

BONANZA HAS ANOTHER BIG FIRE LOSS

DISASTROUS BLAZE STARTED IN THE POSTOFFICE BUILDING

When Discovered, Postoffice Was in a Mass of Flames, and With No Fire-Fighting Equipment, Citizens Were Unable to Check Its Spreading to Other Structures. Only Insurance Carried Was On Hotel

BONANZA, Jan. 17.—How the fire early Friday morning started is a mystery that cannot be solved here. Nobody is able to account for the commencement of the conflagration which swept the business district, causing a loss of close to \$10,000.

The fire started in the postoffice. When it was discovered at 3 in the morning the building was a mass of flames. It quickly spread to the others, and the citizens, without fire apparatus, could not check it.

The losses total \$8,900. Of the buildings lost, the only one insured was the hotel, on which a policy for \$2,600 was in force.

The losses follow: Hotel, owned by Mrs. N. E. Posten, \$3,000; United States postoffice, loss \$1,000; Hugh Clifton, postoffice building and boxes, \$500; Bonanza Bulletin, plant, \$2,000; Bulletin building, owned by J. O. Hamaker, \$1,200; I. O. O. F. lodge, equipment, \$700; Hickman's barber shop, building, \$500.

The telephone exchange was destroyed, but communication with Klamath Falls is carried on by a telephone instrument just installed.

All the furniture of the Hickman barber shop was saved. J. O. Hamaker saved his desk, containing a new typewriter and some of his papers, and his library.

LEAGUE TO HOLD DINNER SATURDAY

In order to raise funds toward furnishing the women's rest room in the Chamber of Commerce, the Women's Civic League will give a dinner next Saturday afternoon from 5 to 8. The place will be announced later.

The rest room is an institution that is badly needed here. Its installation will mean a great convenience to the wives and daughters of farmers and other out-of-town people visiting here.

The Women's Civic League has been hard at work to secure this. In addition to the dinner the members are giving "dime teas" and the fund for the cause is growing nicely.

BASKETBALL TEAM TO GO AS FOR AS GRANTS PASS

All arrangements for the trip of the Klamath County high school basketball team have practically been concluded. Coach McCall will leave here on the morning of February 2, taking his aggregation of basketball artists to Yreka.

From there they go to Ashland, Medford, Central Point and Grants Pass.

Coach McCall has every confidence in the world that the Klamath County high school team will defeat every team they play on the tour.

The team will be composed of Noel and Hurn, forwards; McClure, center; Garrett and Boller, guards. Two subs will be taken along, but just who they will be has not yet been determined.

Efforts are now being made for a couple of games with the town team before the date of the tour, just to keep the boys in form.

These games, if played at all, will be played next week, as the high school players will be busy with examinations during the last week in this month.

LOCAL DEBATERS WIN THIS DISTRICT'S CHAMPIONSHIP

The debating team of the Klamath County high school defeated a team from the Ashland high school before an enthusiastic audience at Houston's opera house Friday night. The victory was a decisive one, the vote of the judges being unanimous for the local team.

The subject was, "Resolved, That the policy of California, as expressed in the anti-alien law, should be adopted in Oregon." The Ashland team, composed of Walter Carpenter, Billie Briggs and J. Withrow, argued for the affirmative, and Miss Fern Wood, Forrest Piel and William Hagelstein objected to the adoption of such a law in Oregon.

The local team, while on the unpopular side of the question, presented their arguments in team-work fashion, each speaker holding closely to the subject in hand. On the other hand, the Ashland team generated theories and deduced conclusions that, in some instances, were entirely foreign to the question.

The judges were Dr. Joseph Shafer of the University of Oregon, Sam Evans of the Northwestern and Judge Herbert S. Gale. Rev. E. C. Richards was master of ceremonies. In-

ducing the speakers and presiding over affairs.

A highly enjoyable musical program, put on by the high school students, preceded the debate. Miss Louise Benson sang "Eclogue," and sang it extremely well; so well, in fact, that she was forced to respond with "A Spray of Roses." Miss Faye Hogue accompanied her on the piano.

Johnny Houston and Antone Polivaka rendered a violin selection, with piano accompaniment by Miss Ruth Saucerman. Miss Elizabeth Houston pleased her audience by singing "My Destiny," and, in response to an insistent encore, sang "The Four-Leaf Clover." Miss Marjorie McClure added to her many laurels by a charming rendition of "A Heart That's Free," followed by "An Open Secret."

