm and town property. Among the more recent sales of lots in Bowne Addition to Bonanza, are the following: Mrs. Frances Sigler, 5 lots in Block 53, and 5 in Block 68; Leslie Rogers, 5 lots in Block 48, and two in 67; John Kankrud, 2 lots in Block 49; J. D. Hamaker, 5 lots in Block 45; David Moses, 4 lots in Block 49; Mrs. L. Morrison, 10 lots in Block 75; Adolf F. Peterson, 2 lots in Block 49; Rose M. Trask, 4 lots in Block 47; A. C. Wood, 12 lots in Block 69.

S. B. Gardner and Dan Ryan of Fort Klamath arrived in the city Sunday and will serve as jurors during the present term of circuit court. They were accompanied by Mrs. A. Hoyt and Mrs. George Hoyt.

Daniel Gordon, Jr., arrived in the city Sunday from his home below Keno. He was accompanied by his daughter, Miss Fannie, and Mrs. Louise Cann who made proofs on their homesteads Monday.

The County is Remarkably Free From Crime and There is Practically Little Work For the Petit or Grand Jury

The December term of the circuit court convened in the court house Tuesday morning, Hon. H. L. Benson presiding, Prosecuting Attorney Moore and Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Keese representing the State and D. M. Richardson official reporter, vice F. M. Calkins, resigned.

Very few cases are on the docket and there will be but comparatively little work for the jury, the members of which will undoubtedly be excused in a short time. Owing to the enforced absence of Judge Benson for the city the court did not convene until Tuesday morning, when the jury was excused until Wednesday morning, and the rest of the day devoted to routine business and civil cases. In the afternoon the case of the Hot Springs Improvement company vs. Mrs. Eliza Marple came up on a motion to reopen by the plaintiff and further testimony was taken. The motion to dismiss was renewed by the defendant, but this was overruled by the court, and decision on the merits of the case will be rendered later.

The case of Mrs. Mary M. Clouton, vs. Wilbur White came up Wednesday morning upon the demurrer of the defendant. The court overruled the demurrer and the case will now be tried on its merits.

Wednesday morning A. W. Simmons, who was arrested on the charge of larceny from a dwelling pleaded guilty and was sentenced by the court to one year in the state penitentiary.

The following is a list of the jurors: For the December term of Circuit Court for Klamath county, Oregon, which convened Monday: B. S. Grigsby, Wm. Flackus, W. E. Griffith, John H. Hamilton, W. W. Finley, Edmund Elvy, Jr., Emile Egert, S. B. Gardner, R. C. Cantrill, J. F. Adams, J. W. Jory, W. D. Campbell, Geo. Brandon, Warren Kingdon, S. W. Kilgore, R. A. Alford, C. C. Low, W. P. Rhoads, Wm. Brannan, Frank H. Downing, Jasper Bennett, T. A. Balis, Robt. L. Goss, Edmund Elvy, Fred Janssen, D. W. Ryan, C. K. Brandenburg, J. H. Grizzle, H. H. Burnham, J. R. Horning.

CREAMERY FOR BONANZA

The plans for the starting of a creamery at Bonanza are nearing completion, and the indications are that before long it will be in actual operation. Two and one-half acres have been donated on which the building will be erected, and sufficient capital has been subscribed to indicate that the proposition will be favorably received by Bonanzaites and residents of Yonna and Poe Valleys.

BONANZA VOTES SCHOOL BONDS

At the election, held last week for the purpose of voting on the question of issuing bonds for the erection of a public school at Bonanza, it was decided by a vote of 30 to 1 to issue bonds to the amount of \$12,800. It is expected that the funds will be realized and work commenced on the structure early in the spring.

OFFICERS ELECTED

The following officers were elected at the last meeting of the A. O. U. W. held last Saturday.

John Yaden, M. W.; Frank Wilson, foreman; W. Lennox, overseer; Dr. William Martin, guide; J. W. Siemens, recorder; Alex. Martin, financier; George T. Baldwin, receiver; R. T. Baldwin, I. W.; W. O. Smith, O. W.; Roy Hamaker, P. M. W.