



### POSITIVE DENIAL OF CHARGE IS MADE

#### DID IT COME FROM MEN WITH HIGH IDEAS OF CITIZENSHIP?

Citizens Asked to Consider the Real Animos Lack of So Serious a Charge

In every community it is always to be found parasites whose business it seems to be to wreck the good name and character of individuals who have the courage to stand up for right as against wrong, and Klamath Falls is not without these pests. The latest addition to the family is the agency of a set of men who are seeking to retain the control over the people of the city and county that they have maintained for the past thirty years. They created this weapon of business and character assassination and so far it has been serving their purpose very well. Its latest move is to charge that the publishers of the Herald and the members of the county court have been bribed by the Klamath Development Company to work and secure the removal of the court house to the site offered.

The people of the county know the members of the county court. These gentlemen have lived among you for years. Their life has been a blameless one and it remained for a stranger, a man who had not been in the county thirty days, an individual hired by his masters to work out their scheme of destruction—it remained for this astute individual to find that the Klamath Development Company is a bribe giver, and the members of the county court are bribe takers. He also discovered the publishers of the Herald to be guilty of this same crime. It is hardly necessary to deny the charge. The owners of the Herald, during their residence here, have established a reputation for honor and decency that such agencies as that making the charge cannot destroy. The same is true of the members of the county court. There is not one iota of truth in it. There was no consideration, direct or implied; past, present or future. The position taken by the county court and this paper was taken simply because it was deemed for the best interests of the people of the city and county. That was, is and will be the only consideration.

Who is the inspiration of this charge of bribery and corruption? Who furnished the idea on which the attack was based? Was it one of the gentlemen who chances to pose as being among the leading citizens of Klamath Falls? Was it one of the Combine that has started out for this campaign of rule or ruin? Is this the characteristic of honest, honorable, high-minded citizenship? The Herald asks the people of the city and county to take it home to themselves and consider it from the standpoint of self, and then answer the question: Is this the work of men who are seeking the promotion of the interests of the people of the county, or is it the act of men who are determined to rule this city and county for their own benefit, even if in doing so they must trample into the dust the good name and character of every man in the county?

Jack Moore, the horse buyer, has returned from a trip of several days to Fort Klamath, where he succeeded in obtaining a fine bunch of horses.

Joseph W. Delaney is a recent arrival here. He will take the run in the railway mail service while Miles Gebhardt is on his vacation.

### FROM THE RINGSIDE

Among the crowd in front of the opera house Friday night were seen many familiar faces, and quite a few from out of town were visitors for the evening. "Where's the Dorris bunch?" someone asked, and was told that Kid McLellan, the pride and joy of the Dorrisions, had a small party booked to attend a meeting held at Redding, Cal., tonight between McLellan and another celebrity of the ring, known as Bonava, the invincible. Consequently the Dorris delegation had gone south. Looking around the hall, it was self-evident that the opera house has a larger seating capacity than it was taxed with last night. W. B. Hatfield, of Sisson, Cal., was introduced and acted as referee, to the unbounded satisfaction of all. A certain chair at the ringside looks lonesome when not occupied by a gentleman from Merrill, and of the same name, prefixed by Guy, who acted as master of ceremonies. Mr. Merrill introduced first Kiddo Gibbons, the Minneapolis Cyclone, and Kiddie Richards, the whirlwind of the country, in a ten round go of three minutes and one minute rest. The first round was good to watch, good action and good getaways. Richards tapped Gibbons on the nose for a successful flow of red liquid. In the second round Gibbons got exceedingly busy, forcing Richards to the ropes and making the audience sit up and take notice. Gibbons rested on the floor for the count of nine, being put there by Richards in the fourth round, but was up and doing on time. Gibbons has the close of the fifth round to thank for his appearance in the sixth, only to take the count, gracefully stretched upon the floor. Both boys displayed good, clean boxing, which met with the approval of the entire audience.