During the evening, yell leaders Paul Noel and "Stubby" Hale injected much enthusiasm into the gathering of students with their patriotic yells and high school songs.

ONE WOMAN IS MOTHER FOR NINETY YOUTHS

MINNEAPOLIS, Jan. 17.—Mother to 90 boys, and more wanted! That's what Mrs. Frank E. Crary of Minneapolis is. She's like the old lady who lived in a shoe, in Mother Goose, in the number of children she "mothers"—but Mrs. Crary DOES know what to do; and she's doing it so well that the real mothers of these 90 rollicking, happy youngsters have come to realize that when their sons grow to manhood they will have 90 as near perfect husbands as 90 women could wish for. Mrs. Crary is "house mother" to the boys of the Thomas Arnold public school.

Watching the boys on their way to school, with their lunch boxes under their sturdy arms, gave Mrs. Crary her idea. She thought how much tastier and more healthful a hot lunch would be for them. Then she formulated her plan and took it to the teachers and to members of the Board of Education. "Fine; the very thing; begin right away," was the comment of everyone she spoke to. Out of money the boys got through sale of their work at manual training classes they laid in a supply of provisions and Mrs. Crary cooked the lunches. Form that it was an easy and logical step to teaching the boys to do the cooking themselves. Now hot noon-day meals are cooked for the boys and the teachers. Sometimes the main article is a vegetable soup; sometimes it is a nourishing stew; always there is a dessert pudding to top off with, or baked apples.

Six boys, selected by themselves, are in charge of the cooking each week. They have come to be mighty proud of the culinary art, and there is quite a bit of friendly rivalry over the abilities of these cook-boys. The six who do the cooking also do the dish washing. Once a week the floor is scrubbed and the dish towels boiled. The boys take their regular turns doing this work. They have come to realize the value of a good housekeeper and they are putting their knowledge into practice in their homes, much to the delight of their mothers and sisters.

"Mothering has always been my specialty," said Mrs. Crary today. She has four boys of her own. "My 90 boys learned quickly, and they will remember what they have learned. Some of my boys were a little slack in table manners and cleanliness. Some of them preferred to sit down at table without 'cleaning up.' This is all changed now. There is as much rivalry in table manners and cleanliness now as there is over the abilities of each as a cook. They all call me 'mother,' and I try to live up to the name. Now that we have grown dear to each other, they come to me on Saturdays and after school is out. They give me their confidences and I advise them frequently. Many times, when difficulties arise, they make me their judge; sometimes it is hard to decide a case and settle it absolutely on its merits, but there has never been an appeal."

Of course there are times when the boys are not angels. On such occasions Mrs. Crary goes on the theory that "putting your arms around a boy and loving him does more good than a whipping." Next summer Mrs. Crary will teach the boys gardening. She is chairman of the Minneapolis Improvement League. The Board of Education is so pleased with "Mother Crary's" work with her 90 boys that they are considering supplying a new range and new kitchen utensils for her kitchen.

MUTS REGISTER IF YOU BALLOT

All voters of the city and county must re-register now for the ensuing two-year period. All registrations made before January 5 are now absolutely void, because of the recent decision of the Supreme court, declaring the 1913 election law invalid. Persons who have not registered before May 1 cannot vote at the primaries May 15. Register early and avoid the crowds of the last few days.

ATTEMPT TO GET THE DAIRY TRAIN

RAILROAD OFFICIALS WILL BE APPEALED TO

Telegrams Are to Be Sent to Agricultural College and the Southern Pacific Officials, Apprising Them of the Desire on the Part of Local Farmers for a Visit from the Demonstration Train

When Klamath County wants a thing the people set about getting it in a way that keeps it constantly in the minds of those who are concerned. The demonstration train, conducted by the Oregon Agricultural College, which will come as far south as Ashland, is wanted by local dairymen. They are trying to get it.

Petitions are now in circulation among the dairymen, the Klamath Water Users and the business men of the town. These ask that the train continue to Klamath Falls and make stops here.

In addition to the petitions, personal letters are going from here to those connected with the management of the train and also to railroad officials in California asking their aid. C. C. Chapman, secretary of the Oregon Development League, will also be asked to help.

Besides these, the following telegram will be sent to R. D. Hetzel of the College Extension Division and General Freight Agent Hindshaw of the Southern Pacific:

Klamath County Dairymen's Association, with the Klamath Chamber of Commerce and the business men of Klamath County request you to arrange the trip of the dairy demonstration train so as to make Klamath Falls its destination and other stops as you think best. They will arrange a large attendance.

A petition from the people will reach you in a few days.

POINCARÉ RETAINS HIS POPULARITY IN FRANCE

United Press Service

PARIS, Jan. 17.—Undoubtedly the most popular man in France is President Raymond Poincaré, who, today, one year ago, was elected by the Versailles Congress. Notwithstanding, it is an open secret that the president and his present cabinet are somewhat at odds.

When Poincaré was elected a year ago he was considered the people's candidate. Old school politicians, among whom were Georges Clemenceau, Emile Combes, Dubois of the Senate, Deschanel of the Chamber, Eugene Caillaux and Alexander Ribot, opposed him, it is said, because it was known that he would not consent to play a purely decorative part in the government. It is also stated that he would have been defeated had the rank and file in the Senate and Chamber dared oppose an avalanche of public opinion.

Poincaré's first cabinet was headed by Aristide Briand. It is known that the views of the two men are almost identical. The second cabinet headed by Louis Barthou, changed matters a little. The third and last, headed by Gaston Doumergue, it is claimed, is dominated by the politicians who oppose Poincaré, and, when Briand got up in the Chamber and criticized its policies, people remarked that it was almost as if the president himself was talking.

The president has little to do with naming his cabinet. Upon suggestions of Senate and House leaders he charges some one to form a cabinet which is directly responsible to the Chamber. In the words of certain Frenchmen who understand American slang, the Chamber "wish" almost any sort of cabinet on a president, in which case, if things are too bad, he can dissolve parliament or resign office.

REPORTER NABS FEDERAL LEADER

EL PASO, Jan. 16.—Luther Barnard, an El Paso newspaperman, today arrested General Salazaar, federal commander, aboard a train at Sanderson, Tex. Salazaar was unarmed and he accompanied the news-monger without resistance.

He is wanted for violating the neutrality law. General Orozco is wanted on a similar charge.

Reopen Mines

The Adin Argus prophesies renewed activity at the Hayden Hill Mines this season. Among other items that paper states that the old Juniper mine will be opened again. Several hundred thousand dollars worth of gold has been taken from this mine, but it has been idle during the last twenty years. The deepest workings in this mine are only about three hundred feet and it is believed that millions in the glittering ore lies below.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—The Comptroller of Currency today issued a call for statements of the condition of all national banks at the close of business January 13.

PLANS FOR PANAMA GOVERNMENT

GOETHALS WILL BE NAMED AS GOVERNOR

As the Builder of the Canal, Colonel Goethals, Insisted That He Should Name the Men to See to the Maintenance and Operation, While the Army and Navy Members of the Commission Demanded Same Right

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—Plans have been completed for the civil government of the Panama Canal Zone. Only the executive order of President Wilson is required to put it into effect.

It was learned today that this order is being prepared.

It is understood that this plan contemplates the naming of Colonel Goethals, builder of the canal, as governor, with plenary powers, and the designation of Colonel H. F. Hodges, Lieutenant Colonel William Sibert and Civil Engineers W. H. Rosseau and Richard Metcalf as a committee having charge under the Congressional enabling act, for the formal opening of the canal January 15, 1915.

The committee has no power connected with the government, or administration of the zone, and dies when the canal opens.

The outcome is a sweeping victory for Goethals. He has insisted from the outset that he, as builder of the canal, should select the men to operate it. The army and navy wanted equal privileges.

KIMONA SLEEVES ON MEN'S COATS

BALTIMORE, Mr., Jan. 16.—Overcoats to be worn by men next fall will nearly approach rivalry with women's garb. Garments will be made up of plaids and rough cloth, and the sleeves will be much on the order of the kimono. This was the decision reached here today by delegates to the convention of the National Association of Clothing Designers.

Men's outer clothing excepting overcoats will be of light weight textures and tight fitting, and cloths will be modest and, in color and design, what art critics call "low key."