Guy Merrill then introduced the main contestants of the evening—Kid Morrissey, the undefeated champion of Klamath County, and Kid Davis of Oakland, the pride of the Harriman lines—in a twenty-round contest. The rounds started off fine, with good exhibition on the part of both boys, Morrissey forcing the fighting. Morrissey seemed to think from the start that he had a sure thing, and wore the smile that has proved on previous occasions to be so disastrous to others. Too much cannot be said of the pluck and action of Davis. He was outclassed from the start, not having the necessary weight, but he put up a splendid exhibition. In the fifth round Morrissey landed heavily on Davis, which told strongly. In the sixth round Davis went after Morrissey, forcing him to the ropes and landing on him from all directions; Morrissey appears very groggy and dazed, but, keeping his eyes on Davis all the time. From this it might be gathered that Morrissey intends at some future time to follow in the well-beaten path to the stage, after the glories of the ring are past. No man recuperates as did Morrissey in the length of time given him, to the condition in which he again appeared in the ring, if his condition, was genuine at the sounding of the gong. Shortly after his appearance in the ring he lifted Davis and gently spanked him. It was only audible to those close to the contestants to hear Davis in the midst of his grogginess call Kid Morrissey a "foxy son-of-a-gun." Davis showed fine display of claret from his lips in the eighth round, using Morrissey's back for a face towel. In the eleventh round Morrissey seemed to think things had gone far enough, putting Davis on the floor for a count of nine, but on rising, Davis was only able to hold his upright position for a few moments, as a light from Morrissey finished the contest.

### EVENTUALLY MEANS PACKING PLANT

#### WILL ENGAGE IN THE RETAIL MEAT BUSINESS

Driven Out of Business by the Beef Trust They Will Start Again Here

C. P. Farr, who arrived in the city Tuesday evening, have purchased from the Klamath Development Company property adjoining that to be occupied by the real estate office of the P. C. Lavey Company, whereon will be erected a building which will be occupied by the firm of C. P. and A. L. Farr. The purchase in itself carries but small significance of what it may hold in the future. Messrs. Farr own the largest retail butcher shop in Oregon city, where they do a business amounting to thousands of dollars a month. Times have changed in the meat business in the vicinity of Portland since the coming of the big packing establishments, and it has become necessary for such men as the Farris to bend their knee to the new order of things or go out of business. These gentlemen do not propose to do either. They have come to Klamath Falls and will open a modern market, equipped with all of the latest appliances.

While they have not announced their plans, it is not unlikely that their entrance may be the beginning of what will grow into a large packing establishment. This enterprise has often been discussed in this city and some steps were at one time taken looking toward the organization of a packing company for this city. It is a well known fact that if such an enterprise was started here that it would meet with unqualified success. Instead of shipping out the beef on the hoof it would go out to the markets of the Coast. The Farris have some such plan in mind and will eventually eventually reach that end. The start will be modest, the plant being increased in accordance with the demands of the market. It is something that will and should receive the hearty support of cattlemen and business interests of the city and county.

### MOTHER NEARLY BURNED TO DEATH IN SAVING HER BABY

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., April 15.—Mrs. Sandie McDougald, living at 24th and Church streets, was probably fatally burned today while rescuing her baby, whose clothes caught on fire from an overturning alcohol lamp. As she caught up the child her own clothes ignited. Her husband, hearing her screams, came to her assistance and beat out the flames, but not before nearly the whole of her body was burned. The baby was unhurt. She was taken to the hospital, where she asked continually if the baby were hurt. When she learned that he was not, she replied weakly: "I am glad. I would not have him suffer as I am suffering."

### PYTHIAN SISTERS ORGANIZE

On Saturday a large number of the ladies met at the A. O. U. W. hall and took the first steps towards the organization of a Temple of Pythian Sisters. Monday night the final organization will be made. The membership of the order is sufficiently large and of such character that the lodge starts off with bright prospects. Many of the members of the local K. P. lodge are on the charter list for the ladies' auxiliary and are giving their aid in getting the lodge under way.

## LEE'S MISSION HAS FAILED

THE OLD RELIABLE MAN DID NOT BRING HOME "THE GOODS"

### PEOPLE'S EYES HAVE BEEN OPENED

The Warning of the Herald Stirred Up a Hornet's Nest, but It Did the Business

Nothing that has occurred since the fight for the removal of the court house has stirred up such a hornet's nest as did the article in last Wednesday's Herald entitled "The Man on Horseback." It was supposed that Captain Lee was going to slip through unnoticed with his game, and when the Herald exposed it to the light of day the anger of the opposition knew no bounds. This paper was denominated by every epithet that could be handed up by the Combine's Fandy man. It was sought to make it appear that the article was a direct attack on the character of the Captain, and glittering generalities about the valor of the South and the Civil war were indulged in in a blind endeavor to get the public away from the main fact—that Captain Lee was working against the interests of the taxpayers in opposing the removal of the court house.

Now, no one on earth could say a word against Captain Lee. The hardest thing this paper has ever heard uttered against him is that he is one of the finest old gentlemen that ever put his feet in shoes. And the Herald quite agrees with those sentiments. But that does not prevent the Captain from making a mistake. He is human and being such he has made the one grave mistake of his public career. As assessor he should know every nook and cranny of the county; the joys and sorrows of the taxpayers; the difficulties they have in raising the money to pay their taxes; and what the \$90,000 they will save will mean to them. And for these reasons, and this knowledge, he should have been the last man in the county who could have been induced to take sides with the enemies of the people.

But the Herald touched the spark that exploded the nicely planned campaign, and all of the efforts of the Democratic Patriarch of Klamath County have been for naught. The people are beginning to see the unselfishness of the men making the offer of the free site; they see that its acceptance will not benefit them one cent, but cost them \$55,000; they see that the opposition are seeking to feather their own nests at the expense of the taxpayers; that it is another case of Keno canal. West Side school and a dozen other such steals, and they are going to look after their own interests for once.

### STATE CLEANING UP DAY

The following is a portion of a letter received by the Woman's Library Club of Klamath Falls from Mrs. Emma Galloway, chairman of the civic committee of the State Federation of Women's Clubs:

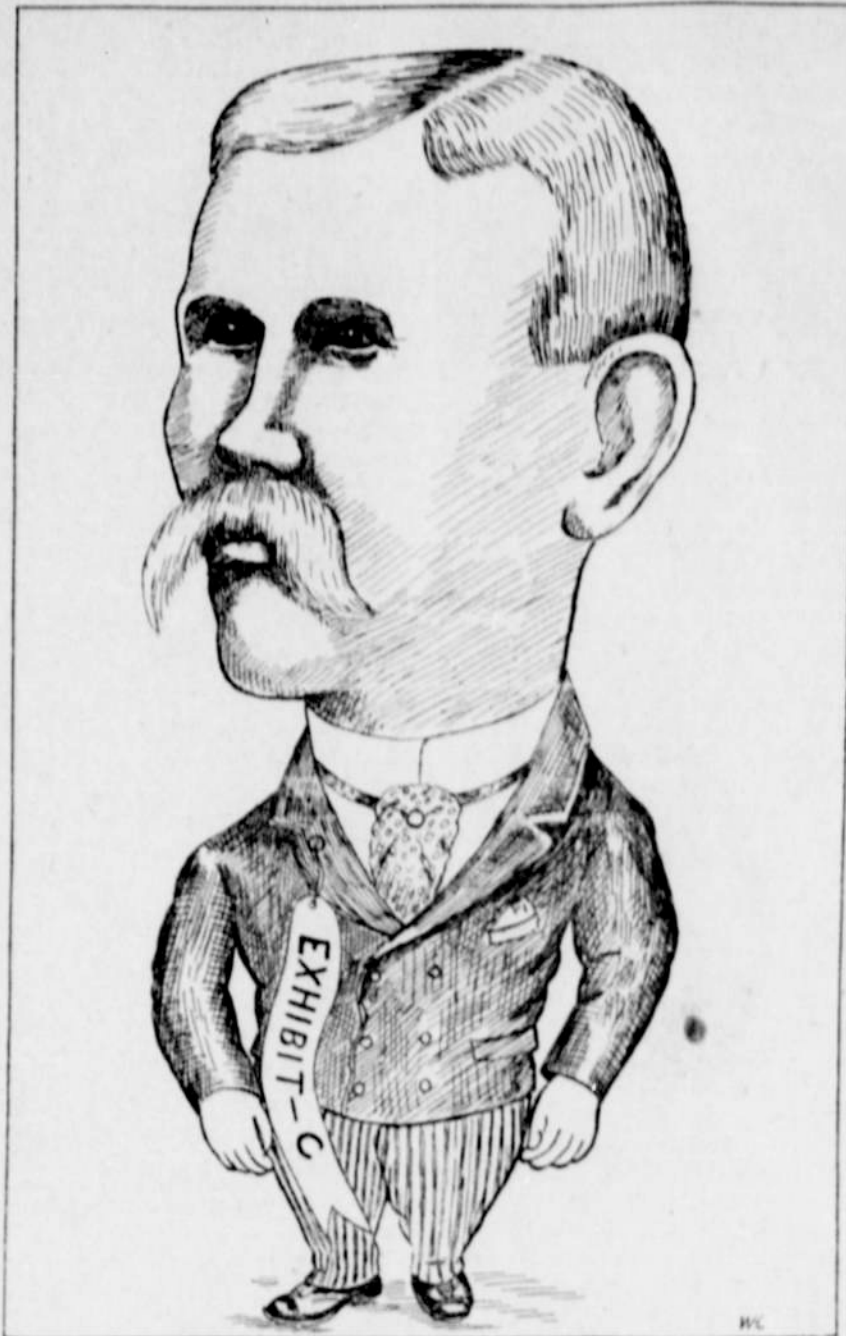
"Believing that there should be a general movement toward making the cities and towns of our State as clean as possible, the civic committee of the State Federation of Women's Clubs has designated the second Saturday in May as "State Cleaning Up Day," and earnestly ask the co-operation of the clubs in having it observed in their respective localities. As the best work is always accomplished by a unity of effort, please impress upon your members the importance of this movement and enlist the co-operation of the civic authorities, the commercial organizations, churches and schools. Each club or town should formulate its own plan of work, but the committee would suggest that the children, especially, be interested to help under the leadership of the teachers or other adult directors."

The Woman's Library Club has decided to present the matter to the different fraternal orders and schools of the city as well as the City Council and Chamber of Commerce, and ask their co-operation in the work of this one day. A committee has been appointed which will consult with committees from any or all of the above named bodies, if they are willing to assist in the matter.

Committee—Mrs. Elizabeth Roundsvell, Mrs. Emma L. Talbot, Mrs. Luella Minto.

### EARTHQUAKES DESTROY CENTRAL AMERICAN TOWNS

United Press Service. COLON, April 15.—Reports from the interior today say several towns were destroyed and the loss of life is believed to be heavy as the result of a series of earthquakes which have



shaken the whole of Central America. The quakes still continue, though they are not very violent. The damage is estimated at millions. Interior cities are all practically deserted. Thousands have left San Juan, Costa Rica, and are camping in the country. Liberia and Palada are reported to be badly damaged. Relief expeditions have been sent to the scene of the disaster. The quake center is located on the west coast of Central America.

### FARMER'S AERODROME DESTROYED BY CYCLONE

CHALON SUR LARNE, France, April 15.—Farnam's \$75,000 aerodrome, including a dozen aeroplanes and dirigible balloons, was destroyed here today by a cyclone. Three persons were killed and several injured. The loss is estimated at a quarter of a million dollars.

Part of the gang that has been working on the dredger returned Friday morning to Oakland. They are all good fellows and have many friends here and in Terminal City. Among those leaving were Jack Murphy, F. S. Eaton, P. J. Clark, C. E. German, E. H. Boyce, Ed Warner, J. E. Jones. Mr. German is known as the tall man and he fulfills the bill. The rest of the boys will probably leave in the morning.

### WILL PROBABLY SECURE THE HYDE JURY TODAY

United Press Service.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., April 15.—It is expected that the jury in the Dr. Hyde case will be secured today, and if this is accomplished the trial will start tomorrow.

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