ANTI-TRUST MESSAGE APPROVED BY CABINET

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—Protesting against the action in closing the Williamson and Sprague rivers to logging, Congressman Hawley has presented to Secretary Lane a mass of evidence regarding the conditions there showing what serious hardships closing the streams work. Figures received from the Klamath Chamber of Commerce show that mills with an output of 200,000 feet daily depend on logs along these streams, and that many contracts are held up on account of closing the rivers.

He says that a considerable amount of lands along the streams is privately owned, and if the settlers are forced to use the railway as suggested by Secretary Lane, they must pay a rate of \$1.50 as against 25 to 50 cents for water transportation.

The suggestion is made that an investigation may reveal an improper influence brought to bear in having the rivers closed.

NIAGARA FALLS BEFORE COURTS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—Hearings on the Niagara Falls power controversy are on here today before the house committee on foreign affairs.

The house is expected to pass the Cline bill, which gives the secretary of war powers over the hydro-electric companies on the American side of the falls. The measure would prevent the diversion of more than 15,000 cubic feet of water per second for power purposes, and would make the companies subject to state regulations on service and tolls.

SINGLE TAXERS HOLDING MEET

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—Single taxers gathered here today for a three days' conference. They planned to take steps to spread their theory of taxation throughout the country.

Among the prominent men present are Charles H. Ingersoll and Frederick C. Howe of New York, Lincoln Steffens, Daniel Keefer of Cincinnati, A. B. Du Pont of Cleveland, George A. Briggs of Elkhart, Ind., and Jackson H. Ralston of Washington.

HAWLEY PRESENTS FACTS REGARDING RIVER CLOSING

United Press Service
WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—President Wilson, at today's session of the cabinet, read in full his anti-trust legislation message, which he will soon deliver to Congress.

This was approved in full by the cabinet. It goes to the printer without delay.

The message suggests no specific

ills, but presents to the members of Congress the exact situation. It urges the necessity of making whatever legislation is enacted in the clearest, strongest and most unmistakable language.

The message will be read to Congress next week by the President.

CREW ABANDONS BURNING VESSEL

NEW YORK, Jan. 16.—Captain Dow, commanding the Lusitania, today wired the Cunard office that he rescued the captain and crew of the Canadian schooner Mayflower this morning.

The men were in an open boat, 400 miles off Nova Scotia. They say they abandoned the vessel after it caught fire and was beyond saving.

MURDERER TRYING TO IMITATE DIETZ

SUMMERDALE, Jan. 16.—Late today Beardsley agreed to surrender to the authorities if his brother James would be allowed to take charge of his nine children.

He promised he would kill a dozen if there was any trickery.

SUMMERDALE, Ky., Jan. 16.—

Edward Beardsley, the local farmer who yesterday killed Poormaster John Putman when he came to take the Beardsley children to the poor house, is still resisting arrest.

Beardsley immediately afterward retreated to the house, where he is surrounded by his wife and nine children. A cordon of officers is endeavoring to capture him, but he is armed.

The authorities fear to shoot lest they injure the woman or child. Hundreds of sightseers from Mayville visited the scene this afternoon. As they passed the house they heard the children begging for food.

The sheriff fears that Beardsley may become desperate and exterminate his family and himself, rather than surrender.

CONGREGATIONALISTS WANT MORE MEMBERS

CHICAGO, Jan. 16.—Representatives of all the national societies of the Congregationalist Church of America gathered here today from all sections of the United States to attend tomorrow's opening of the four days' conference.

Matters relating to a campaign for greater membership in the various societies and propaganda to be sent out to all cities of the United States to obtain these results will be the principal subjects for discussion.

MEN'S BANQUET DRAWS INTEREST

According to those in charge of the Father-Son Banquet there will be a large attendance at this affair, which is to be given at Grace M. E. Church Monday night.

Invitations, sent out a few days ago, bade the recipients answer if they would attend, and bring their son, or someone else's son, over twelve years of age. The replies in the affirmative are now pouring in.

The banquet will commence at 8 o'clock, and George J. Walton will be toastmaster. The program follows:

Welcome.....Edmund M. Chilcote
"The Church as an Asset to the City".....J. W. Bryant
"The Business Man's Church".....Wm. H. Shaw
"The Young Man and the Church".....J. G. Camp
"The Progressive Sunday School".....F. M. Upp
"The Bible Class".....C. E. Widdoes
"The Mission of the League".....John C. Yaden
"The Outlook".....E. C. Richards

BASEBALL TALK IS GOING ROUND

The question now perplexing the "Hot Stove League" of this city is "what arrangements have been made for the baseball grounds for this season?" Everyone is sure that Klamath Falls will have a pennant-winning team in the field, but no one seems to know just what kind of a deal can be made with the Big Basin Lumber Company for the use of the grounds.

Last season proved the utility of trying to arrange games with outside teams without having a definite understanding about the rent of the grounds. If an agreement can be reached whereby the baseball team can lease the grounds for the season for a reasonable amount they can figure on bringing in a number of outside teams.

They can also expect a source of revenue from subleasing the grounds to the different teams of the city Twilight League.

Mr. and Mrs. Levi McDonald, Geo. Sparrenton and Mrs. Parker, all well known residents of Bonanza, are here on business.

STORM TOUCHES KLAMATH LIGHTLY

STORM SAID TO HAVE CAUSED CONSIDERABLE DAMAGE IN CALIFORNIA

In the Vicinity of Weed and Through the Siskiyou, Trees and Telegraph Poles Go Down Before the Force of the Gale. No Damage Is Felt in Klamath County, According to Reports from Outside.

Klamath County is today in a state of isolation, so far as communication with the outside world is concerned, with the exception of telegraph service as far as Dorris and an irregular telephone service between here and Ashland.

Beyond those two places, communication is impossible, owing to the effects of a storm, which swept Southern Oregon and Northern California late last night and early this morning. Advances received indicate that the storm was severe over there, in many places, trees and telegraph poles being displaced.

As far south as Dunsmuir, according to meager details obtained over the faulty wires, the storm raged. It was most severe through the Siskiyou and in the vicinity of Weed. It is not known whether the train service will be affected.

The storm swept Klamath Basin early this morning, but aside from a high wind it amounted to nothing and no damage was done. The fall of snow was heavy, but with the sun shining this afternoon it is rapidly melting.

BONANZA SUFFERS FROM FOURTH CONFLAGRATION

In the town of Bonanza perpetually hoodooed by the fire demon?

For the second time in six months and the fourth time in four years the Clover Leaf City was devastated Friday morning, when fire discovered at 3 o'clock swept out a big portion of the remaining business district.

The losses this morning follow: Bonanza Bulletin Office, I. O. O. F. Hall, Hickman's Barber Shop, Postoffice, Clover Leaf Hotel, Telephone Exchange.

Mr. Hamaker was one of the heaviest losers. All that was saved of his effects from his office in the Bulletin shop, or the postoffice, was his desk.

The buildings were all frame structures. The loss is estimated roughly at \$10,000.

This is the second fire to sweep Bonanza in the last six months. In August the Harbold Hotel, barber shop, a hardware store, drug store, general store and confectionery were destroyed.

In May, 1910, two hotels, two general stores, the postoffice, a butcher shop, barber shop, a saloon and warehouse were destroyed.

On all of these occasions the origins of the fire have been a mystery. When the first fire swept the village many were away and this was the case in Friday's fire, scores from Bonanza being in town to testify before the grand jury.

Why Is a Hobo?

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 16.—Lack of family ties and relations is blamed by most wanderers for their misfortunes, according to statistics compiled by Superintendent George N. Arebdes of the Municipal Lodging House and made public today. Superintendent Arebdes says eighty per cent of the homeless men given shelter at the Old Four Cent Courts building since its opening this year told him they had no blood ties to keep them anchored.

Cleaner Advertising

All persons advertising to cure sexual diseases are to be given ten days in which to clean up such advertisements. The last session of the legislature passed a stringent law against all such advertising, making a penalty of from \$100 to \$1,000 and from six months to one year in jail for such advertising.

District Attorney Kelly started out to enforce this law Saturday morning by giving the proprietors of drug stores in Medford ten days in which to clean up this sort of advertising.—Ashland Record.

Honor Boy Champ

BOSTON, Jan. 16.—The victory of Francis Outmet in capturing the American open golf championship in a tournament in Brookline in which England's best golfers played, will be celebrated by the Massachusetts Golf Association at its annual meeting and dinner tonight.

Sezzi, "Ain't It the Truth?"

During this stormy weather, without mails and the town as dull as one of Cleveland's messages on civil service reform, it keeps a fellow pretty busy filling 30 columns of reading matter. If you don't believe it, just try a few, as the boys say.—Alturas Plaindealer.